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A BIG DEPARTMENT STORE IN ALBANY, N. Y., COLLAPSES BURYING MANY IN THE RUINS

Death List Will Probably Reach Thirty Persons, With Many Other Seriously Injured.

MOSTLY BOYS AND GIRLS

By Scripps News Association

Albany N. Y. Aug 8.—Part of the building occupied by the department store of John G Myers Company collapsed at 8:45 this morning burying underneath its ruins, fifty to one hundred persons. But a small portion of the ruins has been explored, consequently the definite number of victims is unknown. The most of the victims are young boys and girls.

The cause is believed to be due partly to some excavations which were being made preparatory to improvements. Robert Chambers one of the firm is missing and is believed to be under the debris. The store had been opened for business when the catastrophe occurred. The side walls and roof in the immediate center of the building fell three floors, consisting of a mass of mangled humanity, broken timbers, brick and iron piles to the cellar. The structure is in the center of the shopping district north of Penna street. All stores close by are turned into emergency hospitals and fifty physicians were hurried to the scene.

At four o'clock four people have been discovered in the ruins and four more are believed to be near the surface. The cellar is being cleared this afternoon. It is fast filling with water and in it can be seen the floating bodies of men and women.

At two o'clock three bodies have been taken out of the ruins, badly mangled, none of which have been identified. Six people are in the hospitals. Between thirty and forty are still in

the ruins, many of whom are dead. That the death list is not larger is attributed to the fact that noise of the falling building enabled many to jump from the windows and by the way of fire escapes many were able to make their way to the front of the building which remained intact. The panic following the crash was terrible, men and women rushed to the entrance trampling down the weak. Fortunately fire did not add to the horror as the boilers were in the front of the building.

Robert Chalmers, the member of the firm in the ruins, was buried for two hours, caught under an upright which supported the debris above his head. He was conscious all of the time and directed workmen how to proceed in the work of rescue. When taken out he was found to be suffering from a fractured leg. Thirty girls escaped across a fire escape into an adjoining store.

Great care is being exercised in removing beams for fear of bringing down debris on those in the cellar.

Up to 2:30 the only identified dead is Miss Bertha Jones. At least 75 people are not yet accounted for and some are known to be under the ruins. It is now a certainty that the death list will reach 30.

John D. Sends Oil

By Scripps News Association
Constantinople, Aug 8.—Owing to a strike of the workmen at Baku Latuel, the oil trade is tied up with the result that an immense shipment of Standard oil is enroute.

Oil Ablaze

By Scripps News Association
Houston, Tex., Aug. 8.—Lightning again struck in the oil fields this morning, resulting in a terrible fire. The blaze is confined in the Guffy tanks and will result in the loss of a half million barrels of oil. In the immediate vicinity there are a million barrels stored.

Ferrys Burn

By Scripps News Association
New York, Aug. 8.—A destructive fire broke out in the terminal of the Lackawanna railroad burning three ferry boats this morning, seriously crippling the road. Arrangements have been made with the Pennsylvania and Erie to handle the traffic. The loss is estimated at a million dollars with no loss of life.

Dine Sumptuously

By Scripps News Association
Antwerp, Aug. 8.—Travelers from Cameron report numerous atrocities by a tribe of cannibals who called at Nieme recently and killed and ate two thousand negroes and eight German colonists.

Netherland's Cabinet

The Hague, Aug 8.—A new cabinet was formed yesterday under the premiership of G A Vanhammel, professor of philosophy at the University of Amsterdam. Johnker R DeMarsos Van Swinderen, minister at Washington has been appointed minister of foreign affairs.

Japanese Riot

Blaine, Wash., Aug 8.—A riot between Japanese and white men on the streets of Blaine resulted in the serious injury of one white man and at least four Japanese. The trouble grew out of a fight between an American and an oriental at one of the canneries. The Japanese stabbed his antagonist. On being arrested and taken to prison by the marshal a crowd followed and members of the two races clashed.

Brilliant Festivities

Manila, Aug. 8.—Last evening Major General Corbin gave a dinner to the gentlemen of the Taft party. Rear Admiral Finquist of the Russian navy and staff were present. General Corbin toasted President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft, the Russian emperor, the Russian admiral, much affected, arose and made a profound salutation.

At the same hour Commissioner Forbes entertained Miss Roosevelt at dinner. At 8 o'clock over 3000 persons attended a reception given by General Wright at Malacanan palace. The Spanish residents say the reception surpassed any in the previous history of Manila.

Camping Party

Yesterday afternoon a jolly camping party left for Anthony Springs, where the huckleberries are thick and pure mountain water plenty. The party consisted of Mrs. Julius Fisher, Miss Daisy Whitlow, Miss Maud Cotner, Mrs. Henry Holmes, Mrs. J J Dall and Mrs. O A Haggons. They expect to remain at the springs about two weeks.

Band Leader Arrested

By Scripps News Association
Detroit Aug 8.—Creator, the great band leader, was arrested here last night following an initiatory concert. charged with non-support preferred by his wife, who with the daughter Josephine, followed him from Italy

Fiend Abroad

By Scripps News Association
Atlanta Aug 8.—An unknown man ran amok at Decatur last night and killed one man and seriously stabbed six others. The fiend went about silently, striking the knife into bystanders.

Seriously Injured

By Scripps News Association
Heppner Junction Aug 8.—Thomas Davidson a wealthy resident of Pendleton was struck by passenger train No 2 last night and lost his leg, the wheels passing over him just below the knee. He was taken to Pendleton, and it is thought he can recover the shock. He was riding from Portland and slipped off the train at Heppner and fell under the wheels.

Autoist Hurt

By Scripps News Association
Detroit Aug 8.—Barney Oldfield was seriously injured in a wreck in a five mile automobile race this afternoon by a collision with another car. Oldfield was thrown into a field and picked up covered with blood. He will recover.

Five Cent Law Suit

Peoria Ill Aug 8.—A demurrage claim amounting to 5 cents brought by the Santa Fe Railroad company against Judge W E Curren of Pekin, Ill., promises to go through the supreme court before it is settled. A few weeks ago the judge had his office improved and, among other things, ordered a new door for his safe. When the door came he was not apprised of the fact until 5 cents demurrage charges had accumulated. The agent of the company attempted to collect the sum, but the judge refused and gained possession of the door by replevin. The Santa Fe came back at him with a suit for 5 cents demurrage. Judge Curren says that he will fight the case through the supreme court before he will pay the charge, which he claims is not justified and is unwarranted.

Young Girl Suicides

Missoula, Mont., Aug. 8.—Because Miss Georgia White, aged 17, wanted to go to a picnic and her mother said she could not, the girl threw herself into the Missoula river yesterday and was drowned.

In Hands of Federal Board

(Scripps News Association)
New Orleans Aug 8.—Today is the first day that the health situation is entirely in the hands of the federal board of health marine hospital service. The quarantine regulations became so distressingly severe that the governor deemed it necessary to issue a public statement urging the relaxation, pointing out that many of the towns cannot obtain food, medicine and ice while communication by wire and mail is impossible. The rice crop is going to waste because sacks and twine cannot be obtained. Six new cases have been reported at Bonami, nineteen at Patterson and four at Shreveport. Tomorrow a public holiday will be proclaimed to give every one a chance to clean up the city. Dr White states that if the precise location of every fever case in the city were known the disease could be stamped out in thirty days.
MORE DEATHS AND NEW CASES
Two deaths at noon and four new cases have been reported officially up to 12 o'clock today.

PLENTIPOTIARRIES AT PORTSMOUTH TO CONSIDER TERMS

Lunch and Dine With Governors and Congressmen

MILITARY ESCORT

By Scripps News Association
Portsmouth Aug 8.—Gay with flags and bunting on every building, the city was astir early this morning to greet the peace plenipotentiaries. Every point of vantage from which even a distant view of the ships bringing the envoys, was crowded with people. At eight o'clock the warships could be seen from the veranda of the Hotel Wentworth. The squadron dropped anchor off the navy yard about nine. Half an hour later M Witte, who arrived by train last night, left the hotel in a launch and boarded the Mayflower to be present when rear Admiral Mead, in command of the navy yard, made a formal call. Shortly after ten the Admiral's launch left the yard with the commander, two aides and a number of marine guards, visited the Mayflower first, giving precedence.

The Dolphin was next visited, firing guns in a ceremonious salutation followed by preparations by the envoys to go ashore. Seven government launches were placed at their disposal and it was after 11 before the whole party landed at the naval yard. Ad-

miral Mead's staff led the Russians, followed by Assistant Secretary of State Pierce leading the Japanese. The rear was brought up by the newspaper correspondents. Upon the arrival of the party, an elaborate breakfast was served to the envoys, Admiral Mead acting as host for Governor Best. Good humor prevailed among the party, the Russians being particularly jovial.

At the conclusion of the breakfast, automobiles and carriages appeared and carried the party across Kittery bridge. At Kittery eleven companies of the National guards with the Second Infantry band, were drawn up. After an exchange of courtesies between Col Tetley and Pierce who was in the first carriage, the parade formed, the band leading, the guardsmen surrounding the carriages and proceeding up Market street, down Congress street, through Middle street, down State street, to the Rockingham county court house where the envoys were received by Governor McKeen, the staff council and the New Hampshire congressional delegation. Here a reception, private to the envoys, was given and McKeen made an address. After the formalities the envoys returned to the hotels.

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