

NEWS OF ALL LOUISIANA

New Orleans Rice Is Strong. New Orleans.—A strong undertone ruled in the local market for rough rice Saturday.

New Orleans Sugar Unchanged. New Orleans.—Another unexpected cut of 10c a hundred pounds was made in the price of refined sugar at the close of business Saturday.

Seeks Homes for Foundlings. New Orleans.—To arrange for the distribution of a carload of foundlings to be brought into the South from the New York Foundling Asylum during the early months of 1914, Harry J. Bourgeois, local agent, left New Orleans Friday on an extended trip through Texas to seek homes for babies.

Kruttschnitt at New Orleans. New Orleans.—Julius Kruttschnitt, head of the Southern Pacific system and chairman of the executive committee, reached New Orleans Friday on his special car.

Oppose Religious Services. Shreveport.—An injunction suit of S. L. Harold and other citizens opposing a rule by the Caddo school board that daily religious exercises be required in all public schools in Shreveport and Caddo parish was argued in the state court Friday.

Catholic Fair at Mauriceville. Abbeville.—The Catholics of Mauriceville are preparing to hold a church fair at that place on Sunday, Oct. 26, in order to assist in paying for recent improvements on the church.

Stockholders' Meeting. New Roads.—The stockholders of the Bank of New Roads have elected Jules Guizro cashier to succeed Lamartine Bouanehad, two years ago elected vice president.

Aged Man Is Badly Beaten. Estherwood.—Frari Foutenot, a man 65 years old, was nearly killed in an affray at Hayes, four miles northwest of Estherwood. Blows over the head and body were delivered with a club, and three of Foutenot's ribs were broken. An arrest has been made.

Rapides Parish Cotton Light. Alexandria.—Cotton Gin Inspector L. M. Fimberg reports a total of 2,091 bales ginned in Rapides parish prior to Sept. 25 this year, as against 3,700 for the same date last year. The decrease was due to bad weather.

Abbeville House Is Burned. Abbeville.—A defective oil stove caught fire in a cottage in East street, near the oil tanks of the Texas Oil Company, and the flames spread to the building, which was destroyed.

Pugh Member School Board. Donaldsonville.—The democratic parish executive committee Friday declared Edward N. Pugh candidate for member of the parish school board from the Third ward.

Mayor Tenders Resignation. Kentwood.—Mayor A. B. Lee has tendered his resignation, to take effect at the next council meeting. Business pressure is given as the cause. A petition is being circulated to have Attorney A. W. A. Houghton appointed to fill the unexpired term.

Kentwood School Opened. Kentwood.—School opened Monday, with over 400 enrolled. Miss Haney of Hammond has been added to the faculty.

Paris Records Are Expensive. Lake Charles.—The police jury Thursday definitely refused to buy a copy of the parish records from a local abstract company to replace records destroyed by fire. The price asked was \$40,000.

Heavy Rains at Donaldsonville. Donaldsonville.—One of the heaviest rains here in many months fell Wednesday, the precipitation totaling 5.25 inches.

A GREAT COAL MINE DISASTER OVER FOUR HUNDRED MINERS ARE PROBABLY DEAD.

Explosion in Mine Near Cardiff, Wales, Entombs 931 Miners—500 Taken Out Alive.

Cardiff, Wales.—A disaster, possibly the greatest in the history of South Wales coal fields, whose annals are bristling with terrible catastrophes, occurred Tuesday through an explosion in the Universal colliery near Cardiff. Shortly after the day shift of 931 men entered the mine an explosion shattered the works.

During the day and early in the night about 500 miners were brought to the surface alive. After midnight the rescuing parties began to get the fire under control and at 2:30 Wednesday morning twenty more men were found alive at the bottom of the pit. This gave hope that others may be found, but there is still a probability that nearly 400 men perished.

Including the bodies recovered and those killed at the pit head, the known death toll numbers sixteen. Doctors with oxygen and megaphones descended the shaft at an early hour Wednesday morning. A crowd of 40,000 distracted persons surrounded the pit head all night and another 5,000 waited for news at the Cardiff station.

The men brought to the surface were found on the east side of the mine, where the ventilation remained fairly good. On the west side, where the explosion occurred, fire soon added its terrors and the rescue parties were unable to work for hours.

Police were required to keep back women and children who crowded around the mine entrances in hopes of obtaining news of kinsmen. Most of the rescued men were suffering burns, shocks or effects of poisonous gases.

No Longer Hope for Fair Election. Washington.—The first regular cabinet meeting since last July, which was to have dealt largely with administrative routine and particularly with laying the ground work for a government bill budget, was held Tuesday. The subject of prime importance before the cabinet, of course, was the Mexican situation, which, in one respect, has become serious. In a stern note, which City of Mexico dispatches say the Huerta government regards as "intemperate," the American government announced to General Huerta that Huerta's assumption of dictatorship makes it impossible for this government to recognize the elections scheduled for Oct. 30 as free, legal and constitutional.

Four Persons Killed in Wreck. Dallas, Tex.—The motorman and three passengers were instantly killed and twenty-one out of a total of twenty-seven passengers were injured when an unmaneuvered flat car loaded with ties, running wild down a two-mile grade, crashed head-on into a southbound Dallas-Waco interurban car Tuesday night, on a twenty-foot trestle about two and a half miles south of Dallas.

Katy Case May Rest Awfully. Austin, Tex.—It is not likely there will be any more testimony taken in the state's suit against the Katy railroad until the case comes up for trial, according to Assistant Attorney General Luther Nickels, who has returned from Walnut Springs, where the testimony was taken last week.

Grey Must Reconcile Japanese. London.—Sir Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, has imposed on Sir Edward Grey, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, the task of reconciling Great Britain's pro-Japanese policies with British Columbia's determination to enforce its decision to exclude Asiatics from its territory.

Disease Threatens Cotton. Washington.—The cotton crop suffered an unusual loss of about \$2,000,000 as a result of the disease known as cotton anthracnose, or boll rot. In a report on the subject, the department of agriculture says that since the fungus can live on dead cotton bolls in the field for at least a year and in the seed for two or three years, there should be rotation of crops, cotton never should be planted on land where anthracnose was prevalent the year previous, while fully as important is the selection of healthy seed.

Galveston-Dallas Road Selected. Houston, Tex.—Work of logging the new automobile highway from Dallas to Galveston, known as the Colorado-to-the-Gulf Highway, started Tuesday when a pathfinder car containing Marus Dods, mapping and logging the road for the Blue Book; O. L. Williams, president of the association, and Colonel J. H. Hawley of Galveston left Dallas.

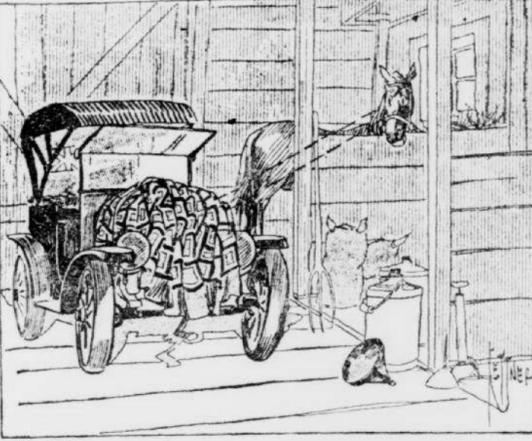
Cleveland Americans Win. Pittsburg, Pa.—The Cleveland Americans Tuesday won the seventh and deciding game of the inter-city series, defeating the Pittsburg Nationals 4 to 1. The official attendance was 2,953, and receipts \$2,135.50.

Fair at League City. League City, Tex.—At a meeting of the various interests held Monday, Nov. 20, 21 and 22 were the dates decided on to hold the third annual county fair.

Worms Is Prevalent. Center, Tex.—Dr. Judkins, state specialist on hogworm, has been making an inspection of the county and reports a large per cent of those examined as being infected with the germ.

Shiloh Ship Hours Reduced. Shiloh, Tex.—The Santa Fe railway shops have reduced the employees working time to eight hours a day. This affects more than two hundred workers.

FAVORITISM



HUERTA THROWS DEPUTIES IN PRISON

Over One Hundred Members of Chamber of Deputies Imprisoned by Huerta—Troops on Guard. City of Mexico.—One hundred and ten members of the chamber of deputies who had signed resolutions of warning to President Huerta as the result of the disappearance of Dr. Belisario Dominguez, a member of the senate, recently, were arrested Saturday and lodged in the penitentiary.

The arrests followed a demand by President Huerta that the chamber withdraw the resolution which carried the threat that the deputies would abandon the capital owing to an alleged lack of guarantees for their personal safety.

Senator Dominguez early in the month made a speech in the senate violently attacking Huerta, saying that not only had nothing been done, but that the present situation in the republic was infinitely worse than before. He said the currency of Mexico had depreciated, fields had been neglected and towns razed and that famine threatened. He added that the situation was due first and foremost to the fact that the Mexican people could not resign themselves to be governed by Huerta.

Before the hour for the regular opening of the session of the chamber the basement and roof of the building had been packed with troops. Scores of police were scattered through the gallery.

When the deputies were in their places Minister of the Interior Manuel Garza Aldape entered the chamber. Simultaneously several hundred troops lined up in front of the chamber. Senator Aldape ascended the platform and read the reply of President Huerta to the resolution warning him of the deputies' intention to dissolve the parliament and hold their sessions elsewhere, and demanding an investigation of the disappearance of Senator Dominguez. The reply said that Huerta could do no less than consider the resolution an act of unjustified aggression and transgression of the rights of the other two powers—the executive and the courts.

When the arrests were made a few of the leaders were placed in automobiles while the other deputies were taken to the penitentiary in street cars.

Meanwhile similar demands to recant had been made upon members of the senate, who had concurred in the chamber's resolution. A committee of senators called on President Huerta and signified their willingness to comply with his demands. Later the senators form withdrew this action.

In anticipation of possible trouble heavy patrols of troops are on the streets. The rapid-fire guns which were posted in the interior courts of the palace in February are again in place and quantities of ammunition are at hand.

Reagan's Birthday Observed. Austin, Tex.—The birthday anniversary of Judge John H. Reagan was appropriately and impressively observed Wednesday by the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, of Austin. An elaborate program was rendered in the Confederate museum room in the state capitol, the exercises being attended by a large number of the members of the chapter, Confederate veterans.

Child Swimming Champion. San Francisco, Cal.—Myrtle Wright, 12 years old, swam the Golden Gate and broke all previous records of women swimmers. Her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Wright, swam with her and also made a new record. The child made it in 35 minutes 40 seconds; the mother in 33 minutes. The best previous woman's record is 42 minutes.

Postmasters Meet in Austin, 1914. Galveston, Tex.—Selecting Austin in compliment to Postmaster General Albert S. Burleson, as the next meeting place; electing officers to serve during the coming year, and adopting many resolutions looking to the improvement of the postal service, the fifteenth annual convention of the Texas Postmasters' Association and the tenth annual convention of the Postmasters' League of Texas closed their joint convention at Galveston Monday.

Willis Issues Waterworks Bonds. Willis, Tex.—Following the action of the recent election, the city council has issued waterworks bonds for \$1,000,000, payable in twenty years with 5.5 per cent interest, with an option of redemption after five years.

BIG GAMBOA DIKE RENT IN TWAIN

Washington.—The momentary touch of a key by the president of the United States Friday sent a flash of electricity through a continuous telegraph and cable connection of 4,000 miles, setting off a gigantic blast of dynamite which exploded the Gamboa dike, the last of the great physical barriers to water communication in the canal. It was an extraordinary feat of telegraphy, especially planned for the occasion. At precisely 2 o'clock Friday afternoon President Wilson simply closed a telegraph key at the White House, sent the current overland and under sea, and just a few seconds later the explosion occurred.

While there were many celebrations of the feat along the coast, there was no ceremony in Washington, it being the wish of Colonel Goethals that the government await the actual opening of the canal. Besides the wreckage of the Gamboa dike, there are two earth slides to be cleared away before boats can pass from ocean to ocean.

A few minutes before 2 o'clock Chief Operator E. W. Smithers at the White House talked to Galveston, Texas. "Is the cable ready?" he inquired. "Yes," came the answer, and soon Galveston announced that "Pa," the cable call for Panama City, was seen. By agreement the operator at the White House made four distinct dots at twenty seconds before 2 o'clock. This gave the signal for the engineers at the Gamboa dike to be in readiness for the flash. They waited twenty seconds, and on the dot President Wilson closed the key which sent the current into the dynamite apparatus.

"There, it is all over," smiled the president; "Gamboa is busted." The president sent Colonel Goethals, engineer of the canal, a brief message of congratulations and turned to those about him, happy in the thrill of the moment—for it brought anticipation of the final step that will open to the world a short waterway between the Atlantic and Pacific—the dream of centuries.

Engineers now are looking forward to the final dredging of the great ditch with the hope that lighter draft vessels used by the diggers will be able to pass through the entire canal in a few weeks.

Mexican Gunboats at Vera Cruz. Vera Cruz.—Continued presence of warships at Vera Cruz is creating fresh opposition at the capital. General Huerta's chief of staff, Colonel Carral, returned to the City of Mexico Monday, having failed to secure at the American consulate a promise that their withdrawal would be recommended. The cruiser Tacoma and the gunboat Wheeling, which is under orders to proceed to Coatzacoacoals, arrived Monday, both remaining.

Some interest has been aroused aboard the American ships by the augmentation of the Mexican naval force at Vera Cruz. Until Monday there has been only one Mexican gunboat there. There are three there now.

Panama Quakes Continue. Panama.—Earth tremors continue. Thirty-one have been registered by the Ancon seismograph to date. Reports received Monday indicate another severe shock in Los Santos province on Saturday night. This disturbance extended as far as Panama City.

Captain W. A. Pitts Dead. Austin, Tex.—Captain William A. Pitts, Texas ranger, soldier of the Confederacy, statesman and citizen, died Monday. Captain Pitts was one of the oldest Texas rangers, having enlisted in a company organized by Henry E. McCulloch in 1859.

Earthquake at Messina, Sicily. Messina, Sicily.—A severe earth quake, lasting twelve seconds, occurred Thursday and caused considerable panic just at the time when the American Red Cross Orphanage was being opened at Palmi.

Smith Defeats Morris. New York.—Gunboat Smith of California defeated Carl Morris of Oklahoma in the fifth round of a ten-round bout Thursday. The referee disqualified Morris for fouling.

COTTON CONDITIONS IN TEXAS WASHINGTON WARNS HUERTA

PERCENTAGE ON OCT. 1 WAS 63, AGAINST 10-YEAR AVERAGE 66. Present Crop Bringing 13.3c, Against 11.2c for Ten-Year Average—Figures on Other Staple Crops.

Houston, Tex.—The cotton crop estimate in Texas to Oct. 1, by the United States agricultural department, shows a slight decrease in estimated condition as compared with the last ten years. The condition estimate given in percentages is 63, against 66 as an average on Oct. 1 for the last ten years, against 64.1 on Oct. 1, 1913, throughout the United States, and against 68.6 as the October average for the crop for the last ten years throughout the United States.

The estimate, together with the estimate on corn, potatoes, rice, sweet potatoes, peanuts, sorghum, pears, cabbage, onions, millet and kafir corn, was made public Friday in the second monthly crop report issued by the United States department of agriculture, the report being issued in co-operation by the bureau of statistics department with the weather bureau.

This report, issued on the ninth day of each month, shows in estimates the condition on the first of the month of each staple, as well as the condition on the first of the month for this state for the last ten years; the condition on the first of the month of the crop throughout the United States and the estimated average of the condition for the last ten years throughout the United States.

Crop estimates and forecasts as of Oct. 1, 1913, with comparisons, for Texas and for the United States, as made by the United States department of agriculture, are given below; condition estimates are given in percentages of a normal:

Table with columns for Crop, Condition, per cent, and values for 1913, Oct. 1, 1913, and Oct. 1, 1912.

Adolphus Busch Dies on German Estate. American Brewer, Last of Twenty-One Children, Leaves an Estate of \$60,000,000.

Villa Lily, Langenschwalbach, Germany.—Adolphus Busch of St. Louis died Friday. He passed away peacefully, his wife and August, his son, being at his side. The illness which almost totally invalidated the aged man when he started for his German estate a few months ago was the beginning of the end.

Adolphus Busch was born at Mayence-on-the-Rhine, Germany, July 10, 1842. He was the son of Ulrich and Barbara (Pfeifer) Busch. Mr. Busch removed to America when he was 15 years old and went to St. Louis soon after his arrival. He was one of several sons, and it is said that the father gave each boy a reasonable allowance and told him to go out in the world and lay the foundation for his fortune.

Later Mr. Busch went into the malt and hop business, becoming a member of the pioneer firm of Wattenberg & Busch, and not long after he entered the employ of the Anheuser Brewing Company. In 1861 he married Lily Anheuser, daughter of the founder of the brewing company.

Mr. Busch is survived by these seven children: Mrs. Arthur Magnus, who later became Mrs. Loeb of Chicago; August A. Busch of St. Louis, Mrs. H. Reisinger of New York, Mrs. Edward A. Faust of St. Louis, Mrs. Clara von Gontard of Berlin, Carl Busch of St. Louis and Mrs. Eduardo Scharrer.

Yankees Release Whiteman. New York.—The release of George Whiteman, outfielder, to the Montreal club of the International league, was announced Monday by Secretary Davis of the New York American league club. Whiteman was secured from the Texas league and played with the New Yorks a few games during the latter part of the season.

DEMANDS OF HIM TO PROTECT LIVES OF DEPUTIES.

The Powers Changing Front, and Germany Has Dispatched Warship to Mexican Waters.

Washington.—Germany's decision to dispatch a warship to Mexican waters attracted wide attention in official circles Monday. No formal comment was made on the incident, but it was apparent that the Washington government was not displeased. The sending of a German warship is in line with the policy of other European governments which had vessels cruising off the Mexican coast from time to time during critical moments of Mexico's internal strife.

Significance was attached to the action by official Washington, however, because it was accepted as indicating that European powers who previously had recognized the Huerta government—among which were Germany and Great Britain—now saw evidences of Huerta's inability to compose the situation.

Latest advices to Washington are to the effect that the British government is deeply concerned over its recognition of Huerta and it is even declared reliably that King George and Queen Mary have taken a personal interest in the situation with a view to measures that would support the policy of the United States.

While the American war vessels in Mexican waters outnumber the foreign ships and will render any aid, not only to Americans, but all foreigners, in case of emergency, it is believed by the Washington authorities that the sending of a German vessel immediately after the arrest of the members of the chamber of deputies may have a sobering effect on Provisional President Huerta and prevent him from going to further extremes.

Strong representations went forth from the United States to the Mexican federal authorities Monday, calling on General Huerta to protect the lives of the imprisoned deputies. It was pointed out that this action was taken, not because the United States has any desire to interfere in the internal affairs of the southern republic, but in the cause of humanity.

Similar representations were made when Madero and Suarez were arrested. Whether or not the protest of the United States against injuring the deputies will be followed by any drastic action should Huerta defy all warnings and punish the deputies is one of the questions being discussed by those who are shaping the administration's policy.

RUSSIAN EXPLORERS DISCOVER NEW LAND

New Land Is Mountainous—Many Walrus Were Seen on It and Birds and Other Game in Plenty. St. Michaels, Alaska.—The Russian flag ship Taimyr and its consort, the Waygatch, which constitute a Russian polar expedition under Commander Wilkitzky, which left Vladivostok June 10 of this year, reached St. Michaels stormbound Oct. 9 and brought news of the discovery north of Siberia in Lat. 81 N., Lon. 104 E. of the new uninhabited mountainous land, possibly a continent.

The expedition landed with difficulty, raised the Russian flag and took possession in the name of the czar. Commander Wilkitzky says the shore of the new country where the expedition landed and along which the vessels traveled is rocky with high, abrupt cliffs, formed evidently from volcanic activity. Volcanoes of the district possibly may have been active recently, he said. Many high peaks, he stated, were discernible inland from the vessels and what seemed to be vapor could be seen arising from one of these. The temperature taken on the shore was 62.6 degrees Fahrenheit. The land was covered with snow almost to the sea.

Many walrus were seen and bird life was plentiful, also many reindeer. Many polar bears were noticed. Bennett Island, the explorer said, had been placed too far north by DeLong and is much smaller than had been formerly reported. The expedition was now in the open polar sea and it continued east to longitude 165 west, thence south through Bering Straits. On Oct. 3 a severe gale drove the vessels east of the Lawrence Islands.

North of Cape Cholyussin, between the course pursued by the exploring ship Fram and Nicholas II Land, the Russian expedition discovered several small islands. No evidence of mineral was seen on any of the newly-discovered land. Increase in Tax Valuations. Austin, Tex.—The controller's department has received tax rolls from 173 of the 253 counties, indicating a large increase in the evaluation of taxable property in Texas. The counties so far reporting show a net gain of \$79,459,647 over last year.

Timothy Woodruff Is Dead. New York.—Timothy L. Woodruff, former lieutenant governor of New York State, died Sunday night. He had lain in a critical condition for nearly two weeks, after having been stricken with paralysis while addressing a fusion ratification meeting in Cooper Union, New York, Sept. 29 last. He was 55 years old.

Big Peas Crop at Westfield. Westfield, Tex.—The peas crop this year is one of the best in history.

A \$10,000 Fire at Singleton. Singleton, Tex.—Fire Thursday destroyed the dry goods and hardware store of M. L. Wood & Co., together with the residence, with all fixtures, and the life of the building. Loss, \$10,000.

Electric Paralyzes Bill. Mexico City.—The bill introduced into the Mexican chamber of senators for amendment of presidential elections came up for first reading Thursday, but was postponed for two days.