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JAPAN AND RUSSIA WILL SURELY FIGHT

TOKIO SAYS WAR IS INEVITABLE

PRESS OF JAPAN URGES OPENING OF HOSTILITIES

JAPANESE PEOPLE AWAIT SIGNAL GUN.

TOKIO, Jan. 3.—War with Russia is regarded here as unavoidable, and the press is urging the immediate opening of hostilities. All of the banks are withholding funds and it is believed this is the result of official instructions. The Government has completed and perfected arrangements for the transportation of troops and supplies and the people calmly await developments. The continued dissemination of optimistic views from Berlin causes genuine surprise and regret here.

MAN'S READINESS TO FIGHT SURPRISES RUSSIA

Selected Japs Would Submit Last Moment.

APPEARS INEVITABLE

Opinion Prevailing at Legations in Peking.

Based Upon Latest Dispatches from Tokio That Vital Principle Is at Stake.

Jan. 3.—In the various foreign papers here the opinion is prevalent that the Russian position is untenable. This opinion is based on the dispatches from Tokio and upon the conviction that it is not a question of which separates Russia and Japan, but the vital principle whether she possesses the right to a voice in the settlement of questions of Russian territory in Manchuria. Russia has long denied this right, and unless she is forced to accept it, she has receded to a position which is not expected in the case. It probably will provoke a determination from Japan, whose determination to resort to arms in support of its claims is unquestioned.

RUSSIANS ARE SURPRISED. Officials from Manchuria represent the officials there as being surprised at the readiness to fight. They expected that she would submit at the moment, as she did in 1895, when she ceded Port Arthur at the bidding of the European coalition. The Russian officials rely for support on the powers that aided the Russian government on that occasion. More recently, the Russian officials are unable to win in the event of war, the junior officers this feeling the form of despising the enemy.

TO REORGANIZE ARMY. Yuan Shai Kai, commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, memorialized the throne, praying for the removal of all his minor officers so he may devote all his energies to reorganization of the army. The Government is determined to remain neutral as long as possible, but recognizes the possibilities of being involved in the event of war.

JAPAN MEANS BUSINESS. Respondents London Press Discuss Trouble in Far East.

Jan. 4.—"Don't look for a declaration of war," says the Daily Telegraph correspondent, in a dispatch which apparently throws considerable light on the plans of the Japanese government. Continuing this correspondent says:

The Japanese are quiet and determined, and several days ago took steps to secure certain of their Korean interests. Russia will not be allowed to occupy Korea, and certainly neither the nor Masampo, both of these being protected against seizure. It means business without waiting for the convenience of others. If she feels aggrieved, a fortnight will tell to what extent she will venture. She will take no immediate action to prevent Japan from doing what she thinks fit, to safeguard her interests in the peninsula.

POWERS NOTIFIED. According to the Standard's Tokio correspondent, Japan, at the end of December notified the powers and the United States of the actual position of the negotiations, at the same time intimating that continued occupation of Manchuria would compel Japan to take decisive steps for the protection of her vital interests.

WILL RETAIN MANCHURIA. Correspondent of the Daily Mail asserted that the Waikato or Chinese force, based from St. Petersburg to the effect that Russia intends to retain Manchuria.

CHINA WILL ASSIST JAPAN. Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent stated as a result of Japan's inquiries that China's attitude in the event of war would be that she would issue orders to the Chinese troops to assist Japan. It is proposed that an army of 20,000 men, under Japanese command, would in that case proceed to the peninsula.

GERMANY'S POSITION. Daily Graphic claims to have the authority to deny that Germany entered into any understanding with Japan in the event of a Russo-Japanese war.

Daily Mail is authority for the report that King Edward greatly admires the Japanese and is using every effort in the direction of peace.

RUSSIA COVERTS CHE-POO. Che-Poo correspondent of the cables as follows: "Under the influence of the Japanese..."

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SERIOUS PANIC OCCURS AT FUNERAL VICTIM CHICAGO FIRE

Chicago, Jan. 3.—A serious panic occurred this afternoon at the funeral of Miss Corrie Sayre, one of the victims of the fire. The services were in progress in the South Chicago Congregational church, in the suburb of South Chicago, and the building was filled. A fire broke out three doors from the church and the first intimation of it was conveyed to the people in the church by a cry of "fire" in the street. Many rushed for the doors. Two policemen stationed in the church called out to the people that there was no danger and urged them to resume their seats. Their advice was not heeded, however. The pallbearers went to the front of the casket and stood in readiness to remove it and the family of the dead girl prepared to leave. Suddenly a cloud of smoke came in through the open door and the sight and smell maddened the people. The two officers had barely time to swing the doors open when the rush came. This was all that saved a severe crush and probable loss of life, as the crowd plunged through the doorway. When the street was reached and it was seen that there was no cause for alarm, the greater part of the people returned to the church and the services were finished. Nobody was injured.

RIOTERS SMASH WINDOWS.

Missiles Thrown by Strike Sympathizers Wreck Street Cars in Bloomington, Ill.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 3.—Riotous scenes marked the street car strike today. Windows in six cars were smashed by missiles thrown by strike sympathizers who congregated several hundred strong at various points along the line. J. Knocks and G. R. Morris were dragged from their cars and severely beaten. The Mayor admits that he is not able to cope with the situation and President Demonge of the strikers here and there. The strike tomorrow he will request the Mayor to ask for militia.

DUKE TO INCENDIARY.

Big Building in New York Destroyed by Flames, Causing Loss of \$125,000.

New York, Jan. 3.—The greater part of the building at the southwest corner of Broadway and Leonard street was destroyed by an incendiary fire tonight. The firemen found holes newly bored in five different points in the stews, cotton waste soaked in kerosene, kindling wood saturated with kerosene in the corners and oil cans scattered about. The damage was variously estimated at from \$75,000 to \$125,000. No one was hurt and no one arrested. The building was occupied by a large number of firms.

BIXIE REACHES COLON.

Uncle Sam's Blue Jackets Will Land From the Cruiser Probably Today.

Colon, Jan. 3.—The United States converted cruiser Bixie arrived here today. Brig-Gen. Elliott of the United States marine corps has gone to Empire station on the Panama railroad and will inspect that and other stations along the railroad line for the purpose of selecting a suitable camp for the troops. It is inferred that the Porto Rican regiment will soon be ordered to proceed to Panama.

MAY GO TO PANAMA.

Porto Rican Soldiers Are Likely to Be Ordered to the Isthmus.

San Juan, P. R., Jan. 3.—Gov. Hunt has received advices from Washington commanding the order to dismount the remaining mounted Porto Rican troops. From this fact, coupled with the constant determination of the troops, it is inferred that the Porto Rican regiment will soon be ordered to proceed to Panama.

RUSSIA'S ANSWER TO JAP PROPOSALS IS NEARLY READY

Hope for Pacific Solution of the Trouble.

THIS THE RUSSIAN VIEW

Position of United States in Event of War Figures.

St. Petersburg Novoe Vremya Expresses Ill Will Toward Uncle Sam in a Long Leader.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—Diplomatic circles confidently expect that the Russian answer to the Japanese proposals will be handed to the Japanese Foreign office by Baron de Rosen, Russian Ambassador to Japan, within a very few days, and do not expect grave results to follow.

HOPE FOR PACIFIC SOLUTION.

In other quarters the conciliatory attitude of both Governments inspires belief that the answer will pave the way to further negotiations if, indeed, it does not directly lead to a pacific settlement of the trouble. The characteristic note in the press today is the doubt about the attitude of the United States in the event of a war between Russia and Japan.

AMERICAN POWER IN EAST.

The Birshewia Vedomosti elaborates upon American power in the Pacific and the proximity of the Philippines and Formosa and says: "It is no secret to any one in Europe that the position of the United States in the East Asiatic crisis remains highly problematical." Rus, a new journal, made up of former employees of the Novoe Vremya, handles the theme in a similar manner.

ILL-WILL TOWARD U. S.

The Novoe Vremya expresses ill-will toward the United States in a long leader about the alleged instructions given American Consuls in Russia to report on the prospects of renewed anti-Semitic disorders, and in a curious editorial opposed the sale of the Manchurian railway to the United States or China, which, it declares, is advocated in some quarters here.

PRaise RUSSIAN TROOPS.

All the newspapers here today copy from the organ of the War Ministry a belated and therefore all the more significant order of the day published by Admiral Alexieff, after the full maneuvers and parade at Port Arthur, highly praising the troops and declaring that some who had just finished a twelve days' march had arrived in magnificent condition.

NO CHINESE ATTACK FEARED.

The Novikrai says that a Chinese attack is unlikely and reprints a Chinese newspaper story that Russia has 3000 Cossacks and 2500 Mongolian soldiers at Urga.

Sang "Lead, Kindly Light."

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—Protestant churches of Springfield today headed the request of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, and at the close of the services the congregations sang "Lead, Kindly Light." Many sermons relative to the Chicago fire were delivered.

THIRTY PERSONS HURT IN EXPLOSION

Woodbridge, N. J., Jan. 3.—An explosion wrecked the hotel and hall of Joseph Galada, and more or less seriously injured thirty persons, at Keasby, four miles from here, today, while the St. John Benevolent society was celebrating its anniversary by a dance. There were about 500 in the hall and one of the two exits was closed by the wreckage. The people became panic-stricken and fought to get out, many being trampled on and seriously injured. Galada was burned about the head and face. His wife was thrown against the ceiling and fell unconscious to the floor. One of Miss Gertrude Eilon's eyes was destroyed, her nose broken and her jaw dislocated. She may not recover. Michael Ponger's arm was torn off at the elbow. It is believed that some one with a grievance against Galada or the society used dynamite. The walls of the building were blown apart and it may collapse.

THIS MORNING'S NEWS.

ALL OVER THE COUNTRY—Snow retards funerals in Chicago. Congress convenes today after holiday recess. Eastern winter during the year. W. L. Calvert is made master mechanic of the Denver & Rio Grande shops in Denver. Pacific Coast Baseball league takes important action at its meeting in San Francisco. STATE—Miners' union of Park City secures funds to incorporate for the purpose of building a hospital. Body of John Backman arrived in Eureka and will be buried today. The Centennial Europa is closed down because of a break in machinery. CITY—Body of an infant found in the garbage taken to the city crematory. Held gives another popular concert to a large audience. F. J. Hewlett made the official opening of the new building of the City Council. Adeline Paul and her company arrive in the city for the concert tonight. Local traveler gives a good idea of Japan on the eve of a great war. Body of Mrs. Maud Rose is laid to rest with becoming ceremonies. Street speaking unusually active at the opening of the new year.

DOWN MOUNTAIN SIDE.

Broken Rail Causes Car to Pitch Over Embankment, Killing Two People, Wounding Thirty.

Baltimore, Jan. 3.—A broken rail caused the derailment of a car of an east-bound train on the Western Maryland railroad today near Blue Mountain House station, east of Hagerstown, Md. Two persons were killed and thirty injured. The ladies' coach, which was the last of the train, rolled over and over down the mountain side, a distance of 30 feet, and landed bottom upward.

Katherine Sener, 8 years old, daughter of a Baltimore newspaper man, died in the arms of the conductor after being taken from the wrecked car. An unknown woman was so wedged in the wreckage that her dead body is unrecognizable. Her son was also injured. None of the other passengers are believed to have sustained serious injuries. The train, consisting of five cars and an engine, was bowling along up the steep grade at about fifteen miles an hour when the accident occurred. All except the ladies' car passed safely over the broken rail.

SCHOOL FOR GIRLS BURNS.

One Hundred Pupils Have Narrow Escape for Their Lives, and Lose All Belongings.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 3.—St. Catherine's academy, a Catholic school for girls, located near Springfield, Ky., burned to the ground today. There were no fatalities. The loss is about \$200,000. The fire was discovered by Miss Mary Curry, a cripple, and one of the Sisters ran a mile in her bare feet and clad only in a night dress to give the alarm. Between seventy-five and a hundred girls were in the school when the fire broke out. So rapid was the progress of the flames that the pupils barely escaped with their lives and clad only in their night robes made their way over the icy and snow-covered fields to the academy at St. Rose, a boys' school, a mile distant, before securing shelter. All the buildings were destroyed and the pupils lost all their personal belongings. St. Catherine's was one of the historic educational institutions of Kentucky and was founded in 1801.

SNOW RETARDS FUNERALS IN CITY OF CHICAGO

Many Families Unable to Bury Loved Ones.

MEN DIG GRAVES IN NIGHT

Fourteen Burials in Progress at One Time at Rose Hill.

Fraternal Order Holds Services Over Five Members of Their Organization at Same Time.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Today was a day of funerals in Chicago, and yet many were unable to bury their dead. The unprecedented demand for hearses and carriages would have been enough in itself to task to the very utmost the resources of the undertaker, but the heavy snow that has fallen during the last two days has increased their difficulties enormously.

CEMETERIES MILES OUT.

All of the cemeteries in Chicago are miles from the business center and residence districts and with good weather and the streets in passable conditions it is a matter of several hours to reach any of them. Today, when every hearse was in demand, it required about twice as long to reach a cemetery as under normal conditions. Arrangements were made by the undertakers to have as many funerals as possible held in the early part of the day, in order to allow, if possible, the use of the hearses for a second funeral in the afternoon.

HAD TO DEFER BURIAL.

In many instances families who waited time for the return of the hearse were disappointed and were compelled to defer the burial of their loved ones. It is expected that by tomorrow the streets will be in such a condition as to permit of the passage of funerals in almost the ordinary way.

GRAVE-DIGGERS WORK AT NIGHT.

The cemeteries were compelled to keep men at work all through the night digging graves, and in some of the larger cemeteries they barely managed to make them ready for the burials were in progress in Rose Hill cemetery, all of them victims of Wednesday's fire.

SERVICES AT UNDERTAKERS'.

In the rooms of one undertaker a fraternal organization held services over five members of their order at the same time. The funeral services over the remains of Ella and Edith Freckleton, sisters, was held in Boulevard hall. Fully 2000 people were in attendance and 500 more stood outside in the biting wind, until the funeral had departed for the cemetery.

QUADRUPLE FUNERAL.

In the home of the millionaire manufacturer, Ludwig Wolf, was held the quadruple funeral of his daughter, Mrs. William H. Garn, and her three children. A crowd of more than one thousand people surrounded the house, and the police were compelled to open a passageway for the pall-bearers.

IN MORE HUMBLE MANNER.

The funeral conducted in a humble manner was held a few squares from the Wolf residence at the same time. It

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GLOOMY VIEW OF DIPLOMATS OVER FAR EAST SITUATION

Washington, Jan. 3.—Cablegrams received here today from Tokio show the situation in the Far East to be unchanged and at a late hour tonight it was declared that the Japanese legation that nothing had occurred to dispel the gloomy view taken there of the prospects for peace. The fact that Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Minister, regards the situation as extremely critical does not prevent him from hoping that a way may yet be found by which the questions between Russia and Japan may be settled without recourse to arms. The Japanese Government, it is said, is not anxious for war, and throughout the negotiations has endeavored to repress all war talk. Japan, it is added, will wait patiently the Russian reply and will not delay after receiving the note in announcing her future course. It is said that substantial concessions must be forthcoming from Russia in Korea that will offset the jurisdiction which Russia claims in Manchuria if war is to be averted. The Russian Government has been urged to reply promptly.

NO PRIMATE IN U. S.

Vatican Authorities Disclaim That Any Such Plan Has Been Contemplated.

Rome, Jan. 3.—The report circulated in the United States that a meeting of the American hierarchy of the Catholic church would be held in Washington January 21st for the purpose of discussing the project of creating a primate in the United States probably originated from the rumor that the pope was considering the congregation of work at the vatican, especially of such work as comes under the direction of the congregation of the propaganda, and that he desired to put into execution some form of decentralization of this work. The vatican authorities disclaim that any such plan has been contemplated. The only change which so far has been introduced by Pope Pius X for the purpose of making more efficient the appointment of extra clerks for the congregation of the propaganda.

WILL USE NICKEL WATCH.

Pope Prefers This Timepiece to Handsomely Decorated One Just Presented Him.

Rome, Jan. 3.—Prince Frederick of Schoenburg-Waldenburg has sent a lawyer to the vatican to present a petition to the pope asking for the annulment of the marriage of the Prince with the Princess Alice, daughter of Don Carlos, pretender to the Spanish throne. The pope's petition will say that the infidelity of the Princess has been proven. At the same time Prince Frederick sent to the pope a watch decorated with brilliants. The pope has sent his thanks to the Prince but says that he will not wear the watch but will continue to use the nickel one which he bought when he was a parish priest.

FLEET NOT RECALLED.

Russian Volunteer Cruisers Carrying Munitions of War Sail for Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—The report that the Russian volunteer fleet cruisers Kazan and Ekaterinofsky, carrying munitions of war and bound to the far East, have been recalled to the Black sea is officially denied. According to the rumor the vessels were recalled, as the possibility of their capture was feared. The Ekaterinofsky left Singapore Saturday last for Port Arthur.

Revolt in Uruguay.

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from Montevideo says that a revolution has broken out in the department of Maldonado and that a state of siege has been proclaimed throughout the entire republic of Uruguay.

Brother of Senator Depew Falls Dead.

Detroit, Jan. 3.—Lawrence Depew, brother of United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew of New York, and one of the most prominent citizens of Detroit, fell dead at his home here today of heart disease.

HEWLETT TO RULE OVER THE CITY COUNCIL

Result of Caucus of Republican Councilmen.

WON ON SECRET BALLOT

Will Be Made President at Noon Today.

Black Received Two Votes and Hobday Two—Plans of Democrats Are Nipped in the Bud.

On the eve of the change of city administration, when a Democratic Mayor and a strongly Republican City Council are to jointly take the reins of government, the public is almost if not quite as much in the dark as ever in regard to the policy which shall govern the actions of the two branches of the administration divided against itself. A caucus of the Republican members of the Council was held yesterday afternoon and it is understood that an agreement was reached, but the members positively refused to enlighten the public or any part of the public as to what that agreement was. It was learned from an authentic source that Frank J. Hewlett was agreed upon for President of the Council. One ballot was taken on which Hewlett got 5 votes; Black, 2, and Hobday, 2. All are bound by the caucus. All the Republican Councilmen-elect were present and A. J. Davis was president.

BLASTED DEMOCRATIC HOPES.

Whoever was agreed upon by the Republicans for the presidency, therefore, it is evident that the hope of the Democrats that there would be an irreparable split in the Republican majority of the Council has gone glimmering. It is said that Mayor-elect Morris has been counting upon such a division, which would enable him to make with one of the contending factions a combination that would carry through his appointments and such measures as the Democrats might be particularly interested in. There was even a hope that the Republican breach would be so wide that it might result in the naming of a Democrat for President of the Council, and the man who it was agreed by the Democrats should have this honor in such an event would be Councilman E. A. Hartenstein. There has been no caucus of the Democratic members, it is claimed, but there has been an informal agreement that Mr. Hartenstein should receive the complimentary votes for the presidency at any rate, and that he would be elected in the event that enough disgruntled Republican votes could be pulled his way.

MUST REVISE PLANS.

But with the Republicans working in harmony it is plain that the Democrats will be compelled to revise their plans. The Republican majority will be master of the situation, Mayor Morris can make no appointment effective without the confirmation of the Council. On the other hand, all appointments must originate with the Mayor, but a deadlock would simply result in the present incumbents holding their positions, and the present incumbents of appointive positions are all Republicans.

NEW MAYOR IS SILENT.

It is considered likely, however, that a compromise agreement will be reached between the Democratic Mayor and the Republican majority of the Council, but with the Republicans standing solidly together they will be enabled to make much better terms from a Republican standpoint than could have been done under other circumstances. It was stated that the terms upon which they will be willing to meet the Mayor were not discussed by the Republicans in their caucus yesterday, the presidency having been the only matter considered. Mayor-elect Morris, when informed of the reported action of the caucus, declined to discuss the situation. He stated that no proposition had been made to him and that he had no idea what the Republicans would demand, and had not considered what he would be willing to concede. He said further that he had decided upon no appointments whatsoever.

SOME DEMOCRATS SORE.

On the other hand, it is claimed that there are disgruntled Democrats who allege that Republican Councilmen have made Mr. Morris propositions in the way of trades which would have given him much the best of it in the matter of appointments, one of these propositions even going so far as to enable him to remove Chief of Police Lynch, and they are inclined to censure him for permitting these opportunities to slip by for the uncertain gains to be derived from more serious Republican dissension.

WILL TRANSFER AT NOON.

Change Will Be Attended With Simple Ceremonies. The transfer of the city administration from the old to the new regime will take place at noon today. The old City

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