

RUSSIA HAS FEARS OF COMPLICATIONS

St. Petersburg, April 21.—It is stated on high authority that the Russian Admiralty has notified Admiral Rojestvensky of the grave danger to peace which will be entailed if the stay of his squadron off the coast of Anam is prolonged contrary to the laws of neutrality. Confidence is expressed in official circles that the admiral will carry out the instructions.

Paris, April 21.—The minister at Tokyo has assured the Japanese government of the neutrality of France.

London, April 21.—A Central News dispatch from Paris states that the government has formally requested the Russian fleet to leave Kamranh bay. There is no confirmation here of the report that the fleet has already left Kamranh bay.

London, April 21.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from St. Petersburg says M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers, has formally resigned.

Shanghai, April 21.—Five Chinese warships are in the offing, evidently watching the Russian cruiser Askold, which was reported disarmed after she took refuge in this harbor after the destruction of the Russian Port Arthur fleet. The Askold has recently been painted white, and, with her yellow masts, resembles more a United States cruiser than a Russian.

It was learned yesterday that the

Exhibit Varieties of Wood.

Albany, Or., April 21.—One of the unique features of the exhibit which Linn county will place in the Lewis and Clark Fair is the use of various kinds of wood in manufacturing the woodwork for the exhibit. The woodwork is being made in Albany, and every variety of tree that grows in Linn county will contribute to the exhibit. Great logs of rough wood have been dumped in front of the Rorer Bros.' planing mill during the past few weeks, and these are rapidly being turned into smooth pieces of finishing wood.

When the woodwork is completed, there will be seen to be blended all the colors of the great variety of wood that grows in the mountains or on the plains of Linn county. Not a single variety of tree or shrub that ever reaches sufficient size to be utilized in any manner for building or finishing material will be overlooked.

Every shade of natural wood color, from the soft white of the big white fir to the dark red of the knotty laurel, will appear. Great osken knots and straight smooth pine will be side by side, making altogether what local people believe will be a very attractive and unique feature of the exhibit.

Newlands Has Hobby.

Washington, April 21.—Included in the general question of railroad rate

parts of guns and engines taken away by the Chinese authorities have been replaced, and that a pilot has been engaged for a period of three months. Under his direction the Askold has been placed in condition for sea.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—The ministry of finance has received a telegram from a confidential agent at Shanghai giving a rumor that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky has already passed the straits of Formosa without encountering Vice-Admiral Togo.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—A telegram from the seat of war in Manchuria states that the Japanese armies are advancing northward, preceded by cavalry.

Paris, April 21.—Premier Rouvier stated to the chamber of deputies today that the government had sent a request to Admiral Rojestvensky to leave Indo-China waters which come within the jurisdiction of France.

Sisters at Church.

New York, April 21.—Nan Patterson and sister, Julia Smith, attended church services today at the Presbyterian chapel in the Tombs. When the sermon was over the two women were taken to the hospital cell, where they occupy a double room. They spent the afternoon in reading and conversation.

legislation, pending before the senate,

is a proposition for the naming of a national incorporation act for interstate railroads. The discussion of this subject will form a feature of the hearing before the interstate commerce committee of the senate with a desire of obtaining the opinions of the railroad men as to the applicability of the proposed system to the railroads. That they may be prepared in advance with information on this subject Senator Newlands, of Nevada, has sent to a number of prospective witnesses before the committee a circular letter calling attention to the matter.

Equip Panama Road.

Washington, April 21.—President Shonts and Vice-President Wallace, of the Panama railroad, this afternoon contracted with the American Locomotive Company to supply 24 large double-end mogul engines, at a cost of \$12,000 each. The specifications are being prepared for the purchase of 500 freight cars and other equipment, which will aid materially to the capacity of the road.

Last Recital.

Saturday evening—Thalian School of Oratory and Physical Culture, assisted by Prof. Graham's violin pupils, Tioga hall.

POLICY HOLDERS WANT RECEIVER NAMED

Chicago, April 21.—Charging gross frauds and unlawful manipulation of the funds of the society, six policy holders of the Equitable Company today filed a petition in the United States circuit court for the appointment of a receiver for the big insurance company.

President Alexander and Vice-President Hyde are made the subjects of scathing accusations of misappropriation of funds and management of the business. The sensational controversy now going on among the factions is declared to be ruinous. Complainants express the fear that the business of the concern will be destroyed to the

tremendous loss of the policy holders. The decision to ask for a receiver was made at a meeting of the policy holders held at the office of D. J. Schuyler, in the New York Life building. The complainants are John G. Sandits, Abraham Sitron, Julius Ettelson, Max Ettelson, Louis Neuman, Samuel Lyons and Edna Lyons.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 21.—The general agents' committee of the Equitable arrived in this city today, and arranged for a conference with Superintendent Frank Henderson, of the state insurance department, looking to immediate state action in the affairs of the society.

LEADERS OF STRIKE HOLD CONFERENCE

Chicago, April 21.—In response to an invitation from Mayor Dunne, to hold a conference this afternoon regarding the strike the leaders have agreed to meet the mayor, and postponed their visit to the wholesale houses, as planned for today. The sentiment among the union teamsters is for a general strike unless something tangible comes from the conference with the mayor. It is probable that a vote of 35,000 members of the teamsters will be taken tonight on the proposition to quit work. Such a move would paralyze the city's industries.

TICKET SCALPERS HARVEST

San Francisco, April 21.—Fire this morning in the Southern Pacific office in the ferry building destroyed thousands of railroad tickets, and will cause trouble in duplication, and may prove a harvest for ticket scalpers.

Fire at Convent.

Montreal, April 21.—St. Ann's Convent at St. Genevieve near Montreal was destroyed by fire early this morning and 13 lives are known to have been lost.

There were about 100 inmates in the building. As they were rescued in their night clothing, the villagers threw open their homes. The night was cold and a fierce wind was blowing and many suffered severely. There were about 20 aged women, some nearly 100 years old, and it is feared that the shock in some cases will prove fatal. Sister Bagetaria, the mistress, lost her life in an effort to save children. Of the aged women boarders four are known to be dead. Of the children nine are dead, their ages ranging from 11 to 18. The village had no fire brigade and before help arrived from Montreal the big building was in ruins.

Eastern Roads Building.

Sioux City, Ia., April 21.—The contract for the extension of the Great Northern from Sioux City, to Ashland, Neb., has been let to Peter Siems, a St. Paul contractor, according to advices received here. It is said that a big force of men will be put to work within ten days.

The extension of the Great Northern from Sioux City to Ashland will unite the Great Northern and the Burlington. The Great Northern has already spent several hundred thousand dollars in purchasing terminals in Sioux City, and made plans for the expenditure of \$1,500,000 more here.

A special construction train passed through the city today on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul on its way to Armour, S. D., to begin work on the proposed extension from Armour to Chamberlain. In some quarters it is believed that this move means that the Milwaukee will build to the coast.

Honored English Baroness Now 93.

London, April 21.—Baroness Burdett-Coutts, looking remarkably well for one of her age, celebrated her 93d birthday. All day long a procession of telegraph boys bringing messages from every part of the world, messenger boys carrying flowers and friends bearing parcels kept arriving at her home in Stratton street. King Edward Queen Alexandra, and other members of the royal family were among those to send congratulatory messages.

Jefferson Improves.

West Palm Beach, Fla., April 21.—Joseph Jefferson passed another good night, and his condition this morning shows a slight improvement over yesterday.

WOODMEN ELECTION MONDAY

Los Angeles, April 21.—The Woodmen of the World are discussing ways and means and finances, and the election of officers will probably go over to Monday. The slate is: I. I. Boke, of Denver, head consul; A. E. Sunderland, of Fresno, head adviser; J. C. Lutschaw, of Pueblo, Colo., head clerk; R. E. Snodgrass, of Eugene, Or., head banker; T. M. Robinson, of Oakland; W. C. Hawley, of Salem, Or.; James Stanhouse, of Denver, head managers. The delegates will attend a theatre party this evening, and go to Catalina Island on Saturday and Sunday.

Igorrotes Oppose Taxes.

Seattle, Wash., April 21.—If the Philippine Commission attempts to enforce the collection of taxes among the Igorrotes trouble will be experienced. Twice the date for commencing the payment of taxes has been postponed, and each time the natives have concluded that the American government does not dare to attempt an enforcement of the commission's decree.

During the time the islands were under Spanish control no attempt was made to collect taxes from the Igorrotes and other so-called non-Christian tribes. Spanish officials were unable to penetrate very far into the Igorrote country, and the wild tribesmen have never contributed toward the expenses of white government.

Chief Fomeloey, the leader of the Igorrote party now in Seattle on the way to the Portland Exposition, whose selection by his tribe for the journey increases his popularity, is strongly opposed to the collection of taxes. He is regarded as a rich man among the Igorrote tribes, owning about 200 head of carabao and a correspondingly large amount of land.

The carabao of the Igorrotes are worth from \$75 to \$100 gold and are raised more for food purposes than as beasts of burden. In the lower provinces the carabao, trained to work, are worth twice as much as the Igorrote animals.

It is impossible to explain the necessity of taxation to Fomeloey, who sturdily insists his people never paid taxes and gain nothing by contributing to the government.

Physical Culture and Oratory.

In the closing recital to be given tomorrow night at Tioga hall, by the Thalian school, Miss Phelps will be assisted by Prof. Graham's violin pupils. Admission free, reserved seats 20 cents.

Garfield Coming West.

Kansas City, April 21.—Commissioner Garfield left Topeka today on his way to California, where he will investigate the conditions of the oil fields.

Russian Minister Dead.

Peking, April 21.—M. Paul Lessar, the Russian minister to China, whose foot was recently amputated, died last night.

PROUD OF HIS SHOT

Glenwood Springs, Colo., April 21.—Secretary Loeb, after his return from the President's camp, settled down for another three-day wait for news. He said he found the President in fine fettle and delighted at having killed his bear. He is proud of the second shot which broke the bear's backbone, and put an end to its killing the dogs. Saturday camp will be moved to the Gregor ranch, on the west divide. The third camp will be made still further over toward Redstone. May 14th the president will come to remain over night and the following day he starts for Denver.

Trading Stamp Run.

New York, April 20.—The run which began yesterday on the trading stamp store of Benedict & McFarland was continued today by hundreds of excited women. While they were clamoring for the redemption of the books of blue stamps they held, creditors of the concern filed a petition in bankruptcy against it. Later in the day United States Judge Holt appointed a receiver.

The company was incorporated in 1902 with a capital of \$1,000,000. It established branches in Chicago, Denver, St. Louis and other large cities. One of its big contracts with a store in New York terminated a few days ago, and news of this precipitated the run.

Observance of Good Friday.

Chicago, Ill., April 21.—Services in the Catholic churches and in many Protestant churches, and the closing of the schools, the banks, the board of trade and stock exchange marked the observance of Good Friday in Chicago.

Virginia Town Burning.

Portsmouth, Va., April 21.—The residence section of this city is burning, and the wind is blowing a 35-mile gale. The fire department is unable to cope with the flames.

Delcasse Mal Resign.

Paris, April 21.—It is rumored that Foreign Minister Delcasse intends to resign.

FAVORS MOTOR CARS

Omaha, Neb., April 21.—That the Union Pacific officials are satisfied with the trial of the new gasoline motor cars and believe it will revolutionize traffic is attested by the official announcement that the construction of additional motor cars will begin immediately. These cars will be much larger than the one just completed. Speaking of the Union Pacific plan to build additional cars, Vice-President Mohler said:

"There is little doubt, that when this service is established, the people on the branch lines can be accommodated at intermediate points, instead of solely at the stations. There is no doubt but that this method of transportation will revolutionize the work on branch lines, and, to some extent, on the main lines. It will also permit the construction by older lines of a less expensive character than those now in operation. The roads will thus be enabled to materially improve the service and facilities for the benefit of the people tributary to the present and projected lines."

The significance of the official announcement lies in the fact that, while other roads have experimented with gasoline cars, none of them, after thoroughly testing the experimental cars, decided to build additional cars. Other trunk lines undoubtedly will follow the Union Pacific's lead and adopt the gasoline car for use on branch lines, and to some extent on main lines.

Out Officers' Salaries.

Los Angeles, April 21.—The Woodmen of the World committee reported in favor of rearranging the salaries as follows: Head consul, per year, \$5000; head managers, each, \$1200; head banker, \$1200; clerk, \$2500; auditor, \$3000; finance committee, \$1500. The report was adopted.

Bodies Recovered.

Charleston, W. Va., April 21.—The bodies of the five miners who were killed in the explosion at Kayford mine were found this morning and all removed. The mine is little damaged.



Jos. Meyers & Sons
SALEM'S GREATEST STORE
THE "WHITE CORNER" (Third Floor)

EASTER SUITS FOR LADIES

By far the largest variety to select from. Suits of Silk and Mohair in the newest of this season's creations at much below their real worth. A great many have taken advantage of this special sale to secure their Easter gowns. Time for you yet.

\$25.00 values during the sale	\$21.35
\$30.00 values during the sale	26.65
\$27.50 and \$28.50 values during the sale	23.85
\$40.00 values during the sale	34.85

Easter Special of Dress Goods

Grenadines and Foulards

In navy, rose and brown. Regular 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 values. Easter special.

68c yd

Cravenetted Brilliantines

Invisible plaids, checks and stripes in all wanted colors. Regular \$1.50 values during the sale.

68c yd

Imported Sicilians

Cravenetted, invisible checks and shadow effects in all desirable colors. Regular \$2 values.

\$1.48 yd

Muslin Underwear GREATLY UNDERPRICED.

The great special is attracting great crowds of shoppers who are eagerly buying their season's needs. Think of paying 12c, 17c, 25c, 50c \$1.00 for underwear that under ordinary circumstances you would pay almost double.

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We are Salem Agents for the Bell System. Notice advertising elsewhere.

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FIT GUARANTEED.

The excellence and popularity of our selections is attested by the daily increasing sales.

\$10 to \$25

We have heard of men who could not be fitted with ready-to-wear clothes; strange to say, we have never met 'em.

LACE CURTAINS EXCEPTIONAL VALUES.

We are thoroughly ready to meet your curtain needs with the best selection shown in this city, and at prices that are sure winners.

50c to \$15

CURTAIN RODS

Flexible curtain rods, made from highest quality nickel plated piano wire, extends to fit perfectly all 30 to 48-inch windows. Complete ready to put up.

15c

BIG LOT OF TRUNKS

RECEIVED YESTERDAY

WE'RE SHOWING A FINE ASSORTMENT OF Novelty Panama Suitings

SEE THE DISPLAY IN OUR Dress Goods Department

The prices are extremely low. THERE IS TRUE ECONOMY IN BUYING THE BEST. IF THE QUALITY ISN'T RIGHT, AN ARTICLE IS EXPENSIVE AT ANY PRICE. We pay especial attention to quality, and our methods of business enable us to sell the best at prices usually asked for inferior goods.

In Our Shoe Department

We are making a general clean up of ODD LOTS, which we have put in BARGAIN BOXES, at greatly reduced prices.

Barnes' Cash Store
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Is growing, because we undersell "regular stores."