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CRUISER BROOKLYN IN COMMISSION

New York, June 9—At the Brooklyn navy yard today, the armored cruiser Brooklyn was placed in commission in pursuance of orders received from Washington. The Brooklyn, it is understood, will be the flagship of Rear Admiral Cotton, commanding the European naval station. She will relieve the cruiser Chicago, which will return home for repairs.

WIFE KILLER HANGS THOUSAND ENGINES IN SIX MONTHS

Michigan City, Ind., June 10—Unless Governor Durbin intervenes, the execution of Ora Copenhagen, who has been under sentence of death for nearly a year, will take place in the state prison here tomorrow.

Copenhagen, who is scarcely more than of legal age, was a resident of Indianapolis and his crime was the murder of his young wife September 7th last.

Shortly after their dinner hour, on the day of the tragedy, Copenhagen called his wife to the door and without a warning or giving her an inkling of his intent, drew a large revolver from his pocket and fired four shots at her, three of which took effect. The woman died at the hospital without gaining consciousness. Copenhagen, after shooting his wife, calmly walked to a neighboring store and telephoned to the police station, informing the desk sergeant that a murder had been committed.

He then awaited the coming of the police and surrendered himself. Jealousy was ascribed as the motive for the deed. Copenhagen was speedily tried and convicted of murder in the first degree. An appeal to the supreme court afforded no relief to the condemned man as that tribunal upheld the verdict of the lower court.

CHURCH FESTIVAL OBSERVED

Vienna, June 11—Corpus Christi Day was celebrated today with the customary magnificent ecclesiastical ceremony. Emperor Francis Joseph, the Archdukes, the principal officers of state, and the municipal authorities were present at high mass in the cathedral at 7 o'clock in the morning. Subsequently the whole body paraded the principal streets, headed by the clergy and banners of every parish in the city. The venerable Emperor walked bareheaded, carrying a lighted candle, behind the host.

IN HONOR OF GALU- SHA GROW

Montrose, Pa., June 9—Prominent citizens of this and adjoining counties, without regard to political affiliations, united today in giving a monster reception in honor of former Congressman Galusha A. Grow. The affair was a testimonial to the public services of Mr. Grow, who, for more than half a century represented the district in Congress. Speeches eulogizing the personal and public character of the venerable statesman were delivered, and the music for the occasion was furnished by a church choir of 500 voices.

THOUSAND ENGINES IN SIX MONTHS

Philadelphia, Pa., June 9—If they are not disappointed in their expectations, the Baldwin Locomotive Works will by the first of next month have turned out the greatest number of finished engines in any six months in history. The mark fixed by officials of the works as the production for the six months is 3,000 locomotives, which is equivalent to two thirds of the total output for 1902, when more than 1,500 engines were turned out, breaking all former records. Of the 1,000 locomotives the great majority are on orders placed last year. The number taken this year will keep the works busy well into 1904.

COAL BARONS CONVENE

Indianapolis, Ind., June 10—Michigan and Indiana retail coal dealers convened in Indianapolis today in ninth annual session. Mayor Bookwalter welcomed the visitors and the response was embodied in the annual address of the president of the association, Robert Lake, of Jackson, Mich. The advantages of a fixed rate to both wholesaler and retailer was the principal subject discussed. The convention will end tomorrow.

DRUGGISTS ANNUAL MEETING

Bloomington, Ill., June 6—The members of the Illinois Pharmaceutical association assembled in Bloomington today for their annual meeting. The attitude to be adopted toward the combines and the cut-rate members of the fraternity, and measures of legislation particularly affecting the drug trade, are among the subjects to receive attention during the sessions, which are to continue through Thursday.

EAST ST. LOUIS UNDER WATER

Levee Breaks Letting in the Flood FIFTY THOUSAND MAY BE RENDERED HOMELESS

Ten Thousand Lives Imperiled—Real Estate Men Bitterly Blamed—Shirking Negroes Shot

St. Louis, June 10—After a desperate but futile struggle against the greatest flood it was ever forced to combat, East St. Louis is this morning in woeful condition. Ten thousand homeless are threatened. Whole families are penned up in their garrets and on the roofs, and 2,000 have sought refuge in school and church buildings and are now prisoners. The city has appealed to St. Louis for boats. Many must be rescued this morning. The water stands three to thirty feet all over the Eastern half of the city and houses are constantly weakening and falling.

At 8 this morning the flood swept clear through to the river in a swirling whirlpool of contending currents. At 9 o'clock it was cutting its way under the east Broadway embankment threatening the northern half of the city. The destruction of Broadway embankment will cut off all means of escape.

Conservative estimates place the drowned, when the embankment gave way at midnight, at 30, and other estimates are as high as 100. A thousand men were working on the dikes when the break came. Forty were swept away in a minute, and half as many were compelled to swim lower down, where many women and children were filling sand bags. The terrible confusion ensued when the break came, makes all estimates of the loss of life very uncertain.

It appears that the entire city of East St. Louis is doomed. Before night every portion will be under the torrent and 50,000 people will be rendered homeless. Appeals from there this afternoon say that not less than 10,000 lives are imperiled, and boats, skiffs and every available floating thing is being rushed across the river.

It is just learned that two Negroes were shot and killed just before the break last night. One had been working several days and demanded immedi-

ate pay, and threatened to break the dike if it was not forthcoming. Seven men fired at him at once. Another Negro on the Illinois Central levee refused to work and was shot by the guard. No marked contrast to these Theodore Days, another Negro drove his horse into the flood repeatedly rescuing people while making further attempts, both horse and driver were swept away.

At 10 o'clock there was four feet of water in the residence portion of East St. Louis, and hundreds of families here fleeing for their lives.

Two hundred and fifty militia men have arrived and others will be sent. East Broadway has been declared unsafe, and militiamen have thrown around the danger zone, keeping crowds of homeless people from attempting to return along the embankments in order to save their belongings. The water is rising rapidly and the river stage is now over 38 feet.

The United States District Attorney Dyer, in the name of the government telephoned today to the Wiggins Ferry Company, ordering that they cease all available yaws and boats, regardless of owners and rush them to the stricken city.

Great indignation is left over the disaster, as people had ample warning but were ignorant of the true situation, being lulled false security by a coterie of business and real estate men, who issued vigorous denials of danger; as they were fearful of the effect it would have on property values. They even went so far as to assault a St. Louis news paper man sent to describe the flood and broke all cameras.

The pressure of the flood forced a passage through the Illinois Central railroad embankment in the south eastern portion of East St. Louis, shortly before 1 o'clock this morning. The break speedily widened until a torrent one hundred feet wide and 25 feet deep was pouring through and threatening

Centerville. Precautionary levees had had been erected for just such an emergency, but were swept through as the flood passed onward. The citizens had scarcely slept owing to the flood tension and when the rush of water came soon afterwards were not caught in their beds. Runners tore through the streets shouting a warning, and soon the people, half mad with fright, were fleeing for their lives.

About 2,000 people live in that part of the city which is in the flood's path, and it is believed that fully half the number will be rendered homeless. Just what the exact condition is cannot be learned.

There is no way to reach East St. Louis from here except by boats from the east entrance of the Eads bridge, as the viaduct over what was Capoka creek partially sank yesterday noon and no one can cross it. Little can be learned from the stricken district by telephone.

MARTIN VS ARMSTRONG TO MEET

Boston, Mass., June 9—"Denver Ed" Martin and Bob Armstrong, the two big colored heavyweights, are to clash tonight in a 10-round bout before the Tammany Athletic club. Followers of ring sports, basing their calculations on the showing made by the two big fighters in their previous encounters, are looking forward to a hammer-and-tongs affair from gong to gong.

The last time Martin and Armstrong came together was in a six-round bout in Philadelphia. The fight was one of the most vicious ever witnessed between big men. Knockdowns were scored by both men, and when the bout terminated they could hardly walk to their corners.

BOTHNER --PARKER TOMEET

New York, June 6—Devotees of sport are displaying considerable interest in the wrestling bout to take place tonight between Harvey Parker and George Bothner for the lightweight championship of the world. The gold mounted belt which is emblematic of the lightweight championship, and which at present is held by Bothner, will, with the stakes, go to the winner. Both men have been training faithfully and an interesting contest is expected to be the result.

STUDENTS DAY OF GLORY

Greencastle, Ind., June 10—The annual commencement exercises at De Pauw University were held today in the presence of a large crowd of visitors. The address to the graduating class was delivered by Prof. Richard T. Fly of the University of Wisconsin.

West Point, N. Y., June 10—Members of the class of 1903, of the United States military academy received their diplomas from the hands of Colonel Albert L. Mills, superintendent of the academy, this morning. On the platform were gathered prominent officers of the army, members of congress and many other distinguished people in military and civil life. The first man of the class this year is Douglas MacArthur, son of General Arthur MacArthur, U. S. A.



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