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## A SCHOOL HOUSE ACROSS THE TRACK

A petition has been filed with school clerk A C Williams, asking the school board to submit to the vote of this school district the proposition to vote bonds to the extent of \$12,000 for the purpose of purchasing ground and building a school house, providing for steam heating, to be constructed north of the railroad track.

Under the school law, when ten or more taxpayers petition the board for such purposes, the board must provide for such special election and next Friday evening is the next regular meeting of the board it is presumed that the petition will receive consideration.

The petition obtained about eighty names and many more could have

been easily secured. As the cost of the building is limited in the petition to \$12,000 the construction means an additional tax of about one mill based upon the present tax valuation, which is \$755,021. This will not include all the expense as such a building means additional teachers.

The residents on the north side of the track have for a number of years demanded better school facilities than they at present enjoy, and no one can say but what they are entitled to better facilities.

The recent enumeration shows that there are 500 school children of all ages who reside across the track, a little over one third of the total enumeration in the district.

## CAN'T DECLINE THE GIFT

By Scripps News Association

Boston, Mass., March 28—The report of the sub-committee, made yesterday to the Prudential committee of the American Board of the Foreign Missions of the Congregational Church, regarding the gift of one hundred thousand dollars by John D Rockefeller to this fund, was made public today. It is announced that the Prudential committee will hold their final action in abeyance for two weeks, pending the consideration of a protest. In advising the acceptance of the gift, the sub-committee says: "Our responsibility begins with the reception of the gift, and before the gift is received, the responsibility is not ours, but is that of the donor in their own conscience." The report ends with the statement that the committee has no right to decline the gift.

## HART WINS FIGHT

By Scripps News Association

San Francisco March 29—In the fight here last night between the two heavy weight pugilists, Marvin Hart, of Louisville, and the colored battler, Johnson, Hart won the fight in the twentieth round. The fight was Hart's all the way through, but was well mixed up in many stages of the bout. Hart will now be ready to meet Jeffries if Jeffries sees fit to fight him.

By Scripps News Association

New York March 29—James Jeffries, the heavy weight pugilistic champion of the world, this morning declared his willingness to meet Marvin Hart, if the public desires him to fight the Louisville pugilist. He says that he is glad that Hart won, as it places the negro out of running. He stated: "I will retire from the ring this year, and when I do retire, it will be forever".

## Hay Is Better

By Scripps News Association

Gibraltar, March 29—United States Secretary of State, John Hay, who was reported ill when he left New York, and who collapsed as he was boarding the Celtic for the passage, arrived here this morning on the said White Star liner. The Celtic had a very pleasant voyage across the Atlantic, and Secretary Hay's condition is much better and is improving every day. He will start on a tour of the town at ten o'clock this morning and will visit all the places of historic interest. The Secretary has asked that no official reception be tendered him, as rest and quiet is that which he seeks.

(Later)—The American Consul, Sprague, escorted Secretary Hay on his trip about the town today. From Gibraltar the Secretary will go to Naples via Algiers. He left today at noon for the latter city.

## AMERICANS TAKE JAPANESE LOAN

By Scripps News Association

New York, March 29.—Kuehn, Loeb and Company announced this afternoon that seventy five million dollars of the Japanese loan, which was allotted to America, has already been oversubscribed.

## Start For Fair

Portland March 29—Two hundred Igorottes, Moros Negrillos and Visayans will leave the Philippine islands this week, arriving in Portland the latter part of April, where they will proceed immediately to the grounds of the Lewis and Clark Exposition. These natives will populate the Philippine village on the Government peninsula at the Exposition.

## Contest Case

The United States Land Office has been engaged in a contest case for the past three days, wherein J W Stevens is contesting the homestead of J H Colt. The land is near Summerville. F S Ivanhoe is attorney for the contestant, and C H Finn for the defense.

## FIGHT WITH THE INSURGENTS

By Scripps News Association

Berlin March 29—An official dispatch from Windbrook, German southwest Africa, today announced that eleven men of Kerchner's detachment, were killed and twenty five wounded in a fight with insurgent natives at Kosis and Giebants on March 10th and 11th.

## Beef Trust Trial

By Scripps News Association

Chicago March 29—Assistant attorney general Pugin announced today that the government had decided to place John E Shields an Armour employee of Brooklyn, under heavy bonds to appear as a witness at any of the trials growing out of the grand jury investigation of the beef trust. Shields furnished bonds in the sum of \$10,000 to appear at the trials in July. Thomas J Connors, general superintendent of the Armour, who was arrested and charged making overtures to John E Shields, who was brought here by the government as a witness. Newspaper men today were warned away from the vicinity of the grand jury under penalty of arrest.

## CANAL CHAIRMAN IS APPOINTED

By Scripps News Association

Washington March 29—The President decided today to appoint Theodore P. Shonts, the president of the Cloverleaf Railroad, as chairman of the organized Panama Canal Commission. Mr. Shonts is now in Havana, but is expected to return Saturday, and has already tentatively agreed to serve in capacity of Chairman of the commission. Chairman Shonts will have the general charge of the railroad and steamship company and has the exclusive of the entire canal work.

## GOVERNMENT GETS RAILROAD STOCK

By Scripps News Association

Washington March 29—The Government today completed the purchase of all the outstanding stock in the Panama Railroad. This purchase was effected through the work of William Nelson Cromwell, of New York, who was acting as the agent of the Government.

## Americans Appointed

By Scripps News Association

Washington, D C March 29—Secretary Taft was in consultation this morning with the President regarding the appointment of Americans as receivers of customs at the ports of Santo Domingo. It is stated upon good authority that the result of the consultation was a decision to appoint five or six Americans to the principal ports. It is also announced that E O Rhodes of Baltimore will receive the appointment of collector of customs for Santo Domingo City with supervision over all receivers.

## Sailors Perish

By Scripps News Association

Tokio March 29—Two of the crew of the British steamer Mars died from exposure and the remainder of the crew have arrived at Hakodate. The Mars was caught in the ice, and finally stranded off Rurel promontory. She was bound for Vladivostok.

## \$75,000,000 Loan

By Scripps News Association

London March 29—The entire issue of seventy-five million dollars of the Japanese loan was over subscribed by noon today. Great crowds besieged the banks in efforts to secure part of the loan.

## RUSSIAN SOLDIERS COURT-MARTIALED

By Scripps News Association

St Petersburg March 29—The Russian Government is taking a firm stand against recalcitrant soldiers, who refuse to go to the war. At Platonogorsk, forty soldiers were tried by court martial for refusing, and two of the ring leaders were shot, while the other thirty eight were given eighteen years penal servitude in chains.

## NEW APPOINTMENT MADE

By Scripps News Association

St Petersburg March 29—Vice Admiral Doubasoff, who acted as commissioner for Russia on the international commission in the investigation of the North Sea incident, has been appointed Aide de Camp General to the Emperor.

## WILL MOBILIZE THREE CORPS

London March 29—The exchange Telegraph states that it has a dispatch from St Petersburg which says, on the best authority, that the statement is made that three army corps, one consisting of grenadiers, will be mobilized.

## PREPARE FOR WAR

St Petersburg March 29—A prominent diplomat said today:—"The Russian Government is now for peace, but still continues to prepare for war." A commission under the presidency of Grand Duke Nicholasvitch is carefully reviewing the situation with reference to the prosecution of the war. He expects to make a complete report to the Emperor in ten days.

## PEACE PROPOSITION

St. Petersburg, March 29—It is authoritatively reported that the Russian Government has indirectly made known to Japan the conditions upon which peace may be concluded, namely, no concession of territory and no indemnity, leaving Japan to determine whether the negotiations can be begun on that basis. It is understood that no reply from Japan has yet reached the Russian Government. Another report has it that Japan has intimated that she will require an indemnity of eight hundred millions of dollars as indemnity ere she will close the war.

## POSITIONS UNCHANGED

St Petersburg March 29—Chief of Staff, Karkevitch, reports today that there is no change in the position of the armies at the front. The Russian sharpshooters, on March 26th, were in conflict with a force of Japanese infantry and cavalry at Khouan Chitine. General Linevitch has inspected the army and has found the troops excellent.

## NO MEDIATION

Washington March 29—It is stated here that Japan has received an urgent warning from the neutral powers to beware of all mediation from any Government, and insisting upon direct negotiations with St Petersburg.

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