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TURKISH MINISTER CALLED

Wanted to Know If Published Reports Concerning Squadron Were Correct

Was Informed That the United States Would Insist on Decent Treatment From the Sultan

Washington, Aug. 8.—Cnekib Bay, the Turkish minister, called at the state department this morning to inquire whether the published statement that the European squadron of the United States navy has been ordered to Smyrna as a menace to Turkey was correct. He was informed that the visit of the American ships to Turkish waters was in accordance with a prearranged schedule and should not be considered as a menace to the Ottoman government, in addition, however, he was told that the United States would insist strenuously upon her rights and upon a compliance with her request with reference to the trading claims and proper protection of American interests. It is understood that no further instructions would be sent Minister Leishman until after the arrival of the squadron at Smyrna.

ARMY POSITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED

According to Late Dispatch from Russian General at the Front

St. Petersburg, Aug. 8.—General Sakaharoff reports that up to noon Sunday there was no change in the positions of the Manchurian armies. The report is significant as it acts as a denial of the vague reports current for several days of heavy engagements about Liao Yang and Haichen, in which the Japanese were reported to have been defeated with heavy losses.

Rome, Aug. 8.—A Tien Tsin dispatch says that the Japanese after a prolonged cannonade, have commenced with naval batteries at Port Arthur and the speedy fall of the fort is inevitable.

Berlin, Aug. 8.—A Tageblatt dispatch from Liao Yang dated August 7 states that in the heavy attack made on the western wing of the Russian forces north of Hai Cheng many Russians were wounded and brought there. General Alexieff and Kurapatkin were in Liao Yang Sunday. It is rumored that Mukden is now threatened by the Japanese.

Tokio, Aug. 8.—Unofficial reports were received yesterday that the Japanese army besieging Port Arthur has captured commanding positions north

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CRASHED THROUGH BRIDGE

Colorado Train Makes Disastrous Plunge Into the River

Torrent of Water Swept the Unfortunate Passengers Down to Certain Death

Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 8.—Train No. 11, the Missouri Pacific Flyer, crashed through a bridge over an arroyo, on Dry Creek, near Eden, on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, about eight miles from Pueblo, at 8 o'clock last night. The accident was caused by the heavy rains which wrecked the bridge. It is estimated that of the 125 passengers on board the ill-fated train, between 80 and 100 lost their lives, either by the waters of the raging torrent, or beneath the wreckage. Only 11 bodies have been recovered and taken to various undertaking establishments of this city up to 9 o'clock this morning and of those only two were identified. It is not known how many of the bodies have been swept down the Arkansas river by the cloudburst and many will never be recovered. This makes it impossible to give an accurate number of the dead but it is estimated to range from 75 to 125. Three bodies this morning were taken from the river in this city seven miles below the scene of the wreck. Two identified bodies are those of Frank H. Whitman and Alexander S. Maxwell. Among the missing and believed to be dead are Mrs. John Oliver of Pueblo, and two children, Mrs. James Smith, wife of the conductor of the ill-fated train, Ida Leonard, Pueblo, Mrs. Mary Walsh Chicago, Miss Mary Rice, LaSalle, Ill., Robert Lytle, cashier of the First National bank, Miss Willy Wood, Dr. W. H. Moch, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lamson, Miss Zinnie Selby, Laval Dunham, all of Pueblo.

CAN'T KEEP COOL

Chicago, Aug. 8.—An order was sent out today after a conference of the strikers' board for the ice wagons to aid the stock yards strikers by refusing to deliver ice to any of the branch markets of the packing company's or to any meat dealers. The order may extend throughout the country. The situation at the yards this morning is quiet and unchanged. More nonunion help arrived and were placed to work.

Revised List of Dead.

Pueblo, Aug. 8.—The revised list of the identified and known dead is: A. E. Hoes, Pueblo; Mrs. Stevens, Northampton, Mass.; Major Frank H. Whitman, Henry Pingman, engineer, Denver; Miss Seward, Miss Irene Wright, Pueblo; James H. Smith, conductor, Denver; Miss Minnie Davis Pueblo; Miss Elsie Roland, Lindburg, Kansas; Miss Hadenbury, Salina, Kansas; Dr. W. F. Munn, Pueblo; Mrs. John Molliver Pueblo; Genevieve Molliver, four years, Mary Molliver, two years; Miss Ida Leonard, Pueblo; Mrs. Mary Walsh, Chicago; Miss Mary Price, LaSalle, Illinois. Twenty-four others known to have been on the train are reported missing.

The accident is the worst in the history of the Rio Grande railway. Dry creek where the train went through the bridge is not far from Butte where the washouts occurred two years ago crippling the line. Two trains preceded the Worlds Flyer and passed over the bridge safely. The water in the creek was 25 feet deep and running like a mill race. When the baggage, smoker and chair cars left the track they plunged into the stream and were swept down four miles before they ran ashore. On the first coach the passengers were standing in the aisles for lack of seats. It is estimated that 100 were in this car alone, mostly from Denver and Colorado Springs for Pueblo. Two Pullmans and the diner on the rear of the train remained on the track through the quick action of the Colored Porter Sales, who feeling the first shock of the engine strike the chasm reach-

UNITED STATES POSITIVE

Note Made Public Defining Position of American Government

Will Not Allow Russia to Dictate as to What Is Contraband of War

Washington, Aug. 8.—In forceful but diplomatic language the United States government declared to the world that it cannot assent to the general proposition made by Russia that coal is contraband of war. This announcement is made in a circular note from Secretary Hay to the American ambassadors in Europe, dated June 10, but only made public this morning. Hill's International Code is quoted to show that during the West African conference in 1888 Russia took the occasion to dissent vigorously from the including of coal among the articles of contraband of war. Hay's note further says that it is understood that it is Russia's intention to declare cotton contraband. Such a policy, he asserts, would imply that every article of human use might be declared contraband, simply that it might ultimately become useful to the belligerent for military purposes.

RINGLING BROS. CIRCUS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Number of Horses Burned and Panic Created Among Animals

Ogden, Utah., Aug. 8.—Sparks from the engine ignited hay on the train hauling Ringling Bros. circus enroute to Wyoming while here. There was a panic among the animals and 11 ring horses were burned to death, and many others injured.

If You Buy on Time

you are always a month or more behind on your bills. You're paying a high rate of interest for this time.

Why Not Trade at a Cash Store

and keep your accounts up to date. You'll save the extra profit "credit stores" are compelled to charge for the extra expense and losses of the credit system.

Reliable Merchandise

sold on a cash basis accounts for the great popularity of

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DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, SHOES, HATS, HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR—everything for the whole family.

ALL STRAW AND CRASH HATS EXACTLY ONE HALF PRICE

New Idea dress patterns 10c. Postage 2c extra by mail.

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SALEM'S GREATEST STORE
THE WHITE CORNER (TRADE MARK)

IMMENSE BARGAINS
DURING OUR GREAT CLEARING SALE

There's even goodness throughout the entire list, so we've made no howling feature. Suffice to say—it's the greatest bargain-giving sale we ever held. There's such an economy in the prices as will appeal to all people of thrift.

Satin Girdle Corsets

The same corset other stores advertise as a regular \$1.00 value and sell at a special sale at 65c. Our price during this sale

39c

Boys' Waists

Our regular line of K. & E. Wash waists are being offered during this sale at immense reductions. All sizes. Regular 75c value

38c

Shirt Waists

This season's best styles are radically reduced thus:

50c values 25c
75c values 38c
\$1.00 values 50c

St. Louis Fair Contest

Last month of voting. One vote with every 25c purchase. Result of voting up to 9 p. m. Saturday:

Total votes cast 72,027
Number voted for 65
Miss Mellen, East 28,232
Miss Shelton, Music 27,911
Miss Bushnell Park 3,528
Miss Cosper, East 3,308
Miss Thomas, Park 2,359
Miss Gordon, North 1,523
Miss Kramer, East 1,037
Miss Knight, Music 845
Miss Patrick, O. E. S. 573
Miss Prunk, Elocton 528

Wednesday Only

OUR 188th WEDNESDAY SURPRISE SALE

This week we have on sale a line of boys' seamless ribbed hose. We assure you that they are an exceptional offer at

15c pr

Compare 'em with 25c hose shown elsewhere.

Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves

The best outing gloves for ladies.

We have them in all sizes and are sure we can please you with these. Special during our great CLEARING SALE

75c

Silk Petticoats

A line of all silk petticoats at prices ranging from \$6.00 to \$9.00 are being offered during this sale at

\$2.50

Wash Goods

The season's prettiest fancies in its brightest and best patterns:

10c values 5c
20c values 10c
30c values 15c