CRISIS IS REACHED IN WAR SITUATION

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Their entire staff of 241 nurses were all engaged. In the same way every hospital, nursing home, theatres and hotels are also feeling the effects of the epidemic, and there is a general falling off in the receipts at the House of Commons restaurant. Never have there been more members suffering from severe colds or influenza. Apologies for non-attendance arrive every morning, and more than seventy members of the House are on the sick list. The influenza epidemic is not as severe as in other seasons, but it is vastly more extensive. Its origin is ascribed again to Russia, where its prevalence, especially at St. Petersburg, is described as paralyzing among all classes. Berlin is suffering severely from the plague, but Paris is almost exempt. It is estimated that almost one-eighth of the population of London has been stricken. The attacks are accompanied with the usual symptoms, which last about a week. The most frequent sequel in bad cases is pneumonia. Queen Alexandra is still suffering from cold; so is the Princess Victoria, and for that reason no entertainments have been as yet given to the Russian Empress Marie. The royal ladies are spending the days together in privacy in their apartments.

Lady Granard was one of the few hostesses of the week. She gave a charming dinner at her beautiful home. The table decorations were scarlet tulips. Only Americans were present. The guests included Ambassador and Mrs. Reid, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burns. Lady Granard was also a much observed guest at Mrs. Lewis Harcourt's second Thursday reception, where others were Mrs. Cornwallis West, Mrs. Ronalds, Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Gibbons.

At Mrs. Asquith's dinner on Friday several American women with their husbands, who are members of Parliament, were present. Among these were Lady Channing, Mrs. Harcourt, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Robertson.

Small dinners were also given during the week by Mrs. Ridgley Carter, the wife of the secretary of the American embassy, and Mrs. Hamilton McCormick. The guests were all English.

Mrs. Frederick Sherman, one of the well-known Americans in Paris, has been spending a few days in London trying to find a house for the season. She will bring out her daughter, who has already been presented.

POPE IS AGAIN ILL

All Audiences Stopped, and His Holiness Remains in Bed.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

ROME, March 13.—The Pope is again ill, and all audiences have been stopped. The physicians insist that the holy father shall remain in bed, and it is not likely that any audiences will be granted until a complete recovery is reported. The inauguration of the new picture gallery, which was fixed for March 18, has been postponed. Many Americans, including one pilgrimage of thirty, have just arrived. Most of them had arranged for audiences, but will be disappointed.

Dr. Petacci persists in the statement that His Holiness is only suffering from a cold. It is likely, however, that the Pope is suffering from bronchitis, coupled with a recurrence of the gout.

DRIFTING WHERE?

Goldwin Smith Writes Letter on Reform of the House of Lords.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

LONDON, March 13.—Goldwin Smith writes a trenchant letter to the Spectator anent the proposed reform of the House of Lords. He says in part: "The hereditary principle as a foundation for legislation and government is surely dead. The relic of it in the succession to the crown is merely formal. The action of hereditary privilege as a survival has naturally and inevitably been an obstruction of progress, which probably in the end increased the violence of the movement, and in one memorable case, that of the reform bill, almost chafed it into revolution. Boswell thought he could trust the Lords to veto negro emancipation. The Lords saved the integrity of the United Kingdom by throwing out Gladstone's dismemberment bill, but that measure must have been thrown out by the Commons if they had not known that it was sure to be thrown out by the Lords.

"It is proposed to follow the advice of Campbell-Bannerman and leave the Lords as they are, but to reduce their power to a temporary veto, which would make the House really what a radical member called it, 'the laughing-stock of Europe.' Is this genuine statesmanship or political passion? The situation is evidently serious.

"There seems to be coming a struggle not so much between organized parties as between two elements in the nation, that which is more or less revolutionary and that which recoils from revolution. Tariff reformers—that is, protectionists who assume the name to hide their blushes—seem determined to repel all free traders from the section of moderation and drive them to the revolutionary side. It seems difficult to tell whither you are going; back, apparently, to the vomit of protection, the votaries of which appear to be cultivating the spirit of international enmity and war as a natural ally of their polity. People, it seems there still are, who can be made to believe that they can raise prices by protection without making goods dearer to themselves. May Heaven send you a leader. Putting together the political agitation, the social agitation and the disturbance of religious belief, it seems that you may presently have need of wise and powerful leadership. I have been looking over the list of the privy council, and am thinking that it contains the elements of good in the upper House."

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The blood is rightly called the vital fluid, because without it life is not possible.

In an adult the blood averages eighteen pounds or fully one-eighth of the entire weight.

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There are both red and white corpuscles, the red ones greatly outnumbering the white.

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There are millions of white blood corpuscles, which protect the red blood corpuscles and bodily tissues from disease germs, to which you are more exposed at this season than at any other.

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It is the medicine that purifies and enriches the blood and makes it normal in red and white corpuscles and all other constituents.

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"My little boy was vaccinated last fall, and it was spring before his arm healed. The arm was broken out nearly all around, and every scratch he got became a running sore and refused to heal. He was very nervous and irritable, had no appetite or energy. We tried various remedies without success, then gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla, and he now seems to be entirely well." Mrs. A. M. Stevens, Orfordville, N. H.

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SPECTACULAR SUICIDE

Young Parisian Invited Friends to Supper and Gave Them a Thrill

PARIS, March 13.—Fernand Ravenez, a wealthy young Parisian, committed suicide at Monte Carlo last night under sensational circumstances. The young man gave a supper to a number of his friends, at which the pleasure was fast and furious. Several times during the evening Ravenez cried: "This is nothing; a big surprise is awaiting you at the end."

At dawn, when the party were separating, Ravenez shouted, "Now for the great surprise." At the same time he arose abruptly and walked toward the gypsy orchestra which was playing a Hungarian rhapsody. His friends expected a practical joke, watched him expectantly. They were stupefied to see him suddenly place a pistol at his temple and fire. He fell dead. The only reason for this act is described as "sheer boredom."

Ravenez was only 20 years old and he had been a familiar figure on the Paris boulevards, where his liking for vivid clothing attracted attention. Three years ago the young man figured in a sensational duel. He challenged a professional swordsman as a result of a cafe quarrel, but the swordsman refused to fight on the ground that Ravenez had not yet reached his majority.

Undaunted, Ravenez issued a challenge dated the day he was 18 years old, and he devoted the intervening time to rigorous training. When finally he did meet his adversary on the field the contest was of the fiercest character and it ended by Ravenez plunging his sword eight inches into his opponent's body.

TRIAL COMMENCES

American Mine Promoter Is Charged with Swindling in France.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

PARIS, March 13.—Charles Wood Gammon, an American, who says he is a native of Sacramento, Cal., was placed on trial to-day on charges of swindling in connection with the American Exploration Company, of which he was manager. The company was incorporated in New Jersey in 1892. Its head office is in San Francisco, and it has branch offices in Paris, Lille, Poitiers and Nice, and also in London and Berlin. It floated the Eclipse, Lafiesla, Markham and Kanaka gold mining companies, to the stock of which over $100,000 is said to have been secured in France alone.

The arrest of Gammon, which was made in June, 1907, was in consequence of formal charges of obtaining money by false pretenses preferred by Professor Schoune of the University of Aix, who stated that he had been swindled out of $18,000 and by Y. Skander, representative of shareholders who had lost $30,000. The defense maintains that the money the company received was employed in working its mines and in buying concessions.

FOREIGN

TRUE LOVE MATCH

Such Is Wedding of Miss White and Count Scherr-Thoss.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

PARIS, March 13.—The engagement of Miss Muriel White, daughter of United States Ambassador White, and Count Scherr-Thoss, of Silesia, which, as the world has been informed, is the result of a true, old-fashioned love romance, is fortunate in coming at a time when the relations between France and Germany are more friendly than they have been for many years. The wedding will involve the presence in Paris of German officers, who are certain to wear their brilliant uniforms at a series of receptions, dinners and balls, which the American ambassador is elaborating on a grand scale, even if, according to American customs, he wears civilian garb for the performance. The point is that it will be a rather unusual thing to see a German army uniform on the streets of Paris.

Some people think there are chances of a demonstration over this point, and one rather amusing precaution is to be taken. The maire or mayor, has been requested to submit a copy of the little speech which he customarily addresses to married couples to the foreign office for revision. The precedent of the wedding of the daughter of General Horace Porter, the American ambassador some years ago, will not apply, as she married a Frenchman, and the maire was able to dwell on the happy union of people of sister republics.

Henry Russell will sail for home tomorrow on the Amerika. He says his Boston opera house will open in the autumn, with the house practically sold out for the season without any of the usual preliminary announcements in regard to the artists engaged and the promised productions. Mr. Russell says that he found that the management of the Paris opera house blamed the present financial difficulties of opera magnates in the United States on the payment of inflated salaries.

CABINET SLANDERS

Reckless Newspapers in England Publish Many Annoying Stories.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

LONDON, March 13.—It is impossible to ignore altogether the series of gross personal slanders connected with the names of certain members of the British Cabinet which have filled both the political and social world for weeks past. The Hon. David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, twice sought vindication in the courts when reckless newspapers published ill-disguised allusions to himself. In each case the newspaper proprietors made abject apologies, and paid considerable sums to charities of the chancellor's designation.

These developments instead of checking gossip serve to increase it and make it more circumstantial. One reason for this is the feature of the English libel law, which makes the truth of such allegations no defense for their publication. Mr. Lloyd-George must realize that this stringent provision works to the disadvantage of a man seeking vindication, because every traducer he prosecutes has no resource but to throw up his hands. Other scandals which are not likely to get into print poison the air, and altogether the life of the present government is not a happy one.

ACTORS ADRIFT

Marie Dressler and Company Have Ill-Fated Venture in London.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

LONDON, March 13.—It is a great pity for the sake of the reputation of the American theatrical world that Marie Dressler should have embarked on her ill-fated theatrical venture in London. She undertook an elaborate, expensive production, leaving it to the choice of more than doubtful success whether she would be able to pay the ordinary bills, including salaries of the company.

It must be assumed that this was the case, for it would be cruel to suggest that she would turn loose sixty members of her cast with one week's pay after they had rehearsed several weeks without remuneration. If she had the money to pay them, why do these things? They do not happen any longer in London theatres, and it is most unfortunate that an American should even unwillingly play such a role.

DAY IS SAVED

Pope Issues Decree Allowing St Patrick Banquet on Wednesday.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

LONDON, March 13.—The Pope has rescued the organizers of the annual St. Patrick's Day banquet at the Hotel Cecil from an extraordinary plight. In fixing the date they overlooked the fact that it fell on Wednesday, which in Lent is a fasting day. The organizers decided to get a papal dispensation, which was readily granted, but the banqueters will have to shun fish, because while the dispensation allows the consumption of meat on Wednesday night it forbids the eating of meat and fish at the same time.

The London Catholics must be strangers to the rule of the church the world over. The eating of fish and flesh at any one meal during Lent, even on Sunday, is absolutely prohibited by the church.

RUSSIA STEPS IN

Persian Situation Causes Her to Send Cossacks to Teheran.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 13.—The situation in Persia again is attracting attention in St. Petersburg. The government is sending a division of Cossacks to Teheran and it has ordered the consuls at Resht and Astrabad to summon Caspian warships in the event of outbreaks threatening the interests of Russia.

The Nova Vremya to-day publishes a Teheran despatch saying the situation is critical that an insurrection is imminent and that only a strong military detachment can prevent the sacking of Teheran. It is significant that the viceroy of the Caucasus has just reviewed the Russian troops at Baku, which would be the natural base of departure for an expedition into Persia.

ENDS SUDDENLY

Strike of Parisian Telegraph Operators Was of Short Duration.

PARIS, March 13.—A strike of telegraph operators in this city ended late this afternoon as suddenly as it began. The operators yielded before the energetic attitude of the government, which threatened instant dismissal unless work was resumed, with the loss of state servant privileges. To-night the service was normal.

For several hours to-day the city was cut off from telegraphic communication with the outside world, a general strike occurring following a quarrel between a sub-chief and the men. The government lost no time in placing guards in the various stations and and in issuing an ultimatum, which immediately brought a large majority of the telegraphers back to their keys.

MME. STEINHEIL HELD

Examining Magistrate Says Evidence Sufficient to Justify Trial.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

PARIS, March 13.—The preliminary investigation into the charges against Mme. Steinheil, accused of having murdered her husband, Adolph E. Steinheil, a painter, and her stepmother, Mme. Japy, was concluded to-day. The examining magistrate, M. Andre, informed the woman that the evidence against her was sufficient to warrant the formal accusation of premeditated murder. She will probably be tried for her life in the Assize Court, not as an accomplice, but as the principal.

HILL IN CONTROL

Gets Majority Stock in Crow's Nest Pass Coal and Railway Company.

TORONTO, ONT., March 13.—At the annual meeting of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal and Railway Company to-day, it was announced that James J. Hill had secured control of the road. It was said that Hill was able to obtain his control through the sale to him by Sir Henry Pelletc of a large block of stock. Details of the transaction are withheld.

SEISMOGRAPHS WORK

Those in Manila Yesterday Recorded a Number of Disturbances.

MANILA, March 13.—Local seismographs continuously from 7:26 to 9:40 o'clock this morning. It was estimated that the region of the disturbance was ten thousand kilometres distant.

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PISTOL PRACTICE TURNED TO USE?

That Is Question Detectives Seek to Solve in Kinrade Mystery.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., March 13.—Was Florence Kinrade, known to Portsmouth theatre-goers as Mildred Dale, accustomed to the use of firearms while she was in this city? This is the question that newspaper men and detectives have journeyed from Canada to Virginia to find the answer to.

The case of the young woman, who is the principal witness in the inquest now being held at Hamilton, Ontario, in an attempt to fix officially the cause of death of her sister, is of great interest in this city, where Miss Kinrade sang at the Orpheum Theatre in the spring and fall of last year. While here she made many friends.

Her Virginia acquaintances have been fearful that suspicion pointed to her in the case of her sister, and the line of inquiry being pursued by the detectives who are now in this section shows that there is to be an attempt on the part of the Canadian authorities to connect the pretty actress directly with the crime.

The most minute inquiries have been made regarding the alleged pistol practice, target shooting and sport afield indulged in by the young lady while here. In addition to this, her familiarity with the weapons she used in one or two parts she took in melodramas she played here. Those who saw her play these parts say she handled revolvers fearlessly. Correspondents of Canadian papers who are here say that all the plumbing in the Kinrade home is being pulled out and the walls themselves are being investigated in an effort to find the weapon with which the killing was done.

Bankrupt Notices.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:

In the matter of GEORGE GIANNOIS, Bankrupt. } No. 814. In Bankruptcy.

ORDER OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE.

On this 12th day of March, A. D. 1909, on reading the petition for discharge of the bankrupt, it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 24TH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1909, before said court, at Richmond, in said district, at 12 o'clock noon; and that notice thereof be published in The Times-Dispatch, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the court, that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Honorable Edmund Waddill, Jr., Judge of the said court, and the seal thereof, at Richmond, in said district, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1909.

Attest:

JOSEPH P. BRADY, Clerk.
(Seal.)
By R. E. Powers, Deputy Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:

In the matter of EDWARD FINGERHUT, Bankrupt. } No. 828. In Bankruptcy.

ORDER OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE.

On this 12th day of March, A. D. 1909, on reading the petition for discharge of the bankrupt, it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 24TH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1909, before said court, at Richmond, in said district, at 12 o'clock noon; and that notice thereof be published in The Times-Dispatch, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

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Attest:

JOSEPH P. BRADY, Clerk.
(Seal.)
By R. E. Powers, Deputy Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:

In the matter of ELLIS COOPER, Bankrupt. } No. 829. In Bankruptcy.

ORDER OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE.

On this 12th day of March, A. D. 1909, on reading the petition for discharge of the bankrupt, it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 24TH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1909, before said court, at Richmond, in said district, at 12 o'clock noon; and that notice thereof be published in The Times-Dispatch, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

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Attest:

JOSEPH P. BRADY, Clerk.
(Seal.)
By R. E. Powers, Deputy Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:

In the matter of WILLIAM J. MINOR, Bankrupt. } No. 778. In Bankruptcy.

ORDER OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE.

On this 11th day of March, A. D. 1909, on reading the petition for discharge of the bankrupt, it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 24TH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1909, before said court, at Richmond, in said district, at 12 o'clock noon; and that notice thereof be published in The Times-Dispatch, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the court, that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Honorable Edmund Waddill, Jr., Judge of the said court, and the seal thereof, at Richmond, in said district, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1909.

Attest:

JOSEPH P. BRADY, Clerk.
(Seal.)
By R. E. Powers, Deputy Clerk.

No Man is Stronger Than His Stomach

A strong man is strong all over. No man can be strong who is suffering from weak stomach with its consequent indigestion, or from some other disease of the stomach and its associated organs, which impairs digestion and nutrition. For when the stomach is weak or diseased there is a loss of the nutrition contained in food, which is the source of all physical strength. When a man "doesn't feel just right," when he doesn't sleep well, has an uncomfortable feeling in the stomach after eating, is languid, nervous, irritable and despondent, he is losing the nutrition needed to make strength.

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He Is Believed to Be Suspect in Alexandria Murder Case.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 13.—That the police have a clue to the circumstances attending the mysterious death of Walter F. Schultz, the Chicago artist, there is little doubt. They, however, refuse to give out anything for publication, and to-day there was an air of suppression at police headquarters.

Some significance is attached to the arrest of a negro upholsterer named Henry Smith. He was taken in custody to-day and no charge was entered on the blotter opposite his name. The police denied that he was being held in connection with the Schultz case, although it was regarded as significant that orders had been left by Chief Goods, so it was said, that no one be allowed to see the negro.

A protracted consultation regarding the case was held this morning between Chief Goods and Commonwealth Attorney Samuel G. Brent. While it was admitted that they conferred regarding the case, nothing definite could be obtained.

First Real Clue.

The first real clue was obtained indirectly this morning, when the police received word that a colored woman had remarked that a strange negro lodged at her home Saturday night, and left the following morning, paying her $4 for his lodging. It is alleged that he said he had to make his get-away easy as he had killed a white man. The name of the woman was not divulged by the police.

The police, however, soon got busy, and had many conferences with the woman, the outcome of which is withheld. At police headquarters it was first denied that there was anything to this statement. It is well known, however, that the officers are making a thorough investigation, and all during the day have been in conference with the woman, together with other negro women, from whom the information was secured. The police have also searched a number of saloons on the outskirts of the city, and especially in that vicinity, for the purpose of obtaining some new clue.

Robert Smith, a negro, twenty-nine years old, who first discovered Schultz's body, in company with Richard Wiles, was fined $5 in the Police Court today on a charge of assaulting a negro woman. That the assault was committed Tuesday last and he was arrested only yesterday, notwithstanding that he has been, it is said, in the city all the time since, is regarded as peculiar and this would seem to indicate that the police primarily arrested him, believing he could shed some light on the case. It is said that the police have also searched Smith's house in hope of securing some evidence in the case. Chief Goods admitted having questioned Robert Smith regarding the murder, but secured nothing new further than his statement as to how he found the body. At any rate, Smith will spend the next twenty days in the city jail because he did not pay his fine, and this will give the police an opportunity to have him under their hands without going to further trouble.

LIFE GUARDS.

The Life Guards are two regiments of cavalry forming part of the British household troops. They are gallant soldiers, and every loyal British heart is proud of them. Not only the King's household, but yours, ours, everybody's, should have its life guards. The need of them is especially great when the greatest foes of life, diseases, find allies in the very elements, as colds, influenza, catarrh, the grip and pneumonia do in the stormy month of March. The best way that we know of to guard against these diseases is to strengthen the system with Hood's Sarsaparilla—the greatest of all life guards. It removes the conditions in which these diseases make their most successful attack, gives vigor and tone to all the vital organs and functions, and imparts a genial warmth to the blood. Remember, the weaker the system, the greater the exposure to disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the system strong.

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