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## RUSSIA'S FATE NOW HANGS IN THE BALANCE

### 300,000 to March to Winter Palace Tomorrow—St. Petersburg Under Martial Law.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—Father Gohon, leader of the strikers, says that three hundred thousand strikers will meet on the Winter Palace square Sunday. "We expect his majesty to attend." He said, "If he refuses there will be a terrible uprising. I shall be in front and if they shoot us down, I will be the first to fall."

No More Meetings or Parades. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—The text of the proclamation issued by the prefect of police as a result of disorders by the marching strikers, is as follows: "In consequence of the strike, I issue the warning that neither gatherings nor processions in the streets will be allowed in order to prevent the disturbances. Resort will be had to the legally prescribed energetic measures and as the employment of military force may produce accidents, workmen and private citizens are requested to abstain from public mass meetings."

St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—The special commission under the presidency of Lieut. Gen. Khitoro, commander of the artillery corps of the guards has been appointed to investigate the origin of the firing of Thursday. The commission will work under the supervision of the inspector general of artillery and Grand Duke Sergius. The report published in the United States by a news agency of the suicide of Captain Davidoff, commander of the battery from which the shot supposed to have been fired, is unfounded.

Soldiers Everywhere. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—St. Petersburg is practically under martial law, and the greatest awe and excitement prevail everywhere. The soldiers, it is understood, have orders to shoot at any threatened outbreak, and the military are visible everywhere.

A Crisis at Hand. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—The long expected crisis of the Russian empire is believed to be at hand. With disastrous war abroad, strike, unrest, and attempted assassination at home, the nation is believed to be facing revolution.

The bombardment of the chapel and palace by the royal artillery with grapeshot during a salute at the annual festival of the Epiphany, which by bare inches failed to kill the czar and wipe out the entire assembled Romanoff dynasty, whether it was a dire army plot that had poisoned his trusted personal guards or only a gunner's mistake, is in the awful aftermath looked upon as near to the potential climax.

The great strike here is growing with surprising rapidity. The capital will contain 100,000 strikers this week and the railroad men are considering quitting work.

The socialists are urging the working people to strike now in all lines for constitutional and not economic reforms.

The peasantry is in a fearful state, the unrest increasing in intensity with each reverse of Russian arms in the Orient.

The denial of the Zemstvos reforms has angered the masses. The continuous victories of the Japanese have embittered them against the government.

Open threats are heard on all hands with denunciation of officials for mismanagement of the empire and declarations that the common people are better fitted to rule and should take the reins of power at once.

Terror over the situation has in these few hours possessed even some of the most confident leaders of the dominant reactionist party.

ripe for a stand against the government and are urging a general uprising. Government officials are most frightened by their recent awakening through the strike to what they regard as the dangerous capacity of the working people for organization and concerted action.

Conservative thinkers declare the crisis at hand and a few days may see the empire in the throes of a revolution. They say repression will mean revolution and that even concession by the government may not be able to prevent it.

No Disturbances Today. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—There has been no serious disturbance today, and much anxiety is felt as to the result of the meeting of strikers Sunday. The strikers have received a report that the government intends to arrest their leader, Father Copon.

Urges Gentle Means. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—A committee from the strikers' union has issued instructions that everything be done as quietly as possible, and that no violence be offered the police.

Many Hurt Near Dyersburg, But No Deaths Are Reported. Dyersburg, Tenn., Jan. 21.—A free for all fight occurred this morning among an Italian section gang on the I. C. R. R., near the coal chute here. With pistols and shovels the fight progressed until stopped by Deputy Sheriff Spencer, of Roelton, who happened to be crossing the railroad on the public road.

From accounts no one was struck from the firing, but several heads were seriously cut and bruised with shovels and one man being cut with the edge of a shovel may die. Their wounds are being dressed by physicians. Names cannot be learned or understood, an Italian boy who lives here and speaks English, being used as an interpreter by the physicians.

SMALL MORNING BLAZE. The fire departments were called to the residence of Mr. Joe Lucas, at Fourth and Tennessee streets this morning about 11 o'clock to extinguish a small blaze in the kitchen floor. The range had gotten too hot and set fire to the floor which was burning briskly when the firemen arrived and extinguished the fire. Little damage resulted. The Nos. 2 and 4 departments answered the alarm.

BACK TO THE WOODS. Jones Manning, an aged crippled man, of near Florence Station, who with his two sons have been "doing" the town, returned this morning. They walked in and walked out, having been unsuccessful in making a living here begging. They are destitute and say they can do much better in the county. Since residing here the man had done nothing but beg and was helped by the city, county and a number of private citizens.

INGALLS STATUE RECEIVED. Washington, Jan. 21.—Services in connection with the reception by congress from the state of Kansas of the statue of the late Senator Ingalls were held in the senate and house this afternoon, and a number of appropriate addresses were made.

TO ACQUIRE PANAMA STOCK. Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—In the house today Congressman Hearst introduced a bill directing the president to acquire the stock of the Panama railroad not held by the United States.

300,000 FIRE AT MIDDLESBORO. Middlesboro, Ky., Jan. 21.—The Middlesboro Novelty Wood works and planing mill burned this morning, loss, thirty thousand dollars.

## ALMOST LYNCHED BY AN ANGRY MOB

### Negro Suspected of Brutal Attack on a Woman.

Two Brothers Killed by Neighbors—Wyoming Merchant Butchered For His Money.

### WIFE POISONER IS CONVICTED.

Reno, Neb., Jan. 21.—An attempt to lynch an unknown negro was made here yesterday, the negro being suspected of having made a murderous assault on Mrs. James E. Harper, a prominent woman of Reno who is so seriously injured she cannot recover. Mrs. Harper's assailant broke in to her house and with an ax struck her as she lay in bed with her two children. He then dragged her body into the woodshed and was preparing to sever her head from her body when he was frightened away by the children's cry for help.

A strange negro was arrested and barely escaped lynching by a mob of a thousand people.

Mysterious Murder. Rapid City, S. D., Jan. 21.—News has been received of the mysterious murder of Cain Brothers, two bachelors who lived at Tamarack Mine, 15 miles west of this city. It is known the brothers had trouble with some of their neighbors.

Poisoned His Wife. Leon, Ia., Jan. 21.—Chas. Woodward was convicted of murder in the first degree for poisoning his wife.

A Cowardly Murder. La Ramie, Wyo., Jan. 21.—George Gerber, merchant, was found dead in his store with his skull crushed and his throat cut.

An iron bolt with which he had been struck lay beside the body and the knife with which he had been stabbed was still sticking in the wound. Robbery was the motive.

FIEND CAUGHT. Negro Who Assaulted Lexington Woman Trained by Bloodhounds.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 21.—The negro who assaulted two women, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Wagoner, shot Mr. Wagoner and badly cut and beat up Mrs. Jones, was captured late yesterday, near the city limits, and proved to be James Piersall. He wore wet, bloody shoes, had a bloody pistol, a scratch on his face as if made by a finger nail, was fresh, and his shoes fit the footprints near the houses of the women assaulted. He was identified by both women and to avoid lynching was put aboard a train and rushed to Louisville for safe keeping.

In police court today seven charges were placed against Piersall. Four charges are for robbery, one for criminal assault, and the others for malicious assault and shooting.

DIED OF PNEUMONIA. Leroy Pittman, aged ten years, died this morning at 2 o'clock from pneumonia at his home, 118 Farley Place, after a two weeks' illness. He was a son of Mr. J. E. Pittman and was a bright and popular little fellow. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the house, interment at Mt. Kenton.

CHILD BREAKS SHOULDER. The three-year-old son of Mrs. Hemmer, of near Fourth and Elizabeth streets, fell yesterday afternoon while the mother was away from home and broke its shoulder blade. The injury was dressed by City Physician Robert Rivers.

BRYAN CALLS ON PRESIDENT. Washington, Jan. 21.—William Jennings Bryan called at the White House today to pay his respects to President Roosevelt and while there was joined by ex-Senator Jones, former chairman of the democratic party.

TO FORM A NEW CABINET. Philadelphia, Jan. 21.—Unless some unforeseen hitch halts the negotiations now on, a working agreement will be entered into between the Pennsylvania railroad and its trainmen on the middle division, by which a strike will be avoided, and mutual confidence restored.

Had Been Ill For Several Weeks—Well Known in Paducah, Where He Often Came.

## CAPT. COFLIN DEAD

### WELL-KNOWN RIVER MAN DIES AT COVINGTON.

Hundreds of friends today learned with sorrow of the death at his home in Covington, Ky., of Capt. Sam Coffin, from a complication of diseases, after a several weeks' illness. Capt. Coffin had been critically ill for several days, and his death occurred Wednesday.

He was one of the best known and most popular of the older Ohio river men. He was about 62 years old, had been inspector for the Cincinnati and Louisville underwriters for twenty-five years, and had raised many a sunken steamboat.

He formerly owned the Queen City Ways at Cincinnati, and had also been an active river captain in his day.

He came into considerable notice in Paducah a few months ago when he raised the Chattanooga after all the others said it could not be done.

After that he went to the lower Mississippi to raise a steamer, and became ill, but was subsequently able to come to Paducah and go to Cairo with Capt. Jack McCaffrey to adjust the loss on the Ten Broeck, which burned there.

Capt. Coffin was well-known to all Ohio and Mississippi river men, as well as to hundreds of others. His funeral will take place tomorrow.

## WILL THE LID BE ON?

### The Mayor Iterates His Intention to Revoke Saloon Licenses.

Tomorrow is the first Sunday since the mayor had his picture and ultimatum to the saloonkeepers printed in the paper, that the saloon men will have had a license to do business, and there is a great deal of interest manifested over the city in regard to whether or not the mayor is simply playing to the galleries.

## CRAZY MAN.

### Imagines He Is To Be Hanged—Now in Jail.

John Bell, a man about 28 years old, was arrested this morning by Deputy Sheriffs Potter and Lydon and brought to the city, where he was placed in jail.

## KICKED CAR TOO HARD.

Last night a box car was shoved partially through the local I. C. oil house, located west of the round house. The car stood several yards from the oil house and a switch engine in pushing cars on the scales a short distance away, accidentally struck the box car and it failed to couple, being shoved against the brick building. The draw head went through the wall but the damage is only slight.

## THE STRIKE TO BE AVOIDED.

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TO FORM A NEW CABINET. Paris, Jan. 21.—Maurice Rouvier, former premier and minister of finance in the retiring Combes ministry, has accepted the task of forming a new cabinet.

## HON. JOHN W. YERKES MAY GET JUDGESHIP

### Reported the President is Considering Him for Place.

The Cabinet is Made Up For the Present—High Indorsement of Popular Kentuckians.

### MANY GOOD BERTHS POSSIBLE.

Washington, Jan. 21.—John W. Yerkes, of Kentucky, United States commissioner of internal revenue and republican national committeeman of his state, is now slated for a place on the federal bench. The president this afternoon indicated his purpose to elevate him to a judicial office when Representative Walter P. Brownlow, of Tennessee, called at the White House to present the letters of indorsement from national committeemen of the southern states.

In presenting the letters Mr. Brownlow said to the president that as he understood the situation, there was no vacancy in the cabinet in immediate prospect, and he therefore urged that Mr. Yerkes be appointed a United States judge.

In response the president said it was true that his cabinet had been completed, but he would be pleased to consider the commissioner in connection with a judicial office. He explained that he held Mr. Yerkes in high esteem and regarded him as well qualified for such work.

When Mr. Brownlow left the executive offices it was with the conviction that Mr. Yerkes would be named for a judicial position in the near future. It is impossible now to indicate what place it will be because there is no vacancy available, but when one occurs to which Mr. Yerkes is eligible from a residential standpoint, he will be remembered. The president has power to name him for one of the United States courts in the district of Columbia or for the United States court of claims, or for one of the federal courts whose jurisdiction includes Kentucky.

## FINE ENTRIES

### For the Chicago Poultry Show Made by Paducahans.

Mr. Jones, manager of the Pines Poultry company, left last night for Chicago to attend the annual Poultry show which will be held in Chicago next week.

Mr. Jones shipped fifty-five of his pets to the Windy City to be entered in the show and is confident he will bring back some of the prizes.

The Pines Poultry Co. is owned by Messrs. Jos. L. Friedman and Jno. W. Keller, and is rapidly making a reputation for fine poultry. Mr. Friedman invited some of his friends out Friday to see his entries for the poultry show.

## A DOUBLE CHICAGO TRAGEDY.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Michael Barrett early this morning in a saloon cut the throat of Mrs. Mary Scanlon, wife of a fire department employe, and encountering a policeman as he was fleeing, cut his throat, both dying.

## Stolen Shoes Found.

The two trays of shoe samples stolen at Fulton from the sample trunk of Mr. Hodges, the shoe drummer, a few days ago, were found by the chief of police of Cairo, beside the railroad track between Mound City and Cairo.

## TODAY'S MARKETS

| Wheat—  | Open.    | Closed.  |
|---------|----------|----------|
| May     | 1.15     | 1.14     |
| July    | 98 1/2   | 97 1/2   |
| Corn—   |          |          |
| May     | 44       | 44       |
| July    | 45 1/2   | 45       |
| Oats—   |          |          |
| July    | 31       | 30 1/2   |
| May     | 31 1/2   | 30 1/2   |
| Pork—   |          |          |
| Mar     | 12.75    | 12.77    |
| Cotton— |          |          |
| Jan.    | 6.81     | 6.88     |
| Feb.    | 6.81     | 6.74     |
| May     | 6.90     | 6.82     |
| July    | 7.00     | 6.91     |
| Stocks— |          |          |
| I. C.   | 1.55     | 1.50     |
| L. & N. | 1.42 1/2 | 1.41 1/2 |

## WEEK'S NEWS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

### Trade in All Local Lines Has Been Very Active.

Clearings this week . . . \$587,773 Same week last year . . . 684,613 The volume of business at the banks was not as heavy this week as in the same week last year.

Wholesale houses report very satisfactory business in most all lines, with collections fair. Manufacturers have plenty of orders on the books and plants are running full time. Retail trade is satisfactory. All the retail houses are conducting their

## ONE OF THE OLDEST.

### DR. S. J. MATTHEWS SUCCEMBS TO BLOOD POISONING.

### Fatal Malady Developed From a Slight Scratch on the Hand.

Dr. S. J. Matthews, one of the oldest and most prominent residents of Graves county, died at his home in Mayfield, this morning at 3 o'clock, of blood poisoning, after a several weeks' illness, and news of his death will be received here with much regret as he was well known in Paducah.

Dr. Matthews was a practicing physician and was born in Robinson county, Tennessee, 75 years ago. He went to Clear Springs, Graves county, Ky., in his early youth and in 1877 moved to Mayfield where he had resided since. He was married four times and leaves three daughters and one son. They are Mesdames Ed Taylor Oscar George and J. D. Howard, and Mr. T. J. Matthews, all of Mayfield. He leaves a large estate.

Dr. Matthews injured his hand several weeks ago and blood poisoning set in. It spread to his feet and soon caused him to be confined in bed. He grew rapidly worse until death came this morning. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## CHANGES IN POLICE FORCE.

Officer Aaron Hurley is out today after a several days' illness and will go to work Monday. Officer Hurley's return means a slight changeup in the force. Officer Dick Wood, first extra, has been promoted to the beat of Detective Moore but has been working in Officer Hurley's place. Second Extra Moore Churchill has been working on the Moore beat and will be put on as first extra Monday to serve in case of layoff or illness.

## ADMITTED TO CITY HOSPITAL.

Willie Hite, a young woman of 10 1/2, and North streets, was taken to the city hospital this morning at 5 o'clock in the Nance & Pool ambulance. She is in a delicate condition. Messrs. Pool and Nance give the services of their ambulance to all who are unable to pay for one, a very charitable thing to do. Policeman Ferguson and Wood found the Hite woman and by directions of the city physician had her moved where she could receive treatment.

## WILL STAY IN PADUCAH.

This afternoon Pang Sam Sing of Memphis, and the other owners of the Chinese laundry here, instructed Attorney E. W. Bagby to draw up partnership papers as they have decided to remain in partnership and conduct the business here.

## SCHAEFER SUSPECTS ARRANGING.

Bedford, Ind., Jan. 21.—The preliminary trial of Frank Evans, and Elmer Browning, charged with the murder of Sarah Schaefer the High school teacher, was called this morning and a change of venue taken to another justice. The case is set for next Thursday.

## WITH THE SICK.

Mr. John Watts, of the I. C. wood working shops, is out again after a short illness of la grippe, his many friends will be pleased to learn.

January clearance sales and report them very satisfactory. Bradstreet's report from the country in general says: Industry still maintains a position of pre-eminent activity while distributive trade for spring, not yet fully opened, lacks definite form in some lines. With the exception of the south where the low price of cotton is such a factor, the feeling is one of supreme confidence in the future.

Madrid, Jan. 21.—Thirty-two persons lost their lives in a fire of incendiary origin near Saragossa yesterday. The fire was set to the homes of seven families and nearly all the members cremated.

## DIDN'T SERVE IT.

### Warrant Brought Here Today For Mr. John Counts.

Sheriff Dave Reeves, of Benton, Marshall county, was in the city today to serve a warrant on Mr. John Counts, formerly proprietor of a saloon at Gilbertsville, Marshall county, but failed to find Mr. Counts.

This is the last warrant of three to be served on saloon men who indiscreetly operated at Gilbertsville on the frail authority of a decision of the lower court, which held the local option law invalid. The appellate court reversed the decision and warrants were issued.

The two bartenders were arrested and the warrant for Counts, as proprietor, was issued. The trial will be set for March 21, in county court.

## COLLECTED \$6,000.

Attorney Wm. W. Spalding, of Louisville, who represents State Revenue Agent Tillman Albritton has collected compromise taxes on personal property not listed for the past five years from 21 individuals and firms and there remain to be settled thirteen suits.

Revenue Agent Albritton has returned to Louisville but his attorney is here and will remain until tomorrow at noon.

## BIG DAMAGE SUIT DISMISSED.

Zanesville, O., Jan. 21.—The sensational twenty thousand dollar damage suit brought by Rev. Frank Hope against W. A. Gibbs, for libel, ended suddenly this morning. Gibbs withdrew his plea of justification and the trial was continued indefinitely. Hope will probably be tried by an ecclesiastical committee in Cincinnati.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

There will be an informal religious service held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A., conducted by Secretary Godfrey. All the men are cordially invited to be present.

The committee schedules are being worked on now and will soon be arranged. The names of the young men forming the gymnasium committee are about selected, and they will soon meet to organize and take charge of the gym work.

Plans are already on foot to take a basket ball team and some of the gymnasium specialists and athletes from the local association to compete at the "Athletic meet" in Owensboro February 18. Much interest is being evinced.

There will be a joint meeting of the board of directors and woman's committee at the association building Monday evening to consider the financial question.

## 18,556 SICK AND WOUNDED.

Toledo, Jan. 21, noon.—It is stated that there are 18,556 sick and wounded Russian prisoners at Port Arthur. Of these 3,657 are connected with the navy.