



HENEY SHOT IN OPEN COURT

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CHINA REACHES GREAT CRISIS

Emperor Dead and Dowager Dying at Peking.

REGENT IS APPOINTED

Emperor Was Removed to Death Chamber in Afternoon and Dowager Now Dying.

OFFICIAL OFFICES VACANT

The Dowager Empress Swoons at Meeting of Grand Council When Declaration of Regency is Made—She is Slow Recovering.

PEKIN, Nov. 13, 10:30 P. M.—It is reported that the Empress Dowager also is dying.

PEKIN, Nov. 13.—The Emperor of China was reported dead at 4 o'clock this morning. It had, however, been impossible to secure official confirmation of this announcement up to 6 o'clock this evening. His Majesty was transferred to the death chamber at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. At that hour he was still breathing.

Two imperial edicts were issued from the palace this afternoon in quick succession. The first makes Prince Chun Regent of the Empire, and the second appoints his son, Pu Wei, heir presumptive. Simultaneously with the removal of the Emperor from the winter palace to the death chamber in the Forbidden City, the members of the Grand Council assembled in the place. The Dowager Empress was present at the meeting, and is reported to have swooned. At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon a palace official of high standing said the Emperor was still alive.

All the government offices were deserted. The palace is crowded with officials. This rumor that the Empress Dowager is dying, if true, would explain the two edicts issued

PRINCE AT MINE DISASTER SPEAKS

The Miners Felt That Catastrophe Was Due to the Managers.—Ask Prince to Report.

HAMM, West philia, Nov. 13.—During a visit of Prince Eitel-Fredrick at the scene of the terrible mine disaster yesterday, a crowd of 1500 angry miners made a hostile demonstration. The miners greeted the Prince with shouts indicating their belief that the disaster was due to the fault of the mine management. The district governor tried to

pacify them in a speech but they hooted him down. Later the Prince received a reputation of miners who asked him to report to Emperor William that they wanted a law for the protection of miners. The Prince promised that he would inform his father of their desire. The leader of the crowd subsequently made a speech to them requesting that they disperse quietly and this was done.

TAFT AT BROOKLYN.

HOT SPRINGS, Nov. 13.—President-elect Taft left here tonight for Brooklyn where tomorrow afternoon he will deliver the principal address at the unveiling of a monument to the prison ship martyrs. On his return he will stop over Sunday to visit President Roosevelt.

ENTERTAIN HOPES FOR HUME'S RECOVERY

CONDITION IS NOW CRITICAL BUT FRIENDS LOOK FOR FAVORABLE TURN

KIDNEY TROUBLE THE CAUSE

Coquille Fish King Has Another Serious Attack at His Wedderburn Home—Mrs. Hume and Nephew Are With Him.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 13.—R. D. Hume, who is critically ill at his home at Wedderburn, Curry county, is reported today to be very low. His schooner, the Osprey, was in port here and in response to a telephone message, it left for Wedderburn this morning, with Dr. E. Minguas, whose services at Mr. Hume's bedside were desired.

PLAY WONDERFUL GAME.

PULLMAN, Wash., Nov. 13.—The University of Idaho and the Washington State College played a wonderful 4 to 4 game here today for which speed and fierceness of play has never been equalled in the history of the Northwest. A crowd of 4000 saw the game.

DRISCOLL WINS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—John Driscoll of Cardiff, Wales, the acknowledged featherweight champion of England, defeated Matty Baldwin of Boston in a six-round bout to night.

Famous Graft Prosecutor Shot Just Below Temple By Norris Haas, Saloon Keeper and Ex-Convict.

FAIR CHANCE FOR HIS RECOVERY

Would-Be Assassin, Who in a Previous Case Had Been Exposed by Heney, Creeps Behind Victim and Fires at Close Range.

TRAGEDY OCCURS DURING COURT RECESS

Haas Declares Heney Had Ruined His Life and That He Had Determined to Kill Him For This Reason.—The Bullet Has Been Located in Right Ear, and Did Not Penetrate Brain.—Haas Was Apprehended.

(Special to the Morning Astorian)

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—Francis J. Heney, the famous graft prosecutor, was shot in the side of his head just below the temple and is very seriously injured by Morris Haas, a saloonkeeper, and ex-convict, who, while a venerean in the previous case has been exposed by Heney. Heney is conscious. The bullet after striking the cheek ranged downward and the surgeons are now hunting for it in the roof of his mouth.

The court had taken a recess and was about to resume. Heney was seated at the table, talking with Mr. Gallagher, when Haas sneaked up from behind and placing the revolver close to Heney's face fired, evidently to shoot through the temple. Heney fell over on his face and slid to the floor. Haas was seized by bystanders and thrown into the jury-box where he was held until officers arrested him.

Haas stated that Heney had ruined his business and he is now even with Heney. Haas said he does not care what becomes of him. The first reports were that Heney was fatally shot, so close was the wound to the temple, but a closer examination revealed the error of the first impression. Heney will probably live. The bullet has been located in the right ear. It did not penetrate the brain.

Judge Lawler has ordered Ruef taken into custody.

The shooting occurred during a brief recess in the third trial of Abraham Ruef on a charge of bribery which is now in the 11th week.

Heney is now in Lane hospital and the physicians say the wound is not fatal. Haas is in the city prison. The would-be assassin is a Jew and saloonkeeper who was drawn upon the jury panel in the second trial of Ruef and after having been temporarily passed by both sides was exposed in dramatic manner by Heney as an ex-convict and he was discharged from the jury.

Haas declared after the shooting that Heney had ruined his life and that he had determined to kill him for that reason.

Heney had finished an examination at noon of James L. Gallagher, the prosecution's most important witness and confessed "Go-between" of Ruef and the former board of supervisors. Heney and Ach, chief counsel for Ruef, had subjected Gallagher to a severe cross-examination for two hours in the afternoon, when Judge Lawler declared a brief recess at 4:05 o'clock. The jury filed out and Heney and Ach and Dozier, at the request of the judge, went into his chamber to confer with him on some proposed instructions to the jury. At the conclusion of the conference Ach, Dozier, Ruef and Judge Lawler went out of the courtroom to the street in front of the building which is located on Fulton street, near Van Ness avenue. Heney, instead of going out to enjoy a brief airing, stepped for a moment into an ante-room and then came back to his counsel table. While many of the persons, who crowded the courtroom

Ruef to the Associated Press representative as the latter ran to the nearest telephone.

"Heney has been shot," was the reply.

"My God, who did that?" he asked.

Ruef's automobile stood in front of the building and he immediately ordered his chauffeur to get the nearest physician. The car returned a few moments later with Dr. Tuchler. Medical assistance was somewhat slow in arriving and Dr. Tuchler was the first physician on the scene.

Heney, in the meantime, was lying

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on his side in the court room with a piece of rug under his head. It was some time before the ambulance arrived which conveyed Heney to the Central Emergency Hospital only four blocks away, whence he was removed about 7 o'clock to the Lane Hospital. The report of the attempted assassination spread rapidly throughout the city like wildfire and caused intense excitement and indignation.

An immense crowd gathered around Carpenters' Hall to which Judge Lawler had removed his court this week because of lack of room in the temporary criminal court building. Several hundred persons followed the ambulance to the Emergency Hospital and downtown thousands gathered around the bulletin boards. Within a few minutes after the shooting Chief of Police Biggy, Detective Burns, Rudolph Spreckels, a capitalist who financed the graft prosecution; Captains of Police Gleason, Duke and Wright and a large force of police were on the scene.

There were no hostile demonstrations by the big crowd in front of the building but some threatening murmurs began to be heard. Ruef was surrounded by a large number of people and quietly slipped away, going with Dr. Tuchler to the latter's office for a little while. This led to a report that the former political boss had disappeared and Detective Burns censured some of his men for having allowed him to get away and Chief of Police Biggy immediately sent men to hunt for him. Ruef, however, appeared in front of the building little later and sent in word that an officer at the door would not let him in. He was at once taken into the court room. In the meantime several acts of the tragedy being played in different parts of the court room. While Heney was on the floor, newspapermen approached the would-be assassin, who up to that time had not yet been identified and asked him for his name. At first he refused to give it. Then he said: "I am Morris Haas. Heney ruined me. I don't care what becomes of me now."

In another corner of the building Ach and Dozier, Ruef's counsel, were in the chambers of Judge Lawler. "My God," exclaimed Ach, "I wish I had never taken a criminal case in my life. I will never take another when I get out of this one. This is a dastardly outrage. I cannot express myself in strong enough terms. Mr. Heney did not denounce this man Haas, if he is the one who did the shooting. In pursuance to his duty he disclosed the fact, during another trial of Ruef, that Haas was an ex-convict and as such dismissed him from the jury box. I sincerely hope Heney will recover."

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METCALF LEAVES THE CABINET

Illness Forces Secretary of Navy to Rest.

HAS SERIOUS MALADY

For Over a Year Metcalf Has Been Suffering, Now Gives Up Hope of Recovery.

PRaise FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roosevelt in Answering Secretary's Letter of Resignation Thanks Him For His Efficient Service and His Hearty Support.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Secretary of the Navy Victor H. Metcalf, resigned from the cabinet today. For more than a year he has suffered with a serious illness. Friends have expected continually that he would be able to regain his health, but the illness has been constantly recurring until he became convinced that the only course to pursue would be to sever connection with all active work. Answering Metcalf's letter of resignation, President Roosevelt in accepting it, says he does so with great reluctance. He thanks Metcalf for his efficient service and says no president could wish for more total and hearty support than Metcalf had given him.

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DOCTOR PRONOUNCES MAY L. OTIS SANE

Woman Who Plotted to Murder Mother For Insurance is Not Demented.

CHICAGO, Nov. 13.—May L. Otis, arrested last night on the charge of plotting to do away with her mother through an agency of hired thugs, was pronounced sane tonight by Dr. Baldwin, city physi-

cian. Baldwin, at the request of the police, spent an hour with the woman testing her on various questions. When the test was over he declared the woman's mind seemed normal, although she is on the verge of a nervous collapse.