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WAR OFFICE REPORT
CREATES SENSATION

By Scripps News Association
St. Petersburg, March 25.—The retirement of the bulk of the force of General Linévitch northward, says a Russian correspondent, warns the St. Petersburg authorities of dangers. The Japanese are active in Mongolia, where, he says, their emissaries are enlisting the Lamas and arousing their old war spirit.

PEACE IN A FORTNIGHT

London, March 25.—From what is considered to be a source of undoubted authenticity, comes the statement today that the end of the Russian and Japanese war will be accomplished in a fortnight as a fact. The dispatch from St. Petersburg lead an air of probability to the rumors that Russia has decided to initiate peace negotiations.

WAR OFFICE REPORT

St. Petersburg, March 25.—The publication, by the army organ, today, of figures showing the strength of the Russian forces sent to the far east, has created a sensation in military circles. The war office is being freely criticized for revealing the military secrets.

The report of the figures given show that up to March 12th the war office had dispatched 13,087 officers, 761,467 men, 146,408 horses, 1521 guns, and 736,321 tons of ammunition and supplies to the front, declaring also that the transportation strained the Siberian railroad to its utmost capacity. The army organ admits that the Russian troops in the far east at the beginning of the war did not exceed 60,000, but denies that the Russian officials failed to properly estimate the strength of the Japanese military resources. However, the paper frankly admits that the talents of the Japanese officers and the wonderful spirits of the soldiers had been miscalculated. Based on these figures, it is estimated that the Russian losses in killed, wounded, prisoners and sick will reach half a million, leaving the Russian fighting strength now at three hundred thousand.

LINEVITCH REPORTS

St. Petersburg, March 25.—General

Linévitch reports, as of yesterday date, as follows: "The Russian patrol was fired upon by the Japanese cavalry and infantry occupying Pul Jus Obu. There has been no change in the armies during the day. On March 23 a detachment of Russian cavalry repulsed a force of Japanese at Nan Shen Tsu."

PEACE REPORTS
CAUSE GREAT JOY

[Scripps News Association]
St. Petersburg March 25.—Reports of peace about to be negotiated with Japan is spreading rapidly throughout the country. Everywhere the people are falling on their knees in thanksgiving. It is said that the terms on which the war may be ended will include a Japanese protectorate over Korea, its lease of the Liao Tung peninsula, and the making of a free port of Vladivostok. Russia, it is said, will give Japan a half billion of stock in the East China railroad, as well as other China railroad, and to grant the Japanese fishing and hunting rights in the island of Sakhalin Kamchata.

Czar Aids Prisoners

[Scripps News Association]
London March 25.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the Czar has ordered the payment of half a million roubles toward the expense of keeping the Russian prisoners now held by the Japanese.

Card of Thanks

Our family hereby extend our sincere thanks to the many friends of the late Samuel Truesdell and the Farmers Lodge I. O. O. F. No. 49, of Summerville Oregon, for the kind attention and expressions of sympathy extended during our late bereavement. Mrs. Samuel Truesdell and children.

PRESS CENSORSHIP
IS REMOVED

By Scripps News Association
St. Petersburg, March 25.—Preliminary press censorship on books in Russian, as well as in foreign languages, has been removed.

Escape Caught

[Scripps News Association]
Tacoma, March 25.—Albert Bell, the bank swindler and mail thief, who escaped from the Federal prison at McNeill's Island Wednesday, was captured at noon today, hiding in the hay in the prison barn.

MORGAN OFFERS
RUSSIAN LOAN

By Scripps News Association
St. Petersburg March 25.—It is reported that J. P. Morgan, the American multi-millionaire and financier, has intimated to Russia that he can arrange for a loan, which could be secured by the hypothecation of foreign lands.

Basket Ball Game

The Baker City Basket Ball team arrived on No 5 last night and were met at the depot by the La Grande team who conducted them to the Hotel Foley.

The girls in both teams have great hopes of winning, and it will undoubtedly be a close and interesting game.

The Baker girls were accompanied by a large number of the boys and girls besides their chaperon and referee. The line up is as follows:

Baker City—Gertrude Tice center, Grace Davis and Mabel Bratton forwards, Georgia Yantis and Ada Allen guards, Edna Chandler and Myrtle Kenness Subs.

La Grande—Lela Wilson center, Blanche McMurphy and Hattie McMurry forwards, Ethel Gulling and Grace Hopper guards, Bonnie Forest and Nell Young subs.

Be sure and don't miss the game at Commercial Club 8.30 p. m. Music by the orchestra. Admission 25 cents.

CRETE
RIOT
SERIOUS

[By Scripps News Association]
Athens, Greece, March 25.—Reports from Crete state that rioting has broken out there, owing to disputes which have arisen over the efforts to unite Crete and Greece. A number of people have been injured, and the situation is now serious.

School House Burns

By Scripps News Association
Bakersfield, March 25.—The Lincoln Primary school at Fifth and O streets, burned at an early hour this morning. The loss is estimated at twenty five thousand dollars, which is fully covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to be the work of tramps.

Today's Grain Markets

Chicago, March 25.—The ruling quotations in the grain market today on the exchange here are as follows:—May option, wheat \$1.12½, corn \$0.48½, oats \$0.30½; cash, wheat \$1.13½, corn \$0.49, oats \$30½.

Building Collapses

By Scripps News Association
St. Louis, March 25.—The Washington state building, which is being wrecked at the World's Fair grounds in this city, collapsed at noon today as a result of high winds. Three of the workmen were seriously injured.

Czar Makes Decree

[By Scripps News Association]
St. Petersburg, March 25.—By an imperial decree issued today, the new internal war loan of one hundred million at five per cent. Half of the loan will be offered to the public for subscription.

FOURTH TRIAL
FOR MURDER

[By Scripps News Association]

Frankfort March 25.—The Appellate Court today granted a new trial to Curtis Jett, who is under sentence for murder of J. B. Mescham at the Jackson court house. The court also overruled the petition of the state for rehearing the case of Caleb Powers, convicted of complicity in the assassination of Governor Goebel, and granted a new trial. Powers will soon be tried for the fourth time.

Passed Away

CHAPLIN—In this city, at the family residence, Saturday morning March 25th., 1905, Mrs. Hannah Chaplin, aged 82 years and six months. The funeral will be held at 2.30 Monday afternoon from the Baptist church the pastor J. Franklin Day officiating. The interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mrs. Hannah J. Chaplin was born in Vermont in 1822. At an early age went with her parents to Niagara county, N. Y., and soon after moved to Coldwater, Branch Co., Michigan. Was married to Daniel Chaplin in the town of Quincy, same state. In 1864 in company with her husband and the family of the late Gen. John H. Stevens, crossed the plains to Oregon, settling in Champos, Marion county, and from thence to Dayton, Yamhill county, Oregon, where they remained until 1893, when they came to La Grande where they made their permanent home.

Mrs. Chaplin, lovingly known by her many friends as "Aunt Hannah" was universally loved and respected by the entire community, and her many deeds of charity and acts of hospitality were known far and wide. She leaves behind her many sorrowing relatives and friends, who will ever cherish her memory in loving remembrance.

WEALTHY MAN
GETS SENTENCE

[Scripps News Association]
Milwaukee, March 25.—Former alderman, Chas. Havenor, sentenced today to the House of Correction for a term of two years, for bribery in connection with the special council permits three years ago. Havenor is very wealthy, and owns several hotels, and is president of the Milwaukee Club of the American Associations. The motion for a new trial has been denied.

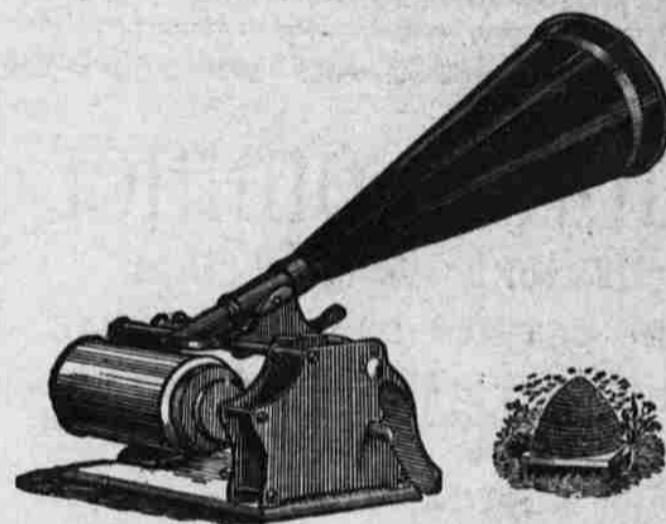
MORE WITNESSES
ON BEEF TRUST

[By Scripps News Association]
Chicago, March 25.—Mr. L. M. Byles, private secretary to Nelson Morris, was among the witnesses summoned today by the Grand Jury conducting the beef trust examination. The wholesale meat dealers are also being subpoenaed. It is understood that the jury is trying to get at the prices of beef, both whole sale and retail. The jury adjourned yesterday until Monday.

WILL NOT
RESUME
DUTIES

By Scripps News Association
Washington March 25.—It is stated on the best authority that Secretary John Hay will not resume his place in the cabinet when he returns from his present vacation. Ill health is the sole cause of his determination to retire. The President is now canvassing the names of several eminent gentlemen, with a view to asking one of them to become the successor of Secretary Hay. Among those who have been considered are Joseph H. Choate and Whitlaw Reid. Secretary Hay's friends had hoped that a few weeks rest, together with a change of air and scenes, would enable him to resume his place as head of the State Department, but that hope has now been abandoned.

The city treasurer's report shows that the city of Elgin received from all sources \$9337.64 last year.

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MONDAY, APRIL 3, '05

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In silk and luster
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\$12.50 to \$20

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