

VLADIVOSTOK IS FULLY INVESTED

LINEVITCH SENDS A DOLEFUL DISPATCH

TROOPS MUCH DISAFFECTED

Declares That if Sent Home in Their Present Frame of Mind He Will Not Answer for Consequences

Special Cable to The Herald.
LONDON, July 15.—A news agency dispatch from St. Petersburg says the latest dispatches from General Linevitch, commander in chief in Manchuria, reports that the Japanese completely invest Vladivostok. Disaffection continues to spread among the Russian troops, it would be folly to send them home while they are in their present frame of mind, and he would not answer for the consequences if an early peace were declared.

NOT PEACE AT ANY PRICE

Press Declares Czar Will Not Sanction Ignominious Terms

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 15.—The Soviet, which some times interprets the views of the military party, today indignantly rejects the interpretation put upon M. Witte's appointment abroad, namely, that it is equal to the acceptance of any peace terms Japan may choose to offer except the leveling of the fortifications of Vladivostok. The paper calls attention to Emperor Nicholas' marginal notes on various addresses, expressing his determination to continue war, and it especially refers to his telegram to Lieutenant General Linevitch, June 14, which the commander in chief read to the army and which has just been published here.

In this the emperor pledged himself to do everything possible to lighten the heavy task of the army, and expressed confidence that all obstacles would finally be overcome and that the war would end happily for the Russian army. This is adduced as proof that the emperor has no intention to make peace at any price. As further evidence the Soviet draws attention to the unusual wording of the note attached to the official announcement of M. Witte's appointment, which runs as follows: "Being intimately acquainted with the situation, M. Witte will undoubtedly be equal to the high and important mission with which the emperor has graciously charged him and know how to protect the interests of Russia."

The Slovo thinks that the desire of the powers, especially of Great Britain, in view of Emperor William's attitude toward France, to see Russia rehabilitated in order to preserve the balance of power in Europe should become a strong diplomatic weapon in the hands of the Russian plenipotentiaries for the restoration policy of the status quo ante bellum.

Witte Clothed With Full Power

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 15.—M. Witte had another long audience of Emperor Nicholas today. Investigation in authoritative quarters enables the Associated Press to positively announce that the reports which reached here last night to the effect that M. Witte might not go to Washington were incorrect. M. Witte's instructions, it can also be stated authoritatively, name him as first plenipotentiary and clothe him with plenary powers. The instructions are couched in general terms.

Will Assist Plenipotentiaries

By Associated Press.

SHANGHAI, July 15.—M. Pokotloff, Russian minister to China, left today for Vancouver on the steamer Empress of China. He is on his way to Washington to attend the peace conference, having been appointed by the Russian government to assist the plenipotentiaries.

Plenipotentiaries Engage Passage

By Associated Press.

PARIS, July 15.—The North German Lloyd company has received a dispatch finally engaging passage on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse sailing from Cherbourg, July 26, for the following list of Russian plenipotentiaries and their party:

M. Witte, chief plenipotentiary; Prof. De Martens, professor of international law at the University of St. Petersburg; M. Shipoff, director of the treasury department; Major General Yermoleff, military attaché at London; M. Samoiloff, of the Russian foreign office; M. Plancon, formerly Russian chargé de affaires at Peking; M. Korotovitch, formerly secretary of the Russian legation at Peking, of the foreign office.

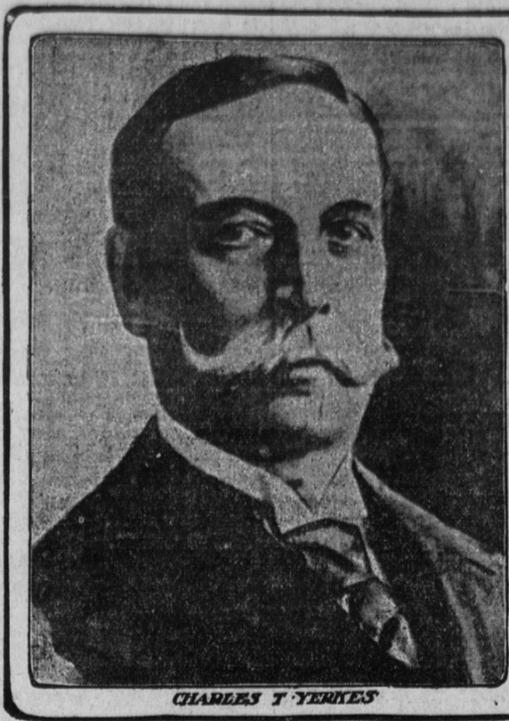
WELCOME CHINESE ACTION

Russia Would Gladly See Her Assert Herself Positively

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 16.—China's possible role in the Russo-Japanese peace negotiations is attracting more attention. The foreign office intimates that China's notification that, unless assent was previously given to her to send a representative to the peace conference (Continued on Page Two)

STREET RAILWAY MAGNATE IS ILL



CHARLES T. YERKES

C. T. YERKES IS ILL IN LONDON

FRENCH SPECIALIST CALLED FROM PARIS

MAGNATE IN NEED OF REST

A Short Time Ago His Condition Was Very Serious, but Hopes Are Now Entertained for His Recovery

Special Cable to The Herald.

LONDON, July 15.—The condition of Charles T. Yerkes, the Chicago and London street railway magnate and multi-millionaire, today is reported much improved, but there is reason to believe that he is still rather seriously ill. His official spokesmen continue to state that his trouble is slight and that he will resume work in a few days. They say he is really able to attend to business now, but remains in his room out of deference to the precautions of his physicians. Nevertheless, inquiry among those acquainted with the facts indicates that Yerkes has been alarmingly ill and is yet far from well; that it is not thought safe to risk a journey into the country. The hope is expressed that if the improvement continues by the end of next week the patient may venture to leave London.

Dr. Russell Wells, the first physician called, was in attendance two weeks ago. Shortly afterward Dr. Wells called in consultation two other English physicians and they decided to ask a leading French specialist to come over from Paris. The specialist said Yerkes needed absolute rest for a month.

FREIGHT ENGINE BOILER EXPLODES NEAR KINGMAN

Engineer and Fireman Are Instantly Killed, Their Bodies Being Badly Scalded and Mangled

Special to The Herald.

KINGMAN, ARIZ., July 15.—This morning, at 4:30, the boiler of one of the big freight engines blew up seven miles south of this place, instantly killing Engineer E. H. Copeland and Fireman C. B. Bryant, the bodies being terribly mangled and scalded. The engine was pulling thirty cars of fruit and had just made Hancock hill when the explosion came. It is thought that the sudden shutting off of the steam from the cylinder brought undue pressure on the boiler, causing the crown sheet to collapse. The boiler was torn from its frame and hurled several hundred feet through the air, the framework not being injured. Engineer Copeland was recently married and his wife lives in Needles. Fireman Bryant was a single man.

SUNKEN FRENCH SUBMARINE IS AT LAST FLOATED

BIZERTE, Tunisia, July 15.—The submarine boat Farfadet, which sunk at the entrance of the port of Sidi Abdallah July 6, was towed into drydock today after ten days' incessant efforts to raise her.

FORMER SPEAKER SERIOUSLY SICK



DAVID B. HENDERSON

Reported as Suffering From Paralysis Three Weeks Ago

By Associated Press.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, July 15.—Col. David B. Henderson, former speaker of the house of representatives, is suffering from paralysis, according to an announcement made by his physician today.

Three weeks ago Col. Henderson sustained a stroke of paralysis, affecting the right arm and leg. He has since recovered to some extent the use of these members. He is able to raise his arm to his head and, with assistance, can walk across his room, but his condition is considered serious by his physicians.

SERIOUS CHARGES MADE AGAINST RAILWAY MAN



E. H. HARRIMAN

HARRIMAN IS ACCUSED

Said to Be Back of Equitable Graft

New Yorkers Clamor for Investigation

Testimony as Published Gives Away Secret

Railway Man Charged With Being Responsible for the Many Attempts to Thwart the Ends of Justice

Special to The Herald.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Can Edward H. Harriman dominate the Empire state?

This is the cry that echoes throughout the commonwealth today on the heels of a public uprising that clamors at the doors of the legislature for an investigation into the scandalous graft in the Equitable Life Assurance society that plundered widows and orphans of \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 within three years.

Hidden secrets far more noisome than the disclosures in the Frick and Hendricks reports are creeping out through the publication of the transcript of the evidence taken during the last inquiry show that the revelations so far have been but a scratch on the surface.

The trail leads to the millionaire railway magnate and the fact that it has been abandoned has plunged the state into an uproar.

Petition on petition, supported by requests from the state assembly for an investigating commission have fallen vainly on the ears of Governor Higgins.

Investigations Blocked

District Attorney Jerome has been thwarted in his attempt to secure the transcript that would enable him to take the scandals to the grand jury. So far the entire movement has been blocked—even as the researches of the Frick and the Hendricks investigations were blocked—by the mighty leverage moneyed interests exert socially and politically.

On the very verge of a sensational disclosure in the episode of the "Union Pacific preferred deal," which threatened to drag Harriman and his coterie before the public and perhaps into the (Continued on Page Two)

PRES. BERT TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE BECAUSE OF ILL HEALTH

IS DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED

President of the Pacific Coast Baseball League Shoots Himself at His Home in San Francisco

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15.—The mystery surrounding the shooting of former ex-Senator Eugene F. Bert, president of the Pacific Coast Baseball league, politician and lawyer, at his home in this city this morning has been cleared up by the statement of R. J. Clunie, an attorney and old friend of Bert. Clunie tonight stated to the police that Bert shot himself in an attempt to commit suicide, which was prompted by prolonged ill health. Bert is in a precarious condition tonight, but hopes are entertained that he will recover.

OFFERS PORTLAND THE GOTHENBURG SYSTEM

Gustaf Swenson Asks to Conduct the Retail Liquor Business for City

By Associated Press.

PORTLAND, July 15.—Gustaf Swenson of this city has presented a petition to Mayor Lane asking the exclusive right to sell intoxicating liquors at retail in Portland, with the understanding that he will pay the city as much revenue as it now realizes from that source for the privilege. The petitioner agrees if his prayer is heard to enforce to the letter all municipal ordinances for the control of saloons. The plan of Swenson is patterned after the Gothenburg system in operation in Sweden. Swenson's petition will be acted upon by the council and in the event of a refusal of the council to act favorably upon the petition the question may be submitted to the people through the initiative and referendum.

MASKED HIGHWAYMEN HOLD UP PAYMASTER

Relieve Him of \$5000, but Money Is Recovered and Robber Killed Five Minutes Later

By Associated Press.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 15.—L. D. Burr, paymaster of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron company, was held up by two masked highwaymen this afternoon on the railroad between Littleton and Flat Top and relieved of \$5000, which was to be used in paying off the men. Less than five minutes afterward Detective George Bodecker, Policeman Joseph Nix and Charles Packard had shot and killed one of the highwaymen and recovered the money. The other robber escaped.

THREE MEN ARE KILLED IN A KENTUCKY FEUD

By Associated Press.

LEE CITY, Ky., July 15.—Three men were killed on Holly creek near here today as the result, it is believed, of a feud of long standing. The dead are: Frank Smith, 60, and his two sons, William and Manfred, aged respectively 20 and 21. Scott Quinn is said to have admitted killing all three.

FIDDLE WHILE RUSSIA BURNS

EUROPE BALKS AT CONDUCT OF GRAND DUKES

RIOT IN MIDNIGHT ORGIES

Thirty-Three of Them Are Now Holidaying in Foreign Countries, Carrying Twenty Thousand Servants With Them

Special Cable to The Herald.

BERLIN, July 15.—Grand Duke Alexis, the czar's uncle and lord high admiral of the Russian fleet, with eighteen personal attendants and more than 700 packages of baggage, carried off millions to Paris to squander on Mlle. Cavalleri, the dancer.

Another grand duke who has been traveling of late is Boris. A common incident of Boris' nightly orgies is champagne drinking from shoes. About a week ago in Berlin, with some boon companions, one of three women from a well known vaudeville was voted queen of the feast and obliged forthwith to yield her shoes as vessels to convey champagne to the lips of the imperial roysterers.

Grand Duke Cyril is in Coburg, the attraction there for him being the Grand Duchess of Hesse. Boris, Cyril and their mother, the Grand Duchess of Vladimir, have an income of about \$15,000,000. Thirty-three Russian grand dukes who own 250 castles and palaces in Russia, are now abroad, carrying in their train twenty thousand servants.

FRIENDS THINK MRS. JOY NOT FAR FROM LOS ANGELES

Developments yesterday in the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Mrs. Charles F. Joy on July 4, followed by the disappearance Friday of her friend, Mrs. Alexander J. McIvor-Tyndall, and later by the vanishing of Mr. Joy, were of an unsatisfactory nature.

General belief credits the mysterious trio with a residence in temporary exile near to Los Angeles and the disappearance of the principals in the serio-comedy now being enacted before an audience which extends from Washington, D. C., to Pasadena, excites public interest more through lack of explanation than otherwise.

FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE McFARLAND DEAD

ST. PAUL, July 15.—Ex-Secretary of State McFarland of Iowa died suddenly tonight in a private car in the St. Paul station. Apoplexy is supposed to be the cause of his death.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PEOPLE IN NEW YORK

Special to The Herald.

NEW YORK, July 15.—The following Southern Californians were registered at the leading hotels here during the week: From Los Angeles: C. H. Gillis, R. E. Musey, J. P. Spalding, S. Hecht, V. E. Hecht, A. Solana, C. Sutherland, J. A. Lippmann, B. F. Silverwood, J. Carlisle, F. P. Corson, C. H. Crawford, E. S. Butterworth, J. A. Keene, G. Latimer, G. Hottenhoff, Jr., and E. Smith. From Pasadena: C. R. Burger and F. M. Sweeney. From San Diego: A. C. Ferris.

VICTIMS OF HEAT GROW IN NUMBER

NEW YORK DEATH LIST STILL INCREASING

DESPITE BETER CONDITIONS

Temperature Was Somewhat Lower, but Constitutions, Weakened by Previous Trials, Showed Less Resistance Power

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Despite the slightly lower temperature and a brisk northwest breeze, the deaths from heat today reached the highest number of the summer, there being twenty-two victims. This is accounted for by the fact that the humidity of last week had weakened the constitution of many persons who have now finally succumbed. Fatalities were confined largely to infants and persons of advanced age.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT COLUMBIA, NEVADA

Conflagration at Camp Near Goldfield Causes Loss of One Hundred Thousand Dollars

By Associated Press.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., July 15.—A tremendous explosion of gasoline followed at intervals by two more of great volume marked the greatest fire that Columbia, situated a half mile from Goldfield, has ever seen. The loss will approximate \$100,000 and an entire block has been destroyed. Great clouds of black smoke marked the burning stores as can after can of gasoline exploded. The principal buildings burned were a branch of Nye & Ormsby company's bank; Lohrop Davis, mercantile store; Jarvis & Colburn's expensive building; the great store of the Aubury Parfet company. One block has been cut directly out of the north side of Main street and is burned flat to the ground.

FALL OF LARGE BUILDING CRUSHES OUT FOUR LIVES

Gale in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Results in Fall of Three Houses and Many Injuries

By Associated Press.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, July 15.—A large four-story building in course of erection here was blown down early today by a gale and in falling crushed two adjoining houses. Four were killed and upward of a dozen injured. In one house were ten occupants and in the other six. The dead are: H. W. HILE, W. STEINHOFF, Two unknown women. Much damage also was done by the gale in the outskirts of the city.

WIFE OF POET STEADMAN EXPIRES AT BRONXVILLE

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Laura Hyde Wentworth Steadman, wife of Edmund Clarence Steadman, the banker poet, died today of heart disease at the villa of the family at Bronxville. Mrs. Steadman, who was about 70 years of age, had been ill for nearly a year. Mr. and Mrs. Steadman had been married for more than fifty years. They have two sons—Frederick Stuart and Arthur Steadman.

RUSSIA REVOKES AMERICAN GRANT

ANNULS ACTION OF SIBERIAN GOVERNMENT

PROPERTY MUST BE GIVEN UP

Authorities Insist That Concessions and Numerous Industries Now Established Be Turned Over to Russian Company

Special to The Herald.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 15.—The American North Eastern Siberian company purchased thousands of acres of ground on Tschenkotsk peninsula, Siberia, and established commercial stations at Amadyr, Cape Nikolai, gold mines at Alexei bay, coal mines at Kori bay, and fishing stations in Kamtschatka, with the approval of the Siberian government.

The home department now refuses to recognize the concessions granted by the Siberian government, and insists upon the North Eastern Siberian company giving up all its undertakings to a Russian company.

FATALLY BURNED BY EXPLOSION OF COAL OIL

Monrovia Woman Attempts to Light Fire—House Is Entirely Destroyed

By Associated Press.

Mrs. R. J. Roernek of Monrovia was probably fatally burned last evening in an explosion of a coal oil can while she was kindling a fire in the kitchen stove preparatory to cooking the evening meal. Her clothing caught fire and before assistance arrived she was so severely burned that the surgeons at the county hospital, to which institution she was immediately taken, say she cannot recover.

Following the explosion the flames spread throughout the house and were beyond control when neighbors arrived on the scene, the house being destroyed.

FAMOUS BOER GENERAL MARRIED IN ST. LOUIS

By Associated Press.

ST. LOUIS, July 15.—Gen. Benjamin Viljoen, formerly of the Boer army, was married in St. Louis last Wednesday to Mrs. Myrtle Dickerson Lowden of Pittsfield, Ill. General Viljoen met his bride during the world's fair.

THINK ITALIAN CRUISER LIBERIAN MAN-OF-WAR

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Mistaking the swarthy jacksies of the Italian cruiser Dogali, lying at the foot of West Thirty-fourth street, for men of their own race, negroes started a rumor tonight that the cruiser was a Liberian man-of-war commissioned to take colored refugees to Africa. The rumor spread quickly and hundreds of negroes, excited by the riot of last night, swarmed on the pier and were with difficulty held in check by the Italian sentries. The police, hearing that another riot was in progress, hurried to the scene, dispersed the crowd and arrested three colored longshoremen.