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TEX CENTS A WEEK

GLOOMY OUTLOOK FOR NEW YEAR

Russia Has Grave Fears For Success of 1906.

NOTE OF PRESS PESSIMISM

Bankruptcy of Government Before the Year Is Done Is Predicted, and Many Evil Omens Have Been Seen by Superstitious.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—The note struck by the radical press in reviewing the past year and commenting on the outlook for the new year, is an extremely pessimistic one. These newspapers generally see no prospect of internal peace, but they unite in expressing the hope that 1906 will not end as did 1905, with the spirit of reaction strong in the ascendant.

The Novoye Vremya and the Slovo on the contrary, look to the duma to put a seal on the charter of the people's liberties and to restore tranquility to the distracted country.

M. Anshutroff, one of the most brilliant of Russian journalists, who served a term of exile for his famous political feuilleton, in which he arraigned the members of the imperial family as public bandits and who recently has been living in Rome, in an article on Russia's future, predicts that the coming year will witness the financial and political bankruptcy of the government.

Honors for Reactionaries.

The list of the new year's honors is notable for the number of decorations bestowed on the officials associated with the policy of repression. M. Durnovo, who so far as the practical organization is concerned, is the best hated man in public life, has been promoted from acting minister of the interior to minister, thus increasing the influence of the bureaucratic hierarchy.

It is significant that in the annual renewal of appointments, Count Solovy, president of the council of the empire, and the heads of departments in the council, have been appointed "until the reorganization of that body."

The emperor and empress held a new year's reception in the palace at Tsarskoe-Selo to which the members of the diplomatic corps traveled in a special train from St. Petersburg. The reception was a formal affair, to which only the court functionaries, diplomats and a few nobles were invited. It passed without notable incident.

Witte Not at Reception.

The absence of Count Witte created some comment, but it was officially explained that the reception was a special one for the representatives of the foreign powers. The only minister invited was Count Tarnowski, minister of foreign affairs.

The emperor looked well and spoke pleasantly to all his visitors, especially shaking out Mr. Meyer, the American ambassador, and Herr Von Schöen, the German ambassador.

Shadow Over Festivities.

The anniversary of the famous restaurant "The Bear" at an early hour in the morning, 1906, the student Davydoff, was shot and killed by Count Schouvaloff, and the count was badly wounded by a bullet from the chest man, has cast a shadow over the new year festivities.

The custom of making new year calls begins in Russia a few days earlier than in any other country of the world, and of course results in the fair at "The Bear" being a subject of conversation among visitors, who are expected to call on the count and assure that he is in good health. It is said that he will resign in the near future.

Strangely enough, a Zerkovite Spectator, who had been at the reception and had seen the count at a new year's feast.

Balfour Leaves Seat.

London, Jan. 16.—A J. Balfour, the former prime minister, reading the conservation paper, has been followed for member of parliament, by T. H. Balfour, Liberal and free trader. The Liberal majority was 199.

CONDITION IS HOPELESS.

Not Believed That Marshall Field Will Recover from Malady.

New York, Jan. 16.—It was almost a foregone conclusion that Marshall Field, who has been suffering from a malady, would not recover from it. The Chicago merchant was in a condition.

The physicians in attendance, however, were not so sure. They themselves believed that the condition of Mr. Field's condition was less favorable than on Sunday.

At 9:15 a. m. Monday the following bulletin on the condition of Marshall Field was issued by his physicians at the Hotel Marlborough.

"Near the end of the seventh day of the illness, Mr. Field's condition remains critical. There is as yet no improvement. Walter B. James, E. B. Janeway, Frank Phillips, physicians."

When this bulletin was issued Mr. Field's pulse varied between 60 and 120.

At 11 a. m. Monday Stanley Field, nephew of Marshall Field, said his uncle's condition was hopeless and that his death appeared only a matter of hours.

Mr. Field was conscious at that time and all of his relatives who are here were at his bedside by his request.

Henry H. Rogers, Paul Morton and Mrs. Roosevelt Miller called to see Mr. Field Monday.

The area affected by the pneumonia was not increased, but the danger of exhaustion very great.

The following bulletin was issued by Mr. Field's physicians just after 1 o'clock Monday:

"There is no change for the better in Mr. Field's condition. He continues to grow weaker."

SLAYER IS STILL AT LARGE.

Report that Negro Had Been Lynched Was Not True.

Hainesville, Ga., Jan. 16.—Martin J. Smith, who was shot twice on last Thursday by one Tom Rutherford, did not survive the wound. Rutherford is a negro about 24 years old and is known to be a bad character.

Telephone and telegraph wires have been freely used since that time in the endeavor to locate Rutherford, and searching parties are now scouring the country for the murderer.

The report, reaching here that he had been caught and lynched, is stoutly denied by some of the searching party who have returned to go in another direction.

A large reward for Rutherford's capture is now being made up by citizens, and the governor will be asked to offer a reward also.

Considerable indignation is aroused over the murder, as Mr. Smith was one of Hainesville's well-to-do farmers, and a man of high standing among his neighbors.

Report Issued on Dairying.

Hainesville, Jan. 16.—A report on dairies of dairy cows in the United States, issued by the department of agriculture, says that the reports of production and unproductive dairymen and farmers show that there is no business which has a greater margin of profit than that of dairy farmers. The records of the dairymen are issued. It was shown that one of them made \$200 per week under investment in feed, and another made \$100 per week. All had the same feed and same weather. The difference in their profits, he said, was due to the difference in the quality of the cows.

Dead Body Mangled.

A body was found mangled in the woods near Hainesville, Ga., Jan. 16. The body was found by a party of hunters. It was identified as that of a man who had been missing for some time. The cause of death was not known.

GRITCHFIELD CLAIMS WILL BE PRESSED

So States The Latest Information From Caracas.

CLAIM FOR MILLION AND A HALF

Grows Out of Shutting Down by Government of the Asphalt Property for Failure to Pay Export Tax Imposed by President Castro.

New York, Jan. 16.—The latest information from Caracas regarding the Critchfield claims against Venezuela which dispatches from Washington say will be pressed by the state government, say the matter will be satisfactorily settled between Venezuela and the United States, and the Venezuela company which operates the Critchfield corporation now, says the Tribune.

The claim grows out of the shutting down by the government of the asphalt property "El Infierno" near Maracibo, for failure to pay an export tax imposed on the product by President Castro. The claim is for \$1,500,000.

The terms of the Critchfield concession included a clause that the asphalt from "El Infierno" was to be free from such a tax as was imposed by President Castro. The property was shut down about the time that the high federal court cancelled the concession of the New York and Bermudez company. The government contended that aside from the nonpayment of taxes, the Critchfield concession was never approved by the congress according to the laws of Venezuela.

The trouble, however, is said to have been settled by Ambrose Howard Carter, receiver of the Guano Lake property, who interceded with Castro in the interests of the United States and the Venezuelan company.

The congress, which convenes in Caracas in April, will confirm the concession, and the claim will be withdrawn.

REBELS ROUTED WITH LOSS.

Sanguinary Battle Is Reported in Santo Domingo.

Cape Haytien, Jan. 16.—A sanguinary and what probably will prove to be the final battle, has taken place near Guayubin, between the troops of General Caesars, the temporary president of Santo Domingo and the insurgents.

The former were victorious. Several generals of both sides were killed or wounded.

The gunboat Intendencia, which recently went over to the insurgents, intends, on the advice of former president Morales, to return to Santo Domingo and surrender. If the government will guarantee the safety of its officers and crew.

It is expected also that the governor of Monte Cristi will follow the advice of General Morales and surrender his place, provided the necessary guarantees of safety be given.

Well Known Conductor Killed.

Wichitan, Kan., Jan. 16.—Simon C. Mills, aged 35, who has been a conductor on the Atlantic Coast line railroad for over eight years, was struck on the left posterior bone late Saturday afternoon by the fever of a wire straggler and as a result died at a hospital Saturday. Conductor Mills had been working on the road for white on account of an injury received in a railroad wreck and while on his way home to his home in the country near here, he was on the farm. It seems that he went back to put some wire on the line of his plantation and was struck by the wire which was not properly insulated.

Harper's Body Laid in Vault.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—The body of Dr. William Harper, who was president of the University of Chicago, was laid to rest Sunday in a vault in Oakwood cemetery. The body was lying in state at the University of Chicago. It is believed that the body will be laid to rest in a vault in Oakwood cemetery.

STEFFENS MAKES ADDRESS.

Author of "The Shame of the Cities" Speaks to "Anti Graft" Meeting.

New York, Jan. 16.—Lincoln Steffens, author of "The Shame of the Cities," addressed an anti-graft meeting under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday. Mr. Steffens told of notable grafts made in various American cities against political corruption of Chicago, he said.

"They have not got good government in Chicago yet, not by a great deal, but they have got Democratic government—representative government, at least. They have a real sense that the streets belong to the city and not to the railroads. They found, too, that the source of corruption was privilege and so they determined to take away that privilege. And that is the plan which must be followed elsewhere."

Had it been found necessary in most cases to extend the fight to state capitals for the real center of crookedness was there "Tom Johnson," he said, "does not think he will live long enough to accomplish the reforms he has planned, but he has already something more important; he has educated the people of Cleveland in good citizenship."

Mr. Steffens said he shared H. H. Rogers as a victim of an existing system of political corruption as clearly as some ward heeler.

ARRESTED FOR MALPRACTICE.

Dr. Francis Morgan, of Berkeley, Is Placed Under Arrest.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 16.—Dr. Francis M. Morgan, of Berkeley, has been arrested on the charge of criminal malpractice on Mrs. Josephine Hall, a woman about 37 years old, who has a son 14 years old. The offense is alleged to have been committed March 15, 1905, and Mrs. Hall, the alleged victim in the city, has fully recovered.

The case was before the Norfolk county grand jury before Berkeley ward became a part of Norfolk city, but the grand jury refused to indict Dr. Morgan, and all action in the matter was dropped until Berkeley was annexed to Norfolk last week.

Waiving a police court examination following his arrest, Dr. Morgan appeared with counsel before Judge Hackett and was bailed in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the next grand jury term in February.

MINE WORKERS TO CONVENE.

It Is Expected That Practically All Delegates Will Be Present.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 16.—The seventh annual convention of the United Mine Workers of America will assemble at Tomlinson hall Tuesday morning.

It is expected that practically all of the 1200 delegates will be present. Over half of this number have arrived.

Following the reading of a welcoming address on behalf of Mayor Bookwalter, who is absent from the city, the delegates will be welcomed by the central labor union of this city and President Mitchell of the miners' organization will respond.

The report of the committee on credentials will follow and will occupy several hours. The annual address of President Mitchell will follow this report. A delegation from Canada is among the arrivals.

Tourists Fleeced by Gang.

Mexico City, Jan. 16.—The police have discovered a gang of American sharpshooters who operate chiefly on tourists, luring them into poker games where they are fleeced. The tourist always loses, and if he threatens to complain to the police he is told that he will be arrested for gambling, under the strict laws now prevailing. One of the gang has been arrested and others are being sought. The police are on their toes.

Norwegian Steamer Wrecked.

Esbo, Denmark, Jan. 16.—The Norwegian steamer commanded by Captain Deing, which sailed from New York about 8 a. m. via Norfolk, Dec. 19, for this port, has been wrecked on Horns Rev, in the North sea about 20 miles to the westward from this port. All of her crew except one man were rescued. It is believed that the vessel and her entire cargo will become a total loss.

RELATIONS ARE NOT OFFICIALLY BROKEN

M. Taigny, The French Charge, Still at Caracas.

RUPTURE, HOWEVER, IMMINENT

American Minister Will Take Charge of French Interests in Venezuela When Official Notice of Cessation of Diplomatic Relations Is Given.

Paris, Jan. 16.—The positive statement was made at the foreign office today that diplomatic relations between France and Venezuela have not yet been officially broken off.

M. Taigny, the French charge, still remains at Caracas. A rupture, however, is imminent, though the order to sever relations with Venezuela has not been dispatched.

All communications, owing to the interruption of direct telegraphic connection with Caracas, passes through Washington, with which capital an understanding exists.

The American minister, Mr. Russell, will take charge of French interests in Venezuela when the official notification of the cessation of diplomatic relations is given.

The reports that the French squadron is proceeding to Venezuelan waters are not confirmed, but on the other hand, they are not denied, the officials here maintaining the strictest discretion relative to the measures France is likely to adopt.

CARRIED ASHORE FROM STEAMER

Passengers and Crew Landed Safely. Captain Stayed on Board.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 16.—After spending some time in terrible anxiety lest they be wrecked and swept into the sea, the passengers and crew, 60 in all, of the Clyde line steamer Cherokee, bound from San Domingo for New York, which went aground on the Brigantine shoals Friday, have been rescued and landed at the inlet here.

Captain Archibald, two mates and the ship's carpenter elected to remain aboard the stranded steamer.

The Cherokee, while in a perilous position, is in no immediate danger of breaking up unless another storm should set in.

White Arrives at Gibraltar.

Gibraltar, Jan. 16.—The American ambassador to Italy, Henry White, chief of the American mission to the Moroccan conference, arrived here today from Naples on the North German Lloyd steamer Princess Irene. The steamer's band played the American and British anthems as the Princess Irene entered the harbor. A steam launch of the United States cruiser Galveston ran alongside the liner and took the ambassador on board the Brooklyn, the flagship of Rear Admiral Sigbee, where the admiral assembled his officers while all honors were accorded, the warships firing an ambassador's salute. Mr. White hopes to reach Algiers before the arrival of the other delegates.

Snowstorms in Northwest.

Kansas City, Jan. 16.—Snow, with a temperature above freezing, fell today in the Missouri valley, taking in a portion of South Dakota, central and eastern Iowa, eastern Nebraska, northwestern Missouri and central and eastern reports received at the local weather bureau resulted in slight interference with railroad traffic in Nebraska and in slight interruptions in telephone and telegraphic communications in Missouri and eastern Nebraska.

Makes Charges Against Railroads.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Advises to the Record-Herald from Dallas, Tex., says: John C. Hower, secretary of the Dallas Commercial club, had announced that the proposed visit of Texas commercial clubs to northern and eastern cities has been abandoned because of the high rates demanded by the eastern railroads to carry the party and he demands the railways had adopted this measure as a means of defeating the railway rate legislation.