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ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF CZAR

Russians Got News of Fall of Port Arthur a Day Later

Another Fleet Will Be Got Ready for Japanese Navy to Practice on

London, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states today that there is a rumor current at the Russian capital that an attempt on the life of the czar has been made at the Villa. No corroboration of details.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—It is officially denied that an attempt was made on the life of the czar, as the emperor passed Minsk at 4:30 this afternoon. Minsk is 465 miles west of Moscow.

Japs Occupy Forts.
Tokio, Jan. 3.—The Japanese today occupied a number of the Port Arthur forts. It is learned that Russian officers and officials will be permitted to return to Russia on parole, the officers retaining their swords.

Will Repair the Fort.
Rome, Jan. 3.—A telegram from Gen-

eral Nogi's headquarters at Port Arthur states that 10,000 Japanese besiegers will remain at Port Arthur to repair the fortress, while the remainder, under the command of Nogi, will go to reinforce Oyama.

Russia Gets the News.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—The censor today permitted the newspapers to publish the news of the fall of Port Arthur, no mention of which was made in yesterday's papers. Full recognition is given to the heroism of the defenders, while the bravery of Japan is spoken of in high terms. The difficulty of the task before General Kuropatkin is also mentioned.

Another Lot of Sinkers.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—Admiral Biriloff, who will command the third Russian squadron, has ordered work on the squadron will proceed day and night.

MORGAN HILL ET AL

Get a Decision for the Northern Securities

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.—The United States circuit court of appeals has reversed the decision of the United States circuit court of New Jersey, which enjoined carrying out the Hill-Morgan plan for distributing the assets of the Northern Securities Company. The decision is in favor of the Northern Securities and against the Oregon Short Line.

Judge Dallas wrote the majority decision, and Judge Acheson concurred. Judge Gray dissented. The majority decision is extremely voluminous.

Colorado Politics.
Denver, Jan. 3.—Republican leaders of the legislature declare that one of the first things that they will do is to unseat Senators Born and Healy, who two years ago were given the seats of Republicans Dick and McDonald. Four other Democratic senators may share the same fate. The senators were elected by the same vote as ex-Congressman Shaffroth, who announced that 7000 fraudulent votes had been cast for him. The holding up of the returns in Denver indefinitely is now likely to happen, and means that Peabody will remain in the executive chair.

Will Not Interfere.
Washington, Jan. 3.—It is stated on the highest authority this afternoon that neither Japan nor Russia has approached the United States for the purpose of securing peace, with the United States as intermediary, and also that the United States will make no advances in the matter without the request of the parties.

Original Package Law.
Washington, Jan. 3.—The supreme court today, in the case of the American Express Company against the State of Iowa, held that the laws of Iowa prohibiting original packages is in violation of the constitution, by restricting the interests of interstate commerce on consignments of original packages from other states.

Today's Condensed News.
Frank W. Neweski, his wife and seven children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home today at Morris Run, Pa.
William Henry Baldwin, Jr., president of the Long Island railroad since 1896, died this morning at his home at Locust Valley, Long Island, N. Y.
The Southbound Missouri, Kansas & Texas flyer was wrecked near Franklin, Howard county, Missouri, this morning. No details.

Waste leather is no longer thrown away. Manufacturers use it in a compressed form, instead of iron, to make cog-wheels.

PENLAND LAWSUIT SETTLED

Damage Suit Against Southern Pacific Adjusted Out of Court

The damage suit of Penland vs. the S. P. Co., was called at 1 p. m., and, upon statements of counsel to the court, was stricken from the docket, and marked settled.

The suit was for \$5000 for the killing of Mrs. Penland May 29, 1904, at the railroad crossing on Commercial street in this city. It was tried at the last October term of court, Messrs. Turner & Inman appearing before Judge Barnett and a jury, for plaintiff. After a hard legal battle, in which Messrs. Bagham and Leiter appeared for the S. P. Co., the court denied the motion for a non-suit, and the jury hung. A new trial was set for this term, and it was generally expected would begin today, when settlement was announced.

It is not known what the terms of settlement are, but it is believed to have been very favorable to the plaintiff. The company paid about \$1500.

PERSONALS.
Fred Fish, the genial clerk of the Willamette Hotel is home from spending New Years with friends in Portland.

Miss Florence Laufman, of McMinnville, formerly of this city, arrived here today, and will visit friends for several months.

Miss Roma Kuescher returned this morning from an extended visit with relatives and friends at Portland and McMinnville.

Mrs. Wood and daughter, Evelyn, of Chemawa, came up to the city today, where Miss Evelyn will continue her studies at the Sacred Heart Academy. Howard Catlin returned to Eugene today after spending the holidays with his parents in this city.

Herbert Starr returned to U. of O. today, after spending the holidays with his parents.
Miss Bessie Eakin returned to Eugene this morning where she will continue her studies at the High School, after spending the holidays with her parents.

Floyd Ramp returned to Eugene today, where he will continue his studies at the U. of O., after spending the holidays with relatives in and near this city.

May Meet Her.
Winchester, Ky., Jan. 3.—John Hathaway, colored, a noted jockey, was hanged in the jail yard at 5 o'clock this morning for the murder of Ella Thomas, his sweetheart, on January 19, 1904.

Result of Bond Sale.
New York, Jan. 3.—It is reported that the \$5,000,000 in gold which was recently shipped from New York to Japan by way of Seattle was the proceeds of a bond sale.

RUSSIAN GARRISON MUST GO TO JAPAN

Officers Will Be Paroled and Allowed Their Freedom

Tokio, Jan. 3.—The Russian rank and file of the garrison at Port Arthur will come to Japan as prisoners of war.

Paris, Jan. 3.—A Russian naval attaché says that since the mission of the Russian second Pacific squadron was to save Port Arthur, the squadron will now probably wait until reinforced by the third and probably the fourth squadrons. Semi-official advices from Port Arthur indicates that the Russian officers, but not the rank and file, will be permitted to return to Russia.

Berlin, Dec. 3.—A dispatch from Mukden this morning announces that a general engagement between the forces of Kuropatkin and Oyama has begun to the south of Mukden.

Criticize General Stoessel.
Tokio, Jan. 3.—The newspapers today criticize General Stoessel for destroying the warships and attempting to blockade the harbor, and also for sending destroyers to Chefoo subsequent to his offer to surrender. The Nichi Nichi says that, while Stoessel made a gallant defense his action in this matter leaves a lasting blemish on his military reputation. The Ji Ji Shimpō characterizes the action as mean and unlawful, and adds that it should deprive him of any military honor at the hands of his captors. The papers receive the charges of violation of the Red Cross at Port Arthur. Both papers contrast General Stoessel with the magnanimity of the Mikado.

Chefoo, Jan. 3.—The fort where negotiations for the surrender of Port Arthur were held is called Big Eagle's Nest, and is near Rihlung Mountain. Midshipman Elisorich, commanding a launch, which left Port Arthur at 8 o'clock last night, said today: "No shot has been fired at Port Arthur for two days. The firing heard last night was Russians blowing up forts, ships, magazines, warehouses, docks and everything valuable. When I left Port Arthur the fortress and town were almost completely wrecked. The warships died hard, and several explosions were necessary to complete the wrecking of them. The harbor entrance is blocked with sunken ships. The statement that 5000 fighting men remained is misleading, as a majority of these are sick or slightly wounded."

Japanese Exercise Care.
Chefoo, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from Tein Tau says that the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers that entered that port at noon, and that others were outside the steamer Vina arrived from Cochin China with several hundred soldiers aboard. It is reported that she belongs to the volunteer fleet for running reinforcements into Port Arthur. The city is peaceful, notwithstanding

the presence of many Japanese and Russians, and the continued presence of three torpedo boat destroyers is merely regarded as a precautionary measure on the part of Japan. No trouble is expected unless the Russians attempt to evade their parole. The Japanese cruiser Akitsushima entered the harbor this morning, and exchanged salutes with the American cruiser Baltimore.

Governor Broward Inaugurated.
Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 3.—Napoleon B. Broward was today inaugurated governor of Florida. The other state officials were at the same time inducted into office. The inaugural procession was one of the most imposing ever seen here. The inaugural ceremonies took place in the capitol at noon in the presence of the members of the general assembly, state officials and numerous other spectators. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice R. Fenwick Taylor. The new chief executive was introduced by ex-Governor T. S. Jennings. Governor Broward was greeted with long and continued applause as he mounted the rostrum to deliver the inaugural address. He spoke in clear, loud tones, and his speech was frequently punctuated with applause. The inaugural ball takes place this evening and promises to be an event of unusual brilliance and splendor. Visitors are here from Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Tampa, Key West and other leading cities of the state.

Harriman Satisfied.
New York, Jan. 3.—Referring to the decision of the court in the Northern Securities case, E. H. Harriman said: "The matter now has been before four judges, and so far it is an even division, two having declared for and two against us." He declined to talk further concerning the case.

Henry in Office.
San Francisco, Jan. 3.—It is announced that Francis J. Henry, of this city, has been appointed United States district attorney for Oregon, vice Julius H. Hall, removed.

Diamonds Go Up.
New York, Jan. 3.—Local diamond dealers have been notified by the selling syndicate in London of a five per cent advance in the price of diamonds.

Securities Adjourned.
New York, Jan. 3.—An adjourned meeting of the Northern Securities stockholders in Hoboken today adjourned until January 9th.

Freight Train Wrecked.
York, Pa., Jan. 3.—A work train on the Northern Central backed into a freight here today, injuring 19 men, five probably fatally.

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LEGISLATIVE FIGHT IS GROWING WARMER

It is evident that the contest for the speakership of the legislature will be one of the historical political battles in Oregon, with Hon. T. B. Kay, of Marion county against the field. That plucky fighter seems to have drawn the fire of the big guns, and the storming of Port Arthur is not a circumstance to the burning of wires and hurrying to and fro of the managers of Oregon politics. It appears that the country members are strongly for Kay, and he also has the Portland Oregonian and its evening edition on his side. Following is from the seat of war today, as seen by Leslie Scott, the political editor of the Oregonian.

That Dr. W. Kuykendall, of Lane, will be elected president of the senate is the general opinion for Multnomah's seven votes are behind him and his opponent E. V. Carter, of Jackson, apparently cannot win in caucus without Multnomah's aid. The contest for speaker, however, between A. L. Mills, of Multnomah, and T. B. Kay, of Marion, is very lively. Kay's fortunes depend on his ability to hold to him the men who were his allies before Mills was put forth as a candidate six days ago. Mills' fortune depends on the ability of his workers to pull away men from Kay. For it was obvious before Mills went into the fight that Kay had

everything his own way, and that probably more than a majority of the Republican members of the house were in his camp.

So sharp is the fight between Mills and Kay likely to be that Vawter's influence will be of strategic importance. The Mills workers would like to have the six votes which Mr. Vawter is said to have pledged to himself in Southern Oregon, for they need them in their business. And there is such an anxiousness in the Kay camp, lost one of those 28 votes which Kay claims as "promised" may be stolen away, that the Marion candidate would probably like to have the Vawter vote, too. Whatever comes to pass, Vawter seems to be in a fair way to have "good things" passed out to himself and his compatriots, and to regale himself with the hope that he may become a compromise candidate.

Meanwhile the Mills boom, buoyed up by the Republican organization of Multnomah county, but of the state, is said to be receiving accretions from places where Mr. Kay has thought himself fortified. A strenuous endeavor is being put forth to break up Kay's support in Eastern Oregon, where the Marion man believed that he had lined up practically all of the 11 votes from that part of the state.

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