

INVASION OF 'YELLOW PERIL' IS WAR RESULT WHICH RUSSIA FACES

Hundreds of Thousands of Asiatics Imported to Take Soldiers' Places.

FOLLOWED BY MERCHANTS

Great Russian Cities Have Big Chinatowns; Flood of Gold Sent From Country by Newcomers.

Dark Picture of Future. In view of the fact that Russia is now passing through the most critical and tragic phase of her history...

By Camillo Cianfarra. Rome, March 5, by mail to New York, March 21.—(I. N. S.)—An Italian delegation, headed by Senator Scialoja, has just returned from Russia.

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Advertisement for Steinmetz Silver Steel Razor. Features a large image of the razor and text: 'For Your Old Razor Steinmetz Silver Steel Razor. REGULAR PRICE \$2.50, SPECIAL SALE PRICE \$1.50.'

Advertisement for PHEZ beverage. Text: 'DINING CAR systems all over the country are featuring PHEZ on their Menus. Nationally famous hotels have PHEZ prominently displayed on their menus—among them are: Waldorf-Astoria, Biltmore Hotel, Palace Hotel, Blackstone Hotel, Auditorium Hotel, McAlpin Hotel, Antlers Hotel, Sherman Hotel, Brown Palace Hotel, New Washington Hotel.'

RUSSIANS APPROACH BRITISH IN ASIA MINOR



Renewed activity marks operations on the "Iraq front" in Mesopotamia. The czar's troops captured the important Persian city of Kermanshah (1), which gives them an almost free way to the Tigris.

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ANOTHER BATTLE OF LAWYERS OVER RATE QUESTION IS COMING

Examiner's Report, Released Because of "Leak," Not Binding Upon Commission. HEARINGS TO BE APRIL 4-5

Argument to Be Made for Lowering of Rates on Commodities Affected by Coast to Coast Water Competition.

Washington, March 21.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The great rate lawyers of the country will again battle over the transcontinental question of rates.

These are the commodities which ordinarily may be carried either by water or by rail to the Pacific coast, on which the railroads desire to maintain less than intermediate rates.

The commission's examiner, ThurteLL, took the voluminous testimony in the case, has made a tentative report, which has been widely disseminated in the press on the mistaken idea that it amounted to the tentative findings of the commission.

This idea is repudiated at the office of the commission, where it is stated that the commission is not bound by the report of the examiner.

It is explained that the system of having a complete report made by an examiner in the form of findings, which set forth fully his conclusions, is being put out in the belief that it may assist in confining the points to be considered.

Some existing rates are unreasonably low, the report says, judged by ton-mile earnings, but they are not so and no relief should be granted on such commodities.

What the commission will finally do is in the future. It is not committed to any certain course, and all signs are to have another inning before the record is closed.

Washington, March 21.—Openings for American furniture in South American countries will be the subject of a two-year study by Harold E. Everly of New York City, appointed by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, as a special agent for the investigation.

Washington, March 21.—Fire patrol and protection for the \$600 acres of Coos bay wagon road grant at government expense, treating these lands as the lands of the Oregon & California railroad grant, is recommended by Representative Hawley to Secretary Lane, in a letter asking the secretary to submit an estimate to Congress for the purpose.

The sundry civil bill, which failed at the last session, but is expected to be speedily passed at the extra session next month, carries \$25,000 for protection of the Oregon & California lands, as provided for in the bill.

Representative Hawley took up the matter upon his attention being called to it by the Oregon Forest Fire association.

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BRIEF NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

Monocles Start Fracas. Walla Walla, Wash., March 21.—Not to be outdone by male members of that class, who have adopted mustaches and canes as signs of dignity and age, the senior women at Whitman college yesterday morning appeared each with a monocle over one optic, and the fact precipitated a revolution.

Lovelee Was Well Known. Lebanon, Or., March 21.—Funeral services were held Tuesday at the First Presbyterian church for G. Lovelee, who died Sunday afternoon. Mr. Lovelee had been a trustee of the church for the last 10 years.

Seek Parole for Banker. Centralia, Wash., March 21.—To ascertain local sentiment relative to granting a parole to C. S. Glickert, ED Miller, deputy warden at the federal penitentiary on McNeil's island, who is representing the department of justice, has been in Centralia during the last few days.

Hillsboro K. P.'s Attend Initiation. Forest Grove, Or., March 21.—A big delegation of Knights of Pythias came up from Hillsboro and surprised the local lodge at its last meeting to witness the initiation of five new members, after which luncheon was served.

Will Handle Hood Fruit. Hood River, Or., March 21.—H. F. Davidson, who has for the last 27 years been in the fruit shipping business, recently by the Empress Record from his New York office that the Hood River Fruit company, recently incorporated, of which he is the president, will engage this year in the handling of Hood River strawberries and apples with the opening of the season, and that Charles H. Castner,

who has been engaged in the fruit handling business in Hood River for the past 20 years, will be the resident manager.

New Officials in Elgin. Elgin, Or., March 21.—Elgin's officers were elected last week with little contest for the different places. F. E. Smith was elected mayor; S. E. Harris, C. E. Mays, F. W. Keller, Guy L. Patton, Dr. E. O. Wilson and Joe Hallgren, councilmen; L. B. Tuttle, recorder; R. L. Shoemaker, treasurer, and E. S. Thomas, marshal.

SCHOOL BOARD NOW INVOLVED IN A MESS IN FILLING VACANCY

Going Through Motions of Electing Successor to S. P. Lockwood Without Result. PLUMMER IS OBSTRUCTING

Opinion Prevails That Plummer Should Be Bound Both by the Letter and Spirit of the Law.

Forced into activity by peremptory instructions from County Superintendent of Schools Alderson, the school board began balloting last week on a successor to S. P. Lockwood, who resigned as school director in January.

Belief persists among some who follow school affairs that an effort ultimately will be made to fill the vacancy by electing O. M. Plummer, at present on the board but whose term expires in June.

Chicago, March 21.—(I. N. S.)—Herbert Gebauer, professional ice skater, was yesterday awarded a verdict of \$100,000 against Thomas M. Gregory, reputed a Pittsburgh millionaire, by a jury that heard Gebauer's suit against the Pittsburgher for alleged alienation of the affections of Mrs. Caroline Gebauer.

Large advertisement for Wm. Gadsby & Sons. Features a hand pointing to a sign that says 'DON'T MISS IT! Gadsby's Red-Tag Sale!'. Below are images of various furniture items with their prices: 'REGULAR PRICE \$22.00, SPECIAL \$16.50', 'REGULAR PRICE \$10.00, SPECIAL \$7.50', 'REGULAR PRICE \$23.00, SPECIAL \$15.95', 'REGULAR PRICE \$25.00, SPECIAL \$16.85'. A table lists 'Sale of Good Mattresses' with prices like '\$12.00 Round Extension \$9.95'. Another table lists 'Sale of Room-Size Rugs' with prices like '\$12.00 Velvet Rug, special \$19.50'. The ad concludes with 'Wm. Gadsby & Sons, Cor. Second and Morrison Streets, Member of Greater Portland Association'.

Diver DeRock Joins The Naval Reserves. Frits DeRock, marine diver, has answered the call of his country and enlisted in the United States naval reserve force as chief gunner's mate. He is subject to the expected mobilization. DeRock was examined by Lieutenant Commander J. H. Blacklock and passed high. Diver in the navy rank under the classification of which DeRock is enlisted. DeRock has been around Portland for many years and for more than 18 years has handled most of the government diving jobs in the northwest.

British Dominions Included in Confab. London, March 21.—(I. N. S.)—For the first time in the history of Great Britain, representatives of the British dominions sat around a council table with the British ministers yesterday when the imperial conference of the colonial delegates was opened. Australia was the only dominion not represented. The council will last several days.

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Reappointment of Governor Is Asked. Juneau, Alaska, March 21.—(U. P.)—The senate and house of representatives of the Alaska legislature yesterday adopted a joint memorial to President Wilson and Secretary of the Interior Lane, asking the reappointment of J. F. A. Strong as governor of the territory, declaring that Governor Strong has given fair and equitable partial administration, and this retention is the will of the people.

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