

PEOPLE DEMAND POWER IN CHINA

Senate Votes For Early Opening of Parliament.

WAVE OF PATRIOTISM AROUSED

Impassioned Speeches Increase Following of Opposition—Organizations of Merchants Throughout Country Give Support—Revolution Predicted Unless Throne Surrenders.

Peking, Oct. 24.—A surprising revolt has taken place against the government. The imperial senate, not yet three weeks old, has voted to memorialize the throne for the early opening of a general parliament. This action will not be a submissive or mock institution, but one with which the grand council must reckon.

As far back as last June a formal demand was made for the immediate convocation of a national parliament, the establishment of which had been promised for the year 1915. An imperial decree was then issued, refusing the demand which was made by delegates to the provincial assemblies and was supported by organizations of merchants throughout the country. The imperial senate no sooner assembled on Oct. 3 than the provincial delegates formed an opposition party and arrayed themselves against the throne. The question of the parliament was brought up daily and the demand was made that it should have executive and not merely advisory power. The campaign culminated when impassioned speeches were made, in which it was pointed out that a change was imperative for the salvation of the country. This plea won over a large number.

Russo-Jap Agreement Agitated.

The Russo-Japanese agreement with reference to the annexation of Korea by Japan, has been employed effectively by agitators and press during the last few months to create a wave of patriotism and this propaganda has made considerable progress among the intelligent classes, the progressive party now showing a strong front against the united officials and the Manchurian army. It is generally recognized, however, that the prince regent is sincere in his desire that the best interests of the country shall be served and that he has resisted the change only because he has been advised to do so by the venerable grand councilors, who believe that the country is not prepared for so sweeping a change and that the establishment of liberal institutions might result in a calamity.

Following the action of the senate, there are intimations that many of the political leaders are determined to obtain their demands. In private conversations, educated Chinese speak of a revolution within two years unless the throne surrenders. A factor in the situation, however, is the garrison in Peking and army divisions stationed in neighboring districts, which are all Manchurian. The Chinese troops are always kept at a distance from the capital.

FATHER WEEPS FOR SON

Myron A. Crippen Hears News of Dentist's Conviction.

Los Angeles, Oct. 24.—"My son is innocent even though he stands convicted and I firmly believe his wife, Belle Elmore, is living somewhere in the United States."

With tears streaming down his face, Myron A. Crippen, father of the dentist found guilty of the murder of his wife and sentenced in London to be hanged Nov. 15, made this statement when the news was broken to him here. Mr. Crippen is practically penniless.

PINK MONKEYS AND SNAKES

Memphis Man Leaves \$5,000 to Nurse Who Chased Animals From Bed.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 24.—In papers filed in a suit to contest the will of E. J. Halley, who died leaving an estate of \$200,000, Mrs. Anna Laura Morridge says Halley gave \$5,000 "to the nurse who kindly chased a pink monkey from the foot of his bed in the midst of his sufferings." "To the cook who removed snakes from his broth was left \$5,000," says the contestant.

Federal Court Aids Prohibitionists.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 24.—All of the federal courts was successfully invoked by the Law and Order league to enforce the prohibition law which the city, county and state authorities have not enforced in Memphis. United States Judge McCall granted a temporary order against 114 saloons, pending a hearing on next Thursday, restraining them from serving intoxicating liquors.

Black Hand Mystery in Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 24.—"Black Hand" letters, demanding sums ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000 under threats of bombs, have been a police mystery in South Chicago for eight months. Despite the fact that the police on two occasions have watched a bogus package of money placed in the location fixed in the letters, they know as little of the writer of the letters as they did when the first one was received eight months ago.

MRS. LITTLETON GETS BUSY

Wife of Candidate in New York Conducts His Campaign.

New York, Oct. 24.—Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, wife of the Democratic candidate for congress in the First district, is resolved that her husband shall not fail of election because of any inactivity on her part.

In an automobile, which was decorated with Mr. Littleton's picture, Mrs. Littleton visited Bohemia, Islip, East Islip, Babylon, Bayshore and Patchogue, vigorously announcing to everyone she knew and many that she did not know, that Mr. Littleton would make an ideal congressman.

Into the stores of the villages the candidate's wife went, carrying lithographs of her husband. Her charming personality and persuasive manner induced every storekeeper to allow the enthusiastic wife campaigner to exhibit Littleton's picture in the window.

"I am conducting a publicity campaign along English lines," Mrs. Littleton said. "I go through the towns in advance of my husband and try to inform the people of his candidacy. Everywhere I have been received with enthusiasm and courtesy. In places I made house to house canvass. I am confident of the success of my methods and am assured Mr. Littleton will be elected."

KING OF SIAM DIES SUDDENLY

Ruler Passes Away Following an Illness of Only Few Days.

Bangkok, Siam, Oct. 24.—King Chulalongkorn died at 12:40 a. m. following a brief illness.

King Chulalongkorn I. was born Sept. 31, 1853. He was the eldest son of the late King Maha Mongkut and he succeeded to the throne in 1895.



Chulalongkorn was one of the most enlightened rulers of Asia, was fond of arts and letters and had traveled in England and the continent. There was talk recently to the effect that he was planning a visit to the United States. His reign was marked by the progress of his kingdom.

TRIES TO KILL GUERRA

Member of Secret Police Shoots Cuban Commander in Leg.

Havana, Oct. 24.—An attempt was made to assassinate Major General Pino Guerra, commander of the Cuban army. General Guerra was leaving the presidential palace when he was shot in the leg and seriously wounded. A sentry on guard at the palace gate was also shot, the bullet striking him in the breast. The assailant, who was captured, proved to be a member of the national secret police. The cause of the attack is not known.

IOWA COMMERCIAL CONGRESS MEETS

Better Hotels and Depots is Key-note of Gathering.

Des Moines, Oct. 22.—Improved conditions for the traveling man is the keynote of a meeting held here, at which every traveling men's association in the state, a number of railroad companies, the state railroad commission, state board of health, the State Hotel Men's association and the Iowa Telephone company were represented.

The occasion is the annual meeting of the Iowa Commercial congress. W. L. Eaton of the state railroad commission delivered the principal address speaking on "Railroad Rates." Mr. Eaton urged an equalization of both freight and passenger rates. He said that he was not in favor of any material decrease in the present freight rates, but would rather see more money go into improvements and the up-keep of railroad systems. J. C. Davis, general attorney for the North western, spoke along the same lines. Dr. Sumner of the state board of health spoke on sanitary conditions and said that the traveling man or others should be interested in the best possible sanitary conditions for trains, hotels and depots. M. M. Rees of the Burlington system spoke on the depot question and J. A. Gunn spoke for the Independent Association of the Association. The meeting was held at the Hotel Waterloo.

BLACKLEG IN WHITE POTATO

Disease Threatens Tubers Which Appears Daily on Table.

GERMS WIDELY DISTRIBUTED.

Agricultural Department Issues Warning to Growers to Be on Lookout for It—Spread Can Be Checked by Selection of Seed From Fields Free From Disease.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Every schoolboy is familiar with the "eyes" of the homely white potato, which appears on the average American's table in some form at almost every meal, but many of the oldest and most experienced farmers will look puzzled when they read Uncle Sam's recent bulletin on the "Blackleg of the Potato."

"Blackleg" is a bacterial potato disease on the stems of the potato, originating in Europe, while in Germany it was called "black stem" or "black shank." Blackleg has been accepted as the English translation of the German name, even though it does not fit in with the anatomy of the vegetable which is such a great money-maker in many sections of the United States.

Three and a half millions acres of land are planted to Irish potatoes in this country, with an average yield of about 100 bushels to the acre, or a total production of nearly 400,000,000 bushels, with the enormous value of more than \$200,000,000. With such tremendous farm interests at stake, the new disease is not to be considered lightly, say the experts. Reports to the office of the experiment station in the agricultural department show that it is becoming widely distributed throughout much of the potato-growing areas of the United States. In describing the disease, Professor W. J. Morse of the office of experiment stations says:

"Blackleg probably was introduced into Canada from England, and from there into the United States. It occurs, to some extent at least, over a considerable area of the potato-growing sections in eastern United States and Canada. A similar disease is also found in England, Germany, France and other parts of Europe. It has been reported from Charleston, S. C.; Norfolk, Portsmouth and several points on the eastern shore of Virginia; Beltsville, Md.; Long Island, N. Y.; Carley, Colo., and Tennessee."

"The attacked plants are usually unthrifty, light green in color, or even yellow, and undersized. The branches and leaves have a tendency to grow upward forming a rather compact top. The most characteristic symptom is the inkly black discoloration of the stem at or below the surface of the ground. This discoloration often extends two or three inches above the surface and the invaded tissues show a soft, wet decay during the active progress of the disease."

"It seems that the blackleg is largely distributed by means of germs in the wounds cracks and decayed parts of the seed tubers. The movement and spread of the disease can probably be controlled by the selection of seed from fields free from the disease, the rejection of all seed tubers which have wounds cracks or decayed parts and by treating the remainder with corrosive sublimate or formaldehyde solution, or with formaldehyde gas, as is done for potato seed."

"Potato growers should be on their guard against its introduction into new areas or its further dissemination in regions already known to be infected."

GREAT AIR ARMY IN FIELD

Officers of the Army and Navy Assigned to Co-operate.

New York, Oct. 24.—America's air army is ready for business. John Barry Ryan, son of Thomas F. Ryan, founder and commodore of the United States aeronautical reserve, said in a signed statement:

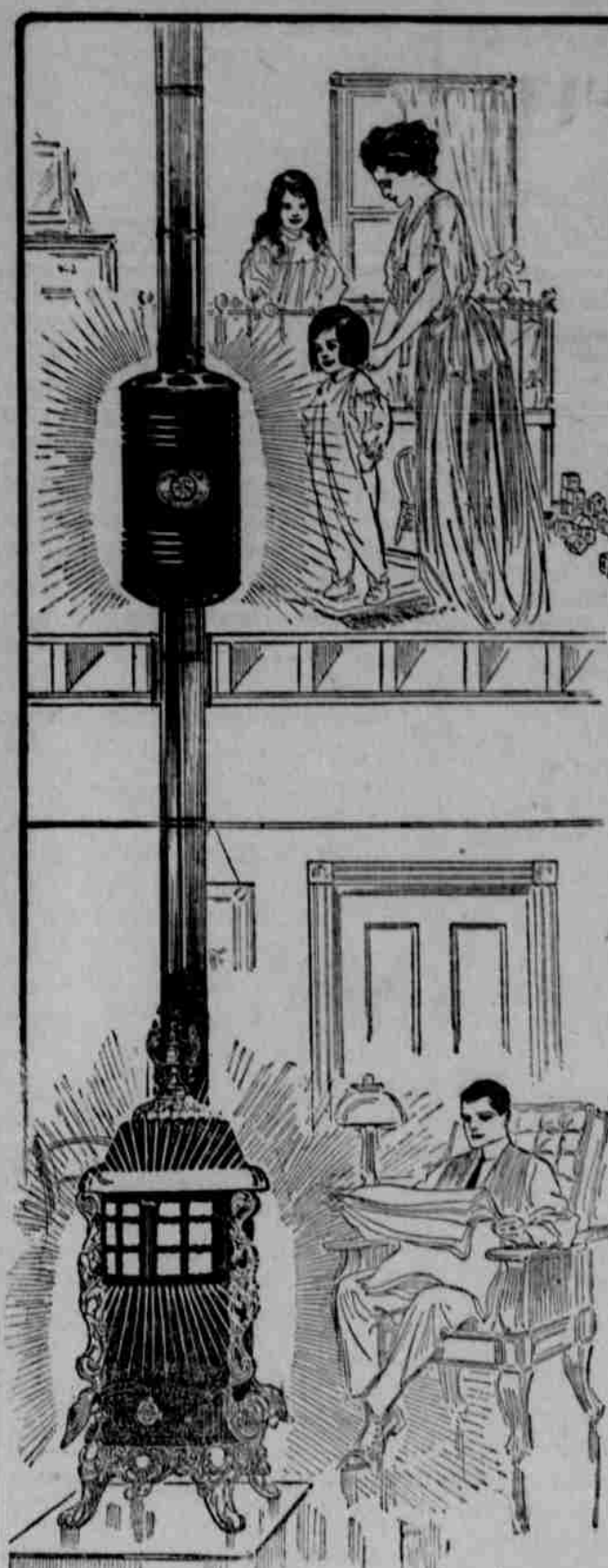
"We have 3,500 men, in every state in the union, enlisted in the aeronautical reserve to act as scouts in time of war and for service in time of battle. Officers of the army and navy have been assigned to co-operate in the organization of an aeronautical reserve corps."

"The aeroplane will eventually make war so full of horrors, by its inevitable increasing power to destroy fortifications, ships and towns, that it will be one of the greatest means of bringing about peace among nations."

Ten Persons Are Injured.

Louisville, Oct. 24.—Ten persons were injured, none of them fatally, when the building on Main street between Third and Fourth, occupied by the Ahrens & Ott Manufacturing company, partially collapsed. Those injured were employees of the company. The property damage is not great.

Iowa City, Ia., Oct. 22.—News leaked out of the secret marriage of Miss Dora Dean of Iowa City, a student in the state university, to Sergeant John Shannon, U. S. A., Fort Des Moines, the ceremony having been performed by Rev. Van Horn of Des Moines, Sept. 24. The bride left for Des Moines.



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A MOST PLEASANT AND INTERESTING EVENT

The "farmers" party given by the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church Saturday evening, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newell, was fairly well attended in spite of the fact that there were several other attractions in the city, which were in session at the same time. A small admission fee of ten cents was charged at the door, which will be used for defraying the expense of the church calendar. As per request, a number came dressed appropriate to the occasion, and those deserving special mention were Misses Johnston and Gass, as their costumes were quite unique. On their arrival, a slip of paper bearing a name was pinned on each guest and then a raw potato or turnip was handed them, each guest being requested to keep the potato or turnip handed them, as they would have use for it later in the evening. The evening entertainment was opened with a spelling contest, those having the potatoes constituting the one side and those having the turnips the other. The words given out were to be spelled backwards and pronounced immediately after the word had been given out. The words spelled backwards constituted another word. This created considerable merriment, as many stopped to think, some spelled the word the wrong way, while others forgot to pronounce it after spelling it, thereby having to take a back seat. Bowling for apples was then indulged in, the contestant being allowed the number of apples struck by the ball, which had been thrown at a stated distance. The company was then requested to find the members of their family, after which boxes containing lunches were distributed by families. The lunches, consisting of pickles, sandwiches and fruit, were spread and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. An hour or so spent in a social way brought to a close a most delightful evening.

Here From Ashland.

J. B. LaChappelle, of Ashland, was in the city a few hours today, enroute to Glenwood, Iowa, where he has some business matters to look after. While in the city Mr. LaChappelle called at the Journal office for a brief visit with the publisher and brief in general. He is an old time newspaper man, and knows well the ups and downs of the newspaper life, having filled most every capacity in the newspaper and job office, and for years was the publisher of the Glenwood, (Iowa) Journal, and up to a few years ago publisher of the Saunders County Journal, at Ashland. The publisher of the Journal has known Mr. LaChappelle for the past twenty years, and we have always classed him as one of the ablest newspaper writers of this section. Of late years he has been in the real estate business, and is doing well, and at present is agent for a large tract of Texas land. We were indeed pleased to meet him.

G. A. R. Hold Interesting Meeting.

At the regular meeting of the local post of G. A. R. in this city last Saturday evening, at which Comrade William D. Layton was mustered in as a member of this post with the usual ceremony.

Col. McMaken, who was a delegate to the national encampment at Jersey City, New Jersey, was present and gave a very interesting account of the reunion, for which he received a vote of thanks from the members of the post.

EAGLE.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and daughter, Jeannette, were visiting relatives in Plattsmouth Sunday.

George McFall, of Brunswick, Nebraska, visited his uncle, M. McFall, Saturday evening. He also visited A. M. Trumble.

J. M. Gooch left Wednesday night for St. Louis, where he will visit a few days before continuing on his trip to his home in West Virginia.

G. L. Meyers and Guy Adams have each bought three lots in the southeast part of town and have begun the erection of two fine cottages. Guy says you never can tell what is going to happen.

C. S. Trumble returned the first of the week from Edgar, Nebraska, where he visited his daughter, Mrs. A. P. Purbough. While there he visited the rest of the former Eagleites. He expresses himself as being well pleased with the country there.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Wetenkamp, sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. Wetenkamp, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Snoko, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Crabtree, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Crabtree all spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beach, in Lincoln.

Dan Wilson sold his restaurant stock last week and the new man will take possession some time this week. A. L. McDonald drew the commission. Mr. Wilson doesn't know for certain where he will locate, but probably will go to the Pacific coast for his health.

Home From Hospital.

M. Mauzy, who has been in the hospital at Omaha for the past few weeks, where he underwent an operation for piles, returned home last Saturday evening, feeling greatly relieved, with all prospects for a permanent cure. Mr. Mauzy has been ailing for some time, the seat of which ailment has been attributed to rectal troubles, and the operation was deemed best for his relief and a permanent cure, which his many friends in Plattsmouth hope may be the result. He is feeling fine today, and prospects are most favorable.

Mrs. J. W. Gamble departed this morning to make a tour of cities in northeastern Nebraska, visiting local organizations of the P. E. O. society, and furnishing such instructions as grand conductress as her duties as such officer require. Mrs. Gamble will visit Herman, Tekamah, Decatur and Rosalie before her return.

An Explanation.

Editor of Journal—My Dear Sir:

Returning from a trip, I note that during my absence a criticism was made in the Journal, also in the News through "Citizen," relative to work being done in the postoffice by an out of town man. I am agent for the Riley block, and am responsible for the work being done by this party. I beg to state, however, that before going out of town for help, I first tried to get Mr. Peoples, also Mr. Vordran, both of whom said they could not possibly do the work on account of other work on hands. I tried to get in touch with Mr. Mahony, but could not, and was told that he was also engaged. Mr. Beal, who has done a great deal of work for me, had been unable to get around to do several jobs for me that had been waiting on him; I also made other efforts, it being an emergency, the government inspector having been here and both he and Postmaster Schneider insisting that the work be done without delay, as a last resort before starting on my trip, I telephoned to Glenwood for Mr. Deewester. I have had thousands of dollars' worth of painting and paper hanging done in Plattsmouth, and had it all done by local men, and I shall continue to employ them in the future as in the past, unless it should become necessary to do otherwise, as in this case. I believe in doing all that I legitimately can to build up Plattsmouth, and if there has been a movement in its behalf within the past 30 years that I have not taken an active part in, I can not call it to mind.

Yours truly,
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