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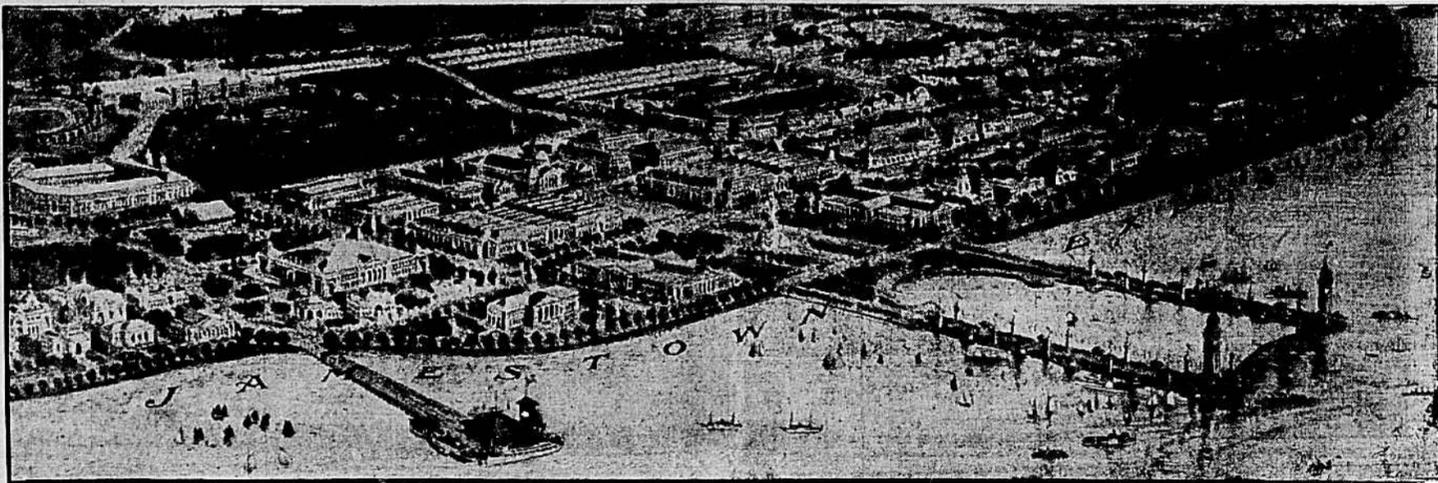
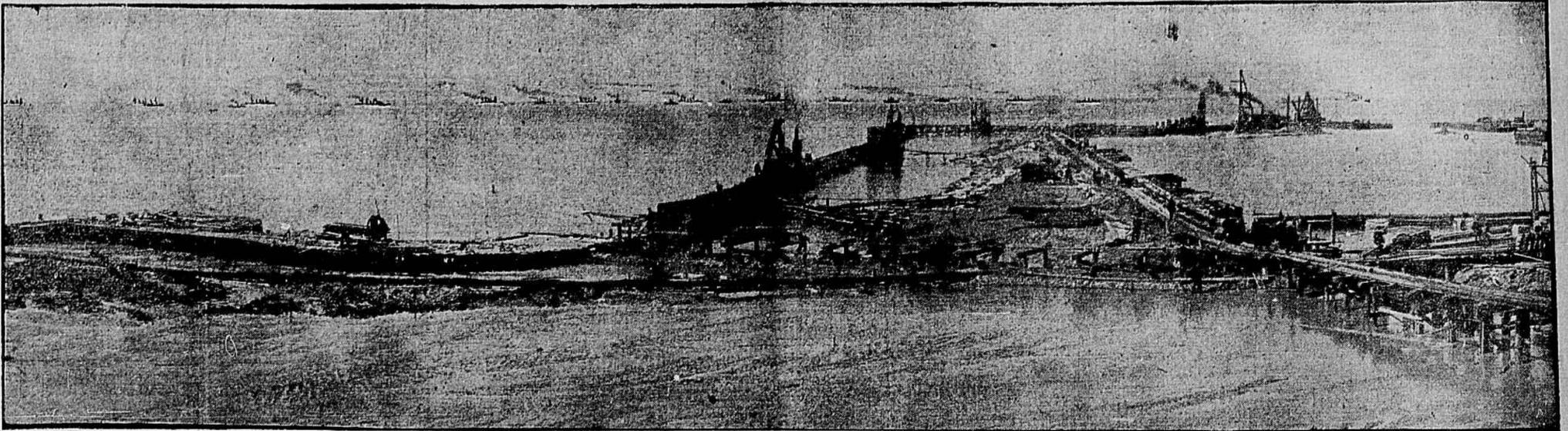
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AMID ROAR OF CANNON AND SHOUTS OF THOUSANDS THE GREAT JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION OPENS TO-DAY



The first cut shows a section of the great fleet gathered in Hampton Roads as seen from the unfinished government pier; the line of ships of this and other nations is three miles in length. The lower cut gives an admirable idea of the exposition as it will look when the sound of the hammer is no more; as it will appear in a few brief weeks.

NOTABLE COMPANY ATTEND RECEPTION

Scenes in Virginia Building Last Night Brilliant.

11 GOVERNORS IN RECEIVING LINE

These Are Stationed in Order of Admission of Their States Into the Union—Rooms Attractively Decorated—Receiving Party Later Entertained.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION

By ALLEN POTTS.
JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION GROUNDS, VA., April 25.—Jamestown Exposition was opened to-night in the most brilliant and dignified manner by His Excellency, the Governor of Virginia, and Mrs. Swanson, who received a number of notable guests at the Virginia State Building, facing the water-front.

It may be that the official program announces "the opening" for to-morrow, when President Roosevelt will press a button and deliver a "dictum," when cannons will roar and political gentlemen in tall hats and frock coats will swell in the midday sun, but that occasion will be but a giant aftermath of the function which took place so successfully to-night.

Never perhaps, even in the ancient days of the Old Dominion, when patches and powder, knee breeches and a periwig were the prevailing fashions has there been witnessed a more brilliant scene than that which took place in the Virginia State Building to-night. More than half the male guests wore in gorgeous uniforms, and the color of the army and navy cloth, representing a dozen countries, outshined the rainbow and made "color" hide its head.

Brilliant Scenes in Virginia Building.

As early as 9 o'clock the guests began to arrive and pass between the double line of men from the regular army, stationed from the railway station on both sides of the boardwalk to the doors opening from the broad portico guarded by high pillars.

Eleven Governors

Grace the Occasion.
At one end of the receiving line stood Mrs. Swanson, beautifully and charmingly attired in pink lace; at the other, President Harry St. George Tucker, and between them the Governors of the various States, placed in the order in which the States were received into the Union.

DEAD MAN FEARED THE JILTED WOMAN

Ross Wanted Plenty of Light for the Wedding Ceremony.

BRIDE-TO-BE IS PROSTRATED

Double Tragedy at Oil City Has Many Pathetic Features Revealed at Inquest.

OIL CITY, PA., April 25.—The body of Miss M. Belle Stroup and that of Thaddeus E. Ross, her former sweetheart, whom she shot before committing suicide yesterday, eight hours before the time fixed for Ross's marriage to another woman, were viewed by a coroner's jury to-day, after which they were removed from the undertaking-rooms where they had been prepared for burial. That of Miss Stroup was taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Ebert, of Coal Hill, this county. Ross's body was taken to the home of his parents, next door to the house which he had prepared for himself and bride-to-be, Miss Edith Sampson. The house had been thoroughly furnished, and was to have been occupied by them last night had not a jilted woman turned the wedding day into one of tragedy. The pathetic incident was brought to light to-day, when Mrs. Mary Mable, a sister of Miss Sampson, recognized the dead woman as a fellow-traveler who rode with her yesterday on the train from Titusville to this city.

COMPANY NOT TO ALTER STAND

Merchants' and Miners' Refuses to Raise Wages of Deck Officers.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 25.—A. D. Stebbins, vice-president and general manager of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, said to-day that he could not say just what his company would do if the wages of their deck officers were raised to the level of the other companies. Captain L. Cullen, first vice-president of the American Association of Masters, Matees and Pilots, said the men are just as determined to get the increase as the company is not to pay it. Captain Cullen intends to remain here until the case is settled.

To-Day's Program at Jamestown Exposition

Sunrise salute of three hundred guns by Norfolk Light Artillery.
8:30—Arrival of President Roosevelt on the Mayflower, saluted by the war-ships of the world. The President's yacht passes in review.
11:30—President Roosevelt lands at the exposition, and is escorted to the stand on Lee Parade.
Opening prayer by the Right Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph, Bishop of Virginia.
Address and introduction of the President of the United States by Harry St. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown Exposition.
Address by Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, after which the President will touch the button setting the machinery in motion and opening the exposition.
After the opening exercises are concluded the President will review the troops that are visiting the exposition, together with the Governors and their staffs and other military organizations that will participate.
From 5 to 6 P. M. a reception will be tendered the President of the United States by the officers and directors of the Jamestown Exposition Company in the rotunda of the Auditorium Building. At this reception the President will receive the diplomatic corps, Governors of the States and official representatives of the Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition.

BLACK HAND MEN AS BLACKMAILERS

Testimony Shows That They Were Always Seeking Money.

WILKESBARRE, PA., April 25.—At the "Black Hand" trial to-day an Italian named Salvadora Scannocca, living at Dunmore, Lackawanna county, testified that he had received threatening letters from the "Black Hand" organizations, whose headquarters were supposed to be at Pittston. The letters demanded that he pay certain persons \$60. He paid \$50, but refused to pay the other \$10. He was asked if he could identify any of the prisoners as the persons to whom he paid the money. He looked the defendants over, but said the man to whom he paid the money was not among the number.

KILLED HIS MAN WHILE CROWDS ATE SUPPER

DOE RUN, GA., April 25.—Brad Fussell shot and killed J. M. Thomas last night in the dining-room of a hotel at Doe Run. The difficulty was said to have been about some money Thomas owed Fussell. Fussell claims self-defense. Thomas was superintendent of the Corbett-Taylor Lumber Company, at Tickner.

LOEB MAY LEAVE THE WHITE HOUSE

Slated for the Presidency of Washington Railway Company.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—An important change in the control of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, of this city, will occur at the annual meeting next January. It became known to-day that a number of local capitalists had purchased a majority of the stock. Simultaneously with this announcement it was rumored that William Loeb, Jr., secretary to President Roosevelt, had been determined upon as the president of the corporation. The fact that the purchase had been made did not become public until after Mr. Loeb had departed on the Mayflower with the President for the Jamestown Exposition, and therefore the report of his connection with the company could not be confirmed, inasmuch as the brokerage firm which negotiated the purchase of the stock were mute on the subject of who the purchasers were or whether they were committed to Mr. Loeb.

EMPEROR'S SON HURT AT DRILL

BERLIN, April 25.—Prince Eitel Frederick, Emperor William's second son, fell from his horse during a cavalry drill yesterday afternoon on the Lieberitz grounds, near Potsdam. The prince's horse took flight upon hearing a huge signal, suddenly reared up and threw its head back, striking the prince in the face and knocking him unconscious from the saddle. When the prince revived he suffered from a violent headache, which has now abated. He will probably remain in the barracks adjacent to the drill-ground until Saturday, and will then go to Potsdam.

BOY PICKED OUT THE KIDNAPPER

Easily Identified Italian Who Had Stolen Him Months Ago.

NEW YORK, April 25.—After a search, extending over three months, detectives to-day arrested Ignazio Di Leonardo and his wife on a charge of kidnaping. Leonardo was taken into custody in the yard of a Brooklyn tenement house after he had jumped through a second-story window in an attempt to escape while the police were forcing the door of his room. He landed in the arms of a detective when he jumped.

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PRESIDENT OFF FOR JAMESTOWN

Leaves Washington on Mayflower to Formally Open the Exposition.

MRS. ROOSEVELT WITH HIM

Salute of Twenty-One Guns Fired as Yacht Steamed Away Amid Much Cheering.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—President Roosevelt, the members of his family, and a party of his friends left the Washington navy yard at 3:10 o'clock this afternoon aboard the yacht Mayflower, for a visit to the Jamestown Exposition. They are to return Sunday morning. On Saturday the President and Mrs. Roosevelt are to make a trip up the James River on the dispatch boat Sylph.

ROBERT W. POWERS IS IN EXTREMIS

Aged Druggist Not Expected to Survive Many Hours Longer.

Mr. R. W. Powers, for more than half a century engaged in the drug business and one of Richmond's oldest citizens, is critically ill at his residence. His death was regarded as hourly imminent last night, but at an early hour this morning he still survived.

EYES OF THE WORLD ON JAMESTOWN

Inauguration of Tercentennial Celebration Event of International Import.

REVIEW OF NAVIES IS CHIEF FEATURE

Ships of the World Pass Before President Roosevelt—After Address About Midday He Will Press Gold Button, Which Will Formally Open the Exposition.

By WALTER EDWARD HARRIS.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION GROUNDS, April 25.—The celebration of the three hundredth birthday of America to-morrow, with the opening of the Jamestown Exposition, will be a spectacle entirely worthy of the occasion. Prophecies of the impressiveness of the ceremonies bid fair to be of absolute fulfillment. The Jamestown Exposition is very far from being completed and ready for visitors, but the feature of the celebration will not be the exhibits nor the buildings which are to contain them when the exposition is ready for the reception of visitors.

The occasion will be made memorable by the presence of the most distinguished personages in the United States and men of distinction from almost every civilized country. In fact, it is certain that on no occasion in the history of the country has a greater number of distinguished men been present, unless some celebration in the National Capital be excepted, than will be on the Exposition grounds to-morrow, when the President of the United States will press the button which is to set the machinery in motion and open the gates of the Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition to the world. The fleet of warships lying out yonder in Hampton Roads is the most powerful ever assembled. It is asserted that the American fleet alone is not only the most powerful ever got together by this country, but that there is doubt whether such great tonnage and such mighty armament have been represented in any assemblage of war vessels in the history of navies.

President's Review

Feature of the Day.
The feature of the day to-morrow will be the review of the assembled warships by the President, who will arrive on the Mayflower very early in the morning. At sunrise, a short time previous to his arrival in the Roads, the Norfolk Light Artillery Blues, one of the most ancient military organizations in the United States, will fire a salute of three hundred guns, a gun for every year that has passed since the adventurers to Virginia landed over yonder at Cape Henry on their way to Point Comfort and Jamestown. The battery came to the Exposition grounds this afternoon. Scarcely will the roar of the three hundred gun salute have ceased when the crash of the guns of the American and foreign warships assembled in the roadstead will announce the approach of the presidential party on the Mayflower.