

JOYFUL JAPANESE

Subjects of the Mikado Are Delighted With Roosevelt. His Views Are in Perfect Accord With Theirs. WHAT THEY WOULD SAY He Has Said and Probably Said It Better. Saved Country's Honor and Added Lustre to His Fame.

Tokio, Dec. 6.—Most of the papers here highly eulogize President Roosevelt's attitude toward the Japanese, as expressed in his message. The Asahi is delighted that the evidence reported in the president has been realized. It says: "By his firm attitude, prompted by a lofty sense of justice, President Roosevelt has added new lustre to his already great fame. It is to be hoped that true Americans will unite in support of his righteous policy."

DIG OUT THE TENS.

Secretary Shaw Issues a Letter to the Banks. Washington, Dec. 6.—The secretary of the treasury today issued the following open letter to all banking institutions of the United States: "A very marked feature of the small bills is noticeable everywhere and the treasury is powerless to relieve. In the absence of legislation allowing national banks to issue a larger proportion of their circulation in denominations of five dollars, the banks themselves must be called upon to alleviate the strain as far as possible."

SLUGGED A WOMAN.

Robber Attacks Night Operator at Desoto and Robs the Depot. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 6.—A robber early today rendered Miss Zona Heckart, the night operator at Desoto, Kan., 24 miles south of Kansas City, on the Santa Fe, unconscious with a blow from a wagon spoke, robbed the depot money drawer of what small change it contained and escaped. Miss Heckart was found unconscious lying near the station. There were three cuts on her head and her arm had been broken in three places. She recovered consciousness later and said her assailant was a white man about 25 years of age, the description of the robber sent to Denver, private in company I, engineer corps, who escaped yesterday from the federal military prison at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

THE SHAH IS DYING.

Persian Ruler Is Speechless and Half Unconscious. New York, Dec. 6.—A special cable to the Herald from Teheran today reports that the shah is dying. The dispatch says the shah is in a semi-conscious condition and has lost the power of speech.

AIDED BEAUTY DOCTOR.

Third Convicted Official of Stensland Bank Tells How It Happened. Chicago, Dec. 6.—Hagbart Gregerson, formerly exchange teller of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank, of which Paul O. Stensland was president, today pleaded guilty to embezzlement of the funds of the bank and was given an indeterminate sentence in the penitentiary. Gregerson is the third official of the bank to be sent to prison. He said today that he had taken the money for the purpose of helping a young woman build up a business as a "beauty doctor."

Weather Forecasts.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Forecast for Kansas: Fair tonight and Friday; colder tonight with cold wave in north portion; warmer Friday.

EMMA RIPKE FREED.

The Jury in 30 Minutes Returns Verdict of Not Guilty. Council Bluffs, Ia., Dec. 6.—The jury in the case of Emma Ripke, the Hanover, Kan. girl charged with the murder of Frank K. Potts, on the night of October 15 last, late yesterday returned a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out 30 minutes. The case hinged on the question of whether Potts committed suicide or was shot by the girl, and the evidence refused to show that Potts had frequently threatened to commit suicide apparently outweighed that of the prosecution.

HUNDRED MILLION.

New Stock to Be Issued by Santa Fe Railroad. Meeting of Stockholders Called for Topeka on January 30.

New York, Dec. 6.—The directors of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe at a meeting in this city formulated a financial plan which is expected to meet the necessities of the road for many years. The plan is similar to that adopted by the New York Central about a year ago, when the authorized capital of that system was increased from \$350,000,000 to \$500,000,000. The Atchison also will make an increase to \$250,000,000, but the amount of new stock recommended by the directors is about \$98,000,000, somewhat less than that authorized by the Central. The directors called a special meeting of the stockholders for January 30 at Topeka to vote upon the proposed increase. "Public opinion here," it says, "believes that it must be must be actuated by an exalted sense of patriotism to save his country from dishonor by clearly defining the relative power and authority of the federal and state governments."

RYAN SAYS LINE UP.

Tells Democratic Legislators Not to Vote for Republican Senator. If the Democratic members of the legislature in Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin and Oklahoma, in view of the pleas and opinions of W. H. Ryan, chairman of the Democratic state central committee, Col. W. A. Harris, the Democratic candidate for governor in Indiana, and the Democratic nominee of the Democrats for United States senator, Mr. Ryan believes that the Democratic legislators will vote as Democrats in this state for the Democratic senatorship, although the vote will be in the nature of a complimentary one. He does not see any reason why any Democrat or any number of them should turn their votes over to any of the Republican candidates and he thinks that their votes should be given to Col. Harris.

THAW TRIAL IN SPRING.

Slayer of Stanford White Must Spend Christmas in Jail. New York, Dec. 6.—The trial of Harry Thaw for the murder of Stanford White, the architect, will not begin until March or April of next year, unless District Attorney Jerome consents to rearrange his court calendars. This was the announcement made today at the district attorney's office.

WANT \$50,000,000.

That Amount Asked for Improving Waterways. Washington, Dec. 6.—Nearly a thousand delegates are in Washington in attendance of today's session of the National Rivers and Harbors congress. Speaker Cannon and Representative Bland, chairman of the house committee on rivers and harbors, are among the speakers. The object of the annual appropriation of \$50,000,000 from congress for systematic work in the improvements of the nation waterways.

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BULERS BLEW UP ON BOO'S LINES.

Big Shoe Factory Destroyed by Explosion and Fire. Lynn, Mass., Dec. 6.—The boilers of the J. Harney Shoe Manufacturing company of this city blew up today, injuring several persons and causing heavy financial loss.

Flames Sweep Over Two Acres of Manufacturing District.

12 DWELLINGS BURNED. Several Persons Injured and Financial Loss \$450,000. The explosion, besides shattering the big four story factory of the Harney company, wrecked several buildings nearby in the crowded manufacturing district. The explosion immediately broke out. A heavy southeast gale was blowing and the flames soon were beyond the control of the local fire department. Help was called from Boston. In an hour's time two acres in the west Lynn district had been burned over, ruining the premises of more than a half dozen business firms, mostly shoe manufacturers, and destroying 12 dwellings in Charles street, principally occupied by colored people.

Disaster Occurred as Operatives Were Going to Work.

The explosion occurred just before 7 o'clock as the factory operatives were assembling for work. The firms whose property was damaged include the P. J. Harney Shoe company, Tutts & Friedman Shoe company, H. P. Hood Creamery, Boston & Maine West Lynn railroad station, Jacob Leather Stock company, and the M. J. Worthley Shoe company. The force of the explosion burst the machinery in the factory, blew up the Harney factory and lifted the roof. The wreckage spread outward, shattering the walls of nearby structures and sending the flames into the air. Despite the heavy snow and sleet storm that had started early in the day.

Expense of Keeping Up the Navy for One Year.

Washington, Dec. 6.—It cost \$19,607,49 to keep the ships of Uncle Sam's navy in commission during the fiscal year, according to the annual report of Paymaster General H. T. B. Hargrave. The most expensive item was the cost of keeping the twelve battleships \$714,415. The armored cruiser Colorado was also a costly item, \$150,000. It was also a costly item, \$150,000. It was also a costly item, \$150,000. It was also a costly item, \$150,000.

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General Grosvenor Will Draw New Ship Subsidy Bill.

Washington, Dec. 6.—A modification of the Gallinger ship subsidy bill was suggested by Chairman Grosvenor, at today's meeting of the house committee, on merchant marine and fisheries. He expressed a willingness to strike out subsidiaries for Transatlantic and African steamship lines, thus confining the government aid to Oriental and South American lines.

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GOING STILL LOWER.

Weather Forecast Is for Six Degree Weather on Friday. Today's climate has been a good deal warmer than the first of the Kansas bureau yesterday. It is much cooler and the air is dry and crisp. However, the snow which was promised failed to appear in any quantity. There is quite a little wind which increases the intensity of the cold.

FOUR TIMES IN 3 YEARS.

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TALKING IT OVER.

Senators Long and Benson Discuss U. S. Marshal Fight. Contest Probably Lies Between Mackey and Richards. LETTERS FOR MACKEY His Friends Have Given Him Plenty of Testimonials. Richards Infirmities Have Not Been Quite So Numerous.

LETTERS FOR MACKEY.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The only vital patronage matter in which the Kansas delegation will be involved this winter is the United States marshalship for Kansas. There may be other patronage matters of minor nature, and things affecting the new state of Oklahoma, but the Kansas marshalship is the big thing. It is probable that the members of the house delegation will not take any individual member into consideration, but their preferences. It is therefore probable that Senators Long and Benson will determine whether William H. Mackey, Jr., of Junction City, is to succeed himself or not.

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