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PROCLAMATIONSKI BOMBASTICKSKI TO SCARIFYSKI THE JAPANESESKI

The Russian Government Emits a Tremendous Official Roar Today--Announce That They Will Chop the Japs up Into Little Pieces and Eat Them



THIS IS THE MIKADO WHOM THE RUSSIANS SAY THEY ARE GOING TO WIPE OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—An official proclamation was issued today in which the government says:

"Eight days have elapsed since all Russia was shaken with profound indignation against an enemy which suddenly broke off negotiations and by a treacherous attack endeavored to obtain easy success in a war long decreed. The Russian nation, with natural impatience and a desire for vengeance, awaits feverishly news from the Far East. The strength of the Russian people leaves no doubt that Japan will receive the chastisement she deserves for her treachery and provocation to war at a time when our beloved sovereign desired to maintain the peace of nations. The conditions under which hostilities are being carried on compel us to wait with impatience for news of the success of our troops.

"The distance of the territory concerned and the desire of the emperor to maintain peace were the cause of the impossibility of more complete and easier preparations for war. Much time is now necessary in order to strike at Japan, but it is worthy of the might and dignity of Russia that, while sparing as much as possible the shedding of the blood of her children, she should prepare to inflict a just chastisement upon the nation which provoked the struggle. Russians should await the event in patience, being sure that our army will avenge the provocation a hundred fold. Operations on land must be expected to occupy some time and we cannot obtain early news from the seat of war."

The proclamation closes with the declaration that all true news will be immediately given out when received.

The general staff today announced that the war office was willing to accept volunteers under 40 years of age and allowed with military training.

ROME, Feb. 18.—The Russian embassy here is authority for the statement that the Japanese fleet has established a base of supplies at the Elliot islands, off the coast of the Lia Tung peninsula, 23 miles from Port Arthur. This tends to show that Japan is preparing for a great joint attack for the reduction of Port Arthur.

MOSCOW, Feb. 18.—The German consul here appeared outside of the consulate today and addressed a crowd. He hotly condemned Japan for striking before making a declaration of war.

NAGASAKI, Feb. 18.—Five Russian passengers detained on board the steamer Argon and one on the steamer Ekaterinola were released at Sasebo today and allowed to proceed to their destination.

PEKIN, Feb. 18.—The departure of Chinese troops for Tokinchu, where they will guard the frontier, has been postponed until February 21. No reasons for the postponement are announced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Henry Allen, brigadier general in the Philippines constabulary, has been appointed military attaché of the legation at Seoul. Allen holds a commission as a captain of cavalry in the regular army and is the only army officer in the vicinity of the seat of war in the Orient. He happened to go to Seoul on a leave of absence when Gov-

ernor Taft left the Philippines for Washington, and it is upon Taft's recommendation that the appointment is made.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—Orders have been received at the Presidio, according to rumor, to hold the Tenth and Twenty-eighth infantry and the Fourth cavalry in readiness for transportation to the Far East. Following the alleged receipt of the order, the privileges of visitors at the Presidio were restricted.

As the regiments affected by the order to prepare for the movement to the East have only recently returned from the Philippines, the presumption is that the preparations are for possible eventualities of the Russo-Japanese war.

BELGRADE, Feb. 18.—Special services were held in the cathedral today, at which prayers were offered for Russia's success in the Orient. The king was unable to attend, but was represented by the crown prince and the cabinet.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Reuter's agency has received a dispatch from Tokyo which says that 17 Russian officers and 430 men were either killed or drowned in the fight at Chemulpo when the cruisers Variag and Korietz were sunk.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—Major General Pflug, chief of staff at Port Arthur, reports a tranquil situation there. He also reports that the Yalu district is peaceful and that none of the enemy can be found within 40 miles of the Russian encampment.

KELINGSFORD, Finland, Feb. 18.—There is a strong anti-Russian feeling throughout Finland. Under present arrangements with Russia, Finnish conscripts cannot be sent outside of Finland, but as the old Finnish army organization was recently abolished and the Russian system introduced, it is feared that all Finnish troops will be sent to the Far East, despite Russian promises to the contrary. Riots and mutinies will probably follow such an order. Much disturbance would give Russia an excuse for abolishing the last vestiges of Finnish autonomy.

BERLIN, Feb. 18.—The kaiser has notified both the czar and the mikado that the German hospitals at Kiaochau and Yokohama are available to care for the wounded.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The foreign office has given notice of formal assent to Secretary Hay's Chinese note, but various details will require elaboration.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—Sealed orders have been sent to the captains of four cruisers which are about to join the French squadron in the Far East, with instructions not to open the same until at sea.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 18.—Orders have been received to send a big detachment of marines to Washington to join the battalion for the Philippines. The Oriental war is believed to be the cause of the movement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Official advices say that Chinese seamen are being employed at Vladivostok by the

Russians and the czar is now threatened with a seamen's strike. Russian seamen have petitioned the Grand Duke Michael to stop hiring cheap yellow labor.

SEoul, Feb. 18.—Three thousand Russian troops are reported to be encamped on the Yalu river opposite Wiju.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—The state department today received a dispatch from Ambassador McCormick at St. Petersburg, stating that the minister of foreign affairs had informed him that Russia looked favorably on Secretary Hay's Chinese note, but he gave no intimation when a reply would be sent. The state department today received the resignation of W. Buchanan as minister at Panama.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—Pleaske has been relieved from the temporary post of minister of finance and transferred to the council of the empire.

TIENTSIN, Feb. 18.—The British steamer Hai Ping, which it was feared

had been captured by the Russians, arrived at Shanghai today.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—A telegram received by Minister Hayashi today from Chefoo reports serious outrages on Japanese by Russian soldiers at Port Arthur. It says that refugees arriving from Chefoo were refused food and water and no exception was made even in the case of sick women and children. The soldiers robbed all luggage.

Refugees further say the soldiers are completely without discipline and engage in wholesale pillaging. Russian officers in some cases supplied the shop-keepers with arms to keep the soldiers at bay.

SEoul, Feb. 18.—The report that 3,000 Russian troops have arrived at Shin Tien Cheng, opposite Wiju, on the Yalu river, is confirmed, as is the report that the Russians have occupied Wiju itself. Two thousand Russian troops are at Wiju and the first collision is expected somewhere in that vicinity.

STREET CAR MEN ARE SENTENCED

H. A. Johnson and W. A. Howarth pleaded guilty to the charge of subornation from the street car company yesterday afternoon and were given six months each in the county jail.

Edward Clark, the 16-year-old boy who sold the conductors the tickets, pleaded guilty to the charge of petit larceny and was let out on \$100 bail.

Cohrad, the third man, is now in jail, and Ryder, the fourth, is now on his way here in the custody of Sheriff Denholm. It is thought they will both demand a trial. The street car men are of the opinion that if the men who pleaded guilty yesterday had stood trial they would never have been sentenced, because, they say, "It is one thing to accuse a man and an entirely different thing to make the jury see that the man is guilty."

SOMERSET, Pa., Feb. 18.—Almer McKinley, the late president's brother, who is ill, is reported worse.

CRUMBS WORTH GATHERING UP

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—The president sent to the senate today the nominations of William Davis, of Ohio, to be consul at Martineque; John Jewell, of Illinois, to be consul at Alexandretta, Turkey; Cameron Forbes, to be a member of the Philippine commission.

ITALIAN ATTEMPTS TO USE A KNIFE

Michael Marcella, an Italian, was arraigned in the police court today, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon the person of a Mrs. Rice, who lives with friends at 311 South Thirty-fourth street.

Mrs. Rice lately came here from Portland, where she had known the Italian. He had annoyed her with his attentions and when she came here he followed. Several times he threatened to take her life unless she would promise not to return to her husband, but no attention was paid to him. Last night he went to the house with the evident intention of making his threat good. He carried a long knife and was prevented from injuring Mrs. Rice only by the efforts of others in the house, who held him until the arrival of the police.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The harbor today is suffering one of the worst ice blockades in years. It has stopped many liners, which are unable to clear on schedule time. Nineteen schooners are frozen in off Liberty island.

CLEVELAND PAYS HER TRIBUTE TO SENATOR HANNA'S MEMORY

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 18.—The Hanna funeral train reached here at 11:15 a. m., and was met by a great crowd which had been gathering for hours.

Rigid police lines were established. The rear car of the train was an observation car through which the casket could be seen, surrounded by huge banks of flowers.

As soon as the train stopped the members of the funeral party alighted.

Mrs. Hanna was escorted by her son. There was no delay in removing the casket to the hearse. The spectators, in complete silence, bared their heads, although the weather was bitterly cold.

A platoon of mounted police preceded the hearse for a distance of two miles from the station to the public square.

The street was crowded almost to the curbs. As the hearse, surrounded by members of Troop A of the famous Black Horse organization, passed spectators removed their hats. In front of the Chamber of Commerce the Cleveland battalion of engineers, chosen to guard the body throughout the day, stood at attention.

The big hall where the bier was placed was draped in solid black. The doors were thrown open after the guard had formed lines inside. At a signal thousands

began to pass for a view of the dead.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—President Roosevelt today issued the following executive order:

"As a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Marcus A. Hanna, late senator from Ohio, it is hereby ordered that all federal offices in Ohio shall be closed during the funeral tomorrow, February 19."

TRYING TO BURN BIG ICE GORGE

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 18.—Carloads of petroleum will be fired on the great ice gorge at Kippa Run this afternoon, in an effort to melt and move the gorge, which is 30 miles long and from 20 to 50 feet high in the Susquehanna river. Large pools of oil will be formed, in which will be placed railway ties.

Scores of fires will be started. The towns now threatened by the gorge are sending hundreds of men to assist.

TRAMPS ENGAGE IN A HOT FIGHT

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 18.—A crowd of tramps sleeping in a warm spot close to the Crystal Glass Works furnace this morning engaged in a fight, during which a big gas pipe was broken. An explosion followed and five tramps were seriously and three fatally burned.

The building caught fire, but the flames were extinguished with small damage.

LATE TELEGRAPH

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Lord Alington, steward of the Jockey club and famous in racing circles, is dead. He was 78 years old and immensely wealthy.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Great disquietude exists in official circles here over advice on the Turkey-Bulgaria situation. War is believed to be imminent. A high official said today that the most annoying feature is the fact that only diplomatic pressure can be brought to bear to restrain the antagonists, as neither Austria nor Russia would use force to prevent hostilities.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 18.—A Santa Fe and Texas express smashed into the observation car on the California limited here today in a fog. The injured are C. K. Lane, Fred Sihler and C. Kinney, passengers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A justice of the supreme court today granted a temporary injunction in the suit brought by John McGinness against the Boston & Montana Mining company, preventing it from making any disposition of or transferring any of the property of the corporation. Sureties on the bond are Arthur P. and Otto Heinze.

NEW BUILDING

C. A. Darmer, the architect, will erect a three-story brick building on his lot next to the Miller Cornice & Roofing company's block on Commerce street near Elevator.

The new building will have frontage on both Commerce and C streets and the two lower floors will be used for store purposes. The third floor will be divided into office rooms.

The size of the Darmer building will be 100x25 feet. Work has been commenced on the excavation for the foundation and the building will be completed as soon as possible.

REPUBLICANS MEET

The Pierce County Republican club auxiliary to the state and national republican leagues, will meet for permanent organization at Odd Fellows' hall Saturday, February 20, at 8 p. m. A large attendance is expected. The speakers for the evening will be General James M. Ashton, Major C. O. Bates, Colonel W. H. Doolittle, John T. Redman, and Mr. Biggs, of Troy.

The colored glee club will furnish the music for the occasion.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—The train bearing the congressional committees will leave this city tonight for Cleveland, where they will attend the funeral. Secretaries Taft, Cortelyou and Wilson will accompany the delegations.

Of 25 senators, appointed, 13 have been compelled to abandon the trip on account of the rigorous weather.

JORDON LOVED A HOSPITAL NURSE

There is a little love story connected with the recent escape of William Jordan, who was arrested a few days ago for forging some of the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber company's time checks.

DARTMOUTH IS VISITED BY FIRE

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 18.—Fire this morning destroyed old Dartmouth college dormitory building, which was the first one built for the famous institution.

The building was erected in 1763. It was the oldest college hall in America.

The students were in the chapel when the alarm was given and they rushed out and formed a bucket brigade and assisted in saving the adjoining buildings. The destroyed structure will be rebuilt on the original lines.

WHEAT SOARS

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Wheat, 99 1/8; corn, 53 5/8. These prices are the result of the war. The farmers are receiving the highest prices paid for cash wheat in years. No 2 red winter is quoted today on the board at \$1.05. The demand for milling grain is strong.

HERRING ARRIVE

The fishing schooner Squid was down from Nainaimo, B. C., this morning with 30 tons of herring for the American and the International Fisheries company. Part of the cargo will be dried and the rest used for bait.

Shipping herring in here is something of a change from past conditions. One fish dealer remarked that five years ago he refused to buy herring at a quarter of a cent a pound, just what the duty is now. He said that any amount of the fish could be caught here in the bay at that time.

SISTER PONCRATIA DEAD

Theresa Shiffshour, or Sister Panceratia, as she was known in the hospital, a nurse at St. Joseph's hospital, who died yesterday, had been long in that institution. Her kind face and promptness in doing what she could to relieve suffering will not soon be forgotten by the patients of the hospital. Her funeral was held from the chapel at the hospital today. The remains were interred in the sisters' plot in St. George's cemetery.

FINISHED THE YEAR WITH CASH ON HAND

William Hover, manager of the Associated Charities has prepared some interesting facts concerning the work of the association during the past year. At the beginning of the year 1903 the association was handicapped by a deficit of \$197, but by careful management the year was closed with \$46.21 on the right side of the ledger. The total receipts amounted to \$3,879.38; expenditures were as follows: Salary, \$800; deficit, \$197; relief and transportation, \$2,081.52. One thousand three hundred and seventy-five odd jobs were found for people out of work; relief was given in 495 cases; 36 pieces of furniture, 122 pieces of bedding and 1,936 pieces of clothing were distributed to the needy by the association during the year.

WATERING THE TENDER PLANT



WILLIAM R. HEARST'S BOOM FOR PRESIDENT IS BEING FIRMLY PLANTED.—San Francisco Examiner.

STATE POINTERS

The salt water main which was put in at Ballard a short time ago for fire protection is being ruined by teredos, which are drawn up from the bay. The worms have bored through the pipe in a number of places and many bad leaks started.

Fire Marshal Kellogg of Seattle yesterday took measures to force three variety theaters, two of which are in the restricted district, to comply with the changes ordered by the special city council fire committee, which recently ordered sweeping alterations made in each. The fire marshal applied for and received permission from the mayor to close the People's, Comique and Arcade theaters for wilful failure to comply with his orders. Notice to close their doors was served on the proprietors by the police yesterday afternoon.

Louis Nelson, an employee of the Bellingham Bay Improvement company's mill at Bellingham, is suffering from injuries sustained while working on the log deck, and his recovery is pronounced hopeless. He was struck in the abdomen by the end of a chain, which slipped while he was endeavoring to fasten it around a large log.

Fred Grove, guardian of the minor children of Asher Grove, has filed a suit in the superior court of Lewis county for \$20,000 damages against the Little Falls Fire Clay company. The late Asher Grove was an employee of the company in its plant. He was working with the machinery in November, when he was accidentally caught on a set screw and almost instantly killed.

MORTALITY RECORD

The remains of Anton Mercelja, the section hand killed on the Tacoma Eastern railroad, are resting in a vault at Mellinger's undertaking parlors. No funeral arrangements have yet been made.

BOY RUNS AWAY

Leroy Benedict, a youth about 16 years of age, was reported missing from his home at 1129 E street today. Inquiries were made along the waterfront and he is thought to have gone south on the collier San Mateo, sailing for San Francisco Tuesday. He wanted to become a sailor.

MCDONALD STEAMERS MAY LEAVE TACOMA

It is rumored that the McDonald steamboat line is soon to be a thing of the past,

CAPTAIN HALL RETURNS

Captain Andrew L. Hall, who is well known in Tacoma, will on Saturday retire as assistant United States inspector of hulls. Captain Evan Griffiths has been appointed temporarily to the position, and if, after the expiration of six months, his services are acceptable to the government, the appointment will be made permanent.

Captain Hall was for many years master of Pacific Coast Steamship company vessels. Soon after the loss of the Walla Walla, his last regular command, he came ashore as port captain for the Pacific Packing & Navigation company. He left that company to accept the position of assistant inspector of hulls.

BLACKMAN TO MAKE ANOTHER INSPECTION

William Blackman, state labor commissioner, left Tacoma last night for Olympia. He will return Sunday to attend a meeting of the executive council of the Washington State Federation of Labor.

While in Tacoma Mr. Blackman made a thorough inspection of the bakeshops, and found that with the exception of a few minor details the state laws were being observed. A Times reporter accompanied Mr. Blackman on his rounds yesterday, and in the four bakeries visited very few changes were needed. About the most important recommendation made was that a good coat of whitewash be applied to keep the spiders and cockroaches away.

Before the end of next month Mr. Blackman will return for another inspection. If at that time he finds that his recommendations have not been fully carried out there will be trouble for the delinquents. Mr. Blackman says he is not taking an active part in politics. The duties of this office keep me busy," he said, "and although my name has been mentioned in connection with the democratic nomination for governor, I will not run for that office."