Past Year in Review

Chronological Record of Most Important Happenings at Home and Abroad During 1906

Russo-Japanese War

Feb. 6—Diplomatic relations severed by action of Japan

MARSHAL OYAMA

8—Japan wins first naval engagement. ...Issues official statement setting forth position. Secy Hay sends note inviting France, England and Germany to join U. S. in preserving China's integrity.

16—Russians capture Newchwang. Russian cruiser Bogatir blows up. 197 of crew lost. ...90 Russians frozen to death crossing Lake Baikal.

17—Japan agrees to Hay note.

18—Russia issues proclamation declaring she was unprepared for war. Charges Japan with treachery.

19—5,000 Russians drowned by breaking through ice on Lake Baikal

21—In preliminary Yalu river battles 2,500 Russians are killed.

22—Four Russian torpedo boat destroyers taken by Japs.

23—Russian torpedo boat sunk, Port Arthur.

Mar. 1—Japan denies Russia's charges saying Russia forced war.

1—Two Jap cruisers sunk off Vladivostok.

11—Russia and Japan each lose torpedo boat in Port Arthur battle.

Apr. 13—Russian battleship Petropavlovsk sunk off Port Arthur, 80 of crew drowned, including Vice Admiral Makaroff and Vassili Verestchagin.

14—Skrydloff succeeds Makaroff, in command of Black sea fleet.

15—Russian torpedo boat destroyer Bresaschi destroyed....Popedia badly damaged.

18—Alexieff relieved by Skrydloff.

[illegible]—Attempt by kings of England and Denmark to end war fails.

26—Vladivostok squadron sinks 4 Japanese transports.

27—Russian submarine boat sunk by Japanese, 500 lives lost.

May 1—Japs rout Russians in Yalu river battle. Jap losses 1,000. Russian losses 2,000 men and 40 officers. 73 Japanese officers and men killed and drowned in sinking of transport by Russians.

[illegible]—Attempt by Togo to bottle Port Arthur fails.

[illegible]—Togo's fleet bombards Port Arthur for two days....Vivian Asskiff escapes from Port Arthur, frozen alone.

13—Japanese torpedo boat destroyed off Dalny.

16—Japanese dispatch boat Miyako sunk.

17—Russians evacuate Newchwang....Russian cruiser sunk by Japanese fleet off Katsumuto.

20—Japanese routed in advance on Makden.

26—Asio destroyed by Russians....Togo strikes Russian battleship in assault on Port Arthur.

29—Kinchou and Nansan taken by Japs. Japanese loss, 344. Russian, 450.

Jun. 5—Russian gunboat Gilak sunk.

[illegible]—Russians take Komatsan. Japanese attack at Port Arthur repulsed.

[illegible]—Japs take Siuren.

[illegible]—Two Jap battalions slain in ambush.

16—Two Jap transports sunk, 1,800 die.

18—Japanese transport Idzumi sunk.

GEN KUROPATKIN.

22—Russians lose Line in battle near Kinchou.

26—Admiral and 700 Russians drowned in battle.

29—Kaiping taken by Japs.

30—Russian regiment annihilated near Port Arthur.

Jul. 12—Port Arthur attack repulsed. 2,000 Killed, wounded.

14—Yorkow occupied by Japs....Japs take Kiouliang and Liaoyang.

[illegible]—Lonsh, Count Keli, killed. Yanow pass.

[illegible]—Russians defeated in decisive battle at Tashichiao.

Aug. 11—Vladivostok fleet nearly annihilated. 2,000 Japs killed and wounded.

[illegible]—Big twelve day battle near Liaoyang results in great Jap victory.

Sept. 20—Ta pass taken by Japs.

[illegible]—Far virtually depose Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief by giving Grippenberg a second army.

Oct. 9—Peace congress asks for end of war.

[illegible]—Russians take Makden and Benitoa. Entire Jap loss in Russian attack on Tiger Sky, 10 drowned.

19—Great battle of Shakhe river ends in overwhelming Jap victory.

21—Number of Russians killed in battle of Shakhe river, 2,000, wounded 15,000.

23—Russian Baltic fleet fires on fleet of English vessels in North Sea, killing a captain and mate, wounding a score and sinking ship.

27—Japanese capture village of Jerdagaus after long fight.

29—Danger of war between Russia and England averted by agreement to leave Dogger bank to The Hague commission.

Nov. 2—Week's attack on Port Arthur results in great damage in fort....Departure of Russian Baltic fleet from Vigo Spain, causes war scare in England.

12—Japan offers through England to end war. Offer rejected by Russia. Mine explosion at Port Arthur kills 20 Russians....Gen. Stoessel asks armistice.

13—Kuroki reported killed by shell. Report denied false.

[illegible]—Russian destroyer Resistapoy blown up by own officers.

21—Japanese ships capture German vessels trying to run Port Arthur blockade.

28—Japanese capture 203 Meter Hill at Port Arthur, losing 15,000....Russian cruiser Sagiyen sunk by mine.

Dec. 1—Russians Gesilp Pereymr sink by Japanese shots in Port Arthur harbor.

[illegible]—Reported that all Russian battleships and cruisers are sunk or destroyed.

[illegible]—Chef resigns Baltic fleet from war.

14—Russian battleship Sevastopol, last of Port Arthur fleet, torpedoed.

16—Seven Russians escape from Port Arthur with dispatches for czar.

[illegible]—Japs torpedo Russian battleship Retvizan, losing two torpedo boats.

[illegible]—Reports say Gen. Kroudenbenko, Port Arthur, is killed and Stoessel badly injured.

Foreign

Jan. 12—Persia recognizes independence of Panama.

Feb. 4—Yaqui Indians hold up stage near Los Cruces, Mex., killing 8.

5—San Domingo insurgents fire on U. S. launch, kill engineer.

17—Dr. Amador elected first pres. of Panama....Port of Wilo opened by Korean government to world commerce.

18—20,000 Abiaiss and 1,200 Turks at Hadjibost, 40 Turks killed....Port Arthur fires on and detains British steamer.

21—11 killed, 20 injured, in Paris celluloid factory.

29—12 die in St. Pelidon, Quebec, fire.

Mar. 4—Field Marshal Waldersee, Germany, dies.

16—27 die in Madagascar magazine explosion.

Apr. 6—Earthquake kills 22, injures 40 and destroys 1,000 homes in Mendocita.

6—French-English treaty signed giving various rights.

8—Isabella, queen of Spain, dies.

12—Premier Maura, Spain, attacked in Barcelona.

29—500 miners buried by avalanche coal Frassasso, Italy.

27—42 Africans killed in fall of 2,500 feet in Transvaal gold mine.

29—60 die in cave-in of Sprague mine.

May 15—In attack on Kowang, China, in British North Borneo, 150 massacred by rebels.

24—Chinese Imperial edict opens 7 ports....Attempt made to assassinate czar of Russia.

[illegible]—Second anniversary of Cuba's independence.

22—France recalls ambassador from vatican.

Jun. 6—Armenian villages destroyed, 2,000 killed.

16—Count Boblikoff of Finland assassinated.

18—Swedish revolutionists at Hedstrofjra, Finland, attack governor's office, killing 15.

24—Perjiburis and Varley released by Bandit Raisuli....20 perish in train wreck in Spain.

30—Former Sultan Murad V. of Turkey dies in prison.

Jul. 1—Diaz elected pres. of Mexico.

6—7,000 Tibetans slain in battle with British.

11—Paul Kruger dies at Clarens, Switzerland.

18—900 die from cholera at Teheran, Russia.

19—Germany demands explanation of Russia for seizure of mail steamers.

21—English steamer Malacca captured by Russians is released.

24—German steamer Scandia, captured by Russian volunteer fleet, released. Fleet ordered to Suez....British steamer Knight Commander sunk by Russians.

28—M. von Plehve, Russian minister of foreign affairs, assassinated.

Aug. 8—Turks massacre Armenians and wipe out 5 villages.

[illegible]—Son and heir born to czar of Russia.

14—20 drown off coast of Ireland.

[illegible]—Czar makes large gifts to Finlanders.

[illegible]—Czar's heir christened with great pomp.

26—Assassin of Von Plehve sentenced to death.

30—Massacre of Americans by Chinese bandits threatened....30 drowned at Lodz, Poland....9 die in Richmond (Va.) train wreck.

Sep. 4—Van Plehve's assassin escapes.

15—Queen Helena, Italy, gives birth to twin.

25—Tyler crowned king of Servia.

Oct. 1—Sir Bateman dies at Oxford, England.

4—Bartholdi, French sculptor, dies in Paris.

5—British ship Sietan taken by Japs.

[illegible]—Dutch capture Sumbadane in Acis after sharp battle.

Nov. 3—Liberals sweep Canada, sustaining Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

4—Pierre Poirier, French deputy chamber deputies, assaults ex-Gen. Andre....Hundred drowned, French steamer Gironde sinks off Algerian coast.

12—Henry, "Father of French Constitution," dies at Paris, aged 85.

Dec. 3—Andre, French war minister, resigns.

[illegible]—Swiss confederation signs arbitration treaties with United States, Great Britain and Italy.

[illegible]—Lopez inaugurated president of Mexico for another term.

[illegible]—Storm on north coast of Portugal kills 37.

[illegible]—Admiral Seymour, "father of British navy," dies at Portsmouth, Eng.

[illegible]—Czar repeats demand for peace appeal for conference.

Crimes

Feb. 5—E. S. Eichelberg, Kilgore, Ia., convicted in life imprisonment for killing wife.

[illegible]—J. Clark, Beckville, Mo., kills wife and self for fear of starvation.

[illegible]—G. Senter, Denver, Col., kills wife and self.

[illegible]—G. Lanting kills Emma Burgler and self at Rock Isle.

[illegible]—S. Marck, Sioux City, Ia., kills daughter and self.

[illegible]—J. Lewandowski, Chicago, killed wife and self.

[illegible]—J. H. Hurley, Jackson Mich., kills wife and self....A. W. Fream and wife, Burlington, Ind., commit suicide in Chicago.

Mar. 1—Mrs. Stanwood, Eagle, Ill., kills stepson, self and self.

[illegible]—Wm. Gardenier killed Mrs. Anna Fulmer, committed suicide and self, at Leavenworth, Kan.

[illegible]—Mrs. Mary Hodges, Fort Scott, Kan., poisoned her husband, Jas. Hodges, a prominent citizen.

[illegible]—Fritz Keller, Brooklyn, kills wife, child and self.

[illegible]—Glen Reich, Georgetown, O., kills Ina Matthews and self.

Apr. 1—W. E. Pearce killed Mrs. Hoggsmeyer, his paramour, and self at Meyersdale, Pa.

[illegible]—Louis Pessin, murderer of Mrs. Mary Spitko, hanged in Chicago.

[illegible]—Black at Gray's Lake, Ill., robbed of $500 by masked thieves.

[illegible]—Frank Ross, wife murderer, shot to death at Salt Lake City, Utah.

[illegible]—E. E. Osgood, Hiram, Me., kills wife and self.

May 1—Wm. Sheffield, wife and two daughters murdered near Vestal, N. Y.

[illegible]—Mayor McLane, Baltimore, committed suicide.

Jun. 1—J. M. Peach, Roselle, N. J., kills 4 children and self.

[illegible]—E. Smith, Ludington, Mich., kills wife, baby and self.

Jul. 11—S. Higgs, Clinton, Ia., kills wife and self.

[illegible]—Frederick Neiser, near St. Cloud, Minn., kills wife and self.

[illegible]—T. Washburn, board of trade man, N. Y., kills wife, daughter and self.

[illegible]—J. Morgan, Chicago, kills wife, throws self in front of street car in sight of horrified crowds.

[illegible]—Mrs. Anna Kolodzik, Chicago, killed three children and self by asphyxiation.

[illegible]—F. Hodges, wife and three children killed at Stillwater, Okla., in burning of home by negroes.

Aug. 1—Illinois Central train held up outside Chicago.

[illegible]—Negro publicly burned at Cedartown, Ga.

[illegible]—G. Benoway, Mafalin, Wis., kills wife and self.

Sept. 7—Joseph Regner, Irving Park, Ill., killed wife and self.

[illegible]—7 Buffalo aldermen indicted on bribery charges.

Oct. 2—Chas. Geitrell, Obrien's Landing, Mo., kills 4.

[illegible]—President (Ind.) bank destroyed by dynamite, $2,000 taken.

[illegible]—Frank Loos, Eagle, Ill., kills wife and self.

27—Mrs. Rae Kraines, Hartford City, Ind., confesses murder of stepdaughter, receiving life sentence.

28—Wm. Peddicord, near Perry, Ia., killed wife and self.

Nov. 4—Wm. Muthart, near Munger, Mich., killed sweetheart and self.

12—Adolph Hummel, Hamilton, O., killed son and self.

20—Wm. Bate, Chicago theatre manager, in auto near Lemont, Ill., by unknown.

23—Frank Ray, or Allen, killed Henry Hoffman and wife, Geo. Henderson, at Philadelphia.

Dec. 4—Dr. Tucker, Des Moines, Ia., killed domestic and self because of wife's jealousy.

6—W. Banes, Rochester, Ind., killed wife, Teresa Jane and self. Jealousy the cause.

8—Trenton, S. C., B. B. Hughes, wife and two daughters murdered by unknown persons.

[illegible]—Forgery rob Peoria, Ill., national bank of $[illegible].

12—Post office at Reinbeck, Ia., robbed of $2,500....Mrs. Chadwick indicted on forgery charge at Cleveland, O.

15—Robbers locked Rice Station, Minn., bank escaping $17,000.

20—Huntington, W. Va., Lucian and Ira Lucas killed as result of quarrel with Wm. Adkins.

29—Chicago, crackmen blow Garden City brewery safe, scooping $2,500.

Business Failures

Jan. 4—Auburn (Ind.) Farmers' bank.

[illegible]—M. Ayr (Ga.) Citizens' bank, Holden.

[illegible]—Orchard (O.) Produce Exchange bank and branches at Bedford, Hudson and Dunkirk.

[illegible]—Elkart (Ind.) Nat. bank.

[illegible]—New York, A. H. Baxter & Co., cotton brokers, $[illegible].

Feb. 1—New Orleans, Kirby Lumber Co. and Burton Jr. Co., Lutcherburg, W. Va., Tenders Nat. bank.

[illegible]—Gilmer, Tex., Citizens Nat. bank.

[illegible]—New Roquemore Nat. bank....Bank of Ipava, N. Y.

[illegible]—Syracuse (N. Y.) Exchange Nat. bank, $[illegible].

[illegible]—Avon (Ia.) Savings bank.

[illegible]—Sargent (Ala.) Bank, $20,000....Tastee (Miss.) bank, $[illegible].

Mar. 2—Le Roore (Minn.) bank, $[illegible].

[illegible]—Canton Grove and Colfax (Ia.) banks.

[illegible]—Dunbar (Ky.) New York cotton king, $[illegible].

[illegible]—Dowagiac (Mich.) Savings bank.

[illegible]—Riverside (Cal.) bank....R. G. Miller, banker, Providence, Ia....National bank of Hildreville, Ind. T., suspends operations.

[illegible]—Union Trust, Boston, $1,000,000....Federal Trust, Cleveland, $1,000,000.

Apr. 4—Capital Nat. bank, Guthrie, Okla., $[illegible].

[illegible]—W. B. Mack, New York.

[illegible]—Citizens' bank, McLeod, Okla....Akron (O.) Savings bank....Chicago Women's Business club.

6—Wagner & Co., Chicago grain merchants.

[illegible]—Dow City (Ia.) Exchange bank....Buck Grove (Ia.) bank.

[illegible]—Tolu (Ia.) Exchange bank.

[illegible]—Grant (Ia.) Pine Nat. bank.

[illegible]—Farmers' State bank, Nardin, Okla.

24—First national bank of Cape May, N. J., closed by special order.

Jul. 27—First Nat. bank, Saratoga, N. Y....Grinnell (Ia.) First Nat. bank.

28—Menasha (Wis.) bank.

Oct. 11—Bank of Plainfield, Wis., closed by state commissioner.

Nov. 11—Federal Stock and Grain Co., Boston, assigns, liabilities $[illegible].

17—Bronson of run, Berlin, Wis., bank closes.

29—Janney Co., Ottumwa, Ia., goes to receiver.

[illegible]—Davenport, Wash., national bank developed weakness.

29—Geo. Cuyler of Mount Vernon, O., banker, assigns, liabilities $[illegible].

Dec. 5—C. H. Black & Co., prominent Chicago grocers, liabilities, $[illegible], assets, $[illegible].

[illegible]—First national bank, Cincinnati, and Marine bank, Clearwater Harbor, O., suspend.

22—Indiana savings bank, Decatur, Ind., closed.

Industrial

Jan. 28—John Mitchell selected pres. of United Mine Workers at Indianapolis convention.

JOHN MITCHELL

Feb. 1—4 men shot to death at Coal Creek, Tenn., in fight between union and non union miners.

Mar. 1—More than 2,000 laborers employed on Panama canal in construction to New York go out on strike.

16—Fire in Fairbanks' plant of Chicago Window Glass Workers necessitates shutdown.

[illegible]—Marion law in force in Franklin mining section of Central Illinois district of war between union and nonunion miners.

[illegible]—Iron Iowa miners vote to walk out unless strike.

Apr. 1—Great operators and miners sign Chicago agreement at Lee Mansion, Ia.

[illegible]—Minneapolis flour mills shut down (Winning Columbia out of work.

May 1—Louisiana Purchase exposition formally opened at St. Louis. Attendance [illegible].

[illegible]—Railroad employees strike, Kansas City, Mo., 10,000 out....Chicago bookbinders made 11th to 10 hours.

[illegible]—Strike threatened in Chicago theatres, Judge Dunne issues injunction.

[illegible]—Strike threatened in Chicago, Milwaukee and Gary, Ind., steel mills.

[illegible]—Chicago Bookbinders' Union, 1,000 strikers, 10 hours.

[illegible]—Strike of 1,000 Chicago tailors ended by concessions.

[illegible]—New York building trades men settled.

[illegible]—Jobbers and retailers in Chicago threatened with strike.

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[illegible]—Strike in Cleveland.

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