

ARE IN HARD PLIGHT

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AT LEAST 120,000 MEN NEEDED BY ALLIES

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SOUTHERN PROVINCES IN FEVERISH STATE

Powers Said to Have Underestimated Strength of Chinese, Who for Three Years Have Accumulated Rifles.

LONDON, June 24.—The international forces in the section of northern China where 19,000 men are striving to keep a footing and to succor the legations in Peking appear to be in increased peril with every fresh dispatch. Peking has not been heard from directly for fourteen days. The last dispatch was an imploring aid. Admiral Seymour's column of 3,000 was last heard from twelve days ago. At that time it was surrounded midway between Peking and Tien Tsin. Possibly now it has reached Peking.

The 3,000 internationals at Tien Tsin were hard pressed and fighting for their lives on Thursday and a relieving force of less than a thousand had been beaten back to Taku Friday. Observers on the spot think that 100,000 men would not be too many to sweep China into the hands of the British rear admiral at Taku.

"CHE FOO, June 23.—Only one runner has gotten through from Tien Tsin for five days. No information could be obtained. The bombardment of Tien Tsin continued and had almost entirely destroyed and that our people were fighting hard. News has been received as this dispatch is sent that an attempt to relieve Tien Tsin on June 22 was repulsed with some loss.

The telegram also said: "The allied admirals are working in perfect accord, with the Russian vice admiral as senior officer."

Allied Forces Defeated. A press message from Shanghai, dated yesterday at 4 p. m., embodies some later information. It says:

"Official Japanese telegrams confirm the reports of the defeat of the allied forces at Tien Tsin. The foreigners there are now placed in a most desperate situation. Russian Admiral Hillebrand yesterday sent a mixed force of 4,000 from Taku to attempt the relief of Tien Tsin. Nearly half of the force consisted of Japanese. The remainder was made up of contingents representing the other nations.

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"Among those killed of the relief force on Friday was the commander of H. M. S. Barbore. The foreign casualties were 300. "Japan is making every effort. Her troops are now arriving at Taku in large numbers. The Chinese troops in the province of Chi Li include 60,000 men. They have been drilled by Russian and German officers."

Captain Beatty and Lieutenant Wright, British, have been severely wounded at Tien Tsin, according to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Express. The information was brought by a Chinese steamer, the cruiser Orlando, from Che Foo and was dated Saturday. The losses of the Russians were heavy.

Taku Forts Reported Blown Up. It was reported from Shanghai last evening that the allied forces had blown up the Taku forts and that every available man had been sent to the relief of Tien Tsin. Two thousand three hundred Chinese have been killed to have been cremated at Taku and more than 4,000 Chinese are said to have been killed at Tien Tsin. Runners who have arrived at Taku report that a foreign force was engaged several days ago with an overwhelming force of Chinese. The Chinese were reported to have been driven back to the relief of Tien Tsin. At Shanghai it is assumed that this force was Admiral Seymour's.

The Chinese correspondent of the Daily Express says: "I learn from a mandarin who was with the Chinese forces, that they succeeded at great hazard in getting clear that the Boxers are massed around Peking and that more than half of the northern and western portions of the city, including the foreign settlements, were aflame when the mandarin left. He could tell nothing as to the fate of the foreigners, nor much as to the general situation, but he had heard that the emperor dowager was preparing to go to the province of Shan Shi."

A Che Foo dispatch to the Daily Mail, dated yesterday says: "The attack on the Tien Tsin relief force was made by 20,000 Chinese, using machine guns and modern field pieces. The allies were wise in retreating. Forwarding detachments in this manner is essential and the defeats of the foreigners even before the main force, greatly aid the movement of the Boxers, which is gaining enormously through the inability of the foreigners to make head against it. Practically the whole of northern China is aflame. Hostilities are now conducted on an extended scale, due to direct orders from Peking."

Chinese Have Manners. General Yann Shi Xi, governor of Shan-Tung, commands 11,000 foreign-drilled troops, organized to a high degree of excellence and equipped with Mausers. It was in the plans that these troops should go to Taku, but the seizure of the forts was effected before they could get there.

Some of the special dispatches from Shanghai describe the great southern provinces of China as still quiet, but others assert that the news from the north is exciting the southerners to a dangerous height of feeling and that millions may rise any day. Shanghai is quiet, but there are fears of a rising. The action of the consuls in asking for the departure of the six Chinese cruisers was objected to by the senior naval officer, who informed them that he had at his disposal a force sufficient to compel them to leave if they objected to the presence of the fleet.

The powers are said to have fatally underestimated the numbers, desperation

CLASH AT HONINGSPRUIT

British Reported to Have Had Thirty-Seven Men Either Killed or Wounded.

LONDON, June 25.—The Transvaal military incidents are summed up officially by Lord Roberts in the following message to the War office:

"DEUTERIA, Sunday, 11.30 a. m.—Buller reached Standerton June 22. He found a good deal of rolling stock. All the Dutch residents had left the town.

"The British prisoners captured since our occupation of Pretoria have been taken to Machodora. Ian Hamilton occupied Heidelberg Saturday. The enemy fled, pursued by our mounted men six or seven miles. On the previous day Broadwood's cavalry had a skirmish with the enemy, dispersing them completely and capturing six.

"Hunter's advance brigade reached Johannesburg June 22.

"The enemy attacked our post at Honingspruit and before reinforcements arrived from Kroonstad they had burned three cultivators. These had all been repaired by this afternoon."

An Associated Press dispatch from Cape Town, dated yesterday, says: "The British casualties at Honingspruit were thirty-seven killed and wounded."

Sir Redvers Buller, in a dispatch to the War office, says that among the prisoners taken to Machodora are Lorda Anrim and Ennismore, both of whom are in good health. Lord Longford was left at Heitz, severely wounded.

The force now available by President Kruger is officially estimated at from 15,000 to 20,000.

The Standerton correspondents assert that his sole idea is to hold out until after the American presidential election.

President Kruger is said to have issued a proclamation on June 7, saying Russia had declared war on Japan and that England must help Japan.

Lord Roberts and Commandant General Louisa Botha are still exchanging letters. Two hundred rebels have surrendered to General Van der Merwe.

Boer Envoy Satisfied. NEW YORK, June 24.—This Boer envoy, Mr. Wessels and Wolmarans, at the Manhattan hotel tonight said they were engaged in the preparation of a statement covering the situation in South Africa and the results of their visit to this country. It will probably be completed and ready by tomorrow night. Mr. Fischer, speaking for Britain, had collected and fully demonstrated from the sentiment displayed at all of the meetings that we attended both jointly and separately.

As to the present condition in South Africa the surmise which were entertained by the United States have been maintained by Mr. Heston. He insisted, however, nor does the taking of a few capital towns by the vast British army mean surrender."

"There will be a farewell demonstration upon Tuesday night in honor of the envoys."

PLEA FOR CHEAPER POSTAGE. John Henninger-Heaton Advocates Penny Rate Between Great Britain and United States.

LONDON, June 24.—In the Sunday Spectator, Mr. Henninger-Heaton, conservative member of Parliament for Canterbury, devotes a long article to the advocacy of cheaper postal and cable communication between Great Britain and the United States.

Starting with the statement that the British and our "trustworthy" cousins are apparently destined together to shape the future of mankind and control the Atlantic ocean, he urges a reduction of transatlantic postage to a penny and a corresponding reduction in cable charges. He argues that the war for American independence was due to misunderstandings and that misunderstandings must occasionally crop up between the two branches of the Anglo-Saxon race unless reforms allowing of an interchange of thought at a minimum rate are carried into effect. He says that the present methods of electrical communication between Europe and the American continent are a mockery to all but the wealthy, though electrical transmission should be cheaper than postal rates. He adds that two cables are practically doing the work of transmitting 20,000,000 words annually, but ten cables are kept idle while the public is paying \$1,000,000 annually. He thinks that the two governments of Great Britain and the United States could lay the cables and do the work, charging the public \$100,000 annually, with a profit of \$50,000 on the investment in the cables. If these two governments hang back he trusts and believes that the genius of Marconi will yet succeed in getting penny telegrams to America.

FRESH DEMAND UPON PORTE. United States Again Insists Upon Reparation for American Losses.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 24.—Lloyd C. Griscom, United States charge d'affaires, today sent a fresh note to the Ottoman government, insisting upon an immediate reply to the demand of the United States for a settlement of the indemnity in connection with the losses of Americans at the time of the Armenian massacres.

Although vigorously phrased the note is not an ultimatum. It is said, however, to have been a disagreeable surprise to the Porte, testifying as it does to the intention of the United States government to pursue this matter of indemnity to the end.

Cuban Teachers Start for Boston. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, June 24.—The transport ship Phenix left Santiago today, carrying 125 Cuban teachers bound for Boston to take advantage of the summer school educational facilities offered by Harvard university. Nearly all of the teachers are young women. Some parents declined to allow their daughters to go, but hundreds of applications had to be refused. A priest accompanied the party for purposes of chaplaincy.

New Italian Ministry. ROME, June 24.—King Humbert has signed his approval of the list of ministers submitted today by Signor Saraceno, with the exception that the portfolio of finance will go to the minister of the treasury. The ministry will have the oath of office tomorrow.

The government's candidate for the presidency of the Chamber of Deputies will be Tommaso Villa, the distinguished advocate.

American Delegate Honored. EDINBURGH, June 24.—Many of the pupils of the city churches were filled today by American delegates to the World's Woman's Christian Temperance union.

Rev. Charles H. Sheldon of Topeka, Kan., was the principal speaker at the afternoon meeting of the congress and he delivered a formal address at the mass meeting in the evening, when Mrs. Barnes presided.

MANIAC'S MURDEROUS WORK

Cedar Rapids the Scene of a Bloody Affray with a Lunatic.

TWO MEN KILLED, TWO WOMEN WOUNDED

Young Man Who Was Not Thought Dangerous Does a Frightful Butchery With an Axe and Kills Himself.

CEAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Last night about 10 o'clock Charles Mefford, a poorly built young man of 27 years, who has been insane for several years and who was once an inmate of the Independence asylum, but who became a free man a few weeks and was never returned to the asylum, and clad only in a shirt, dashed from the house. He was seen two or three times before midnight, but the police who were hunting for him could get no trace of him.

"Your time has come," shouted Mefford. "What time do you mean?" asked Andrew. "I have murdered one whole family to night and I am going to kill you next, then go through the home and kill everybody here," replied Mefford.

Andrew began talking to him and soon had him sitting on his bed. Suddenly Mefford jumped up, swinging at Andrew with the neckyoke. He dodged and, grabbing the neckyoke, pulled Mefford on the bed and choked him. He then got Mefford to agree to put on a suit of his clothes and have some breakfast. Andrew left the room and locked the door. He returned only to find the room empty. He called the police by telephone and, running across the street, asked Joseph Drake to help him. Drake grabbed a revolver and, running out, they saw Mefford plunge through a window in the James Fitzsimmons, 150 yards away.

Nearly Made His Work Good. As Mefford entered the house Mrs. Fitzsimmons rose up in bed and uttered a scream. Mefford struck at her with an axe he had picked up at the home. Her arm was broken in two places and the axe struck her head a glancing blow, making a severe wound. At the moment Mr. Fitzsimmons appeared in the room and, turning on him, sunk the axe in his head and fatally wounded him. Then he ran upstairs and attacked Kate Fitzsimmons, his daughter, inflicting three severe scalp wounds.

Returning downstairs Drake had just entered the room and Mefford made for him. Drake dropped to his knees and tried to shoot the maniac. There were four empty chambers in the revolver and it happened the hammer fell on the first one. Before a cartridge was reached Mefford had struck him three terrific blows across the top of the head, knocking him senseless and inflicting injuries that will doubtless prove fatal.

Andrew was half way through the window when this happened. He was unarmed, however, and when Mefford came toward him he ran. Mefford then picked up a revolver and fired across a hat. Going about half a mile from the hotel, his left breast just before the heart. Then he turned up again he ran on. The police by this time were close behind and when they were about a block away Mefford sat down on the curb and sent a bullet through the center of his forehead. As the first officer came up to him he plunged into the gutter dead.

Ex-Lunatic Kills Two Men. NEW ORLEANS, June 24.—William H. Robinson, a man recently discharged from the state insane asylum as cured, today deliberately murdered William S. Stoessel in his own home. A crowd pursued him, threatening lynching and he killed a young man named Frank Baker, one of his pursuers, and shot a policeman. After running a mile he found refuge in the parish prison, where Sheriff Klock and his men kept the crowd at bay with Winchester until Robinson was locked up.

WILLIAM WRITES TO SYNOD. Emperor of Germany Sends Letter of Congratulation to American Evangelical Church.

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—With fully 19,000 persons in attendance the semi-centennial of Eden Theological college of the Evangelical church opened here today. The following message from Emperor William of Germany was received this afternoon:

To the President of the American Evangelical Union at Cleveland, my best wishes to the Synod of America on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Synodical Union of the Evangelical churches in America. I am glad to see that your members are assembled today. The Kaiser joins with me in these best wishes. Remember that you are brothers united with us in belief, though the waters divide us. May the blessing of the Lord be with you and may the future of the church be bright and manifest itself in your faith and progress. We send you our greeting on this occasion.

(Signed) WILLIAM, Emperor Rex. (Almost every large community in the United States was represented in the audience.)

ARE LIKELY TO LEAVE DENVER. Franciscan Monks May Close Monastery and Go to Some Point Further East.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—It is learned at the Franciscan monastery here that a special meeting of all the provincials of that ancient order in the United States will be held tomorrow at Cleveland, when the question of moving the Denver monastery to a point near the mother house in the province, Paterson, N. J., is to be definitely settled. Although the Franciscans of Colorado may thus be changed to other quarters they will get full indemnity in houses and lands wherever they are sent.

MUST PAY FINE OR GO TO JAIL. Utah Court Fixes Punishment of B. H. Roberts, Found Guilty of Polygamy.

SALT LAKE, Utah, June 24.—In the case of B. H. Roberts, found guilty of unlawful cohabitation, the judgment of the court was that he pay a fine in the sum of \$150, or in his absence to be imprisoned in the county jail for the period of 150 days.

A thirty-day stay was granted in order that the defendant might file a bill of exceptions.

Seafarer Lynch Loses a Foot. HALIFAX, June 24.—Michael Lynch, the well known sculler, lost his left foot Saturday, an old injury having taken a serious turn, necessitating amputation. Lynch is 26 years of age and has already defeated leading oarsmen and finished a close second to Gaudaur at Halifax.

LENIENCY FOR ALLEGED SPY

General MacArthur Follows Policy of Otis in Dealing With Filipinos.

MANILA, May 18.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The first official act of General MacArthur throwing light on his policy in dealing with the insurgents displays the same leniency which General Otis followed. The case was that of a native, Ramon Lacamana, tried by a military commission in Batavia, convicted of being a spy and sentenced to be hanged. The specification on which he was tried set forth that "being a non-commissioned officer of the insurgent army, a public enemy engaged in an insurrection against the authorities and laws of the United States," he "did secretly lurk and act as a spy about the buildings occupied by the Thirty-eighth Infantry and did collect information in regard to the numbers, resources and operations of the army of the United States with intent to impart the same to the enemy."

General MacArthur, after reviewing the case, decided that while the evidence of the prisoner's connection with the insurgent army was conclusive it was not proved that his presence within the lines was with intent necessary to constitute him a spy under the laws of war. He dismissed the sentence and ordered that Lacamana be kept a prisoner of war.

Gabriel Cambon, the president of a Pueblo in Pangasinan, has been convicted of conspiring against the government and sentenced to five years imprisonment with a fine of \$2,000. Before leaving Manila General Otis reviewed the findings of the commissions which had sentenced several Filipinos to death for guerrilla operations. The rule which he followed in all these cases was to approve of death sentences upon guerrillas who had attacked other Filipinos for supporting the Americans and to reduce the imprisonment that the penalty was against those who had ambushed American soldiers.

REPLY BY GEN. MACARTHUR. Filipinos Promised All Constitutional Rights Except Trial by Jury and Right to Bear Arms.

MANILA, June 24.—30.45 p. m.—General MacArthur has given a formal answer to the Filipino leaders who last Thursday submitted to him peace proposals that had been approved early in the day by a meeting of the insurgent leaders. His reply he assured them that all the personal rights under the constitution of the United States, except trial by jury and the right to bear arms, would be guaranteed them. The promoters of the peace movement are engaged in taking into consideration the proposals taken into consideration in their actions.

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CUBAN LABORERS ON STRIKE. Complaint is Made That Americans Are Paid Higher Wages for Same Work.

HAVANA, June 24.—A strike has occurred among the laborers employed by the Havana Electric company, Cubans and Spaniards, on the ground that they do not receive the same wages as Americans who do similar work. They claim that the Americans receive 40 cents a day more. To this the contractors question, stating that the Cuban workmen are paid less than the American workmen.

The independence, taking the matter up, complains that it illustrates the American methods of treating Cubans, saying: "The Cubans have been trampled upon by Americans since the days of the Spanish war. Now exercising his power in a dictatorial manner without consulting the wishes of Cubans, and ever since, not content with that, he wrote those insulting letters about Cubans from the United States. The strike is only another illustration of what is coming to pass. Such things cannot be allowed to go much further."

CHAT WITH JOE WHEELER. New Commander of Department of Lakes Declares That He is Out of Politics.

CHICAGO, June 24.—Brigadier General Joseph Wheeler, who is to assume command of the department of the Lakes, arrived here this evening. His two daughters are with him.

General Wheeler said: "The war in the Philippines is practically ended. No organized opposition exists—what there is consists of the remnant of the rebel army, which is being slowly but surely exterminated. A force can easily be spared from the islands for work in China. General Hall, who is to command in China, I regard as a most able officer, admirably fitted for the task. He saw a great deal of fighting in the south of Manila and I know he will win his promotion in China."

Concerning political questions and his probable attitude if political honors were offered to him General Wheeler replied: "As long as I am in the army and can remain in it I will have nothing to do with politics."

WASHINGTON, June 24.—John K. Richards, solicitor general of the United States, left here today for Cambridge Springs, Pa., where he will deliver an address next Tuesday before the Pennsylvania Bar association on the "Constitution and the Philippines."

Porto Rico Imports and Exports. WASHINGTON, June 24.—The division of customs and insular affairs, War department, has made public a summary of its regular monthly bulletin concerning the trade of Porto Rico for the nine months ending before the Pennsylvania Bar association.

Merchandise to the value of \$1,878,205 was imported into Porto Rico, of which \$379,500 worth was admitted free of duty. This latter amount included dutiable articles to the value of \$301,271, mainly relief supplies for the island amounting to \$3,729,193. The amount of export duty collected was \$469.

The trade by countries including gold and silver was as follows: Imported—From the United States, \$4,457,181; Spain, \$1,529,992; the United Kingdom, \$1,347,350; Germany, \$894,105; Canada, \$501,723. Exported—To Cuba, \$1,272,431; United States, \$701,113; France, \$528,629; Spain \$281,149; Italy, \$213,668.

Cyclone Strikes City of Cologne. LONDON, June 24.—Cologne was visited today by a cyclone which demolished several buildings and a number of factory chimneys were blown down. Several persons were badly injured.

MILLER LAUGHS AT KICKERS

Democrat Who Dislikes Moise Furnish Him Lientenant With Fun.

LOCAL HARMONY A WONDERFUL THING

Convention Held Saturday Is Denounced as Irregular and Charley Fanning is Put Forward as the County Chairman.

When the democratic leaders in Saturday's county convention pushed the hanging for the release of the effectiveness of the double-districted democratic harmony they had been sedulously manufacturing for the occasion they professed to be happily ignorant of the fact that there is a considerable following of democrats who enter a protest against the decision as prepared. The faction known as the Moise following is deeming it as apurious harmony and declares that it will have none of it. Like President Kruger, the stern old warrior of South Africa, Colonel Moise, with his commission, has taken to the jungles and will concentrate his forces to make a stand at the state convention and in the subsequent operations of the Douglas county central committee.

Convention Was Irregular. "The convention held Saturday," says Harry C. Miller, one of the Moise lieutenants, "was ludicrous in the extreme. It was a mockery of a democracy and without any semblance of authority and without any regard whatever for the rules prescribed by the county committee for holding county conventions and no attention was paid to the primary laws governing conventions laid down by the statute."

"There were no primaries held in East Omaha, West Omaha, Florence, Jefferson or in any of the wards of South Omaha and only about 200 votes were polled, all told, in the nine wards of Omaha. The delegates present from the wards mentioned merely presented names and handed them in as they were copyrighted."

"The men comprising the convention knew full well that every step they were taking was illegal and in direct conflict with the principles that have ever governed the democratic party."

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CYCLONE IN OKLAHOMA. Three Men Killed in Beaver County and Many Are Injured by Storm.

GUTHRIE, O. T., June 24.—A cyclone passed over Beaver county, formerly known as "No Man's Land," last night. Henry Bardwell, Steven Bird and Abe Weightman were killed and William Hamburger and Paul Rhoads fatally injured. The storm struck the country for sixty miles. Thousands of cattle were stampeded and many killed and injured. Several houses were destroyed.

The house of George Nebb, a ranchman, was carried 200 yards and seven ranchmen were taking refuge in the house, were injured.

PERCHERON HORSES AND HARES Brought to New York. Percheron Stallions Landed in New York and Valued at \$175,000.

NEW YORK, June 24.—The Atlantic transport liner Minneapolis, from London, brought in 139 Percheron stallions and ninety-two English hares today. The stallions, which were bred in Normandy, France, represent an investment of \$175,000. They were in charge of H. E. Melvin of Wayne, Ill.

The hares are imported for the purpose of introducing the English game animal in the far west. They are consigned to Oklahoma and Los Angeles.

TAYLOR IS IN COLOMBIA. Alleged Acceptor of Neely Said to Be Preparing to Receive Stolen Money.

HAVANA, June 24.—Information has come to the United States authorities regarding the whereabouts of Taylor, who is believed to have gone to Colombia to find a safe place to act as the receiver of property stolen by Taylor's extradition on the charge of conspiracy with Neely in disposing of surcharge stamps.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair; Cooler; Variable Winds. Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows include 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m.

HIS WOUND PROVED FATAL. J. H. Stilson, Motorman Working for St. Louis Transit Company, is Dead.

ST. LOUIS, June 24.—J. H. Stilson, a motorman in the employ of the St. Louis Transit company, died this afternoon as the result of wounds received in St. Louis on May 29. He came from Hastings, Neb., where it is said, a family survives him.

The Central Trades and Labor union met this afternoon at Walthalla hall and received the first part of the report of the committee of fifty appointed by that body at its last meeting, two weeks ago, to appeal to organized labor throughout the city and its sympathizers for funds to procure conveyances to run in competition with the Transit company and afford the public a means of transportation.

Harry F. Blackmore, chairman of the executive committee of the committee of fifty, submitted the report. He stated that no active work had been done until after Mr. Gompers had announced Monday last that there was no chance for a settlement of the strike. Mr. Gompers then affixed his name to the official appeal and since that time communications had been addressed to more than 6,000 labor unions. Answers had been received, he said, from twenty-one, who had written encouragingly and sent in contributions. In all about \$2,000, he stated, had been received, of which \$1,000 had been expended in purchasing conveyances or paying the preliminary expense of organization.

The committee, Mr. Blackmore said, had adopted as a name "The Trades Union Line," which had been copyrighted.

In order to avoid legal complications the committee determined to sell the vehicles and teams to striking railroad men who would operate them on their own responsibility, instead of the committee operating the vehicles. Mr. Blackmore stated that eighteen vehicles already secured were more running and paying handsomely. More would be put on at once, the chairman said, and employment given to men as fast as the buses were secured.

The report was enthusiastically received and the work of the committee indorsed.

EIGHT LIVES CRUSHED OUT. Fatal Rear-End Collision On Northwestern Road Near Green Bay, Wis.

GREEN BAY, Wis., June 24.—A wreck occurred on the Chicago & Northwestern road at Depere, a station five miles south of here, at 10:15 this morning. A north-bound passenger train, loaded with excursionists bound for the Saengerfest in this city, ran into a freight train about 100 yards south of the station. There were fifty-three persons injured and eight killed outright. One of those injured died before the wreck was reached on the hospital. The list of the dead is:

ED KUSKIE, Fond du Lac, druggist, aged 27.

LAWRENCE PLANK, Fond du Lac, aged 25.

GEORGE L. LLOYD, Eden, died on the way to the hospital.

CHARLES MERSWAB, Oshkosh.

BERT IVES, Oshkosh.

MAN FROTH ASHLAND, name unknown.

MATT KOEHRER, Oshkosh.