

CHURCH REFUSES RITES TO TOLSTOI

Count Declared to Have Been Held Prisoner by Enemies of Orthodox Creed.

RADICALS SING REQUIEM

Government to Co-Operate with Metropolitan, Although Czar and Premier Wish It Were Otherwise—News Is Censored.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 20.—The church, represented by Metropolitan Antonius of St. Petersburg, Vladimir of Moscow and Theophilus of Livonia, chief procurator of the holy synod, decided tonight to leave things as they are with respect to Tolstoi.

A ceremony which has not been called and which has not been permitted by the government to be held in honor of Tolstoi according to the rites of the orthodox church is considered out of the question.

The government intends, according to the announcement, to cooperate with the church in the enforcement of the decision, although the Emperor and Premier Milyukoff have indicated their desire that the great Russian be buried with the Russian rites.

Repeatedly advances have been made which would permit the lifting of the ban of excommunication decreed against Tolstoi in 1881. The metropolitan Antonius himself sent a telegram urging Tolstoi to make his peace with the church and representatives of the church were sent to Astafova for the purpose of bringing the Count into the fold.

Messages from Count Tolstoi and Astafova have indicated that in the end Tolstoi was held a prisoner by the enemies of the church. No monk, priest or bishop was permitted to see him. Nor did they receive the slightest intimation from Tolstoi in the position which he assumed toward the church some years ago.

It is pointed out that Tolstoi was the subject of the milder form of penalty, that he was not excommunicated and that a priest on his own volition had to be set aside at a requiem such as was held today under the auspices of the Council of the Empire on the initiative of Michael Skakovitch, chairman of the Duma.

Another requiem will be sung in the Duma by radical priests tomorrow. The veneration for Tolstoi is so great that even the reactionary parties in the Duma have been obliged to issue statements leaving the members free to honor his memory.

A strict censorship is being exercised by the Russian press in the publication of news concerning Tolstoi's death.

'HEART BURST FOR HUMANITY.' Waiting Crowds Pay Tribute to Waiting at Hut Through Night.

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In spite of their reluctance to spread discouraging reports, the consulting physicians could not hold out a ray of hope. However, they hoped to lessen the pain of the aged patient, whose parting hours were mercifully free from physical suffering. His heart stopped shortly after he had come from under the influence of an injected stimulant. He died without regaining consciousness.

In the interval between the last two attacks of cardiac failure the patient seemed to be comfortable, and his face was clear of pain. Throughout a heartbreaking night a motley crowd made up of the most varied elements imaginable pressed up around the low hut.

All alike stood spellbound, knowing that a matchless serenity was dawning as the Sunday dawn dispelled the raw November night.

WIDOW OF RUSSIAN AUTHOR, WHO WAS AT BEDSIDE WHEN END CAME.



COUNTESS TOLSTOI.

POET IS AVERSION

Tolstoi Would Not Desecrate Language With Rhythm.

PLAYWRIGHT IS TERRIBLE!

Hungarian Writer Tells of Interview With Russian—Count Was Greatly Applegrown of Land He Lived In.

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The light of the world is out, said the Countess, repeatedly, when she was told. She left the hut only to attend matin in the school chapel, expecting that a requiem would be sung. When informed that this was not permitted she fainted.

The Emperor and his Ministers are anxious that Tolstoi shall be buried with the rites of the church, but the Holy Synod is strongly against this and probably he will be buried without the administration of such rites unless the Emperor commands otherwise.

Police Forbid Theater-Closing.

MOSCOW, Nov. 20.—The police today forbade the theaters from suspending their performances because of the death of Count Tolstoi. Nevertheless the playhouses were closed, as the actors refused to appear. At the Moscow Armenian Church a public requiem was permitted.

PANAMA CANAL IS PROGRESSING FAST

Chairman Goethals Reports Great Strides Forward on Isthmus.

LABORERS ARE PLENTIFUL

Slides and Breakdowns Delay Work but These Come Not Unexpectedly—More Than 35,000,000 Yards of Earth Removed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Summarized in a phrase "satisfactory progress all along the Panama Canal Zone," is the gist of the annual report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, made to Secretary of War Dickinson by Colonel George Goethals, chairman of the Commission and chief engineer in charge of the canal, and made public today by the former.

With the work of excavation and of construction progressing favorably at all points along the Isthmus, the health conditions better than ever before, with a centralization and consequent economy in certain parts of the work and with the removal of the canal, the Isthmian States began to dig the canal, Colonel Goethals report was decidedly pleasing to Secretary Dickinson.

The chief engineer reports, however, that it was not all smooth sailing during the past year, slides, breaks and floods hindering the work to a certain extent.

Three bad breaks, he reports, took place during the year, one at the town of Culebra covering an area of more than 10 acres and requiring the removal of more than 1,500,000 cubic yards of dirt and rock.

Bad Breaks Delay Work.

The amount of material removed from slides and breaks in the central division of the canal during the year was more than 2,500,000 cubic yards or about 15 per cent of the amount removed during the year from the Culebra division.

Huge Work Being Done.

More than 26,500,000 cubic yards of material were removed from all parts of the canal during the year, of which almost 19,000,000 were from the Culebra cut and almost 10,000,000 from the central division.

Repair Shops Adequate.

"In general," he adds, "the repair shops and equipment on the Isthmus are adequate to meet all requirements during the construction period. Nothing as yet has been done toward providing for the maintenance of the canal after completion of the work."

Water Is Sufficient.

Investigation carried on during the year by the Isthmian Canal Commission, says Colonel Goethals, has shown a considerable surplus of water from Gatun Lake, even in the dry season.

Guthrie to Renew Capital War.

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MONEY RATES DECLINE

EXPORTS GROW; INTERIOR OFFERS CASH TO NEW YORK.

Widespread Fall in Prices Has Effect on Wages Problem and Expansion of Credit.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The lapse of the stock market into lethargic conditions last week marked the start of a new era in the money market.

The rise of the October exports from this country to a record level for any month, and the heavy excess value over imports thus creating a surplus of gold for the exchange market and gave confidence in the money outlook.

The widespread fall in most prices was deemed of great importance. Primarily the excessive expansion of banking credits in the country over is held to be caused largely by the high prices of commodities.

A fall in commodity prices also bears on the wages problem and on the prevalent discontent with the high cost of living. The outcome of the elections had a disquieting effect on financial sentiment, particularly on account of the force of public unrest.

The easing money market did not avail to bring any marked improvements in investment demand from securities. The difficulties of raising new capital through renewed doubts over the amount of railroad expenditures for material and the declining tendency of railroad earnings brought into question the stability of dividends of some companies.

JOHNSTONE LAID TO REST

Wilbur Wright and Brookins in Throng Which Attends Funeral.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 20.—Funeral services were held here this afternoon for Ralph Johnstone, the aviator who plunged to death during a spectacular flight at Denver Thursday afternoon.

HIGH HONOR DUE CARTER?

Montana Senator's Friends Say He Has Been Offered Seat on Bench.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 20.—Friends of United States Senator Thomas H. Carter, who was defeated for re-election at the recent election, asserted tonight that the Senator has been tendered an appointment as a member of the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Associate Justice Moody.

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