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## "I AM GOING TO TELL A HORRIBLE STORY"

Said Associated Press Correspondent at Moscow Just Before Line Was Cut.

### NO OTHER ADVICES

Received at St. Petersburg Bureau to a Late Hour.

### ALARMING RUMORS OF COMING

OUTBREAK IN CIRCULATION AT WARSAW AND AUTHORITIES PREPARE FOR TROUBLE—TROOPS BEING RUSHED TO MOSCOW—BOND ISSUE AUTHORIZED.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The Associated Press correspondent at Moscow succeeded in getting the St. Petersburg bureau by telephone this evening but he had only uttered the words "I am going to tell a horrible story," when he was cut off. Since then nothing has been heard from the correspondent.

The Semenovskiy regiment of guards was dispatched to Moscow by train tonight. This is considered rather ominous.

### AUTHORITIES PREPARE FOR TROUBLE AT WARSAW

Warsaw, Dec. 27.—The shops in the Jewish district are closed and this afternoon bands of revolutionists ordered that the banks be closed.

Alarmingly rumors of a coming outbreak are in circulation.

Maxim guns have been posted at all police stations, the police have ordered all doors of houses to be locked and sixty ambulances stationed have been established throughout the city.

### TROOPS ARE POURING INTO CITY OF MOSCOW

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—A brief message from Moscow under today's date says that troops with artillery are pouring into the city but that the situation is not greatly changed.

Revolutionists hold a portion of the Moscow-Kazan railroad and desultory firing is taking place.

Military patrols are engaged in guerrilla warfare with revolutionists who are seeking refuge on the roofs of houses and in narrow thoroughfares.

### LIST OF CASUALTIES INCREASING AT MOSCOW

Moscow, Dec. 27.—The cannonading here continues at this hour (3 p. m.) and the list of casualties is swelling. The revolutionists are operating in three sections with about one thousand men in each section. All are armed with revolvers and rifles. Women are participating in the fighting and are guilty of the worst cruelties.

### BONDS WILL BE ISSUED TO PAY INDEBTEDNESS

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The budget for 1906 estimates ordinary revenue at \$50,000,000 in excess of ordinary expenditure, but shows that the government will require \$185,000,000 additional to liquidate war expenses. The emperor has signed a ukase, empowering the minister of finance to issue two hundred million dollars in short term bonds for sale abroad, not any of which, however, are yet known to have been taken.

The Molva reports that General Kuropatkin, former commander in chief of the Russian forces in the far east, has withdrawn his private fortune of one million and a quarter dollars in gold from the imperial bank.

### NEGRO HAD PORTION OF RIGHT HAND BLOWN OFF

Louis Gonzalez, colored, residing in Bear's alley, had a portion of his hand carried away last night, by allowing a cannon cracker to explode while he was holding it. The forefinger was blown off, while the thumb was also injured, as well as all other fingers.

Some one made Gonzalez, who also goes under the name of "Sugar Plum," a present of a cannon fire cracker. About 8 o'clock he went home and decided to fire off the noise producer. He struck one end of the cracker, and when he saw that it was lighted proceeded to the door with it in his hand. Opening the door caused a little time, but Gonzalez thought there was still ample time to throw the cannon cracker out into the yard, so did not hurry. Before he realized what had happened a portion of his hand was gone, the cracker having exploded while he was opening the door.

His injuries were dressed at the police station.

## LOBBYIST HAMILTON REFUSES ACCOUNTING

Legislative Agent of New York Life Makes Statement to Committee.

### KEPT NO ACCOUNTS

As Absolute Secrecy Was Necessary in His Dealings.

### UNDERTOOK LEGISLATIVE WORK WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT HE WAS TO MAKE NO ACCOUNTING—\$235,000 IS UNACCOUNTED FOR—OFFERS TO DEPOSIT \$100,000 PENDING SETTLEMENT.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 27.—Andrew Hamilton, legislative agent for the New York Life insurance company, who, according to testimony, had been entrusted with hundreds of thousands of dollars by the company and had not accounted for \$235,000 has been heard from by the Legislative Insurance Investigating Committee but has declined to make an accounting. The statement made by Mr. Hamilton was read to-day, being presented by Secretary John McCall, of the New York Life, who went to Paris to secure an accounting from Hamilton.

In his statement Mr. Hamilton says he is unable to produce any books or accounts because he undertook the legislative matters for the life insurance companies with the express understanding that he was to make no accountings. Absolute secrecy was necessary in retaining his assistants, therefore no checks were used in making payments.

Mr. Hamilton went into an exhaustive explanation of the reason for the organization of this confidential service, as he characterized it, covering his methods of work and citing a number of legislative bills in which he had been interested. A list of expenses from 1900 to 1904 is appended to the statement. The sum of two hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars which he unaccounted for, he says, would be greatly reduced by a running account unsettled and open, and as a matter of good faith, pending a settlement, he offers to deposit one hundred thousand dollars with the company.

Secretary McCall was questioned by Mr. Hughes as to what further light he could throw on the statement of Mr. Hamilton, but said he could give no information. He did not question Mr. Hamilton's figures, nor the large

## SITE FOR THE NEW CITY HALL HAS BEEN SELECTED

### BLOODY CONFLICT MAY RESULT FROM TRAGEDY

CONDITIONS BORDERING ON STATE OF WAR AT BERTHA, TENN., NEAR TENNESSEE-VIRGINIA LINE, OVER KILLING OF ONE MAN AND FATAL WOUNDING OF ANOTHER.

By Associated Press.

Bristol, Va., Dec. 27.—News reached Bristol to-day of a double tragedy enacted Christmas evening at Bertha, Tenn., near the Virginia-Tennessee line, resulting in the instant death of Roscoe Nicolls and the fatal wounding of Silas Greene, which has given rise to a condition in that section bordering on a state of war.

A dispatch tonight says there are a hundred armed men in the mountains near the scene of the tragedy following leaders from among the friends of the dead and wounded men and that a bloody conflict seems certain. During the day both factions have been gathering arms and ammunition.

## Roosevelt to Spend the Holidays at Pine Knob

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 27.—President Roosevelt will spend the holidays at Pine Knob, a pretty country estate in Virginia recently acquired by Mrs. Roosevelt. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and their children, Miss Ethel, Kermit, and Archie.

The president left Washington to-day for a five days outing. The trip was made via the Southern in the private car "Rover," attached to a regular train. The president said he was going to Pine Knob to rest.

## BOURKE COCKRAN IN POOR HEALTH

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 27.—It became known last night, says the Herald to-day, that W. Bourke Cockran had been ill for ten days at the Waldorf-Astoria, and that his condition is such that his physicians have advised him to go to Arizona in the hope of regaining his health.

Ten days ago Mr. Cockran took a suite at the Waldorf and called a physician. It was said then that he had a severe cold, but would be out in a day or two. He did not recover as rapidly as had been expected, and was threatened with pneumonia. His condition was such that business engagements had to be cancelled.

From several of his intimate friends it was learned that his condition is now of such a character that it is thought imprudent for him to remain longer in this climate.

amounts for traveling expenses. He had asked for a full statement from Mr. Hamilton and relied on his honesty to explain everything. He did insist that Mr. Hamilton produce checks or check books, but Mr. Hamilton had none.

## Building Will Face the Plaza from East Side of Jefferson Street.

### PROPERTY BOUGHT

Approximate Cost of Block for Site of Building \$26,000.

POLICE HEADQUARTERS TO BE LOCATED AT CORNER COMMENDANCIA AND ZARRAGOSSA STREETS—CHURCH STREET TO BE STRAIGHTENED—MUCH BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT.

The City Council met last night in regular monthly session, with Mayor Blas presiding and Aldermen Christie, D'Alemberte, Maura, Cahn, McHugh, Mpldon, Kelly, Watson, Wright and Yonge present. Chairman Ingram of the Board of Safety and Chairman Zelms of the Board of Works, were also present, occupying seats within the railing among the aldermen.

Before proceeding with the regular order of business, Alderman D'Alemberte moved that the rules be waived and that a number of gentlemen who were present be permitted to address the council. The first one was W. A. Blount, Jr., representing Ex-Street Superintendent Gingles and C. H. Turner, ex-chairman of the board of works. Mr. Blount made a strong argument in favor of his client, on the ground that the action of the board in removing Messrs. Gingles and Turner was illegal; that the city code of ordinances provided that an employee of the city could not be removed except on written charges, and that no written charges had been preferred. The matter was disposed of through a motion by Alderman Yonge to the effect that it be referred to the city attorney, and that the city attorney be furnished with a brief.

Ask for Refund. Messrs. A. C. Blount and C. L. Shine, representing A. K. Johnson, then appeared before the council and urged the refunding by the city of \$700.00 which Mr. Johnson claims he overpaid the city on license. The matter was deferred until the next meeting of the council, when the city attorney will be present.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and intervening meetings were then read and adopted after being slightly corrected.

The Mayor read a communication recommending that an ordinance be drawn and passed providing for the appointment of a milk inspector, an officer, he said who was very badly needed. The recommendation was adopted.

The Mayor also submitted a communication relative to delay of physicians or others in furnishing death certificates, which, on motion was referred to the city attorney with instructions to draw up a suitable ordinance in conformity with the the Mayor's suggestions.

New City Hall. The finance committee submitted a very interesting report, covering a number of matters before it. The feature of the report however, was that portion bearing upon the purchase of site for the new city hall.

It has been definitely decided that the new city hall will be located at the corner of Jefferson and Zarragossa, facing the plaza, or rather, the present idea is to obtain possession of the entire block, which is bounded on the west by the plaza, on the east by Comandancia street, on the south by Zarragossa and on the north by Church street.

The city hall will have a frontage extending nearly from Church street to Zarragossa streets, while the jail and police barracks will be located in the same block, but on the northwest corner of Comandancia and Zarragossa, where now stands the old two-story building known as the old Masonic hall. Church street which runs next to Judge Landrum's office will also be changed from its present irregular course to a straight thoroughfare.

The entire block will cost the city \$26,000. The committee recommended that the present city hall be retained and used for the fire department and for the stock of the board of works.

The question of the right of the church to transfer portion of the property was discussed but, on motion duly seconded, the finance committee

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## PRESIDENT MORALES SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

NAVY DEPARTMENT ADVISED THAT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF SAN DOMINGO HAS BEEN SHOT—DOMINICAN CABINET ISSUES PROCLAMATION CALLING UPON VICE-PRESIDENT.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 27.—The Navy Department received a cablegram from Captain Cambers, dated Puerto Plata, last night, stating that he had been informed from a government source that President Morales had been shot and seriously wounded.

Fighting is reported to have occurred last night ten miles west of the city. The American minister, Mr. Dawson, and other foreigners have left their country seats and come to town.

Business is suffering and though the city is quiet a feeling of unrest prevails. Several arrests have been made.

## Gigantic New Combination in the Iron and Steel Trade

By Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 27.—The Chronicle-Telegraph this afternoon says that a combination of iron and steel interests is being formed and likely will be perfected in a short time that will have a capital stock of about one hundred and fifty million dollars. The principal concern in the movement is the Republic Iron and Steel Co. and

companies said to be included in the project are the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Co., Sloss-Sheffield Iron Co. and Laclede Iron Works. John W. Gates, S. Guthrie and other leading men in the Republic company are said to be promoters of the proposed big corporation. It is stated that John A. Topping will be president of the combination.

## \$100,000 DEAL IN REAL ESTATE CLOSED

New York Capitalist Purchases J. K. Ewing Property on Palafox Street.

A real estate deal, whereby \$100,000 will change hands has been closed, and the details of the same will be shortly arranged and the property turned over to the new purchaser.

The property is known as the J. K. Ewing estate, and consists of that portion of Palafox street from the Masonic temple south to the property of the Sisters of Mercy, and also a quantity of lots and blocks in the suburbs of the city. The Palafox street property is especially valuable inasmuch as it is in the center of the business district and just opposite the site of one of the largest buildings to be erected in the city.

The purchaser is a prominent New York capitalist, who has been negotiating through Pensacola agents for several months for this property.

This sale is one of the largest consummated in Pensacola for many years, and shows the confidence that outsiders have in the future growth and prosperity of the city.

## POSSE KILLS TWO NEGROES

By Associated Press.

Birmingham, Dec. 27.—A special to the News from Meridian, Miss., says: In a pitched battle between a posse of white men and three negro desperadoes near Williams Cross Roads, Cloutier county, last evening, two of the negroes were killed and the third captured. Kid George, said to have murdered a white man, and Bob Perry are the names of the dead and Joe Johnson is the captured convict. The two latter are escaped convicts.

## HERE TO INVESTIGATE FIRE AND BURGLARY

F. H. Johnson, of New York, one of the gentlemen composing the firm of Kress & Co., reached the city yesterday to investigate the fire of Sunday morning when the place of business of the firm was set on fire and the safe robbed of over \$300,000.

Mr. Johnson conferred with the police and county officials and was made acquainted with whatever evidence they had in their possession, which might lead to detecting the parties who committed the deeds.

Later he conferred with other parties in the city and also visited the store, which has been closed since the fire and burglary, and also talked with some of the employees of the concern.

The insurance adjusters have not yet reached the city and it is probable that Mr. Johnson will remain here until they arrive.

## MEMPHIS HAS THREE FAILURES

By Associated Press.

Memphis, Dec. 27.—The Merchants' Trust Company has closed its doors and a receiver has been appointed. Felix T. Pope is president of the Merchants' Trust Company. The institution has a capital stock of \$260,000.

Two More. Memphis, Dec. 27.—The American Savings Bank and Trust Company and the Mechanics' Savings Bank have suspended business. These are small institutions allied with the Merchants' Trust Company.

## MAYOR McCLELLAN HAS BEEN SWORN IN

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 27.—Mayor George B. McClellan was today sworn in as mayor of New York for the next four years.



CHRISTMAS RULERS.

UNCLE SAM—WE STAND ASIDE—THERE ARE THE RULERS OF THIS COUNTRY TODAY.