

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS HALTED BY JAPANESE WHO SUSPECT TRICK OF CZAR TO GAIN REST FOR HARD-PRESSED ARMY

RUSSIA ONLY SPARRING FOR BREATHING SPELL

Japanese Declare Czar Is Not Sincere in Peace Efforts—Roosevelt Demands Frank, Fair Play.

ARMISTICE WOULD BE EQUAL TO DECLARATION OF PEACE

Before Naming Plenipotentiaries, Slavs Would Know Mikado's Terms and Will Probably Reconsider All Conciliatory Moves.

By James F. McGrath. (Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Washington, June 17.—A most serious hitch has occurred in the peace negotiations between Japan and Russia...

until the arrival of the Baron de Rosen, who is to succeed Casini as the Russian ambassador here, is the atmosphere likely to clear, unless the peace party in Russia brings to bear sufficient strength upon the czar and thus give to the czar the opportunity to give to the conditions that he needs to cope with the conditions that now confront him.

To Get Breathing Spell

On the other hand, the Japanese diplomats declare that Russia's object is to obtain a breathing spell for her army in the field at a moment when it is hard pressed and on the eve of a disastrous defeat, Japan has assured the president that it will look with disfavor upon any reply from Russia...

Sign of Armistice

"All talk of an armistice," said Minister Takahira today, "comes from the other side. Japan will not consent to an armed armistice, for that would be but to aid Russia in her present straits. If an armistice is agreed upon the terms of which are to be decided by the government, an announcement would not be made upon the field of battle until after its announcement by both governments from their respective capitals."

Should Know Peace Terms

They declare that he should first have cognizance of the peace terms that Japan will propose and that these terms be considered fully and be tentatively accepted by the czar before he enters into any negotiations other than those purely preliminary to the settlement of the war.

Russia to Reconsider

Russia has not yet indicated that she desires to reconsider her action in consenting to the designation of Washington as the rendezvous of the peace commissioners. Private advices received here indicate that she has such an intention. This is due again to the hostility of the Russian press toward the United States because of the antagonism of the American press.

CUBA'S HERO IS DEAD IN HAVANA

General Maximo Gomez Passes Away as the Result of an Operation—Led Island's Long Fight for Freedom and Aided America in Organizing Republic.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Havana, June 17.—General Maximo Gomez died this evening after a lingering illness, the result of an operation performed last May. Gangrene resulting from the abscess in his hand spread to his heart and other organs causing his death.

He was of major-general. On the failure of the rebellion he left Cuba and settled on his farm in Santo Domingo. Returning to Cuba, he was influential in bringing about the insurrection of 1895 and was made commander-in-chief of the Cuban army.



CRINOLINE SETS PITTSBURG RIOTING

Society Women in Grandmother's Skirts Followed by a Hooting Mob.

POLICE CALLED OUT TO DISPERSE DISTURBERS

Attempt to Shop in Unusual Costume Causes Blockade of the Streets.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Pittsburg, June 17.—Two young society women, Miss Genevieve Tucker of 4361 Fifth avenue, and Miss Henriette Herbert of 32 Stanwick street, came down-town in the carriage of the former's father, dressed in old-time crinolines.

FAIR AND CRUISERS EXTEND A WELCOME

Today the exposition grounds will be open from 1 to 11 o'clock p. m. and the buildings containing the exhibits from 1 to 6 in the afternoon. The total admissions to the fair yesterday numbered 15,958.

ELDERLY FINANCIER'S AMAZING ROMANCE

Nineteen Years Happily Married James Street Deserts Family for a School Girl.

WIFE THINKS HER LACK OF BEAUTY IS CAUSE

Shocked That Her Husband Should Prefer Mere Child Without Brains or Sense.

DODSON SENTENCED TO DIE AUGUST 11

Man Who Killed William Dunlap Near Grants Pass Takes Matter Coolly.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal) Grants Pass, Or., June 17.—Easley Dodson was sentenced today by Judge Hanna to be hanged August 11 for the murder of William Dunlap, on Louse creek last September. The prisoner took the sentence coolly.

TO GRANT SUFFRAGE TO CITIZENS OF STUTTGART

(Copyright, Hearst News Service, by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Berlin, June 17.—News comes from Stuttgart that the prime minister, Dr. von Brieling, has called a special session of the Reichstag to consider his plans for a revision of the legislation of the kingdom of Wurtemberg. It is intended to retain the upper and lower houses, but the number of members of the upper house is to be increased and universal suffrage is to be granted for the election of representatives to the lower house. Wurtemberg is the only state in Germany without universal suffrage.

IN DEATHLIKE SLUMBER FOR SEVENTY-TWO DAYS

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Mount Vernon, N. Y., June 17.—There has been an unexpected change in the condition of Charles Canepi, the 6-year-old son of Joseph Canepi, Jr., a contractor of Yonkers, who has been in a deathlike sleep for 72 days following an attack of spinal meningitis. Mr. Canepi said today that the fever had suddenly left his son and that his pulse and temperature were normal.

PORTLAND INVITES THE PEACE MAKERS

Commission to Settle Russo-Japanese War Is Asked to Hold Its Sessions in This City.

REASONS ADVANCED FOR CHANGE OF HEADQUARTERS

Governor and Mayor Send Dispatches to President—Their Request Supported by All Commercial Bodies in the City.

(The President, Washington, District of Columbia. "On behalf of the people of Oregon, I extend through you to the members of the commission to be appointed to arrange the convention between Russia and Japan a cordial invitation to hold their adjourned sessions in Portland. The summer months here are delightfully cool, made so by the breezes from the Pacific ocean; and for further reasons why the peace commission might appropriately convene in this city permit me to cite the fact that we are midway between the northern and southern cities of importance on the shores of the Pacific ocean and that this region is more closely identified commercially with the countries of the orient than any other portion of the United States, and with the commerce in the far east developing rapidly, and inasmuch as the Pacific coast states must in the future bear the most intimate relationship with the powers of Asia and those of Europe which hold interests on the Asiatic continent, it seems proper that here be negotiated the treaty in settlement of the present war."

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Twelve Killed in a Collision

Double Header Coal and Passenger Trains Smash Into Each Other on Western Maryland Road at Ransom With Fatal Result—Fifteen Badly Injured.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Baltimore, Md., June 17.—A head-on collision between a double-header coal and passenger train occurred on the Western Maryland railroad at Ransom, Maryland, two and a half miles above Finksburg, at 6 o'clock this afternoon in which 12 persons were killed and 15 injured.

Meeting Important to Coast

It would bring here those who would hold within their hands in a measure the destiny of the cordon of powers that surround the Pacific ocean. The Pacific states are vitally interested in the settlement of the Russo-Japanese war, having before them the duty of carrying on the frontier work in building up the oriental commerce of the United States.

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