

RUSSIAN ARMY MUST HOLD DRIVER

Totreat Across Sungai Would Mean Isolation.

GREAT ALARM AT HOME

FLIGHT OF TROOPS STRENGTHENS PEACE PARTY POSITION.

S. PETERSBURG, March 24, 1:45 a. m.—The possibility that if the Russian army should be unable to hold the lower line of the Sungari river at Chumchitsu may be compelled to retreat not only to Harbin, but also further westward along the railroad, abandoning to the Japanese Northern Manchuria and the Russian Maritime Amir provinces as well, is the latest startling news from the front.

Saving a Royal Name.

It can now be definitely stated that the decision to appoint Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholas to the supreme command in the far east was reconsidered because the outlook at the front does not warrant the risk of compromising the prestige of a member of the imperial family.

Military authorities here believe that unless General Linvitch is sure of his ability to hold the lower Sungari line he will risk his whole army if he fortifies and concentrates at Chumchitsu. It should be defeated his line of retreat lies to two sides of a triangle, the third side of which is open to the enemy's advance.

IMPORTANCE OF POSITION.

Linvitch May Be Driven Into Siberia if He Loses the Sungari.

Gushin Pass, Manchuria, March 23, (245 miles north of the pass.)—The Japanese are following the Russian rear guard, which is moving north from San Tou Fu at the rate of eight and a half miles a day. On both flanks the Japanese are operating a wide turning movement, but the strength of the banking force has not been definitely ascertained.

At a number of places along the railroad between San Tou Fu and Gushin pass there are broken hills with steep sides and gorges at the bottom, where resistance might be made, but it is doubtful whether General Linvitch will make a stand before he reaches the Sungari river and Chumchitsu. Unless he is able to support it, he will have the Russian position will be so weak strategically that he may be compelled to retreat back of Harbin into Siberia, leaving to the Japanese the entire line of the Sungari river and Chumchitsu.

PROPOSALS OF PEACE.

Divertures to Japan May Already Have Been Made.

St. Petersburg, March 23, 6:05 p. m.—The ministers and members of the court who advocate the submission of pacific proposals to Japan as previously set forth in these dispatches so far as to ascertain whether the Japanese basis of peace is possible, believe they have carried the day and that the Associated Press hears here indications that a formal step is imminent if not already taken.

CAUSES NO SURPRISE.

News From Russia Was Expected at Washington.

Washington, March 23.—The sudden growth of the sentiment in Russian official circles in favor of peace is not at all surprising to the officials here, because it is in line with the predictions of the American embassy in St. Petersburg.

ENGINEER KILLED IN WRECK.

Spokane, Wash., March 23.—Great Northern west bound passenger No. 1 was wrecked by a snow slide near Katka, Ida., early this morning. Engineer Owen Jones of Hilliard was killed. The engine plunged into the Kootenai river. The baggage and mail cars were smashed, and caught fire. Reports received here indicate that while the passengers were badly shaken up, none were seriously injured.

CREDITOR NATIONS BECOME UNEASY

Show Disposition to Press Their Dominican Claims.

BELIEVE TREATY IS LOST

PRESIDENT STILL HOPEFUL AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—In the absence of the Belgian minister, Baron Moncheur, in New York, sending is known to the Belgian legation regarding the references of President Morales, in the dispatches from San Domingo, published today, the Belgian government which the president says are being pressed. Several days ago Baron Moncheur received from his government a cablegram asking any investigation to be made by an American commission into the Dominican situation. It is reported that in view of the senate's refusal to deal with the Dominican matter, the Belgian government feels it is forced to pursue its own course. After the European powers, while willing to await the negotiations of Secretary Hay, regard the attitude of the Dominican government, respecting the course of the government that they will be obliged to act individually. The question, "The Belgian government has kept in close touch with the state department in the preceding phases of the San Domingo matter. Last week the German ambassador inquired as to the intentions of the United States relative to the collection of customs under the San Domingo Improvement company's protocol, and they expressed apprehension that the interests of their citizens having been kept in close touch with the protocol, for the reason that sufficient reason to meet them would not be available to the president of the treaty had provided for its own maintenance and the United States had collected the duties at Monte Cristi and Puerto Plata. The interests of the United States were somewhat relieved by the submission to the senate of the proposed credit notes, which the president of this treaty state department officials think with President Morales that the credit nations have conceived the idea of the treaty, which is now a case of each for himself.

Seek More Information.

But the state department officials have by no means abandoned hope for the treaty, and Secretary Taft and Acting Secretary Hughes are in conference and in communication with Senator Cullon, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, respecting the procurement of information and the collation of facts and figures which it is expected will go toward removing any doubt as to the merits of the treaty that may linger in the minds of the senators when the senate again reassembles in Washington.

John H. Hollander, one time secretary of the treasury of Porto Rico, has been specially appointed to investigate the Dominican situation, and report to him. He is expected to leave for San Domingo on a naval vessel, and will endeavor to establish contact with Captain Pillsbury relative to sending him to San Domingo on a naval vessel, and will endeavor to establish contact with Captain Pillsbury relative to sending him to San Domingo on a naval vessel, and will endeavor to establish contact with Captain Pillsbury relative to sending him to San Domingo on a naval vessel.

JIMINEZ CROWD BUSY.

Send Out Word to Prepare for the Struggle.

San Domingo, Republic of Santo Domingo, March 23.—It is rumored that at a meeting of the Jiminez party it was resolved by telegram to the followers of the former aspirant to the presidency at Monte Cristi to prepare for a struggle. The government is taking steps to prevent any coming of the president, although at present quiet, is situated.

ROBBER IS STILL AT LARGE

Officers Unable to Locate Convict Who Escaped From Federal Prison Wednesday.

Tacoma, Wash., March 23.—A staff correspondent of the Ledger, who has just returned from the island, reports that at 10 o'clock tonight no trace had been discovered of Albert E. Gray, who escaped from the federal prison on MacNeill's island yesterday and fled northward. He is believed to be on the island, and is being patrolled by the army and navy.

MIXING THINGS FOR TURKEY

Germany Threatens Serious Consequences if Porte Persists in Ordering Arms.

Paris, March 23.—The Temps today printed a dispatch from Constantinople announcing that the German ambassador has presented a note to the porte which is said to be a veto upon Turkey placing eventual orders for arms in France, with menaces of serious consequences if the note is disregarded. The Ottoman cabinet, it is added, is seriously embarrassed and indignant at the dictatorial conduct of Germany.

MOTHER IS FROZEN AND SON MAY DIE

Denver, March 23.—A Republican special from Westfield, Colo., says that the body of Mrs. Henry Fall was found today three miles from Westfield, Park. She had been frozen to death. A 13-year-old son was lying beside her, frozen stiff, but still alive. It is believed that he, too, will die.

SIX MEET DEATH IN RIVER.

Charleroi, Pa., March 23.—During a heavy fog today William Higgins, a ferryman, and five companions, named Brown, were drowned in the Monongahela river by the boat being carried over a dam and capsizing.

MRS. CODY WINS DIVORCE SUIT

Court Holds Buffalo Bill's Charges Are Not Proved.

MAN'S CONDUCT CENSURED

JUDGE SCOTT SAYS WIFE WAS CRUELY TREATED.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., March 23.—The district court here today refused to grant a divorce to William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) for a divorce. A decision in the case was not expected until tomorrow for a divorce, but the court room was filled with residents of Sheridan and the surrounding country where it was given. After the reading of the detachment was finished today the attorneys for both sides announced that they would submit the case without argument.

Not Poison, But Medicine.

"The law of the state does not make incompetency a ground for divorce, but it does read that extreme cruelty rendering the condition of either party to the marriage contract intolerable is sufficient ground to allow the granting of a divorce," said Judge Scott. "The first cause of action in this case is in the charge of poisoning on Dec. 26, 1904, of some wine given to the defendant, which she had provided for her own maintenance and the United States had collected the duties at Monte Cristi and Puerto Plata. The interests of the United States were somewhat relieved by the submission to the senate of the proposed credit notes, which the president of this treaty state department officials think with President Morales that the credit nations have conceived the idea of the treaty, which is now a case of each for himself.

Proud and Faithful Wife.

"She was an over-indulgent mother and wife, who always took pride in her success and always looked forward to his homecoming and made great preparations to receive him," said Judge Scott. "She did not use profane language. The poisoning of his net dogs was accidental. She never spoke disrespectfully of her friends or guests. She always accompanied him to the depot on his departure and was there to receive him on his return. In fact, she was so devoted to her husband that she had his portrait done by a famous painter on her hand and she has his portrait done by a famous painter on her hand and she has his portrait done by a famous painter on her hand.

TRouble Follows Subway Accident

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White Girl Rescued From Indian Captivity

Vancouver, B. C., March 23.—There was brought down from the north by a steamer today a white child who has been in custody of Indians for the past six years—a girl of 11 years, who can hardly speak English, but is proficient in Chinook. She was taken from the Indian camp by the secretary of the Children's Aid society, who had been searching for the girl for a year. Several times the society's representative thought he had located the girl, only to find that she had been spirited away to another camp. She was finally located through a trapper.

ENDORSE NEW ASSOCIATION.

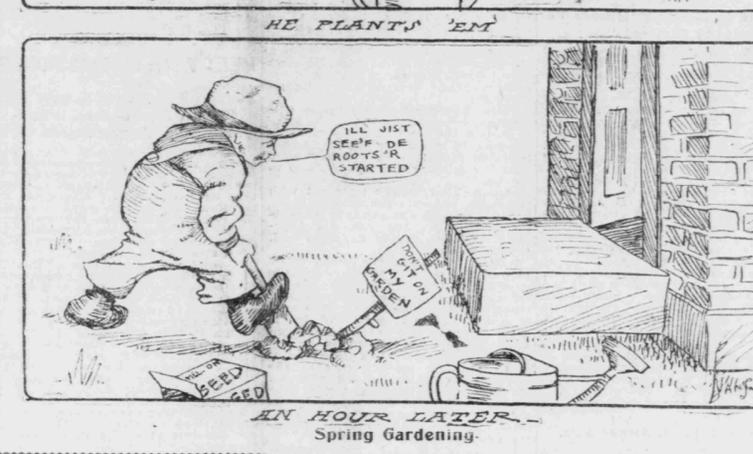
Fort Worth, Tex., March 23.—The Texas Cattle Raisers' association announced today its endorsement of the American Stock Raisers' association organized at Denver and advising all to join.

MEXICAN AMBASSADOR IS ILL.

Washington, March 23.—At 4:30 o'clock the Mexican ambassador, Asprague, is considered critical. Stomach trouble is the most serious of the complaints.

HAD BONDS AND CASH HIDDEN IN BUSTLE

Cincinnati, O., March 23.—While working over a washer, Mrs. Annie Ellsworth Wernert, wife of a contractor, dropped dead from a heart ailment. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that she had hidden in a bustle \$151 in cash and five bonds, valued at \$1,000.



ON TRAIL OF ECLIPSE KANSAS TO BE CHRISTENED WITH OIL

Various Governments, Including Ours, Prepare to Study Great Astronomical Phenomenon.

Washington, March 23.—Admiral Chester, superintendent of the naval observatory, has completed arrangements for the observation of the total solar eclipse of Aug. 29-30 of this year, and the details of his plan have been made public. Congress appropriated \$3,000 for this purpose and the navy has collected the United States ship Columbia and the United States ship Carter to establish these separate stations, namely, one near the central line of the eclipse, possibly on one of the islands on the Columbian group off the east coast of Spain; one ten to fifteen miles within the edge of the shadow path, probably near Valencia, Spain; and one near the central line close to the railroad from Tunis to Algiers in Africa.

GOVERNOR HOCH INFORMS STANDARD OIL ATTORNEY THAT CHAMPAGNE WILL NOT BE USED AT LAUNCHING OF BATTLESHIP NEXT JULY.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 23.—The battle-ship Kansas will be christened by breaking a bottle of Kansas champagne over its prow in the place of the champagne which was used at the launching of her battleship. "That has been postponed until July," said Governor Hoch, "so I will not have to go this spring."

CANADIAN COMMISSIONER ACCUSED

Personalities Follow Charge That Judge La Fontaine is Under Contract With United States and La Fontaine offers to Withdraw From Case.

MONTREAL, March 23.—In the magistrate's court today counsel for Gaylor and Crete virtually accused Judge La Fontaine, extradition commissioner, of being under contract with the United States in connection with extradition cases. Many personalities were indicted in Judge La Fontaine indignantly denied the charge, but agreed to withdraw and allow the case to be tried before Chief Justice, J. C. Coste.

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TO SPEND TWO MILLION FOR GREAT ART SALON

New York, March 23.—In art circles it is reported that a movement is under way to erect in this city, at a cost of \$2,000,000, a building in which will be annually held the "international salon." Two wealthy citizens are said to have already pledged themselves to the project, and it is expected that \$1,000,000 required under certain conditions shall have been fulfilled. So far as the plans of the projectors have been formulated, it is proposed to erect a building in the central part of the city large enough for a comprehensive exhibition of American foreign art, and to provide a home for art societies of New York. The works of art shown at the international exhibition for a month or more will then, it is proposed, be sent to several other cities, including Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, for exhibition.

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