

## RUSSIA SENDS TROOPS TO YALU RIVER

### Gathering 8000 Troops at the Border of Korea---Japan Tiring of Delay and Spoiling for a Fight Will Wait But Little Longer

Port, Arthur, Jan. 27.—It is reported that about 150 wagons loaded with army stores have left Lino-Yang daily for the past four days for the Yalu river, where it is intended to concentrate 8000 Port Arthur and Mukden troops. The authorities assert that the hostility of Japan compels mobilization on the Yalu, and on this river Russia has heretofore carefully avoided alarming Korea by an appearance of threatening Japan.

**Japan Sends Troops.**  
Seoul, Corea, Jan. 27.—One hundred armed Japanese have been sent to P'yenz-yang, to insure the safety of the people, it having been reported that the houses of wealthy natives were being looted by Korean soldiers and police, disguised as robbers. The report that Americans are acting in collusion with the members of the Russian legation at Seoul is entirely without foundation.

The emperor has invited to the palace five French and Belgian civilians to act as a bodyguard, as he apparently fears Japanese intrusion. The Japanese have asked pointedly which side the emperor favors, as they wish to know if he is still favorable to the Russian cause.

**Japanese Itching for War.**  
Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 27.—"Sooner or later war between Russia and Japan is bound to come," said Captain Truebridge, of the Northern Pacific steamer Victoria, which has just arrived from the Orient. "The Japanese," he continued "are just itching for war. They have been preparing for it for more than a year."

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For several months past they have been stocking up with everything needed for undergoing a long siege. In case of war the captain says steamers sailing from Northern ports might have to take a more southerly course in order to avoid hostile war vessels.

**Japan Wants Early Reply.**  
Tokio, Jan. 27.—The Japanese government has diplomatically intimated to Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister, that an early response is desired to Japan's recent note to Russia. It is calculated here that the Japanese note reached the Russian cabinet on the afternoon of January 16th, and it is felt that sufficient time has elapsed for its consideration and the preparation of a response. The Japanese government is conscious of the possible necessities of the military and naval situation, and is unwilling to permit evasions and delays, which are designed to gain time.

The future course of the Japanese government is a carefully-guarded secret. The length of time that Japan is prepared to await the pleasure of Russia is unknown. It seems probable that it has been determined to act decisively within a few days. The popular temper has long opposed further delay.

While many object to Japan taking the initiative, a majority would now welcome the issuance of a brief ultimatum, and a declaration of war, if that should prove ineffective. Some outside opinion here inclines to the belief that the activities of Japan will be limited to the seizure of Corea, which enterprise, it is thought, Russia would not oppose. The Japanese government proceeds with absolute secrecy, and the people of Japan are even not informed of the exact nature of the demands made on Russia.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—The court today decided the sentence passed on Alderman Brennan for vote-buying, by which he was sent to Bridewell for a year, instead of to the penitentiary, is legal. Brennan was ordered back to prison.

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## ARREST MURDER SUSPECT

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 27.—A white man, giving the name of Behr, was arrested here today on suspicion of murdering Miss Schaefer, at Bedford, Ind. His clothing was covered with blood, and his face badly scratched. He is a confirmed opium fiend. He sought shelter with a colored family after the crime, and has been in hiding ever since. He wanted papers containing an account of the Schaefer murder. The colored family became alarmed at his actions, and reported him to the police.

## IT WAS A CASE OF SUICIDE

London, Jan. 27.—The post mortem on Whitaker Wright was made this afternoon, and an inquest will be held tomorrow to disclose the cause of death. The suicide theory has many supporters. The Globe today says the police last night found a loaded revolver at full cock in his pocket. The post mortem this afternoon developed that he suicided by taking cyanide of potassium.

**Swallowed Chloroform.**  
Robert L. Garcia, a Mexican, while at the Powell boarding house, near the woolen mills, last evening, swallowed a quantity of chloroform, probably with suicidal intent. Dr. Brewer was called, and remedies were promptly applied, and in a short time the man was out of danger, little the worse for his experience, and today he was able to again take up his usual work. Garcia, who is a laborer, is a stranger here, having recently come from Montana. When asked as to the cause of his act he could give no explanation.

**The Tank Was Empty.**  
Thinking the large swimming tank at the Multnomah Athletic Club to be filled with water, R. P. Boultbee, an employe of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, at Portland, last night dived head first into less than a foot of water, and crushed his skull against the cement floor. He did not regain consciousness after his leap, and at a late hour last night the doctors said there was little or no hope of his recovery.

**Understand Each Other.**  
Birmingham, Jan. 27.—The Post says the foreign office at London has received a telegram from the British minister, Satow, at Peking, that agreements have been reached governing China-Britain in the event of war between Japan and Russia.

**Harrison Discharged.**  
Chicago, Jan. 27.—The court discharged Mayor Harrison from custody today. It holds he is not responsible for conditions at the Iroquois theatre, and that the coroner's findings is in error.

**Struck Natural Gas.**  
Salt Lake, Jan. 27.—The Guffey Galey Syndicate, boring for oil north of this city, struck natural gas today, throwing mud over the top of the derrick. It was struck at a depth of 400 feet.

## CHICAGO'S SWEET MORSEL

Tilbury Claims to Have 200 Compromising Letters

His Attorneys Say They Will Give "Porkopolis" "Society" a Mt Pelee Blow Out

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Coachman Tilbury, accused of attempted blackmail against Mrs. Thurston, a society leader, was arraigned this morning, pleaded not guilty, and the work of securing a jury begun. The case was put ahead of hundreds of others on the calendar. Mrs. Thurston was accompanied by her husband, and the court room was filled by society people. Tilbury's attorneys promise testimony that will shake upper tendom like an earthquake. Mrs. Thurston attorneys aver that the 200 compromising letters Tilbury claims to have are forgeries.

Robert Quinn, a Canadian, today secured his final papers.

## BLACKS MURDER GERMANS

The War in Africa Is a Series of Murders and Massacres

Marines go to the Rescue and Are Themselves Surrounded and Cut off From Aid

Berlin, Jan. 27.—A dispatch from German South America this morning says 16 German colonists near Karabib have been murdered and 70 others missing, including 30 women and children, a relief expedition of a hundred marines fought a thousand blacks, finally reached Karabib, where they are now surrounded and completely cut off from aid. Herr Kronfeld commandant of the garrison at Otybingue, was killed, leaving 30 leaderless defenders of the place.

**Will Be Blowed If He Did.**  
St. Louis, Jan. 27.—Senator Burton's counsel gave notice this morning that his client would appear in court this afternoon to give bonds

## BRINGING OUT THE BODIES

Sixty Corpses Already Taken From the Cheswick Mines

Work Will Probably Be Completed Today, Cause of the Accident Is Still a Mystery

Cheswick, Jan. 27.—At daylight 57 bodies had been recovered. Searchers coming from the mine this morning say the conditions are becoming unbearable. The air is heavily laden with the odor of decomposing bodies. After cutting out the ice the temporary cage work became more systematic. At 10 o'clock 10 bodies were removed, all horribly mutilated, torn and scorched.

Forty-one bodies were removed up to 2 o'clock this afternoon, and the work is progressing rapidly. Eight have been identified.

Ormon, Fla., Jan. 27.—Vanderbilt, Jr., broke the world's automobile record today, being officially timed at 39 seconds flat for the mile.

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Values as high as \$30.00. There are not a great many left, so would advise haste in making your selections. Second floor.

### Men's Clothing

A BOLD CUT has been made in the prices of our most excellent suits and overcoats. Materials are chevrets, worsteds, finished and unfinished. These suits are hand-tailored and are cut in the latest fashions. Extraordinary bargains.

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\$6.00 Blue Taffeta **\$3.00**  
\$ 5.00 Tan Peau de Soie **\$2.50**

### Ladies' Underwear

Some broken lots and odd sizes in ladies' heavy and medium weight underwear that will find ready selling at the prices quoted. Don't be too late, for this bargain event.

65c Fleece-lined Underwear **43c garment**  
50c Wool Underwear **39c garment**  
75c Jersey Ribbed Underwear **53c**  
\$1.50 Odd Lot—broken sizes **75c**

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