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RUSSIA WILLING FOR ENGLAND TO CONQUER TIBET.

Hopes That Forward Movement From India Will Result in Concessions to Czar in Manchuria.

NEW SITUATION IS PRESENTED

Muscovites Have Their Hands Full With Japan and There Is Less Desire for War.

KING EDWARD IS AGGRESSIVE.

Though Definite Treaty Is at the Moment Impossible, He Is Looking Forward to Time When Peace Is Declared.

St. Petersburg, April 1.—Although no official expression regarding the victory of the British expedition to Tibet is obtainable to-night, it is certain that the matter will not attract the attention which it would have received before the outbreak of the war with Japan, when Russian interest in the result of the expedition was very keen.

The real purposes of the expedition were then viewed with the gravest suspicion, it being feared that a definite establishment of British influence over the Grand Llama of Lassa, which was regarded as Great Britain's object, would be a severe blow to Russian prestige both in Tibet and in China.

SITUATION CHANGED.

The situation is now changed, because Russia's hands are at present too full to leave her free to act, even if so disposed, and secondly—perhaps of even more importance—because there are now increasing indications that better relations between Great Britain and Russia are in sight, or at least there is an increasing desire for such relations by both countries.

Several leading newspapers here have turned a complete somersault, notably the Novoye Vremya. Only this morning the Novosti calmly discussed Great Britain's long standing desire to obtain a protectorate over Tibet, as being in a fair way to succeed, declaring that neither Russia nor China would object, while a special dispatch from the Paris correspondent of the Novoye Vremya said that an entente between Russia and Great Britain would be effected on the basis of a Russian free hand in Manchuria and a British free hand in Tibet.

In best-formal circles, however, a definite rapprochement, while a special premature at the present time and, indeed, impossible, while Great Britain's ally is at war with Russia.

WAITING FOR PEACE.

Nevertheless, the Associated Press is in possession of information which indicates that King Edward is looking forward to and clearing the way for an entente which will settle the differences between the two countries, once war has been cleared from the political horizon.

DOCTOR JESSE CONSIDERS OFFER FROM ILLINOIS.

President of Missouri State University May Resign to Take Place of Doctor Draper.

JUVENILE COURT ROOM MOVED.

Chamber in Basement Instead of on Third Floor.

GARBAGE CONTRACT AWARDED

Waterman Avenue to Be Improved as World's Fair Street.

WANTS TO SHOW KANSAS GIRLS.

Mrs. Prentiss to Ask Appropriation to Fit Up Rooms for Beauties of Her State.

SAYS SUPPLY IS PLENTIFUL.

Custodian of State Building Would Not Spend All the Money to Make Display of Live Stock and Agriculture.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Topeka, Kas., April 1.—"Kansas has gone to a great deal of trouble and expense to make a display of live-stock, agriculture and other products at the World's Fair, but nothing has been done to show off our handsome girls," says Mrs. Noble L. Prentiss, custodian of the Kansas building at St. Louis.

"I have a suggestion to make to the State Commission, which I hope will be adopted. It is to have a small sum appropriated to fit up quarters in the Kansas building for half a dozen girls. I will need help in entertaining visitors at the building, and I want to pick out six Kansas girls every two weeks during the Fair to act as my assistants. They would pay their own board. All I want the commission to pay is for fitting up the necessary rooms.

"If the commission will help me out in this matter, I will contract to show the people who visit the Kansas building the most handsome and accomplished collection of young women they ever saw. "If the commission grants my request, the Kansas building will be the most popular State headquarters on the Fair grounds. Every day would be reception day with Kansas.

JUMPS FROM SKYSCRAPER.

Every Bone in New York Man's Body Broken by Long Fall.

New York, April 1.—Sidney Johnston Hayden of the Hotel Hollis, this city, to-day jumped to the street from the top floor of the twenty-one-story skyscraper at Broadway and New street. Nearly every bone in his body was broken.

LEADING TOPICS

TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 5:46 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 6:23. THE MOON RISES THIS MORNING AT 9:56.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For Missouri—Fair Saturday, Sunday fair; warm.

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- 1. Frail Banks Hold Back Awful Flood. Holton's Will Set Aside by Jury. Wants to Show Kansas Girls. 2. Jefferson Guard Companies Formed. 3. Many Candidates for the Senate. 4. Baseball Season Opens To-day. 5. Green Favorite Color for Early Summer. 6. Editorial. 7. Will Adjust Gulf Port Rates. 8. News From Near-by Cities. 9. Spring Publications in Variety. 10. Easter Program at the Churches. News From the City Churches. 11. Indian Agent is Suspended. Crops Injured by Rains. 12. Republic "Want" Advertisements. Birth, Marriage and Death Records. New Corporations. 13. Rooms for Rent Advertisements. 14. River Telegrams. House Passes Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill. 15. Live-Stock Market. Weekly Bank Statement. Dun's and Bradstreet's Weekly Trade Review. Decide to Pass Statehood Bill. 16. Amateur Bandits Kill Messenger. Egyptian Student Quits M. S. U. Club. Burglars' Work Baffles Police. Sentence May Be Passed Upon Barrington To-day.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Topeka, Kas., April 1.—Former State Treasurer F. E. Grimes to-night received the following letter from Senator Burton, whose close personal friend he has been for many years:

"Dear Frank: Don't grieve for me. I shall never cease my efforts until this stain is washed off my name. "Frank, if it all could be told, just as it is, the absolute truth, it would appall the world. Some time it will be known. "I am not a criminal. I have done nothing wrong, and I mean that everyone shall know it. My home shall always be in Kansas, and I shall be both seen and heard. I can wait, and will wait, until the time comes for me to talk. "In the meantime, don't jeopardize yourself or any of our friends by trying to defend me. Just let me alone. I am in the lion's den, but I am not alone—God is with me, and I fear not. "I am not sulking. We—my little wife and I—make a majority. I shall never lose my courage. All this talk about breaking down is nonsense. "Just wait, Frank; my time will come—our, rather, God's time will come. "RALPH."

APRIL-FOOL JOKE CAUSES BROKEN ARM

Stephens College Girls Lock Miss Burgess, a Teacher, in Her Room.

TRIES ESCAPING BY WINDOW.

Improvised Rope Upon Which She Was Descending Breaks and Causes an Ugly Fall.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., April 1.—Four Stephens College girls are repentant and very much frightened, and Miss Lact B. Burgess, education instructor of the institution, is suffering from a broken arm, as the result of an April-fool joke played at the school early this morning.

The girls are frightened at the thought of what might have happened. Miss Burgess' injury is the result of a fall she had while trying to escape from the room where the girls had locked her. All Fool's Day at Stephens College, as at all other girls' seminaries, is an occasion for great glee and prank playing.

This morning the young women, while racing down the hall responding to the breakfast bells, noticed that Miss Burgess remained in her room, and one of the girls, after blindfolding the others to secrecy, turned the key in the lock of her door. "It was the idea of the conspirators to keep the teacher a prisoner until she could summon some one to release her.

Miss Burgess, when she started to the breakfast table, discovered that she was a prisoner, and, thinking of the day's significance, determined to gain the upper hand of her captors. The room she occupies is on the second floor of the dormitory, its windows being but about twelve feet from the ground. Miss Burgess, being of an athlete, and, making a rope out of her bed clothing, she tied it to the foot of her bed and prepared to descend.

Every one in the school was at breakfast, so there was no one to witness her desperate attempt. All went well until half the perilous journey had been accomplished, when, owing to the firmness of her support, or to the parting of treacherous knots made by feminine hands, Miss Burgess felt herself falling, and in a moment had landed on her side.

PAINTINGS FOR ART PALACE HAVE REACHED ST. LOUIS.

Placing of Exhibits Will Begin in Earnest Next Monday by All Countries Interested.

The hanging of paintings, photographs and drawings in the Palace of Art at the World's Fair will begin in earnest the first part of next week. France, Belgium, Germany, Great Britain, the Argentine Republic and Holland, all of which will be well represented in this interesting department of the World's Fair, are practically ready to place their exhibits.

The French Government has its pictures in the Palace of Art and the work of hanging them will begin Monday. All of the pictures have been unpacked and the decorations in the French section of the Palace of Art have been completed. Next to France, Belgium has made the greatest progress in the Palace of Art. Belgium's oil paintings to be exhibited at the Fair number about 50, as well as its photographs of architectural masterpieces and its specimens of black and white. These have all been unpacked and are awaiting placement.

Great Britain began its work in the Palace of Art yesterday. That country has thirteen galleries, and the walls are being covered with red burlap. England will show about 80 oil paintings, 60 architectural drawings and photographs, and about 150 water colors. Artist hangers from London are now on their way to St. Louis to superintend the hanging of these pictures.

Germany has sixteen galleries in the Palace of Art and the unpacking of its pictures began yesterday. Superintendent Burden of the Division of Works is supervising the completion of the Art Palace. He says that every department of the big building will be ready for exhibitors by April 15.

PATROLMAN'S FIRST DAY ENDS WITH SUSPENSION.

J. L. Eichberger Starts Out to Make an Arrest, Tackles the Wrong Man and Loses His Star.

Several hours after being sworn in as an emergency patrolman yesterday afternoon, J. L. Eichberger, wearing star No. 1210, started out to make his first arrest. He made a blunder and arrested the wrong man. It is charged, shortly after 9 o'clock last night he was suspended by Lieutenant McKenna of the Central District.

Eichberger after receiving the star went to the saloon of Joseph Shea at Fifteenth and Singleton streets. According to witnesses he celebrated his first day on the police force by drinking freely. John Neville of No. 115 1/2 Park street was also in the saloon drinking. Eichberger resented a remark made by Neville and placed him under arrest.

Neville stated to the police that after arresting him, Eichberger dragged him into the street, where he released him. Man I. W. Morton, whose chair in the Central District Police Station, Patrolman Dixon located Eichberger in a saloon at Fourteenth street and Chestnut avenue.

LEADERS DISLIKE BAND ARRANGEMENT

Sousa and Innes Will Try to Get Together at World's Fair According to Contract.

TO ALTERNATE AS DIRECTORS.

Despite Protest, Bureau of Music Decides That Provisions for Big Concerts Must Be Lived Up To.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Trouble is brewing for John Philip Sousa and Frederick N. Innes, the American band leaders, all because of a contract entered into by them with the Bureau of Music of the World's Fair.

According to this contract, Innes and Sousa are to supply the music for the opening of the World's Fair and to give concerts daily until the end of May. In the Innes contract it is stipulated that his band shall unite with one other band at least once during the engagement and play jointly under the direction of Bandmaster Innes. It is stipulated that the second band shall be chosen by the World's Fair management.

In the contract entered into with Sousa the same stipulation is made, the name of the Sousa band being substituted for that of Innes, and the words of the Innes contract, "one other band," being replaced by "Sousa and his band."

After the bandmasters had signed these contracts they made the discovery that the plan of the Bureau of Music was to unite their own bands, the combined organization to be led first by one of the bandmasters, either Innes or Sousa, and the second time by the bandmaster who was slightest on the first occasion.

SOUSA EXTENDS PROTEST. When John Philip Sousa saw the real meaning of his contract he sent numerous telegrams to the Bureau of Music, and said that he could not consent to it. Innes, who was in the East when the discovery was made, wired that he was willing to surrender his contract with the Fair management rather than to enter into such a deal.

The attention of the bandmasters was called to the fact that it requires two to make a bargain and two, also, to surrender a contract. The Bureau of Music remained firm. When Mr. Innes called on George W. Stewart, who is in charge of the Music Department of the World's Fair, he was told that he must abide by the provisions of his contract.

"The contract was made and you signed it," said Mr. Stewart. "Now, that ends it for you and Mr. Sousa to abide by your contracts." Mr. Stewart said that if the bandmasters attempted to cancel their engagements with the World's Fair that they would not be allowed to play in any city during the month of May, and that they would be sued on their contracts.

Bandmaster Innes, who is in St. Louis, said yesterday that he didn't like that provision of the contract which provides for a joint concert by the Innes and Sousa bands, but inasmuch as he had unwittingly signed the document there was nothing for him to do but "take his medicine."

"I know that I can lead my own men," said Mr. Innes, "but I confess that I have serious doubts as to the quality of music that the Sousa players will render under my direction. For many years there has been the keenest rivalry among the members of the respective bands. What the individual players will do under the direction of the opposing leader is hard to contemplate.

"Mr. Stewart is a very shrewd man and the concert by the united bands, such as he contemplates, would be an artistic triumph, and big attraction, provided the musicians acted in harmony. But when the rivalry of the respective organizations is taken into consideration, I doubt the feasibility of the scheme of the Bureau of Music."

PLAN OF BUREAU. Leaving aside the differences which exist between the Innes and Sousa players, the plan of the Bureau of Music is conceded to be an admirable one. It would mean a concert by 120 of the most skilled musicians in the United States, while the leader, whether he be Innes or Sousa, would no doubt prove a drawing attraction.

Commenting upon the possible discord in the united concert, it was suggested, for instance, that in a spirit of vengeance, one band might render "the via," while the other was endeavoring to give a classical rendition of "Il Trovatore."

This is all speculation, however, and if the Bureau of Music insists upon the united concert, there is no telling the result. Mr. Stewart made one positive assertion yesterday, however, and that is that Sousa and Innes will not have a hand in the opening of the World's Fair. They can't afford to be elsewhere, he said.

JAPAN'S NAVAL HERO IS MODEST.



VICE ADMIRAL TOGO. In command of the Japanese naval forces operating against Port Arthur. He is a modest man, who knows his business thoroughly, and in his reports tells what happened in the most matter-of-fact way. His successes so far won have brought him a vote of thanks from the Diet, decorations from the Emperor and unstinted praise from the Japanese people.

FRAIL BANKS HOLD BACK AWFUL FLOOD

Grand Reservoir, Largest Artificial Body of Water in World, Threatened.

HUNDREDS ARE WATCHING.

High Wind Rising at Sundown Drives Waves Against East Bank Which is Rapidly Crumbling.

St. Mary's, O., April 1.—At 11:30 o'clock to-night the banks of the Grand Reservoir are still intact, but the situation continues threatening. The wind is lashing the water furiously, and if it continues to blow another twenty-four hours, without materially abating, it is doubtful if a break can be averted.

Celina, O., April 1.—The apprehension that has been felt to-day regarding the banks of the Grand Reservoir has increased to-night.

This is the largest artificial body of water in the world, being ten miles long and from two to four miles in width, and covering about 20,000 acres. Its banks are from ten to twenty-five feet high, and it was constructed on the summit between the Ohio River and the lakes so as to feed the canals both ways.

Having outlets into the Maumee and the Walash rivers, its waters take opposite directions, and in the event of a serious break the damage would be beyond description.

The State was engaged from 1837 to 1845 in constructing this great lake, and it has been the scene of many troubles. The water continues rising, but the greatest danger is believed to exist because of the high wind that has been blowing since sundown and is continually getting stronger. The gale is from the West, and is driving the water against the east bank around St. Mary's, where the bank has already been weakened. A very large force is at work to-night trying to save the locks at the bulkhead.

St. Mary's is at the east end of the reservoir, and Celina at the west end. Flood signals have been given not only around the reservoir but also to people along the canal to be ready to vacate. A very large force of men is also at work to-night on the dam on the Celina side of the reservoir. The exodus of people from the reservoir district to-night is very large. They know that if there is a break at any point a great calamity will follow.

The superintendent of the canal notified the people occupying houses on the south side of the Lake Erie and Western Railway in this city to vacate at once. The railroads also have very large forces of men heading their culverts against the dashing waters. Besides the gangs of workmen, hundreds are engaged as watchmen and patrolmen, ready to give warning in case of a break.

NO SPECIAL BOND ELECTION.

Administration to Save Money by Waiting for Regular Time.

Information was given out yesterday to the effect that the city administration has practically given up the idea of holding a special election for the \$7,000,000 bond issue needed for erecting new municipal buildings and making extensive repairs.

The primary reason given is that the time is so short between now and the regular election it is deemed advisable to vote on the bond question at the regular election and save considerable money for the city.

HOLTON'S WILL SET ASIDE BY JURY

Mrs. Cochran, Testator's Former Wife and Principal Beneficiary, Unmoved by Verdict.

HIS DAUGHTERS TURN PALE.

Children Who Win Suit Thank the Jurors—Case May Go to the Supreme Court.

The jury in the Holton will contest yesterday declared the instrument under consideration to be not the last will of Captain Edward K. Holton, whose estate is valued at from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

The verdict was returned in Judge Blevins' division of the Circuit Court at 5:50 p. m. after the jury had been out an hour. Mrs. Lillian M. Cochran, formerly the wife of Captain Holton and principal beneficiary under the will, listened to the verdict without betraying any emotion.

Her stepchildren, Lucinda B. Burrow, Alice M. Bright and Birchard E. R. Holton, who sat within a few feet of her, were delighted. They met the jurors as the latter were departing and shook their hands and expressed thanks.

George D. Reynolds, Sr., Mrs. Cochran's attorney, immediately filed a motion for a new trial. The case will doubtless be taken to the Supreme Court.

When court opened yesterday for the eleventh day of the trial, Judge Blevins gave his instructions to the jury. He told the jurors that if they found from the evidence that Captain Holton, at the time the will was executed, labored under an insane delusion that his children had demanded and received from him more than they were entitled to, from a legacy left by their grandfather, and of which Captain Holton was trustee, that they should find for the plaintiffs.

He said there was no evidence against his three children like Captain Holton, and out them off from participation in his estate, that he hoped the courts would declare that he was of unsound mind when he did so.

WOMEN TURN PALE.

Recess was taken after Mr. Rule's argument was finished. George W. Burrow, associate of Mr. Rule, spoke when court reconvened and George D. Reynolds, Sr., closed for the defense.

Young Holton and his sisters remained in the courtroom while the jury was out. Mrs. Cochran did not. She returned with her mother shortly before the verdict was rendered. They took seats outside the railing.

The Holton party also sat without the rail, across the aisle from Mrs. Cochran and her mother. When word was received that the jurors had agreed and were ready to return a verdict, Mrs. Bright and Mrs. Burrow turned pale. Their brother, who sat behind them, also showed signs of suppressed excitement.

COSSACKS CONTINUE RETREAT TOWARD THE YALU RIVER

Japanese Say That They Pursued Part of the Retreating Forces Toward Unsan.

ACCOUNTS OF LOSSES VARY.

Story From Tokio That Warships Made New Attack on Port Arthur Is Open to Doubt.

REPORT ON SHIP'S CAPTURE.

Survivors of Korietz and Varig Arrive at Odessa, Where They Are Received With Much Show of Enthusiasm.

Tokio sent out a report yesterday to the effect that Vice Admiral Togo had made another attack on Port Arthur on the night of March 26-27, but as St. Petersburg had not heard of the report and as Vice Admiral Alexiev was at Port Arthur yesterday and reviewed the squadron, the Tokio story probably had no foundation in fact.

Japanese reports say that, after the fight at Chongju, the Japanese pursued the Russians, finally driving them away the second brief encounter. According to Russian reports, the Japanese losses at Chongju were much larger than the Japanese admit, several hundred Koreans being required to remove the wounded to Anju.

From Seoul it is reported that Russian cavalry, apparently in distress, is falling back toward Wiju and it is anticipated that a stand will be made by the Russian forces on the Yalu River.

Sixteen foreign correspondents, including those from America, left Tokio yesterday for the front. Their exact destination has not been made public.

The Russian account of the capture of a small Japanese steamer near Port Arthur says it carried two Whitehead torpedoes.

The survivors of the Korietz and Varig arrived at Odessa yesterday and were fettered with a tremendous display of enthusiasm by the populace. Solemn services were held in the churches and various festivities were arranged for officers and men.

COSSACKS IN DISTRESS

RETIRING TOWARD YALU; TO MAKE STAND AT RIVER.

Seoul, April 1.—It has been learned here that the Russian cavalry, in much distress, is retiring toward Wiju. They are cutting down telegraph poles to use as fuel, and their horses are dying for lack of proper food.

Brigadier General Allen, United States military observer with the Japanese Army, returned here from Ping-Yang. He says the roads in Northern Korea are in very bad condition, and that the Russians have lost excellent opportunities to take advantage of the natural obstacles offered by the country to oppose the Japanese advance.

General Allen believes it to be evident that the Russians intend to make a stand at the Yalu.

JAPS PURSUE RUSSIANS

AFTER THEIR VICTORY; SECOND FIGHT IS BRIEF.

Tokio, April 1.—Information has been received here from a private source that the Japanese troops, after defeating the Russians at Chongju (about fifty miles northwest of Ping-Yang) on March 23, rested for one day and then advanced to Yong-Chun (about forty-five miles west of Chongju).

After a brief engagement here they drove the enemy further north, the Russians retreating toward Unsan, a town eighty miles northeast of Yong-Chun.

TOKIO HEARS THAT TOGO HAS RENEWED ATTACK TO SEE IF CHANNEL IS OPEN.

London, April 1.—A dispatch to the Central News from Tokio says Vice Admiral Togo made another attack on Port Arthur during the night of March 26 and 27.

TO TEST VOTING MACHINE.

Device Will Be Tried at Springfield Municipal Election.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Springfield, Ill., April 1.—The practicability of a voting machine will be tested in Springfield in the municipal election, to be held Tuesday. A machine has been installed in the Fourth voting precinct of the Fifth Ward, and voters are being instructed in its manipulation.

As the Constitution of Illinois provides that all voting in elections shall be by ballot, some question has been raised regarding the legality of machine-voting in the State.

The machine in operation here registers votes by means of small steel balls, which are contained in the ballots, under the definition of "ballot" as given in all standard dictionaries, covering either balls or tickets.

Secretary of State Rose has approved of the method proposed to be used here.