

PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

Committee Has Prepared Excellent List of Events for Fourth of July Exercises.

WILL LAST ALL AFTERNOON

Parade Takes Place at 1 Sports Following—Band Concert and Fireworks Display in the Evening.

The committee in charge of the Fourth of July celebration yesterday announced an outline of the program to be followed on the holiday.

The retail houses of the city are to be kept open until noon, and the celebration is to be commenced at 1 o'clock, at which hour the parade will start.

It is expected the patriotic exercises will occupy about three-quarters of an hour, and at the conclusion of the program the sports will be held.

General Kuropatkin yesterday assumed the offensive against General Oku, while General Kuroki from a position 14 miles to the eastward was moving against the Russian flank at Haincheng.

New York, June 27.—In connection with dispatches from Indianapolis to the effect that the leaders of the prohibition party, whose national convention meets tomorrow, had been unable to locate General Nelson A. Miles (spoken of as a possible nominee of the party), it is learned that the general was in this city Sunday and intended leaving at once for Washington on his way to the west.

Germany to Act With France in Forging Reparation.

Berlin, June 27.—The government has decided to send a warship to Port-au-Prince, Hayti, after having agreed with the French government that a simple apology was not sufficient reparation on the part of the government of Hayti for the recent storming of the French

and German ministers by the palace guards at the Haytian capital. What form of expiation the two governments will demand is not yet known, but Germany has decided to act harmoniously with France.

New York, June 27.—A movement is on foot to present to Joseph H. Choate a portrait of himself, in recognition of the fact that he has served a longer term as ambassador at the court of St. James than any of his predecessors since Charles Francis Adams, says a Herald dispatch from London. A replica of the portrait will be hung in the embassy. Subscriptions are to be limited to Americans residing or having interests in England.

California Fire. Conflagration Which Destroyed Property Valued at \$300,000.

Sisson, Cal., June 27.—A small blaze, which started in a jewelry store, resulted in a general conflagration, which destroyed the main portion of the town. This is said to be the most destructive conflagration in the history of northern California, the loss reaching \$300,000, with very little insurance.

Another Fire. Eureka, Cal., June 27.—The plant of the Eureka Lighting Company was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is estimated at from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

ARMIES TOGETHER. Possible That a Battle May Even Now Be in Progress. St. Petersburg, June 27.—(11:28 a. m.)—Dispatches received from Tatchekiao indicate that both the Russian and Japanese armies are moving into contact for a great battle which even now may be in progress.

FOUND DEAD IN OFFICE.

General Agent of Rock Island Expires Suddenly. Fort Worth, Tex., June 27.—W. F. Firth, the general passenger agent of the Rock Island in Texas, was found dead in his office today. He was apparently in good health when he reached his office this morning. Mr. Firth came here two years ago from Denver, where he had been general agent of the Rock Island for several years.

ARE AFTER THE SMITHS.

Detectives Failed Twice, but Keep Up the Chase. New York, June 27.—A dragnet has been spread for J. Morgan Smith and his wife and their capture is only a question of time, according to an American dispatch from Philadelphia. The Smiths disappeared from New York during the investigation into the shooting of Bookmaker Frank T. Young a few weeks ago, and as they are considered important witnesses, detectives have searched constantly for them. Mrs. Smith is the sister of Nan Patterson, now under indictment in connection with the shooting. It is said the couple were traced to Washington and thence to Philadelphia, where they escaped through the back window of a boarding house to the roof of an adjoining building as the detectives entered the front door. They were located in another boarding house and again fled only a few minutes ahead of their pursuers. Should they be arrested it is not known upon what charge the couple could be held as they are wanted only as witnesses in the Patterson case.

NO CROWD PRESENT

Poor Attendance at Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Last Night.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMITTEE

Seawall Proposition Went Over to Next Meeting—Report Received.

Though a large crowd was anticipated, the attendance at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last evening was a great deal smaller than had been hoped.

The committee on roads made their report, and it was ordered filed. The report was as follows: Chamber of Commerce, Astoria, Ore., June 27.—Gentlemen: We, your committee on roads, have gone over the work done lately in the county and are very glad to report that the work has been done on a substantial basis, and the work now under construction is being done, we consider, as fast as possible.

The Lewis and Clark bridge has been completed, and the road on the east side, connecting the Lewis and Clark road with the new bridge, has been completed. But the people of the west side have failed to comply with their agreement, as the committee understood their agreement was with the county court.

The county court has instructed the road master to build the necessary bridges for summer travel, but as the dike is leaking so badly it is impossible to make even a summer road. This will be delayed until the necessary repairs are made to the dike, and we hope that will not be long.

In regard to the Smiths point road, the common council of the city of Astoria has passed resolutions to establish the grade on Taylor avenue, and we understand they intend to make the improvements this summer. We are informed that the county court will take further steps to improve from the end of Taylor avenue to Youngs bay bridge. We are also pleased with the substantial way our street work is being done in the city of Astoria at the present time.

THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS.

The seawall proposition went over because of the small crowd in attendance. The report of the committee was received and laid on the table, and if the attendance at the next meeting is large enough the proposition will be taken up and discussed at length.

NEW GRAIN AGREEMENT.

Railroad Officials and Grain Men at Last Get Together.

New York, June 27.—After a series of conferences with the local grain trade extending over a year, a committee of traffic officials representing all New York trunk lines have agreed to a modification or a modernizing of the "grain agreement." It has now individually been adopted by the traffic departments of the following roads: The New York Central, West Shore, Erie, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, Lehigh Valley, New York, Ontario & Western railway and Baltimore & Ohio. On behalf of the grain trade the negotiations have been carried on by the trade and transportation committee of the produce exchange, who have forwarded the agreement to the board of managers for the latter's consideration at its meeting July 7. The new agreement relates to the inspections, grading, consolidation and delivery of grain arriving by rail at the port of New York. It is very lengthy but provides in brief that the railroad companies may put together in elevators, warehouses, boats or barges provided by them for the purpose, grain of the same kind and grade without regard to its ownership after the same has been inspected and weighed in accordance with the agreements.

But nothing therein contained shall be construed as depriving receivers of grain if they shall so elect nor as depriving shippers of the right of preserving the identity of all rail grain consigned to this market if they shall so elect, subject only to such uniform conditions as may be made by the railroad companies for that purpose.

TWO DROWNED.

Disastrous Gale Has Swept Japanese Bay. New York, June 27.—In a squall which has swept Jamaica bay, two men were drowned. One of the bodies were

recovered, but is unidentified. Considerable damage was caused among small craft.

In East New York one house was demolished while two were unroofed. The wrecked building was a three-story brick nearly completed. Seventeen young men caught in the storm had taken refuge within. A moment after they entered lightning struck the building. A gale which followed left the structure a mass of wreckage. One youth was caught between heavy timbers and badly crushed. The others, although much bruised and cut, were not seriously hurt, and were soon released by firemen.

Appeals for Aid.

Trinidad, Colo., June 27.—An appeal for aid was issued today by officers of the United Mine Workers. The history of the struggle is gone over in the document, which closes in an appeal to all organized labor and its sympathizers to contribute their mite to the end that organized labor may not be strangled in Colorado.

Department Thanks France.

Washington, June 27.—Secretary Hay has instructed the American ambassador at Paris to thank the French government for its services in assisting in the negotiations for the release of Perdicaris, Raisulis' American captive.

BOTH CLAIM VICTORY.

Insurgents and Government Both Claim They Won Fight.

New York, June 27.—According to the Uruguayan revolutionist junta, says a Herald dispatch from Buenos Ayres, Argentina, the battle fought near Tuhamabao last Friday was a great victory for the insurgents. It is asserted that the revolutionists captured the government's artillery and that Colonel Gularas, in command of the government troops, was seriously wounded while the government's army lost several men.

The Uruguayan government emphatically denies this report. It declares that General Saravia, the head of the revolutionists, was severely wounded and that Colonel Lamas and other high officials of the insurgents were killed.

Gotch Wins.

Buffalo, June 27.—Frank L. Gotch, champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of the United States tonight defeated James Parr, the British wrestler in two straight falls. Gotch had the advantage in height and strength.

New York, June 27.—A statement has been issued by the executive board of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers condemning lawlessness in the Colorado coal strike. Persons other than strikers are responsible, the statement intimates, for the dynamite outrage at Independence.

Fifteen Killed in Explosion.

San Francisco, June 27.—The steamer Mariposa from Tahiti brought the story of a boiler explosion on the French cruiser Durance, resulting in the death of 15 men. The explosion occurred while the warship was on her way to Noumea from Papeete.

Thirty-Three Killed.

Kington, Jamaica, June 27.—Thirty-three laborers were killed by the accidental flooding the morning of the main conduit of the West India Electric Company near here, which was undergoing repairs.

THE MARKETS.

Doings of the Day in Grain and Stocks.

Liverpool, June 27.—July wheat, 6s 4d.

New York, June 27.—Silver, 56 5/8c; Union Pacific, 85 1/4; preferred, 92.

Chicago, June 27.—July wheat opened at 85 1/2-2@85 7/8c; closed 85 1/2c. Barley, 42@52c; flax, \$1.01; Northwestern, 107.

San Francisco, June 27.—Cash wheat, \$1.25.

Portland, June 27.—Wheat: Walla Walla, 69c; bluestem, 77c; valley, 78c. Cattle unchanged.

Tacoma, June 27.—Wheat: bluestem, 71c; club, 66c.

The Weather. Portland, June 27.—For Oregon: Tuesday, fair.

Metcalf to Washington.

Oakland, June 27.—Hon. Victor H. Metcalf left for Washington today to commence his duties as secretary of the department of commerce and labor.

VICTIM OF NEGRO FIEND

Popular Young Lady of Evansville, Indiana, Made the Victim of Dastardly Crime.

POSSE AFTER THE NEGRO

Feeling That He Will Be Lynched if He Is Caught By Enraged Citizens of the City.

Evansville, Ind., June 27.—The police force and a posse which is increasing as the news becomes known, are scouring the city in search of an unknown negro, who late last night criminally assaulted Miss Clara Weinbach, 18 years old, after beating and forcing her escort, Harry Smith, to retire at the point of a revolver. The outraged girl is in a serious condition.

Miss Weinbach and her companion were returning from one of the city parks and while they were passing the Chandler avenue school building, in the fashionable portion of the city, a negro sprang from behind the corner of a building and pointed a revolver at Smith's head, muttering: "Run, now, run for your life."

Smith ran down the street to the police station, where he informed the officers. The entire police force and as many men as could be found, returned to the scene of the assault and after searching for some time found Miss Weinbach lying in the schoolhouse yard in an unconscious condition. She was taken to the hospital, where she is suffering from the effects. The district surrounding the schoolhouse was thoroughly searched without result.

Posses were sent in all directions and especially to Baptist town, where the bloody riots of last July occurred. As the news of the assault spread throughout the city hundreds of people are joining in the search and the police are making preparations to protect the assailant if he is caught. There is considerable apprehension that a riot will follow the capture of the negro.

Miss Weinbach, after being revived told the police that as soon as Smith disappeared down the street the negro dragged her in the schoolhouse yard and committed the assault. Smith said that he was knocked down several times by the negro and that Miss Weinbach tried to pull the negro away from him, but was unsuccessful.

Used Woman's Clothing for Disguise.

La Crosse, Wis., June 27.—It is reported here that the slayer of Sheriff Harris of St. Croix county escaped through the picket lines in the darkness. It is reported that he shot a woman and a boy near Orth Bend. It is stated that near Trempealeau he compelled a woman to give him her outer clothing, and in this disguise he went through unharmed.

Killed by Fireworks.

Philadelphia, June 27.—Two men and one woman were killed and half a dozen were slightly injured today as a result of the explosion of a small bundle of fireworks in the storeroom of the Diamond Fireworks Company, 986 Arch street. The cause of the fireworks explosion is not known.

Perdicaris is Grateful.

Washington, June 27.—Secretary Hay today received the following cablegram from Tangier, dated June 27: "Profoundly grateful to the government for securing my release."

TOTAL OF VICTIMS.

List of General Slocum Victims Now Complete.

New York, June 27.—That more than 1000 persons perished in the burning of the excursion steamer General Slocum is now practically certain. According to an exhaustive report made by Police Inspector Schmittberger on the number of dead, missing, injured and uninjured in the disaster, it appears that 938 bodies have been recovered and that 93 persons absolutely known to have been aboard the vessel are still unaccounted for, bringing the total mortality of the disaster up to 1031.

Those injured numbered 179, and of the throng of fully 1500 who embarked on the excursion of the St. Mark's

church, but 236 escaped without injury. The report is the result of a minute inquiry made by a corps of 100 patrolmen under the direction of the inspector. In the course of the inquiry much valuable information was secured from the survivors which will be used in the investigation by the district attorney to fix the responsibility for the disaster.

A thorough examination today of the hull of the Slocum by Coroners O'Gorman and Berry and Inspector Albertson resulted in the discovery in the locker in which the fire started of a number of barrels which had contained kerosene and lubricating oil. The coroner's inquest will be continued today, and on Thursday the hearing by the federal grand jury will be opened.

On the death today at Watchung, N. J., of Rev. Dr. Edward Frederick Moldenke, one of the best known Lutheran clergymen in the United States, another name was added to the list of victims of the Slocum disaster. Dr. Moldenke was pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran church in this city.

Grief for 30 members of his flock who went on the excursion and never returned, and his compassion for the bereft families of St. Mark's church so affected him that he became ill. For years he had suffered from heart disease, and last Sunday he broke down while holding a memorial service for the Slocum dead. He was taken to his country home, where death occurred.

Dr. Moldenke was president general of the council of the Lutheran church of America from 1895 to 1899.

The Mania for Getting Rich.

Orison S. Marden, in Success. The mania for getting rich—the mad, false idea that we must have money—has played worse havoc among ambitious people than war or pestilence. A member of the Chicago board of trade says that the men and women of this country contribute \$100,000,000,000 a year to the sharpers who promise to make them rich quick. They work the same old scheme of a confidential letter and shrewd baiting, until the victims parts with his money. Thousands are plodding along in poverty and deprivation, chagrined and humiliated because they have not been able to get up in the world or to realize their ambitions, for the reason that they succumbed to the scheme of some smooth promoter, who hypnotized them into the belief that they could make a great deal very quickly out of a very little.

The great fever of trying to make \$1 earn \$5 is growing more and more contagious. We see even women secretly going into brokers' offices and "bucket shops," investing everything they have in all sorts of schemes, drawing their deposits out of the banks, sometimes pawnning their jewelry—even their engagement rings—and borrowing, hoping to make a lot of money before their husbands or families find it out and then to surprise them with the result; but, in most cases, what they invest is hopelessly lost.

Thousands of young Americans are so tied up by financial or other entanglements, even before they get fairly stated in their life-work, that they can only transmute a title of their real ability or their splendid energies into that which will count in their lives. A large part of it is lost on the way up, as the energy of the coal is nearly all lost before it reaches the electric bulb.

Kouropatkin's Character.

Doctor Morgenstern, one of the leading Russian specialists in medical psychology, thus sums up the character of General Kurpatkin: "Kouropatkin is a man of extraordinary self-possession. He has no scruples about reversing a particular policy the moment he is convinced it is impracticable. He selects his officers only after mature deliberation, but once he has selected them he places entire confidence in them. His personal bravery is phenomenal; he is ambitious, a man of large ideas, with the brains to execute them. He will give a patient hearing to any suggestion made him, but acts entirely according to his own convictions."

GONG TO THE FAIR.

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