

WEATHER FORECAST.
North Carolina—Showers east, fair west portion tonight. Wednesday, generally fair.
South Carolina—Probably showers tonight and Wednesday.

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WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 3, 1917.

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TORCH AGAIN APPLIED BY WILD MOBS

Lull in Murderfest in East St. Louis Followed by Fresh Outbreak
ESTIMATES OF NUMBER OF DEAD NOW VARY
Many Brutal Scenes Enacted As Innocent Negroes Were Killed—Cause of the Trouble Explained—Chicago Fells the Sting of the Orgy.

RIOTS RESUMED.
(By Associated Press.)
East St. Louis, Ill., July 2.—Fires, which were started by rioters in three negro quarters at noon were fanned by a high wind and spread rapidly, getting beyond control. Troops and police were hurried to the scene where rioters also were assembled.

(By Associated Press.)
East St. Louis, July 2.—Although surface indications were that the orgy of butchery and incendiarism which cost many lives here last night and laid whole blocks in ruins, had spent its force, Adjutant-General Frank S. Dickson, of Illinois, asserted today that he feared there might be more trouble tonight and discussed with Mayor Mollman the advisability of calling for more troops.

The adjutant-general explained that he feared that the 1,500 Illinois guardsmen now here would not be enough to establish authority.

Estimates of the number of dead varied widely from a score to 250. At 3:30 o'clock this morning 24 bodies had been recovered, including 3 whites. Seventy-four wounded negroes were found. Estimates of the bodies supposed to lie under the acres of ashes and smoldering debris where fires consumed scores of negro shacks and houses last night, run into the hundreds.

The city was quiet this morning. Saloons were still closed. Sleepy-eyed guardsmen with marks of fire-fighting stencils on their khaki patrolled the streets and guarded bridges and saloon doors. Other sections of the city appeared normal.

There were broken windows here and there and other wreckage. Negroes driven from their homes huddled here and there, seemingly anxious to keep out of sight. Five hundred of them, men, women and children, spent the night at the city jail. Two men were still asleep in one bath tub when the sun arose, and another was slumbering noisily, his chin on his chest, but otherwise bolt upright on a garbage can. The floors were packed with disheveled refugees.

Bits of clothing taken from dead negroes were shown today by souvenir hunters. One brutal incident of the night was broadway, three men saw a negro, apparently dead, lying in a gutter. One flashed a pocket light in his face and saw that he still breathed.

"Well, what do you know about that," he exclaimed, "Not dead yet." He and one of his companions then drew their pistols and fired a bullet into the negro's head.

Policemen today tried to prevent the taking of photographs or fire ruins and black bodies still lying in the streets.

BAIN FAILED TO KEEP BAPTISTS FROM ASSEMBLY

Many Heard Dr. Wharton's Great Address On "Gratitude in Action."

NOTED RUSSIAN IS TO SPEAK TOMORROW
Dr. Wharton is to Deliver Another Great Lecture Tonight; All Should Hear Him.

(By Rev. Walter M. Gilmore.)
Old Jupiter Pluvius failed in his attempt this morning to play havoc with the Baptist Seaside Assembly, or even to dampen the ardor of the Baptists, though he did his best, sending a torrential rain at the time of the opening session. A goodly company heard Dr. Fred D. Hale, of Lexington, the first speaker, and the audience continued to swell until one of the largest audiences ever seen at the auditorium heard Dr. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, the last speaker of the morning, on his great address, "Gratitude in Action."

The Baptist Board of Education of the State met in its annual session at 10 o'clock to consider some questions that are extremely vital to the existence, as well as the progress, of the denominational institutions of the State. The question of how to raise a million dollars for the endowment and equipment of the various institutions, as directed by the last Baptist State Convention, and the election of a suitable man to organize and direct the campaign, are the questions uppermost in the minds of the members of the board.

The big features tonight will be Dr. Wharton's last lecture on "Don't Knock, Push," and a special musical program. Of course, the overshadowing and culminating event of all the Assembly will be the addresses by William Fetter, the great Russian apostle, in exile now in New York City, and Governor Bickett, tomorrow. A big chorus choir, led by Mr. Westlagle, as well as many other special musical features, will add much to the inspiration and enjoyment of the occasion.

Among the latest arrivals to the Assembly is Dr. Livingston Johnston, pastor of the First Baptist church of Rocky Mount, but who has recently been elected to fill Dr. H. C. Moore's place as editor of the Biblical Recorder, the Baptist organ of the State. He will assume his new duties about the first of August. Rev. Walter N. Johnson, corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board, is here, as is also another man by the same surname, Archibald Johnson, the versatile editor of the Baptist Orphanage paper, "Charity and Children." Practically all the schools and colleges and boards and other denominational agencies are represented here and it reminds one very much of a Baptist State Convention, except there are almost as many ladies here as gentlemen.

"You may do a man 99 favors, and if you fail to do him the 100th one, he will forget all the others," said Dr. Wharton, this morning, in his address on "Gratitude in Action," which was an interesting exposition of the 116th Psalm. "One of the rarest and one of the richest characteristics of human life is gratitude, and yet we often find it in all the affairs of life," shows itself in all the affairs of life. "Strange to say, we find ingratitude even among our children. How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child. I wonder what God thinks of His children as He contemplates his goodness to us, and the absolute lack of appreciation on our part."

In this Psalm, God's grateful servant recounts the goodness of his Lord to him, and sets forth his own purpose to express his gratitude to God. "I was brought low and He lifted me; He has delivered my eyes from tears; He has delivered my feet from stumbling; He has heard my prayer, and responded to the voice of my supplications. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord; I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people. I will drink of the cup my people." (Continued on Page Eight.)

WAR TAX BILL REPORTED.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 3.—Providing increase in taxes for war purposes of \$1,870,170,000, or about \$130,000,000 less than the House authorized the war tax bill as revised by the Senate Finance committee after six weeks work, was reported today to the Senate by Chairman Simmons. It will be taken up after the Food Control measure is passed.

FUTILE ATTEMPT TO COME TO VOTE ON THE FOOD BILL

Many Amendments Constantly Being Offered to the Bill As Reported.

THE CLOTURE RULE HELD IN RESERVE

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 3.—Holding the new cloture rule in reserve, Administration Senators today made another futile attempt to get the opponents of the Food bill to voluntarily agree on a time for a vote.

Senator Chamberlain, in charge of the bill, warned the Senate that more than two weeks have already been used up in discussion. He asked for a vote on the bill today at 5 p. m. Senator Penrose at once objected, declaring that he favored free and fair discussion, and objected to "the use of the steam roller" in forcing the bill.

Senator Chamberlain replied that it was not his purpose to urge the use of the "steam roller" and he had no desire to intimate that there has been any filibuster.

Addition of cotton and its products to articles which the government would control, voted yesterday by the Senate, today resulted in increased opposition to the bill. Southern Senators promised a new fight to strike out the cotton clause, while others plan to later offer amendments eliminating many other articles from the "control" section.

BIG IMPROVEMENTS RAILWAY TERMINALS

(By Associated Press.)
Mobile, Ala., July 3.—W. G. Owen, president of the Gulf, Mobile & Northern, today said the company will put in improvements here similar to the Bush terminals of Brooklyn, to cost \$1,000,000. The first unit will be \$500,000. The road will have physical connections with the Illinois Central, the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis, Mobile & Ohio, and Birmingham & Northern.

COCCHI CONFESSES TO HIS KINSMAN

(By Associated Press.)
Bologna, July 3.—"Cocchi confessed his crime to me before his arrest. He also discussed his relations with the New York police," said Francesco Baronicini, to the Associated Press correspondent today, after submitting evidence in the New York murder case to the royal prosecutor. Baronicini is the husband of Emma, elder sister of Maria Cocchi, the slayer's wife.

"Cocchi swore to me he didn't believe the girl, but this I do not believe, though I think the crime unpredicated. Neither do I believe his story of her falling and striking her head. The truth probably never will be known. There are certain details that even a man of that sort is ashamed to tell. Cocchi said he had a pull with the police. When I showed him my motorcycle license he boasted he did not need one because he knew the police."

RUSSIANS CONTINUE ATTACK GERMANS AND GAIN GROUND

AMERICAN TROOPS IN CITY OF PARIS FOR THE FOURTH

Wild Excitement and Enthusiasm as They March Along the Streets.

LIVELY SCENES ON LINE OF MARCH

Bands Playing American Airs. Girls Pinning Flowers on Soldiers—Americans Decorated.

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, July 3.—A battalion of American troops arrived in Paris this morning to parade on July 4. The Americans were greeted by wildly enthusiastic crowds which packed the streets through which they marched to Neuilly barracks, where they are quartered. The officers are being entertained at the military club.

The Americans arrived at the Auteuil station at 7:40 o'clock, having been 36 hours on the way from the French port at which they disembarked. The soldiers were greeted by reports of the French and American armies. The French Red Cross provided refreshments and the American Red Cross and Young Men's Christian Association also sent representatives to greet them.

Headed by their own band, the soldiers, carrying their rifles and field packs, fell in and marched off to the barracks. The crowds waved American and French flags. Hundreds of Americans were in the throng at the station.

As the troops swung through the streets French girls pinned bouquets and American flags on the soldiers' breasts. Flowers were scattered along the route. The band played "Yankee Doodle," "Dixie," "Marching Through Georgia" and other American airs. French soldiers on leave grasped the hands of the Americans and marched beside them.

Four ambulance drivers of the American Field Service were decorated with the war cross by General Gouraud at a review of the troops at the front. They were Benjamin F. Butler and John M. Garrison, Jr., of New York; Brownlee B. Gould, of Toledo, and H. Wynkoop Ribnikam, Chicago. They were cited in army orders for courage and devotion in taking away the wounded during a recent bombardment.

STETTIN FOOD RIOTERS SENTENCED TO PRISON

(By Associated Press.)
Copenhagen, July 3.—Residents of Stettin, Germany, appeared before the military court Saturday to answer for participation in the food riots on June 19 and 20. The testimony showed that, excited by rumors that merchants were shipping potatoes abroad, great crowds, hostile to the merchants, attacked the police and plundered stores. The rioters were sentenced to 18 months, and a year imprisonment, others receiving lighter or suspended sentences.

ELKS GATHER FOR THEIR BIG MEETING

Hon. Fred Harper Among the First Arrivals in Boston—The "Big Day" Thursday

(By Associated Press.)
Boston, July 3.—The first of the 50,000 delegates expected to attend the National Convention of the Order of Elks in this city, which will open on Monday next, arrived today. Among the early comers was Fred Harper, of Lynchburg, Va., a candidate for the office of Grand Exalted Ruler.

The big day of the convention will be Thursday, July 12, designated as "New England Day." The principal event will be a patriotic demonstration on Boston Common, preceded by a military band and a parade.

Wilmington Elks, who are boosting Hon. Fred Harper for Exalted Ruler, will not be the above with both interest and pleasure. All Wilmington is "pulling" for this well known Virginia lawyer, as he is a native of Wilmington. The Elk Lodge, of this city, enthusiastically endorsed his candidacy.

CHINESE MONARCHY RESTORED BY COUP OF GEN. CHANG HSUN

THE CONTEST ON FOR COLONELCY OF N. C. ARTILLERY

Judge Albert L. Cox and S. Glenn Brown Only Present Aspirants.

SEABOARD WRECK INVESTIGATION

Railway Telegraph Operator Charged With Responsibility—Now in Wake Jail.

(Special to The Dispatch.)
Raleigh, July 3.—Military men are greatly interested in the colonelcy of the North Carolina regiment of artillery now in process of organization and particularly in S. Glenn Brown, of Greensboro, and Judge Albert L. Cox, of Raleigh.

Major Brown has the backing of the adjutant-general's office and Judge Cox is supported by Brigadier General Laurence W. Young. The soldierly excellence of Judge Brown is not in the least discounted by General Young, nor is any fight being made on the fighting qualities of Judge Cox, whose father is one of the most distinguished living ex-Confederates. But it is a hot political contest in the military.

Beyond this, today's official Russian statement shows further heavy losses inflicted upon the Austro-German forces, including the capture of some 6,000 additional prisoners and 21 guns. Zlochoff, towards which the Russians are pressing, is almost directly east of Lemberg and slightly more than 35 miles distant from it. It lies on the important railway line from Tarnopol to Krasne, at which latter point it links up with the Brody-Lemberg railway line. It is slightly west of a north and south line running through the important Teuton stronghold at Brzezany, 25 miles to the south.

The Russian artillery is plentifully supplied with ammunition for the important work it has in hand. The supply department was the weakest of any during the old regime, causing many a breakdown for which the fighting forces were not responsible. The deficiency in this respect now seems to have been thoroughly remedied. Petrograd advices declare the preparations as regards munitions and equipment were better for this offensive than for any preceding operation in the whole war.

Military movements on the other war fronts are dwarfed in importance by the Russian drive. There is nevertheless considerable activity on the Aisne and Verdun fronts in northern France, where the Germans are continuing their persistent attacks. General Petain's forces are holding firm, however, and all the Crown Prince's attempts of last night, including a sharp drive between Hill 304 and Avocourt wood in the Verdun region, were completely checked.

Signs of a British attack in prospect in Belgium are reflected in the German statement. The artillery fire in the Ypres district is reported increasing, indicating the probability that General Haig is preparing for another thrust in force from the lines won in the Messines attack last month.

Germany Admits Russian Victory.
Berlin, (Via London), July 3.—Russian troops have broken forward across the heights on the western bank of the Stripa in Galicia and succeeded in extending northward the gap they made in the Teuton lines the previous day, army headquarters announced today.

METHODIST UNION CONFERENCE FAILS

(By Associated Press.)
Traverse City, Mich., July 3.—The conference of the Methodist Church in America adjourned today. It was announced that the conference failed to reach an agreement. The question of whether the negro Methodists of the South should have a seat in the law-making body of Methodism was the issue which kept the branches of the church from an agreement, it is understood.

The conference will meet again on January 23 in a Southern city, not yet decided upon.

EMPEROR HSUN TUNG ISSUES PROCLAMATION RESUMING THRONE, OUTLINING POLICY

Imperial Emblem Raised Everywhere
Emperor Declared His Course Due to Demand of the People—Government to be Liberal—Former President Yields to Demands For His Resignation.

(By Associated Press.)
Peking, July 1 (Delayed).—The imperial emblem is everywhere displayed, marking the restoration of the Manchu monarchy. There has been no disorder. In a long edict Emperor Hsuan Tung, who was restored to the throne today, explains how, being youthful, he was forced to relinquish sovereign power to Yuan Shi Kai, late President of the Chinese republic. The country being threatened with disintegration and party strife, and the people appealing to him to take over its administration to save the people from suffering, the young Emperor says he was compelled to take action. China's future government will be based on the following:
"The country shall be administered according to the constitutional laws promulgated by the late Emperor."
"Responsibilities of the imperial household shall remain the same as those fixed by the republic."
"Blood princes shall not be allowed to interfere in politics."
"There shall be no differences between Manchu and Chinese. Marriage between them is allowed."
"All foreign treaties and contracts shall remain in force."
"The stamp tax and other petty taxes are abolished."
"The republican criminal code is abolished and that introduced the first year under Hsuan-Tung's government is reinstated."
"Political offenders are pardoned."
"The wearing of queues is optional."
A hundred Japanese have arrived to strengthen the legation guard. There is no news of President Li Yuan Hung's expected resignation.
The Coup.
Tien Tsin, July 3.—Reports reaching here from Peking say that the Emperor has issued an edict appointing General Chang Hsun Premier and Viceroy of the Province of Chi Li and that he has named members of the new Cabinet, including Kang Yu Weid, President of the progressive party, to which millions of Chinese belong, and Hsu Shi Chang, former Secretary of State of China, who will head the ministry.
General Hang Hsun sent four delegates to President Li Yuan Hung to demand his resignation, but the President paid no attention to them. The Manchus have offered him a Grand Dukedom.
It is reported that General Chang Hsun has forbidden the appearance of newspapers for three days. Liang Chi, the famous reformer, declares General Chang Hsun's coup suicidal and says it cannot succeed.
President Li Submits.
Peking, Sunday, July 1 (Delayed).—According to an edict issued in the name of Hsuan-Tung, the young Emperor, who was put back on the throne today under the protection of General Chang Hsun, President Li Yuan Hung has submitted to the monarchy. The edict follows:
"Li Yuan Hung memorializes us to take over the government, stating that he was forced by the troops during the first revolution, to become the nation's head. He bemoans his defects as head of the republic and asks us to punish him. We recognize his mistakes and also his merits. We hereby appoint him a duke of the first class."