

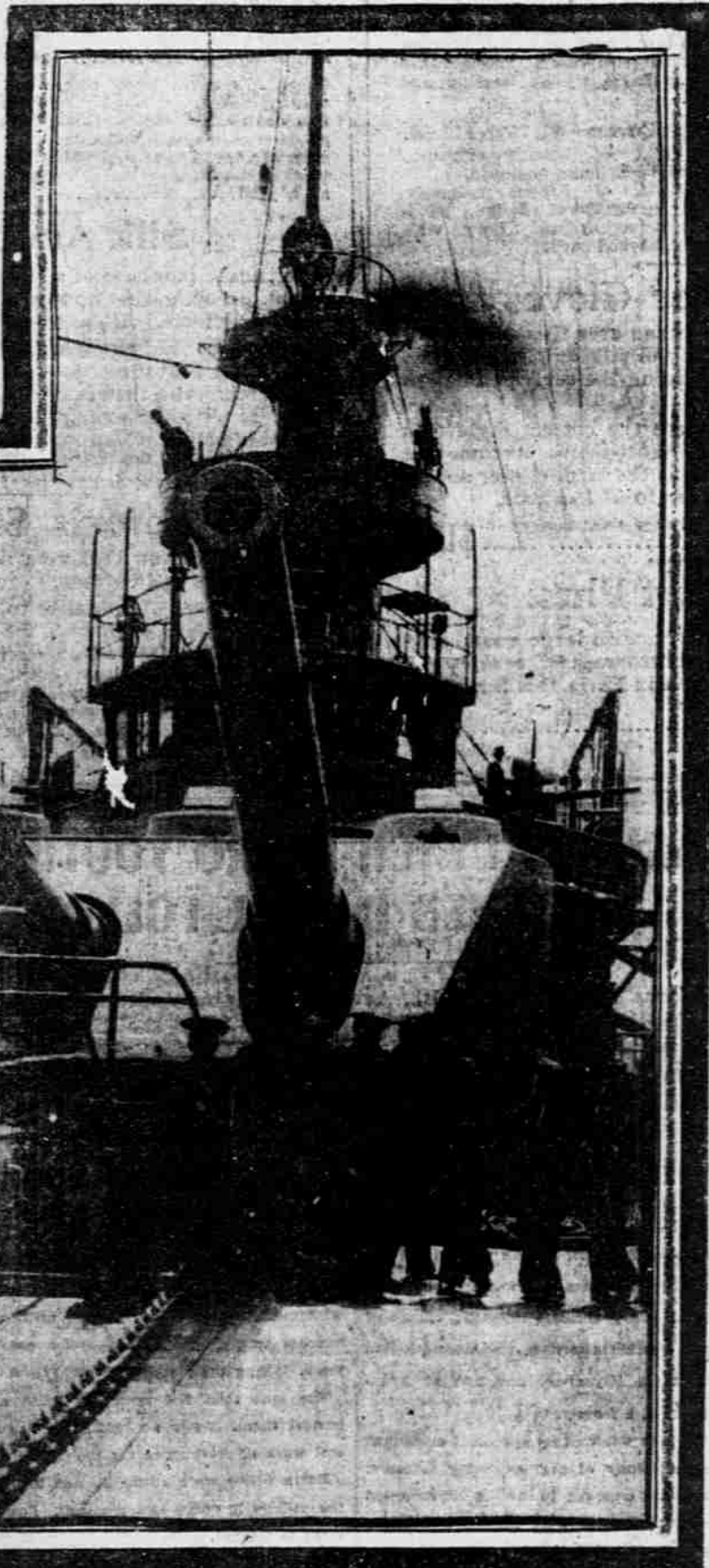
SEE WEDNESDAY'S REPUBLIC FOR LEADING MERCHANTS' MIDWEEK BARGAINS.

ARRIVAL OF MONITOR WITNESSED BY 100,000 PERSONS ON WATERFRONT

The Banks on Both Sides of the Mississippi Were Black With Spectators From Jefferson Barracks to the Eads Bridge—Noise of the Welcome Was Deafening and Commander Vreeland Declared That It Was the Sight of a Lifetime.

WAR VESSEL WAS MET DOWN THE RIVER BY THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

**MAY KEEP A MONITOR
IN RIVER PERMANENTLY.**
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, April 26.—Because the cruises of the Arkansas up the Mississippi to participate in the dedication ceremonies of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition has awakened so much enthusiasm, the Navy Department has decided to make a practice of sending small warships on river cruises wherever possible. The Exposition management has suggested the benefits of keeping a monitor on the Mississippi all the time. That idea is being considered by the department.



Forecastle deck of the Arkansas, showing the ten-inch armor-plated turret, with the famous twelve-inch guns, which, from the foot of Market street can throw a projectile weighing 750 pounds more than twenty miles, or as far into St. Louis County as Meramec Highlands, or several miles farther than either Clayton, Kirkwood or Ferguson.

Twelve-inch guns, whose shock would shatter half the windows in St. Louis, Mo. at rest, to-day, off the World's Fair City. The Arkansas is here.

One hundred thousand persons, massed for twelve miles along the river shores, have gazed with awe upon these destroyers, whose 750-pound projectile can sink the proudest battleship afloat.

It was a rattle of cheers, like musketry, from the barracks to the Eads Bridge, a pandemonium of shrieking steam, a crackle of small guns from racing river craft, alongside, driven frantically by gasolene engines to keep pace with the monitor.

Talk of the reception to the Nashville, three years ago! It cannot be mentioned in the same breath. That sheer 30 feet of vicious armament, thrusting its ugly way out of the armored turret, inspired the blackened river banks to a tremendous avation.

Far above the swift current, on the lofty bluffs, where pretty homes nestled, cannon barked, bugles sang, signals wig-wagged by dainty hands, lent color to the hoarse welcomes. The April Sunday was shot through with gorgeous sunshine. Truly, no man-of-war ever met with such a greeting.

Standing on the bridge of his wrecked ship, Commander Vreeland waved his gold-girded cap to the swarming shores, and, while his eyes sparkled with glad surprise, he exclaimed:

Boats at the wharves opened their throats to roar and hiss a chorus that was deafening. Rapid-fire guns on the starboard and port sides of the armor-plated belched quick responses that reverberated like thunder-claps against the tall buildings on the shores. Seventeen sheets of flame leaped toward Missouri and Illinois in a Governor's salute, the anchor splashed and the Arkansas obeyed the great naval chief at Washington.

It was a pretty picture. Nature was kind and smiled on it. The big guns, grim and silent, spoke of peace and the Union Jack fluttered early at the peak, while the stately banner of the Nation whirled in the breeze at the stern. The monitor was ready for its part in the Dedication.

PREPARATION FOR BOAT'S RECEPTION.
Preparations for the reception of the Arkansas began at 10 o'clock yesterday, when the Annie Russell, the handsome river steam yacht of Russell E. Gardner, cast off at the foot of Market street for her run down to Jefferson Barracks, where she was to meet the monitor. She carried the Reception Committee, which represented the World's Fair.

The boat had been tendered by Mr. Gardner to Congressman Richard Bartholdt, the spokesman of the committee. Among the party were: President Thomas H. Carter of the National Commission; William T. Henshaw, Colonel John A. Ockers, Chief of the Liberal Arts Department of the Exposition; Judge C. A. Gillenham, United States Collector of Customs; former Congressman Charles F. Joy, T. R. Ballard, president of the Merchants' Exchange; Edward Fretzko, business manager of the Westliche Post; Frank R. Tate of the Columbia Theater; Benjamin Wertheis, J. Kaitzner, Henry T. Mott, president of oil Company A Association; Edward A. Hobbs of the Harbor Commissioner's office; R. J. Whillie, United States Inspector of Steam Vessels; Chauncey Thomas of the World's Fair Press Bureau; W. D. Barnes, recently appointed in charge of special postal delivery at the World's Fair, Frank

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ONE PERSON KILLED AND ELEVEN HURT IN CAR COLLISION.

Unidentified Woman Succumbs to Injuries and One Conductor Not Expected to Live.

SUMMER CAR LEAVES TRACK.

Eastbound Trolley Filled With Passengers Crashes Into It and Panic Ensues.

FEAR OVERCOMES WOMEN.

Noise of Collision Heard Several Blocks—Physicians Soon on Scene and Relieve Suffering of Injured Until Ambulance Comes.

THE DEAD.

An unidentified woman, apparently 55 years old; dressed entirely in black. A black bonnet trimmed in crepe adorned her silvery head. Her feet were incased in gaiters. All her clothes were of good texture. She carried a black parasol, with crook handle, and a pocketbook, in which were a few coins of small denomination.

THE INJURED.

Thomas Haut, conductor, right leg and head injured; injured internally; was taken to St. John's Hospital unconscious; recovery doubtful.
Mrs. Joseph P. Wilcox, No. 1217 Prairie avenue, severe body bruises; left hip badly injured and left ankle sprained; taken home.
William Gardner, No. 482 Kennerly avenue, cut about head and body; taken home.
Miss Gordon, conductor, No. 335 Lincoln avenue, slightly injured.
Mrs. Buchmeyer, No. 225 Bremen avenue, injured internally; taken home.
Eight-year-old daughter of Mrs. Buchmeyer was slightly injured.
Mrs. May Osborne, No. 319 Bell avenue, contusion of hip and other body bruises; suffered a severe nervous shock and was taken home in a carriage.
Miss Edith Nagle, No. 206 De Soto avenue, fracture of elbow; taken home.
Mrs. Annie Schurman, No. 212 De Soto avenue, slightly injured.
Miss Mabel Schurman, No. 212 De Soto avenue, bruised on body and shocked; taken home.
Mrs. Charles Krausberg, No. 483 Carter avenue, severe internal injuries; taken home.

One person is dead, another is perhaps fatally hurt and ten others are injured as a result of a collision of two Easton avenue cars at Belt and Easton avenues, yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock.

When the cars came together about 100 persons were on board and a panic among the passengers ensued. Women fainted and every one made a frantic effort to get away from the wreck. Several women suffered severe nervous shocks and were taken to their homes in carriages.

Summer cars, which are built on one truck, were pressed into service on the Easton avenue line yesterday. One of these, car No. 64, left the tracks at Belt avenue and the rear end of it swayed toward the opposite track just as car No. 65, eastbound, was coming by at the rate of about thirty miles an hour. The eastbound car struck the rear end of the summer car squarely and Thomas Haut, conductor on the latter, who was standing on the rear platform, was crushed between the two cars.

The trainmen and passengers on the eastbound car escaped, but the rear end of the summer car was completely wrecked and passengers in that section of the coach were unable to escape.

One aged woman, whose identity could not be established last night, was thrown to the floor and sustained a fracture of the skull and severe internal injuries. She was taken from the wreck unconscious and hastily removed to the City Hospital, where she died about 9 o'clock last night.

CRASH WAS HEARD SEVERAL BLOCKS AWAY.
The collision caused a terrific crash, which was heard several blocks away, and hundreds of persons ran to the scene of the wreck. Doctor W. J. Walte, whose office is one block from the scene of the collision, thought that the sound was that of a dynamite explosion.

As he looked out on Easton avenue he saw about fifty passengers making their way from the wrecked cars. The doctor went immediately to the scene of the disaster and treated several of the injured persons. Four of them, Mrs. May Osborne, Miss Edith Nagle, Mrs. J. P. Wilcox and Mrs. Buchmeyer, were taken to his office, and from there to their homes.

INJURED CARED FOR IN NEARBY STORES.

It was fully a half hour before an ambulance arrived on the scene, and the injured passengers were taken into drug stores and private residences to be temporarily cared for.

Doctor W. L. Dickerson, whose home is not far from Belt and Easton avenues, was summoned to the scene, and the injured passengers were taken into drug stores and private residences to be temporarily cared for.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JOHN A. LEE FORWARDS HIS RESIGNATION.

His Voluntary Abdication of the Office, He Says, Was Brought About by a Desire for a Quiet Business Life, Free From Political Strife—Thomas Lewis Rubey, of Macon, Mo., Succeeds Mr. Lee.

RESIGNATION BECOMES EFFECTIVE AS SOON AS FILED BY GOVERNOR DOCKERY.

April 25 1903
Mr. Excellency Am Dockery
Governor of Missouri
Dear Sir
I hereby hand you my
resignation of the office of Lieutenant
Governor of Missouri to take effect at once
Very Respectfully
John A. Lee
Lieutenant Governor

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LEE'S LETTER IN FACSIMILE.

"DETERMINATION TO DO RIGHT HAS BROUGHT MY POLITICAL DOWNFALL."

—JOHN A. LEE.

A desire to retire from political life and personal publicity has prompted my resignation.

Now that I am just a private citizen I hope that my enemies and critics will forget some of my faults and mistakes and try to remember, if possible, some of the things that I might be commended for. If one has failed to fulfill public requirements, and has made an error, it seems to me that when he voluntarily relinquishes all claims to office and honor, and sets out to make whatever reparation he can, he should at least be permitted to continue to live.

I feel that my effort to reform abuses in legislative matters has brought upon me troubles that I could have avoided by a policy of silence and concealment, and that my determination to do right, and refusal to be deterred therefrom, has brought about my political downfall.

John A. Lee, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, mailed his resignation as Lieutenant Governor of the State of Missouri to Governor Dockery.

A special delivery stamp carries the resignation and it will be delivered to the Governor at the Executive Mansion this morning before he goes to his office in the Capitol building.

It is not necessary for Governor Dockery to accept it. Under the Constitution of the State it is self-operative and becomes effective the moment it is filed in the Governor's office.

Governor Dockery is an early riser, and unless something prevents is invariably at his office by 7:30 in the morning.

When John A. Lee ceases to be Lieutenant Governor of Missouri, by operation of the Constitution, Senator Thomas L. Rubey of Macon County, President pro tem of the Senate, who represents the Ninth Senatorial District, succeeds him.

The resignation of Lieutenant Governor Lee is voluntary. Until Saturday he was undecided as to what course he would pursue and declined to say whether he intended to resign.

Sunday he had a final consultation with his attorney and the brief resignation was prepared. Shortly afterward it was forwarded to Governor Dockery.

Last night Lieutenant Governor Lee told The Republic that he tendered his resignation and was again a private citizen.

In speaking of his action he expressed gratification in laying aside the cares and responsibilities of office and remarked that holding a position of public trust was a thankless job at best. He seemed relieved as a result of his action, and expressed no regrets over relinquishing his office and the extinguishing of his political ambition.

The retiring Lieutenant Governor declined to talk of the possibilities of the Grand Jury investigation now in progress, nor of what his future action would be in regard to the investigation.

He remarked more than once that he was tired and desired more than anything else to be let alone. He still shows the effect of the mental strain undergone for the past two weeks, but his manner is more cheerful since his determination to resign has been carried into effect.

At the organization of the Forty-second General Assembly they were again arrayed

RUBEY WILL SUCCEED THE RETIRING LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.



SENATOR THOMAS L. RUBEY, Democrat, of La Plata, Macon County, representing the Ninth District, who will succeed Lee as Lieutenant Governor.

against each other, both aspiring to be President pro tem of the Senate. Rubey was the anti-lobby candidate, while Farris represented the combine. Lieutenant Governor Lee, in an open letter, advocated Rubey's candidacy. The contest never came to a vote. Farris withdrew and Rubey had a walkover. He would have defeated the Senator from Crawford County

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LEADING TOPICS

TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 5:58 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 6:48.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.
For Missouri—Fair and warmer Monday. Tuesday, showers and cooler.

1. Arrival of Monitor Witnessed by 100,000 Persons on Water Front.
2. Crowd Estimated at 125,000.
3. Immigrant Is Becoming Menace to America.
4. East Side News.
5. Minister Scores Religious Apathy.
6. Mother Sees Child Killed by Car.
7. Baseball.
8. Bowling Scores.
9. Good Roads Leaders in Convention.
10. Editorial.
11. Stage News and Notes.
12. Chorus's Practice Produces Surprise.
13. Can Roads Handle Large Grain Crop?
14. Killed Wife Good-By, Then Committed Suicide.
15. Republic "Want" Advertisements.
16. Republic "Want" Advertisements.
17. River News.
18. Sermons and Services at the Churches.
19. Wheat Closes Weak With Moderate Trading.
20. Cotton.
21. Live Stock.
22. Eight Young Women Assume White Veil.
23. Would Bar Physicians Who Do Not Advise.