

MONEY AS A CLUB

Bankers Use It to Bring About Peace.

RUSSIA IS YIELDING

Condition of Paris Loan Is That War Must End.

STEPS ARE ALREADY TAKEN

French Insist That Loan Must Not Be Burnt Up in Battles—Japan May Want to Take Vladivostok First.

DIPLOMATS THINK PEACE NEAR

Terms of Loan So Interpreted by All Except Cassini.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—While keenly interested in the interpretation placed by Paris on the significance of the resumption of the negotiations for the Russian loan, European diplomats in Washington tonight confessed that they were inclined to regard at first this step as a confirmation of the official Washington position.

PARIS, March 24.—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent sends an confirmed report that Japanese torpedo boats have succeeded in damaging Vice-Admiral Rozhkovsky's battleships Sissoi, Veliky and Navarin.

PARIS, March 24.—Prospects of peace between Russia and Japan assumed a more definite and almost a tangible aspect today as the result of the announcement of the resumption of negotiations for a Russian loan.

Postponement of the loan occurred through the stand taken by the financial element against proceeding while the uncertainties of war continued, while a willingness to resume negotiations was construed as meaning that this strong influence had finally prevailed with the authorities at St. Petersburg.

The effect of the first announcement was to stimulate the market, and particularly Russian securities. A reaction occurred on fears as to the effect that the heavy demands of the loan would have on the market, and doubts concerning the uses to which the loan will be put.

Steps Towards Peace Taken.

Coupled with the announcement of the resumption of the loan negotiations came a strong intimation from official and diplomatic quarters that steps looking toward peace had been definitely taken by Russia.

The American issuing banks are Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and others participating in the previous loan, while the British half of the loan is handled by the group of banks which was responsible for the earlier flotations.

Some subscription is expected in Holland and Sweden.

It appears that some of the lease power, including Sweden, are assisting to that end.

Russia's chief preoccupation is said to be avoidance of having peace plans aroused the animosity of the powerful war element at home.

Vladivostok a Stumbling Block.

The receipt of an official dispatch at St. Petersburg on March 23 saying that the Japanese are approaching Vladivostok is said to have induced the determination to seek a pacific solution.

It is stated that Japanese pronouncements to Vladivostok promises to be a chief obstacle in the way of peace, as diplomats conversant with the situation say that Japan will seek to assert peace until she possesses Russia's only outlet to the Pacific Coast.

RAISING OF LOANS SHOWS DECLINE OF RUSSIA, RISE OF JAPAN.

LONDON, March 24.—The possibilities of arranging peace between Russia and Japan and the financial contest between the two countries are attracting greater attention for the moment than the strategic developments in Manchuria.

Comparison is drawn between the respective status of the two nations in the money market now and at the beginning of the war.

The spectacle of the Russian Minister of Finance inviting newspaper editors and correspondents to verify by personal inspection the national bullion deposits, while Japan is negotiating an enormous loan on better terms than her previous small, timid issues, puts the development of the credit of the two belligerents into vivid contrast and is greatly commented on.

The London papers express little doubt that Russia will obtain her loan in France eventually, but on hard terms.

SHOOTS IN BACK

Hired Man Kills His Employer and a Friend.

URNS GUN ON HIMSELF

Tragedy at Home of A. E. Cooper in Southern Oregon.

HUSBAND JEALOUS OF WIFE

Hermann Shook's Attentions to Mrs. Cooper and the Appearance of Stychnine in Mr. Cooper's Medicine Bring Climax.

TWO TRAGEDIES IN DOUGLAS COUNTY.

DEAD—A. E. Cooper, Paul Howe, Hermann Shook.

THE CRIME—Hermann Shook paid such devoted attention to Mrs. Cooper as to make his employer's anger and suspicion. Cooper is nearly killed by stychnine placed in bottle of harmless medicine. Shook is discharged.

After leaving the house he had words with Cooper and shoots him down. Paul Howe, Cooper's friend, is then shot in the back through the heart. The murderer turns the gun on himself and puts a bullet in his head.

At Little Canyon.

DEAD—Jacob Reuter.

THE CRIME—Victim is found in his house with five bullet holes in his body. An old man called Dutch Fred disappeared near this place three years ago. Reuter was suspected of his murder.

DRAIN, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Cooper & Haney's sawmill, ten miles west of here, on the Coos Bay stage route, was the scene of a fearful tragedy this morning at 11 o'clock, in which Hermann Shook shot and killed A. E. Cooper and Paul Howe, and then turned the gun on himself with fatal result.

Shook had been in the employ of Cooper & Haney for about a year, and lived at the Cooper home. Trouble had been brewing at the place for some time, on account of the alleged intimate relations between Shook and Cooper's wife.

Last Friday Cooper took medicine for some slight illness and was soon seized with convulsions. Dr. Wade, of this place, was called and pronounced it a case of stychnine poisoning, but being at a distance, the drug served as its own antidote and Cooper recovered. Not having kept stychnine about the place, Cooper suspected Shook of being responsible for the poisoning and told friends that he intended going to the county seat today and lay the matter before the District Attorney.

Last night Shook and Cooper's wife and little girl attended a dance at Thomas Hancock's a mile from the Cooper home, and returned home early this morning.

Afraid of Being Poisoned.

Cooper still seemed to fear poisoning and ate supper at his partner's home last evening, but returned home to go to bed. He was accompanied home by young Howe, who intended going to the dance, but decided to remain with Cooper, as Cooper feared to stay at home alone.

Cooper fled tried in various ways to rid himself of Shook, but so far had failed. This morning he effected a settlement with Shook for labor performed and Shook had packed his clothing preparatory to leaving and had gone from the house toward the woods, when hot words passed between him and Cooper and he fired at Cooper at a distance of 30 or 40 feet with a 30-30 Winchester, the ball striking Cooper in the back and coming out at his breast.

Cooper was in the doorway of his house and the ball, after passing through his body, went through a picture on the opposite wall of the house and out through the wall.

Howe Shot in the Heart.

Some mystery seems to be connected with the killing of Howe, as only two empty cartridge shells have been found so far, and one of these Shook fled through his own brain. Howe lies dead in the same room with Cooper, with two bullet holes through his heart and a revolver by his side, filled with loaded shells.

There are evidences of a struggle having taken place in the house and a considerable quantity of blood is spread over the floor. Appearances indicate that Howe was shot in the back also.

Justice of the Peace M. R. Dimick, of Elkton, called a jury together this afternoon to hold an inquest, but at this time no report has been received.

Cooper a Good Citizen.

Cooper was an exemplary citizen and was born and reared in the community in which he met his death. He left a wife, who is a daughter of Robert Haney, of Elkton, and two small children. He was a member of the A. O. U. W. and carried a policy in that order for \$5000.

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The barge was valued at \$12,000 and the freight at \$5,000.

Eskasoni on Overdue Market.

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Freight Steamer El Paso Ashore.

NEW YORK, March 24.—The Southern Pacific Company's freight steamer El Paso, from Galveston, went ashore on Robbins Reef, while entering this port today. It is believed the steamer will be floated at high tide.

The El Paso was pulled off the mud bank tonight. She was not injured.

Mississippi Steamer Stranded.

CAIRO, Ill., March 24.—During the storm last night the steamer Sadie Lee grounded on a bar just below Wickliffe, Ky. The passengers and freight were taken off by steamer, which came to the assistance of the steamer. It is expected that the ribs of the next few days will float the boat.

RELIEF FOR BROCKTON ASKED

Movement to Secure Aid for the Widows and Orphans.

BROCKTON, Mass., March 24.—The first organized movement for relief of the families of 24 persons believed to have perished in the explosion and fire at the R. B. Grover shoe factory last Monday was begun today. As a result of the disaster 24 wives were made widows, 48 children were made fatherless, and six children became orphans.

Mayor Keith presided over a mass meeting in which a request was made that every wage-earner in the city give one day's pay to the relief fund. The relief committee of 25 decided tonight to make an appeal for contributions, and the appeal is being immediately forwarded to City Treasurer W. H. Emerson.

The relief fund tonight amounted to \$250.

Saves His Neck, but Not His Liberty.

DENVER, March 24.—The prosecution failed to identify Charles S. Wynne as Wellington C. Llewellyn, the soldier who shot and killed Policemen Clifford and Griffin in this city on the night of August 13, 1904, and at the conclusion of testimony today the prosecuting attorney ordered the charges against Wynne dropped. The killing of Griffin withdrawn and the case on trial ended. Wynne will now be turned over to the authorities of the Indiana penitentiary for alleged breaking of his parole. Wynne was pardoned from Joliet, Ill., penitentiary, where he was serving time for horse-stealing, to stand trial for the murder of the two Denver policemen.

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SOLENN WARNING TO ILLINOIS

Californian Tells Legislature of Evils of Woman Suffrage.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 24.—The Illinois House of Representatives today listened with grave interest to the reading of a letter from Los Angeles, Cal., who at present is in Los Angeles, Cal., and who hopes the Illinois Legislature will not pass the equal suffrage bill.

"God made men and women different," says the writer; "then let each remain in their own condition. If the State of Illinois grants partial full political rights to women, it will bitterly regret it. Look at the bedeviled condition of Colorado, which can be traced to women political bosses and lack of common sense in woman voters. Californians, profiting by the sad experience of Colorado, Kansas and Wyoming, and not wanting their state to be in the same condition and their business interests to be ruined by foolish and vicious legislation, turn down all attempts of professional suffragists and their male adherents to saddle the abomination on the state."

At the conclusion of the reading of the letter, a member moved that the committee on fish and game was eminently qualified to consider the measure. Another member thought that the license committee, he said, was the proper body to think over the Pro Bono Publico letter. The speaker, however, referred it to the committee on elections.

Called a LIAR BY TELEGRAPH

Port Angeles Promoter Accused of Criminal Libel by Associate.

BOSTON, Mass., March 24.—(Special.)—Charged with criminal libel in having sent a telegram to Allan T. Nye, of New York, now stopping in Boston, William Wayne Helvin, a descendant of "Mad Anthony" Wayne, of revolutionary fame, was arraigned in the Municipal Court today.

Both the defendant and the complainant are well-known promoters. Helvin is now building a railroad from Port Angeles, Wash., to Portland, Or. The two men have been associated in the National Microphone Company, a New York concern being exploited in Boston.

Helvin is alleged to have telegraphed Nye that the latter was a liar and a rascal, and to have telegraphed these allegations to a third party. The case was continued until Monday, Helvin being released under \$500 bonds.

WILL KNOCK OUT SATAN IN 1916

Until Then Christian Israelites Will Run Cannery in Michigan.

DETROIT, Mich., March 24.—Glittering with topazes and accompanied by an uproarious brass band and a small marching band, the long-haired "Angels of the House of David" passed through Detroit today on the way to the community of Christian Israelites, in Benton Harbor, Mich. There were 43 in the party, following Benjamin and Mary, founders of the faith, home from Australia.

Benjamin Pursell, with his wife, Mary, started the "House of David" at Benton Harbor. The community lives in a group of dwellings on the outskirts of Benton Harbor, in a cannery factory and 500 acres of garden the thrifty Christian Israelites secure a good living.

The bulk of the sect is to keep busy in the cannery factory and on the farm until August, 1916, by which time they expect Satan and his followers to be overpowered.

MUST PAY CARLISLE HIS FEE

Lawyer Who Fought Porto Rican Case Loses It on Appeal.

NEW YORK, March 24.—The decree of a lower court awarding John G. Carlisle, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, \$25,000 for personal services in Porto Rico, was reversed by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Carlisle was engaged by Rean Barnes, who had been retained as counsel by various merchants, to appear in the contest. As a result of the litigation the importers recovered nearly \$500,000 from the Government. According to Mr. Carlisle, he received over \$88,000 of this amount was paid to Barnes, but the latter refused to make a settlement with him, denying that he ever had engaged Mr. Carlisle's services. Mr. Carlisle then brought suit to recover his fee and was awarded \$25,000.

Smeltermen Declare Strike Off.

DENVER, March 24.—At a meeting of the local smeltermen's union tonight the strike in the Globe and Grant smelters was declared off by unanimous vote. The passage of the eight-hour law, recently by the Legislature influenced the action. The members believe that the provisions of the law, which says that all men coming in contact with noxious gases shall work eight hours, can be interpreted to include all smeltermen, for the reason, they say, that the smelter fumes and gases are so penetrative as to affect persons and property in the vicinity of smelters and certainly must have effect upon the men employed around the plants themselves.

Japanese Wine at Oratory, Too.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 24.—K. S. Ina, a Japanese student, tonight won second place and a \$50 cash prize in the annual oratorical contest at the University of Michigan. His subject was "The Sock Man of Asia and His Doctors."

Bishop Spalding Is Recovering.

PHOENIX, Ill., March 24.—For the first time since he was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago, Bishop John L. Spalding today left his house for a carriage ride. He is feeling greatly improved. His experts go to Hot Springs, Ark., April 1.

Earthquakes Shake Sattilo.

SALTILLO, Mexico, March 24.—Saltillo today experienced two distinct earthquake shocks of about five seconds' duration each. No damage was done to property.

Dry Goods Make a Great Blaze.

COLUMBUS, March 24.—Fire tonight gutted the four-story building of the Columbus Dry Goods Company, estimating a loss of \$200,000.

GETS AT FACTS

Grand Jury Learns Beef Trust Methods.

PRICES ARE KEPT UNIFORM

Big Profits for Packers, Small Ones for Retailers.

VIOLATIONS OF LAW SOUGHT

Witnesses Refuse to Keep Their Lips Sealed, and Reveal Tenor of Questions Asked in Beef Trust Inquiry.

CHICAGO, March 24.—(Special.)—The Federal grand jury which is investigating the business methods of the packers acquired a lot of information today from two of the four witnesses examined during the day. Thomas G. Ruddy, of Ruddy Bros., an independent packing firm of Kansas City, and Michael R. Murphy, general manager for the Cudahy Packing Company in South Omaha, Sioux City and Kansas City, contributed the bulk of the information, Mr. Ruddy occupying the witness chair all afternoon.

Both of the witnesses, after leaving the grand jury room, expressed the belief that the grand jury was pursuing a settled policy in asking questions which bore directly on the charges of violation of the interstate commerce law and the Sherman anti-trust law. They did not construe the questions asked of them to be framed for the purpose of gathering general information concerning the packing industry.

Mr. Murphy is a big-bodied, full-blooded Westerner, with gray eyes, a strong mouth and a fighting jaw. He was the first witness who has emerged from the mystery of the grand jury room who was not afraid to talk of