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Vladivostok, Siberia, Feb. 8, 1920.
Editor News:

We left Shanghai, China, on Jan. 8, and arrived here four days later. Our course was thru the Yellow Sea, Strait of Korea, and Japanese Sea. No change of temperature was noticed until within about 20 miles of our port at this place, then we struck up with quite a cold breeze and much floating ice. This became thicker as we neared port, in fact we had to break our way thru about 4 inches of ice to get in.

Hardly had we docked before a storm began, which consisted of a 60-mile gale, saturated with snow. This made going upon deck almost impossible. This lasted about ten hours and the temperature was about 23 below, today it is 17 below. The following day we were paid and went ashore from 4 to 10 p. m.

The city is of a crescent shape and contains the bay and harbor known as the Golden Horn. The city, like most small coastal towns, has one principle street called Svetlanskaya. From this radiate many streets up the mountain, of little or no importance. Amusements are of the Russian type, altho' we have a good American Y. M. C. A. and K. of C. where an entertainment is of nightly occurrence. Saloons are numerous and a cafe can be found, but meals are not very enjoyable because of their Russian mixture and names. I remember of ordering "Pzrakviz"—what that means I can't tell, but here is what I got. Fried potatoes, fruit salad and a goose egg, and what an egg it was! One half of it had been removed, displaying a gosling just beginning to feather. This I tried to eat, but that combination was too much for my remotest ancestors, altho' I hear that it is a very much prized dish, especially among the Bolsheviks, but no more unborn ducklings for me.

About the most important things in Siberia are their beautiful women and the revolution. The former I can't praise enough so will tell of the latter.

These were the "signs of the revolution". First of all the Bolshevik were getting control of all railway stations north of Vlady (Vladivostok) and were working toward the city. Second, rumors were going each day that the people would no longer tolerate the government of Rozanoff. Third, the relatives of the executed prisoners were arousing the soldiers to rebellion.

On Jan. 25 a few hundred soldiers of the Commercial High School became rebellious, and as a result Rozanoff ordered them unarmed. They refused, mutinied and locked up their officers.

On the 26th Rozanoff bombarded the school, captured the soldiers and sent them to the prison at Russian island. Here they were joined by the guards and mutinied again to prevent their entry to the city. The general sent an ice breaker to isolate the island by breaking the ice. Soon after this General Rozanoff called a meeting of his officers and told them he only had a hundred loyal men, so they must unite to defend the city.

Further signs of alarm were shown in a declaration of a state of seige by the commandant of Vladys fortress. At this time

the Bolsheviks were outside the city of Nikolsk and from here sent a delegation to parley with Rozanoff. The general said he would have them shot, but as they were on an allied protected train, he wouldn't attempt this, but refused to see them.

During the morning of Jan. 31 the Bolsheviks occupied the town and sent Rozanoff a demand for surrender. His guards fired on them and then the scrap began.

After shooting away half the house they surrendered. Now, everything is quiet and everyone is Bolshevik. They are not as home papers say, but are orderly citizens. During the whole trouble not one case of lawlessness was reported. We backed the present president of Mexico. We backed the Rozanoff party of Siberia, both the wrong men. Our forces sneaked out of Mexico and now they are getting away from here. So soon as the Bolsheviks get complete control of the Russian government all will be well.

J. D. CONDRA,
Ph. M. 1, U. S. N.
U. S. S. "So. Dakota."

TEACHERS' MEETING POSTPONED

The teachers' meeting to be held at So. Pittsburg on Saturday, March 13, has been postponed until Saturday, March 20, on account of the state teachers' examination to be held at Jasper Friday and Saturday, March 12th and 13th, and quite a number of teachers desire to take the examination.

All teachers whose schools will close before the 20th are requested to prepare their annual reports carefully, so that they may present them to the proper authorities on the day of the meeting at So. Pittsburg and receive the last installment of their salaries.

The teachers will not be paid for the last month's work until the meeting at So. Pittsburg on March 20th, and then only when their annual reports properly filled out are handed in. Please do not ask for payment for the last month's work until the meeting of the teachers.

Every teacher in the county is expected to attend the meeting on the 20th. Please don't fail to be on hand.

D. A. TATE,
County Supt.



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Paris, Texas

Special to the News.

Since writing to the News last Death has been to Paris and removed one of our best known citizens. Colonel Sheb Williams died Feb. 28. He was a politician of influence and a man well thought of and honored by all who knew him, a man that any city, town or community needs and regrets to lose. He has been honored by state and national offices for many years. I did not have the honor of a personal acquaintance, but have known him for many years politically and by name and reputation.

I believe in people being well and neatly dressed, especially on Sunday. As I can't afford to have a Sunday suit and one for everyday wear, or at least can't keep money in all of my pockets, caused me a little extra walking. Always the first thing on Monday morning is to get my supply of Star tobacco for the week, and Monday of this week, not thinking of trouble, I hiked out down town to get the supply of tobacco. (I knew that I had seen the last new moon over my left shoulder and that is a sure sign of trouble before the next new moon.) I had left the necessary dime in my Sunday trousers pocket, and I discovered the fact that I had left it. Everybody knows it is bad luck to turn around and go back without making a cross mark on the ground and spitting in it. There I was without my Star tobacco and nothing to make spit, and my mouth dry and a far-off taste in it like a family of dagoes had just moved out, all on account of the Sunday breeches and the new moon being on the wrong side when I saw it, but it is hard to get ahead of one in Texas. So I just walked on as tho' I had just started out for a little walk and turned corners until I was back home. Just kept from turning back by turning corners, therefore fooling the sign man, but I will always have it in for the Sunday breeches. Be sure you first see the new moon over your right shoulder, or look out for trouble.

We are having May days this week in appearance and December days in feeling. It has been pretty cool the early part of the week, clear and nice, but cold enough to sit by the fire, but I guess we can stand it six weeks longer, as by that time we will have spring. By that time the ground hog will be over its scare, Easter Sunday be past and nothing to fear but the spring work and hot sunshine, and you know that always makes one feel bad, a little sleepy in the day time—don't think there is much danger of fatal results following such sickness.

I went down to the courthouse a few days ago, did not stay long and did not get acquainted with any one. I have been in Paris just a few days less than 11 months, and I do not know an officer in the city of Paris or the county of Lamar. Don't know even the name of an officer, so you see I am not much for getting acquainted with officers of the city or county where I live.

I have not heard anything from the smallpox for several days. No town wants information of anything like small pox to be talked about too freely. They are afraid it will keep some trade away, though I think it is getting better. I hope it will soon be under control as it demoralizes schools and retards many enterprises.

The Chamber of Commerce is going to get out a special edition of the Paris News March 21, as

an anniversary reminder of the big fire, when the whole city burned up.

As I don't know anything further to say, I guess it is a good time and place to stop.
Lone Star.

Eastland.

Special to the News.

We are having some very cold weather out here now. The ground has been frozen all day today (Friday, Mar. 5th) and it is snowing.

Well, "Uncle Joe," where did you get your wildcat. You must have been to Scoot's gulch, too, when you imagined you saw me there. Yes, the lumber camp is south of Clifty, but not in Clifty, isn't it a fact? The lumber camp is on the opposite side of Pilot Knob from Clifty, some three-fourths of a mile down the river.

Well, "Uncle Joe" I will remember the Good Templers at Jasper. The Good Templers lodge was a good movement toward driving whisky out of town. Of course it was not carried out right but it had its effect and did good.

Well, I guess the candidates are still frozen up as they are not stirring out any, but guess the woods will be full of them soon.

The mines are running full time here now. The prospects are good for the summer if the labor trouble is settled. The company has a large contract on hand at this place. They are doing a lot of improving here. Lumber and brick are coming every day. Bill Brown, the head carpenter, is a hustler when it comes to building houses. He will put quite a large force of men to work when the weather moderates.

Miss Mary Winning, of DeRossett, is in town soliciting orders for the cooperative store of that place.

John Winning and Miss Josie Girdley were married Wednesday the 25th of February and left on the evening train for Gatlinf, Ky., to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Wining, the groom's brother.

"Lone Star," of Texas, and "Uncle Tom," of Tracy City, seem at a loss to know who should be the candidates for president this year as usual, and everybody will be looking for their man to be elected.

The school here is progressing finely this year. Professor W. B. King will turn out a dozen or more students ready for high school at the expiration of the present term.

Dr. Shirley is being kept very busy looking after the sick this spring. There are several cases of flu in town, also a few cases of the mumps.

The lodges of this town are as follows: The Masons have a well-attended lodge. The Red men have about thirty hustling members. The I. O. O. F. lodge has sixty members and more coming in. The Rebekah lodge is just doing fine with about thirty-five members.

Good luck to the editor and readers.
J. G.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MAR. 14

W. L. Dykes, Sequachee, 10:45; Mineral Springs, 2:30.
A. F. Phenix, Jasper, 11:00. Preaching by Dr. J. B. Ward, P. E. of Chattanooga. All the town is invited to this service. Dr. Ward will preach at So. Pittsburg at 7:30 and A. F. Phenix at Whitwell at 7:30.
J. H. Prichard, Jasper, 11 a. m. preaching by Dr. Mitchell. Bro. Prichard preaches at Pleasant Grove at 8:00 and Havron's Chapel at 7:30.
Dr. Mitchell and Rev. Prichard are holding a revival meeting at Jasper.

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Notice To Marion County Teachers

Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13, will be the last chance to qualify as teacher for the public schools of Marion county for the coming year.

The schools must open not later than the first Monday in July, and no teacher who does not hold a certificate will be allowed to open a public school.

Everyone who has the faintest idea of teaching in the public schools of Marion the coming year, should, without fail, take this examination, unless such teacher already holds a certificate good for next year.

This is positively the last chance. A high school examination will be held at the same time and place.

The examinations will be held in the Sam Houston Academy Building, Jasper.

The following is the schedule for the state examinations, 1920:

ELEMENTARY.
Friday, March 12
9:00-9:15...Read Rules and Sign Cards
9:15-10:00...Music
10:00-11:45...Arithmetic
11:45-12:15...Spelling
Noon
1:15-2:00...Writing and Drawing
2:00-3:30...Grammar
3:30-4:30...Reading
Saturday, March 13
9:00-10:00...Physiology
10:00-11:00...Theory and Practice
11:00-12:00...Geography
Noon
1:00-2:30...U. S. History
2:30-4:00...Tennessee History
High School.

Friday, March 13
9:15-10:15...Grammar
10:15-11:45...Geometry, English History, Cicero, Physics and Cooking.
11:45-12:15...Spelling
Noon
1:15-3:30...English Literature, American History, Virgil, Physical Geography, Household Sanitation.
3:30-4:30...Rhetoric

Saturday, March 13
9:00-10:30...American Literature, Algebra, Caesar, Agriculture, Sewing
10:30-12:00...Arithmetic
Noon
1:00-2:00...Civics and Biology
2:00-3:15...Ancient, Mediaeval and Modern History, Physiology.
3:15-4:15...Theory and Practice

Respectfully,
D. A. TATE,
Co. Supt.

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PROGRAM MARION CO. TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The following is the program for the final meeting of the Marion County Teachers Association to be held at South Pittsburg, Saturday, March 20, 1920

1. Devotional, Rev. G. C. Eastwood
2. Welcome Address, James C. Dixon
3. Response, James E. Hogan
4. Reading, Miss Annie Powell
5. Vocal Solo, Miss Nell Leland
6. Paper—"Importance of Primary Work and Methods in Primary Teaching," Mrs. A. R. Rankin
7. "The Proper Training of Pupils in the Grammar Schools for Entrance Into High Schools," Prof. J. J. Huggins
8. "Should the subject of Agriculture be Taught in Grammar Schools, and, if so, Plans and Methods of Teaching Same," Prof. T. R. Hackworth
9. Violin Solo, Miss Thirza Taylor
10. The Necessary Training for Teachers of English in Grammar Schools, Miss Alleine Darden
11. Debate, Question, Resolved, That President Wilson was Justifiable in Demanding the Resignation of Secretary Lansing from his Cabinet.

Affirmative—F. L. Tallant, Foster Price.

Negative—James C. Dixon, Bill Tate.

12. Dinner.
13. Reading, Miss Gertrude Michael
14. Address, Rev. J. G. Stewart

15. Some of the Greatest Needs of the Public Schools of Marion County.

16. Volunteer Talks, by Teachers and others
17. Closing Talk, Chairman BILL TATE, Chairman Association. MAY LASATER, Secretary.

Temperature hit twenty degrees Saturday morning for the second time this month. March has entered like a sure enough lion, and the old saying winds up by declaring that "it will go out like a lamb."

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