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RICHMOND, VA., SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 1905.

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PLOT TO MURDER CAZAR AND FAMILY

High Officials Involved In Conspiracy Unearthed by the Police.

EMPEROR UNNERVED, URGES GREAT CARE

Russian Fleet Leaves Kamranh Bay and Togo Assembles War- ships South of Formosa. Likelihood of Battle Seems to be Greater Than Before.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, April 22.—The French government has been officially informed that Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron left Kamranh Bay to-day. The destination of the squadron is unknown.

(By Associated Press.)
MANILA, April 22.—Narata Goro, the Japanese consul here, has received a telegram announcing that Admiral Togo's main squadron will assemble south of Formosa.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, April 22.—The World to-morrow in St. Petersburg dispatch dated April 22, will say:
"A plot to kill the Czar and his kinsmen has been discovered among the troops of the Imperial Guard."
"Many officers were involved, the very men upon whom the Imperial family depends for personal safety."
"Governor General Trepoif's secret agents unearthed the plot and assert that several of the conspirators, of noble birth, were in possession of large quantities of dynamite."
"The discovery has unnerved the Czar, at Tsarke Seio."
"To insure prompt action in case of demonstration, the governors and other officials of all the provinces have been directed to remain in their offices for the Easter holidays and be prepared for any emergency."

FLEET LEAVES BAY. Rojestvensky on Way to North Again—Destination Not Known.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, April 22.—A semi-official telegram from St. Petersburg says that Emperor Nicholas has ordered Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron to leave French territory waters.

The foreign office received advices from St. Petersburg to-day, showing that the instructions sent to Admiral Rojestvensky are positive and explicit, and that he must keep outside of French waters. The nature of the instructions is said to be such that Rojestvensky must observe them by fully respecting French neutrality or else subject himself to punishment from his government. Therefore, the officials here feel that France has succeeded in securing the limit of what Japan can reasonably ask.

Further official advices show that radical steps have been taken to prevent the Russian protected cruiser Diana, interned at Saigon after the naval battle of August 10th, from putting to sea and resuming her active operations. The Diana is understood to have been lying recently at Hai Phong, where her repairs were being completed, and it is reported that Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron and thus add another powerful cruiser to his strength. But the French authorities heretofore required the cruiser to be placed in a condition in which it was impossible for her to go to sea. Therefore such parts of her machinery as are indispensable to her moving, such as her shaft and propeller, have been removed, thus rendering the Diana ineffective.

PROTECTING FRANCE. Czar Taking Every Precaution Not to Involve Ally—Vladivostok Squadron Ready.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, April 22.—T. P. M. Both the admiralty and the foreign office affirm that the Russian government will not be drawn into a war with Japan, and that the Russian fleet will not be allowed to leave Kamranh Bay, but confidence is expressed at both ministries that the admiral, who is thoroughly familiar with the French regulations, has taken care to place the Russian fleet in a position in which it would be placed if the Japanese complaint proved well founded. Foreign Minister Lansdowne thereupon transmitted it to Vice-Admiral Avellan, who, in turn, laid it before Emperor Nicholas, who, with his Majesty's approval, has issued the following instructions: that there must be no encroachment on their ally's neutrality, and that if it already had been infringed and the Russian ships were still within the three mile limit, they must at once go out to sea.

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FRANTIC TRADERS ROAD AND FIGHT

Clothing Torn; Hats Smashed and Bodies Bruised.

GATES STILL GAME TURNS TO JULY CRNP

Believed He and His Friends Emerg'd From Battle With Little, if Any, Financial Loss. Another Gigantic Strug- gle Is Said to be Coming.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, April 22.—One of the most celebrated deals ever known on the Chicago Board of Trade, came to a climax to-day. A daring effort by John W. Gates and associates to secure control of the wheat available in America for delivery during the month of May was apparently ended to-day with a wholesale sacrifice of prospective profits to escape possible huge losses on existing investments. Incidentally, the result was one of the wildest sessions ever witnessed in the Chicago wheat pit. At one time, prices showed a loss of 11 1/2 cents a bushel for the day, the price of the option being driven down in a sensational series of rushes to 98 1/2 cents per bushel. The closing quotation was 100, as against 122 less than six weeks ago.

General opinion to-night is to the effect that Gates and his friends emerged from the battle with but little, if any, actual financial loss. Gossip insists that they effected an alliance with Armour and other leading traders, whereby the Gates party, while obliged to summarize liquidate May wheat on an enormous scale to-day, were nevertheless fully protected through prior and concurrent operations of the allies in both May and later options. Another view of the situation, according to some observers, is that the new grouping of astute speculators, including the redoubtable Gates himself, has merely cleared the decks for a still more gigantic corner in wheat for delivery during July. The idea is that the high price heretofore prevailing for May wheat has attracted a scouring of the country by grain traders to secure wheat to sell to the bull leaders. By dropping the price ten cents a bushel to-day, the speculators, assumed to be in control, have made it clear that if the country is raked over for wheat to bring here, they mean to buy it at a figure of their own making.

Clothing Torn; Bodies Bruised.

The sound of the big bell at the opening signal for a mighty roar of voices, din possibly never before equaled, according to men who were present at the stormy sessions that marked the most exciting periods in the famous Lefter and Harpo deal. Clothing was torn, hats smashed and bodies bruised in the frantic efforts of the traders to sell the grain. Shorts had apparently completely covered and long, little and large, hurled their grain at the hands that were closed against it. Nobody seemed to want May wheat above a dollar.

When 5 1/2 was reached, the wild roar that marked the opening was doubled in volume. But, while the nearby option was plunging downward, there was a "body buying" movement going on in July. Brokers, presumably working for Armour and his associates, whether including Gates or not, were taking on liberal lots of the latter option. In one hour alone, it was estimated, that one broker had bought more than 3,000,000 bushels.

This buying of July prompted frightened shorts to cover, they believing the Gates forces and the Armour crowd had combined to buy the market. To the light of the hard hammered May, it was estimated that five million bushels of the May delivery were unloaded here and at Minneapolis.

Woman and Son Killed.

(By Associated Press.)
BRIDGEPORT, ALA., April 22.—Mrs. Eliza Stewart and her twelve-year-old son were killed here to-day in a quarrel with Mrs. Lingo, who claims she shot in self-defense. Mrs. Lingo claims that she was pursued by Mrs. Stewart. The weapon used was a shot-gun. Reports are conflicting concerning the manner in which the boy was killed.

Four Men Killed.

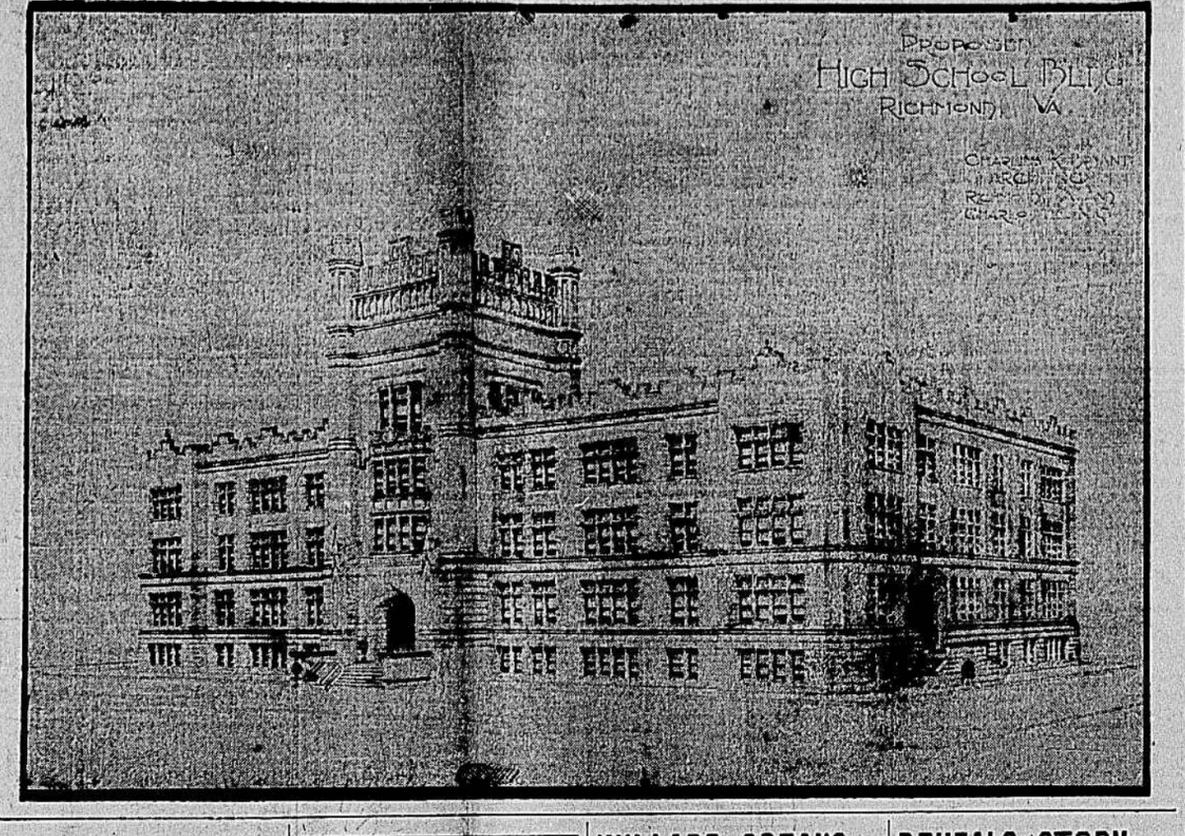
(By Associated Press.)
MT. STERLING, KY., April 22.—By an explosion of a keg of powder in John Sturgill's store, at Flat Gap, Johnson county, four men were killed and two houses were damaged.

BANK OFFICIALS TO APPEAR BEFORE JURY

CHICAGO, ILL., April 22.—Vice-presidents and cashiers of four Chicago national banks have been subpoenaed by the Federal officials working on the "body" trust inquiry. The subpoenas called for the production of the accounts and records of the Aetna Trading Company and the S. Oppenheimer and Company, sausage casing concern. The government officials have traced from bank to bank and through the clearing house checks which were numbered and are said to bear fictitious names.

The latest move is said to be one of the most important yet made in the investigation, and caused a stir among the leading packers who are suspected of having been directly connected with the operations of the Aetna Trading Company. It was found that one of the most complicated methods of bookkeeping had been employed by the Aetna Trading Company officials and those of S. Oppenheimer and Company. No names appeared on any of the books, it is stated, which indicated that the persons were in any way connected with the packing industry.

HANDSOME HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING TO BE ERECTED NEAR THE PRESENT SITE AT A COST OF \$300,000.



RICHMOND BOY TO MAKE PLANS

Mr. Charles K. Bryant to be Architect for High School Building.

Richmond is shortly to have a public high school building near the present one, to cost, including the grounds, about \$300,000. While the matter has not been definitely worked out in all its details, the special joint committee having the matter in charge has gone so far as to select plans for the proposed new building, and will submit a report, urging prompt and vigorous action on the subject.

The plans chosen were drawn by Mr. Charles K. Bryant, who has offices here and in Charlotte, N. C., and were adopted after sharp competition with fifteen other architects. The picture of the building, which is printed to-day, shows it as it will appear when it is completed.

The committee having the subject under advisement has labored earnestly in connection with the school board to bring about a sentiment in the main body for a modern structure in every respect. They are working in perfect harmony, and each one strongly favors the building of a structure that will not only be an ornament to the city, but a masterpiece of modern architecture.

"Resolved, further, that we enter our record of acceptance of the plans as submitted by the special joint committee of the City Council."

Both Acquitted.

(By Associated Press.)
AUSTIN, TEX., April 22.—In the trial of Joseph S. Vandervoort, of Austin, which has been in progress here for several days on an indictment charging the defendants with conspiracy to bribe a public official, the jury to-day brought in a verdict of not guilty in twenty minutes of not having the case turned over to them.

TORNADO WRECKS HALF OF TOWN; NOBODY HURT

JEFFERSON, TEXAS, April 22.—A tornado, sweeping a path of one hundred yards and three-quarters of a mile long, cut through the western part of the city last night. It tore down houses, wrecked two negro churches, uprooted trees, monuments and grave stones, broke out the windows and carried timber through rooms and created damage, yet not a person was injured, though many had narrow escapes. The path was clean out. Several years ago a hailstorm visited the western section, but other parts of the city escaped.

POINTER ON THE WEATHER

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Day: Virginia Fair, Sunday and Monday, High 50, Low 30, Wind S.W. 10-15, Clear to Partly Cloudy.
Night: Virginia Fair, Sunday and Monday, High 45, Low 25, Wind S.W. 10-15, Clear to Partly Cloudy.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY:
Richmond's weather was clear and cool. Range of the thermometer:
9 A. M. 53 5 P. M. 64
12 M. 53 9 P. M. 63
8 P. M. 61 12 midnight 63
Average 56

Highest temperature yesterday 64
Lowest temperature yesterday 38
Normal temperature for April 58
Normal temperature for month 58
Precipitation from normal temperature 00
Precipitation during past 24 hours 00

MINIATURE ALMANAC
April 23, 1905.
Sun rises 6:30 HIGH TIDE 5:23
Moon sets 11:37 Evening 7:29
Moon rises 11:37 Morning 7:29

April 24, 1905.
Sun rises 6:25 HIGH TIDE 5:23
Moon sets 11:51 Evening 7:02
Moon rises 12:00 Morning 7:02

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Body Tied to Tree; Knife Blade in Heart

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HUNTINGTON, W. VA., April 22.—Round hand and foot tied to a tree, the body of a well dressed man was found to-day near Big Ugly, with a knife blade thrust through the heart. His throat had been cut from ear to ear, and it is believed that he was murdered before he was tied to the tree. Pinned to the coat of the man was a piece of paper bearing the inscription: "You will bother us no more." The body has not been identified.

290 WANT HELP TO-DAY.
The 290 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 10 are as follows:
98 Trados. 65 Domestic.
38 Miscellaneous. 40 Salesmen.
30 Agents. 19 Officer.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

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His Skull Crushed in an Encounter

(By Associated Press.)
RADFORD, VA., April 22.—J. H. Mahaney, a machinist at the Pipe Works, had his skull crushed with a piece of iron from this afternoon by J. M. Houchins, yard foreman. His injuries are very serious, and may prove fatal.

The difficulty is said to have grown out of a statement made by Houchins to the effect that Mahaney had misappropriated funds collected by subscription for a poor woman. Mahaney resented the false accusation, and a fight ensued.

Dr. W. A. Wilson, assisted by Dr. J. S. Smith, removed pieces of bone from the brain of the injured man about 7 o'clock this evening, and the physicians are still with him.

Mahaney is a young married man with two children. He is a brother-in-law of Henry McWane, of Lynchburg, formerly general manager of the Pipe Works.

Martin Makes Great Speech

Vigorously Defends Himself Against Governor's Attacks.

Keenly Sarcastic in His References

Is Gracefully Introduced by President Leigh, of Chamber of Commerce and Is Warmly Received—Closely Reviews His Career in the Senate.

United States Senator Thomas S. Martin, a candidate for renomination in the Democratic primary for a third term in the Senate, made the first speech of his campaign in Richmond at the Academy of Music last night to a flattering audience, and one that demonstrated its sympathy and approval of his utterances at frequent intervals by applause that was often prolonged and almost universal, and in most cases evidently spontaneous.

The audience filled the entire lower floor of the theatre, the loges and boxes and crowded the balcony. Among the audience were a number of ladies, and the loges and boxes were filled with them. They were among the most enthusiastic listeners to the address of the senator. Senator Martin spoke for about an hour and forty minutes, and when he paused to remark that it was too late to detain his hearers longer, there were cries of "Go on!" "Go on!" from all parts of the house. Among those present were the senator's wife, who, with a bevy of fair friends, occupied seats in one of the lower boxes.

The address of the junior senator was almost wholly devoted to a review of his senatorial career of more than ten years, and an enumeration of his achievements or what he had added in accomplishing during his service in the Senate for this city, the State and for the country and finally for the laboring men of the country. It was a frank statement of facts, for the necessity of enumerating which he apologized to his audience, attributing it to the fact that his record and service as a senator of Virginia had been assailed, and his achievements minimized by detractors and especially by his opponent for the office, for which he was a candidate for reelection.

Didn't Call His Name.

In the course of his review of his stewardship and despite the necessary reference to criticisms of him and his service, the senator did not call the Governor's name, and, twice, did he identify him as "the Governor." It was a frank statement of facts, for the necessity of enumerating which he apologized to his audience, attributing it to the fact that his record and service as a senator of Virginia had been assailed, and his achievements minimized by detractors and especially by his opponent for the office, for which he was a candidate for reelection.

Those on the Stage.

The Academy was well filled when at 8:30 the curtain rose on a stage on which sat Mr. James Caskie, who called the meeting to order; Mr. Egbert G. Leigh, who presided and presented the speaker; the Rev. Dr. Henry R. Martin, himself a striking figure, and about 100 citizens, including the following well known gentlemen:

Major Clay Drewry, Messrs. L. Z. Morris, H. B. Farris, Daniel John B. Purcell, H. L. Cabell, Charles W. Peyton, Thomas Byrnes, James N. Boyd, W. E. Cutsaw, Dr. George Ben Johnston, F. C. Ebel, John S. Elliott, Sam Cohen, Fritz Bitterling, R. A. Dunlop, Charles E. Solting, Robert H. Massey, Henry B. Glover, H. R. Pollard, Jr., J. B. Mosby, Joseph Wallerstein, Fred E. Nolting, William H. Graham, W. H. Lacy, Joseph Porth, W. Otto Nolting, J. D. Patton, M. B. Rosenbaum, James J. Creamer, E. F. Woodward, D. D. McIntire, Eugene C. Massie, S. W. Tompkins, S. Dabney Crossenaw, W. O. Skelton, D. Wiley Anderson, W. S. Gunn, F. I. Starke, W. H. Curtis, Langhorne Pulney, J. Scott Parrish, T. Kirk Parrish, Henry R. Miller, F. F. Lewis, M. G. Gilliam, M. A. Chaney, S. B. R. Eldridge, Lewis D. Aylett, John P. Leary, M. J. O'Donnell, H. St. John Coniter, John A. Curtis, Robert Whittey, Jr., F. A. Saunders, W. H. Gubart, Corbin Warwick, Charles M. Forrell, F. J. Fitzpatrick, A. S. Briggs, A. G. Harman, W. L. White, William H. Sands, Otto Keam, H. M. Smith, Jr., Charles F. Taylor, T. M. Perkins, Luks Harvey, Thomas W. Lamb, Thomas A. Peyton, James J. S. Moore, George W. Brown, Kent Rawley, James A. Duffy, G. J. Hunt, H. A. Atkinson, W. A. J. Kelly, Julian T. Wright, John C. Hagan, Thomas C. Gordon and John P. Massey.

After the opening remarks, Mr. James Caskie, a well known member of the Richmond bar, called the meeting to order, and briefly but gracefully presented Mr. Egbert G. Leigh, Jr., as the presiding officer of the evening.

Mr. Leigh's Speech.

Mr. Leigh in a brief speech introduced Senator Martin to this representative Richmond audience. His commendation of the senator and his statement that the figures the senator had caused to be written in congressional appropriation bills rather than the figures of speech in

Men Perished in Pairs, Second Pair in Trying to Rescue the First.

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURGH, PA., April 22.—Four men were asphyxiated and two seriously overcome by gas to-day at the Edgar Thomson blast furnaces in Bradnock. They were working in a brick tunnel fifteen to twenty feet square and about twenty feet under ground connecting furnaces "C" and "D." The men perished in pairs, the second pair dying in trying to rescue the first.

The men were repairing a gas main in the furnace yards between the two furnaces and had gone down in the tunnel to investigate a small leak. Henry Meredith and Isaac Woerner went down first, descent being by means of a ladder. When they did not come out, Frank Kilgour went into the tunnel and was later followed by Fred Knox, but the small leak at which the men were working seems to have become larger and all four were asphyxiated.

Not hearing from the men, two other men then went down, and they were also partially overcome, but managed to reach the opening in time to save their lives.

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