

DOWAGER EMPRESS MAY ORDER CHINESE ARMY TO THE FIELD

PEKIN, Feb. 16.—Everything today indicates that the neutrality of China cannot be maintained. The dowager empress has dismissed Prince Su, who is the strongest advocate of neutrality. She believes that China is the stake of the war and that it is necessary to prepare for war to avoid absorption by the victor. The result may be that China will act independently and take up arms against both Russia and Japan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 16.—The high officials of the czar's government are recovering from the first stupid feelings of amazement at the successes of the Japs and are now vigorously at work rearranging their campaign plans. They have decided, in view of the crippled condition of part of the Russian warships, to act for awhile on the defensive. They believe that Port Arthur is impregnable. The first step in advance by the Russians will be taken on the Yalu river.

NAGASAKI, Feb. 16.—Japanese ships intercepted the British steamer Coptic, bound from San Francisco to Port Arthur. They took off food supplies purchased by the Russians. The cargo was principally canned goods.

TIENSIN, Feb. 16.—Advices today state that 2,000 Russian troops have arrived at Newchwang.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 16.—The Russian second-class cruiser Bayan was blown up by a mine on February 13, in the same manner as the Russian transport Yemlia. She had on board 197 officers and men, all of whom were lost, according to a report. No details are given out of the early reports of the Port Arthur attack she was named as damaged, but this report proved incorrect. The vessel was built at Copenhagen in 1900 and was of the fastest armored type.

YOKOHAMA, Feb. 16.—The cruiser Nishin arrived safely at 9 o'clock this

morning, and was followed two hours later by the cruiser Kassaka. These cruises are the ones purchased from Argentine, and for which the Russian fleets are supposed to have been keeping watch.

CHEFOO, Feb. 16.—Advices today state that Viceroy Alexieff has gone to the interior of Manchuria to inaugurate the land campaign.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 16.—A semi-official message from Alexieff's headquarters states that the German cruiser Hansa, which went to Port Arthur to remove German residents, has been fired on by Japanese warships.

TOKIO, Feb. 16.—Martial law was proclaimed today throughout Japan.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—The Exchange Telegraph publishes a Paris dispatch stating that word has reached there that a large Japanese fleet has been sighted in the Gulf of Liao Tung and fears are entertained that troops will be landed to cut the railway to Port Arthur.

HAMBURG, Feb. 16.—A dispatch today states that the German transport Batavia has removed 1,000 refugees from Vladivostok.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Reuter's Agency today reports a continuance of the assaults and robberies by Russian soldiers at Newchwang. The telegram adds that Commanders Barton and Sawyer, of the British gunboat Spigle and the United States gunboat Helena, respectively, who were threatened by Russian rowdies, have been assured by the Russian authorities that full reparation for the indignity will be rendered.

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—The Frankfurter Zeitung reports the temperature throughout Siberia in the neighborhood of 50 below zero. Traveling troops are suffering severely. A number have been frozen to death. Supply trains have broken down

HEAVY FINES ASSESSED AGAINST 16 PUGET SOUND BOATS FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE SAFETY APPLIANCES

PORT TOWNSEND, Feb. 16.—Collector of Customs C. W. Ide today threw a bombshell among 16 Puget Sound steamboats by fining each of them \$750 for failure to carry sufficient life-saving apparatus.

BICYCLISTS WILL BE TAXED FIFTY CENTS

All bicycles riders hereafter will be taxed 50 cents in place of \$1.00, as an ordinance to this effect was introduced at the meeting of the streets and alleys committee of the council this afternoon and received the committee's favor. The ordinance, which will be repealed, applies only to those riders over 14 years of age, while the new ordinance will include all persons, young or old, who ride wheels.

MORE MONEY WANTED

The committee soliciting funds for the fit from this city to the United States cruiser Tacoma has decided to make another effort to increase the fund to \$3,500. It is the general opinion that even that sum will be little enough to expend on a fit for the splendid cruiser which bears the name of this city. The money now in the hands of the committee amounts to something over \$3,000, and it is more than likely that the balance can be raised this week.

INSANITY CAUSED BY ILL HEALTH

Mrs. Margaret E. Brennan, suffering from melancholia brought on ill-health, was committed to the St. Helens asylum for the insane today. Dr. Margaret C. Balabanoff and Ella J. Field conducted the examination.

SHERIFF RETURNS

Sheriff Thompson of Missoula, Mont., came back to Tacoma today from Portland, where he has been visiting his sister. He left this forenoon on the Olympia to get the governor's signature on the requisition papers, so that he can take Fischer, the absconder, back with him. He is expected in Tacoma again this evening and will leave for Montana with Fischer as early as possible tomorrow.

SIGOURNEY Ia., Feb. 16.—The taking of testimony in the case of Belle Lewis began this morning. She is charged with poisoning her husband in October last to get his life insurance.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 16.—A Western & Atlantic passenger train is reported to have been wrecked on the high bridge over the Chattahoochee river, eight miles from here. The report says that there are many casualties. A wrecking train with doctors has gone to the scene.

life-preservers, etc., in good condition. Among those fined are the steamers Flyer and Athlon. These fines are the result of the recent tour of inspection by the revenue cutter Grant.

A later report says the entire train turned over and that 42 were injured. The cause was a broken wheel under the tender. The train narrowly escaped falling 150 feet into the river, as the cars left the track within 100 yards of the trestle.

LABOR LEADERS WILL MEET

State Labor Commissioner Blackman has called a meeting of prominent labor leaders for next Sunday afternoon at the Donnelly hotel. Notices to that effect were sent out immediately after his arrival here yesterday afternoon.

The principal business to come before the meeting will be consideration of certain remedial measures to be introduced in the next legislature. Of the four measures presented two years ago, three have become laws.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 16.—The court of appeals today decided that the Bertillon records of Molineux in the state prison must stand. Molineux, after his acquittal on the celebrated murder charge, demanded the destruction of the Bertillon records of his person.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—President Roosevelt, owing to the war situation, is unable to go to Ohio to attend the Hanna funeral. He will be represented by Secretaries Taft, Cortelyou and Wilson.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The American Newspaper Publishers' association, in session at the Waldorf-Astoria today, passed resolutions of regret at Hanna's death and offering condolences to his family.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 16.—The whole city is draped in mourning. The special funeral train bringing the remains of Senator Hanna here will be met at Salem by the governor and his staff. The collier Edith had a narrow escape from destruction on her last trip down the coast from Tacoma, says a San Francisco dispatch. When off the Oregon coast part of the steering gear was carried away and it was with the greatest difficulty that the vessel was kept in the open sea. A storm of unusual violence prevailed and Captain Hall, with members of the crew, narrowly escaped being washed overboard by the tremendous seas which washed over the vessel.

On arriving at San Francisco it was found that two of three spindles on which the rudder is hung had broken during the storm. Had the third one gone the vessel would probably have been wrecked.

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CHEFOO, Feb. 16.—It is reported that 60,000 Russians have arrived at Irkutsk and that Manchurian trains are now regularly bringing supplies from Siberia.

The Russian fleet is reported to be moving in the direction of Korea or southern Japan, with the intention of bombarding ports so as to create diversion from Port Arthur.

The Russian minister and 700 Russian refugees from Seoul sailed from Chemulpo for Chefoo this morning on the French cruiser Pascal.

IRKUTSK, Siberia, Feb. 16.—A successful trial of the railway over the ice of Lake Baikal was made today with heavily loaded locomotives and cars, in the presence of Prince Khilkoff, minister of high ways. Communication with Manchuria is thus completed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—United States Minister Allen, at Seoul, informed the state department today by cable that the Russians rescued from the sunken cruiser had been taken to Kosaigon, and those rescued by a British ship to Hongkong.

TOKIO, Feb. 16.—The flag, a gun and an anchor of the Russian cruiser Varig have arrived here. They will be presented to the mikado as trophies by the captain of the Japanese cruiser Chiyoda, who was summoned personally before the mikado after the recent battle at Chemulpo. The German steamer Batavia, which brought 1,500 Japanese refugees to Moji, reports that ten Russian torpedo boats are frozen

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The body will lie in state for awhile in the marble room. Then the Pennsylvania railroad will dispatch a special train with the body to Cleveland, where the final services will take place, either at the late home of the senator or at that of his son, Dan Hanna.

This city is sorrowing over Senator Hanna's death. No other topic is discussed.

A conference was held this afternoon at the Arlington between H. M. Hanna, Irvn Hanna, Medill McCormick, Herrick and Secretary Dover, at which details of the funeral were determined upon.

The official services at the capitol tomorrow noon will be conducted by Chaplain Hale. The Gridiron club quartette will sing hymns.

From the president down to minor officials all will be present. The representatives will march over from the house in a body.

Both the senate and house will today appoint committees to officially represent them here and at the interment at Cleveland. The senate committee will number 20, while the house will name the entire Ohio delegation and others appointed by Speaker Cannon.

It is expected that three special trains will constitute the funeral cortege from Washington to Cleveland, leaving Wednesday afternoon. The first will carry the remains and the family, the second the senators, the third the representatives.

It has not yet been decided whether the president and part of the cabinet can accompany the cortege.

Later, it has been decided that the funeral party will leave here at 6 p. m. Wednesday. Secretary Dover, Congressman Dick, Andrew Squire, Herrick and Dr. Carter will accompany the family.

At Cleveland the body will lie in state at the central armory, where the senator made his last speech.

The funeral will be conducted Friday from St. Paul's church, where Hanna's daughter Ruth was married. Interment will be at Lakeview cemetery.

The Arlington hotel today is the scene of marked quiet. Through of friends visited Senator Hanna's suite, but the absence of the army of newspaper men, men-

enger boys and others from the corridors formed a great contrast to the last few days. The members of the family are bearing up well under their bereavement. On the account of the death of Senator Hanna, Secretary and Mrs. Cortelyou have recalled the invitations to a cabinet dinner which was to have been given at their home this evening.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Universal regret is felt in Wall street on account of the death of Senator Hanna, but prices are unshaken.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The senate at noon today was officially notified of the death of Senator Hanna by his colleague, Senator Foraker, who went while paying a tribute to the deceased.

The senate chamber was crowded and in the galleries all the seats were occupied. Intense silence reigned when Senator Foraker arose and made the statement of Senator Hanna's death in a very brief way owing to his emotion.

He said Senator Hanna was mourned by all his countrymen and by his political associates, not only because he was a great organizer and leader and had repeatedly led his party to victory, but more especially because he held the affection and respect in the hearts of even his political opponents. "They are generous enough to experience sorrow when such a brave man falls. They recognized in him a bold and fearless foe who commanded their respect and admiration."

Senator Foraker then introduced resolutions of senatorial sympathy and respect providing for the appointment of committees to arrange for and attend the funeral and that the expenses be paid from the contingent fund; also providing that invitations be sent to the president, cabinet, representatives, diplomats, and army and navy officers.

Senator Foraker's address followed an eloquent prayer by Chaplain Hale, who referred to Mr. Hanna's death.

The senate committee appointed was as follows: Foraker, Allison, Aldrich, Hale, Platt (Conn.), Spooner, Perkins, Wetmore, Hansbrough, Warren, Fairbanks, Dewey, Keas, Scott, Beveridge, Alger, Kittredge, Frye, Gorman, Cockrell, Teller, Bacon, Martin, Blackburn and McHenry.

\$100,000 FIRE

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 16.—The Delta and Western cash shops were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss \$100,000.

The Imperial Rivals for Eastern Supremacy



THE CZAR OF RUSSIA IS SHOWN HERE IN FULL UNIFORM OF ONE OF HIS CRACK REGIMENTS, SURROUNDED BY A BRILLIANT STAFF.

PRESIDENT HONG WILL NOT MOVE PARKLAND CESSPOOL

The authorities of Parkland college refuse to comply with the request of Commissioner of Public Works Clark relative to moving the college cesspool.

President Hong of the institution, when seen this morning on the subject by a Times representative, said: "The request of Mr. Clark will not be complied with, as there is not the slightest reason to believe that the drain injures the city water. The cesspool is on a hill and the ditch drain flows into a vault which is about 50 yards from the creek and is separated from it by a small rising of ground. Thus, as the drain terminal is on lower ground than the creek, it is absolutely impossible for the city water to come in contact with the sewer. We are going to cover over the cesspool with sand and gravel at the earliest possible moment, however, but we do not intend to move the cesspool."

To see if the conditions had changed since Dr. Schug made his report, the reporter then made a tour along Clover creek, and found that there were several vaults, manure piles, chicken yards, etc., standing as near as five or ten feet to the bank of the creek, and places were found where refuse had been thrown into the stream.

Several cows were also noticed standing in the Sawtooth range. The discovery was made just about the time of the first snowfall, by a party of French Canadian prospectors. A big lead with an outcropping of a porous surface was plainly visible. The place was thoroughly examined and outcroppings of the lead

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MITCHELL GIVES LABOR'S TRIBUTE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 16.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, today paid a glowing tribute to the late Senator Hanna, reviewing at length the change of feeling toward him by organized labor. Mitchell declared that by the death of Hanna labor suffered the loss of a great mediator, whose honest purpose, fearlessly carried out, was to reconcile the interests of employers and employes without hope or desire of public notice or applause.

BOSS COX SEeks TO BE SENATOR

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 16.—The followers of George B. Cox, the Cincinnati political boss, began a campaign this morning for him as a successor for Senator Cox has been a storm center in the Republican camp for a long time. The reform element has made many determined efforts to oust him from the party, but without success. He has been a candidate for office several times, but has been decisively defeated at the polls. Since he entered politics Cox has become wealthy.

BAD WRECK AT A HIGH BRIDGE

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—In a collision on the Chicago & Alton near Sag bridge this morning fireman Burkholtz was killed and three other trainmen were seriously injured. The wreck caught fire, exploding the oil tanks in the train.

DESPERADO IS IN LAW'S TOILS

LANSING, Kans., Feb. 16.—Convict Gorney was today identified as the notorious desperado, Bill Randolph, of Union bank robbery fame. He is wanted in Missouri for the murder of a Pinkerton detective and other crimes. He will probably be pardoned here and then returned to Missouri for trial.

GIRLS SAY STORY IS A BIG FAKI

The operators in the local telephone office have no knowledge of an order being issued to the effect that hereafter they would have to wear black uniforms. So far as they know, no order of the kind has been issued, either here or in Portland, and they are inclined to look upon the report as a sort of a hot air blast. "They do say, however, that if the company should order such a thing done, every operator would submit to it, as the company treats them well and they in turn will respect any reasonable order."

INSPECTING THE CITY BAKE SHOPS

William Blackman, state labor commissioner, is in Tacoma for the purpose of making an inspection of the bakeries here. He is making inquiry to see if they are complying with the law passed at the last session of the legislature, which provides that bakeries shall be conducted upon sanitary basis.

The law forbids the inclusion of sleeping apartments in the rooms where there is stored flour, meal, etc. It also provides that no employer shall hire an employe afflicted with consumption, scrofula or any similar disease, and every employe must enforce cleanliness among his employes.

The law further deals with special plumbing and sanitary arrangements for the bake shops. The penalty for violation varies from \$25 to \$50 fine or ten days' imprisonment for the first offense, and from \$50 to \$100 or thirty days' imprisonment for each additional violation.

LANDSLIDE STOPS THE INTERURBAN

A landslide on the Interurban line at Riverside at 3 o'clock yesterday caused a little inconvenience to both the Interurban and Renton lines. The slide was 50 feet long and three feet deep. Cars being on both sides of the slide, they transferred with but little delay until 8 o'clock last night, when through trains began to run as usual. Owing to the geological formation in the vicinity landslides are of frequent occurrence.

CONDUCTORS ARE STILL IN JAIL

The street car conductors, Johnson and Howarth, are still in the county jail, the \$1,000 bail not having been furnished. An attempt will be made to have the amount of bail reduced. Conrad, a third party in the alleged steal, was brought over from Seattle today. The men will probably be arraigned before Judge Huston tomorrow.

PARK CITY, Feb. 16.—Jim McCarty and Jack Sullivan were probably fatally injured by a premature blast in the J. L. C. mine today.