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WAR TO THE KNIFE KNIFE TO THE HILT

Russian Premier's Order to Governors.

GENERAL TO LEAD SOLDIERS

Takomelsky, Terror of Sevastopol, in Command.

GREAT STRIKE IMPENDING

Railroad Men Ready for Conflict. Revolutionists at Secret Meeting Plan Destruction of Machinery of Government.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 24.—War to the knife with revolution and the knife to the hilt was proclaimed today by Premier Stolypin in a telegram addressed to the Governor-General, Governors and Prefects throughout Russia and to the Viceroy of the Caucasus, who are ordered to strike and spare nothing in efforts to preserve order and crush "the enemies of society."

In conformity with instructions received from the Emperor with the view to securing full co-operation between the different local authorities, I hereby inform you that the government expects you to exercise vigilant and untiring supervision over your subordinates, so that order may be promptly and definitely restored. Disturbances must be suppressed and revolutionary movements must be put down by all legal means.

"The measures you take must be carefully considered. The struggle begun is against the enemies of society and not society itself. Consequently, you must exercise vigilance and untiring supervision over your subordinates, so that order may be promptly and definitely restored. Disturbances must be suppressed and revolutionary movements must be put down by all legal means.

"You must act on your own initiative, as you are invested with responsibility. Firm and vigorous steps taken on these lines will doubtless be upheld by the best part of society."

The manifesto bears a remarkable similarity to the earlier compositions of Ministers of the Interior von Plehve and Bouliang and the reactionary press has had slight difficulty in cutting it down, as they already had done with yesterday's imperial manifesto, into an appeal to the "League of Russian Men" and other old-school Russia to rise and smite all the progressive classes.

Even before the declarations of the dissolution of the lower house of Parliament, the War Office had perfected its plan for handling expected disorders, both military and civilian. General Muller Takomelsky, who suppressed the Sevastopol revolt and operated the General Rennenkampf in the reduction of the Siberian rebellion last winter, was recalled from the command of a corps and placed at the disposition of the War Office, to be used wherever trouble may arise. Both the government and the revolutionists expect to be in the south, and that it will roll northward to the two capitals.

MUTINY IN POLISH GARRISON Battle Rages With Loyal Troops and Buildings Are Wrecked.

WARSAW, July 25.—It is reported that a mutiny has broken out among the troops comprising the garrison at Alexanderow, and that fighting is now in progress between the mutineers and loyal troops.

According to this report, many government buildings have been destroyed and numerous casualties have resulted on both sides. The mutineers are reported to be fleeing across the frontier.

FIFTEEN DEAD IN RUINS Eleven Bodies Recovered, Four Still Buried in Building.

SOUTH FRAMINGHAM, Mass., July 24.—The finding today of the body of Henry L. Sawyer, a prominent hardware dealer, who went to the collapsed building on Commercial street to inspect the plumbing plans, brought the number of dead up to 15, and it is believed that there are four more bodies in the ruins.

NEW ADMIRAL OF PACIFIC Swinburne to Succeed Goodrich in Command of Squadron.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—Rear-Admiral W. T. Swinburne, who was yesterday commissioned a Rear-Admiral, has been detached as a member of the general board and of the Army and Navy joint board, and assigned as Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Squadron, succeeding Rear-Admiral C. F. Goodrich. His flag ship will be the Chicago. Rear-Admiral Goodrich has been ordered home and placed on waiting orders.

Plunged Into Engine Firebox.

BILLINGS, Mont., July 24.—D. Chauby, formerly of Helena, aged about 37, employed as fireman on the Northern Pacific, was killed here this morning in a most unusual manner. The engine on which Chauby was working collided with another on the "V," and he was hurled into the firebox just as he opened the door. The entire top of his head was burned off. Engineer Thurber was also badly bruised and burned, but will recover.

BOOM FOR BRYAN DWINDES AGAIN

London Interview Let Out the Wind.

BUSINESS MEN LOSE INTEREST Adherence to Free Silver Shows Him Unchanged.

NOT DANGEROUS ANY MORE With Collapse of Boom, Demand for Roosevelt's Renomination Diminishes—Other Men Equally Competent for Work.

BRYAN'S CONSERVATIVE DOCTRINE Extracts From Interview Given Associated Press in London July 12.

The Democratic party endeavors to draw the line between honest accumulation by honest methods on the one side and predatory wealth and immoral methods on the other.

I am more radical than I was in 1896 and have nothing to withdraw on economical questions.

I believe in bimetalism and I believe that the restoration of silver would bring still further prosperity, but I recognize that the unexpected and unprecedented increase in gold production has for the present removed the silver question as an issue.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 24.—If the Bryan Presidential boom continues to dwindle during the next two years as it has diminished since the famous London interview, there won't be any boom left by the time the delegates assemble at the Democratic National convention in 1908.

Only a few weeks ago it looked as though Bryan would sweep all other candidates aside and win the nomination in a walk; today it is difficult to figure out how the Democratic party can reunite with Bryan as its leader.

This change in the situation is all due to Bryan's London interview. He showed in that statement that he is the same old Bryan, with the same old ideas, standing on the same old platform. The Democracy was wrecked by Bryanism; it will never be reunited by those radical issues.

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Bryan was held up as an advocate of free silver, but as one who had repudiated the old issues and was ready to go before the people on new issues, made since the money question had been laid aside as permanently settled. There was great rejoicing in Democratic circles over the new Bryan, for the members of his party, as well as members of the opposing party, readily recognize the superior qualities of Bryan as a leader, and the Democratic hordes, like Democratic leaders, thought they had finally solved the problem of renouncing their party.

ARE THESE THE "CHARITIES" THAT WILL GET UNCLE RUSSELL'S MILLIONS?



NO ONE EXEMPT UNDER TAX LAW

Old Oregon Statute Is Declared Void.

SUPREME COURT DECISION Householders Have Escaped Under the \$300 Provision.

REASSESSMENT TO FOLLOW Suits Were Brought in Josephine County by Residents of New Hampshire on the Allegation of Illegal Taxation.

TAX EXEMPTION IN OREGON. The law providing for the exemption from taxation of householders' property to the extent of \$300 first went into effect in 1894. Since that time it has been continuously in operation up to the present time, with the exception of 1894, when no exemption was made, due to an act of the Legislature, which was subsequently annulled.

The decision of the Supreme Court rendered yesterday holds that the exemption law is unconstitutional. This means that the tax list of Multnomah County will be increased approximately \$1,500,000, and the tax list of the entire state approximately \$6,000,000.

GOOD REASON FOR SUSTAINING. Legislative interpretation of a constitution, as evidenced by the enactment of laws which are unconstitutional, the Oregon Supreme Court has declared void a statute that has been in force in this state almost continuously since 1895.

Approximately \$8,000,000 has been exempted from taxation in this state from year to year, and legislators, county officers and the people generally have recognized the exemption as valid. Now the Supreme Court has declared all these exemptions invalid.

REASSESSMENT WILL BE NECESSARY. This decision will make it necessary for County Assessors in many counties to make a reassessment of property in their counties for 1906, for it is the practice of many Assessors not to list property that is exempt. In some and perhaps most of the counties the Assessors list the exempt property and make the deductions afterward.

The case in which this decision was rendered was a suit brought in Josephine County by E. G. and E. Wallace, residents of New Hampshire, against the County Court of Josephine County, to enjoin the allowance of householders' exemptions, upon the allegation that such exemption imposed upon the plaintiffs and all other non-residents an unequal rate of taxation.

SUITS BROUGHT BY REPRESENTATIVE HALE. The suit was brought by W. C. Hale, who, as Representative from Josephine County in 1903, introduced the bill which repealed the exemption clause. The bill passed without its real purpose being generally known. At the special session of the same year the exemption law was re-enacted, but with the strenuous opposition of Hale,

ILLINOIS THEIR POINT OF ATTACK

Democrats See Bright Rainbows of Hope

SOLE MEMBER IS LONESOME Will Try to Give Rainey Company in House.

WILL ALSO INVADE IOWA Western Headquarters for Congressional Campaign Opened in Chicago—Expect to Gain by Republican Factional Fight.

CHICAGO, July 24.—(Special.)—Illinois is to be made a campaign storm center for the Western division of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. This decision was reached today after a conference between Congressman Henry T. Rainey, of Carrollton, Ill., and James F. Hagan, of Missouri, appointed by Chairman James M. Griggs, of the Congressional Committee, to direct the movement. Headquarters will be opened at the Palmer House for the Western division, which includes Ohio, all Northern States west of it, and all states west of the Mississippi River, except Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana. Mr. Lloyd will be in charge of the headquarters, and will be assisted by Mr. Rainey.

The Democrats are planning a desperate effort to regain at least some of the Congressional seats that went to the Republicans in the Roosevelt landslide two years ago. The fact that Mr. Rainey was the only Democrat elected in Illinois two years ago has been a stinging thorn in the flesh of the National managers, and, in an effort to secure more Democratic seats for the next Congress, this plan of action was decided upon.

Mr. Rainey left tonight for Milwaukee, and Mr. Lloyd returned to Missouri. As part of the preliminaries, they expect to consult the leaders in several adjoining states within the next week. As soon as the headquarters are opened at the Palmer House on August 1, the managers of state organizations will be called in for conference.

HOPE IS IN IOWA FEUD. The situation in Wisconsin and Indiana will be reviewed first, and then the conditions in Iowa will be taken up, the intention being to wait until the Republican State Convention has been held in Des Moines on August 1 before considering the details of the campaign in the Hawkeye State. The feud between the "progressives" and the "stand-pats" is being watched intently by the Democratic managers, who discern in the friction between the Republican factions a chance of winning two or three of the contested districts in Iowa.

EXPECT GAINS IN ILLINOIS. In Illinois no doubt is expressed that at least half a dozen Democrats will be elected to Congress, but the state, Congressional and National committees will get together as soon as headquarters are opened to decide on a plan of thoroughly canvassing every district in the state.

"We must elect more Congressmen in Illinois," will be the slogan of the committee. Meanwhile the Republicans, while not using a megaphone to announce what they are doing or will do, have plans of their own. The Democrats usually elect all their candidates early in the campaign, while we wait until election day," was the way one of the leaders expressed it.

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