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NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

A massacre of Jews is expected in Warsaw, Russia.

A cave-in at Clinchport, Va., entombed 50 miners.

Roosevelt is said to have declared for Canon for president.

Labor leaders have declared war on Cannon's candidacy for re-election to congress.

Portland police are looking for Paul Stensland, president of the wrecked Chicago bank.

The president has appointed James S. Harlan, of Chicago, a member of the Interstate Commerce commission.

During the fiscal year just ended our exports to Porto Rico, Hawaii and Alaska increased about 20 per cent.

Russian terrorists continue the slaughter of police. The government has begun wholesale arrests and exile.

A tidal wave is reported from the Hawaiian islands. The general height was five feet and but little damage was done.

The Valparaiso earthquake will complete the bankruptcy of many insurance companies which lost heavily in San Francisco.

The First National bank of Chelsea, Mass., has been closed by the bank examiner because too much money was loaned to its president.

The murder of policemen in Poland continues.

Japanese goods have supplanted all others in Corea.

Many officers are involved in a navy scandal at San Francisco.

Another Chicago bank has failed as a result of Stensland's crimes.

Ex-United States Senator Turner, of Washington, is mentioned as Bryan's running mate.

France has resolved to make no concessions to the Catholics and may confiscate churches.

A member of the late Russian parliament has been arrested as a leader of agrarian disorders.

R. B. Brown, of Zanesville, Ohio, has been elected commander-in-chief of the National G. A. R.

Diego Mendoza, ex-Colombian minister to the United States, declares that President Reyes is a traitor.

A second grand jury has been called at Chicago to inquire into recent rebates given the Standard Oil company.

The Milwaukee Avenue State bank, of Chicago, has declared a 20 per cent dividend for depositors. More will be paid later.

Secretary Root has arrived at Buenas Ayres.

Mad Mullah has received a disastrous defeat.

Negotiations looking to a Russo-Japanese fishing treaty have been commenced.

It is likely that the War department will concentrate all colored troops at one post.

Many Republican state conventions are declaring in favor of Roosevelt for a third term.

Peasants in Southern Russia are ravaging the country and the troops refuse to fire on them.

A plot to assassinate the president of Cuba was discovered just in time to frustrate the plans.

The powers are expected to make strong representations to Greece. The trouble is over the barbarous acts of Greek marauders in Macedonia.

Government inquiry into the relations between the railroads entering Toledo, Ohio, and the ice trust show the two to be working hand in hand.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of W. R. Vice, formerly coast passenger agent of the Union Pacific. Vice is charged with embezzling \$10,000 three years ago. He had been in hiding until the San Francisco disaster of April 18, when he reappeared, believing the papers incriminating him had been destroyed.

The National G. A. R. is in convention at Minneapolis.

The sultan of Turkey has rewarded his physician by elevating him to the rank of general.

With the exception of St. Petersburg, Russia, and Rome, Italy, Chicago leads the world in crime.

MOB IS SUPREME.

Russian Terrorists Wreak Vengeance on Hated Police.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—Advices received from Libau state that the riotous demonstrations that began there Saturday night still continue and that the Hooligan element absolutely holds sway in the city, the police being powerless to check it. Law abiding citizens are unable to traverse the streets and a reign of robbery and rapine is in progress that will not be checked until troops are sent to aid the police.

So far all appeals to the government at St. Petersburg have fallen apparently upon deaf ears and this fact has emboldened the disturbing element to add murder to its other crimes. Five storekeepers have been murdered during the past 12 hours and hundreds of shops have been looted. The rioters raided the alcohol depot, and after filling themselves up on the fiery fluid, paraded the streets, shouting threats against the Jews and factory owners and storekeepers.

Three police officers have been murdered since Tuesday morning, the Terrorists apparently having seized upon the confusion as offering a magnificent opportunity to eliminate the hated members of the police who have been active in working against them.

There is one regiment of infantry in the local barracks at Libau, but it is mutinous and the officers some days ago took from the men all their ammunition, as it was feared that they intended to mutiny.

FIRST INSURANCE TRIAL.

Test Case Upon Earthquake Clause Set for Trial.

San Francisco, Aug. 15.—The first of the insurance cases involving the earthquake clause was set for trial today by Superior Judge Hebbard. The case is that of the Rosenthal Shoe company against the Williamsburg City Fire Insurance company. The attorney for the insurance people asked that the case be not set for trial until opportunity could be given the judges mutually to arrange with the insurance companies for a test case. He said that the insurance companies would demand a jury trial in each case, and unless proper arrangements were made for a test case the courts would be occupied for years in hearing insurance litigation.

The attorney for the plaintiff declared that there were points of fact in this connection that could not be settled by a test case. The court then asked the insurance attorney if he waived a jury trial, and was answered, "No." The judge then asked, "Do you demand a jury trial?" but could not get a direct answer.

The attorney for the shoe company then announced that to save time he would formally demand a jury trial. The case was set for August 27.

HAD PREPARED FOR FLIGHT.

Stensland Took House Furnishings and a Woman With Him.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Testimony indicating that extensive preparations for flight were made by Paul Stensland, president of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank, and that a woman entered into these preparations, were secured by Assistant State's Attorney Olsen today, through the cross examination of Miss Allen McCracken, housekeeper for Stensland. It was learned that Stensland took with him in trunks and boxes sheets and other bedding, towels, window curtains, carpets, rugs and a silver dinner set. Some of this is said to have been traced to Baraboo, Wisconsin.

The large trunk that is being traced is said to be three feet high and bound with iron. The box traced to Wisconsin weighed 375 pounds when it was placed on an express wagon at the Stensland home on the day of the flight. Telegrams have been sent all over the world to trainmen to look for the big trunk.

Another warrant charging Cashier Hering with forging a note for \$10,000 in the name of Marius S. Kirby was issued today.

Car Service Stopped.

New York, Aug. 15.—Following the arrest tonight of three division inspectors of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company on charges of assault, the company shut off entirely all of its surface lines leading to Coney island, taking the position that this was the only way to stop the rioting which has been in progress since Sunday morning at the points where a second fare was demanded by the company's employees. The elevated and express trains to the seashore were augmented. The inspectors were released on bail.

Freight Tunnels Under Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—The freight bores of the Illinois Tunnel company will carry merchandise of all kinds in carload lots for the first time today. This movement will mark the practical completion of the Illinois Tunnel company's system of underground freight railroads, construction of which was begun five years ago, and which has cost its owners about \$30,000,000.

BIG CITY IN RUINS

Earthquake at Valparaiso, Chile, Is Followed by Fire.

HUNDREDS CRUSHED TO DEATH

Great Port and Surrounding Country Stricken—Throngs of Homeless Crazy by Calamity.

New York, Aug. 18.—The Herald today prints the following:

Valparaiso, Chile, Friday.—Without the slightest tremor of warning an earthquake visited this city at 8 o'clock last night, bringing death to hundreds of persons and leaving many hundreds more imprisoned in the ruins, many of whom were burned to death before aid could reach them. Fire started immediately after the first shock and every branch of the city's service was paralyzed. Panic and consternation indescribable followed, and those who escaped death and injury became frenzied with fear and could render little assistance to the victims.

The business section of the city is almost entirely destroyed, and fires are still raging. We are suffering here a repetition of the horrors of San Francisco.

As night comes on, the city is everywhere aglow with unobstructed fires, and clouds of choking smoke and vapor settle into the streets and houses, where throngs of homeless ones are wandering about, crazed by the awful calamity.

It is almost impossible to ascertain how wide an area of country the visitation has laid waste. Nothing has been heard from Santiago, the capital city of Chile, and it is feared that the fate of that city is as bad or worse than that of Valparaiso.

Telegraphic communication is cut off in all directions, and every one here is too much depressed by the calamity at home to seek information of other places. No trains have arrived or left here since the first shock came, as all of the railroad tunnels are filled and miles of track on the surface are twisted and rendered useless. It is only known from general accounts that death and destruction are on all sides.

There were two distinct and terrific shocks, the second one following almost instantly after the first and completing the work of destruction. The day had been unusually calm and pleasant.

Many landslides have occurred around the city and scores of lives have been lost. At present it is impossible to state the number of dead in the entire city, but it is believed that there are several hundred, many of whom are still in the ruins. It has laid waste the best part of the city, and has doubtless put Chile back many years in the scale of civilization.

NO UNION PACIFIC DIVIDEND.

Has Surplus of Over \$25,000,000, Southern Pacific \$19,000,000.

New York, Aug. 18.—At the conclusion of a meeting of the executive committee of the Union Pacific railroad here today statements were given that no announcement would be made regarding a dividend. The committee's estimate of the income of the road for the year ending June 30 showed gross receipts from transportation \$67,281,542, increase \$7,956,593 over 1905; expenses and taxes, \$36,963,773, increase \$5,101,059; surplus available for dividend, \$2,201,844, increase \$6,416,337. The balance after payment of dividends on the preferred stock was \$25,219,812. The sum for expenses includes \$2,206,619 for betterments, equipment and repairs.

The estimated income of the Southern Pacific company shows: Gross receipts from transportation, \$105,619,110, increase \$7,478,531; expenses and taxes, \$70,588,849, increase \$4,993,029; surplus, \$21,560,712, increase \$9,128,740. After payment of a dividend of 7 per cent on the preferred stock, the balance was \$18,790,833. The sum of \$2,117,295 was credited for betterments and equipment.

Santa Fe Buys Tie Farm.

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 18.—By a deal closed today the Santa Fe railroad becomes the owner of the famous San Dieguito ranch, just north of the city, comprising 8,659 acres of land. The price paid was \$100,000. The ranch is to be used to raise eucalyptus trees for ties for the future use of the road. It is proposed to plant about 600 acres each year, and as the trees are quick growers it is figured that in 20 years the road will be able to harvest six to eight ties to a tree and keep up the harvest thereafter continually.

Sulta's Thank Offering.

Constantinople, Aug. 18.—The sultan has ordered the release of all the prisoners in the empire who have completed two-thirds of their sentences, as a mark of gratification for the recovery of his health.

CASHIER BACKED BOOKIES.

Hering Represented Himself Wealthy Man Seeking "Suckers."

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Absolute proof that Henry Hering, cashier of the wrecked Milwaukee Avenue State bank, was financial backer of a bookmaking syndicate which laid odds on horse-races, was brought to light late today, when Inspector Shippey found a check made payable to Harry M. Smith, who for years ran the Buffet at 56 South State street, and whose place was closed this spring, because of running a hand-book, that hand-book being none other than that run by the syndicate headed by Hering, but whose name never appeared as connected with it until today. Other men in the syndicate were Charles Francis, Thomas Rowe, Walter Frantzen, Harry Thorpe and Henry Troy.

All these men were interviewed by the inspector and all admitted that they were connected with the book, but denied that they knew Hering was connected with any bank, and said that he represented that he was a wealthy man, and that he wanted to increase his wealth by separating "a few suckers from their loose change."

BUYS ST. PAUL SYSTEM.

Harriman Secures Railroad Coveted by James J. Hill.

New York, Aug. 17.—It can be authoritatively stated that control of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad has passed into the hands of E. H. Harriman, via the Southern Pacific Railroad company, which is controlled by the Union Pacific Railroad company, the main Harriman concern. A rumor to the effect that Harriman sought to own the St. Paul property has been heard on various occasions of late, but not until today could it be learned from a competent authority that there was good foundation for the report.

As a railroad deal this purchase of the St. Paul by Harriman is more remarkable than the coup by which he secured the Illinois Central control nearly a year ago. Harriman had for years been an important factor in the Illinois Central management, but until now he has never been mentioned in connection with St. Paul.

The present deal is also interesting from the fact that in 1900 James J. Hill, Harriman's arch enemy in the railroad arena, made strenuous efforts to purchase the St. Paul, but was refused control by the same Standard Oil interests which with willingness turned the property over to Harriman.

PEOPLE GROW CALLOUS.

Eye Witness Describes Warsaw After Outbreak of Terrorists.

London, Aug. 17.—The Tribune's Warsaw correspondent telegraphs a description of the scenes witnessed by him after the disturbances Wednesday.

"The hospital surgeons, fatigued by their labors," he says, "were unable to attend to cases, and wounds regarded as fatal were left to take their course. The scenes in the morgues were horrible. In one I counted 32 civilian bodies, all dirty and dressed as they fell."

"The people have grown callous with too much death. I heard a young girl laugh heartily at the sight of a woman whose brain-pan had been torn off by a bomb."

"In one hospital I saw a youth who, when bayoneted yesterday, feigned death. The soldiers trod over him and their heavy boots crushed his fingers to a pulp, but he successfully stood the ordeal. He was carried to the morgue, when it was discovered he was alive. He is now progressing favorably."

"Last night resulted in an orgie of blood in the Jewish quarter. The number of persons clubbed or bayoneted exceeds three hundred."

"The morgues are crowded with dead. The bodies were arrayed in rows, the clothes dirty with the filth of the streets where they fell. No effort was made to do more than pile the corpses in morgues, and very little has been done towards identifying them. Relatives and friends of those who lost their lives are fearful of brutal treatment at the hands of the authorities if they visit the morgues."

Oldest Fixed Date in History.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Professor James H. Broadbent has announced in an article in the Biblical World that the "oldest fixed date in history" is 4241 B. C. In that year the calendar was established, the year beginning on what would now be July 19. Consequently the calendar now in use was 6,147 years old last month. The professor arrived at these conclusions during his long exploration trip in the Nile valley, when he compared the astronomical data in the old and middle kingdoms of Egypt.

Seized at Prison Door.

New York, Aug. 17.—Charles C. Browne, the convicted Federal silk examiner, who was ordered released from the state prison at Sing Sing Tuesday on a writ of habeas corpus, issued by Judge Hough, of the United States Circuit court, was rearrested as he stepped from the prison today and arraigned before Judge Hough.

SLAUGHTER POLICE

Reds Throughout Poland Start Attack on Enemies.

WARSAW IS CENTER OF TROUBLE

Slaughter in Polish Capital Calls Forth Effective Volleys—Police Meet Simultaneous Assaults.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 16.—Acting apparently with a definite plan and at a signal the terrorists and revolutionists today inaugurated a carnival of murderous attacks with bombs and revolvers on the police and troops in various cities in Poland, echoes of which are heard from Samara, Ufa, Yalta, Kiev and even far away Chita, where the acting chief of police was slain almost on his own doorstep.

The revolutionist campaign flamed out with special virulence at Warsaw, where over a score were killed in the streets, and many more were wounded. Among the killed, according to the latest official advices, were two sergeants of police, eight patrolmen, three gendarmes, five soldiers, a Hebrew merchant and a woman. The returns are not all in.

Policemen and soldiers were shot down like rabbits in the streets. Their assailants, who traveled in small bands, almost all escaped among the terrorized but sympathetic populace. The only considerable capture was a band of three men who had invaded a grog shop and killed a soldier. These were taken by a passing patrol.

Bombs were employed in an attack on the police station at Warsaw, where a sergeant, two patrolmen and a soldier were wounded.

Other Polish cities singled out by the terrorists were Lodz, where six soldiers, three patrolmen and the wife of a police captain were wounded by the explosion of bombs in the police station and two soldiers and two terrorists killed in the streets; Radom, where a bomb was thrown in the police station, killing the wife and child of the police captain; Votslavsk, where a captain was slain, and Plock, where at a given signal the policemen on all the posts were simultaneously attacked and several of them wounded.

On account of the agrarian disorders, especially several attacks on post trains, the railway between Samara and Zlatoust, which was already carrying guards on all its trains, was today placed under martial law. Two of these attacks occurred today near Ufa, revolutionists in each case flagging the train, bursting open the doors of the cars with bombs and rifling the registered pouches. The booty in one case amounted to \$15,000; in the other case the amount is not known.

FIRST PURCHASE OF SILVER.

Shaw Buys 50,000 Ounces at 86.62 Cents an Ounce.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Pursuant to the announcement of the secretary of the treasury that he desired to receive tenders of silver yesterday, four bids were made to Director Roberts of the mint.

The bids were opened yesterday afternoon, and after being submitted to Secretary Shaw, it was announced that the government had purchased 50,000 ounces of silver, 999 fine, at 86.62 cents an ounce.

It is not the custom to announce the name of the individual or corporation through whom the silver is obtained. It is expected the government will require from 50,000 to 100,000 ounces of silver a week for an indefinite time. It is the purpose, therefore, of Secretary Shaw and Director Roberts to receive bids Wednesday of each week until further notice.

Bodies Hurlled a Mile.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 16.—It is reported here that between 30 and 50 Mexican laborers and bystanders were killed this afternoon at 4:40 in Chihuahua, Mexico, by the explosion of a carload of dynamite on the Mexican Central railroad. The car was being transferred for transportation to the Robinson mine at Santa Fulalia. Bodies and pieces of human flesh were hurled into the air and picked up a mile distant. Windows were broken in almost every house in town and many walls were cracked. Several Americans are reported killed.

Gives Up Polar Trip.

London, Aug. 16.—A dispatch from Christiania to the Daily Mail says that private letters received there from Spitzbergen state that owing to the lateness of the season Walter Wellman, chief of the Chicago Record-Herald Arctic expedition, has abandoned the project of ballooning to the north pole this year.