

CZAR APPEALS TO THE KAISER

Asks His Advice as to Quelling of Rebellion in Baltic Provinces.

WILHELM URGES MOST EXTREME MEASURES

Points Out That German Residents Are Suffering From Operation of Revolutionists—Policy of Repression to Be Severe.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—It is asserted authoritatively that the czar has asked the Kaiser's advice on the quelling of the rebellion of Letts in the Baltic provinces. The Kaiser urged the most extreme measures and pointed out that the revolutionists are operating against the German residents. Couriers of the czar and Kaiser met daily at Eychthalen, according to reports, to exchange dispatches.

Fighting in the Ural mountains continues. An outbreak is reported in the Orenburg district.
At St. Petersburg revolutionists' actions indicate that while open revolt is crushed they continue to continue the struggle by assassination. It is reported that Witte will resign in April.
Count Witte has directed that all known revolutionary leaders, socialists or workmen delegates, who are opposed to the government, shall be imprisoned. The order has resulted in wholesale arrests, among them being many of the best known citizens of the empire.

A policy of repression, the most severe in the history of the country, is said to have been determined upon by the czar. Witte is said to be bringing pressure to bear upon the emperor to induce him to annul the liberties granted by imperial manifestoes. The strike leaders are being tortured in order to get information regarding the plans of the revolutionists.
Torpedo-boats with troops on board have been dispatched to Caucasian points to give battle to the revolutionists.

IDAHO SUSPECT WANTED FOR COLORADO OUTRAGE

(Special Special Service.)
Denver, Col., Jan. 5.—Harry Orchard, under arrest in Idaho on a charge of being implicated in the assassination of former Governor Steuneger of that state, is wanted by the authorities of Teller county on a charge of murder. Sheriff Edward Bell has wired the Idaho authorities to hold Orchard in case the Idaho charge proves unfounded and he will be taken to Colorado. He is accused of being the man that blew up the Independence depot on June 6, 1894, in which 14 nonunion miners were killed. He immediately fled from Cripple Creek and eluded the officers until his capture in Idaho.

MINERS AND TEAMSTERS IN BUTTE IN LOCKOUT

(Special Special Service.)
Butte, Mont., Jan. 5.—More than 150 miners and teamsters are idle here as a result of a lockout of the ore haulers by contractors over the refusal of the latter to increase the pay of the drivers 50 cents a day.

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NEW EXPLOSIVE IS TRIED ONLY BY ELECTRICITY

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(Special Special Service.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Consul Bardeol of Hamburg reports to the department of commerce and labor that a new explosive has been invented by Dr. G. Schulz of Munich and Mr. Fritz Gebre, an engineer of Pfullach, Bavaria, which has been given the name "Vigorit." The consul says:
"The inventor claims that the new explosive is absolutely safe against friction or concussion; that it can only be fired by an electric current; it cannot be affected by water, and is therefore safe for transportation in land as well as by water. Fire does not explode vigorit; it simply burns it up. Vigorit is free of poisonous gases after the discharge, and therefore well adapted for mining purposes. The new explosive can be used in different grades, and it is further claimed to be particularly well adapted for the filling of discharges for heavy guns. For this latter purpose the inventor claims the cost of production will be 115 marks (\$36.19) for 100 kilograms (220.46 pounds), while picric acid, which up to now has been used almost exclusively for this purpose, costs 208 marks (\$71.40) for 100 kilograms. For other purposes vigorit can be produced at 70 marks (\$13.64) for 100 kilograms, including all expenses, at the same time offering the advantage of being lighter than all similar explosives. To demonstrate the safety of the new explosive different experiments have been made under the supervision of men of experience, such as mining engineers, officers of the army and other experts, and the result was pronounced to be highly satisfactory. The inventor expects to be able to do heavy business with the United States or else dispose to some American enterprising company their patent rights at a satisfactory figure."

SPokane TO CAMPAIGN FOR HOME SEEKERS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Spokane, Wash., Jan. 5.—The promotion and publicity committee of the chamber of commerce announces that it has \$40,000 subscribed as a fund to advertise Spokane and the inland empire with a view to bringing in homeseekers, investors and manufacturers. The committee thinks that the best result will be obtained by spending the money this year. It has under advisement the extension of the fund over a two-year campaign, but it was thought best to use all that could be raised this year.
The committee will at once turn its attention to the work of interesting homeseekers, who will begin to arrive next month. Advertisements are being placed in a large number of eastern farm and home papers and printed matter will be distributed where it will bring the best results. Men will be stationed at a number of the Missouri river crossings to catch the people who are coming west in search of a location.

BLOODSTAINED CLOTHES ARE FOUND IN GARRET

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., Jan. 5.—Neighbors of G. W. George, the missing state line farmer, are greatly excited over the finding of a suit of clothes and an overcoat, belonging to George, in an unused garret of his house on the Walla Walla river. The lining of the vest is blood-stained and neighbors now firmly believe that George has been murdered. The clothes were worn by George the day he disappeared and how they came in the garret is a mystery. A daughter of George in rummaging around for some doll clothes came across the bloody bundle.

CONVENTION OF NORTHWEST GROWERS AT LA GRANDE COMES TO CLOSE

SEATTLE CHOSEN AS NEXT MEETING PLACE

Many Visitors, Including Ex-Governor Gear, Took Part in General Discussions of Two Days' Meetings.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
La Grande, Jan. 5.—The fruit-growers' association closed its convention at a late hour last night, ending one of the most successful and interesting meetings it has ever held. The following officers were elected: President, E. L. Smith, Hood River; vice-presidents for the states—Oregon, A. I. Mason, Hood River; Washington, B. Burghard, Colfax; Idaho, Fremont Wood, Boise; Montana, R. C. Fisher, Bozeman; Utah, Professor E. H. Bell, Logan; British Columbia, J. E. Anderson, Victoria; treasurer, W. S. Offner, Walla Walla, Washington; secretary, C. A. Tompkins, Tacoma.

Seattle was selected as the next meeting place by a unanimous vote. E. Hofer of Salem read a paper on strawberry culture, Professor Judson of Moscow on pruning, Judd Geer of Cove on fruit culture in general, Maxwell Smith, dominion fruit inspector, spoke on conditions in British Columbia. Mrs. Hattie Eckley of La Grande spoke on floriculture.
At the afternoon session President E. L. Smith of Hood River read a paper on "Our Production of Fruit," which was discussed at length. A. E. Gipson of Caldwell, Idaho, spoke on shipping apples and fruits to the orient, which takes a much lower grade of fruit. It will be one feature of the association's work to take up the matter of orient fruit shipping. Ex-Governor Gear is attending the meeting and made several remarks in the discussions, as he is much interested in fruit-growing, having formerly lived in the great fruit section of Cove. The governor is visiting relatives in eastern Oregon and was invited to visit the fruit-growers.
The fruit-growers of Union county are today planning to form a fruit exchange here and will later combine with the La Grande union and Cove unions into one association.

PUBLIC BUILDING FOR EACH TOWN HIS AIM

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—A public building for every town or city with over 5,000 population is the motto of Senator Nathan Day Scott of West Virginia, the new chairman of the senate committee on public buildings and grounds.
Senator Scott is essentially a business man, as his biography in the congressional directory shows. As a boy he served in the federal army during the civil war. Then he became engaged in manufacturing, and has been in that line of work and in mining with politics as a side issue up to the present time. Looking at the question of federal buildings for postoffice and other governmental uses, Senator Scott would like to adjust the proposition to a business basis. "The government is paying in the way of rentals 17 1/2 per cent interest upon the value of the property it occupies," he said. Continuing he added: "The government can borrow at the rate of 3 per cent per annum all the money needed to put up public buildings, and I simply consider it poor business to pay 17 1/2 per cent when you could get something much better for 3 per cent."

FOURTEEN MILLION IN GOLD TAKEN FROM ALASKA

(Special Special Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—"Beyond doubt the Alaska-Yukon exposition in Seattle in 1907 will mark the beginning of a new era in affairs Alaskan." That's what Consul Raymond of Dawson says officially to the department of commerce and labor of the exposition. He was reporting on the wonderful output of gold in Alaska during the year being celebrated in gold production, which began October 15, 1894, and ending October 15, 1905, and the new era he speaks of is one in which he expects to see Alaska surpass Colorado and even California in gold production.
Despite early frosts which cut short the past year is estimated by the consul at \$14,000,000. The season previous it was about \$9,000,000 and the season before that only \$6,000,000.
This is the way he figures out that production. Down in the southeastern panhandle and the Alexander archipelago the output is placed at \$1,500,000. Most of this came from the famous Treadwell quartz plants on Douglas island.
Frosts held the Seward peninsula production down to \$4,500,000. Things have been booming as nowhere else in the TAHARA VALLEY, where \$5,000,000 was washed out. Fairbanks, the surprise of the season, has a strenuous rival town, bearing the name of Rosecrans.
In the next few years the consul expects to see the population of Alaska increase very rapidly and the wealth of this country doubled.
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NATIONAL GUARDSMEN MEET AT THE CAPITAL

(Special Special Service.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—The national capital has been invaded by representatives of the militia of the various states, who have come here to attend the annual convention of the Interstate National Guard association. The session was opened this morning by the president of the association, General Charles Dick, of Ohio. Many prominent National Guard officers are in attendance, among them General G. Moulton of Illinois, Colonel F. D. Evans, Nebraska; General John D. Frost, South Carolina; General N. H. Henry, New York; General F. J. Stewart, Pennsylvania; General William Stopford, Massachusetts; General C. E. Foster, Virginia; General L. Riggs, Maryland; General Armistead, North Carolina, and many others.
After the president had read his annual report and the other officers had submitted their reports for the past year, a number of interesting papers on military subjects were read by several distinguished officers of the states army, who have had an opportunity to observe the late Japanese-Russian war at close range. Among the papers were some on the efficiency of various arms, powders, etc., on improvements in the signal service and on medical matters. The convention will last until January 22.

DR. SHORT TO TALK ON ADVERTISING THE CHURCH

"Advertising the Church" will be the subject of an address which Rev. F. Burgess Short will deliver before the Portland Admen's league in the tower room of the Portland Chamber of Commerce on the evening of January 5. The committee on membership is expected to report at this meeting and arrangements will be made for the annual banquet to be given soon.

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FOUR GIRLS ARE TARGET FOR IRATE FARMER

Mistook for Thieves and One Seriously Wounded by Bullet From Shotgun.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Colfax, Wash., Jan. 5.—Mistaking four girls for thieves who had been stealing his wheat, a farmer named Griffin, living near Johnson, in this county, shot Amie and Alice Keith and Pearl Black with a shotgun last night, dangerously wounding Amie Keith, who was shot in the right eye. Her condition is serious. She was taken to a hospital at Moscow, Idaho, and a surgeon from Spokane summoned by telegraph. The other girls are not seriously hurt. Myrtle Black, who was with them, escaped injury.

BOSTON BANK ENJOINED BY STATE COMMISSIONER

(Special Special Service.)
Boston, Jan. 5.—A petition has been filed before the Massachusetts supreme court by the state savings bank commissioner asking that an injunction be issued restraining the Provident Securities & Savings company of this city from transacting further business. A temporary injunction was issued and a hearing relative to the appointment of a receiver is being held today. The officials of the institution occupy high places in the political ranks of the state. The affairs of the company are said to be in exceptionally bad shape and while the deposits amount to \$12,000, the assets are entirely problematical and may be practically worthless so far as realizing on them on short notice.

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