



**FORGETFUL
KOMURA**

PAPERS LEFT HOME

**Japanese Emissary Brings
No Credentials to
Meeting.**

BELIEVED WAS PREMEDIATED

**Russian Plenipotentiaries, However, Ac-
credit Absence of Documents to Mis-
understanding—Meeting at Ports-
mouth Yesterday Very Informal.**

Portsmouth, Aug. 7.—The first meet-
ing of the plenipotentiaries today was
entirely of an informal character, so
informal in fact that Baron Komura did
not bring his letter of credence to the
Portsmouth navy yard, whereas M.
Witte was armed with an original decree
in Russian, setting forth the powers con-
ferred upon him and also with a trans-
lation of the document. The latter he
read.

Baron Komura offered to send back
to the hotel for his communication, but
Witte expressed the faith that the
credentials were full and ample and it
was arranged that the official exchange
be made tomorrow. Later in the after-
noon, however, copies of the credentials
were informally exchanged in order that
they might be examined before the
meeting tomorrow. It is known that
the credentials differ slightly. In ex-
actly what respect could not be ascer-
tained tonight, but the Associated Press
correspondent was assured both by the
Japanese and Russian emissaries that
the difference was not essential and
constitutes no obstacle to the official
opening of negotiations. Indeed, the
president was officially informed tonight
that the credentials were fully ample
and satisfactory to both sides.

It was decided today to hold two
daily sessions, one in the morning and
one in the afternoon. Three secre-
taries for each side will be in attendance
to draw up the protocols of the meet-
ings, which will be written in both En-
glish and French. The French text, how-
ever, in cases of dispute, will be ac-
cepted in evidence (faire foi). Official
versions of today's meeting given out
by each side describe it as "satisfac-
tory," and other accounts indicate, that
while everything passed off amicably,
considerable reserve was displayed upon
both sides.

While the Russian plenipotentiaries
expect the Japanese to present terms
immediately upon an official exchange of
credentials tomorrow, they admit they
are in the dark. Baron Komura and his
colleagues decline to give any intima-
tion of their course of procedure. Pur-
suing tactics which they have con-
stantly followed in all diplomatic and
military operations, they are carefully
guarding all plans regarding the present
meeting.

There was some disposition today to
attribute Baron Komura's forgetfulness
in not bringing his credentials as being
a desire to spar for time, and for that
reason some doubt was expressed as to
whether the Japanese will show their
hand tomorrow, but the Russian em-
bassy do not question Baron Komura's
good faith and frankly say it was due
to a misunderstanding. Japanese and
Russian newspaper correspondents have
broken ice and begun to fraternize. It
is perhaps significant that the corre-
spondents of both sides are sending to
their respective homes dispatches of any-
thing but an optimistic character. In
opinion the Russian emperor's manifesto
in promulgating the national assembly

project will materially strengthen the
position of the Russian envoys by re-
lieving the internal situation.

TO VISIT ROCKEFELLER.

President Harper of Chicago University
Goes to Forest Hill, Ohio.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—President William
R. Harper of the University of Chicago,
accompanied by Mrs. Harper, left last
night for Forest Hill, the home of John
D. Rockefeller, near Cleveland, O. The
visit, it was announced, was purely
social.

Dr. Harper said his health is better
than it has been at any time since he
was operated on for cancer, and that
he is regaining his strength while teach-
ing two hours daily besides attending to
his official business at the university.

TRAIN KILLS TWO.

Crashes Into Buggy Crossing Track—
Occupants Thrown Out and Die.

Denver, Aug. 9.—While Robert Rus-
sell, aged 81, and his daughter, Mrs.
Frank Ballard, aged 53, were driving
across the tracks of the Moffatt road,
north of the town a passenger train ran
into their buggy, throwing them out.

Mrs. Ballard was instantly killed and
her father died several hours later from
internal injuries. Russell lived on a
small fruit ranch and the Ballards were
living with him.

**PRESIDENT TO
SPEAK TWICE**

**Will Deliver Address at Wilkes-
barre and Chautauqua.**

**Leaves Oyster Bay This Morning—Will
Speak to United Mine Workers and
Other Organizations—Large Retinue
Will Accompany Them.**

Oyster Bay, Aug. 9.—President Roose-
velt will leave Oyster Bay tomorrow
morning on what will probably be the
last trip he will make during the sum-
mer sojourn at Sagamore Hill. Late
tomorrow afternoon he will deliver an
address to the United Mine Workers
and members of the Catholic Total Ab-
stinence union at Wilkesbarre, Pa., and
at 10:30 A. M., Friday, he will speak
before the Chautauqua assembly, at
Chautauqua, N. Y.

On the trip, President Roosevelt will
be accompanied by his son Kermit, and
his nephews, Hall Roosevelt and Phillip
Roosevelt, and Secretary Barnes, Jacob
A. Riis, surgeon, Charles F. Stokes of
the navy, M. C. Latta, his personal
stenographer, H. A. Strohmeyer, pho-
tographer, and representatives of press
associations, the secret service officials
and messengers.

BAKERS TROUBLESOME.

**Yiddish Strikers Cause for Worry to
New York Police.**

New York, Aug. 9.—Frequent out-
breaks of rioting, calling for drastic
action by the police, marks a course in the
strike of the Hebrew bakers on the east
side today. In an attack on a bakery
in Allen street 50 rioters broke into the
place, completely wrecked it and upset
barrels of flour and dough in the street.

Police reserves were called out be-
fore the rioters dispersed. A commit-
tee of 100, sent from strike headquar-
ters tonight, to a bakery in Orchard
street to induce non-union men to quit,
attacked the shop and on the hearing
of which hundreds of strikers rushed
from a meeting to the scene of the con-
flict.

One policeman who attempted to de-
fend the non-union men was severely
beaten, but held his ground until rescued.

VARIAG FLOATED.

Tokyo, Aug. 9.—The imperial navy de-
partment has announced the successful
floating of the cruiser *Variag* yesterday.

**HILL OFFERS
NO HELP**

DENOUNCES STRIKERS

**Says They Are Unfit to
Hold Positions of
Trust.**

MAGNATE WAXES EMPHATIC

**Strikers Can Expect no Sympathy from
Great Northern President—Governor
Johnson Sends Letters to Officials and
Perham Seeking Settlement.**

New York, Aug. 9.—James J. Hill
set at rest today the reports that he
would intervene in behalf of the strik-
ing telegraphers. Mr. Hill said the
men had been dismissed because they
did not obey orders.

"Men," continued Mr. Hill, "who will
plot to embroil a railroad and its em-
ployees just at the beginning of a sea-
son when they know a heavy movement
of traffic is expected, as at present, with
the approach of crop movements, do
not deserve to be on the pay rolls of
any road. They are in positions of trust
and the plotters are not fit to hold them.
I will see to it that any of those active
in bringing about this strike shall never
again enter the employ of the road."

JOHNSON AS MEDIATOR.

St. Paul, Aug. 9.—The first definite
steps looking toward the arbitration of
the struggle in progress over the week
between the Great Northern and North-
ern Pacific railways and the Order of
Railway Telegraphers were taken today
when Governor Johnson addressed let-
ters to President Hill and Howard El-
liot of the railways and President Per-
ham of the telegraphers, urging a settle-
ment of the trouble and offering his
services as mediator.

The exact terms of the letters writ-
ten by Governor Johnson are not known,
as Governor Johnson preferred they
should be given out by the recipients,
if they saw fit. In a general way, how-
ever, the governor outlined to the As-
sociated Press the contents of a letter,
in which he called the officials' atten-
tion to the fact that the present strike
was working hardship on various com-
munities throughout the state and ap-
pealed to them to take speedy steps to
secure an adjustment of the existing
troubles. To this end, he tendered his
good offices as chief executive.

Governor Johnson was prompted to
take action by letters received from com-
mercial organizations and citizens. The
governor stated that some letters he had
received declared business in sections of
the state was almost paralyzed by the
conditions prevailing. Both Presidents
Hill and Elliot are now in the East, al-
though the former is expected to reach
St. Paul some time this week.

President Perham of the telegraphers
has stated on several occasions he is
willing to submit his case to any fair-
minded tribunal. There were no other
developments in the situation today.
Both sides are still claiming that con-
ditions are improving.

JEWS FIGHT TROOPS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—A collision
between troops and a body of well-
armed Jews is reported to have taken
place today at Zhitomir. It is rumored
that a number of persons were killed
and wounded, but the details are not ob-
tainable. There is no official confirma-
tion of the report.

JAMES TAKES CHARGE.

Great Northern Steamship Company's
Offices Under New Management.

Seattle, Aug. 9.—Howard James, vice-
president of the Great Northern Steam-
ship company, today formally took
charge of the company's offices here.
J. D. Farrell, whose resignation as president
was filed two months ago, will
hold that title until a meeting of the
company is held to elect Louis W. Hill,
his successor, but he dropped out as
active manager of the company's affairs
today.

He remains director in the Pacific
Coast company, in which he is finan-
cially interested, but hereafter will give
most of his time to his own business.

**TWO GIRLS DROWNED
IN LAKE.**

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 9.—By
the capsize of a boat in the
whirlpool of Christina lake, near
Grand Forks, B. C., the Misses
Ruckle and Ida Anderson were
drowned. Three others in the
party managed to reach shore in
an exhausted condition. Miss
Ruckle resided at Vancouver and
Miss Anderson at Minneapolis.

**FLIGHT IS
SUCCESSFUL**

**Airship "Angelus" Soars to
Altitude of 4,000 Feet.**

**Baldwin's Aerial Craft Makes a Prac-
tically Successful Voyage at Exposit-
ion City—With Usual Perversity
Motor Fails at Last Moment.**

Portland, Aug. 9.—The airship
Angelus made what was practically a
successful flight today. The ascent was
made to a height of about 1,000 feet
and Aeronaut Beechey, after directing
the *Angelus* at will in opposition to a
strong wind, returned the airship to
within 500 feet of the aerodrome, when
the motor suddenly stopped. While
Beechey was fixing the motor the
Angelus rose to an altitude of nearly
4,000 feet and was allowed to drift for
some time before a strong wind.

Navigator Beechey then started the
propeller and was making good progress
in the teeth of the wind, when, with ac-
customed perversity, the motor became
disabled.

After drifting to a point about five
miles up the Willamette river from
Portland the *Angelus* descended and was
brought back to Portland in a wagon.

POPE HAS GOUT.

New York, Aug. 9.—The pope was
reported yesterday, according to the
Rome correspondent of the Herald, to
be suffering severely from the gout.
His physician, Dr. Lapponi, has ordered
him to take complete rest.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Seattle, Aug. 9.—Seattle 6, San
Francisco 0.
San Francisco, Aug. 9.—Tacoma 16,
Oakland 7.
Portland, Aug. 9.—Portland 6, Los
Angeles 0.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

Portland, Aug. 9.—Western Oregon:
Thursday, fair and slightly warmer in
the north portion. Western Washing-
ton: Thursday, slightly warmer, except
near the coast. Eastern Oregon and
Eastern Washington: Fair and continued
warmer.

**PRELATE THE
VICTIM**

ARCHBISHOP SUCCUMBS

**Venerable Catholic Falls
Victim to "Yellow
Jack."**

ARCHBISHOP CHAPPELLE DEAD

**Public Interest Suffers Temporary
Eclipse in Unexpected Death of Emi-
nent Prelate—Work of Federal Au-
thorities in New Orleans Progresses.**

New Orleans, Aug. 9.—The report of
the board of health to 6 P. M. is as fol-
lows: New cases, 63; total, 679; deaths,
7; total, 118; new subsci, 12; total,
130; cases under treatment, 265.

New Orleans, Aug. 9.—Public interest
in the general yellow fever situation
suffered a temporary eclipse today in the
unexpected death of Archbishop Chap-
pelle, the most distinguished victim of
the disease. Although the venerable
prelate was subject to scientific treat-
ment and had the most assiduous at-
tention, his physique always counted
heavily against him in the opinion of
both the laity and physicians, while his
attained condition on his return from a
particularly irksome trip through the
country was against him.

His death, therefore, while generally
deplored, is not considered to a nega-
tive opinion of the medical fraternity
that with the good care and proper
treatment the mortality is unlikely to
be heavy during the present visitation.
What has been considered remarkable
is that the archbishop should have con-
tracted the disease so quickly after his
arrival, though he spent many of the
latter years of his life in Cuba and
Porto Rico, in both of which countries
the disease has been epidemic, without
ever having contracted it.

Among scientific men there is little
doubt that the archbishop fell victim
to the mosquito during the brief visit
he paid to the old archbishopric, on
Chartres street, or an insect which found
its way into his residence, which is not
far from the territory within which
there has been infection.

Today's record of cases is again
large and there was an increase in the
number of deaths. New cases are swell-
ing largely as the result of the vim
and energy which the Federal control of
the situation has inspired and from the
gradual overcoming of the disinclination
of some doctors to make known their
cases. An overwhelming preponderance
of cases continues below Canal street
and the disease has nowhere got a firm
hold above.

**"JOE" DIXON TAKES
STAND IN FRAUD TRIAL.**

**Montana Congressman to Impeach Tes-
timony of Government Witness.**

Helena, Mont., Aug. 9.—In the trial
of R. M. Cobban in the United States
District court, charged with suborna-
tion of perjury in connection with tim-
ber land entries, Congressman Dixon of
Montana was put on the stand today
to impeach the testimony of Chauncey
L. Griswold, the chief witness for the
government.

All evidence in the case was concluded
today and the defense offered to put in
a record in the case of the United States
against Senator Clark, which had been
decided against the government. Judge
Hunt took the offer under consideration.
The case will go to the jury Friday.

MAY MAKE CONFESSION.

**Man Held for Murder Makes Plea for
Immunity.**

Detroit, Aug. 9.—Harry Johnson, held
with Harry Parker for the murder of
Pawn-broker Joseph Meyer of this city
July 28 today sent word to Captain Mc-
Donnell of the detective department that
he would make a confession if promised
immunity. Assistant Prosecutor Wur-
zer replied it was impossible under the
law to make such a promise and as
Johnson did not then evince a desire to
continue the statement, the officers left
him.

BIG CUT IN TIMBER.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 9.—A big cut
in all lumber prices for the Northwest
trade was announced by the Coast mills
with the alleged object in view of dis-
rupting the selling pool organized at
Calgary two months ago by the Moun-
tain Lumber mills.

DISTURBANCES AT REGA.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—Private ad-
vices received tonight from Rega say
one person was killed and several
wounded in a conflict between strikers
and the Cossacks today. Shipping agents
here say the commerce of the port of
Rega is completely paralyzed. Resi-
dents there are organizing a volunteer
vigilance committee for self-protection.

**VICTIMS ARE
THIRTEEN**

**Mangled Bodies Taken From the
Wrecked Albany Store.**

**Number of Casualties Matter of Sur-
prise to Albanians—Rigid Inquiry
Will Be Made Into Causes of Appal-
ling Disaster.**

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 9.—The collapse
of the John G. Myers company depart-
ment store yesterday, which resulted in
the death of 13 persons and the probable
fatal injury of two others, is to be in-
vestigated by a special commission. To
avoid the possibility of prejudiced in-
quiry, Mayor Gaus has decided that all
investigators will be out-of-town men.

That the discovery of 13 bodies, al-
ready taken out, will account probably
for all the victims of the accident, is a
surprise to Albanians, who until this
afternoon expected that at least a dozen
more mangled forms were buried be-
neath the ruins. So sure are the wreck-
ers that no more bodies are there that
they will suspend search.

**THIRD ATTEMPT TO
KIDNAP OTERO'S SON.**

Santa Fe, N. M., Aug. 9.—The third
attempt in recent months to kidnap
Miguel A. Otero, son of Governor Otero
of New Mexico, has been defeated by
the temporary absence of the boy from
the summer home of Mrs. W. B. Childers,
where he had been a guest. Six
heavily armed men rode up to the Childers
cottage, on the upper Pecos river,
yesterday and demanded the boy. Mrs.
Childers, who was alone with the serv-
ants, informed the men that young Otero
was not on the premises, but they
searched the buildings and then rode
away.

The boy was with his uncle on a fish-
ing trip at the time. Deputy Sheriff
Charles Closson and a posse were im-
mediately sent to the camp in the moun-
tains, where the young man was stay-
ing, and returned here with him, close-
ly guarding against a surprise by the
would-be kidnapers while en route.
While at the camp they learned that
members of the band had been to the
camp, but young Otero was away fish-
ing and thereby escaped them. It is
believed the leader of the band is an ex-
convict lately pardoned by Governor
Otero.