

PORT ARTHUR BATTERIES HAVE BEEN SILENCED

The Speedy Fall of Port Arthur is Now Inevitable—Japs Capture Wolfe's Hill and are Now Entrenched Within a Mile of the Fortress—Russian Accounts of Recent Jap. Fatalities—Other Late War News—Cablegrams from the Old World and Current Domestic News by Wire.

(By Publishers' Press.) Rome, August 8.—A dispatch from Tien Tsin says that the Japanese, after a prolonged cannonade, have silenced the naval batteries at Port Arthur and that the speedy fall of Port Arthur is now inevitable.

(By Publishers' Press.) St. Petersburg, August 8.—Lientenant-General Stoessel, commanding the Russian military forces at Port Arthur, in an undated dispatch to the Emperor, says: I am happy to report that the Japanese repulsed all the Japanese attacks of July 26, 27 and 28 with enormous losses.

(By Publishers' Press.) St. Petersburg, August 8.—General Sahlbat reports that up to noon yesterday there was no change in the position of the Manchurian armies. The report is significant as it acts as a deterrent for several days past of heavy engagements about Liao Yang and Hai Cheng, in which the Japanese are reported to have been defeated with heavy losses.

HOT FIGHTING SUNDAY

Heavy Attack on Russian Forces North of Hai Cheng. (By Publishers' Press.) Berlin, August 8.—A dispatch to the Tagblatt newspaper, dated Liao Yang, August 7th, states that a heavy attack was made on the western end of the Russian forces, north of Hai Cheng, yesterday.

TO PROTECT AMERICANS

Gunboat Ordered to Santo Domingo by State Department. (By Publishers' Press.) Washington, D. C., August 8.—On account of the prevalence of an anti-foreign feeling in Santo Domingo and the consequent danger to American interests a United States gunboat has been ordered there from San Juan, upon request of the State department. The department has also instructed Admiral Sigbee to dispatch the "Bancroft" to Monte Cristo and Peta Plata. The vessel is understood to have left this morning.

TEXTILE STRIKERS

Distribution of Food to Strikers Begun This Morning. (By Publishers' Press.) Fall River, Mass., August 8.—Treasurer Thomas O'Donnell, of the Federation, made arrangements to begin this morning the distribution of aid to the striking cotton mill operatives of Fall River. Grocery checks are used principally. The large quantities of food have been donated and the strikers begin the third week of the strike well equipped for the fray. There is absolutely no indications of either side doing anything to end the strike.

DYNAMITE FOR KING.

Narrow Escape of Alfonso of Spain from Death. (By Publishers' Press.) San Sebastian, August 8.—The journey of King Alfonso to the exhibition at Victoria has been deferred, owing to the discovery of three dynamite cartridges in the royal train. Experts say the cartridges would have exploded as a result of the shaking of the train and would have blown everything into atoms. The police are investigating.

FAMOUS CHURCH BURNED.

(By Publishers' Press.) Strasburg, Germany, August 8.—The historical Magdalen church, of Strasburg, was destroyed by fire today. The old and famous stained glass was destroyed, but other relics were saved.

TIMELY TOWN TOPICS

Embracing Some of the Minor Incidents of the Day.

Mr. John D. Briggs left this morning for Durham. Mr. John Phillips, of Tarboro, came in yesterday.

Mr. J. E. B. Johns, of Littleton, arrived yesterday. Mr. J. E. Thomas left this morning for Louisville.

Miss Daisy Herring, of Wilson, is visiting in the city. Mrs. John W. Cole returned to her home today in Durham.

Mr. Theodore Eldridge, of Smithfield, arrived this morning. Mr. R. F. Faison is quite sick at his home on East Davie street.

Mrs. Batchelor, of Richmond, Va., has arrived to visit friends. Miss Hattie Hinton left this morning for Wyatts to visit Mrs. Ford.

Miss Josephine Timberlake, of Franklin, is here on a visit. Miss Robbie Williams left today for South Carolina to visit friends.

Mr. Frederick Ellison, of New York, is here on a visit to relatives. Mr. E. C. Winston, of Franklinton, left for his home this morning.

Mr. T. M. Saunders left this morning for Durham on a business trip. Misses Nina and Carrie Cooper are visiting friends in Clemmonsville.

Miss Burgess left for Franklinton this morning to visit friends a few days. Mrs. Fannie Harris left this morning for Goldsboro to spend a few days.

Mr. Thomas Brooks, of Pittsboro, came in this morning to visit friends. Mrs. S. M. McMiller, of Chapel Hill, is the guest of her son, Dr. McMiller.

Mr. Alexander B. Redding left this morning for Hillsboro on business. Dr. Thurman B. Justice, of Angier, returned to his home on business.

Miss Hilbert, a popular young lady of Durham is visiting friends in the city. The big "Old Fellows" excursion from Elizabeth City will arrive here tomorrow.

Mrs. John W. Ellis, of Franklinton, has returned to be home after visiting here. Miss Mary Evans, who has been visiting relatives in Winston, has returned home.

Mrs. G. H. Jones and daughter, Miss Lina Jones, left today to visit friends in Youngsville. Col. H. C. Dockery returned this morning from Rockingham, where he spent Sunday.

Miss Annie E. Steltz, of Pennsylvania, is in the city visiting Mr. Carl Steltz and wife. Mr. Randolph E. Baker, of Richmond, arrived last evening to spend a few days with friends.

Mr. Jack Mason, of Southern Railway, left this morning for Morehead to spend his vacation. Mr. W. H. Payton left this morning for Franklinton and Louisburg on business this morning.

Miss Dorothy Manor, of Newport News, Va., passed through yesterday on route for Monroe. Miss Bersin, of Durham, passed through this morning en route for Pittsboro to visit friends.

Miss Agnes Belle Johnston left for Roanoke, Va., today, after visiting friends a few days ago. Miss El. St. Jacques, of Frederick, Md., arrived last evening to visit friends near Fuquay Springs.

Mrs. E. B. Taylor left for Wilson this morning, accompanied by her son, George, to visit his friends. T. W. B. Geirner, a popular traveling salesman, left this morning for Franklinton and other points.

Miss Alma Johnson, of Durham, came in this morning from Goldsboro and left at noon for her home. Mr. Edgar Lowellyn returned this morning from Smithfield, where he spent Sunday visiting relatives.

Mr. Thomas Harris, a traveling representative of the Chicago Portrait Company, has returned to the city from a ten-days trip through Franklin. Miss Bessie Knox Woodard after a three-weeks' visit to friends in Cheraw, S. C., returned to the city yesterday.

Mr. Thomas Alcott, formerly of this city, but now of Charleston, S. C., arrived yesterday to spend a few days here. Miss Grisselle Hinton left this morning for Greensboro to attend a house party at the home of Mrs. Leon Brandt.

Mrs. L. W. McDowell and little daughter, Lillie Wynne McDowell, returned to her home in Clayton this morning. Mr. N. B. Broughton returned this morning from Durham where he addressed the congregation of the Baptist church last evening in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Mr. Parker.

Miss Elsie Speight, of Edgecombe county, who attended the summer school, and who has subsequently visited friends in this city, left yesterday for her home. Miss Speight will be remembered as one of the most popular young summer school students.

Mr. Ira Underhill, who has taken a position as salesman at the popular Berwanger clothing store, will be pleased to see his friends there. Rev. Hight C. Moore, State secretary of the Baptist Sunday school work, returned yesterday from an extended trip in the western part of the State.

Mr. E. J. Williams, formerly of Raleigh, now of Savannah, Ga., is in the city visiting friends. Mr. Williams is in the painting business and his prosperity is gratifying to his friends of the City of Oaks.

There will be an important meeting of Rescue Fire Company tonight. Every member is earnestly requested to be present, as there is business of great importance to each member. R. B. Lumsden, foreman.

Mr. Alfred Smith, of Thomasville, returned home today, after spending Sunday here.

APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE

Horrible Railroad Wreck in Colorado

Engineer, Conductor, Brakemen and More Than One Hundred Passengers Dashed to Death—Heavy Rains Undetermined Bridge and Three Cars Went Through Into the Stream—Names of Some Who Were Saved.

(By Publishers' Press.) Pueblo, Col., August 8.—Plunging through a bridge that spans Fountain Creek, near Pinon, Col., three crowded cars and an engine of the Missouri Pacific flier, estimated to be carrying one hundred and twenty-two persons, met death in the waters of that stream late last night. The bodies of three young women, evidently tourists, and that of the engineer (Hinnon) were recovered early this morning a half mile below the wreckage.

It is feared that many bodies have been washed away, beyond recovery, down the banks of the stream. A small army of men awaited the coming of dawn to begin the trewsome task. Several bodies are reported to have been recovered, the coffins in which they were placed being left at the wreck. The identified dead are:

Dr. W. H. Mook, Miss Ella Wood, W. H. Lampton, Mrs. W. H. Lampton, Miss Annie Boley, Lowell Durman and Eugene Hinnon.

Among those known to be safe are Mrs. Benson, of Goodrichville, Tenn., and Mrs. Edward Zetlaof, of Jacksonville, Ga.

The train was going at a great speed, was halted when it dashed on the bridge. Suddenly the bridge gave way and three of the cars dashed down into the river.

Two cars stopped miraculously on the brink. When the cars crashed down the flying timbers tore down the telegraph wires and communication was cut off for some time.

A diver found the engineer sitting in his cab dead, with one hand clutching the throttle of the engine. As soon as the accident was learned, a train filled with volunteers rushed to the scene. Two hours later a second train, carrying J. B. Collier, the local undertaker and all the coffins and stretchers to be found in the city, started. A squad of police, in charge of Captain Wilson, also rushed to the scene.

The Rio Grande officials fear that the loss of life has been appalling. The accident was caused by the heavy rains of the last few days. The downpour swelled the stream until it was far beyond normal and the timbers of the bridge were undermined. It is known that Conductor Smith and Brakeman Turner are among the dead.

Later, it is probable that a complete list of the dead will never be known, as the conductor's reports were on his person and his body has not been recovered and may never be found. The Wells-Fargo safe was found near the scene of the wreck with its door and contents gone.

Mrs. J. M. Harris, widow of the late Jas. M. Harris, who has been suffering from an attack of apoplexy for several months, is pronounced by her physicians as worse, and her condition now is very critical.

Misses Inslow, two popular young ladies of Baltimore, who have spent several days in the city as the guests of Misses Tucker, on Blount street, returned home today.

Mr. J. E. Moore, of Williamson, N. C., who is interested in the Raleigh and Pamlico Railway, which is now in course of construction, left this morning for his home to attend the marriage of his sister.

Miss Eimy Mae Stokes, who attended the summer school, and who has been spending a few days visiting friends in the city, left last afternoon for her home in Hamlet.

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NO ELECTION TODAY

Liquor Contest in Elizabeth City Did Not Occur and Why. (Special to the Times.) Elizabeth City, N. C., August 8.—The election which was scheduled to take place here today on the question of dispensary or prohibition, was not held.

At a called meeting of the board of aldermen Saturday night the election was called off officially by the municipal authorities. So prohibition (adopted here several months ago) continues in Elizabeth City for the present, and doubtless for two years at least.

COMMANDER ULRICH DEAD

Expired This Morning in Hospital at Baltimore. A telegram was received here today from Baltimore announcing the death of Mr. Ferdinand Ulrich, of New Bern, who died at Johns Hopkins Hospital this morning.

Mr. Ulrich was a wholesale grocer at New Bern held the position of grand commander of the Knights Templars of this State, having been elected to that position at the Grand Commandery held in this city last June.

SCHOOL HOUSE BIDS

Today was the time set for opening and disposing of the bids received by the school committee for the erection of the new building on West Morgan street to be used as an industrial school.

The bids are all in, but owing to the absence of Chairman A. A. Thompson, of the committee, Acting Secretary Harris states that action will be delayed until his return. Mr. Thompson is expected back tomorrow.

SLANDER CASE SETTLED.

A Matter Which Has Excited the Syrian Colony Here. The long-traveling slander case, which has excited the Syrian colony here for quite a while, was finally settled in Mayor Powell's court this morning.

Hasbia Salim, the comely young married woman, who was alleged to have uttered the slander against one of her country-women (whose American name is Mrs. Mary Thompson), made affidavit that she had never spoken the alleged defamatory words attributed to her, and the prosecution was withdrawn. All the parties in the case then shook hands and made peace, departing from the court's presence in apparent good humor.

The settlement of the case is largely due to the advice and efforts of the counsel of both parties, Messrs. J. C. L. Harris and T. M. Argo, who at first experienced some difficulty in effecting it.

PROF. MORSON'S CONDITION.

The large circle of friends of Prof. Hugh Morson, principal of the Raleigh Male Academy, will be pleased to learn that his condition today is very satisfactory.

An operation was performed on Professor Morson, at Rex Hospital Saturday, by Dr. Knox, assisted by Drs. McMiller and Graham, and it was very successful. Professor Morson's friends may expect to see him out again soon.

EXCURSION FROM YOUNGVILLE.

Mayor Powell today received a letter from Mr. C. C. Winston, for a committee, stating that the Sunday schools of Youngville will run an excursion to Raleigh on Wednesday, August 17th, and requesting to know if they can have the use of Pullen Park, etc. Permission, of course, was granted and Youngville will be glad to welcome

BETTER BUILDING NEEDED.

It is stated that the next Legislature will be asked to provide an absolutely fire-proof hall of records in which such invaluable public documents can be safely kept. Such a building ought to be large enough to contain the great and growing collection of historical objects now in the State Museum. The public spirit of the next Legislature will be appealed to as regards this matter.

MASONIC MEETING.

Regular meeting of William G. Hill Lodge, A. F. and A. M., tonight at 8 o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

Business men and women take business lunches at the Yarboro House Cafe from 12 to 2, 25 cents. Cafe complete in every detail.

ANNUAL EXCURSION TO NORFOLK AND RETURN FROM

Raleigh, via Southern Ry. TUESDAY, AUG. 16th

Separate Cars for colored people. Leave Raleigh 2:00 a. m., morning of 17th, returning leave Norfolk 7:00 p. m., August 18th.

For information apply to R. L. VERNON, T. P. A., Charlotte, T. E. GREEN, C. T. A., Raleigh, N. C.

TURKEY GREATLY DISGUSTED

Later On the Sultan Will Be Very Sorry

Don't Like the Idea of the Sunday of American War Vessels to Make a Demonstration Against Turkey—Armenian Archbishop to Appeal to the Powers to Put a Stop to the Horrible Massacres.

(By Publishers' Press.) Constantinople, August 8.—Great disgust is manifested in official circles here over the coming of the American war vessels for the purpose of making a demonstration. It is claimed that the whole trouble is due to Armenians, who remain just long enough in Armenia to get naturalized and then return to agitate against the Sultan.

According to the officials, it is the claim that these people are entitled to protection; that is the principal demand made by the American government. The Sultan expects a strong support from Russia in dealing with the demands by America, as the Russian government excludes American Jews under the same circumstances.

Appealing to Uncle Sam. Constantinople, August 8.—The Armenian Patriarch has ordered Archbishop Saragian, of the Armenian Church in America, to head a mission to the powers urging them to interfere in the name of humanity and put an end to the continual massacres of Armenians in Turkey. The archbishop will present proofs that in the past few months over eighty-four hundred Armenians have been massacred, including three thousand children. The mission will take a special petition to President Roosevelt.

Quartermaster Serg. W. R. Miller, of Raleigh Light Infantry, left this morning for Morehead to look out for the company's interest at the camp.

I. O. O. F. MEETING.

All members of Manted and Seaton Gales lodges, as well as all members of the order in the city, are invited and expected to be present at the meeting of Manted Lodge Tuesday evening at Odd Fellows' hall. Home building, to meet the brethren from Eastern North Carolina. Hundreds of them are expected to arrive at 3 o'clock p. m., on the excursion train from Elizabeth City. Refreshments after the meeting.

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August 10th

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