

NINE DROWNED

City Suffers by Breaking of Great Reservoir.

SEVERAL PEOPLE ARE INJURED

Disaster Occurs at an Early Morning Hour and 300,000 Gallons of Water Escape.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 4.—A reservoir of the Municipal water works, located near the center of Winston-Salem, N. C., broke at 5 o'clock this morning, causing the loss of nine lives and the injury of four or five persons.

The north side of the reservoir, which is 30 feet high, tumbled over, falling upon the home and barn of Martin Peoples. There were about 800,000 gallons of water in the reservoir, and the stream rushed to Belos pond, a distance of nearly half a mile. Four tenement houses were washed several hundred yards.

The reservoir was built in 1881 by 50 citizens. Ten years ago it and the entire water plant were sold to the city. Soon thereafter ten feet was added to the height of the reservoir.

The city had just had a large stand-pipe completed. It is full of water and the town is prepared to supply all demands. The thousands of gallons of water that flowed from the reservoir formed a pond in the vicinity and it was thought that several people might have been drowned in this. The city council met and decided to drain the pond in order to recover the bodies.

The reservoir was situated about five blocks from the center of the business district of the city and was surrounded by a number of residences and small stores. It is understood the structure had been condemned, but the city authorities had failed to remove it.

TON OF DYNAMITE EXPLODES.

Earth Shaken to Five Miles, One Man Killed and 40 Injured.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Nov. 4.—The explosion of over a ton of dynamite under the Bond street bridge at 1 o'clock today shook the city and the surrounding country within a radius of five miles, probably killed at least one person and injured nearly 40 others, two of whom may die. The man supposed to have been killed was an Italian in charge of the dynamite. He was seen at his post of duty just before the explosion and no trace of him has since been found.

There were 2,300 pounds of dynamite stored at the side of the deep rock cut running from the western limits of the city to the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad station, which was used for blasting a path for additional tracks. The explosion tore a hole in the ground 80 feet deep that is now full of water from a hidden spring, wrecked the Bond street bridge over the railway tracks, and broke all the windows within a quarter of a mile. The force of the explosion, as is usual, was downward, but the upheaval along the sides of the cut buried large stones for blocks. Many houses were shifted from their foundations, walls were stripped of plaster and furniture was splintered.

MINERS DASHED TO DEATH.

Carriage Carrying Them to Work Gets Beyond Control.

Wilkesbarre, Nov. 4.—Ten men were killed and three seriously injured by an accident at No. 1 Auchinclose shaft at Nanticoke early today. The men were mostly all upon the mine carriage to be lowered to workings below. The signal was given to the engineer who began lowering the men. The carriage had gone but a few feet when the engineer lost control of his engine, owing to the reverse levers failing to work, and the carriage, with its load of human souls, ten in all, was dashed beyond the Ross vein, landing nearly 1,100 feet below the surface, and from there they were precipitated 300 feet further into a sump.

Those who may not have been killed outright were undoubtedly drowned in the sump, which is fully 50 feet deep with water. Up to 8 o'clock tonight no human aid could reach them. It may require two or three days before any of the dead can be recovered.

Torpedo Boat Missing.

Algiers, Nov. 4.—It is stated that one of the torpedo boats of Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron is missing, the torpedo flotilla having put in at this port. This dispatch, if found to be founded on fact, would seem to bear out the reports which have been current for several days past that Admiral Rojestvensky fired on his own boats. The admiral, in his explanation of the Dogger Bank tragedy, stated that one of the torpedo boats which he fired on disappeared, and that may be the boat now reported missing.

Supplies Reach Vladivostok.

Vladivostok, Nov. 4.—Great excitement has been caused here by the arrival in port of a number of commercial vessels with much needed supplies. There was a heavy snow storm today and winter is setting in. Most of the naval attaches have already left Vladivostok. General Artamanoff, chief of division, who has been quartered here, left today. The general is popular here and his friends turned out and bade him a hearty farewell.

Russia Again After Fleet.

London, Nov. 4.—The Chronicle has a dispatch from Paris stating that the Russian government has renewed its efforts to buy Chilean and Argentine warships through William R. Flint & Co., of New York.

ISSUES PROCLAMATION.

President Sets Aside November 24 as Thanksgiving Day.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The president yesterday issued the Thanksgiving day proclamation, setting aside Thursday, November 24, "to be observed as a day of festival and thanksgiving by all of the people of the United States at home and abroad."

The proclamation was issued from the state department by Secretary Hay. It follows:

"By the President of the United States

—A Proclamation:

"It has pleased Almighty God to bring the American people in safety and honor through another year, and in accordance with the long unbroken custom handed down to us by our forefathers, the time has come when a special day shall be set apart in which to thank Him who holds all nations in the hollow of His hand for the mercies thus vouchsafed to us. During the century and a quarter of our national life we as a people have been blessed beyond all others, and for this we owe humble and heartfelt thanks to the author of all blessings.

"The year that has closed has been one of peace within our own borders as well as between us and all other nations. The harvests have been abundant, and those who work, whether with hand or brain, are prospering greatly. Reward has awaited upon honest effort. We have been enabled to do our duty to ourselves and to others. Never has there been a time when religious and charitable effort has been more evident. Much has been given to us and much will be expected from us.

"We speak of what has been done by this nation in no spirit of boastfulness or vainglory, but with full and reverent realization that our strength is nothing unless we are helped from above. Hitherto we have been given the heartiest strength to do the tasks allotted to us as they severally arose. We are thankful for all that has been done for us in the past, and we pray that in the future we may be strengthened in the unending struggle to do our duty fearlessly and honestly, with charity and good will, with respect for ourselves and with love toward our fellow-man.

"In this great republic the effort to combine national strength with personal freedom is being tried on a scale more gigantic than ever before in the world's history. Our success will mean much not only for ourselves, but for the future of all mankind; and every man or woman in our land should feel the grave responsibility resting upon him or her, for in the last analysis this success must depend upon the high average of our individual citizenship, upon the way in which each of us does his duty by himself and his neighbor.

"Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States, do hereby appoint and set apart Thursday, the 24th day of this November, to be observed as a day of festival and thanksgiving by all of the people of the United States at home or abroad, and do recommend that on that day they cease from their ordinary occupations, and gather in their several places of worship or in their homes, devoutly to give thanks to Almighty God for the benefits He has conferred upon us as individuals and as a nation, and to beseech Him that in the future His divine favor may be continued on us.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 1st day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-ninth.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

"By the President."

China Refuses to Let Russians Sail.

Chefoo, Nov. 3.—The officers and crew of the Ryeshtelni, the Russian torpedo boat destroyer, which was cut out of this harbor August 12 last by the Japanese, went on board the German steamer Vorwaerts tonight, bound for Shanghai, where they were to join the officers and crew of the Russian cruiser Askold. Before the vessel sailed, however, the Russians suddenly returned on shore, the government at Peking having at the last moment rescinded the permission which had been granted them to proceed to Shanghai.

Cone of Crater Falls In.

Naples, Nov. 3.—The cone of the crater of Mount Vesuvius, which formed during the late eruption, fell into the crater today with a tremendous roar. There immediately issued explosions which shook the whole mountain, followed by the emission of a black column which gradually spread, falling in the form of ashes over the surrounding country within a radius of 25 miles. The disturbance lasted but a short time.

Caught Trying to Smuggle in Drug.

New York, Nov. 3.—Custom agents in Hoboken have arrested a longshoreman in the act of removing from a dock a bag containing 380 ounces of a drug used in the treatment of consumption, which is said to be worth in this country \$150 an ounce. The prisoner declared the bag as handed to him over the side of a steamer just in from Europe, and that he was told to carry it immediately to an address in Manhattan, where he would be well paid.

Depot Contract Has Been Let.

Seattle, Nov. 3.—J. D. Farrell, assistant to President Hill of the Great Northern railroad, returned from St. Paul today with the news that the contracts for the union depot in this city and extensive improvements to the Great Northern's docks had been let. He refused to give out the contract price. The depot will be built by a Chicago firm.

SAILS THE AIR

"California Arrow" Proves a Great Success.

AERONAUT WAS UP 2,000 FEET

Flying Machine at St. Louis Turns in Every Direction and Descends Easily.

St. Louis, Nov. 2.—After circling in every direction at a height of 2,000 feet above the Cascades in sight of thousands of cheering, enthusiastic spectators on the World's fair grounds, A Roy Knabenshue, of Toledo, in command of the airship "California Arrow," today returned to the place from which he started over the same course that he had come, covering the three miles and a half of the round trip under his own power and demonstrating the claims of the inventor, Captain Thomas S. Baldwin, of San Francisco, that the "California Arrow" is not only dirigible, but that it can make headway against a moderate breeze.

Knabenshue started from the aeronaut course at 3:37 P. M., and returned after his remarkable flight at 4:05 P. M. On the return trip the airship moved slowly over the exact spot from which it had arisen 28 minutes previously, and glided about 100 feet further west, where it settled gracefully to the ground.

The descent of the airship was the signal for a demonstration the equal of which has not been seen since the wheels of the World's fair started last April in response to the pressure of a key by President Roosevelt. Dozens of eager hands were outstretched to grasp the frame of the airship and the flying machine with its daring navigator was carried around the concourse upon the shoulders of the shouting men. Hats were thrown into the air, and when Knabenshue called for three cheers for his home town they were given with a will, and another round followed for Knabenshue and Baldwin.

CIRCULATION IS INCREASING.

Philippine Currency Legislation Is Proving a Success.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The bureau of insular affairs today gave out a statement touching conditions applying to the Philippine currency. The secretary of war has received the following cablegram from the civil governor of the Philippines, showing the effect of the currency legislation:

"The approach of October 1, when the first currency taxing became effective, caused large export of Mexican pesos commercially and large inflow of Spanish-Filipino coins into the treasury.

"In September 1,197,500 Mexican pesos were exported and 538,522 Spanish-Filipino pesos came into the treasury and were withdrawn from circulation. During September the actual circulation of new currency increased 1,981,000 pesos. In October to date 1,682,995 pesos, American currency. Mexican have been exported commercially and 950,000 Spanish-Filipino by the insular government for coinage. Have on hand nearly 500,000 Spanish-Filipino pesos for coinage. Increase of actual circulation new coins for October approximately 1,300,000 pesos."

TERM IT WANTON.

British Commissioners Investigate Attack on Fishermen.

London, Nov. 2.—Four commissioners, representing the board of trade and owners, who were sent October 25, at the suggestion of the foreign office, to ascertain the damage done to the North sea trawlers by the Russian Second Pacific squadron, have just returned and presented a verbal report confirming the report that some of the trawlers were seriously damaged by shells and machine gun fire, while others suffered in a smaller degree. Trawlers and fishing gear were destroyed or damaged, they say, and fragments of a four-inch shell which burst on the deck of the trawler Thrush and many other evidences of the "deadly and wanton" attack were found.

Japan Gives Line on War Budget.

Tokio, Nov. 2.—Preliminary estimates of the budget, covering January, February and March, 1905, and the fiscal year commencing in April next, have been completed and will be submitted to the Diet at its next meeting, November 25. The war expenses are estimated at \$385,000,000 and the ordinary expenses at \$60,000,000. It is proposed to provide for the war expenses by increasing the taxation to \$45,000,000, by retrenchment in the administrative expenses and public works of \$35,000,000.

Sure Only Eighteen Perished.

Trinidad, Colo., Nov. 2.—Eighteen coffins were shipped to Terico today on an order of the Rock Mountain coal and iron company for the burial of the victims of the explosion which occurred a few days ago. The bodies have not yet been recovered, but local officials of the company who have canvassed the town now assert that only 18 men were in the mine at the time of the explosion. It is conceded that none of these will be found alive.

Chinese Bandits More Active.

Harbin, Nov. 2.—The activity of Chinese bandits is increasing all along the railroad, and the region is swarming with Japanese spies in Russian, Chinese and European disguises, who are offering large rewards for the Chinese engaged in supplying the Russian commissaries, hoping thus to cripple the Russian supply department.

SUNK OWN VESSELS.

Theory of North Sea Incident Finds Favor in London.

London, Nov. 2.—Considerable discussion of the theory that the Russians fired on their own ships and sank one of their own torpedo boats at the time of the North sea outrage has been heard in the last two days in the clubs frequented by naval officers. Nobody questions the correctness of the theory or its compatibility with all the facts known about the sad affair. The naval officer who suggested this theory, said last night:

"I confidently believe that the inquiry will substantiate my hypothesis. Of course, I don't know that any torpedo boat was sunk by Russian battleships, but if one was sunk, as Admiral Rojestvensky alleges, it must have been a Russian boat. The thing to do is to call on the Russians to produce their torpedo boats. If none has been sunk it should be possible to produce the exact number which entered the North sea a little over a week ago.

"But whatever may be the reference to the sinking of one of these craft, there seems to be no doubt whatever that two of the Russian torpedo boats reached Cherbourg in a damaged condition, bearing marks which indicate to my mind that they were the objects of attack by Rojestvensky's battleships.

"The Blesy Aschchi had her stem battered and another boat had shot holes in her sides. It is for the inquiry board to find how these injuries were received. I notice, however, that the Blesy Aschchi is getting away as fast as possible, she having already been reported as having sailed eastward from Tangier. It may be that an effort is being made to have her so far away as to make it impossible for the inquiry board to get at her officers and find out what they know about the North sea horror.

"Admiral Rojestvensky says that the torpedo boats bombarded his battleships and wounded some among his crew. That is silly, as a torpedo boat does not bombard battleships. That is not their method of attack.

"There is another method of explanation of the injured battleships. The fishermen say the Russians were on both sides of their craft and that the shots came from both ways. If that were so, it may easily happen that one of the Russian battleships fired into another. Again the wounded among the crews of the battleships may be the survivors of the sunken torpedo boat.

"I cannot help wishing that Great Britain's arrangement with Russia provided for the detention of all the vessels of the Baltic fleet, instead of simply the four battleships now at Vigo. I believe some very important evidence is running away from us."

VITAL PARTS BARE.

New United States Vessels Are Not Properly Armored.

San Francisco, Nov. 2.—The Chronicle today says: "Naval officers have succeeded for many months in keeping secret a peculiar structural feature of the new battleship Ohio, which, in the opinions of themselves, as well as others, is nothing else than a glaring defect of a nature so serious that, as one officer expressed it, amounts to an invitation to an enemy to do the vessel enormous damage in action.

"The defect consists of omitting to put armor around the after end of the superstructure within which are mounted ten 6-inch rapid-fire guns. This omission, it is held, makes the big war vessel dangerously vulnerable in a vital part to hostile shots coming from either quarter.

"Furthermore, shells entering this place might do great damage to the engine room, the hatch of which is well at in side the casemate and a shell bursting inside the casemate armor would probably send fragments into the engine room.

"The fault does not lie either with the builders or the naval constructors detailed to supervise the work. The Ohio was built strictly according to the plans and specifications which were made in the navy department in Washington under the direction and scrutiny of the board of construction."

The Chronicle further says: "The Ohio is not the only one of the new battleships with this fault. Her two sister ships, the Maize and the Missouri, as well as the Wisconsin, Alabama and the Illinois, have this omission."

Big Elevator Collapses.

Buffalo, Nov. 2.—The Ontario elevator collapsed today and sank into the waters of the Evans slip. The elevator contained about 370,000 bushels of barley, a large portion of which lies at the bottom of the slip. The loss on the grain and the building is estimated at \$350,000. Charles Bartholomew, 62 years of age, the elevator superintendent, was seriously injured. The Ontario was built 15 years ago and had been in active operation all of this season. The collapse had its origin in the weakening of the foundation.

Russian Minister Knows It.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 2.—It is practically admitted by the authorities that the Russian minister of marine is in possession of definite information that the Baltic fleet fired upon its own torpedo boats in the North sea, mistaking them for Japanese vessels. These torpedo boats, finding themselves attacked and laboring also under the delusion that the enemy was near, replied. In this manner a number were slightly damaged.

Discontented in Colombia.

Panama, Nov. 2.—Advices from Cauca report that there is great discontent there and throughout Colombia.

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