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## FLOATING TORPEDO DID IT

### Another Russian Vessel Lost in Port—Recent Report Denied

#### Was It Cruiser Bayan?

Berlin, Mar. 24.—The Schloessisch Zeitung announces that it was not a Russian torpedo boat destroyer that was blown up by a floating torpedo in Port Arthur harbor on the sixteenth, but the armored cruiser Bayan, and almost the entire crew of seven hundred were killed.

#### Was Not Bayan

St. Petersburg, Mar. 24.—The Berlin report about the Bayan is denied here.

#### More Reports Denied

St. Petersburg, March 24.—General Pfung telegraphs from Mukden today, stating that there is no truth in the report that Japanese are crossing the Tantung and Pe Soa pass or that they had engagements with Russians. The same applies to the alleged engagement at Port Arthur on the nineteenth in which six hundred Russians are alleged to have been killed and wounded.

A Liao Yang dispatch states that General Kouropatkin was welcomed to the Trans-Balkal territory by Ulovitch in a telegram saying the troops are thirsting for revenge.

South Manchuria and Korea are reported quiet.

#### Russians Moving South

Washington Mar. 24.—The American Minister at Seoul cables that port Yong Am Pho will be opened to the trade of the world by the Korean government.

A thousand Russians have moved south to the Anju river but floating ice makes crossing difficult. There have been few encounters with casualties.

#### Togo's Report

Tokio, Mar. 24.—Admiral Togo's report that Port Arthur was attacked on the twenty second was received tonight.

Togo says the combined fleet according to plan, and while the destroyers were under fire, they sustained no damage.

The battleships Fuji and Yashim were directed to make an indirect bombardment against the inner side of Port Arthur. During this, the enemy's fleet came out to draw us near the forts.

Many of their shells fell near the Fuji but the ships sustained no damage.

## SNOW SLIDES AND WRECKS

### Block Central Pacific In Sierra Nevada Mountains

San Francisco, March 23.—Wrecks, mud-slides and snow-slides in the snow-beds region in the Sierra Nevada, impedes progress of the Central Pacific and have carried away telegraph wires and practically cut off telegraphic communication with the east. Two trains, one a freight and one a wrecking train were caught in the slides but there was no loss of life.

## TWENTY THOUSAND TROOPS

### Have Now Arrived at Harbin Russian Trade Much Depressed

Harbin, March 23.—In the last forty days about twenty thousand Russian troops have arrived. Four thousand each have been dispatched to New Chawang, Port Arthur and Mukden and two thousand to Vladivostock. The greater part of the remainder are in the hospital.

Of 33 military trains arriving since the outbreak of the war but half brought munitions or provisions. It is hoped that next week troops will arrive at the rate of a thousand daily.

There is still great disorder at Harbin Junction, where fortifications are being made.

## TROOPS FOR COLORADO

### To Support Martial Law In Lassmassa County

Trinidad, Colo. Mar. 23.—Four hundred troops including infantry, cavalry and artillery arrived this morning in command of Major Hill who is military ruler in Lassmassa county during the continuance of martial law, which has been declared by the Governor, following the Telluride precedent. A strict press censorship will be maintained.

A special miners convention in district 15 has called for Thursday but any attempt at settlement of the strike now may prove abortive, because of the presence of troops.

## COLORADO MINERS MEET

### Presence of Troops Keeps Things Quiet

Trinidad Colo. March 24.—The miners in district 15, after securing the permission of Major Hill met in special convention today. Hill stipulates that no inflammatory speech be made. The sentiment now is that the fight will be continued for the original demands.

There is no trouble here or at Telluride, where troops are on guard. Stevens injunction against the Citizens alliance interfering with the deported miners has not yet been put in force by the sheriff.

## RIVERSIDE BANK BREAKS

### Defaulting Cashier Gives Himself up

Washington Mar. 23.—The Comptroller of the Currency has appointed Bank Examiner Wilson as receiver for the Orange Grove national Bank at Riverside Calif., owing to a default of \$94,000 by H. T. Hayes former cashier.

Riverside, Mar. 23.—It is charged that officials fear the arrest of Hayes until grand jury adjourns, as Hayes knows too much of political graft. High officials are accused of attempting to block the investigation by Attorney North into the doings of the Hayes crowd.

The Bank is in the hands of Govt. Examiner Wilson, and the question of reopening depends upon the action of the government. The Bank offers no reward for Hayes' capture.

Riverside Mar. 24.—Tom Hayes, the bank wrecker, who returned last night, made a dramatic entry into the Riverside county club, wet and muddy from a long tramp in the rain. He was not hunted openly, and it is charged that the officials knew where he was and if public indignation had not reached the danger point, he would not have returned until after the grand jury had issued its report on municipal "grafting".

## NAVAL BATTLE REPORTED

### In Which Russians Lose a Battleship—Students Declare Loyalty to the Czar

#### Russians Lose a Ship

London Mar. 23.—A Tokio despatch says a report has been received there from Mojs, on the coast, that a Russian battleship was destroyed in a Japanese attack on Port Arthur Mar. 18.

After the Japanese had thrown a number of shells into the city the Russian fleet engaged them outside of the harbor, the Russians losing one warship. Japanese casualties are placed at 7. No mention is made of injury to the Japanese fleet.

#### Desires China's Neutrality

Vienna, Mar. 23.—The Pragerer says that Japan has intimated to China that she earnestly desires that China's neutrality be strictly maintained in the far East, fearing that Chinese participation might seriously affect her foreign trade and possibly cause a Boxer uprising thus leading to intervention by the powers.

#### Miners Turned Back

Washington, Mar. 23.—Minister Allen at Seoul cables today: "A specie caravan bound for the mines was stopped by the Japanese forces south of Anju, and the miners were not allowed to proceed further in that direction."

"Newspaper correspondents have been called from northern Korea to Seoul. The censorship is strict."

"After a hard night's march the Japanese troops are arriving at Ping Yang."

#### Public Houses Closed

Port Arthur, Mar. 23.—Gen. Stoppel, commandant, has closed all public houses, as a result of increased drunkenness among the soldiers.

Word has been received which states

that six hundred Koreans at Poleset bay have volunteered for the Russian army. Two engineers were killed by an explosion while repairing the battleship Retvina.

#### Rushing Troops to the Front

St. Petersburg, Mar. 23.—The rushing of troops to the front proceeds regularly. The last of the railway equipment for the lines in Manchuria passed Lake Baikal today.

#### Students Declare Loyalty

St. Petersburg, Mar. 23.—The Emperor today received a delegation of students with an address of loyalty, the first on record.

#### Not Shot Yet

St. Petersburg, Mar. 23.—It is officially denied that Captain Ivkoff, commissariat of this department, accused of being a Japanese spy, was shot as stated. He has been removed from service and is now under arrest awaiting a court martial for setting information.

#### Italian Engineers Employed

Rome Mar. 23.—The Japanese government has arranged for a party of Italian naval engineers and workmen to go to the Japanese dock yards to assist in the work there.

#### Newspaper Suppressed

Tokio, Mar. 23.—Tiesak Akivam a member of Parliament and publisher of a newspaper here is to be the subject of an investigation by a committee of Parliament.

He is accused of being a spy, having attacked the government in his paper, charging that it forced officials to subscribe for war bonds. The paper has been suppressed.



RUSSIAN ARMORED CRUISER BAYAN.

## TEDDY TALKS TO INDIANS

Washington, Mar. 23.—President Roosevelt preached a homely sermon to a delegation of Indians from Pine Ridge this morning, urging them to sell half their ponies and get more cattle. "The Government will help you all it can" said the President, "but it cannot help men who can work and wont." The bucks nodded approval.

#### Pardon Recommended

Washington, Mar. 24.—Taft has recommended that the President pardon General Aquino, the Filipino insurgent who was courtmartialled for ordering five American prisoners to be shot, resulting in the death of three. He has served three years and denies having issued the orders.

#### British Force Disbanded

Hobart, Tasmania, March 23.—Owing to numerous manifestations and meetings over pay grievances, the fourth British Tasmania forces have been disbanded.

## IN BRITISH TERRITORY

Berlin, Mar. 23.—Gov. Puttkamer, of Cameroon, reports that the revolting natives crossed into British territory and attacked the British custom house at Obokum.

Two companies of German troops are now holding the rebels in check.

#### Land Robbers on Trial

San Francisco, Cal. Mar. 23.—Frederick Hyde and Henry Damon were placed on trials before the court of Commissioner Hancock this morning, charged with conspiring to defraud the Government of land whose value is estimated at many millions.

#### No Yellow Fever

Austin, Tex. Mar. 24.—The health officer has received from the governor at Nuevo Leon, Mexico, a denial of the report that yellow fever exists there.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 23.—The Government has ordered trains to distribute the necessities of life along the trans-Siberian railroad, thus putting a stop to the rise in prices. One result of the war has been a tremendous revival in the leather trade, but other trades suffer heavy losses.

At Odessa the financial crisis is severe and at Warsaw the clothing trade is paralyzed. Despite these conditions the public response to the request for contributions to the war fund has been remarkable.

Irkutsk, March 23.—General Karopatin arrived last night and left for Lake Baikal this morning.

## SNOW IN EASTERN OREGON

Pendleton, Oreg. Mar. 23.—A heavy snow storm is sweeping Eastern Oregon, and sheep are dying from exposure. It is feared the loss will be heavy.

## PRESIDENT TO TOUCH BUTTON

Washington Mar. 24.—The President today acceded to the request of the Louisiana Purchase Committee that he start the machinery of the world's fair, by pressing a button, April 30th.

#### Saves Expense

Birmingham, Ala. Mar. 24.—Ralph Armstrong, son of the late Col. Armstrong, minister to Brazil under Cleveland, sentenced to death for the murder of his cousin Miss Alice Armstrong, hanged himself in his cell at Tuskegee today.

#### Probably All Drowned.

Victoria, March 23.—More wreckage from the lost Lamara indicates that she was probably wrecked 3 days ago on Starlight reef, off Ocullet bay, and there is but little doubt that all were drowned.

## MONTANA SWEEP BY BLIZZARDS

Butte, Mont. Mar. 24.—The severe nowstorm continues throughout the state. Slides delay the train. The Great Northern Passenger collided with a snow plow, and three of the train crew were injured. Cattle are drifting before the blizzard. Losses are greater than for twelve years.

#### Favorable Report on Frye Bill

Washington, Mar. 24.—The House committee on merchant marine authorizes a favorable report on the Frye bill extending the coast wise trade laws to the Philippines but exempting the inter-island trade of the archipelago.

#### Died of The Plague

Washington, Mar. 23.—United States consul Fée, at Bombay, India, cables the deputy that his daughter is dead of the plague, and that his wife is attacked.