

FORCING PEACE ON THE CZAR

His Ministers Are Crying Out for Cessation of the Conflict

Kuropatkin Called Back Into Service to Command First Army Covering the Retreat

Associated Press Correspondents Paint Human Picture of the Battlefield Scenes—Russian and Japanese Wounded Soldiers Lie Side by Side Feeding Each Other.

BULLETIN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 20.—1:45 a. m.—While Emperor Nicholas, whose word is final, still declines to abandon the prosecution of the war and the government maintains its ability to continue the conflict, the Associated Press is in a position to state that powerful influences, including several of the emperor's own ministers, are now strongly urging that the time has come to indicate to Japan Russia's desire for peace upon a reasonable basis.

One of the emperor's ministers, in conversation with the Associated Press, said: "We have suffered bitter defeat on land and sea. We can, however, still continue the war. But both countries have suffered great losses in blood and treasure and it would only profit the rivals of both were we to fight on until one or the other is exhausted. Russia has had a hard task fighting the war against such adversaries 6,000 miles from home, and I contend she can make a dignified peace without glory, but not without honor."

"As the victor on land and sea Japan can afford to remember, as Bismarck did at the conclusion of the Austro-Prussian war, that two countries which must live through the long future as neighbors may need each other's friendship. Japan may consider the time propitious on account of the situation in European Russia's very cold, with frequent hard storms. The brigade in advance occupied the Pass Wednesday night after a brief engagement."

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general mobilization has been ordered, and it may not be necessary. Of the 200,000 reservists mobilized last fall, 140,000 and the fourth army corps, numbering 40,000, are now beginning to arrive in the far east. If, therefore, Linevitch's army totals 200,000 when he reaches Harbin (if that, for instance, is to be the new base) he will have an army of about 400,000 without summoning additional reserves. Some regular units, like a division of the guards, might be sent without further mobilization."

BULLETIN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 19.—It is stated on high authority that General Linevitch's request the emperor has appointed General Kuropatkin commander of the first army, and that he assumed command today.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 20.—2:30 a. m.—A report in circulation last night that General Kuropatkin is remaining in Manchuria and that he will assume a subordinate command cannot be confirmed, and private dispatches from Gunshui Pass, confirming the earlier official report, state that General Kuropatkin's train left on Saturday for St. Petersburg.

BULLETIN.

GENERAL KUROKI'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD (undated).—Everything now appears to be in favor of the Japanese. They have a magnificent army in the highest spirits, which is rapidly recuperating from the effects of the recent battle, and which is fully equipped with everything necessary for Manchurian campaigning, including great quantities of supplies accumulated during the winter, together with several lines of communication and the best season of the year before them.

BULLETIN.

TOKIO, March 19.—Headquarters of the Japanese armies in the field reporting under today's date says: "Our detachment, continuing its advance north, pursued the enemy to Kalyuan (some twenty miles north of the Pass). Kalyuan was evacuated by the enemy on Saturday after they had set fire to the railroad station."

JAPANESE STORY OF THE RUSSIAN FLIGHT.

WITH THE JAPANESE ARMY IN THE FIELD, VIA FUSAN, March 18.—2 p. m. (delayed).—The Russian army continues its northern retreat. The Japanese following. They have occupied Fakoman, to the northwest of the Pass. Yesterday evening the Russian cavalry camped three miles south of Kalyuan. Large Russian columns are retreating toward this place from the southwest. The natives report that they are not stopping where the hills make a defense possible. If the retreat is forced it will probably be continued to Harbin. The Russians are reported as being badly disorganized.

GENERAL KUROKI'S ARMY LEADS JAPANESE HOSTS.

GENERAL KUROKI'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD, March 16 (via Fusan).—General Kuroki's army continues to lead the Japanese forces, which have now been engaged for nine days in a hard pursuit in which they have covered a distance of more than ninety-five miles, with frequent fighting.

The weather in the mountains is very cold, with frequent hard storms. The brigade in advance occupied the Pass Wednesday night after a brief engagement."

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THE HUSBAND ASKED TO VACATE

STORY OF A DOMESTIC TANGLE AT NEW HAVEN.

Pearl Dennis Says His Wife's Parents Discharged Doctor Who Was Treating Her, Called in a Christian Scientist and Demanded a Divorce.

Relatives of Pearl Dennis, of New Haven, asked Humane Officer Schlaudroff yesterday to interfere to save the family from disruption and Mrs. Dennis from alleged neglect during illness. Mrs. Dennis has been ill for some time and was under the care of Dr. Clark, of New Haven. According to the story told to the humane officer her parents came from Antwerp a few days ago, took charge of the household, discharged the doctor and called in a Christian science doctor from Fort Wayne.

The next step, according to the relatives, was to inform Mrs. Dennis that she must get a separation from her husband because he had been divorced from his first wife, who was still living, and Mr. Dennis found himself persona non grata in his own house. He wanted the humane officer to go to New Haven and adjust matters, but that official informed him that the case was beyond his lawful authority, and that recourse should be had to the prosecutor.

It is likely that Dennis will see Mr. Dawson today and begin action for trespass against his wife's parents.

FROM CIRCUS ATHLETE

To Leader in Politics Rose Amsden, Who Dies at Shelbyville.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 19.—Eleanor B. Amsden, aged eighty, died at his home here this morning. He was for many years conspicuous in state and county politics. From 1839 to 1844 he was a leading athlete in Howe's mammoth circus and later drove sixteen horses to Dan Rice's band wagon. He became a resident of Shelbyville in 1848, and in 1864 was elected sheriff of the county and re-elected in 1866. In 1878 he was elected treasurer of the county and succeeded himself two years later. His son, Charles E. Amsden, was county recorder for four years and is now a leading stock raiser of this county. Mr. Amsden was vigorous even in old age.

MINE WAS A DEATH TRAP

SECOND EXPLOSION CAUGHT RESCUERS AND TWENTY. FOUR LIVES LOST.

The Red Ash and Rush Run Coal Pits in West Virginia the Graves of Many Workers.

FIRE CREEK, W. Va., March 19.—In the two explosions in the Red Ash and Rush Run mines late last night, at least twenty-four men were killed, ten of the dead being members of a rescue party who were caught by the second explosion in the Rush Run mine.

The dead in the Rush Run mine: ANDREW WEIR, white, married. CHARLES JONES, SR., white, married.

WILL COON, white, single. CLAYTON MOSLEY, colored, single. PERRY WOOD, colored, single. HOLLEY J. ARRALL, white, single. THOMAS ALLEN, colored, single. CLARENCE ALLEN, colored, single. CLARENCE JACKSON, colored, single.

STEVEN NUGL, Italian, married. THREE UNKNOWN SLAVS.

Dead in the rescue party from the second explosion in the Rush Run mine: THOMAS BANNISTER, white, the fire boss.

CHARLES GWYNN, white, single. JAMES GWYNN, white, single.

D. C. HUTCHISON, white, married, the machine boss, his two sons, J. P. and Norman, both single.

J. E. PHILLIPS, white, married, coke boss at the Etho mines.

E. W. HULSON, white, married. HENDERSON MOSLEY, white, single.

BENAT WASHINGTON, colored, single.

ONE UNKNOWN.

Eight miners were at work in the Rush Run and five in the Red Ash mine when the first explosion occurred last night. Five or six hours later a party of eleven rescuers entered the Rush Run mines to locate the dead. They had gone back 2,500 feet when the second explosion occurred, and it is positively known that all are dead as there is no possible chance for their escape. After the first explosion miners from neighboring mines rushed to the ill-fated mine in an effort to save their comrades.

miners had been working when the first explosion occurred. Hundreds of people visited both mines today from the wrecked power houses and the crowds of spectators the mines presented their usual appearance. Telegrams and telephone messages from all parts of the country were received during the day asking for information as to relatives and friends. The only reply that can be made is that there is no hope of recovery of any of the bodies until tomorrow at the earliest. The Red Ash mine has been closed up and will remain so until the Rush Run mine can be explored. The mines connect in four places, both mines being under the same management.

ALLEN COUNTY PIONEER CALLED

MRS. ROSE GLADIEUX, OF JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, DIES.

Was Nearly Ninety-one Years Old, and Came to America From France in 1844—Is Survived by Many Descendants.

The venerable Mrs. Ros. Gladieux, one of the earliest of the Allen county pioneers, died Sunday at the old Gladieux homestead in Jefferson township, of senile debility. Had she lived until June 14 she would have been ninety-one years old, but her once rugged constitution became broken within the past few years and she was unable to longer bear the burdens of increasing age. Her husband, who was widely known throughout the county, died fifteen years ago.

Mrs. Gladieux was a native of France. She was married there when but little more than a girl, and with her husband she came in 1844 to America to seek fortune on the western border. The couple settled for a short time in Ohio and then moved to the farm in Jefferson township, where each lived until summoned by death. The descendants of Mrs. Gladieux number three children, thirty grandchildren and fifty-two great grandchildren. One daughter, Mrs. A. Lomont, died several years ago, and the living children are Frank Gladieux, former county commissioner; Celestine Gladieux, with whom his mother resided on the Jefferson township farm, and Mrs. George Townsend. Former Deputy Sheriff Francis C. Gladieux is a grandson. In religion Mrs. Gladieux was a devout Catholic and she was a member of the congregation of Besancon church. She was a woman of all the sturdy and noble characteristics which enabled the pioneers to transform the wilds about them into fertile farms, to plant the seeds of religion and education and produce out of the wilderness a race of men and women worthy of their self-sacrificing parents.

The funeral services will be held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the home and later at Besancon church.

MINES SEIZED BY CASTRO'S MEN

HIGHHANDED VENEZUELAN ACT MAY CAUSE TROUBLE.

Troops Take Possession of Mines of an Italian Company Without Warrant of Law—Action Bears Germs of Disturbance.

NEW YORK, March 19.—The Herald this morning prints the following dispatch from Port of Spain Trinidad: News has reached Port of Spain that the governor of Barcelona, Venezuela, has received from President Castro orders to take possession of one of the coal mines of Guanta Narical, situated near Barcelona and leased in 1898 for thirty-three years by the Venezuelan government to an Italian company. The same day the Venezuelan troops took possession of the mines by armed force, as in the similar case of the New York and Bermudez company, this notwithstanding the protest of the Italian manager. This action has been taken without a judgment of the court of Caracas.

The Italian legation has been notified and Baron Alotti, Italian charge d'affaires, is reported as having entered a protest.

PNEUMONIA CLAIMS STILL ANOTHER VICTIM

Mrs. John Draker Dies After an Illness of Four Weeks.

Mrs. Elizabeth Caroline Draker, the wife of John Draker, of 1732 Short street, died at 10:45 o'clock Sunday night after an illness of four weeks. Her death was caused by pneumonia, which has already claimed many victims this spring.

Mrs. Draker was about forty-five years old, having been born in Fort Wayne June 3, 1855. She leaves her husband, her mother—Mrs. Amon, who resides with her—and eight children. The children are Mrs. L. F. Lombard, Mrs. H. G. Slater and James, John, Charles, Frank, Miss Bernadette and William Draker. There are also two brothers, Henry and Walter Kelsey.

The decedent was a member of Ben Hur court No. 15, Anthony Wayne lodge No. 42, Modern Americans, of tent No. 27, Lady Macabees, and of the Daughters of Workmen. She was a leader in all the circles in which she moved, and was highly regarded by her friends.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. at the residence, the Rev. E. W. Allen officiating.

GUARDS NEEDED TO KEEP AMERICANS AWAY FROM VESUVIUS.

NAPLES, March 19.—The activity of mount Vesuvius continues. The desire of tourists to approach the crater, notwithstanding the danger, is so urgent that extra guards have been stationed to prevent their passage. Detonations from the volcano are heard a long distance.

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INSANE MAN AMUCK ON HORSE

ERWIN COOK RODE ABOUT LEAVING TERROR IN WAKE.

Rolling Mill Hand Slugs People on the Street—Gang of Boisterous Young Fellows Lands in Jail—Police News.

Erwin Cook, young man who was formerly a patient at the Richmond hospital for the insane, became violent Saturday night at his home, eight miles north of the city, in St. Joseph township, and created a veritable reign of terror in the neighborhood until he was brought to the city last evening and lodged in the county jail. Young Cook started the trouble by arming himself with a revolver and a knife and threatening to kill members of his family. He was disarmed, but Sunday he broke out of the house and, mounting a horse, he rode about the vicinity of his home, frightening everybody he met. Deputy Sheriff Hartel placed him under arrest and brought him to the city. He was still very violent last night. A commission will be called to consider his condition. The unfortunate man is only about twenty-two years old.

Slugged Right and Left.

Peter Jackson, a husky fellow who is employed at the iron mills, was arrested last evening by Officer Johnston after he had slugged several people he passed on the street, it is said.

Jackson had been drinking considerably, it is alleged, and he was in high spirits. At police headquarters he was the liveliest one of all the prisoners and every cell had an occupant.

Didn't Heed Warning.

Four young men who gave the names J. H. Hayes, J. H. Stevens, James Bachman and Joe Stevens started Saturday night to have a good time and filled up on booze. The longer they stayed out the better time they seemed to have and about 2 o'clock Sunday morning they were warned to go home. They failed to heed the warning, however, and an hour later the quartet was captured by Sergeant Pappert and Officers Elliott, Rehner, Kelly and Major and sent to the station on the charge of drunkenness.

More Charges Against Swain.

According to the Lima, Ohio, papers, Arthur Swain, of Fort Wayne, who escaped from the Lima city jail a few nights ago, is suspected by the police there of having pulled off a robbery before leaving the Ohio city. After his escape from the calaboose he was sighted in the railroad yards, but escaped the officers in pursuit. About that time two strangers called at a home in the city, and representing themselves as wall paper cleaners, asked to see the paper in the house. While engaged in the inspection the lady of the house was called to the telephone and the two fellows seized a pocket book containing \$50 and fled. It is believed by the Lima officers that Swain and his unknown pal, who

are wanted here on burglary charges, did the work.

John Lee, known as "Never Sweat," and Nick Wiles were arrested yesterday by Officer Stevens; a fellow who gave the name of John Johnston was picked up by Officers Johnston and Cheiron, and Station Master Terry took into custody one Anshagor. Each of the prisoners were booked for drunkenness.

John Shoup, while intoxicated last night, fell upon a Columbia street sidewalk and sustained a bad gash on the back of his head and neck. He was taken to the station by Officer Brennan.

WILL OF 1789 FUND MAY INVOLVE SUIT FOR MILLIONS.

Document Lies in an Old Oak Tree 116 Years and Transfers Twelve Acres on Manhattan Island.

NEW YORK, March 19.—A deed transferring twelve acres of land within the bounds of New York city, a mortgage and a will, both dated December 12, 1789, and other business papers running down to 1835, together with a silver tea service, knives, forks and spoons, six finger rings, a pair of diamond earrings and a pearl brooch, all incased in a stout tin box, have been found in the heart of an old oak tree by woodmen cutting timber north of Lincoln Park, N. Y. The property has been placed in the hands of an attorney to await a claimant. It is believed the box was placed there by a thief years ago, as no one of the persons named in the papers is remembered in the neighborhood.

The will is that of Matthew Weatherby and transferred to his sons, Parker and Andrew, \$12,000 in money and personal property and twelve acres of land on the island of Manhattan bordering on the Hudson river, but which cannot be readily located on the present city lines from the description of the deed.

The interior of the tree was perfectly dry, and with the exception of a slight coating of mildew the papers are perfectly preserved. Squirrels had made the cavity their home, and it was filled to a depth of several feet with nuts and shells.

SENSATION EXPECTED IN TRIAL OF LAWYERS

LAPORTE ATTORNEYS TO BE ARRIGNED ON CHARGES OF BRIBERY.

The Outcome of Larceny Trial—Mayor Darrow, One of the Accused, Will Probably be Again Nominated for Another Term.

LAPORTE, Ind., March 19.—The attorneys appointed by Judge Richter to prepare charges for the disbarment of Mayor Lemuel Darrow, City Attorney Worden and John W. Talbot, the latter of South Bend, met in secret session yesterday and prepared the allegations on which the trio of attorneys will be arraigned for trial, and which will cause the greatest sensation in the history of this section of the state.

It is expected that the charges will be read in the circuit court tomorrow. The friends of Darrow and Worden charge that they are the victims of political and legal persecution and it is stated that fully a score of attorneys have volunteered to defend them. Mayor Darrow, who is serving his third term as mayor, will probably again be made the nominee of the democratic party for mayor, his friends urging that a vindication is due him, and that it can be obtained decisively at the polls. Darrow and Worden, as attorneys for Mrs. Stella Lulla, who was acquitted of the charge of larceny, are alleged to have bribed Mrs. Harry Duck to give the evidence which resulted in a verdict of acquittal. John W. Talbot is alleged to have aided Darrow and Worden in the bribing of Mrs. Duck, on whose confession Judge Richter named the committee of inquiry.

WILLIAM E. DECKER DEAD.

He Was a Pioneer Oil Operator in Indiana and Accumulated a Big Fortune.

ANBERSON, Ind., March 19.—William E. Decker, one of the pioneer oil and gas well drillers of the west, died here today. He was seventy-eight years old and leaves children. Mr. Decker was born in West Virginia. He came to Marion county in 1830 and drilled the first gas well in Muncie and the second in the state during that year. Since then Mr. Decker has been connected with most of the gas and oil well drilling done in this part of Indiana, and has put down probably as many as 1,000 wells. He has accumulated a fortune.

SUSPECTED ROBBER ESCAPES A HAIL OF BULLETS.

HAGERSTOWN, Ind., March 19.—Amid a shower of bullets which fell around him during a chase of more than a mile through a thick wood, John Locke today escaped from four heavily armed deputies who arrested him on suspicion of having robbed a railroad station in Ohio some time ago.

ITALIAN GYMNASTS COMING TO INDIANAPOLIS MEET.

ROME, March 19.—The Italian gymnast society has decided to participate in the international meeting at Indianapolis, under the auspices of the North American Turner society.

ERIE TRAIN JUMPED TRACK

And Plunged Down Twenty Foot Embankment With Human Freight.

Locomotive Held to the Rails But Six Passenger Coaches Rolled Down the Embankment—Accident Occurred Near Hammond and Trains Run Over, Pennsylvania.

Brakeman Frederick Peavey, of Huntington, Among the Twelve Persons Injured.

HAMMOND, Ind., March 19.—Erie railroad train No. 7 known as the Pacific express, while running at the rate of sixty miles an hour near Winfield station this morning, plunged down a twenty-foot embankment, injuring twelve people, two of whom may die.

The wreck was caused by the auxiliary reservoir under the engine cab dropping into a switch which caught the front trucks of the tender. The engine remained on the track, but six cars toppled over and rolled down the embankment. Engineer Walnitz and Fireman Gorman remained at their posts and escaped injury.

The injured: Frederick Peavey, brakeman, Huntington, Ind., head badly hurt and leg bruised.

William T. Drake, conductor, Chicago, face cut by glass, nose broken, back sprained.

Mrs. M. Cairo, 256 Cloyburn place, Chicago, injured internally; may die.

Morton Schnaidt, 4514 Champlain avenue, Chicago, badly hurt about the head.

C. H. Williams, baggageman, Marion, O., scalp cut and internal injuries.

Joseph Nojak, Everett, Minn., spine injured and internally hurt; may die.

Stalzy Ystian, Hegewich, Ill., head badly cut.

Joseph Schimutski, Hegewich, Ill., head and shoulders hurt.

John Swanson, Hegewich, Ill., right arm torn.

Joseph Dreabuvold, Hegewich, badly bruised about head.

Joe Pihl, Hegewich, head cut by glass.

In the two passenger coaches attached to the express train were twenty-seven passengers, many of whom had narrow escapes from death. Mrs. Mary Cairo, of Chicago, who was traveling with two children, neither of whom were injured, was badly crushed and may die.

Four doctors from Crown Point, in response to a telephone call, secured a hand car, by means of which they were the first to reach the scene of the wreck. Two trains from Englewood and Hammond brought ten other physicians. All of the wounded were brought to the St. Margaret's hospital in this city, where they are being cared for.

Traffic on the Erie is still blocked and all trains are being operated over the Pennsylvania tracks.

FOR GREATER PITTSBURGH.

Arrangements are Almost Completed for the Annexation of Allegheny.

PITTSBURGH, March 19.—A conference of Pittsburgh and Allegheny city officials was held this afternoon and at its close the announcement was made that all opposition to Greater Pittsburgh had been removed.

James G. Wyman, mayor of Allegheny, made the statement after the meeting that he favored annexation and would do all in his power to bring that result about. A strong effort will now be made to have the legislature pass the enabling act next week. Political and business leaders will meet in Harrisburg on Tuesday to urge the passage of the Wilbert bill.

One of the results of the passage of the bill will be the removal from office of Mayor James G. Wyman, Controller James Brown and all the Allegheny councilmen. Mayor Wyman will lose but three months of his term, however, as his term expires one year from April 1 and the Greater Pittsburgh will become a reality, according to the bill, on the first Monday of January next. Controller Brown will lose two years of his term, having been elected only a month ago.

REBECCA JONES, THE WOMAN WHO WOULDN'T TESTIFY, IS DEAD.

BALLSTON, N. Y., March 19.—Miss Rebecca Jones, the woman who attained wide celebrity some twenty-five years ago by New York by refusing to answer questions in the surrogate's court in the Gordon Hamersly will contest, and suffered imprisonment for one year for contempt without yielding, died here today. Miss Jones was born here in 1822 and for thirty years was the trusted servant of the Gordon Hamersly family. She was called as a witness in the will contest and refused to answer questions regarding the family. The millions went to the Widow Hamersly, afterward Duchess of Marlborough and now Lady Beresford.