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THE EARTHQUAKE

IT SWALLOWS TWO THOUSAND HUMANS.

A TOWN TOTALLY DESTROYED

A Settlement in the Valley of the Euphrates Chosen for Destruction—Shock Lasts Thirty Seconds, but that is Sufficient for Devastation.

CONSTANTINOPLE—Advises that reached here from Asiatic Turkey show that a terrible earthquake occurred April 29 at Melazgher, in the valley of Erzeroum, on the Euphrates. The town was totally destroyed, with its entire population, numbering 2,000 souls, including 700 Armenians, as well as the troops forming the garrison of Melazgher. In addition, over 400 houses in the neighboring villages collapsed.

A somewhat severe earthquake shock was felt here, but no damage was done.

The foreign office here received some details from the British consul at Erzeroum regarding the recent earthquake at Melazgher, according to which a strong shock, lasting thirty seconds, was felt on the morning of April 29 throughout the entire district between Lake Van and the Russian frontier, and as far west as Kharpout.

The town of Melazgher, consisting of 500 houses, was destroyed and much havoc was wrought in the surrounding villages. Colonel Khalil Bey, commanding the garrison of Melazgher, with his whole family, three other officers and eighty soldiers perished in the ruins. Lieutenant Colonel Tarh Bey, whose family perished, became insane.

The telegraph operator who sent the news of the catastrophe said he himself was badly injured and that his wife and sister had been killed.

The foreign office has appealed for subscriptions for the relief of the destitute of the Melazgher district.

WASHINGTON—Vice Consul Ojalvo at Erzeroum, Turkey, reports to the state department that an earthquake in the canton of Melazgher, district of Fitis, on the 29th ult., caused the death of 500 persons and left the city in ruins.

SHAW STARTS FOR THE WEST

After Touring Iowa Will Attend Cornell Commencement.

WASHINGTON—Secretary Shaw left Washington today for Chicago. On June 2 he will join the president at Council Bluffs, Ia., and accompany him to Denison, the secretary's home town, and probably remain with the party during the trip through the state. On June 17 the secretary will attend the commencement exercises of the Cornell college at Mount Vernon, Ia., his alma mater. His daughter, Enidia, is a member of the graduating class. Two days later the secretary will deliver an address to the Institute of Technology at Chicago.

LOVING CUP FOR DE YOUNG.

Way in Which He Handled Roosevelt Functions Recognized.

SAN FRANCISCO—A pleasing sequel to President Roosevelt's visit to San Francisco was a banquet to M. H. De Young Thursday night.

He was the honored guest of the executive committee of the recent Roosevelt reception. During the evening a toast was given the occasion by the presentation to him of a large silver loving cup. The motive of the presentation was told by the inscription, as follows:

"A souvenir from the citizens' committee to the Hon. M. H. De Young, in acknowledgment of his executive ability and the mastery and successful manner in which he handled the functions given in honor of the visit of President Roosevelt to San Francisco, May, 1902."

Editor Describes Scene at Pauline. LAWRENCE, Neb.—Editor D. Livingston of the Locomotive, who returned from the vicinity of Sunday's tornado near Pauline, says the scene was almost beyond description. The bodies of the victims were fearfully mangled. One woman's head was mashed to a pulp, and the others had almost every bone in their bodies broken. Editor Livingston says the funeral of the victims held in the little church was a most impressive and sad affair. The wreck of the buildings was most complete, and the lumber and contents were found in all sorts of places.

Mr. Wu Gets New Job.

PEKIN—An imperial edict issued here appoints Wu Ting Fang, the former Chinese minister at Washington, to be a member of the foreign office. His rank will be below that of the five officials designated in the protocol.

Eleven Children Drown.

BOSEN—A ferryman and eleven children were drowned as the result of the capsizing of a ferryboat on the river Warrick, near Deming.

Five Years for Hannigan.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Five years in the penitentiary was the verdict returned by the jury in the bribery case of J. J. Hannigan, a former member in the house of delegates. Hannigan was found guilty of accepting a bribe in connection with the passage of the Suburban railway bill. When the verdict was announced Hannigan made no sign of concern. He is the eighteenth man tried on charges resulting from the local boodie investigation.

IMMENSE IRRIGATION DAM.

Geological Survey Completes Plans for Same.

WASHINGTON—The Geological survey has had prepared a model of the extensive dam to be constructed on Salt river, sixty-five miles above Phoenix, Ariz. This dam will be among the first and also among the largest irrigation enterprises to be undertaken by the government under the new law.

The model shows the exact proportions of the dam, which is to be 188 feet thick at the base, 820 feet long at the top, and 250 feet high. It will contain 11,600,000 cubic feet of masonry.

The reservoir to be constructed will drain over 4,000 square miles of territory and add 300,000 acres to the tillable area in the vicinity of Phoenix.

ORDER IN BEEF TRUST CASE.

Restrained from Violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Law.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Judge Grosscup in the federal court Tuesday entered the final order in the beef trust case, restraining the packers from combining to regulate the trade. The order covers all the points in the previous decision and is received as a complete victory for the government. An appeal will be taken.

The order covers all the large packing concerns doing business in this district and in substance permanently enjoins them from doing anything in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act. The name of the late Gustavus F. Swift was eliminated from the list, though the firm of Swift & Co. is still covered by the decree.

THE DEADLY AUTOMOBILE.

Six are Killed, Two Fatally and Ten Others Badly Injured.

PARIS—It is now possible to assemble from the many reports along the route of the first stage of the Paris-Madrid automobile race a complete list of casualties. This shows six persons killed, two so dangerously injured that they may die and ten seriously injured.

During the day it was asserted here that seventeen persons had been killed and that seventeen were injured, but this was not warranted.

Estate of \$400,000.000.

PITTSBURG, Pa.—The will of Benjamin F. Jones, the well known steel manufacturer, was filed for probate. No estimate is made of the value of the estate, but it is said to be not less than \$400,000,000. The widow is to get the bulk of the estate, the balance to go to four children. On Mrs. Jones' death the balance is to be divided each year among the four children. On the death of the four children the principal is to be divided equally among all the testator's grandchildren.

OKLAHOMA IS IN BAD SHAPE.

Crops in Many Localities Are Totally Destroyed.

GUTHRIE, O. T.—Official reports from Anadarko to territorial officials place the flood losses at three times that of any former year. There will be no trains over the Frisco, Choctaw, Enid & Anadarko and Rock Island railroads in that vicinity under ten or twenty days.

From Hobart the estimate of losses is placed at \$500,000. All telephone and telegraph lines are down and thirty-two miles of the Rock Island tracks are out between Hobart and Anadarko. The Rock Island's loss at Hobart is \$250,000 and the Frisco's \$30,000. The wheat and oats crops in that vicinity are total failures as a result of the terrific hail storms.

Chicago Faces Hunger.

CHICAGO, Ill.—The breach between the restaurant employees and the owners' association opened wide Thursday. The joint board of the eight unions making demands have opened strike headquarters and appointed committees to arrange for the handling of pickets. The unions declare a general walkout will occur Monday in all places where the union scale has not been signed.

Lawrence Succeeds Miller.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Edward W. Lawrence of Rutland, Vt., was on Wednesday appointed assistant attorney general for the postoffice department to succeed Daniel V. Miller, recently removed. Mr. Lawrence is a member of the Vermont bar. The investigation of affairs in the assistant attorney general's office continues.

Both Sides Get Divorces.

LONDON—Lady Margaret Cowell-Stepney, daughter of Lord de Tabley, was granted a judicial separation from her husband, Sir Arthur Cowell-Stepney, on the ground of desertion. The baronet, who is a former member of parliament and a wealthy landed proprietor of Wales, is now in Boise City, Idaho, where he recently renounced his title and became an American citizen and also secured a divorce there.

Against a Consolidation.

LEXINGTON, Va.—The Southern Presbyterian general assembly decided against consolidating the offices of the general superintendent of Sunday schools and young people's societies. The report of the committee on theological seminaries, which was adopted, showed that the character of the work of the student bodies of these institutions have been highly satisfactory. This year there will be thirty-nine graduates.

IOWA IS SMITTEN

STORM FIEND BRINGS DEATH AND DESTRUCTION.

SEVERAL DEAD AT GLENWOOD

School of the Feeble Minded Struck With Deadly Effect—Des Moines and Buxton Also Sufferers From the Elements.

DES MOINES, Ia.—Iowa has been storm swept for the past twenty-four hours. Three tornadoes caused the loss of six lives, the fatal injury of three persons and the serious injury of a score more, besides great property loss. The dead at Glenwood are: Maggie Bietner Adaza, Ia.; Hazel Wright, Adaza, Ia. The dead near Buxton, Georgia Blakesley, Herbert Rhodes. The dead at South Des Moines are Russell A. Knapp, aged 30; Floyd Knapp, his 5-month-old son.

Injured at Glenwood: Mary Eckert, Annie Delaney, Myrtle Dickinson, Eria Newton, Harrison Johnson and Roila Rathbone.

The injured near Buxton: Molliea Rhodes, fatally; Mollie Rhodes, fatally; Eliza Blakesley, Seward, Lucy George and Addison Rhodes, Bucky Reasby and Mary Walker.

The injured at South Des Moines: Mrs. Knapp, bruised and cut; Mrs. Margaret Barston, skull injured by falling brick; Charles McNutt, hurt by falling tree; Mrs. John McCoy, breast and head cut by flying glass.

The victims at Glenwood were all inmates of the school for the feeble minded, where the storm struck at 9:30 a. m. The tornado struck the girls' dormitory, commonly known as the old building, first. The roof was torn off, and with a terrific crash, fell back again upon the wrecked building. All the buildings of the group, including the hospital, dormitory, boys' building, custodian's building, farm college and the boiler room were more or less damaged by the storm.

The superintendent estimates that the loss will be at least \$75,000. The buildings of the institution are situated on a slight rise and were a mark for the heavy wind which swept down upon them with terrible fury. The eleven girls who were injured are being cared for in the hospital, which is practically intact.

The tornado near Buxton struck at about 9:30 p. m. near what is known as No. 10 Junction, a mining settlement. All the victims were colored. The storm came from the southwest and the destructive wind seemed to descend suddenly from a great bank of clouds which was sweeping toward the northwest.

The houses occupied by the Rhodes and Blakesley were smashed to kindling wood. Half a dozen boxes were shattered and scattered over the surrounding country.

From all sections of the state come reports of exceptionally heavy rainfall, accompanied in most cases by severe wind and lightning.

In the northern part of Iowa there was a fall of hail in such size that lamb, calves and pigs are reported killed and in another case a horse killed. Rivers are swollen out of the banks everywhere. The flood is at its crest in northwest Iowa. Numerous washouts are reported in that section, and two railroad wrecks due to that cause were attended with one death each. Wires are prostrated so generally as to preclude obtaining particulars.

Insurgents Badly Defeated.

MANILA—Lieutenant Javier, commanding a force of constabulary and volunteers, has defeated 200 fanatical insurgents in the island of Oebu, killing sixty-eight of them and capturing twenty-nine. The fight occurred in the mountains of Takogan. No details of the engagement have been received and the government losses are not known.

Mrs. Tibbies Dead.

BANCROFT, Neb.—Mrs. T. H. Tibbies, well known as a correspondent and writer, under the name of "Bright Eyes," died at her home near this place Tuesday night. Her husband, T. H. Tibbies, was formerly connected with the Nebraska Independent.

King Alfonso is Enriched.

LONDON—A special dispatch from Madrid says: King Alfonso has inherited \$7,500,000 under the will of his grandfather, King Francis. The will was opened about a month ago in accordance with the desire of King Francis that it should not be read until twelve months after his death.

Buried the Wrong Man.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—A curious complication over the suicide of George Littleton in St. Joseph, May 1, by drowning in the Missouri river, has arisen. The identified body of Littleton was found in the Missouri river at Atchison, Kas., Saturday and buried by relatives at De Kalb, Mo., but Wednesday a floater was picked up in Kansas City, with papers on it showing it to be the body of Littleton.

Ten Cases of Plague.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE—The report that cases of bubonic plague had been discovered at the seaport of Iquique is confirmed. There were ten cases Monday, six of which were fatal. The disease was brought to Iquique in a cargo of rice from India.

Exhibit of Irish Industries.

LONDON—The Irish department of agriculture has decided to organize a special exhibit of Irish industries for the St. Louis exposition.

BRITAIN LEFT BEHIND.



"Washington the Proper Capital of the English-Speaking World."—As drew Carnegie.

RECLAIMING OF ARID LANDS.

Expenditures in Past Two Years Were \$7,530,333.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Commissioner Richards of the general land office has had prepared a statement giving the exact amount of the fund set apart for the reclamation of arid lands under the irrigation act of 1902. It shows a total of \$7,530,333 for the fiscal years 1901 and 1902, distributed among the states and territories as follows:

Arizona, \$81,773; California, \$503,270; Colorado, \$628,995; Idaho, \$507,448; Kansas, \$49,135; Montana, \$772,377; Nebraska, \$235,194; Nevada, \$23,414; New Mexico, \$147,237; North Dakota, \$1,227,498; Oklahoma, \$1,098,795; Oregon, \$219,961; South Dakota, \$307,562; Utah, \$146,824; Washington, \$794,988; Wyoming, \$485,762.

The total for 1901 was \$3,144,861 and for 1902 \$4,385,472.

The returns of the sale of public lands for the first three-quarters of the present fiscal year indicate that the receipts will be about equal to the two preceding years, so that by July 1 next the irrigation fund in the treasury department will amount to about \$15,900,000.

BOILER MAKERS GO TO WORK.

Old Union Pacific Employees Return to the Shops.

OMAHA—After being out on strike for over eleven months Union Pacific boiler makers returned to work Thursday morning, at least some of them. This is the ultimate result of the conference in New York with President Burt whereby a settlement was effected and the immediate outcome of a conference Wednesday afternoon with Superintendent McKean of the motive power department, when minor differences arising since the New York conference were disposed of.

Forty-five boiler makers and their helpers went out of the local shops June 18 of last year. Thirty-six on Wednesday went down to the shops and reported to Master Mechanic Thompson and re-entered the company's employ.

Veterans Name New Haven.

WASHINGTON—Colonel E. M. Urel, commander-in-chief of the Spanish War Veterans, announced Wednesday that the national encampment this year would be held in New Haven, Conn. The dates have not been fixed definitely, but they probably will be September 28-30. It is expected that President Roosevelt will attend the encampment. The cities which were candidates for the encampment were Cleveland, Asheville and New Haven.

Tragedy at a Wedding Ball.

ARRAS, France—A wedding party at the Citadel barracks here Tuesday night ended tragically with the death of three women and the injury of twenty-seven others. At the dance following the wedding a lamp was overturned and set fire to the decorative hangings. A panic ensued, the doors were blocked and three of the women were unable to escape and perished in the flames.

Rockefeller Helps Y. M. C. A.

WASHINGTON—The Post will announce Monday that John D. Rockefeller has given \$50,000 to the Washington Young Men's Christian Association. This announcement has been made by Mr. Rockefeller through H. B. Macfarland, president of the Board of District Commissioners. The gift is conditioned on the completion of a canvass for \$300,000 for use of the association before January 1, 1904.

Dr. Wendt Takes His Life.

PARIS—Dr. E. Charles Wendt of New York shot and killed himself with a pistol in his apartments here. Temporary aberration of mind is supposed to be the cause.

Trampled to Death in Car.

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—Altes Kaldy, who was taking two camels and an elephant to Minneapolis to join a circus, was trampled to death by the elephant in a car at Medicine Bow station.

MURDER AVENGED

SLAYER OF MR. AND MRS. CHURCH PAYS PENALTY.

HANGED TO A HIGH BRIDGE

A Drop of Forty Feet Severs the Head From the Body—Mounted Ranchmen Make Short Work of Their Victim.

NEW CASTLE, Wyo.—W. C. Clifton, murderer of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Church, formerly of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was lynched by a mob from Gillette Tuesday night.

The mob battered down the jail door, holding up the sheriff and deputy while they hung Clifton to a bridge west of town. Clifton's head was cut off by the fall of forty feet. The mob, which was composed of fifty mounted ranchmen, was perfectly organized and proceeded with methodical deliberation.

The sheriff and his deputies were bound and confined. Clifton's cries were stifled with a gag. He was bound hand and foot and was roughly dragged to the scene of execution. The commands of the mob leader were given quietly and none of the townspeople were aroused by the lynchers.

When the body of Clifton was removed from under the bridge the following message was found pinned to his clothing:

"We think the law too slow in hanging this most cold blooded murderer, who took the lives of our dear friends and neighbors, and we take it upon ourselves to revenge in behalf of the parents. Hoping that the action on our part will meet the approval of the community at large, we remain, (Signed) THE MOB.

DENVER—John W. Church and his wife, who lived on a homestead claim seventy-five miles southwest of Newcastle, were never seen alive after March 14 last. Clifton, whose ranch adjoined Church's, was arrested April 1 of last covering personal property to secure payment of \$600 advanced him Mrs. Church.

Their bodies were found at the place indicated by him. Clifton claimed that he had killed the couple in self defense. He had given Church a bill of sale covering personal property to secure payment of \$600 advanced him by Church.

He said he had repaid this sum and obtained the bill of sale and that Mrs. Church had then threatened him with a six-shooter, demanding the return of the papers. He shot her, he admitted, and being attacked by her husband, killed him also. This story was discredited, as Mrs. Church was a slender little woman of 22 years of age.

Church was formerly a stenographer in the Union Pacific offices in Omaha. His family and Clifton resided in Council Bluffs. About a year ago Church and Clifton made an agreement to go into the cattle business in Wyoming together and Church then took up a homestead adjoining Clifton's. Clifton was 31 years of age.

SUES AN AMERICAN OFFICER.

Gabrial Galza, a Filipino, Seeks to Recover Damages.

MANILA—Gabrial Galza, living in the island of Leyte, has sued Major Edward Glenn of the Fifth infantry for \$5,000 pesos damages on the ground of alleged false imprisonment. Galza, who was an insurgent sympathizer, was suspected of aiding the Samar insurgents. In 1901 he was arrested by Major Glenn's orders, General Smith approving, and was confined in Samar. Ultimately Galza was released. Major Glenn has reported the filing of the suit to Major General Davis, who will probably refer the matter to Secretary Root.

MICKEY POSTPONES ACTION.

Governor of Nebraska Will Make No Decision in Rhea Case.

INDIANAPOLIS—A telegram Wednesday from Governor John H. Mickey of Nebraska to Governor Durbin announced that there would be no action this week in the case of William Rhea, the Mount Vernon, Ind., young man now under sentence to be hanged for murder in that state. Congressman Hemenway of the First Indiana district, Major G. V. Menzies of Mount Vernon and Governor Durbin interceded in behalf of young Rhea and Governor Mickey has promised to make a thorough investigation of the case before allowing the execution to proceed.

To Improve Upper Missouri.

SIOUX CITY, Ia.—Captain W. H. Gould of the government snagboat Mandan has arrived here to consult with Lieutenant E. D. Vincent, engineer in charge of the work on the upper Missouri river. It is expected by Lieutenant Vincent that the chief work on the upper section of the river will be done at Yankton, where about \$200,000 will be expended in building extensions to the dikes now standing there.

Mrs. Patterson Brings Suit.

CHICAGO—A damage suit of \$10,000, as a sequel to the sensational attack of Mrs. Elizabeth V. Cronk of Omaha, on Mrs. Cora Lathrop Patterson on an Illinois Central train at Council Bluffs, Ia., was week ago last Saturday, has been filed in the superior court. A deputy sheriff served the notice late Saturday evening as Mrs. Cronk was going through Chicago with her husband on their way home from Washington.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

B. F. Swain of Seymour, Ind., was elected president of the National Hardwood Lumbermen's association at Indianapolis.

Senor Montoro, the Cuban minister to Great Britain, will leave Havana for London on May 28 instead of May 31, the date previously fixed.

A serious motor cycle accident occurred at Bristol, England. The motor swerved into a crowd of spectators, two of whom were killed and many others seriously injured.

Nicomedes Zulogoa, a lawyer, has been appointed Venezuelan representative at Caracas on the mixed claims commission in the matter of the Italian claim against Venezuela.

The engagement is announced of Honoré Palmer, eldest son of Mrs. Potter Palmer, of Chicago, to Miss Grace Greenway Brown, daughter of the late George Brown, of Baltimore.

Justice Fletcher Ladd of the supreme court of the Philippine islands has resigned on account of the illness of his wife and has left Manila for home. He belongs at Lancaster, N. H.

Oliver T. Sherwood, the missing cashier of the Southport (Conn.) National bank, who is said to be a defaulter for more than \$100,000, was indicted on the charge of embezzlement.

Paul Blouet (Max O'Rell) died in Paris. He had been ailing for several months and never recovered entirely from the effects of an operation performed some time ago in New York.

The Malone (N. Y.) paper mill, owned by the Malone Paper company, was destroyed by fire. Seven or eight dwellings were also burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000; insurance, \$80,000.

Richard Croker is said to have offered to Mr. Silver, the spouse of LeCombe, \$125,000 for his extensive LeCombe estates, including the principal house in the district, called LeCombe Bowers.

John D. Rockefeller has offered to increase his donation to the student building fund of Indiana university, from \$30,000 to \$50,000, on condition that a fund of \$50,000 be raised from other sources before July 1.

Consul McWade at Canton has advised the state department that famine is increasing in Kwang Si province and that relief is urgently needed. He also informed the department that sporadic Asiatic cholera exists in Canton.

Samuel A. Ashby of Portland, near Martin's Ferry, O., murdered his wife at their home in that place. Ashby turned his wife out of the house, but she returned. After a conversation he drew a gun and shot her three times.

Suit to recover \$1,600,000 was filed in the supreme court of New York by several preferred stockholders of the National Salt company against the directors of the company, fraud being alleged in the purchase of the business of the United States Salt company.

Under the division of presidential electors for 1904 New York continues at the head of the list, with thirty-nine, while New Jersey will have twenty—a gain of five for the two states. The states of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan had forty-six electors in 1892, 1896 and 1900 and will have the same representation in 1904.

Lilly, Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Mrs. Hammerstein of New York, who has been critically ill of blood poisoning, contracted, it is believed, through defective drainage at Deepdene, her beautiful home in Surrey, England, is now well enough to be removed to another house, which she has taken in the same country, while the sanitary arrangements at Deepdene are being rectified.

The Kentucky court of appeals has sustained the motion made by Commonwealth's Attorney Frank in that Circuit Judge Cassell vacates the bench in the trial of the case of the Commonwealth against Caleb Powers, charged with being an accessory to the murder of William Goebel. Governor Beckham is expected to appoint a special trial judge.

All reports received at Yokohama agree as to the presence of 200 Russian troops at Yonamplo, on the Korean side of the Yalu river and against the occupation of which by the Russians the Korean government energetically protested.

The Macedonian committee reports that the Turks have burned the village of Banitz, near Serez, and only forty-eight of the 500 inhabitants escaped, many women and girls being outraged and murdered and their bodies cast into the sea.

Theodore Richman, the famous baritone of the Vienna opera house, is dead of apoplexy. He achieved his richest triumph in New York in "The Flying Dutchman" during the year 1899, and afterward made a tour of the United States.

A motion for a change of venue in the trial of J. J. Hannigan, a former member of the house of delegates, charged with bribery in connection with the suburban bill, was denied in Judge Ryan's division of the criminal court at St. Louis.

Mrs. Agnes Ethel Tracy, who, as Agnes Ethel, was known on the stage three decades ago, died at her home in New York City.

Consul General Bellows at Yokohama cables the department that plague exists there.

Prof. Thompson Jay Hudson, author of a number of psychological works and a lecturer on those subjects, died at his home at Detroit, Mich.

Miss Alice Roosevelt is waiting for her father to return, when she will ask permission to buy an automobile.

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