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WAR SITUATION IS VERY TENSE

Scripps News Association St. Petersburg, May 24—There is no confirmation here in official circles of the report from London to the effect that the Japanese had cut the railroad to Vladivostok. It is considered as impossible that a sufficient force of Japanese should be able to reach the railroad, which is securely guarded by the Russian skirmish lines.

JAPS DISLODGED

St. Petersburg, May 24.—General Linevitch reports that on May 21 a Russian detachment approached Chantufu, and, after a spirited fight, the Japanese were dislodged from their intrenchments on the north side of the station.

SITUATION TENSE

Gunshu Ling, May 24.—The situation here is very tense at the present time and a battle on a large scale seems likely. Both of the commanders are keeping close watch on the movements of the other. General Oyama has made no decisive move yet. A bold reconnaissance by the troops of General Rennenkampf met with a loss of several hundred killed and wounded.

BANK OFFICIAL IS ARRESTED

Scripps News Association San Francisco May 24.—J. B. Young, president of the defunct Goldfield bank and Francis Burton, closely associated with the bank's affairs, were arrested here last night. They agreed this morning to return to Goldfield without a requisition. Later on, friends demanded their release but it was refused. Habeas corpus proceedings may be instituted.

There is no question but what La Grande within the next six weeks will have cheap power and plenty of it. Now the thing to do is to reach out and secure industries that will use this power. For herein lies the possibilities of pay rolls.

JAPS OUTBREAK IS UNQUELLED

(By Scripps News Association) Honolulu, May 24.—The absence of news from Lahaina, where a second outbreak of the Japanese laborers is feared, leads to the belief that the Japanese have tampered with the wireless telegraph apparatus. The reinforcements that it was deemed necessary to send to Lahaina last night on the advice received then, are still being held here, but will start for the island of Maui the moment help is asked. The last message from Lahaina was to the effect that fifty citizens, sworn in as extra police and the militia were quelling the disorders. Whether or not the combined forces started to march on the camps of the Japanese last evening, as the message said is not yet known.

SHERIFF TAKES CHARGE

1 p.m.—At noon Governor Carter received a message from the sheriff at Lahaina saying that the Japanese had been ordered to repair to the plantation headquarters, receive their wages and vacate the premises, or return to work. The sheriff added that all matters had been turned over to him by the plantation manager and that he expected to have everything settled one way or the other this afternoon.

Corn Advances

(By Scripps News Association) Chicago May 24.—A corner in May corn came to light today when the cereal advanced with a rush from fifty eight to sixty five cents per bushel, with a lively scramble on the part of the shorts. James A. Patten, Frank Frazier and William H. Bartlett are in control of the market. It is declared that they will be long twelve million bushels with a profit of fifteen to twenty cents per bushel.

Case Continued

(By Scripps News Association) Jefferson City Mo May 24.—Judge Davis this morning granted a continuance of the perjury case of former Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee, and it is set for trial June 14.

SECRETARY TAFT GIVES OPINIONS

By Scripps News Association Columbia Ohio, May 24.—In accepting the chairmanship of the Ohio republican convention, Secretary Taft talked of Roosevelt's railroad rate policy, the treasury deficit in the Philippines and the "Big Stick." The secretary said that he hoped that Congress would respond to the popular demand for rate legislation. He said that W. J. Bryan was now formulating a plan of campaign based on Government ownership of railroads, against which proposition, the speaker said, he was confident the republican party would set its face like flint. He counseled the party to take all reasonable steps to remedy the evil of the railroad rates, and pleaded for a reduction of tariff on goods coming from the Philippines to the United States. He expressed confidence that Congress would vote out this measure of justice at the coming session, and said that he would hold the Philippines certainly for a generation, and that we must not maintain a high tariff wall between us and the island.

Quarter Million Suit

Scripps News Association New York May 24.—The breach of promise suit of Mrs. Katherine Pouillon against W. Gould Brokawa, the millionaire club man, began this afternoon before Justice Dowling of the Supreme Court. Mrs. Pouillon asks a quarter of a million dollars for her lacerated feelings. Both parties to the suit were present and sensational testimony is expected.

A Double Tragedy

Scripps News Association Butte Mont., May 24.—Mike Hagerty, a miner, in a drunk rage this morning, shot an fatally wounded his wife and then blew out his own brains, eleven year old son made a desperate attempt to protect his mother.

Ohio Fire

By Scripps News Association Mansfield Ohio May 24.—The Ohio Brass Works was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss estimated at \$150,000.

LUMBER SUPPLY IS THREATENED

By Scripps News Association Chicago May 24.—The lumber supply in Chicago was practically tied up today when eleven additional firms were placed on the list of strike affected yards. The lumbermen's association has affiliated with the Chicago employers' association and are debating the question of turning over its hauling to the employer. The teaming and coal companies are placing non-union men on their wagons.

WILL STOP BUILDING

Secretary Hooper of the lumbermen said today that ninety eight per cent of the lumber business in Chicago was crippled, and that it would only be a matter of a short time until the shortage in lumber would stop building industries and tie up the factories. The strike situation this morning showed little indication that either the teamsters or employers were making any concessions that would lead to peace.

SHEA IS DEFIANT

President Shea is defiant today in spite of the continued spread of the lumber drivers' strike and the prospect of martial law in Chicago. He said today: "We intend to fight this thing out to the bitter end. It is only the employers who can extend the strike. The teamsters are not extending it except as the employers force it." President Shea further said that he would welcome the troops as they would keep peace.

DEMANDS REJECTED

Attorney Meyer, representing the employers' association and the express companies, in a statement issued today said: "All the demands of the unions, particularly of the expressmen's locals, have been permanently rejected." The labor leaders declare that United States Senator Platt and vice-president Fairbanks are coming to Chicago to try to settle the strike.

SHERIFF'S PROCLAMATION

Sheriff Barrett issued a proclamation this afternoon, advising all citizens to keep cool and avoid being carried away by the excitement of the moment. He declared that, if the local authorities were unable to preserve peace, the state and Federal troops, if necessary, would be summoned.

WILL NOT ANSWER

President Shea, of the teamsters, has been notified to appear before Master of Chancery Sherman at two o'clock this afternoon to answer the questions indicted by Judge Kohlsaat. It is understood that Shea will refuse to answer, and he will probably be sent to jail for contempt. A habeas corpus has already been prepared for this event. If Shea has a long term in jail, the strike management will devote upon the remaining fourteen members of the strike committee.

Foreign Missions

(By Scripps News Association) Winona Lake Ind., May 24.—The morning session of the Presbyterian General Assembly was devoted to the discussion of foreign missions. The address of the day was delivered by Rev. Woodruff Halsey, secretary of the board of foreign missions, who has just returned from Africa.

ADOPT REPORT

The majority report of the committee favoring the appointment of a committee to confer with the Presbytery at Washington regarding Justice Harlan's project for a cathedral at the capitol, was adopted by the assembly.

Starts For Portland

(By Scripps News Association) Indianapolis, Ind., May 24.—Vice President Fairbanks leaves tonight for Chicago, enroute to Portland, Oregon, to make the opening speech at the Lewis and Clark exposition. He will travel on the Great Northern from Chicago, leaving there Saturday night.

Utawna Sighted

(By Scripps News Association) New York, May 24.—The steamer "Lacampine" on the afternoon of May 20th sighted a schooner yacht, which is believed to be the "Utawna" five hundred and forty miles due east of Sandy Hook.

KILLS HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN

By Scripps News Association San Rafael, Cal., May 24.—Crazed by illness and business troubles, J. C. Stephens a rancher living near Kentfield, this morning shot and killed his wife and five children. He also shot John Summerfield, a ranch hand, and seriously wounded two other children. After committing these atrocious crimes, he killed himself. Summerfield is not expected to recover.

DETAILS OF TRAGEDY

The first victim was his wife, whom he shot, killing her immediately. Frenzied by the sight of blood, he rushed through the house like a mad man, shooting one after another of the four crazed children. After firing a bullet into the eighth child, he ran down the road where he met Summerfield, who had been attracted to the house by the shots. Stephens fired without stopping and Summerfield fell to the ground. Running a few rods farther, Stephens stopped, placing the revolver to his own head, fired and dropped dead.

LATER REPORT

(Later)—Stephen shot himself twice, once in the breast and once in the head. The children that he shot ranged in years from twelve to one. The fact that he had shot his wife and children was not known until some time after Stephen's body was found. A number of men on the way to the depot picked up the corpse and carried it into the house where they found a faith care preacher praying over the dead and the dying.

CORRECTIONS MADE

2 p.m.—Five children in all were shot, three of whom were killed and the other two can not recover. Summerfield was shot at twice but was not hurt. Stephens' wife and children were in bed when they were slaughtered, four being in bed with the mother and the baby in the crib beside the bed. The shot that killed the mother aroused the children, but unmoved by their cries the murderer continued shooting, placing the revolver against the head of each of his little victims and firing. After the fourth child was shot he turned to the crib, lifted the baby out, placed it on the floor, put the revolver in its face and fired, tearing its head to pieces. Stephens was formerly a book agent for a San Francisco house.

New Governor Today

Scripps News Association Panama, May 24.—Charles Magood, the new Governor of the canal zone has arrived and was received by a representative of President Obaldia at Colon.

Millionaire Dead

(By Scripps News Association) Stanford Con May 24.—Wm. Zoelger, the millionaire baking powder man and who was a financial backer in several Polar expeditions died this morning at his home on Great Island at the age of 62. He was injured in an accident last October and has been in ill health ever since. Last Sunday he suffered a stroke of apoplexy from which he never recovered.

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