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FIVE CENTS

THE CITY OF VALPARAISO, BADLY DAMAGED BY EARTHQUAKE, ON FIRE

(who established steam navigation on

Chilean coast), Admiral Prat, and

Thomas Cochrane, organizer of the

Chilean navy. The city has various

academies, collegiate institutions, a

naval school, school for marines, mps-

eum of natural history, hydrographic bureau, etc, and its industrial estab-

lishments comprise founderies, rail-

roads and machine shops, sugar factories of all kinds. Elevators connect

the lower parts of the city with the

The port of Valparaiso is the termi-

Magellan, and Panama, and is the cen-

ter of the South American coasting

service. It contains a numerous for-

eign colony, composed chiefly of Brit-

ish, German and French merchants.

There is custom house wharf, along-

side of which steamers of ordinary

loading is done by lighters from a

quay surrounding the town. The

harbor is defended by modern, well

mounted batteries. Severe storms and

a tidal wave at Valparaiso June 30

1899, wrecked the railroad and did

NO MEANS OF COMMUNICATION

this evening publish telegrams from

Mendosa (which is an entreport for the

trade between Buenos Ayres and Chile,

with which it communicated by the

mountain passes of Ushulata and Por-

in the Los Andes district were de-

stroyed by the earthquake, and that

there has been a large number of cas-

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ment covering from 18 to 40 seconds

of time. The earthquake lasted for

several hours, and finally ceased at

about midnight. The most violent

shick occurred at seven hours, forty

OFFICE AT VALPARAISO CLOSED.

New York August 17.-At 11: 30

o'clock tonight the Central Cable of-

DIED AT THE HOSPITAL

Mrs. H. L. Struthers, of Grists, Passed

Thursday night when she took a sud-

husband and two daughters, Mrs. Tal-

bert Babble, of Philadelphia, and

Miss Florence Struthers. Mr. Struth-

Miss Lillian Cooke, of Philadelphia.

Unique Advertisement.

a unique advertisement in the way

of a small tape line. It is encased in

an attractive Celluloid cover on one

but reached the city last night.

Away Last Night-Remains Will be

two minutes, 26 seconds p. m.

7 o'clock tomorrow morning."

Carried to Grists Today.

her when the end came.

learn of her death.

gard to the funeral.

No reason is given for this.

aster are afloat.

dian time.

great damage to the city.

villa section on the heights.

Situation as Serious as That are those to Columbus, Wheelwright, (who established steam pavigation on at San Francisco.

DIFFIGULT TO GET

Many Persons are Reported Killed and Injured.

Practically Every Building in the City Damaged and Fires Now Raging in Different Parts of the City-Business Has Been Totally Suspended-The Los Andes District Greatly Suffered From the Shock and a Large Number of Casualties Reported-Impossible to Obtain Accurate Details of the Amount of Damage-Fear Expressed that the Town of Los Andes Has Been Destroyed.

Except for a few private messages received early today reporting an earthquake in Chile, and damage to buildings in Valparaiso, no direct news from Chile has as yet been received. The early reports, coming from different points, stated that the earthquake had resulted in great loss of life and widespread damage to property. Up to 11 o'clock tonight however, there had been nothing to confirm these reports.

The Associated Press correspondent at Buenos Ayres cables that it is feared the town of Los Andes, in the provinces of Aconcaga, has been destroyed. At the same time he points out that Buenos Ayres has no direct communication with the disturbed districts.

No official information has reached Washington frim Chile, while posiofficials of cable companies having connection in South America tonight express the opinion that the first reports but they express the fear that the as soon as possible detailed informaof the earthquake were exaggerated.

All cables reaching New York from Chile and Valparaiso early tonight were evidently much delayed according to the statements of these officials, who ! are themselves unable to get any information bearing on the situation other than the fact that an earthquake has occurred; that the disturbance has disarranged the telegraph apparatus and interferred with communication.

New York, August 17.-The city of Valparaiso, Chile, is reported badly damaged by earthquake. One report here is that the situation at Valparaiso may prove to be as serious as that in San Francisco. Practically every building in the city is damaged, and there are fires in different parts of the city. Many persons are reported killed and injured. The earthquake has interrupted cable facilities to lower South American points, and communication is restricted to the route via Lisbon. Another report at Lisbon is that the loss of life has not been confirmed.

A private cable dispatch to W. R. Grace & Co., from Valparaiso, received via Lima, Peru, says that the earthquake in Valparaiso was severe, and that business in the city has been 10tally suspended. The dispatch further stated that Grace & Co's buildings in Valparaiso were badly damaged, but that none of the occupants were in-

Valparaiso is a fortified seaport town of Chile, and the most important commercial town of the western coast of South America. It has a populais situated on a large bay in the Pacific ocean, 75 miles northwest of Santiago, with which it is connected by

The Bay of Valparaiso, which is well | ter, Miss Florence Struthers, was with sheltered on three sides, is bounded by ranges of hills rising from 1,600 to 1,700 feet high, on the slopes of which a considerable portion of the city of Valparaiso is built. On the outh side of the bay are the spacious suburbs of Nuevo Malecon, and Gran Avenida from which pass out the finest of the thoroughfares of Valparaiso, the Avenida de Las Delicias. The lower central section of the city is constituted by the Almendral, having regular and attractive streets, and containing the principal business streets, parks, etc.

To the northwest of this section is the quarter of the city known as the Pueroto (or port) in which are situated the greater number of the public buildings and the vast warehouses which line the guays and docks. In this portion of the city, however, narrow and crooked streets are still a feature, but the newer sections of Valparaiso have an attractive, modern appearance, the buildings in the business

quarters being massively built. Among the monuments in Valparaiso

FORT BROWN STILL UNDER SEIGE 50 ENTOMBED ALIVE

Citizens Guard Keeping the Kegro Soldiers Within Barracks.

BROWNSVILLE IS NOW QUIET

Movement in Austin to Organize an Armed Force to Go to Brownsville and Assist in Keeping the Negroes Within Barracks-President Roosevelt Considering Request That the Negro Troops be Replaced by

Houston, Tex., August 17 .- A special from Brownsville, says the citizens guard is still stationed between Fort nus of important lines of steamers for Europe, by way of the Straights of Brown and the city of Brownsville, keeping the negro soldiers within barracks. Aside from the feeling of animosity the town is quiet.

The citizens have been informed that Gen. McCaskey, commander of the department of Texas, will take immeditonnage can moor, but most of the ate steps to relieve the situation.

Advices from Austin are that considerable excitement prevails there, and a movement is talked of to organize an armed force of citizens to go to Brownsville to assist in keeping the negro troops within the garrison. Governor Lanaham is still out of the city. Adjutant General Penslan said he considered it very unwise to send Impossible to Obtain Details of the Destruction in Chili-Many Rumors state troops to Brownsville. The troops are considerably wrought up over what they consider an outrage, and it is be-Buenes Ayres, August 17-The papers lieved if they were sent there they could not be controlled.

Oyster Bay. L. I., August 17 .- The message from a committee of citizens in Brownsville, Texas, requesting that the negro troops who committed an tillo) to the effect that many houses outrage there last Monday night, be replaced by white soldiers, was received by President Roosevelt today. The president at once referred the dispatch to the war department, with a ualities. The interruption of all means request that an immediate report upon of communication with Chile causes much anxiety. Many rumors of dis- the matter be made to him. No action upon the committee's request will be In the absence of telegraphic com- taken by the president pending remunication beyond Puente Del Inca, ceipt of the report from the war department.

it has been impossible up to this hour to obtain accurate details of the de-Washington, August 17.-In response struction by the earthquake in Chile. The managers of the telegraph com- to President Roosevelt's request for panies here state that nothing is com- information concerning the situation ing through. London and New York at Brownsville, Texas, Acting Secretary are eagerly seeking for news from the Ainsworth has forwarded the report affected district. Officials of the Paci- received from Major Penrose, and also itive information is lacking, New York fic Railway say that it is their belief informed the president that the comthat the damage at Valparaiso is not manding general of the department covered. The tunnel is being driven nearly so serious as has been stated, of Texas has been requested to furnish town of Los Andes has been destroyed. tion of the investigation being made by the military authorities. It is not SHOCK RECORDED IN WASHING- believed at the department that there men are a considerable distance from Washington, August 17 .- A heavy, citizens and the soldiers, and the hope distinct shock was recorded on the is expressed that the excitement which seismographs at the weather bureau prevailed will subside when it is here yesterday afternoon, beginning at known that the government intends | 000. five minutes and twenty two seconds to ascertain all the facts, and will past seven p. m. seventh fifth merepunish any of the soldiers implicated in the matter. It is stated that troop The earth tremors at Washington will not be allowed outside of the post were of comparatively slow and delibfor the present, and that strict diserate motion, each complete movecipline will be maintained.

IN THE MAYOR'S COURT

Bad Negro Gets Thirty Days on the County Roads-Was Disorderly and Also Assaulted a Street Car Con-

Mayor pro-tem O'Brien had one defice of the Western Union Telegraph fendant before him yesterday who is Company received a message stating pretty tough character. The offender "The Valparaiso office is closed until in question was George Brown, a negro who assaulted a street car conductor on Thursday night and also came very near escaping after he had been pu

under arrest. Brown got on a Princess street car and got as far as Fifth street when the conductor asked him for his tare Mrs. Lillian C. Struthers, wife of He refused to pay and the conductor Mr. H. L. Struthers, of Grists, passed said he would have to get off the car. Before he could have the car stopaway last night at 7:30 at the James ped the negro sprang to the street and Walker Memorial hospital where she was thrown to the ground. The con-! tion of about 150,000. It is the capital was carried two weeks ago last night ductor quickly got off to see if the man of the province of the same name, and to have an operation performed. It was hurt and about the time re reached his side the negro got up and struck was thought she was improving until the conductor a severe blow in the face. Mr. L. M. Austin was conductor den turn for the worse. Her daughon the car and he began to maul the negro and in a jiffy the moterman, Mr. O. K. Newton, was at his side help-The deceased is survived by her ing him. Alderman E. F. Johnson was passing by and being a justice of the peace placed the negro under arrest and accompanied by the motorman and conductor started to the city hall with ers was not here when his wife died the man. When at Fourth and Princess streets the negro broke away and Before marriage the deceased was started up Fourth in the direction of Chestnut. All three men started in She had many friends in this city and pursuit and several citizens who were it will be with deep regret that they passing along the street joined in the chase. When the negro got in front The remains will be sent to Grists of Mr. Hamme's he started to jump the today for interment but no arrange- fence and as he did so the two street ments have as yet been made in re- car men grabbed him. From there to

> the city hall they kept a very tight grip on him. He was given thirty days on the Architect H. E. Bonitz has got out roads, fifteen for disorderly conduct

and fifteen for assault. Another offender in the mayor's court was Bertha Nelson, a white woman who was charged with being drunk. side of which is a picture of Lumina and the other the handsome Voller's She was sentenced to fifteen days at the home on Market street, plans for county workhouse. This wom in spends both of which were drawn by Mr. a considerable portion of her time at Bonitz. Both pictures are excellent. I the county farm.

Not Known Whether the Men

are Yet Dead.

Cave-in Occurs in the Clinch Mountain Tunnel.

Large Force of Men are Working in an Effort to Reach the Unfortunates-It is Not Known Who is Responsible for the Disaster-The Tunnel Has Already Been Extended About 700 Feet and the Men are a Considerable Distance From the Entrance.

Bristol, Va., August 17.-Fifty men are entombed alive in the Clinch Mountain Tunnel at Clinch, as a result of a cave-in, which occurred this

It is not known whether the men are dead or alive, but the work of rescue is being rushed as fast as possible. There is being pumped in the tunnel air by several pumps, for a distance of 700 feet, and a large force of men are working in an effort to rescue the unfortunate before they perish if they are not already dead.

Th cave-in occurred unexpectedly and it is not known who is responsible.

The men entombed are chiefly residents of Southwest Virginia, and the excitement is intense.

Women are screaming and wringing their hands and crying hysterically for loved ones.

The work of rescue will continue as rapidly as possible, thought it can not be stated with any degree of certainly how long it will take to reach the men. No bodies have as yet been rethrough Clinch Mountain, and is to be one mile in length. It has already been extended about 700 feet and the will be any further clash between the the entrance. The contract for the tunnel was let some months ago by the South Western railroad at \$2,200,-

BASEBALL THIS AFTERNOON

Ends Series of Twelve Games-Rattlers are Now in the Lead and Y. M. C. A. Second-Three Ties Have to be Played Off.

This afternoon will take place the last of series of games of baseball to be played by the teams composing the local league but three games not scheduled to take place will have to be played for the Rattlers have tied all of the other teams. So in one sense of the word this will be the last of the series of games and in another it will not. When the teams started out it was to play twelve games each. Although the weather during the greater part of the summer has been very rainy, there has not been a Saturday afternoon when the games had to be cancelled. Large crowds have been out nearly every Saturday afternoon to witness the games and the teams have put up such games that aranged this was taken into consider- ment in full of all depositors.

At the present time the Rattlers have a percentage of 750; Y. M. C. A. 700: Giants 600 and Monarchs 000. Two members of the Monarchs team are out of town, Messrs, A. N. McKoy and Victor Grainger, both being at Lake Waccamaw, but they have been telegraphed for and are expected to be in the game this afternoon. Line-up of the teams will be as fol-

Giants-Lacy, L., catch; Banks, pitch: Thees, 1b; Brinkley, 2b; Gore 3b; Seifert, s. s.; Davis, l. f.; W. Lacy, c. f.: Hall, r. f. 3b; Smith, s. s.; Hines, l. f.; Wood, r. f.: Poison, c. f. Rattlers-Jewell, catch; Sallings,

pitch; Bulluck, 1b; Croom, 2b; Wilkinson, 3b; Taylor, s. s.; Brittain, l. f.; Keene, r. f.; Alderman, c. f. Y. M. C. A .- Houston, catch; Pope, pitch; Rhodes, 1b; King, U., 2b; King, I., 3b; Belden, s. s.; Bergen, l. f.; Gerken, c. f.; Irving, r. f.

Now a Boston scientist has discovered seventeen varieties of germs on a ten dollar bill. Boil your ten dollar bills.-Washington Post.

Negroes of Greenwood County

Issue an Address.

SATISFIED WITH THE RESULT

They Say the Country is Rid of One of the Meanest, Most Disrespectable Characters Imaginable-Governor Heyward Has Instructed the Solicitor to Take Steps to Prosecute the Known Members of the Mob.

Columbia, S. C., August 17.-Governor Heyward returned this afternoon from the scene of the lynching of the negro, Bob Davis, near Greenwood last evening. When asked for a statement concerning the lynching the governor said he had nothing to say further than that at a conference he had instructed the solicitor to take immediate steps to prosecute known members of the mob.

A negro school teacher of the neighborhood has written a card to the newspapers endorsing the lynching of Davis.

The negro citizens of Greenwood county today issued the following address in regard to the lynching of Bob Davis:

"We, the negroes of this county, wish to say that we are with you, and in anything serious as this you gave assistance in what you think best. We cannot afford, as a race, to uphold anything that tends to lower our Christian or moral standing, and the quicker we show that we are ready who had sold the stock short suffered to help trace the rascal to his den, the quicker will we have the sympathy of the white man when we are intruded upon. Some weak minded colored persons may say that negroes should not have assisted the white men in their search, but we say to them 'you are simply needing common sense." If there is anything lacking on the part of the negro race, it is that of self respect and we say that if he can not respect himself, teach him and do not be partial how and in what manner the lesson be given. Now until the leaders of the race established the fact that we should join in and overtake any rascal we are not in full discharge of our duty. Then let us as a race learn to respect ourselves and

thereby get the respect of others. "We think we voice the sentiment of every respectable negro in the country when we say the country is rid of one of the meanest, most disrespectable characters imaginable, and your thoughts are ours. It is unreasonable to expect the white men to respect us when we do not respect ourselves. The only thing wanted was the right man and that is what we had and we are satisfied.

(Signed) COLORED CITIZENS GREENWOOD

COUNTY. CLOSING OF CHELSEA BANK

Due to Excessive Indebtedness, Estimated at From \$300,000 to \$500,000 on the Part of its President, Sylves-

ter Heneckley. Chelsea, Mass. August 17.-Following the official information given by Bank Examiner Ewer to the comptroller of the currency at Washington, that the failure of the First National Bank of Chelsea, the doors of which were closed last night was due to excessive loans made to officers and directors of the bank, it became understood today that the principal factor in the suspension of the bank was a large indebtedness on the part of its president, Slavester B. Henckley. This indebtedness is unofficially estimated at from \$300,000 to \$500,000 but statements those who went out felt well repaid today by directors of the bank indicate and will regret very much to see the that President Henckley had transferred to the institution his equity in day is the last of the half holidays large real estate holdings which, it was preferred and a semi-annual dividend and when the schedule of games was expected, would provide for the pay- of 5 per cent on the common stock of

President Henckley is said to be fatally ill at his home in Newton . Developments today indicated that Mr. Henckley was involved in extensive real estate transactions from which he expected to realize spendid profits for the bank as well as for himself. The failure of his plans, in connection with his illness, as well as dissatisfaction on the part of at least one of the directors accounts for the

closing of the bank. Examiner Ewer having been appointed temporarily receiver by the comptroller was in charge of the bank to-Monarchs-Moore, catch; Myers, day, and with augmented corps of pitch; McKoy, 1b; Williams, 2b% Gore, clerks was busily engaged upon the accounts of the institution. Late today he was unable to intimate when he would be able to report further to his chief at Washington.

The North Carolina to be Launched

October 6th. Washington, August 17 .- The armored cruiser North Carolina will be launched at the Newport News Shipyards October 6. A sponsor has not yet been chosen, but it is probable that the governor of North Carolina will be asked to name the lady for

Sharp Advance in Union Pacific and Southern Pacific.

SHORTS RUSHED TO COVER

Most Exciting Day in Stock Exchange for Several Years.

Union Pacific Was Rushed Up 17 1-8 Points a Share and Southern Pacific 6 7-8 Points-Announcement of Dividends Far in Excess of What Was Expected the Cause of the Frantic Trading-A Pool in Union Pacific Said to Have Realized \$15,-000,000 Profits and One in Southern Pacific \$10,000,000 Profits.

New York, August 17.—Amid scenes of fantic trading on the stock exchange, Union Pacific common stock rushed upward 17 1-8 points a share and that of Southern Pacific 6 7-8 points today, after an announcement of dividends far in excess of what the traders had any reason to expect. The result was that large numbers of traders sharp losses, and according to an estimate reported by the Evening Post, a pool in Union Pacific stock realized profits amounting to \$15,000,000, a similar pool in Southern Pacific \$10,000,-

Notwithstanding the meeting of the executive committee of the Union and Southern Pacific roads in this city yes: terday, the bulk of the brokers were totally unprepared for the announcement of dividends which was made public soon after the opening of today's market. The dividends were: Union Pacific, preferred, 2 per cent semi annually; common, 5 per cent, semi-annually; Southern Pacific common, 2 1-2 per cent semi-annually. Union Pacific, common heretofore paid 3 per cent and today's dividend was the first ever declared on Southern Pacific common.

Brokers were swept into a mad struggle to buy the two stocks within a minute after the announcement was circulated, and the excited scenes which ensued have hardly been exceeded since the great effort to control Northern Pacific five years ago. The shorts in both Pacifics were surprised and unprepared for the upward rush which followed, and led the scramble to cover. Within half an hour after the announcement. Union Pacific had bounded up more than eight points and Southern Pacific nearly seven. Feverish activity prevailed in the two stocks throughout the session, with various halts in the movement. Except for these halts the upward movement in Union Pacific continued throughout the day almost to the close of the market when there was a slight recession on profit-taking. Southern Pacific's advance, however, was halted early and held. Union Pacific's extreme advance was from 162 5-8 to 179 3-4 and Southern Pacific's from 83 7-8 to 89. Union Pacific closed at 178 1-2, and Southern Pacific at 87 3-8. The total sales of Union Pacific were 647,-100 shares, and of Southern Pacific

The executive committees of the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific announced that the following dividends have been declared: A semiannual dividend of 2 per cent on the dend of 2 1-2 per cent on the common

stock of the Southern Pacific company. The five per cent dividend on the common stock of Union Pacific, conpared with a previous dividend of 3 per cent on that stock. The dividend on Southern Pacific common stock is the first ever declared on that stock. The official announcement of the divi-

dend says: "It is understood that of the dividend of five per cent on the common stock of the Union Pacific, 3 per cent is charged to surplus earnings of the railroad and 2 per cent to income from its investments."

Crops Looking Fine.

The crops in the western part of the county are looking fine, and unless something happens to cause destruction to them, this will no doubt be one of the best crop years that has been known for some time. Tobacco and corn are as fins as we remember to have ever seen, and all other farm products are growing, and will come up to the average of years past, if not better. We are pleased to note this, and think that the farmers are well pleased with the outlook for this year. -Durham Sun.