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## MAINE DISASTER NOW EXPLAINED

[By Scripps News Association]

New York March 28—Gessler Rousseau, the dynamiter awaiting sentence in the toms for sending a box of dynamite on board the Cunard liner "Umbria," two years ago, confessed today that he sold infernal machines to Cuban filibusters, one of which was used to destroy the battleship "Maine" which was blown up in Havana harbor. He stated that in the fall of 1897 he constructed the machines in Jacksonville for the use of the filibust-

ers against the Spaniards, and that the next spring the "Maine" was destroyed. He says that he was informed that one of the men to whom he sold the machines destroyed the "Maine" by mistake, thinking that she was a Spanish vessel. When he discovered the mistake, the Cuban killed himself. Rousseau said that he was not an anarchist or nihilist but that he is the one who attempted to destroy the statue of Frederick The Great because he did not want the statue of a king in this country.

## SHAEFFER DIES IN DENVER

Denver, March 28.—Conrad Schaefer President of the American Stock Grower's association, which was formed in Denver in January of this year, died at the home of his sister in this city today. Death resulted from a liver complaint, after an illness of three months.

The death of Mr. Schaefer takes away one of the foremost figures in the stock industry of the United States. Several times he served as president of the Colorado Stockgrowers Association and was unanimously chosen president of the American Association when it was formed in this city.

## Armenians Starving

London March 28.—Starvation threatens Armenia, according to a cable message from Van, received today from agents of the Turkish Mission Aid society. The message reads:

"Suffering from poverty is general and the food supply in many villages is nearly exhausted. Deaths from hunger are beginning."

## Today's Grain Market

Chicago, March 28.—The quotations on the exchange today on grain are as follows:— May option, wheat \$1.12 1/2, corn \$0.48 1/2, oats \$0.38 1/2. Cash, wheat \$1.12, corn \$0.48 1/2, oats \$0.38 1/2.

## Details Of Tragedy

Roseburg, Ore., March 28.—The latest reports from the killing of Jacob Reuter, 14 miles west of Oakland, show that the tragedy occurred about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, instead of Friday morning.

Reuter was at the door of his house when shot by someone 100 or 125 yards away from the hillside above. Four bullets from a 25-30 caliber rifle struck him, smokeless powder evidently being used.

His father, Caspar Reuter, and brother, Peter Reuter, were in bed at the time, both being ill. The latter, upon hearing the shots, went outside and found his brother dead, but saw no one around the premises. He went and called to his neighbor, Geo. McElroy, across the river, three-quarters of a mile, but he was away from home, so no report was given out till next day, when Peter Reuter went to another neighbor's, further away on the main road.

The only weapons about the place were an old 45.60 Winchester rifle and a shot gun, neither of which had been fired for a long time. No cartridges could be found from which the fatal bullets were fired, and a heavy rain had obliterated the tracks of the assassin before the officers arrived.

Sheriff McClellan visited the scene Saturday, but found no clew. Residents of the vicinity were very reticent and would make no accusations. It is said that Reuter had of late been on bitter terms than usual with his neighbors. The ill feeling between the Reuter brothers also seems to have been allayed, and Peter had been helping to care for their invalid father.

The coroner's jury called by Justice R. L. Stephens, and accompanied by Dr. W. C. Gilmour, of Oakland, found that Reuter was murdered by an unknown assassin. District Attorney Brown is investigating the matter, but the mystery is yet wholly unsolved.

## Loan Quickly Taken

[By Scripps News Association] London, March 28.—The prospectus of the new Japanese loan is in enormous demand, and, from all indications the subscriptions will exceed the seventy five millions to be issued here.

## PEACE TALK PREVAILS

[By Scripps News Association] Birmingham March 28.—The Post says this morning that it has excellent authority for the statement that a memorandum, outlining the terms which would be acceptable to Russia, in the event of peace, has been received from St. Petersburg at the foreign office.

## AUTHOR FIGHT EXPECTED

Kobe March 27.—General Linevitch is retiring northward from Chang Chun and it is thought that the next regular engagement will be fought at Hungari. The Russians are placing that river between themselves and their opponents. It is thought that the Russian supplies at Kiren and Chang Chun have been exhausted.

## ENORMOUS STORES TAKEN

[Scripps News Association] Tokio March 28.—A dispatch from Manchuria says that the Japanese left army, near Mukden, are clearing the battle field and sorting enormous quantities of stores and material captured. They are assiduously attending to the prisoners, and the engineers are rapidly preparing the railroad bridge across the Hun river which was badly damaged by the Russians. The trains now running to Hun will reach Mukden in a few days. The weather is warmer now, making the movement of the guns and transports more difficult.

## WILL WORK FOR PEACE

London March 28.—A dispatch from Paris reached London this afternoon, giving reliable authority for the statement that Russia has asked Minister Delcasse to act as intermediary to open peace negotiations with Japan. It is understood that Minister Delcasse has expressed a willingness to undertake the work, but considers that Lord Lansdown's co-operation is essential to success.

## Cyclone Creats Havoc

[By Scripps News Association] St. Paul, Minn., March 28.—A cyclone, yesterday afternoon at six o'clock, completely wiped out every store, two grain elevators of the Great Northern at the station, and numerous dwellings at Louisburg, a village of two hundred inhabitants in Lac Qui Parle county. The loss is estimated at fifty thousand dollars. Seven persons were seriously injured, including five members of the Winger family, whose house was completely wrecked. Jennie Winger, one of the seven, will probably die.

## Thos. Wicks Dead

[Scripps News Association] Chicago, March 28.—Thomas H. Wicks, vice president of the Pullman Palace Car Company, dropped dead while in his office this morning. The cause of his death is heart disease.

## NEW RAILROAD IS ASSURED

Medford Ore March 27.—At a meeting of directors and officers of the Medford & Crater Lake Railroad company the committee on subscriptions of stock reported that \$25,000 of stock had been subscribed, which was the amount of stock subscription asked by the company of the city and in the vicinity of Medford.

Immediately upon the report of the committee the contract of grading as far as Eagle Point was let and signed Charles Ewing receiving the contract. The grading will begin at once.

The contract was then let to Mr. Hooks for piling across Bear creek. All construction work will be crowded by the company in order to get as much of the road completed as possible before the winter season sets in. The new railroad will run from Medford to Crater lake when completed. It taps a very rich virgin tract of timber and opens for settlement a large tract of country.

## REVOLTERS SACK MONASTERY

[By Scripps News Association] Constantinople, March 28.—The Bulgarian revolutionaries last Sunday sacked and burned the monastery of St. Nicholas at Castoria. The monks were expelled and many of them were wounded.

## Verne's Last Rites

[By Scripps News Association] Antens, March 28.—The funeral of Jules Verne, the author, was held this morning, while vast crowds lined the streets to pay their tribute to him, standing bareheaded as the cortege passed by.

## May Take All

[By Scripps News Association] Boston, Mass., March 28.—The "Missionary Herald," the organ of the American Board of the Congregational church, issued today, contains the acknowledgement of \$41,500 as part of Rockefeller's gift and indicates its appointment. The opinion is generally expressed in Congregational circles that the gift will be accepted.

## REMAINS GO TO MEXICO

[By Scripps News Association] Washington March 28.—The state funeral held today over the remains of Don Manuel de Aspiros, the Mexican Ambassador to the United States, was attended by President Roosevelt, the members of the Supreme Court, the Diplomatic Corps and other distinguished personages. After impressive ceremonies at St. Mathew's church, the body was carried to a vault in Oak Hill cemetery, where the remains will lie until arrangements are made for the shipment to Mexico, which will probably be about the April 8th. The cruiser Columbia will carry the body from New York to Vera Cruz, and the final interment will be held in the City of Mexico.

A dance will be given at the Armory Hall on Monday, April 3, under the auspices of Co. L. O. N. G.

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