

WEATHER FORECAST:
Tonight and Tuesday occa-
sional rain, probably high south
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LINEVITCH IS HOPEFUL

His Division Has Apparently Eluded Pursuers

HE HAS RECEIVED REINFORCEMENTS

The Fresh Troops Are Eager for Battle—Czar Devotes His Time to Prayer and Fasting.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 20.—Linevitch reports under date of the 19th: "The commander of the second army reports that he has had no further fighting. There are no reports from the first or the third army. I have inspected the troops which have arrived from Russia. They are in excellent spirits and will be good help."

Russia Advised to Seek Peace.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 20.—Noroe Vremya today for the first time advises Russia to seek peace.

Russian Casualties 190,000.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 20.—Reports thus far received indicate that 190,000 Russians were wounded or taken prisoners at the battle of Mukden. Eight field guns were captured by the Japanese.

The Czar a Religious Fanatic.

BERLIN, March 20.—The newspaper Die Welt says that the czar is suffering from religious mania. He spends two hours every day praying at the palace chapel. He telegraphed Father John of Kronstadt recently to compose special prayers for Russian victory, likewise for the repression of the revolutionary movement. He sent a similar telegram to the archbishop of Moscow. He wears a crucifix on his breast continuously as a protection against assassination.

Great Synagogue Reopened.

MOSCOW, March 20.—The great synagogue which Grand Duke Sergius forcibly closed 14 years ago has been reopened and reconsecrated with a thanksgiving service.

Troops to Subdue Jews.

BORISOV, Russia, March 20.—Three squadrons of dragoons have started for Berezina where armed Jews are reported to have killed the chief of police and a number of his assistants.

Horrible Conditions at Harbin.

PARIS, March 20.—A Petit Journal St. Petersburg dispatch states that 5000 Russians died at Harbin last week as the result of wounds or disease, resulting from the battle. The conditions there are horrible in the extreme. It is estimated that the sick Russians at Harbin number 70,000.

Japanese Still Winning.

LONDON, March 20.—Baron Hayaishi today made public the following dispatch from Tokio:

"Our detachment at 4 a. m. March 19, occupied Kayuan, 20 miles north of Tieling. The enemy afterwards attempted a counter attack but was repulsed. The enemy burned the bridges on the main road south of Kayuan, also destroyed part of the railway bridge. A number of Russian guns were found buried near Mukden."

Pope Anxious for Peace.

LIVERPOOL, March 20.—The Post states that it has learned on authority of a prominent member of the vatican that the pope is seeking to influence European diplomatists in favor of mediation in the far east. He has communicated directly with certain rulers, including the kaiser and King Edward and has also sent a friendly letter to the dignitaries of the Greek church, expressing his hope that peace will soon be declared.

International Peace Conference.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., March 20.—The Post says that it has been informed by three great diplomatists that two or three more powers, including Great Britain, are considering a proposal to convene an international congress to end the Russian-Japanese war and to revise the rules of warfare.

The Czar in a Rage.

LONDON, March 20.—The Chronicle correspondent at St. Petersburg wires:

"I have seen a high personage of the court who has given me an account of the scenes between the czar and his ministers at a recent council.

"The emperor heard the reports of the various ministers as to the situation in certain districts in which absolute disorder reigns and also received news announcing the disaster at Mukden. His majesty in violent terms accused the ministers of trying to conceal from him the true state of affairs. It was the first time the ministers had seen the emperor in such temper. "No one stirred. Witte, however, gave the czar to understand that under such conditions it was impossible for the ministers to retain their portfolios, whereupon the czar replied: "You may all go when you please." "My informant told me that the czar leans much on General Trepoff, who probably will be president of the national assembly, a commission being formed to organize elections for the assembly."

\$12,000 TO CONSCIENCE FUND.

"A Sinner" Writes Secretary Shaw He Is Paying for Old Fraud.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Secretary Shaw today received the following communication:

"Dear Sir—I am sending you herewith enclosed \$12,000 which is to go to the use of the United States government. Years ago I defrauded the government of money, but have returned it all and now am paying fourfold, in accordance with the teachings of scripture. The way of transgressors is hard and no one but God knows how I have suffered the consequences, and I would seek to do a bountiful restoration. May God pardon while the United States government is benefited.

—"A Sinner."

The amount, which was in currency, has been deposited in the treasury to the credit of the conscience fund.

Found Wandering in the Streets.

OMAHA, Neb., March 20.—Emaciated from lack of food, her clothing begrimed, Miss Ida Holden, formerly a well-known school teacher in and about Warsaw, Ill., was found wandering aimlessly about the streets of Omaha yesterday afternoon in a demented condition and was given into the charge of a matron at the police station.

Miss Holden's mind has become deranged from ill-health due to hunger and poverty. It has been learned that she was compelled by ill health to quit teaching school and went from Illinois to Lincoln to live with a brother. The brother recently moved to Kansas, and thereupon she came to Omaha in quest of work. She hired out as a domestic, but was unable to do her work, and, friendless and penniless, left the home in which she was employed.

She has a brother at Warsaw, and, on being notified of her condition, he has wired the police to send her to him.

FRANK NASH IS APPOINTED

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES MAKE HIM CLERK OF EASTERN WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Was Almost Unanimous Choice of Members of the Bar East of the Mountains.

Special to Evening Statesman.

PORTLAND, March 20.—Frank C. Nash, of Spokane, was today appointed clerk of the circuit court for the eastern Washington district.

Frank C. Nash formerly filled the position of deputy clerk of the district and circuit courts under Clerks Ayres and Hopkins. The plan to have him appointed clerk of the circuit court was originated several weeks ago when petitions were circulated among the attorneys of eastern Washington requesting the circuit judges of the Ninth circuit district to appoint the Spokane man to the place. In Walla Walla nearly every attorney signed the petition and Nash had almost the unanimous support of the members of the bar in the new district.

The position of clerk of the district will probably go to George Stevenson, as he has been slated for the place by the distributors of political positions in the state of Washington.

FIFTY PERISH IN FACTORY FIRE BOILER EXPLOSION WRECKS PLANT

Four Hundred Employes of a Shoe Manufacturing Concern at Brockton Were in Great Danger from the Collapse of the Building and the Flames that Broke Out

BROCKTON, Mass., March 20.—Fifty lives are reported lost as the result of a boiler explosion in the Grover Shoe company's factory this morning. Two badly burned bodies have been removed. Three floors collapsed and the fourth floor filled with girls fell to the ground. But most of the girls escaped by the windows.

All the doctors in town were called to the scene or to the hospitals. Four hundred employes were in the factory at the time of the explosion. Part of the boiler wrecked a house in the vicinity of the factory. The fire spread from the doomed factory to the Bahlborg block and to several residences, seven of which were destroyed. The ambulance service and all available carriages were kept busy removing the injured.

The Drake tavern and Dahlborg block were burned. The Churchill & Aiden Shoe factories on opposite sides of Main street caught fire.

The explosion occurred at 7:50. The entire west half of the building was razed to the ground. In the wreckage were from two to three hundred of the four hundred employes. Fire broke out immediately. In a few minutes the ruins were a mass of flames. The front of the factory which was left standing by the explosion caught fire, driving out the rescuers. An hour later the whole factory was in ruins. Many employes were caught by the falling timbers. The rescuers were obliged to leave them to their fate. Those on the lower floors, it is

thought, suffered the most. At 9 a. m. it was estimated that a dozen were killed and 25 injured. Fifty employes are missing.

The boiler which exploded had been lying idle all winter. The fireman who started the fire said the boiler seemed in a safe condition. He knew of no cause for the explosion.

Forty are known to be injured, many seriously.

Up to 11:30 25 bodies had been taken from the ruins. Many were terribly mutilated and identification was impossible. Most of the employes in the main part of the plant escaped, although in the terrific panic many were injured. The fire is now under control. The loss will reach \$200,000.

Forty-two bodies have been recovered, all burned beyond recognition except five. It is believed the list of dead will reach 75. The search is being rapidly prosecuted.

Up to 2 this afternoon 31 bodies had been recovered.

The estimate of dead are now from 50 to 75.

The known dead are:
ALBIN DALBORG.
MRS. ELIJAH H. KELLEY.
LENUS SWANSON.
SAMUEL TILEY.
HARRY BARTLETT.
GEORGE SMITH.
DAVID ROCKWELL, engineer.
JOHN SMITH.
STEPHEN SNOW.

At 4:30 56 bodies had been recovered. It is now thought the dead will reach 100.

DARING ROBBERS MAKE A RICH HAUL

Rifle Safe of Sims Grocery, Securing \$1390 in Checks and Cash—No Clue to Robbers

After inveigling Clerk W. N. Estes into the cellar for some codfish, two strangers rifled the safe of Sims' grocery at Fourth and Main streets, at 6:30 o'clock this morning, securing \$1020 in negotiable checks and notes and \$269.80 in cash. The robbery was discovered by Mr. Sims when he came down to his place of business an hour later and found the safe open and the cash drawer empty.

According to Mr. Estes he opened the store at the usual time this morning which is about 6 o'clock. Some time afterward two strangers entered the store and asked for a package of codfish. It was necessary for Mr. Estes to visit the cellar for the article and never suspecting anything wrong left the strangers in the store alone. A short time before Mr. Estes had occasion to open the safe which is located in the office and it was left open.

When he returned from the cellar a few minutes afterward Mr. Estes was surprised to find the men gone, but thinking that perhaps they had become tired of waiting had gone elsewhere, he never gave the matter second thought until Mr. Sims discovered that the safe had been robbed. Then he remembered the occurrence of the two men and the police were notified.

List of Checks.

Mr. Sims made up a list of the checks and notes as far as he was able and turned it over to the police. Included in the list was a note for \$1000 given by W. D. Smith and wife

in favor of Justus Wade. The note had been indorsed by Mr. Wade, but it is secured by a mortgage which is on record. The checks were as follows:

O. R. & N. in favor of O. J. Williard, \$42.00.
O. R. & N. in favor of — — Mehegan, \$49.40.
A. F. Kees in favor of I. W. Sims, 65 cents.
C. C. Cully in favor of I. W. Sims, \$5.00.
— — Henderson in favor of Frank Withan, \$14.75.

— — in favor of N. H. Randall, \$7.50.

In addition to the checks and note the thieves secured \$269.80 in cash representing Saturday's receipts which Mr. Sims failed to bank.

One Tall—One Short.

Mr. Estes was able to give a fairly accurate description of the two men. One was described as tall, dark complexion, black moustache. He wore a dark suit of clothes and a black derby hat. The other was rather short and stocky built, light complexioned. Mr. Estes did not remember how he was dressed further than that he wore a white felt hat. Immediately after being notified of the robbery the police and sheriff's office sent men to search the early morning train for Pendleton, but no suspicious characters were found. Constable Peterson went as far as Spofford looking for the two, as it was thought that they might make an attempt to board a train at some nearby station.

CARS DASH DOWN MOUNTAIN.

Logging Train Smashes Into Handcar One Man Badly Injured.

BELLINGHAM, March 20.—When they saw approaching them at terrific speed, three cars loaded with logs, which had broken loose on a down grade high up in the mountains, Mike Ryan and three companions on board a hand-car just a few feet ahead of the runaway, thought they saw the door of eternity open. As it is, Ryan, who was the only one to pay no attention to the word "jump," when the

runaway was discovered, lies a mass of bruises and broken bones at St. Joseph's hospital. His chances for life are about even.

The runaway logging train crashed into the handcar and swept it on for almost two miles when in a tangle of wood, iron and steel the train was derailed. The damage caused will amount to several hundred dollars.

Shortly after 6 o'clock, a section crew working on the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia railroad, left Warnick on a hand-car. About the same time a train was being loaded with

logs at Ferguson's camp. The section crew had proceeded leisurely along on a down grade for about two miles when one of the men happened to glance backward. The sight that met his eyes was enough to freeze the blood in his veins.

Scarcely twenty feet behind the hand-car three logging cars which had gained a headway of at least seventy miles an hour were about to crash into the section crew. One of the men with a cry of: "Jump for God's sake," leaped clear of the hand-car, and was followed by one companion without a second's hesitation. Ryan alone, who seemed transfixed, did not heed, perhaps from fright, and in an instant the logging train swept into the hand-car carrying its human freight. Ryan was knocked from the car as if shot from a cannon and when the runaway had passed, his companions hurried to his side. He was picked up unconscious and brought to the city.

At the point where the logging train had broken loose, there is a steep grade. For almost three miles the runaway sped toward Maple Falls, before it crashed into the hand-car, and in an uninterrupted path it bore onward until derailed. When it broke away a message was hurriedly sent over the telephone to the next station, to look out for the logging trucks in their wild flight. There was no chance to warn the section crew. A leaking air valve is assigned as the reason for the accident.

Cuts Steel Output.

HOMESTEAD, Pa., March 20.—The stork's visit to Homestead, Homeville and Munhass has reduced the output in many departments of the Carnegie Steel company. Thirty-one babies were born on Friday and Saturday to wives of mill-men, nearly all of whom remained at home to rejoice. Superintendent A. R. Hunt investigated the partial closing down of several of the departments and on learning the cause sent his congratulations.

FLOODS FEARED AT PITTSBURG.

Ice-Laden Torrent Rushing Down the Allegheny.

PITTSBURG, March 20.—An ice-laden torrent this morning rushing down the Allegheny river, threatens during the day to inundate the lowlands of the valley and of Pittsburgh, and Allegheny City with a flood stage of from 28 to 30 feet. Warnings have been sent out and many factories have been closed.

Jabez White Has Arrived.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The White Star steamer Cedric arrived today after the most turbulent voyage of her career. She encountered waves 60 feet high. Among the passengers was Jabez White, the British pugilist, and his manager, Charles Mitchell. White is matched to fight Jimmy Britt at San Francisco.

ROBBED OF TEN THOUSAND

MESSINGER FOR STANDARD OIL REFINERY AT OAKLAND HELD UP.

He and a Companion in a Buggy Were Seized, Bound and Gagged by Two Masked Men.

OAKLAND, Cal., March 20.—At 11 this morning John Daley, a messenger for the Standard Oil company at Point Richmond while returning from the Central bank at Oakland was held up by two masked men and robbed of \$10,000 in gold.

Daley, with F. K. Roche, was driving in a buggy along a lonely road which runs a short distance from the railroad. Two masked men jumped out of the brush, leveled revolvers at the occupants of the vehicle and ordered them out. As soon as the men alighted they were bound and gagged and thrown face downward on the ground. The robbers then entered the buggy and drove away with the treasure. In about half an hour workmen passing found Daley and Roche, released them and took them to Point Richmond in a car. The police in all nearby towns have been notified and a number of posses are scouring Contra Costa county. The money stolen was to have been used to pay off the employes of the Standard Oil refinery at Point Richmond.

GRAND JURY FOR THE BEEF TRUST

Investigation in Chicago Will Be Thorough

MUCH EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE

United States District Attorney Is Confident of Securing the Conviction of Conspirators.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Fifteen jurors were accepted today to investigate the alleged beef trust in the federal court. Of the 22 men summoned two were excused because they owned stock in railroads and five for other reasons. The questions asked veniremen were searching and indicated a disposition on the part of the government to carefully avoid possible error. Other veniremen will be summoned this afternoon and the panel will probably be completed tomorrow, when the hearing of evidence will begin. Assistant Attorney General Pagin declares the investigation will be most rigid. He believes sufficient evidence is already in possession of the federal authorities to indict the principal members of the alleged trust. The prosecution will be made under the Sherman anti-trust law, the maximum penalty for the violation of which is a \$5000 fine.

Chinese War in New York.

NEW YORK, March 20.—Chinatown is in a state of terror over a feud between the two factions of Ong Long Tong and Hip Sing Tong. The police are making every effort to prevent murder. A price of \$3000 has been placed on the head of Tom Lee, mayor of Chinatown. Mock Duck, an enemy of Lee, is also in danger of his life. Red slips have been posted in all parts of Chinatown with scale prices for the heads of various leaders of the Ong Long Tong. Many Chinese are wearing coats of mail.

Leiter to Abandon His Zeigler Mine.

DURQUOIN, Ill., March 20.—A report based on seemingly reliable authority was received here today to the effect that Joe Leiter will definitely suspend operations at his Zeigler mine this week. For some time it has been generally understood that the results obtained in the output of coal have failed to meet the expectations of the company. This is due no doubt to the fact that nearly every foreign type of labor for the most part unskilled, is represented there and cannot work to produce satisfactory output.

To Disrupt American League.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 20.—Because Ben Johnson, president of the American Baseball League, refused to come to the terms demanded by the minor leagues, a coterie of managers declare that they will raid the American league, take 50 star players and cripple that organization. The plan is to give two pieces to each of 25 teams. This was decided at a meeting here today. The Pacific Coast league is said to be a party to the scheme.

Cody Divorce Case Resumed.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., March 20.—The Cody divorce case was resumed here today. Judge Scott of Cheyenne, was on the bench. The reading of depositions will take two days, when the arguments of counsel will begin.

Expects Senators to Favor Bill.

LA CROSE, Wis., March 20.—Congressman John J. Esch, author of the railroad-rate bill, has returned from Washington and says he is well pleased with the progress made by his rate bill at the session just closed. He believes it will be reported upon favorably by the senate committee, possibly with a few changes, and that at the next session of congress legislation along the lines set forth in the bill will be passed.

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