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## RUSSIANS BEAT FIRST RETREAT

### SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

**The Weather.**  
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Virginia and North Carolina—Rain and warmer Friday, brisk cool winds; Saturday fair.

A day of bright sunshine to be followed by a heavy rain and other temperature. 81. (Lancet was hardly given its dues by the Weather Bureau yesterday. There was a bare flutter of breeze.)

**STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.**

8 A. M.	38
11 A. M.	45
2 P. M.	48
5 P. M.	47
8 P. M.	46
12 M.	45
Average	45 1/2

Highest temperature yesterday..... 49  
Lowest temperature yesterday..... 40  
Mean temperature yesterday..... 45  
Normal temperature for March..... 50  
Departure from normal temperature..... -5  
Precipitation during past 24 hours..... 0

**MINIATURE ALMANAC.**

Sun rises..... 6:38	11:11 P. M.
Sun sets..... 6:10	Morning..... 5:20
Moon sets..... 7:52	Evening..... 5:43

**Richmond.**  
Leading citizens endorse the movement for another free bridge and take steps to further the plan.—Business men hold enthusiastic conference at T. P. A. rooms Tuesday evening and means for making Richmond a greater city.—Committee on Charter Changes, Ordinances and Reform stands by Alderman Crenshaw in his conference with Police and Fire Commissioners as to increasing pay of these officials.—Governor approves bill abolishing jail sentence for violation of the Sunday liquor law and gives his reason for doing so.—Mr. Fry to rehabilitate the famous old Copper Springs and restore it to its pristine popularity.—Veteran Pennycuik, a former State Senator, dies suddenly while calling on Small in the banking house of J. M. Perkins & Co.—Report that another large department store will be established in Richmond.—Annual report of the Methodist Institute makes it clear that that institution is not only a religious but a social and educational center.—Negro grabs lady's purse.—Another case against Collier.—Supreme Court of Appeals sustains Corporation Commission in its decision as to tax on property of Old Dominion Steamship Company.—Record-breaking prices received for tobacco.—Remains of John T. McKelvey interred here.—Commissioners appointed to assign voters.—Howlers unopposed in their efforts to secure an amendment to prevent spread of tuberculosis here.—High scores made by experts at first shoot of the season.—Mrs. J. H. Phillips passes away in Richmond.—Letter received by Ch. of L. Parsons from Baltimore to meet to-night.—Good returns from City Mission supper.

### Slavs Falling Back Before Japanese Outposts

### MANY JAPANESE LANDING DAILY

Three Thousand Fighters for Mikado Recently Disembarked at Chemulpo.

### PORT ARTHUR CRUISERS LOOKING FOR THE ENEMY.

Went Out Sixty Miles, But Saw Not a Jap—Vladivostok Fleet Not Yet United With It—London Hears Mainly Vague Rumors.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, March 18.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Chefoo, who has just visited Chinnampo, Korea, says: "On the way to Chemulpo we passed a constant succession of Japanese transports. Three thousand Japanese landed at Chemulpo at the end of last week."

The correspondent adds that the Russians are retreating across the Yalu River before the advance of the Japanese outposts.

The Daily Mail's Wei-Hai-Wei correspondent learns that Viscount Aoki, formerly Japanese minister to Germany, is going to Seoul to establish practically a Japanese administration for Korea.

Under date of March 17th the Chefoo correspondent of the Standard reports that provision trains are arriving hourly at Port Arthur, the railway being intact.

The Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspondent, cabling March 17th, asserts that the Russian fleet has returned to Port Arthur. If this is correct, the correspondent adds, it is evident from Rear Admiral Baron Von Stackelberg's report that the Russian cruisers which left Vladivostok returning to that port without an attempt having been made to unite the fleets, or if an attempt was made it was unsuccessful.

The Chefoo correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, cabling under yesterday's date, asserts that a portion of the Russian fleet made several cruises within a radius of fifty miles of Port Arthur without finding any trace of the enemy.

The foregoing dispatches are only additional items of news appearing in the London newspapers this morning, and the writer will have to wait for more definite movements of the opposing forces in the vicinity of the Yalu River.

### BOTH ON THE FIELD.

### Scouts of Russians and Japanese Separated Only by River.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, March 18.—A correspondent of the Times at Tokio says that the Russian and Japanese scouts are now separated only by the river. The dispatch adds that the foreign correspondents will leave for the front either on March 20th or March 23d, but their destination is still unknown.

A correspondent of the Times at Wei-Hai-Wei, cabling under yesterday's date, says: "I arrived at Ping Yang Inlet March 15th, and proceeded to Chinnampo. Navigation was difficult owing to the drift of ice. I found anchored there both war vessels and transports. Disembarking was difficult, but the Japanese have brought all necessary appliances. Pontoon jetties have been built and extend for hundreds of yards, and the transports brought their own landing barges."

The correspondent describes the landing movements and the disposal of the forces with some detail and says: "Despite the terrible weather, the infantry marched twenty-five miles daily, each man carrying nearly 100 pounds."

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### DEAR OLD IRELAND QUICKENS ITS PACE

Splendid Dinner in London Last Night—Cable from American League—Redmond's Speech.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, March 17.—A St. Patrick's Day banquet was held at the Hotel Cecil to-night, presided over by John Redmond and attended by the members of the Nationalist party in the House of Commons and prominent Irishmen in London. The following cablegram from the United Irish League of America was read: "The United Irish League of America clasps hands with our kindred at home and in the enemy's country on this national holiday. God save Ireland."

John Redmond in proposing the toast of "Ireland a Nation," said that the opportunity for which they had waited for so many long and weary years had almost arrived—that opportunity for Ireland to be the deciding factor in the making of a new government of Great Britain. The coming general election would witness the defeat of the Unionist government.

Mr. Redmond urged the Irish voters in Great Britain at the next election to put the question of Home rule above everything else. He said that the future depended upon the power and unity of the Irish party in Parliament.



### GET YOUR LAND WHILE YOU PLAY. BUDGET RETURNED PRACTICALLY AS IT WAS AT FIRST ARRANGED

### WILLIAMS TO HANG TO-DAY

Left Lynchburg Last Night for Roanoke in Charge of Civil Officers.

### SOME OMINOUS WHISPERS.

Williams Will Likely Be Legally Hung on the Gallows Prepared for Him.

(Staff Correspondent of The Times-Dispatch.)  
ROANOKE, VA., March 17.—If nothing happens to prevent the negro Henry Williams, who so brutally assaulted Mrs. George L. Shields and her infant child in this city on the 30th of January last, will be put to death here to-morrow.

The indications now are that the execution will be legal and by hanging. Roanoke people want to be law-abiding and they intend to be, if they can. The better element is going to be, but the universal horror of the crime that was committed here in the quiet home of a popular and deserving citizen in the broad open daylight and the indignation of the people has not entirely cooled down.

The probabilities are that Henry Williams will be hanged upon the gallows that is now ready for him in the jail yard, though his arrival here in the gray dawn to-morrow without strong military protection may be the signal for a fresh outburst of the indignation that pervaded every breast when the awful crime was committed, and when the negro was arrested in West Virginia, and which was held in check by the appearance of military a month ago when Williams was tried and convicted here.

Roanoke is as quiet and serene to-night as if nothing was going to happen to-morrow, but there are some people here who think the negro will not be legally hanged. There are many people who think hanging is too mild for him.

WHISPERS GOING AROUND.  
Roanoke is quiet, and acting Mayor Johnson is perfectly honest in his belief that military is not needed to insure a legal hanging, but there are some whispers here and there, whispers that the Mayor does not hear, and he will not hear them either, for they are not intended for his or any other officer's ears. If they hear anything between now and noon to-morrow, it will not be a whisper, but a clap of thunder.

Sheriff Tillet leaves for Lynchburg at 8:30 o'clock, and The Times-Dispatch man is off with him. It is the sheriff's intention to be back here with Williams at 5:40 A. M.

### COME FOR WILLIAMS.

Sheriff Expects a Quiet Time and Tame Hanging.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LYNCHBURG, VA., March 17.—City Sergeant Tillet, accompanied by four regular deputies, three of the men of Baldwin's Detective Bureau acting as special deputies, and a squad of several newspaper men, reached here at 10 o'clock to take charge of Henry Williams. After

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## TO LINK CITIES BY NEW BRIDGE

Modern Highway to Supersede Old Bridge.

### THE FINANCIAL PLAN IS FULLY OUTLINED

Concurrence of Richmond Council in Plan Alone Lacking to Insure Bridge.

### CITY TO ENDORSE THE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE.

By an Issue of \$250,000 of 50 Year 3 1-2 Per Cent. Coupon Bonds the Old Bridge Can Be Acquired and a Magnificent New One Built. Many Favor It.

The movement for the construction of a great modern, substantial free bridge connecting the cities of Richmond and Manchester received a great impetus last night at a meeting of influential citizens of Richmond. Interested jointly with those of Manchester in the consummation of such a needed public improvement.

At this meeting the details of the project and the financial plan of the promoters were fully outlined, and so favorably impressed those present that there was not one to demur to its entire practicability, and even feasibility. On the other hand, all in attendance were so fully impressed with the plan and with the benefits that will accrue to its execution that the meeting was enthusiastic throughout, and it was determined to proceed immediately and energetically to carry out the provisions of the plan, and that to end to press the project upon the attention of the Council of the city of Richmond.

### Legislative Authority Now.

It is proposed to proceed under authority of an act of the General Assembly, approved April 3, 1902, to construct on the site of the present Mayo's Bridge and on the existing bridge, a new and magnificent bridge, sufficient to accommodate present and future requirements of travel for years to come. The act in question authorizes the appointment of a commission by the two cities to investigate the existing bridge, or condition and to report in its place a new and modern bridge. The city of Manchester has already appointed its proportion of the commissioners and they have regularly organized. This action under the terms of the act of the General Assembly is being called upon to amend the charter, which would have lapsed April 23 otherwise. Richmond is yet to appoint its commissioners, and efforts are now under way to have this done. The Manchester Council has adopted an ordinance authorizing the city to guarantee, jointly with the city of Richmond, an issue of bonds to the amount of \$250,000, bearing interest at 3 1/2 per cent, and payable in fifty years. The bonds to be secured by a mortgage on the bridge property, which security will indemnify the two cities in the event that for any reason the interest on the bonds is not paid. It is regarded by sound business men as very improbable that the city of Richmond or the city of Manchester will ever be called upon to pay any sum by reason of this endorsement of the bonds, for the income derived from street railway traffic under contracts now existing and continuing until 1919 will provide an amount sufficient to pay on the interest on the bonds. It will, in fact, provide a sinking fund with which to retire the bonds at maturity or before.

### Richmond Council Must Act.

All that is now needed to insure the success of the project is the construction without delay of the bridge in the passage of an ordinance by the city of Richmond similar to that already passed by the Manchester Council, agreeing to endorse and guarantee these bonds. In view of the fact that the city of Richmond is in a position to do this, with the idea of the city of Richmond in mind, it is the duty of the city of Richmond to do so. The great advantages and benefits to flow from such a bridge, connection of the two cities and to impress upon the Council the wisdom of the action proposed as a municipal investment.

### Further Financial Details.

A provision in the mortgage shall require that any and all sums derived from transportation and transmission privileges, in excess of fiscal charges and expenses, shall be applied and treated as a sinking fund for the gradual retirement of the bonds. This plan for financing the enterprise enables a very low rate of interest bonds to be issued, the interest on the bonds being made up by the \$8,750 per annum. The assured income from transportation concessions for the first year will not be less than \$8,000, this sum being the amount paid by the street railway line for the operation of its regular cars on the basis of a ten-cent fare. The operation of the present antiquated bridge, the deficit arising and to be met by the two cities, even on this low estimate of revenue, is therefore but \$2,750. There is every reason to hope that this sum will gradually decrease from year to year, and will be entirely extinguished by means of the increased travel a fine, modern bridge and improved car service to the heart of the business district would naturally assure, not to consider the sum derived from granting other

### BOY MURDERER IN PRISON FOR LIFE

Emil Waltz, After Sensational Trial, Gets Life Sentence for Terrible Crime.

(By Associated Press.)  
DETROIT, MICH., March 17.—Emil Waltz, who has been on trial here for the past six weeks on a charge of brutally murdering little four-year-old Alphonse Welmes, whose horribly mutilated body was found August 19th among some moulding blocks in the rear of the Detroit Store, on Adams Street, was today found guilty by a jury in the Recorder's Court. His trial has been sensational in the extreme. Waltz, who is a man of ungovernable temper, a number of times during the trial completely lost control of himself and fairly raved against the prosecutor, the police officers, who he has declared at times were not making the proper efforts in his behalf. Waltz was sentenced to prison for life.

### CINCINNATI FIRM DID NOT MAKE PICTURES.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—In the Senate to-day Mr. McLaughlin presented and had read a letter from the Cincinnati firm which supplied the pictures on account of which arrests recently were made at Indianapolis and Leeland, Miss., to which Mr. McLaughlin referred on Saturday last. The firm denied that it manufactures pictures of an improper character.

### PROMINENT GEORGIAN SHOOTS ANOTHER.

(By Associated Press.)  
ATLANTA, Ga., March 17.—Henry Williams was probably fatally shot by G. S. Nelson here last night. Both are prominent citizens of Virginia, Nelson having served several terms as sheriff. The shooting followed a quarrel between the boys of the two families. Williams was wounded in the back and the latter drew a revolver and fired.

### Chesterfield Fire.

A big blaze in Chesterfield county, south of Manchester, attracted considerable attention last night. The fire was very hot and near, and gave the appearance of a great conflagration. It was extinguished by the fire department. The cause of the fire is not known, but it is believed to have been caused by a defective chimney.

### FRIGHTFUL HAILSTORM VISITS NEW ORLEANS.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW ORLEANS, March 17.—The heaviest hailstorm on record, followed by terrific rain, occurred this afternoon, and a great deal of damage was done in the city, of stores flooded and stocks damaged, besides roofs blown down. The main event was the caving in of the roof of the "Boutin" restaurant. Company's store building. The roof has a ninety-foot span and the weight and volume of hail and water tore a hole in the roof and nearly wrecked the building, causing a great deal of damage.

### ORDINANCE COMMITTEE STRIKES OUT FIRE AND POLICE INCREASES AND STANDS BY MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

The Committee on Charter, Ordinances and Reform took five minutes last night to make a recommendation to the Council concerning the budget, which it is thought will untangle the matter and insure its speedy adoption.

The plan was offered by Alderman W. T. Dabney, of Madison Ward, and seconded by Councilman Crenshaw, of Clay, and speedily adopted.

The substitute offered by Mr. Dabney had for its basis the budget as it came from the Finance Committee. In view of the rulings of President Turpin in the course of which he said that he was inclined to regret the defeat of the Machen primary bill, though he had opposed it, chiefly because his colleagues were against it.

"I am astonished at the editorial, which construes the interview of a few days ago with me as showing that Senator Martin was in any way opposed to the Machen bill. I don't know what Senator Martin's views were on the bill, and when I referred to the fact that my colleagues were against the bill, I meant, as you know, members of the House. Your attitude is not at all indicative of the attitude of Senator Martin, because some of the members of the House who were opposed to the bill are not friendly to Senator Martin."

"Another thing I can't understand is why advocacy of the Machen bill is made a test of a man's loyalty to the primary system. The Times-Dispatch and the entire Virginia delegation in the House were, some time ago, opposed to this bill, and yet I believe not only The Times-Dispatch, but every member of the delegation from Virginia, is heartily in favor of the primary system. We already have a primary, and as far as my information goes there is no disposition in any quarter to dispense with it. I believe the next state convention will, to some extent, change it, but will strengthen it. I do not believe there will be the slightest attempt to abolish it. I know that no move of this kind will come from Senator Martin's friends."

Representative Flood thinks The Times-Dispatch in an editorial this morning, has drawn a wrong inference from the interview which he gave me Monday, in the course of which he said that he was inclined to regret the defeat of the Machen primary bill, though he had opposed it, chiefly because his colleagues were against it.

The result of the meeting was the development of considerable enthusiasm among the business interests of the city. A committee, consisting of Messrs. C. W. Saunders, C. B. Antrim, Henry W. Wood, L. C. Younger and Peyton Grymes, which will meet Saturday evening to devise and formulate plans for promoting the growth of Richmond, as a city, a jobbing center and a manufacturing point.

The purpose of the meeting was the discussion of ways and means looking to the advancement along all lines of the business interests of the city. Mr. Joseph Waterstein, president, has been chairman of the special committee, embracing also Messrs. D. S. Harwood and T. W. Chief, which arranged for the meeting. After calling the meeting to order, however, Mr. James D. Camp was requested to take the chair and presided during the remainder of the meeting.

Messrs. L. C. Younger, C. B. Antrim, G. G. Minor, E. W. Sullivan, Henry W. Wood, Arthur B. Clarke, C. Walton Saunders, and others, spoke in commendation of the plan, and expressed their confidence in the future of Richmond, its advantages in every way and its vast possibilities of trade development with united effort. Definitely plans to accomplish the ends desired by all will be suggested by the committee named above.

Another meeting of business men will be held March 21st at the T. P. A. rooms, at which it is expected the committee will make its report.

Refreshments were served last night, a social feature added to the gathering in this way.

Enthusiastic Meeting of Business Men Intend Upon Furthering This End.

Committee to Devise Ways

Prominent Business Men in Various Lines Speak Enthusiastically of Plan.

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