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# NEARLY ONE HUNDRED LIVES LOST IN MISSOURI PACIFIC TRAIN WRECK AT EDEN

## TRAIN GOES THROUGH BRIDGE --LESS THAN THIRTY SURVIVORS

## SUPPORTS OF BRIDGE WASHED OUT AND TRAINLOAD OF HUMAN LIFE GOES TO ITS DOOM IN TORRENT

### J. M. KILLIN, OF PUEBLO, BADLY INJURED, ONE OF FEW TO ESCAPE DEATH IN WRECK

### MANY PUEBLO PEOPLE KNOWN TO BE AMONG LIST OF DEAD--BODIES OF VICTIMS NOT YET RECOVERED

(Special from E. A. Sproul, Chieftain staff representative at scene of disaster.)

Train No. 11, Missouri Pacific flyer, crashed through a bridge over an arroya, or dry creek, near Eden, on the D. & R. G. railroad about eight miles from Pueblo at 8 o'clock last night. It is estimated that of the one hundred and twenty-five passengers on board the ill-fated train between eighty and one hundred lost their lives either under the waters of the raging torrent or beneath the wreckage of the train. Upon the news reaching Pueblo, a special train bearing all the available surgeons, Assistant Superintendent Miller, of the D. & R. G.; Superintendent R. H. Bowers, of the Missouri Pacific, and Master Mechanic Myers, left for the scene. About 11 o'clock a second train, carrying stretchers, coffins, and a number of police officers, was sent out from the Union station. The alarm was sent out by Fireman Mayfield, who escaped unharmed from the wreck. About 1:45 o'clock the relief train returned to the city, bringing those who had escaped with their lives, all, so far as now known, who have not fallen victims to the disaster.

The scene of the horrible catastrophe, the worst that the Arkansas valley has ever experienced, was a dry creek, fifty feet wide, fifteen feet deep, with steep banks, located one miles north of Eden. As the water dashed down the arroya it flowed over the top of the castle and as the wreck of the ill-fated train passed almost to the opposite bank, the trestle tilted, the chair car, smoker and baggage car tore loose and plunged into the torrent.

The engine toppled over upon its right side. Fireman Dave Mayfield, hardly conscious of what he was doing, sprang out passing along the top of the locomotive, reaching the bank of the stream. The chair car floating upon the torrent was carried to the Fountain river and turning down that stream it floated fully one half mile before lodging against the banks. Up to a late hour this morning neither the baggage car nor the smoker had been located.

The little creek in which the disaster occured is ordinarily dry, and two hours after the wreck scores, possibly more than a hundred of lives, had been lost in its waters. It had run dry. The dining car and Pullman remained upon the track.

Chief of Police Shoup and twenty-five of his officers with about 200 people assisting them with lanterns and torches patrolled the river bank for miles.

About 12:30 o'clock the bodies of two women and a little girl about 13 years of age, evidently former occupants of the chair car, were found lodged against the sage brush about 100 feet from the trestle. The bodies were covered with mud and were lying side by side. The child was a blonde, while both of the women were decided brunettes. These were not identified, although viewed by a number of Pueblo people.

The Fountain river was running high, its banks were muddy and the searchers met with almost insurmountable obstacles. So great was the force of the water that there is but little probability that any of the bodies will be found much before daylight, as it is believed that not only the baggage car and smoker, but the remains of most of the occupants of the chair car have been washed for miles down towards the Arkansas river.

This morning as soon as daylight will admit of practical work, Chief E. O. Ringer, of the fire department, with a force of men will begin a systematic search of the Fountain river commencing at the Fourth street viaduct, and following it the entire distance to the scene of the calamity. The remains of the women and child referred to, were found by Joseph Huck, the stock boss, and drawn from where they were lodged against the sage brush.

**Engineers Body Found.**

Fireman Dave Mayfield, almost frantic from the experience through which he had passed, eagerly searched the banks of the Fountain, both of the death dealing creek, for the body of his companion, Engineer Walter Hinman. At last baffled, worn out and almost dead from exposure he was taken to the train and sent to this city. About 2 o'clock this morning, the searchers along the bed of dry creek discovered the body of Engineer Hinman. Policeman Jones, Harry Hollister, Ed Bullard, Patsy Dolan and others found the body wedged under a cottonwood tree. His face was washed clean and a handkerchief was tied around his neck. A search of his pockets revealed $4.80 in money, and his watch. Strangely enough the timepiece was running on time. A lady's parasol and a news agents chest were found near the body.

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Three fourths of a mile below the wreck the chair car was found, partially filled with water. A search of the dead will be obtained, but the probabilities are that not even this will ever be known to the world. The conductor's list was lost in the disaster, and even though it could be found, it would

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## LIST OF SURVIVORS

C. C. Merson, Ft. Scott, Kas.
E. E. Wilson, Jeffersville, Kas.
Parker B. Braun, Malden, Mass.
H. H. Dorn, Cleveland, O.
Miss Jessie Benasson, Salt Lake, Utah.
H. G. Crabbe, Salt Lake.
Mr. and Mrs. Dinazzi and daughter, Texarkana, Texas.
Mrs. Erassie Goodrichville, Tenn.
Miss Edzerials, Jonesville, Ga.
Edwin Anderson, Pueblo.
O. S. Galbraith, Durango, Colo.
Mrs. and Miss Bell, 228 south Grand avenue, Denver.
John M. Killin, Pueblo.
Alvin W. Gilbert, 46 block L, Pueblo, conductor P. S. T. & L. Co.
Fisher.
Fireman Mayfield, Pueblo.
J. O. Vincent, dining car conductor and a crew of six men.

## PROBABLE VICTIMS

4:45 a. m.—Doctor W. H. Munn, a well known dentist with offices in Central block, is known to have perished. Miss Emily Wood was in the car with Mr. Munn, and is also believed to have lost her life.

Miss Minnieola Davis of this city, daughter of H. C. Davis, of the Gallup Saddlery company, and sister of Rudolph Davis, of the Pueblo Gas Company and L. H. Davis, of the Grand Union Tea Company, with Miss Elsie Roland of Lindsborg, Kansas, and Miss Heidenburg, of Salina, Kansas, were thought to have been on the train. The last heard of them was at Colorado Springs, where they took supper. As yet, their relatives have been unable to get hopeful news concerning them. Miss Heidenburg is a sister of Walter Heidenburg, a member of the Morris Military band of Pueblo. Mr. H. C. Davis and L. H. Davis have been at the scene of the wreck since an early hour and still are filled with hope, but the meager information they can secure, is in no way satisfactory.

conductor in the employ of the Pueblo Traction company was severely cut about the head, although his injuries are not regarded as serious. Mr. Fisher was badly bruised about the body, but will recover.

**News Spreads Like Fire.**

News of the disaster spread like wild fire throughout the city and The Chieftain and railroad offices were besieged by anxious inquirers, seeking to learn the fate of lived ones, believed to have been passengers on board the ill-fated train.

When the first train from the wreck reached the depot, at 1:30 o'clock this morning, an immense crowd had gathered and it was with difficulty that the depot officials could keep the crowd from the relief train which pulled in. When the bodies of the injured men were taken from the baggage car and placed on stretchers, it was almost impossible to keep the people back, as they strove with might and main to get a view of the victims.

Absolutely no word could be obtained as to the fate of the hundred or more people, known to have been upon the train, outside of the pitiful little list of twenty-six, who positively were known to have escaped destruction. While it is not positively known, that the others had met death, but little hope was held out that any had escaped death in the waters of the creek and the Fountain. Should the body of Conductor Smith be found, there is a possibility that the exact list of the dead will be obtained, but the probabilities are that not even this will ever be known to the world. The conductor's list was lost in the disaster, and even though it could be found, it would

## JAPANESE ADVANCING UPON MUKDEN--BATTLE IMMINENT

### Simultaneous Attack on Russian Base and Liao Yang is Expected---Engagement Will Probably be Decisive.

### Russian Army Kept Busy Keeping Out of Perilous Predicaments--- Dodging Relentless Foe.

### Brilliant Race For Point of Vantage Disastrous to Russians--Port Arthur Rumors.

By Associated Press.

Liao Yang, August 6---[Delayed in Transmission]. The Japanese are advancing on Mukden and it is probable that a simultaneous attack will be made on Mukden and Liao Yang in which case a decisive battle is assured.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 7.—Lieutenant General Stoessel commanding the Russian military forces at Port Arthur, in an undated dispatch to the emperor says: I am happy to report that the troops repulsed all the Japanese attacks of July 26, 27 and 28 with enormous losses.

The garrison's enthusiasm was extraordinary.

The fleet assisted in the defense by bombarding the Japanese flank.

Our losses during the three days fighting were about 1,500 men, and forty officers killed or wounded. According to statements of Chinese and prisoners the Japanese lost as many as 10,000.

Their losses were so great that the enemy has not had time to remove the dead and wounded.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 7.—A telegram from Che Foo dated August 7, says that according to Chinese information a fierce battle was fought on the land side of Port Arthur August 5. The Japanese are reported to have been repulsed with great loss, the killed alone being estimated at 10,000 while the Russians lost about 1,000. The telegram says that Lieutenant General Stoessel was personally in command and that the conduct of the Russian troops was splendid.

**Russian Outrages on Dead.**

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Aug. 7.—6 p. m.—General Kuroki's staff surgeons have examined a number of the bodies of a number of soldiers whom they allege have been the victims of Russian atrocities. One of the cases cited was that of the condition of affairs found at Iwo on July third. It was declared by the surgeons that the head of a Japanese soldier was skinned by the Russians while the blood was yet in full circulation. Four cases in the vicinity of Siamatza were also reported in which the surgeons assert that the bodies were bayoneted and disfigured after the victims had fallen wounded. The publication of these statements has created a feeling of disgust and intense resentment here.

## JAPANESE WIN FIGHT BETWEEN DESTROYERS

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Aug. 7, 4 p. m.—Admiral Togo reports an exciting torpedo boat destroyer fight which took place off Port Arthur on Friday evening, August 5. The Japanese torpedo boat destroyers Akebono and Obosa approached the entrance of the harbor for the purpose of reconnoitering. Fourteen Russian torpedo boat destroyers dashed out, separated and endeavored to surround the Japanese. The latter broke through the cordon, however, driving off three of the Russian boats. At this point the Japanese torpedo boat destroyer Inasuma joined the other two and the three turned and attacked the eleven Russian boats. The latter retired within the harbor. The Japanese boats were undisjured. The damage to the Russian ships is unknown.

**Buried Five Hundred Russians.**

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Aug. 7.—1 p. m.—General Kuroki reports that he buried the bodies of 512 Russians on the battlefields of Yushulikou, and Yangtsuling. In these actions he reports the capture of 268 Russians, 8 of whom were officers. One hundred and fifteen of the prisoners were wounded.

**Russians Burn Village.**

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 7.—General Kuropatkin, in a telegram to the emperor dated August 6, reports a reconnaissance August fifth on the south front in the direction of the Japanese positions. The Russians set fire to the village of Henchuan Ta, 17 miles northwest of New Shwang from which place a small force of Japanese fled precipitately, leaving their transport animals.

The report gives details of other skirmishes and concludes with the statement that there is no change on the east front of the army.

## KUROPATKIN'S RETREAT PRAISED BY JAPANESE

By Associated Press.

Tokio, Aug. 7.—6 p. m.—General Kuropatkin's success in extricating his army from the Liao Tung peninsula without the least loss is elicited much praise from the Japanese. The concentration of his army at Kai Chou at one time seemed certain to involve it in disaster. It was believed that a general and decisive battle would be fought either at Ta Tche Kiao or at Hai Cheng. It is considered here that Kuropatkin sacrificed his prestige by abandoning an immense territory without a battle.

He was forced to abandon or destroy valuable stores and munitions of war when transportation was most serious problem to the Russians. He also impaired the morale of his army, but he preserved his men and guns. It is evident that he had hoped and planned to check the Japanese at Ta Tche Kiao then after holding the enemy in check, it is believed to have been his purpose to concentrate his remaining force at Liao Yang and to strike Kuroki.

The unexpected loss of the Russian left at Ta Tche Kiao and the appearance of the Japanese Takushan army on the flank were the reasons for abandonment and surrender without a fight, of Yinkow, Hai Cheng and New Chwang. It is generally believed that the crisis will come shortly at Liao Yang and that Kuropatkin will be forced to give battle whatever his present purpose may be. General Oku's and the Takushan armies are pressing northward and General Kuroki is close at hand, ready to take any part necessary in the general Japanese play.

The possession of Yinkow, (the port of New Chwang), has enormously simplified the transportation problem for the Japanese. It gives their two armies a freedom of movement which they have heretofore not possessed. The Japanese are speedily repairing the railroad which the Russians failed to seriously damage in their hasty retreat.

**Russia Plans Internal Loan.**

By Associated Press.

London, Aug. 7.—No further news from Port Arthur has reached London and there is no confirmation of the rumored fall of the fortress.

General Oku's detailed report shows that only three over guard actions were involved in the Japanese occupancy of, the Hai Cheng-New Chwang line up to noon of August 3.

The Daily Telegraph's Brussels correspondent hears that owing to the impossibility of floating a foreign loan, Russia has decided to raise an internal loan of $20,000,000 and also to establish an income tax.

**Japs Close to Fort.**

By Associated Press.

Che Foo, Aug. 8, 8 a. m.—The Japanese force which captured Wolfe hill is now intrenched in the valley about two-thirds of a mile from the fortress at Port Arthur.

A Japanese cruiser is alleged to have struck a new mine and to have sunk immediately in the vicinity of Cristova battery.

The Russian cruiser Bayan has a small hole above her water line which was inflicted by the explosion of a mine which had floated to the harbor entrance.

The Japanese have occupied Louise bay, landing troops with the probable intention of attacking west of the city. There has been no important fighting in the vicinity of Port Arthur since July 28. The Russian artillery harasses the Japanese who are attempting to advance their trenches.

The above information was brought here today by Russian refugees who left Port Arthur the fourth instant.

**Claim Japs Lost Heavily.**

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 8, 2:25 a. m.—An official report from Lieutenant General Stoessel, commanding the military forces at Port Arthur, says that the Japanese were repulsed with tremendous losses in a three days' fight from July 26 to July 28.

General Kuropatkin reports from Liao Yang some small Russian successes in outpost fighting up to August 5th, with the expected great battle having been opened.

The simultaneous receipt of favorable news from these commanders in the far east raised the spirits of those in the Russian capital immensely. The dispatches were printed in special newspaper bulletins and were eagerly bought up on the streets. The news boys around the depots met the returning crowds of Sunday pleasure seekers and shouted their wares without being reproved by the police and thousand of St. Petersburgers went to their homes tonight apparently satisfied that a favorable turn of affairs had commenced at the front.

**Japs Hold Strong Positions.**

By Associated Press.

London, Aug. 8.—The Times correspondent at Tokio under date of August 7 says that there are unofficial reports there that the Japanese have captured commanding positions north and northeast of Port Arthur at a distance of 2,750 yards from the main line of the Russian defenses.

## SAY LIAO YANG IS IN NO IMMEDIATE DANGER

By Associated Press.

Liao Yang, Aug. 4 (Delayed in transmission.)—Liao Yang is in no immediate danger, though the Russians have been compelled to fall back owing to the superior numbers of the Japanese.

A Russian cavalry division was, until today, in contact with the enemy south of Anshanshan.

The Japanese did not capture any rolling stock at Yentai.

It is rumored here that the Japanese are changing their base to New Chwang. The past week has been a most dramatic and eventful one.

The Japanese intend to follow up the Russians in order to gain control north and east by an attack on Anshanshan between Hai Cheng and Liao Yang.

It is reported that the Japanese are advancing on the west and exciting rumors are current.

Though apparently beaten at every point and though the Japanese have advanced well on the Russian flank, the Russians, in council of war, have determined to defend all their positions as heretofore.

All the foreign attaches and newspaper correspondents are hurrying to the front.

**U. S. Fleet Sails to Smyrna.**

By Associated Press.

Constantinople, France, Aug. 7.—The American battleship squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral C. T. Jewells sailed for Smyrna today.