

OYAMA'S ARMY HOLDS THE HUN

Victory Over Russians Was Under Terrible Difficulties

BATTLED DAY AND NIGHT

One Day of Russians in Ambush Trapped Turn and Almost Annihilated, Important Surrendering—Japanese Suffered Heavily.

Toho, Feb. 4.—Field Marshal Oyama reports that he holds the line of the Hun river, with his extreme left established on the right bank. The main body of the Russians, after their defeat at Sikoutai, retired across the Hun river. The battle was fought during a driving snowstorm.

After describing successive Russian attacks on Jan. 26 and Jan. 27, Oyama says that on Jan. 27, on the Japanese front, desperate hand-to-hand encounters followed. The Japanese succeeded in repulsing all the Russian attacks, including one made in their rear by Russians who ambushed them while they were advancing in pursuit. In this case the Russians were practically annihilated, only 300 of them surrendering.

The fighting continued throughout the day and night of Jan. 28. The Japanese were everywhere outnumbered, and it was decided to make a general night attack. Marshal Oyama concludes:

All the columns expected annihilated. They suffered heavily from the Russian artillery and machine guns, but resisted the attack with all their might. Unable to withstand our vigorous attack, the enemy began to retreat at 5:30 a. m. We occupied Heikoutai at 9:30.

The strength of the Russians was estimated at seven divisions, with one division of cavalry.

DELEGATES SPELLBOUND WHEN THEY SAW CZAR

Interview Was a Cleverly Arranged Bit of Stagecraft, Put Through by Gov.-Gen. Trepoff.

New York, Feb. 3.—A London cable to the Sun says correspondents at St. Petersburg who have investigated the reputation of the workmen by the Czar at Tsaritsino-Selo say that the function may be dismissed as merely a piece of government stagecraft of no significance. It was engineered by Gov.-Gen. Trepoff. Some of the picked delegates who were seen by the correspondents expressed themselves as gratified; others were sullen, while still others were indifferent.

If the real industrial leaders had been chosen they would have had to have been taken out of the prisons. A machinist, Dalgren, employed at the Putzloff iron works, was one of the delegates interviewed. He seemed to be spellbound by the recollection. He said: "When the deputation saw Gen. Trepoff at the winter palace, he told them not to ask any questions, but to answer the Czar as briefly as possible. The Czar was very gentle, but Gen. Trepoff was very stern. I was glad in my soul to see the Czar, though everything was like a dream. Whenever the Czar asked a question, everyone was so excited that he did not know what answer he made."

Dalgren added that the Czar looked well. He spoke very courteously. He did not address the men individually. There was nothing approaching a conference, nor was any attempt made to ascertain the real views of the men. Grand Duke Constantine presided at the luncheon given to the deputation. He walked up and down at the tables while the men were eating. Dalgren said:

We had fish, potatoes, vodka, sherry and other good things."

GEN. GRIPENBERG ASKS RELIEF FROM COMMAND

Alleged Failure of Kuropatkin to Support Him at Sandepas Thought Cause.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—It is rumored that Lieut.-Gen. Gripenberg has asked to be relieved of his command. The Associated Press is unable to obtain a

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confirmation or denial at the war office. According to the version prevalent in military circles, Gen. Gripenberg telegraphed direct to the Emperor requesting to be relieved because of the alleged failure of Gen. Kuropatkin to afford him proper support in the operations against Sandepas.

Gen. Gripenberg is the commander of the second Manchurian army. He reached the front early in December last.

Gorky Has Not Been Released.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—The report of Maxim Gorky's release is incorrect. Three of the eight members of the delegation to Interior Minister Svintopolk-Mirsky, Hessen, Mikotin and Kareff, who were arrested Jan. 21, have been released provisionally pending an investigation. The others probably will be held until they are tried.

AMERICAN SHIPS ACTIVE.

Paris Hears Squadron of Fifteen Vessels is Watching Belligerents.

Paris, Feb. 3.—An official despatch from Manila says that an American squadron composed of fifteen warships sailed today from the island of Luzon for the southern waters of the archipelago with the object of maintaining neutrality in American waters, both as to Russian and Japanese fleets.

14,000 Coal Miners Strike.

Mons, Belgium, Feb. 3.—Fourteen thousand coal miners struck today for higher wages. The National Congress of Miners will meet in a few days to discuss the advisability of ordering a general strike.

CAN DO NOTHING.

Gov. Douglas so Advises Mill Men From Fall River.

Boston, Feb. 4.—Delegates from the Fall River Textile Council called on Gov. Douglas yesterday to protest against the action of the manufacturers in that city, who have refused to employ certain members of the slasher tenders' union.

Before going into conference the members of the delegation stated that their complaint was that about half the members of the slasher tenders' union, 37 men, were still unemployed, none of them having been given employment except those who were taken back on the first day after the end of the strike.

The following statement was given out by Secretary Buchanan: "The executive committee of the Textile Council of Fall River had an interview with Gov. Douglas today, and related to him the conditions existing in Fall River. There were some complaints of discrimination on the part of those who went out on strike. The governor assured the committee he had no official power to compel either the manufacturers or the operatives to give the other a conference to adjust grievances, but advised a conservative course in dealing with the alleged cases of discrimination."

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ACCUSED SENATOR FIGHTS.

California Assaults Detective Employed by the Prosecution.

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—A special despatch from Sacramento to the Call says: State Senator Frank French, who stands accused with three of his colleagues of bribery, has made an assault on Detective George N. Tichenor, employed by the prosecution. French accosted Tichenor on the upper floor of the Capitol rotunda, and without a word rushed at the detective and sent him reeling with a blow over the right eye. Bystanders interfered at this juncture and prevented further trouble.

A DETECTIVE GO-BETWEEN

In the Mary Rogers Poison Proposition

NO MONEY WAS SENT

Massachusetts Police Traced Letter to Prison Official to Boston, and Then Notified Vermont Officials.

Boston, Feb. 4.—One of the interesting sidelights of the case of Mrs. Mary M. Rogers in Vermont, is the unearthing in this city of what the police are inclined to believe was a deliberate plan to rob the gallows of its victim by smuggling poison to the prisoner just before she was to go to the scaffold.

The inquiry into this matter has been very quietly conducted, and although no arrests have thus far been made, it is possible that such a climax may result. A report on the matter, made by the state police, has been forwarded to Atty. Gen. Fitts of Vermont, and if he is inclined to believe the evidence justifies an arrest, one will be made.

It is said that the trial leads up to the door of a certain private detective in this city, who is supposed to have been acting for certain other persons. The assumption is that these persons, interested not only in what they considered the good name of the state of Vermont, but also in assisting the condemned murderer to avoid the odious consummation of her life on the gallows, sought for a go-between to complete the negotiations which would enable the prisoner to take poison, and, by suicide, when all other hope was lost, cheat the gallows.

The story is an old one, but it has been well concealed. Last December the go-between wrote a letter to one of the guards in the Vermont state prison, condemning the hanging of a woman, and suggesting that the guard as a last resort, when it became manifest that there was no other way to permit the prisoner to escape the scaffold, should put into her possession a powder, which would be furnished him.

For his service in so doing he was to receive \$200, or, rather, this sum was promised him in case he accepted the suggestion, and a further reward was promised in case he successfully carried out the programme. It does not appear that the go-between attempted to communicate with Mrs. Rogers and obtain her consent to this scheme. Apparently it was assumed that she would be willing to do her part, even though it involved an act of suicide, provided she might in this way end her life.

Presumably she was to act upon the hint conveyed by the mere presence of the powder, but the scheme failed for several reasons. The first was that the guard, instead of assenting to the proposition contained in the letter, turned it over to the superintendent of prisons. A certain name and address in this city was signed to the document. To determine the genuineness of the letter, the attorney-general of Vermont wrote to Atty. Gen. Parker of this state, and the latter gave the matter for investigation to the state police.

A preliminary study of the situation revealed the fact that the name signed to the letter was probably fictitious. The postoffice authorities were then consulted, and they worked in harmony with the state police in following up a decoy letter which was sent. This letter led right up to the detective aforesaid, but whether the trail was sufficiently conclusive to justify criminal proceedings remains to be seen. The state officers are silent on the case, the postoffice authorities likewise, and the attorney-general avoids discussion of the matter on the plea that interstate courtesy forbids any comment at this time.

It is admitted, however, that, as a result of the collaboration entered into between the police and the postoffice department, a report of the situation has been sent to the Vermont authorities, and the information is that what future proceedings, if any, are to be taken, shall be indicated by Atty. Gen. Fitts.

So far as can be learned, he has not yet indicated his desires to the Massachusetts authorities, and they profess to be doing nothing whatever on the matter at present. In fact, they claim to have concluded their investigation weeks ago.

Contrary to some reports, no money or poison was sent in the letter to the prison officer. It was merely a proposition. Just what charge could be maintained is a question.

One could hardly be necessary to a suicide or to a murder, although some put the latter construction on the act. The most probable charge, if one is made, is that of attempting to bribe a prison official.

SHERIFF PECK'S STATEMENT.

Windsor County Officer Gives Reasons for Working for Reprieve.

Windsor, Feb. 4.—Sheriff H. H. Peck has given out the following statement: "Believing in justice to ourselves that our motives in asking Governor Bell to reprieve Mary Rogers pending a further investigation of her case by the supreme court should be understood, the following statement as to the motives which actuated us in asking a reprieve is made public:

"While making preparations for the woman's execution it came to our knowledge that Leon Perham, the witness upon whose testimony Mrs. Rogers was convicted, and who is now serving a life sentence for complicity in the commission of the crime had, within the last few days made a confession, in the course of which he stated that his testimony at the trial of Mrs. Rogers was false, and he so testified under a motive to shield himself. Realizing the awful

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responsibility cast upon us by the law we felt it to be our duty as citizens of the state to call this matter to the attention of the governor before allowing ourselves to carry out the execution.

"It was not a question of shrinking from duty, not an appeal to sympathy, but a question of duty as citizens and officers of the law that actuated us in the matter. We presented this matter of reprieve to the governor honestly believing that the whole truth should be known before an execution. This we stated and nothing more. Believing that a reprieve should be granted pending investigation concerning the truth of falsity of the alleged confession of Perham, we stand ready to do our duty as officers of the law and do not hesitate to execute the mandates of the law, but we feel, and have felt—that in so serious a matter our duty as private citizens impelled us to leave no stone unturned in an endeavor to ascertain whether, in truth, this woman is guilty of the crime charged and subject to the punishment that the law imposes. We could not but feel that our motives would be understood, but we feel that what we did was right and proper, whatever may be the result of the hearing and it only remains for us to carry out such duties as the law imposes."

SWAYNE SPEAKS.

Judge's Answer to Articles of Impeachment.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 4.—At 12:30 yesterday the Senate resumed the impeachment case of Judge Swayne. An order for method of procedure was adopted.

John M. Thurston, counsel for Judge Swayne, then read the latter's answer Swayne's answer justified the charge of \$10 a day for expenses while holding court outside his district, saying that such an allowance was intended to be fixed by law and so accepted by other judges.

Judge Swayne asserted that no expense was incurred by the use of the private car of the Jacksonville, Tampa & Key West railroad. He also denied that he failed to establish a residence in his district in Florida.

Judge Swayne justified his action in committing E. T. Davis for contempt of court as a public duty. He denied that he held an interest in the Florida McGuair case, and said that the attempt to involve him in it was a conspiracy on the part of three lawyers for the purpose of thwarting justice.

Judge Swayne also justified his act in filing and sending to prison Atty. Samuel Beldin and E. T. Davis.

Judge Swayne also justified his punishment of W. C. Oneal for contempt, as Oneal had made a murderous assault upon a trustee in bankruptcy appointed by Judge Swayne.

To REPEAL BANKRUPTCY BILL.

New Measure Favored by House Committee.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The House Judiciary Committee yesterday by a vote of 8 to 3 decided to report the Clayton bankruptcy bills repealing the bankruptcy law of 1897. Mr. Clayton appeared before the committee and spoke in favor of his bill, declaring that the necessity for the act of 1897 no longer existed. All the Democrats on the committee voted to report the bill, acting with two Republicans. Representative Powers of Massachusetts will submit a minority report.

FREE ALCOHOL WANTED.

North Dakota Would Use More for Fuel.

Washington, Feb. 4.—In the Senate yesterday Mr. McCumber presented a memorial from the Legislature of North Dakota praying for the removal of the tax on alcohol, in order that it may be more freely used for fuel, and Mr. Clay presented a petition from the National Cotton Growers' association for the appropriation of a "few million dollars" for the extension of the market for cotton goods.



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MYSTERIOUS MURDER

Young New Jersey Business Man Killed in Sleigh

COMPANION DISAPPEARS

Supposed to Have Been Shot by a Stranger Riding With Him—No Motive for Crime Apparent—Geo. Williams' Peculiar Death.

Plainfield, N. J., Feb. 3.—This vicinity today is being hunted over by a posse in an attempt to find the murderer of George Williams, a young grocer in the village of Watchung, who was found shot dead in his sleigh on the road to Warrenville yesterday. Williams had started out to drive a well dressed stranger to Warrenville and that was the last seen of him until he was found dead. The stranger has disappeared and no motive for the crime can be learned.

The mysterious stranger visited Watchung before noon. He was perhaps forty years old, of light complexion with sandy mustache. He said that he was in a hurry to reach Warrenville where he had an important engagement and after several futile attempts to negotiate for a vehicle and some one to drive him, he entered Williams' store and induced the grocer to drive him to Warrenville.

Later in the day Eugene Pope found the sleigh at the side of the road, with Williams' dead body crouched on the bottom. Pope observed footprints in the snow, apparently made by a man walking backwards. He followed them a short distance but returned and brought Williams' body and sleigh to Watchung.

A posse was organized to search for the stranger. The footprints when followed up led to the house of a Frenchman named Pollock. The stranger had said he wished to visit Pollock. The house was apparently deserted and up to today Pollock has not been found. He has a good reputation in the vicinity.

From Pollock's house the foot prints were followed to the Millington station, where the station agent said a man answering the description of the stranger

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had boarded a train for New York, without buying a ticket. Today a posse of farmers are guarding the Pollock house, awaiting the return of the Frenchman, who, it is hoped, may be able to throw some light on the crime.

Nothing about the appearance of the sleigh indicated that there had been a struggle and a careful examination of the Warrenville road for miles did not afford any further information along that line. It is believed that the stranger shot Williams without warning. The bullet hole in Williams' back seems to indicate that the bullet went into his heart.

Mrs. Williams said that her husband had no business troubles or other difficulties that would bear out a theory of suicide and she knows of no enemies of her husband that could have a motive for murder.

ANOTHER HOCH WIFE.

This One is Found By The Police in Pasadena, Cal.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Word was received by the police here yesterday from the Chief of Police at Pasadena, Cal., that Martha Harzfeld had recognized the picture of Johann Hoch as that of the man who, under the name of Erdror Hoch, married her in Chicago.



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