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NOW IT'S SINISTER REPORTS

Japan Increases Demands on Russia

Traffic Stopped on Siberian Road

Excitement on St. Petersburg Bourse

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Paris, Feb. 2.—The News received this afternoon a sinister report, to the effect that Japan has increased her demands on Russia.

Berlin, Feb. 2.—The Schliessche Zeitung, a conservative newspaper, asserts that the war between Japan and Russia is certain and an outbreak is imminent.

The papers says a recent council issued orders to stop traffic on the trans-Siberian railroad from Moscow eastward and save the trains for military use. Goods awaiting dispatch at Moscow will be returned to senders.

The paper states that these facts have created great excitement on the St. Petersburg Bourse.

Because of Zeitung's high reputation for veracity, business circles in Berlin are alarmed. The foreign office does not notice the crisis.

State railway managers say they have received no intimation of the stoppage of trains transporting Siberian traffic.

Pekin, Feb. 2.—The Korean minister here has been recalled, and will leave Pekin within a few days.

Corean legation continues to receive disquieting news regarding conditions in Corea.

The Japanese minister at Pekin discredits the reports intimating that a peaceful settlement will be arrived at, especially in view of Russia's immediate warlike preparations.

KENTUCKY REMEMBERS GOEBEL

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 3.—Today was the anniversary of the death of Governor William Goebel and in honor of his memory appropriate exercises were held by the state legislature in session here. Addresses eulogistic of the character and public deeds of the dead executive were delivered, and as a further mark of respect to his memory both chambers of the assembly adjourned for the day.

SEAMEN DESERT VESSELS

To Ship on Pacific Mail Liner

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Newport News, Feb. 2.—Nearly 100 seamen from numerous foreign vessels in this port have deserted during the last few days to ship on the new Pacific mail liner Mongolia, which leaves the shipyard for San Francisco on Thursday.

One ship lacks 74 men. The masters whose men have deserted are securing warrants, but probably the steamships will be unable to sail on time, owing to short crews.

STEAMSHIP COLUMBUS LAUNCHED

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Chester, Pa., Feb. 2.—The magnificent steamship City of Columbus, built for the Ocean Steamship company was launched today at the yards of the Delaware Shipbuilding and Engine company. The christening ceremony was performed by Miss Maude Barnett of Columbus, Ga., in honor of which city the boat was named. The launching was attended by officials of the Ocean Steamship company and the Central Railway of Georgia and a party of prominent people of Columbus.

HOO-HOO AT ST LOUIS

(Special to the Mail.)

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 3.—The second car load of big timbers for the Washington State Building has reached the exposition grounds. With the timbers was the big flag staff which will form a feature of the House Hoo-Hoo, the structure that is being erected by the lumber interests of the United States as a rendezvous for the lumber trade who will visit the fair. Beside serving as a club house for the lumbermen the structure is intended to form a museum of the lumber products of the United States. While the big flag-staff comes from the state of Washington other portions of the building will be constructed from specimens of lumber produced in Texas, Michigan, Minnesota, California, Florida, Mississippi and numerous other states.

OUTBREAK IMMINENT EASTERN WAR CLOUD DARKER THAN EVER

Japan Exasperated at Russia's Delay and Will Soon Send Ultimatum—Seoul Railway Seized

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Tokio, Feb. 3.—An important council, attended by the Mikado, Marquis Ito, three admirals and the War Minister, was held today. It is believed that the Russian-Japanese situation has reached a climax. The highest officials make no effort to conceal their exasperation at the tardiness of Russia's reply.

Rome, Feb. 3.—News from the far East asserts that Japan is determined to present an ultimatum to Russia Feb. 10, if no conclusion is reached prior to that time.

London, Feb. 3.—Letters of leading men in Tokio to friends here state that everything is in readiness in Japan for war, and that an outbreak is inevitable.

Russia's concessions are not likely to suffice, and this is the last phase of negotiations before a resort to arms. Influential Japanese citizens of Europe

including noted diplomatists have advised Japan that now is the time to strike.

Paris, Feb. 3.—Acting under government orders, the Oriental shipping companies are holding several vessels in readiness for possible troop transportation work in case of war.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 3.—The Seoul railway, according to dispatches from Vladivostok, has been occupied by Japanese troops. The Japanese have also taken guns to Seoul for protection of their legation.

Paris, Feb. 3.—A correspondent of the Journal at Port Arthur cables that orders have been received for mobilization of the Russian squadrons there and at Vladivostok, and both are now ready to take the sea at a moment's notice.

WEDS AN AUSTRIAN COUNT

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

New York, Feb. 3.—Another was added to the list of American girls who have wedded titled foreigners when Miss Margot Stone, daughter of Mrs. Joseph F. Stone, became the bride today of Count Alexander Besoldingen, of Austria. The ceremony was performed in the Church of the Incarnation, the Rev. William M. Grosvenor officiating. Count Rubido Zichy, of the Austrian Embassy at Washington, was among the ushers, and the other attendants included well known young society people of New York, Providence, and several other cities. Following the church ceremony, there was a largely attended reception at the residence of the bride's mother in East Thirty-eighth street.

Dance Postponed

Owing to the fact that Dr. Mingos, health officer, has advised that no public meetings be held at North Bend, for the present, on account of the measles, the North Bend Band have thought best to postpone the dance which was to be held in the pavilion next Saturday night, until a more favorable time.

WILL DEVELOP SOUTHWEST

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 3.—Both the South Pacific and the Santa Fe have determined to concentrate their efforts during the next few years toward the settlement and development of Texas and the Southwest. G. W. McKinney, immigration agent for the Harriman system, will tomorrow start with a party of Chicago Board of Trade men on a trip through Texas and it is expected that the result will be an influx of fresh Chicago capital. A Chicago company is now organizing for the purpose of acquiring extensive rice lands in Texas.

Otto Was Thirsty

Thursday Otto Schetter celebrated his 30th birthday. He was 30. He was very adverse to telling it. It was also the birthday of the Empire, having made her maiden trip into Coos Bay. The bones of her sister ship, the Eastport, which were built for the Coos Bay trade, now lie smoldering on the California coast. May the spurs of her survivors ever stand as a monument to the trade and prosperity of Coos Bay.

HANNA VERY SICK

But Physician Says No Danger

(Special to the Coast Mail.)

Washington, Feb. 3.—Hanna passed a bad night. He is not so well today and is very weak. Dr. Rixey says although much debilitated his condition is unalarming.

This afternoon a rumor was circulated that Hanna was dead, this created a small panic in the corridors of the capital and principal hotels. It was quieted by the announcement at the Arlington hotel that his condition since morning was unchanged. He is still rational though weak. Dr. Rixey is constantly at his bedside.

Later Dr. Rixey insists that there is no cause for alarm.

Build Permanent Streets

A news item in a Eugene paper tells how the mud is being hauled off their streets after it is scraped together with a machine scraper. There may have been a time when this could have happened in Marshfield, but since the new street work of building streets with fire clay has been inaugurated this burning light at both ends, so far as expense is concerned ceases.

New Woolen Mill for Bandon

Bandon citizens are equal to the occasion of keeping the town to the front.

The citizens have subscribed the stock for the erection of a new up-to-date woolen mill. The capitol stock is all raised and work will begin immediately.

The manager of this new corporation has left for San Francisco and the east to purchase the machinery. We are informed the new plant will be built with the intention of manufacturing the finer line of goods and superior quality and finer grades will be the rock upon which the new mill will build their future.

The Apple Exhibit

The jars of apples in H. Sengstacken's window present a handsome appearance and are attracting a good deal of attention. They illustrate the way in which the Coos county apple display will be put on at St. Louis. A large number of these jars have been procured by the Push Club, 3, 4 and 5 inches in diameter, and now some six inch jars have been ordered, as it was found that some of our big red apples would not go into the ones on hand.

The apples in Sengstacken's window are preserved in a clear liquid prepared by M. E. Everitt, druggist in that establishment, who has had considerable experience in this work and has a process of preparing a liquid especially adapted for the purpose.

Ordered Out of Town

Will Dungan who is resident agent for Coos county for a whole lot of the most responsible firms in various parts of the country recently returned from Coquille had an unusual experience when reaching the county seat by being met by a committee who had read a personal in the COAST MAIL about Mr. D going over on business and that he would probably walk back, as "walking was good." The party met him at the train with a typical tramp's bundle already prepared and the spokesman told him very emphatically that they knew enough of him from reading the DAILY MAIL, and handed him the bundle and told him to take the track back to Marshfield. He took the bundle and it was some few minutes before he could realize the joke they had perpetrated on him. It dawned on him that the item had been in the one cent daily.



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