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## VICTORY FOR THE BRITISH

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, D. C., July 31.—Great interest is manifested in naval circles in the British battleship *Freadnought*, which is fast nearing completion and will evidently make a record in shipbuilding. The ten 15-inch guns have been mounted and the armor plate protection to the barbettes has been put in place. It is expected that the entire armament will be in place within a few days and that the vessel will be ready for her steam trials in September. If this program is carried out the battleship will be undergoing her trials in less than one year since the first keel plates were laid. The authorities at Portsmouth have carried out the orders of the Admiralty and have absolutely refused to permit any one, naval officers or civilians, to go on board the ship without special permit.

The remarkable result obtained by the British government in the building of this battleship, the largest afloat, in such a short space of time speaks well for government construction. The recent race between the United States battleships *Louisiana* and *Connecticut*, in which the contract vessel was finished before the government yard product, is still a matter of discussion, and it is the opinion that a further test under such conditions would be entirely favorable to the government builders over commercial yards.

**BAPTISTS MEET AT BLUE MOUNTAIN**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Blue Mountain, Miss., July 31.—One of the most important features of the Baptist Young People's Union encampments, which opened here today, will be a Bible Conference, which will be conducted under the direction of the Rev. Joshua Gravett of Denver and a number of distinguished Bible students from various Southern states. The attendance is unusually large.

## ARTILLERY JOINED THE MUTINEERS

(Scripps News Association)  
Helsingfors, July 31.—The artillery joined the S. E. mutineers. The infantry remained loyal. The artillery trained their guns on the Loyalists killing and wounding 500. The officers and families rushed to the city for safety. The fighting still continues. The ships are bombarding the fortress.

**Lt. Ovr**—Over six hundred were killed or wounded in the fight up to noon. Another outbreak is reported at Skatilden.

**WEST VIRGINIA MILITIA ON MARCH**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Martinsburg, July 31.—The National Guard troops of this State arrived for the concentration camp here today and will remain here until August 4 when they will be transported to Mt. Gretna, Pa., where the Eastern regulars and militia are being massed for wholesale maneuvers. The troops will remain at Mt. Gretna until August 12.

**Court Takes Time**  
Cleveland, July 31.—Mayor Johnson who is charged with contempt of court was on trial this morning. The court announced that the statute quo of the street railroad situation must be maintained, pending the decision of the contempt case. The case will take much time, the court allowing great latitude in introducing anything which might enlighten it.

**Hearing This Afternoon**  
The postponed case of State versus Frank Binehoff is being heard before a jury in Justice of the Peace Hough's office this afternoon. The hearing was set for two o'clock but some trouble was experienced in securing a jury and it was late before the hearing was taken up.

## CZAR'S PALACE BURNING

(Scripps News Association)  
Odessa, July 31.—It is reported that the czar's palace at Lavadia is burning having been ignited by Revolutionists. There is great excitement in the city.

**A DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Peoria, Ill., July 31.—The ninetieth birthday of Mrs. Lydia Bradley and the tenth anniversary of Bradley Polytechnic Institute are celebrated here today. Mrs. Bradley is still in remarkably good health and it is generally believed that she will live to be one hundred years. The Institute was founded by her.

**NEGRO ASSULTS GIRL**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Mayfield, Ky., July 31.—The trial of Allen Mathies, a negro accused of assaulting Ethel McClain, began this morning. The scaffold was erected yesterday on which the colored man will hang.

A maddened crowd gathered on the outside demanding that they be permitted to lynch Mathies, and the trial had to be postponed until tonight at 8 o'clock. He will be protected by a company of infantry when he leaves Louisville. A speedy execution will follow if he is found guilty.

**Appeal Issued**  
(Scripps News Association)  
St. Petersburg, July 31.—The Revolutionists today have issued an appeal urging the peasants to occupy the lands belonging to the Nobles and to appropriate the harvest and to ignite the granaries and stables of those who oppose them.

**GRAIN MARKETS**  
Chicago, July 31.—Wheat opened at 74½, closed at 74¼; corn opened at 51, closed at 49; oats opened at 37½, closed 31½.

## SULLIVAN WILL NOT RESIGN

(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago, July 31.—W. J. Bryan through his personal friend Judge Thompson, of Jacksonville, Ill., practically demanded the resignation of Roger Sullivan, national committee man. His demand was made in the "interest of harmony." Bryan made this request by letter which was written from Scotland. Sullivan was interviewed this morning and was shown the letter, which was most caustic. Sullivan refuses to resign.

Sullivan's refusal to resign brought the direction from Bryan the direction to give to the press the message from him to the Illinois democrat. Thompson states that had Sullivan resigned quietly there would have been no publicity.

Bryan says that heroic measures are necessary to eliminate him from the party. Bryan claims that Sullivan's corporate connections would be harmful to the party.

## WORK AT FRISCO IS TIED UP

(Scripps News Association)  
San Francisco, July 30.—Construction work of the United railroads is completely tied up today between the striking of the laborers and the line men, who want eight hours and a raise in wages. The railroad construction workers claim that over eight hundred men have so far enrolled in the new union and that about the same number have gone out on a strike but had no opportunity to take out their cards. A delegation from the laborers visited the different lines this morning but found no one at work.

**MICHIGAN REPUBLICANS MEET**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Detroit, Mich., July 31.—The Republican State convention of Michigan, which had originally been set for August 8, but was changed to this date, because another convention had been called for August 8 and it was feared that the hotels would not be able to accommodate such large crowds of visitors, was called to order here this forenoon. After the appointment of committees and the transaction of other routine work the convention took a recess until this afternoon, when the nominations will be made and the rest of the business of the convention transacted.

**Supreme Court Decision**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Salem, July 31.—The supreme court has handed down the following decision: In the case of Anna Oliver vs Fred Synhorst, superintendent of the streets of the city of La Grande, appeal from Union county, Robert Eakin judge reversed, by Judge Bean. This is a suit to enjoin the defendant from removing the fence and sidewalk of plaintiff and interfering with her shrubbery on a certain lot in La Grande. The court holds to the doctrine of estoppel against the city as she would be seriously injured by having to remove the fence and open the street to the public.

**FAIR AND RACE MEETING AT NORFOLK**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Norfolk, Va., July 31.—The annual State Fair and Summer race meet of the Norfolk Horse Show and Fair Association opens here today and will continue for four days. Besides an interesting agricultural exhibition there are the usual state fair features of interest and amusements provided for. A large attendance is expected and visitors are arriving here from all parts of the state.

## THE TWO EXTREMES MAY MEET

(Scripps News Association)  
San Francisco, July 31.—Enraged because Dr. Devine, late head of the relief work, will partake of a choice banquet, which his admirers provided for him at the St. Francis tonight prior to his departure for the East, a demonstration is to be made in front of the banquet hall, headed by Mrs. Mary Kelly and other disgruntled refugees, who maintain that the cost of the banquet is to be paid out of the fund while the refugees are suffering for necessities. On the other hand it is implied that Dr. Devine aroused the indignation of some of the refugees by his campaign to oust what he calls "able bodied loafers." Dr. Devine's admirers say they are paying for this testimonial of their respect to him out of their own pockets. At the banquet a handsome living cup will be presented to the state commissioner.

## ENTERS A PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

(Scripps News Association)  
Seattle, Wash., July 31.—Miss Esther Mitchell, charged with the murder of her brother, appeared before Judge Fratter this morning and pleaded not guilty to the charge. The defence will be insanity of the defendant and the trial is set for October. Witnesses from Oregon will testify that the girl was under the morbid influence of religious fanatics.

**PARSON'S BRIGADE REUNION**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Hillsboro, Tex., July 31.—The Parson's Texas Cavalry Brigade Association is holding its annual reunion in this city today. The attendance is quite large and owing to the fact that the convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy will also meet here during the next few days, several thousand visitors from out of town are gathered here at present.

**DISCUSSING OHIO POLITICS**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Oyster Bay, July 31.—Senator Dick Eimer of Dover is in conference today with the President. They are discussing Ohio politics.

## ALL LOOK ALIKE TO PRESIDENT

(Scripps News Association)  
Rome, July 31.—The American pilgrims headed by Bishop Gabriels, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., was received by the Pope today. Bishop Gabriels quoted the President as saying to him, "Tell the Pope I send my profound regards. Tell him I have tried to treat Protestants and Catholics alike, as my appointments will show and I will try to perpetuate this policy I expect to be a Catholic as well as Protestant president."

**TORPEDO BOATS NOT WANTED**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Norfolk, Va., July 31.—It begins to look as if nothing would be done by the Navy Department toward sending the torpedo boats stationed here at present, to the Asiatic station. It was originally planned that these boats, some six in number, should leave here early in April, and everything was in readiness for the long voyage; that is, everything but the personnel for the boats. It has been found next to impossible to obtain the officers and men for the protracted tour of duty which is necessary in order to train them for the long voyage, much of which must be under tow. Now comes the suggestion from the Asiatic station that it might be just as well to keep the torpedo boats at home, since they are really not urgently required in far Eastern waters, where their presence with the fleet would somewhat retard the cruising program, and where they would have to lie in ordinary at Cavite much as they now remain at this port. It is possible, therefore, in view of these difficulties, that the torpedo boats will stay in home waters, although it is a part of the strategic program that there shall be at the Asiatic station, in readiness for need of them, a flotilla of torpedo boats.

**FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL UNION MEETS**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Alexandria, La., July 31.—The state convention of the Louisiana branch of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America opened here today with an attendance of about five hundred delegates. The delegates were welcomed to the city by Mayor Turner. The convention will last three days and a highly interesting and instructive program has been prepared for this meeting.

**DEMOCRATS GETTING BUSY**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, July 31.—The Democrats are arranging preliminaries for the congressional contest. Chairman Griggs is exerting every effort to gain financial assistance and spends much time in New York with this end in view. Speeches are being printed and sent out broadcast.

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