

Men Who Wore the Gray Meet in the Crescent City

Gen. John B. Gordon Speaks Clear and True of the Memories of the Past and the Hopes of the Future

New Orleans, May 19.—The thirteenth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans opened at noon today under most favorable auspices.

are now facing a future pregnant with tremendous possibilities; but we face it with a strength of hope and assurance born of an unswerving purpose to discharge our every duty to all races and to the whole country.

FLAGS AND UNIFORMS

Confederate Veterans Have Taken Possession of New Orleans

New Orleans, May 19.—Today was Confederate day. There are more Confederate flags flying than during the civil war and nearly as many gray uniforms as in Lee's army.

It is estimated that between 120,000 and 150,000 strangers arrived in New Orleans yesterday and today.

There were conventions of the United Confederate Veterans at the fair grounds, the Sons of Confederate Veterans at the Crescent theatre, the Daughters of the Confederacy at the Reunion hall, the Association of Medical Officers of the Army and Navy of the Confederacy at the Tulane Medical building, the Confederate Southern Memorial Association at Odd Fellows hall, and kindred organizations at other meeting places.

Passenger Train Hurlled From Track

Wreck Just Outside City Limits—Many Passengers More or Less Hurt but Nobody Killed—A Miraculous Escape From Death

A few minutes after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the startling news was passed along the streets of Raleigh that the eastbound Southern Railway passenger train had been wrecked just outside the city limits and that a number of passengers were killed.

Mr. Rippey says that in his best judgment the pilot wheels ran on the ties the length of two or three rails, when the driving wheels left the track and the pilot wheels jumped on again.

How the passengers escaped instant death is the most miraculous part of the disastrous wreck. The coaches were hurled down a steep embankment and turned completely over.

WILSON CALM AGAIN

But Everybody Continues to Talk of the Tragedy

Wilson, N. C., May 19.—Special.—This much talked of town this morning assumes its wonted equilibrium and business activity, though in every group gathered in the streets or elsewhere the terrible tragedy of last week is still being discussed.

Passengers who were interviewed after the wreck say there was little or no visible excitement among the passengers while the coaches were taking their perilous tumble.

Men who sustained severe bruises were among the most alert in going through the wreckage to ascertain who was injured and in rendering assistance.

The Injured Passengers

Hon. H. B. Parker of Goldsboro, member of the last Legislature, sustained injuries to the spine and was otherwise hurt internally.

NEW DANGER IN PEKIN

Honors Bestowed on the Viceroy of Wuchang

Pekin, May 19.—Chang Chi Tung, viceroy of Wuchang, has received his long expected audience with the empress dowager at the summer palace.

Harmless Duel

Durango, Col., May 19.—David F. Day, editor of the Democrat and Frank Hartman, a newspaper writer, exchanged thirteen shots at each other in the main streets of Durango without serious results.

Judge Boyd Not Surprised

Greensboro, N. C., May 19.—Special.—When asked this morning what he thought of the decision of the United States supreme court in the Wilkes county bond case, Judge Boyd replied: "I am not at all surprised at the result, for I fully expected the supreme court to uphold the validity of these bonds."

IN A FIRE TRAP

Two Men Cremated and Six Others Fatally Burned

Campus, Va., May 19.—Suffocated by smoke, with seething flames cutting off their only avenues of escape from their temporary quarters in a log house, two lumbermen were burned to death yesterday and six others were perhaps fatally hurt.

Robbers Climb a Ladder

Salisbury, N. C., May 19.—Special.—Robbers entered the store of N. P. Murphy here last night, using a ladder at the back window, where glass was broken out.

A Rising Mill Man

Salisbury, N. C., May 19.—Special.—Mr. E. W. Thomas, who has for several years been general manager of Coolesme cotton mills, has been made superintendent of Richmond mills, Grandly Manufacturing Company, and the Olympia cotton mills of Columbia, S. C.

NOT ENOUGH RAIN

Conditions Generally Unfavorable for Crops

Washington, May 19.—The weekly crop report, issued by the weather bureau today, says:

All northern and central districts east of the Rocky Mountains experienced highly favorable temperatures during the week ending May 18, the central valley, lake region, and New England receiving ample warmth, while in the southern states it was too cool for favorable growth.

There is general complaint throughout the cotton belt of the unfavorable effects of low temperatures on cotton. Good stands as a rule are reported in the central district, but in the eastern and western portions the stands are irregular and much replanting is necessary.

Considerable tobacco has been transplanted in Tennessee and western Kentucky, but elsewhere there has been no opportunity for setting, owing to dryness.

Further improvement in the outlook for apples is indicated, but the prospects for most other tree fruits are very poor.

ELOCUTION RECITAL

Bishop Duncan Preaches to G. F. C. Graduating Class

Greensboro, N. C., May 19.—Special.—Last night took place the elocution recital of the commencement of Greensboro Female College, and the excellent program rendered by the pupils of that department, under the direction of the accomplished instructor, Miss Rachel Cabe Sims, delighted an audience which packed the college chapel and gallery.

ADDRESS TO STUDENTS

Commencement at Atlantic Christian College

Wilson, N. C., May 19.—Special.—This morning the large and spacious auditorium of the Atlantic Christian College was filled to hear the eminent Dr. Rutledge of Philadelphia, in his address to the students of that fine institution of learning.

Blackburn Is Willing

Winston-Salem, N. C., May 19.—Special.—Ex-Congressman Spencer Blackburn passed through the city this morning on his way to Wilkesboro to spend a day or two. He said that it was not his purpose now to make a fight for the Republican nomination for Congress next year.

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A Week of Pleasure Opens Most Favorably

Weldon, N. C., May 19.—Special.—The Confederate bazaar, for the purpose of aiding in the raising of funds to build a monument here to perpetuate the memories of Halifax and Northampton soldiers, was opened here last night in splendid style.

RIOTS AT KISHINEFF

London, May 19.—In a statement to the House of Commons today Lord Cranborne, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, said that he had received information showing that the disturbances at Kishineff arose shortly before the Greek Easter.

Gorman Is the Man to Beat Roosevelt

So Says Senator Simmons. He Would Like to See Aycock on the Ticket.

Washington, May 19.—Special.—Senator Simmons arrived in Washington today on his way to New York, where he goes to deliver an address tomorrow night, the occasion being the annual dinner of the New York Society, of which B. N. Duke is president.

The presidential candidacy of Judge Walter Clark, of which Wm. J. Bryan is sponsor, was discussed by a number of people today, and of course many questions along this line were fired at the Tar Heel senator.

"Why of course she would," was the reply of the senator. "Not only would we support him heartily, but we would like to see our present governor, Chas. B. Aycock, on the ticket as vice president. He is without doubt the greatest orator in the south and, in my opinion, one of the ablest men. Even if Judge Clark does not run, for president Aycock should be nominated for vice president if a southern man is to have a chance."

Next to Judge Clark, Senator Simmons thinks Senator Gorman will be the best man for the Democrats.

"In my opinion," said he, "Arthur Pue Gorman is the best man we could possibly nominate. He is as strong in New York and elsewhere in the north as Parker, Hill or Cleveland, and in the south there is no man stronger. In North Carolina there is, as elsewhere in the south, at present, a division of opinion among the Democrats. Parker, Cleveland and Gorman all have friends in my state, but we are ready to come together on any conservative man. The main idea of the southern Democrats at present is to win, and they are not allowing themselves to become prejudiced in favor of or against any particular man thus far named."

Kicking Breaks Out in an Unexpected Quarter

Washington, May 19.—Lack of consideration by the United States for the interests of several European nations in the arrangement for arbitration at The Hague growing out of the Venezuelan troubles, is charged by representatives of those nations in Washington. A big diplomatic storm is raging and there is reason to believe that consideration will be given to the question of recalling the appointment of Hon. Wayne MacVeagh as agent and counsel before The Hague tribunal for the nations which did not engage in the blockade of Venezuelan ports.

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