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RUSSIAN CRUISER LENA TO BE DISMANTLED

WILL BE TAKEN TO NAVY YARD AT MARE ISLAND AND BE PROCESSED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

VESSEL WILL BE ALLOWED TO GO INTO DOCK OFFICERS AND CREW WILL LIKELY BE PAROLED

The Lena Will be Held in Custody by the United States During Continuance of Eastern War and Its Personnel Deprived of Action--Arrangement Agreeable to Russia.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Acting Secretary of State Adee today gave out the following statement regarding the Russian ship Lena now at San Francisco: "The president has today issued an order through the acting secretary of state, directing that the Russian armored transport Lena, now at San Francisco, be taken into custody by the naval authorities of the United States and dismantled. The main feature of the conditions prescribed are that the Lena be taken to the Mare Island navy yard and there dismantled by the removal of small guns, breech blocks of large guns, small arms, ammunition, and ordnance stores and such other dismantlement as may be prescribed by the commanding officer of the navy yards, that the captain be given a written guarantee that the Lena shall not leave San Francisco until peace shall have been concluded; that the officers and crew shall be paroled and not to leave San Francisco until some understanding as to their disposal may be reached between the United States government and both the belligerents; that after dismantling the vessel may be removed to a private dock for such reasonable repairs as will make her seaworthy and preserve her in good condition during her detention, may be so repaired at the navy yard, if the Russian commander should so elect; that while at a private dock the commanding officer of the navy yard at Mare Island shall have the supervision of the repairs and shall be assisted by an engineer officer to be detailed by the commanding officer and that when so repaired, if peace shall not then have been concluded, the vessel shall be taken back to the Mare Island navy yard and be there held in custody until the end of the war.

This action has been taken on the written request of the commander addressed to Rear Admiral Goodrich and to Capt. McCalla, the commanding officer at Mare Island, navy yard, to carry out its provisions.

Arrangement Temporary.

The main question regarding the Russian transport Lena having been settled, officers of the administration and of the two belligerent governments will now devote themselves to reaching an understanding regarding the officers and crew of the vessel. As indicated in the statement made by the state department, the present arrangement is but a temporary one, designed to meet the question as it immediately presents itself. It is not likely that the officers and crew will be allowed again to participate in the war, unless the governments of Japan should waive its prerogatives in that regard, which is not thought to be at all probable. An arrangement will be effected whereby the men either will be permitted to return to Russia, or be detained in the United States, as the transport is, until the close of hostilities, at the expense of the Russian government. Presumably some members of the crew will remain in charge of the vessel, as caretakers, a privilege to which the United States or Japan is not likely to raise any objection.

Russia Is Satisfied.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—The decision to disarm the Russian cruiser Lena now at San Francisco and to leave her there until the end of the war, was the result of a communication from Capt. Berlinski, commander of the vessel, reporting that she required extensive repairs and that it would be difficult to complete them within the period allowed by the United States authorities.

The fact, however, that there is little disposition to criticize the decision of the United States shows that the admiralty was not reluctant after receiving the captain's report, to acquiesce to her dismantling. The comment of the Russian press also indicates that a recognition of the fairness of the course of the United States, the prompt measures taken to protect the Lena being especially commended.

See Captain Promoted.

Tokio, Sept. 15.—The captain of the Russian transport Lena, who commanded and led the main part of the Japanese infantry in the charge on the Russian redoubt at Yancheng on Sept. 2, after all the officers above the rank of captain had been killed, has been promoted to the rank of major.

TROUBLE COMES TO NEGRO CLUBS

"BEFORE DAY" ORGANIZATIONS FIND THEIR PATH FULL OF THORNS.

ELIJAH HAS BEEN DEALT WITH

Anonymous Letter in Georgia Followed by Burning of Recipient's Barn—Mass Meeting Included Blacks.

Hamilton, Ga., Sept. 15.—Elijah Gore, a negro preacher, who, it is charged, is the leader of a "Before Day" club among the negroes of this section and about West Point, which had planned, so it is alleged, the murder of prominent white men, has been captured. An investigation has been made and the negro dealt with. It is stated on good authority, however, that he has not been lynched, but that he has been compelled to leave the country.

Mass Meeting Included Blacks.

Thomasville, Ga., Sept. 15.—Several days ago James Horne, a merchant of Metcalf, eight miles south of here, received an anonymous letter advising him that he had been marked for slaughter by a "Before Day club." The writer professed to be a friend of Mr. Horne, who tried to save him.

The letter was followed at an early hour today by the firing of Mr. Horne's store. This was the work of incendiaries. The fire was extinguished with small loss. The better class of people consoled a mass meeting, which was held today. More negroes than whites were present.

HALIFAX HAD \$500,000 FIRE

SHIFTING WIND ALONE SAVED THE CITY FROM DESTRUCTION.

DOZEN BUILDINGS DYNAMITED

Two Hundred Sailors with Torpedo Apparatus and as Many Soldiers Fought the Flames to a Finish.

Halifax, Sept. 15.—A shift of wind saved Halifax from destruction by fire today. Nevertheless, the city suffered a loss of \$500,000 in the loss of part of the water front and the progress of the flames was only stayed by the dynamiting of a dozen buildings by sailors and soldiers.

Between three and four o'clock this afternoon, when the fire was at its height and a southerly gale was pushing it straight toward the heart of the business center, consideration was given throughout the entire city. Shortly after four o'clock, however, the wind suddenly shifted to the west and turned the flames along the wharves and warehouses.

There the fire raged on lower Water street until eight o'clock tonight when 200 sailors with torpedo apparatus landed from H. M. S. Ariadne and industriously and with the assistance of 200 troops from the garrison prevented further progress by dynamiting a dozen small buildings.

The fire consumed six wharves, two coal piers, two hotels, a dozen warehouses and a number of retail stores.

Turning the fire a large crew of 100 firemen and working two other people.

STORM SWEEPS ATLANTIC COAST

GALE REPORTED AS ONE OF THE FIERCEST SEPTEMBER BLOWS ON RECORD.

EIGHT DROWNED ON TUG DURHAM

In Chesapeake Bay Storm Was Particularly Fierce—Fishing Steamer Mailed on passage to York Coast.

New York, Sept. 15.—A number of lives were lost, much property damaged and several ships were wrecked in a storm which swept up the Atlantic coast last night and today.

It was one of the fiercest September storms on record, thunder and lightning adding terrors to a howling gale, which hurled drenching sheets of rain over sea and land. Tonight the telegraphic reports say that the storm has swept out into the ocean. The greatest loss of life was near Wilmington, Delaware. The tug Israel W. Durham, with a crew of six men, and four other men, employees of the American Dredging company, was swamped in the Delaware river early today, during the height of the storm. Eight out of the ten persons on the little craft were drowned.

From further down the coast, at Jacksonville, comes the report that five men were drowned off Charleston.

The Blow Off New York.

New York suffered comparatively little. The wind, rain, thunder and lightning were terrific, but little actual damage was done. Nineteen coal barges went adrift in the bay, and tonight their wreckage strewn the shore, from the Battery to the Narrows, but no lives were lost. Several small vessels also went ashore on various parts of the coast near New York. One fatality was reported in this city, when a piece of cast-iron pipe was blown from a building and struck Carl Hertzner, killing him instantly.

A fishing steamer, Joseph Cherier of Greensport, New York, struck on Peak's Hill bar today and was smashed to pieces. The captain and a crew of twenty-one were saved.

Bad News from Delaware.

From Wilmington, Delaware, comes the news that a great destruction was caused by the storm. Trees were uprooted, houses flooded, and crops ruined. In Chesapeake bay the storm was particularly fierce. Incoming steamers arriving at Baltimore report that never in their experience has such a furious storm blown from the coast in this time of the year. One man was seen adrift in a small boat in Chesapeake bay, but it was impossible to rescue him.

The storm was accompanied by a cold wave.

The Gale in Virginia.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 16.—Reports are coming in of great destruction throughout Virginia of crops and farm buildings and other property by the storm of last night. Corn was beaten to the ground, tobacco barns filled with half cured tobacco were unroofed or leveled and their contents ruined, stacks of hay and fodder were swept away by swollen streams and dwelling houses were wrecked. At some points the rainfall is estimated to have been from six to eleven and a half inches. No loss of life has been reported.

Wreck of Tug Durham.

Wilmington, Del., Sept. 15.—Eight men were drowned early today by the sinking of the tug Israel W. Durham, in the Delaware river, opposite this city, during a heavy storm. The dead: CAPT. WM. GRAPP, 45 years old, of Philadelphia. HARRY MATTHEWS, 40 years, Philadelphia. WM. ENNIS, engineer, 45 years, Clayton, Delaware. WALLACE SHARP, 50 years, carpenter, Camden, New Jersey. MILTON TOWNSEND, 45 years, carpenter, Camden, New Jersey. LUDLOW TOWNSEND, carpenter, Camden, New Jersey.

A fireman, name unknown. The cook, name unknown.

Wrecked Fishermen.

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 15.—Captain Ingram and his crew, of the Clyde line ship Huron, rescued a part of the crew of the fishing smack Star East at Charleston yesterday morning, and brought them here. Four probably perished.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been issued as follows: WM. EDWARDS and Mrs. Jennie Lawson; Jeff J. Simmons and Mrs. Tamm Heath; J. W. Taylor and Mrs. Caroline Fitch; Ed Andrew and Mrs. A. L. Cunningham.

KOREA IS COMING

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 15.—Members of the crew of H. M. S. Drafton report the presence of the Russian armed auxiliary cruiser Korea in the Pacific, off the northern coast of Vancouver island, steaming slowly southward. They expect that the Korea will come to Esquimaux or Victoria. She is described as a larger vessel than the Lena and is commanded by an officer of high rank in the Russian navy. The news has caused much excitement at Esquimaux, where preparations to deal with her case, should she enter, are now being made.

ARRESTED MAN KILLED SHERIFF

BATESVILLE, ARKANSAS, BARROWLY ESCAPES A LYNCHING BEE.

CULPRIT WEAKENED WHEN SHOT AT

On the Way to Jail Citizens Contended with Each Other on the Availability of Stringing Him Up.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 15.—A special to the Gazette from Batesville says: Sheriff Jeff D. Morgan was shot and killed at 6:30 o'clock this evening by an escaped prisoner, Crosby, from the Salem, Ark., jail and the town is in an uproar of excitement over the occurrence.

Sheriff Morgan learned that the man was in town and went to arrest him on Main street. When he placed the fugitive under arrest, Crosby said: "All right," and pretended to submit, but suddenly dashed down his grip and in an instant had shot Sheriff Morgan in the heart. Sheriff Morgan was shot once as he fell.

Many people being on the street, pursuit was instantly taken up. The fugitive took refuge in a large barn near the depot.

By this time dusk was coming and a crowd soon surrounded the block and hundreds of men gathered with weapons. The barn was surrounded and the lower part of the structure was entered. Numerous shots were fired into the hay loft.

Finally the man yelled "stop," and came out and surrendered. Then came a grand struggle to lynch him. Hundreds of frenzied citizens almost fought with each other, some to lynch and some to take him to jail, and the trip to the jail was almost a riot. The mob lacked a leader or the man would have been hanged on the street. A rope was produced and almost a fight was necessary to prevent the lynching. After a long struggle citizens succeeded in getting Crosby to jail where he is under guard.

An attempt may be made later to lynch him.

JEWISH PASSPORTS.

Russian Press Does Not Approve of This Country's Overtures.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—6:40 a. m.—The Russian press is awakening to the fact that the question of the American Jewish passports has been raised. The Novoe Vremya this morning follows the lead of the Journal de St. Petersburg, the official organ of the foreign office, in its denial of the right of a foreign country to make overtures for the classification of our population, under the fiction of right acquired by naturalization.

Blessed the Insignia.

Rome, Sept. 15.—Archbishop Chappelle, of New Orleans, today blessed the episcopal insignia which will be worn by Father Ambrose Agius, the new apostolic delegate to the Philippines, when he is consecrated archbishop of Palmyra on Sunday by Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state. On that occasion, Archbishop Chappelle will be one of the cardinals assisting consecrators.

The function today was interesting, and Archbishop Chappelle was the first apostolic delegate in the Philippines, and he blessed the insignia of the third prelate to hold that office.

Olney Turns It Down.

Boston, Sept. 15.—At a meeting of the democratic state committee to day it was announced that Richard Olney, whose nomination for governor has been urged has absolutely declined to become a nominee.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—
• West Texas: Fair Friday and Saturday.
• East Texas: Fair Friday and warmer in the interior, showers fresh south winds.
• Sheeps Butlers Stay Out.
• Chicago, Sept. 15.—Because of alleged discrimination against sheep butchers employed at the union stock yards, the sheep butchers have decided to remain on a strike.

A VERY LONG TIME BETWEEN THE DRINKS

JAPS WARLIKE AT KAMCHATKA

WERE BEATEN AWAY FROM KOMMANDER ISLANDS WITH A LOSS OF TEN.

CLAIMS JAPANESE PROTECTORATE

Kamchatka Remains Loyal to Russia, and Has Taken Up Arms to Preserve Relations to Czar and the Fatherland.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—The emperor has received the following from Viceroy Alexieff:

A dispatch from Yakutsk, eastern Siberia, dated August 13, says the Kommander Islands, off the coast of Kamchatka has been besieged by Japanese and British schooners, and a steamer up to July 28. Two of these schooners and the steamer were armed with guns. In driving them off ten Japanese were killed and many wounded. We sustained no loss.

Near Kamchatka five Japanese fishing schooners have been burned. The Japanese announced the annexation of the territory, and proclaimed it a Japanese protectorate. They were subsequently captured by 120 Russian reserves.

Kamchatka remains true to her old traditions. The inhabitants have taken up their arms and are ready to shed their blood for their faith, their czar and their fatherland.

The Kommander Islands are the islands for whose protection against these very expeditions arrangements were made by Russia with Great Britain and the United States. It is not supposed that the affair will lead to a diplomatic incident. An official report has also been received of the landing of a Japanese force of 150 naval reserve men on the west coast of Kamchatka, who declared the sovereignty of Japan over the peninsula, but were afterward defeated by a Russian force, as announced in the Associated Press dispatches yesterday. The official report agrees with the details contained in these dispatches.

Is Somewhat Vague.

The reference of Viceroy Alexieff to the view taken by General Stoessel of these proclamations is somewhat vague, but it would seem that he does not refer to the proclamations of a Japanese protectorate over the Kamchatka peninsula, and apparently over the Kommander Islands, but to the proclamation issued by the Japanese to the Russians at Port Arthur, demanding the surrender.

TWO KILLED ON BURNING BRIDGE

VIADUCT ACROSS ST. CROIX RIVER IN MINNESOTA COLLAPSED.

SIGHTSEERS FELL TWENTY FEET

In Addition to Those Killed Five Were Seriously Injured—About Twenty People Went Down with Structure.

Stillwater, Minn., Sept. 15.—The bridge across Lake St. Croix, which is half a mile long, extending to the Wisconsin side caught fire late this afternoon. The fire created some commotion and the fire apparatus in responding to the alarm, was followed by the usual crowd of persons. The fire had so weakened one of the spans of the rather ancient structure that when the fire apparatus and the crowd attempted to cross it, it fell down into the water about 20 feet below. About twenty people went down with the wreckage into the water and two were killed and five seriously injured.

Deaths.

ADOLPH BOO, aged 22, son of a local hotel keeper.
GEO. McGRATH, aged 16.
Injured:
Ray French, probably fatally.
Ed McPherson, James McGrath, August Wolfshin, Louis Gertling.
A number of others were hurt.
The loss is \$2,000.

British Vessel Struck Mine.

Nagasaki, Sept. 15.—A British sailing vessel, supposed to be the British bark Lucia, struck a mine recently off Port Arthur. One person of those on board her was rescued.

Japs Active at Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—A dispatch from Lieut. Gen. Stoessel commander of the Russian forces at Port Arthur, says the Japanese are active in constructing fortifications on the Sambon mountain and other points and that they continue to bombard the forts and harbor.

Baltic Fleet Hung Up.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—The report that the Baltic fleet will make a stay of some duration at Lian is considered highly confirmed.

A MONTH MAY ELAPSE BEFORE ARMIES OF RUSSIA AND JAPAN TAKE ANOTHER GO AT EACH OTHER.

NEXT BATTLE EXPECTED AT PORT ARTHUR WHERE LITTLE HAS BEEN DOING FOR WEEKS

The Spirit of Russian Troops at Mukden Which Was Bordering on Panic Because of Liao Yang has Been Restored.--Business in City Reported Recovering.

There has been no renewal of fighting since the retreat of the Russian army under Gen. Kuropatkin to Mukden. Conditions there, both with the Japanese and the Russian lines, indicate that a month may elapse before the great armies in Central Manchuria again enter on a general engagement.

At St. Petersburg, the expectation is that the next conflict of moment will occur at Port Arthur where there has been a respite from heavy fighting for several weeks. The spirit of the Russian troops at Mukden which was greatly depressed and bordered upon panic, following the reverse at Liao Yang, has been restored and business in the city is reported to be recovering. The Japanese are said to be entrenching on the Taitse river.

Business Resumes at Mukden.

Mukden, Sept. 15, via St. Petersburg, Sept. 16, 3:10 a. m.—The panic conditions prevailing immediately after the battle of Liao Yang have disappeared from the Russian army now concentrated at Mukden. Business has been resumed and Mukden is quiet. The Russo-Chinese bank has reopened.

The failure of the Japanese to follow up their advantage gained at Liao Yang has caused surprise here. An independent authority who accompanied the rear guard from Mukden to the south of Liao Yang is accounted for by the fact that the Japanese lost 40,000 killed or wounded on one day's fighting and that besides they were too tired to continue the advance.

The Japanese are reported to be entrenching around Liao Yang and to have repaired the bridge over the Taitse river.

Twelve thousand soldiers wounded at Liao Yang have been treated at the Mukden Red Cross hospital.

LYNCHERS ARE UNDER GUARD

ALABAMA WIPES OUT DISGRACE OF HORACE MAPLES INCIDENT.

MILITIA SURROUND CALABOOSE

Troops Were Detailed on Account of Report that Friends of Arrested Men Would Create Jail Delivery.

Huntsville, Ala., Sept. 15.—The Madison county jail is guarded tonight by companies "G" and "K" third Alabama infantry, Captain Lucien Brown, because threats have been made that parties indicted by the grand jury for connection with the lynching of Horace Maples and placed in this jail would be taken out by their friends and set at liberty.

Ben Hill, one of the alleged lynchers, was captured and lodged in jail today and the officers are looking for nine others who have been indicted.

Orders to Preserve Peace.

The troops reached here on a special train today and the pickets guard all approaches to the jail. No trouble is anticipated so long as the jail is guarded in this manner. The captain has orders to preserve the peace of this community even if the city be placed under martial law. He has camp equipments and is fixed for a long stay. Sheriff Peters denies the rumor that Sheriff Rogers and Mayor Smith have been indicted.

The foundation for this rumor is the fact that the grand jury has asked instructions on how to bring about the impeachment of these officers if such action should be deemed advisable.

Veterans Deplore Lynching.

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 15.—Camp Lomax, United Confederate Veterans tonight passed resolutions strongly condemning lynching and calling upon the people to uphold the hands of the authorities in their efforts to preserve the majesty of the law.

Appointed Military Court.

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 15.—Acting Governor Cunningham today appointed a military court of inquiry to investigate the conduct of Capt. R. L. Hay and the men of his company at the time of the lynching of the negro, Horace Maples at Huntsville, Sept. 7.

The court will convene in Huntsville next Monday or as soon thereafter as practicable. Its findings will be reported to the governor and upon its recommendation will depend whether a court martial is ordered. The court of inquiry is composed of the following officers: Col. T. Sydney Frazer, president; Capt. E. D. Smith, Captain T. J. Valden Uniontown, commanding company L first Alabama infantry.

EVIL OF SULLYISM.

Cotton Corner Has Set Europe Hunting New Fields of Supply.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—The recent great cotton corner in America apparently has caused a permanent fright in Europe, where all of the cotton using manufacturing nations have set themselves the task of producing their own cotton, and relying no further than is absolutely necessary on the American product.

General Skinner, at Marcellus, is the last of several consular officers in Europe to call attention to this important movement, which he does in the shape of a special report published by the department of commerce and labor.