

FRANCE TO AID RUSSIAN ALLY

To Reach a Satisfactory Arrangement With Japan

It is Expected That France Will Use Her Influence with Great Britain To Get Latter to Prevail on Japan to Moderate Demands

Paris, July 24.—As a sequel to the conference between Premier Rouvier and M. Witte at the Foreign office on Saturday, the Russian plenipotentiary held an extended conversation with M. Mellidot, the Russian ambassador, after which a special courier left for St. Petersburg bearing dispatches for the emperor.

The utmost discretion has been observed with reference to the exchanges made at Saturday's meeting but there is reason to believe that the French premier is now fully acquainted with the Russian standpoint and with the line of action which M. Witte will adopt at the peace conference.

M. Witte appears to be satisfied with M. Rouvier's assurances that France will adopt every means to assist her ally to reach a satisfactory arrangement. The friendly relations of the French government with Great Britain will undoubtedly play a prominent part when the period for a direct exchange of views begins. It is believed that this was the chief point discussed during the conversation at the Quai D'Orsay, but until the lines are defined on which the negotiations will be conducted France can only promise to use her influence for the best interests of her ally.

Until now both parties have succeeded in keeping their representative programs from publicity and therefore assertions remaining from various quarters purporting to specify the claims of either side are purely speculative.

It is the universal desire here that the result of the conference will be a cessation of hostilities, while the hope is expressed that Russia will be able to find an issue from her awkward situation without sacrificing her national self respect.

FORGOTTEN ORDERS AGAIN

One Man Killed and Three Injured In Collision

Nashville, July 24.—One man was killed and three others fatally injured as a result of a collision, head-on, of freight trains on the Louisville & Nashville road this afternoon at Hopkins Crossing, near Pulaski, Tenn., 80 miles south of here: A. L. Porter, fireman, scalded to death. The injured: Charles Weidenbaker, engineer, Nashville, thigh and leg broken; will die. Joe Zanoze, engineer, Nashville, hurt about head. Kramer, Nashville, back badly wrenched.

It is alleged that Conductor Charles Jacobs, of No. 14, Northbound, forgot his orders to meet No. 31, Southbound, at Pulaski, pulling out of there before the arrival of 31, which he met on a sharp curve at the head of a steep grade.

BOYCOTT ON AMERICAN GOODS

Chinese Make Exemption in Case of Existing Contracts

Shanghai, July 23.—In carrying out the boycott by the Chinese of American goods, which was arranged for a mass meeting here July 20, an exception will be made in the case of American dealers, who have not yet received supplies of new goods. They will be allowed to sell their existing stocks, but in the future, contracts with them are forbidden by the leaders of the boycott movement. It is announced also that Chinese pupils will be allowed to continue in the attendance at American schools.

CZAR CONFERS WITH EMPEROR

Nicholas Dines With the Kaiser on Board the Latters Yacht Hohenzollern

St. Petersburg, July 24.—The emperor left Peterhoff this morning on board the imperial yacht Standart for Bjorko, 45 miles to the Northwest across the gulf of Finland. He goes to meet emperor William at Diner on board the German imperial yacht Hohenzollern tonight.

Causes Comment at Paris

Paris, July 24.—Emperor Nicholas' cruise in the Gulf of Finland to meet Emperor William is the cause of much comment in the press. Certain newspapers express the fear that the German emperor will influence the carrying out of the peace program, while others are of the opinion that Emperor William will seek to estrange Russia from France.

The Journal Des Debats says that the first acts of emperor Nicholas on his return to Russia will be looked forward to with particular interest.

GIRL'S CORPSE SCARED SELMA

It Was Promptly Shipped Back To New Orleans

Selma, Ala., July 23.—The board of health this afternoon sent back to New Orleans a thirteen year old girl of that city, who arrived here to visit relatives. The girls parents reside in the Italian settlement of New Orleans, where the yellow fever is said to have been discovered.

Havana Quarantines

Havana, July 23.—On account of the existence of yellow fever at New Orleans, quarantine has been declared against that port. The Southern Pacific liner, Excelsior, which is due here Monday has sixty young women students from a Texas college on board. The officials say they will be required to remain on the vessel to undergo the usual five days detention at the quarantine station.

Mexico Wont Quarantine

Mexico City, July 23.—The health authorities here say there will be no quarantine against New Orleans should it turn out that yellow fever exists in the city. The sanitary inspection of arriving passengers from infected ports is strict and suspected wives go to saloon for

Mates; Murder Follows

Chicago, Ill., July 23.—Two women who attempted to take their husbands from a saloon in Batavia, Ill., this morning, started a fight in which two men were killed and the saloon demolished.

John and James Sutton, brothers, and James McDonald had been in the place drinking for two days. The wives of the Sutton brothers appeared this morning and warned Edward Mulroy, proprietor of the place, to sell no more drinks to the men. Mulroy only laughed. He set out a round of drinks which he said was "on the house," and this so maddened the women that they destroyed the bottles and glasses.

Mulroy ordered them out, and the husbands attacked the saloon keeper and his bartender. The fight lasted half an hour. When it was finished McDonald was dead, James Sutton was unconscious from a fractured skull, and Ed. Heenan, bartender had a broken arm and jaw. James Sutton died tonight. Mulroy and John Sutton are fugitives. The women were not injured.

Mrs Holman of Cleveland Taken to Statesville Hospital

Mrs. W. A. Sells received a message to-day stating that her mother, Mrs. J. F. Holman, of Cleveland, who has been very sick for some time, had been taken to the hospital at Statesville to-day.

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ENCAMPMENT AT CHARLOTTE

Twelve Companies Will be in Attendance Under Col J. F. Gardner

The Rowan Rifle guards are drilling several nights each week now, and are getting in readiness to attend the encampment at Charlotte, August 3d to 9th. The camp will be at Latta Park, and the whole 1st regiment, including twelve companies of infantry and a battalion of artillery will be in attendance under the command of Col. J. F. Gardner, of Shelby.

Capt. Max L. Barker returned Saturday from High Point, where he went at the request of Co. M to instruct them in drilling, so that they would be able to participate in the manoeuvres at Charlotte next month. The 2d and 3d regiments are now encamped at Wrightsville Beach.

FRED HOBECK GUILTY

Young Virginia Man Gets 8 Years For Killing John R Jett

Roanoke, Va., July 23.—After a joint trial lasting one week, the jury in the case of Dr. A. R. Hoback, charged with the murder last winter of John R. Jett at Floyd, Va., late last night returned a verdict acquitting the elder Hoback and finding Fred Hoback guilty of manslaughter, fixing his punishment at eight years in the case of Dr. A. R. Hoback, bringing attention to a daughter of Dr. Hoback, whose family objected to the match and when the three men met, Jett drew a knife and young Hoback drew a pistol. In the fight Fred Hoback was cut almost to death by Jett and Jett was shot by Fred Hoback, while the elder Hoback struck Jett on the head. Jett died immediately. Fred Hoback hovered between life and death for several months. All the parties are prominent in this section.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Mr Charles A Bird of Marion Struck By Excursion—He Was Brother of Attorney J L C Bird

Marion, July 23.—Mr. Charles A. Bird, a brother of Attorney J. L. C. Bird, of Marion, was instantly killed by an excursion train yesterday near Eberman. Mr. Bird has recently become deaf and did not hear the approaching train, which struck him, cutting his legs off. He is of a prominent family of this county and his untimely death is a sad one.

Spurgeon, Sam P Jones and Geo R Stewart in Charlotte

Plans have been perfected for the most important religious revival ever held in Charlotte or the State, the chatauqua is to last five days, beginning September 1st and the preachers will be Revs. William Spurgeon, the eminent London divine, Sam P. Jones and George R. Stewart. The famous Dally quartette of Philadelphia, Pa., has been engaged for the music program.

A Correction

In the head lines telling of the voting contest Saturday a mistake was made, indicating that Miss Welfley and Miss Whitlock received the highest number of votes, whereas Miss Rosa Fink and Miss Loftin were the successful couple, and will have first choice of time of going and also of place.

Tourist Have Returned

Prof. I. C. Griffin, Miss Annie Kizer and Miss Ellen Ogburn, who have been on a three weeks tour of the North, including Asbury Park, Ocean Grove, New York and Toronto returned Saturday night.

The stage must at last be becoming elevated. Mrs. James Brown Potter's clothes and scenery plays have all failed.

Cotton men seem to believe Beaconsfield was right when he said there are three kinds of reports: Lies, lies and statistics.

Judge Hooker of New York is innocent by a little less than the majority.

Mr BURTON'S FUNERAL

Just One Week After he Acted as Pallbearer; His Own Funeral is Preached in Same church

(Cor. of The Sun.)

Spencer, July 24.—The funeral of Mr. Charles C. Burton, who died suddenly at his home here Friday night, was conducted from Spencer Methodist church at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Gay, an unusually large concourse of people being in attendance. The deceased was an esteemed member of the International Association of Machinists, and the Spencer members of this organization attended in a body, the pallbearers for the occasion being chosen from the membership of the association. Owing to the prominence of Mr. Burton and the untimeliness of his death, more than ordinary interest was manifested in the funeral. Only last Sunday, he himself acted as pallbearer in the same church in which his own funeral was conducted to-day. He was in ordinary health until Friday night. He retired at his usual hour, but members of the family found him in a dying condition an hour afterwards, and every effort was made to revive him, but no avail. Death is supposed to have resulted from a serious affection of the heart. The deceased, who was about 21 years of age, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burton, of this place, and was a model young man. The interment was in the Spencer cemetery.

FIRST BARACA RALLY

First Annual Joint Meeting Held Last Evening in the First Baptist Church

The first annual Baraca rally of the Baraca classes of the First Baptist and First Methodist Sunday schools, was held in the First Baptist church last evening. The church and Sunday school room were crowded, and people were turned away, being unable to find seats. The meeting was called to order by Mr. E. Walter Tatum, president of the Baptist class and the opening prayer made by Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe. After a selection by a quartette composed of Miss Addie White, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Matthews and Mr. James W. Rideout, an excellent address was made by Mr. A. Lee Smoot, teacher of the Methodist class. Mr. Smoot spoke of the phenomenal growth of the Baraca movement, which is endeavoring to make the study of the Bible attractive, so as to counteract the growing influences of the world. Within a year, the two classes in Salisbury have been founded, starting with a membership of less than a dozen, they now have nearly a hundred members. The Baraca adherents are missionaries; they plant, cultivate and propagate Bible classes. The classes of Salisbury have late organized a class at Concord with 30 members, and now have an invitation to institute a class in Davie county.

Mr. T. H. Tatum of Charlotte, spoke of the mission of the Baraca, and the importance of church societies, the influence of associations. Likewise of the Baraca motto, "Young men at work for young men; all standing by the Bible and the Bible school."

The music was especially good; no better has ever been listened to in Salisbury. There was no "Flowers" from Charlotte, but Mr. Pritchard S. Carlton, of Salisbury, was heard to the enjoyment of the auditors in an address on "Our Name." This he handled in a masterly way, showing himself to be conversant with the every detail of Baraca work. Baraca means blessing "and on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Berachah; for they blessed the Lord; therefore the name of the place was called the valley of Berachah unto this day." 2 Chron. 20:26 verse.

The addresses and songs were well sandwiched and the entertainment was most enjoyable to everyone.

HORSE BLEED TO DEATH

Dr Dorsett's Horse Sustains Injuries and Bleeds to Death

About 9:30 Saturday night, Dr. E. Rose Dorsett was driving his good horse Bess up South Main street, when a team going in the opposite direction ran into his horse and caused injuries from which the horse died in a short time. The shaft of the passing buggy struck the Doctor's horse in the neck tearing open the jugular vein. Not knowing to what extent his horse was injured, he drove on for about half a block, when the horse dropped and expired, having bled to death. The accident happened near the Central Hotel, and the owner of the team that caused the accident is unknown, for he continued driving and was far away before the Doctor knew that his horse was so severely hurt.

BASEBALL

Charlotte and Greensboro each won a game in a double header at Charlotte, Saturday. Whipple for Greensboro won the first game by a score of 4 to 3. Howard, of Charlotte, won the second game by a shut out of 8 to 0. No game was played at Danville, between that team and Winston-Salem on account of rain. Danville plays at Charlotte to-day, and Winston-Salem at Greensboro.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	Won	Lost	PC
Danville	37	13	.660
Charlotte	28	30	.482
W-Salem	28	31	.456
Greensboro	25	36	.409

PERSONAL MENTION

Claude Thompson returned this morning from Asheville.

Miss Nannie Buford, who has been visiting in Atlanta, Ga. returned this morning.

Mr. John W. Smithdeal, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. R. G. Kizer, returned to Washington City this morning.

Mr. E. C. Crego, of the firm of Gardner & Clark, received to-day a car load of fresh North Carolina melons. They were pulled from green vines and shipped directly from Clayton, N. C.

A Southern paper asks: What will the cotton report grafters do next? That depends upon whether or not Mr. Roosevelt can get sufficient evidence against them. If he can some of them will be pretty apt to do time on the rock piles.—Wilmington Messenger.

Royal Arch Meeting To-Night

There will be a special meeting of Royal Arch Chapter No. 20 to-night. Work in the Royal Arch degree.

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CHINA GROVE

Its Industrial Developments By James Carswell

This Thriving Little Town As Seen by a Representative of Several Different Trade Journals

China Grove, July 24.—This progressive town was deserted Sunday as "everybody" and his wife had gone to the Lutheran conference, which was held at the brick church about a mile South of the town. For hours processions of buggies and carriages drove through China Grove; then the village was in silence, but for the singing of the feathered choir.

This tree girl town is not often in such a state of somnolency, and six days in the week, night and day, is heard the music of the cotton mills, and for a dozen hours a day the flour mill is rolling, to which the chair factories add the chorus of industry, and four blacksmith-shops sound the anvil.

Being on the main line of the Southern Railway, trains are frequent, and although only nine miles South of Salisbury, China Grove has become a trading point well worthy of mention.

Twenty-five years ago the railroad business, at this point amounted to \$1,900, now it ranges from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per month, and it receives from 1-2 to 2-2 millions pounds of merchandise every four weeks, and the shipments out approximate those amounts.

John A. Thom, who has been agent at China Grove ever since 1880, is at his post late and early, and is ever the same urbane gentleman, who knows his business, does his duty with pleasure, and is universally popular, yet strange to say, his salary has not been increased one dollar in a quarter of a century, although the business has increased as from \$2,000 to over \$50,000 a year. Mr. Thom is a very modest, retiring gentleman, who knows how to give information. He is ably assisted by H. H. Troutman, a fine operator, who began as a messenger boy for the Western Union at Charlotte—was three years operator at the yards, and has been two years here, and is happily married and happy all the day.

His honor, the mayor; Thos. Lee Ross, is also a happy married man. During his courting days, the only difference between him and his fiancée was, that he was a chicken fancier, and the lady would not have a chicken in the yard. They were married a few months ago, and Mrs. Ross was introduced to the Ross Poultry Yards, and all the money therefrom, going to her purse. She is now one of the most pronounced poultry judges in the country. And well the lady may like them, as they have the best prize strains of white Wyandottes and Buff Plymouth Rocks. Major Ross is superintendent of the Patterson Manufacturing Co. Cotton Mills, Nos. 1 and 2, which in the aggregate have 9,296 spindles and 158 looms, employing 250 people manufacturing brown sheetings and hosiery yarns; and the building of another mill is now in consideration by the company, which has 72 cottages and a big mercantile house. The president is J. W. Cannon, of Concord, and the secretary and treasurer W. J. Swink, who is now recuperating at Hot Springs, Ark., and by application and ability he has climbed to prominence rapidly.

T. L. Ross, the superintendent, was born at Albemarle, Stanley county, and began his experience at the Odell mill, at Concord, and has been superintendent here since 1895, and in 1897, mill No. 2 was built from the earnings of No. 1. For 8 years he has been mayor. The macadamizing of the streets in another feather in his cap.

The Rowan County Building and Loan Association was started at China Grove on the 1st of June, and 325 shares have been sold, and the desire to build up and adorn the

More Labor Day Notes

As the time draws near, everything is on a finer footing for the greatest Labor Day celebration ever held in the South. There will be a grand display of fireworks at the Henderson aPrk grounds at night, and the horseback tournament in the evening will also be one of the many features. The prizes for this tournament will be: 1st prize \$35; and Queen's crown, 2d \$15 and Maids crown; 3d prize \$10 and 2d Maids crown. The entries for this will close August 1, 12 noon. The books are now open to all union men wishing to enter write the following committee:

J. B. Hawkins, G. W. Farmer, G. E. Brookshaw.

Bids are now open to all union men for the refreshment privilege at Henderson's park grounds on Labor Day and will close Friday July 28th at 12 noon; if you wish to bid, submit same to the following: R. M. Pendleton, J. T. Morgan, Abe Suskin.

Lawn Party Postponed

On account of the inclemency of the weather, the Ladies Aid Society of East Salisbury M. E. Church, postponed their ice cream supper until Tuesday night, July 25. Come out to Mrs. N. C. Hoffner's and help a worthy cause.

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