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TOO DEEP FOR WORDS.



"Little Russian comment"—(news item), but a lot of thinking.

EXTRA CONGRESS

PRESIDENT LIKELY TO MAKE A CALL FOR SAME.

DATE WILL BE NOVEMBER NINTH

Additional Four Weeks to Be Devoted to Cuban Treaty, with Ample Scope for Tariff Discussion—Rural Free Delivery Matters.

WASHINGTON—It now seems to be certain that President Roosevelt will call congress in extraordinary session November 9. The extra session will be called for action upon the Cuban treaty. The president has informed congressional visitors recently of his intention to call congress together in extra session on the date mentioned. This will give congress nearly a month to work in before the date for the regular session. The first Monday in December, fixed by law for the regular session to begin, falls on December 7 this year. By beginning on November 9 there will be plenty of time to dispose of the Cuban tariff matter. The program of the republican leaders in congress will be, unless there is a change in their present intentions, to permit the democrats all the opportunity they desire during the extra session to discuss questions of tariff and reciprocity and kindred subjects. After the regular session begins little opportunity will be allowed and republican leaders and committees will work together to prevent tariff taking up any time or hold any place of importance in legislative business. What the policy and attitude of the party will be on tariff in the presidential election will depend on future developments.

Rural Delivery.
A great deal of wild talk has been indulged in during the past few weeks as to the probability of congress abandoning the whole rural free delivery service as a result of the postoffice scandals. That such talk is absurd is easy to understand when it is remembered that every member of the house whose district is not confined to a large city is directly interested in the maintenance and growth of the rural free delivery service. It may be true that routes have been established in districts which were not entitled to them when the population and postal business were considered, but on the other hand, all members representing rural populations have been tarred with the same stick. Political lines have never been drawn in the establishment of rural routes, and during the past two years when congress was in session forty per cent of the absentees could have been discovered in the headquarters of the rural free delivery service urging upon the superintendent the necessity of consideration of routes in which each individual was directly interested.

Street Cars Running at Dubuque.
DUBUQUE, Ia.—Street cars resumed operations Sundays with four companies of militia guarding the company's property. There was no disturbance.

Peter Expresses Satisfaction.
GENEVA—King Peter has expressed his approval of the program for his reception in Belgrade, which will include a gala performance at the theater.

FOR KING PETER.

Called on to Avenge Murdered Monarchs.

ST. PETERSBURG—An official note was published in the Gazette Thursday recognizing Peter Karageorgievitch as king of Serbia and welcoming his accession. In brief the note declares that it is incumbent upon King Peter to avenge the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga and expresses the conviction that he will know how to severely punish the regicides, whose misdeeds should not be visited on the entire Servian nation or army. The text of the note follows:

A week has now elapsed since the day of the bloody revolution at Belgrade, an intimation of which could not be given to the imperial government in the customary official form because legal authority was lacking in Serbia.

Strictly adhering to its standpoint of non-intervention in the internal affairs of the Balkan states, and at the same time finding it impossible to hold any intercourse with the persons who have arbitrarily usurped power, Russia has awaited the conclusion of the troubles in order to define clearly its attitude toward the events in the kingdom of Serbia.

The skupshtina and senate assembled in extraordinary session June 16, the legal order of things was re-established and Prince Peter Karageorgievitch was unanimously elected king.

The prince, complying with the request of the national assembly, has consented to ascend the throne of Serbia under the name of Peter I. Immediately after the proclamation the new king telegraphed to the czar asking his imperial majesty to recognize him as king, whereupon the reply of his majesty in confirmation of this was sent.

The imperial government, while hailing the election of the new monarch, scion of a glorious dynasty, and wishing all success to the supreme head of the Servian people, which is allied to Russia by ties of religion, can nevertheless not refrain from expressing the confident hope that King Peter will be able to give evidence of his sense of justice and firmness of will by adopting measures at the outset to investigate the abominable deed that has been committed and mete out rigorous punishment to those traitorous criminals who have stained themselves with the infamy attaching to regicides.

Of course the entire Servian nation or its army cannot be held responsible for the crime which revolts public conscience, yet it would be dangerous to Serbia's internal peace not to exact expiation for the revolution carried out with violence by the military. Such neglect will inevitably react in an unfavorable manner on the relations of all the states with Serbia and would create for Serbia serious difficulties at the very commencement of the reign of King Peter I.

Their Russian co-religionists offer to God supplications for the repose of the souls of King Alexander and his consort, who have met an untimely end, and they invoke the blessings of the Almighty on the rule of King Peter for the welfare and prosperity of the Servian people.

Jews Need Not Fear in Odessa.
ST. PETERSBURG—General Arsenoff, the new prefect of police of Odessa, in receiving a deputation of rabbis recently, assured them that the Jews of Odessa could pursue their avocations without fearing anti-Semite outbreaks.

METCALF LET OUT

SUPERINTENDENT OF MONEY ORDER SYSTEM REMOVED.

TROUBLE IS ABOUT CONTRACTS

Authorities Deem Certain Indiscretions Sufficient to Warrant Dismissal—Two Firms Want Work Which Lowest Bidders Are Refused.

WASHINGTON—As a result of alleged indiscretion in the award of contracts for printing money order forms James T. Metcalfe, superintendent of the money order system of the post-office department, was removed from office by the postmaster general. A full investigation will be made later.

The dismissal is the result of acts opposing the bid of Paul Herman of Rutherford, N. J., the lowest bidder by \$45,000, and in favor of the next highest bidder, the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company of New York, of which Mr. Metcalfe's son is an employe.

The story is briefly told in the following letter of dismissal signed by Postmaster General Payne:

"Mr. James T. Metcalfe, Superintendent of Money Order System, Post-office Department.—Dear Sir: You are hereby removed from the position of superintendent of the money order system.

"The charges upon which your removal is based relate to your actions in the matter of letting the contract for money order forms. It appears from your answer that when the proposals of the different competitors for the contract of supplying money order forms were opened Paul Herman of Rutherford, N. J. (formerly employed as foreman by the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company of New York, by which company it seems your son is also employed), was found to be the lowest bidder, his proposal being \$45,000 below that of the next highest bidder, namely the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company; that the bid of Herman as submitted was regular in form and that he had deposited a certified check for \$5,000 as a forfeit. It further appears that within a day or two the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company filed a protest against awarding the contract to Herman, alleging that he was not financially responsible; that a short time thereafter Mr. Herman called at your office and you advised him to withdraw his bid and re-enter the employ of the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company, understanding that at the time such withdrawal would result in the contract being awarded to said company and consequently in a loss to the government; that you offered to write and did write a letter to said company, apprising it of your interview with Herman and using your good offices in his behalf; that you advised Herman that his \$5,000 deposit would probably be returned to him if he adopted your suggestion. It further appears that you regarded Mr. Herman as possessing the mechanical qualifications requisite to the performance of the contract and that it was not any part of your duty to pass upon the question of his responsibility, financial or otherwise. It also appears that you did not acquaint your superior, First Assistant Postmaster General Wynne, with the fact that you had endeavored to have Mr. Herman withdraw his bid. It further appears that a hearing had been had before General Wynne on the question of the financial responsibility of Mr. Herman, although it has developed since the submission of your answer this morning that you discouraged such a hearing and manifested a desire that the contract be awarded to the Wynkoop-Hallenbeck-Crawford company. Very respectfully,

"H. C. PAYNE,
Postmaster General."

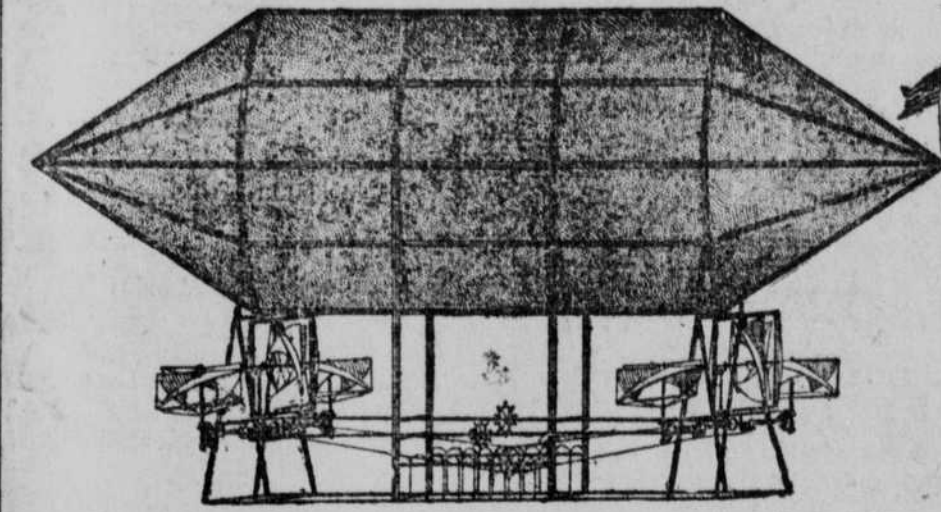
Charged With Crookedness.
SCRANTON, Pa.—A special committee was appointed by the select council to investigate an allegation that eight members of the body had banded together to hold up the Dalton Street Railway company for \$400 apiece. At the last meeting of the council the franchise was to come up for passage, but the quorum was broken by opponents of the measure.

Asks Aid for Flood Sufferers.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—A. L. Hereford, supreme chancellor of the Court of Honor, issued an address to the local courts of the organization requesting them to contribute to the aid of their brethren in Missouri, Iowa and Illinois who have lost their homes and other property by reason of the floods.

AIRSHIP DESIGNED BY ILLINOIS INVENTOR.

At Springfield, Ill., recently a meeting was held attended by 300 citizens to give public expression of approval to the ideas of Mr. Reiferscheid, who

1,000 pounds or more dead weight according to the amount of power used and carry it through the air at will; the populace appears willing to give



believes confidently that he has solved the problem of aerial navigation. Mr. Reiferscheid has been at work the past three years upon these plans, has built at different times five different balloons and at every test has given to the public just what he promised. The people therefore have confidence in him and when he insists that he has an airship that will lift

it financial backing. At the meeting Mr. Reiferscheid submitted a model of his machine, also a large drawing and explained in detail its workings. Citizens were so favorably impressed that they within one hour subscribed for 6,000 shares of stock to assist him in carrying out his plans and giving practical demonstration of his ideas.

HAIL PETER AS KING.

Servians Rejoice at Parliament's Unanimous Selection of Ruler.

BELGRADE—Prince Peter Karageorgievitch was duly elected king of Serbia Monday in joint session of the senate and skupshtina. The announcement was received with every manifestation of rejoicing.

The presiding officer of the joint session proposed the election of Prince Peter as king. Cheers greeted the proposals, which were repeated on the announcement that the vote was unanimous. The minister of justice hastened to the balcony and announced the fact to the waiting crowd. The people received the notification with cheers and a royal salute of 101 guns was fired.

Lieutenant Lazar Javadovics of the Sixth infantry shot and killed himself Sunday because his fellow officers did not permit him to participate in carrying out the plot against the late king and queen.

DISEASE IS STAMPED OUT.

Offers Reward for Case of Foot and Mouth Disease.

WASHINGTON—The secretary of agriculture having completed a careful investigation of the states now in quarantine for foot and mouth disease, without finding any cases of the disease, Tuesday issued a circular offering a reward of \$250 to any person who shall, before June 30, 1903, first report to the chief of the bureau of animal industry at Washington the existence of any specific case or cases of foot and mouth disease in any animal in either Massachusetts or New Hampshire. If no cases are reported by July 1, the quarantine will be removed and foreign countries asked to receive live stock from New England ports.

MRS. INGERSOLL BRINGS SUIT.

Wants Fee of \$100,000 Earned by Her Husband.

BOSTON, Mass.—A suit for \$100,000 was filed in the United States circuit court Tuesday by Mrs. Eva A. Ingersoll, administratrix of the estate of the late Robert G. Ingersoll, against Joseph A. Coram of Lowell, Mass., and others, heirs of the late Andrew J. Davis, for services which the libellant claims were rendered by her deceased husband. Mrs. Ingersoll also petitions the court for a writ of injunction against the heirs to restrain them from transferring the estate or personal property of the late Mr. Davis and for the court to appoint a receiver. The allegation made by Mrs. Ingersoll is that her husband did not receive the \$100,000 for services from the heirs for winning the case, as had been agreed upon.

He Wished a Simple Funeral.

DAYTON, O.—Extreme simplicity marked the funeral services over the remains of the late General Alexander McDowell McCook, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Charles A. Craighead, Monday. There were present only relatives of the family, close friends and members of the Loyal Legion. The service by Rev. Maurice E. Wilson consisted of reading scripture lessons, prayers and hymns. The funeral was in accordance with the wishes of General McCook, who did not desire any display. The remains were taken to Spring Grove cemetery, Cincinnati, for interment.

TRAINS COLLIDE

PASSENGER AND FREIGHT MEET WITH DISASTER.

TEN PEOPLE LOSE THEIR LIVES

Five Waterloo Men Are Among Those Slain in the Wreck—A Misunderstood Order is the Cause of the Trains Coming Together.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia.—Ten people were killed and two seriously wounded in a head-end collision one mile west of Raymond on the Illinois Central at 2:40 Friday morning. The eastbound limited, due at Cedar Falls at 2:15, crashed into the westbound freight. The killed:

JOHN R. GRIFFIN, passenger engineer, Waterloo.
D. J. BANTZ, passenger fireman, Waterloo.

FRED STONEMAN, freight engineer, Waterloo.

C. P. STICKNEY, freight brakeman, Waterloo.

I. C. MILLER, freight fireman, Waterloo.

F. L. GROOM, Dubuque, skull fractured, died in hospital at Waterloo shortly after removal there.

THREE UNIDENTIFIED TRAMPS. ONE UNIDENTIFIED EMIGRANT. The injured:

Charles Morran, Independence, stealing ride on freight.

George Hurd, negro, Independence, stealing ride on the passenger.

The collision was due to a misunderstanding of the orders given the freight crew at Waterloo and which were misread by them.

The passenger was seven minutes late out of Cedar Falls, but made up the time. Neither crew saw the other until they were but a few rods apart.

The wreck occurred in a deep cut on what is known as Raymond hill, both trains running at a high rate of speed at the time of the collision. Passenger No. 2, which is due to leave Waterloo at 2:33 a. m., pulled out of the station on time according to the report of the train crew at the depot.

A relief train was dispatched to the scene of the wreck from this city a little after 3 o'clock, returning about 8 o'clock with seven bodies. Three bodies were still buried under the wreck at the time the relief train made the second trip.

The wreck occurred just as the passenger train dropped over the brow of the hill, the deep cut and a curve shutting off the view of the approaching trains. Both engine crews were killed at their posts. The dead and wounded were brought to this city. The baggage and mail cars and seventeen freight cars are piled up to the height of the telegraph wires. Both engines were completely demolished.

HANNA IS NOT A CANDIDATE.

Reiterates His Declaration that He is Not After Vice Presidency.

CLEVELAND—In an interview Senator M. A. Hanna reiterated his recent statement that he was not and would not be a candidate for the vice presidency and if his nomination was made that he would decline to accept. He said further that his ambitions did not lie in that direction of the White House and nothing could induce him to alter his decision in the matter.

Colonel Myron T. Herrick, whose name also has been mentioned in connection with the vice presidency, said that his sole political ambition was to be elected governor of Ohio. Colonel Herrick thinks that the present discussion relative to a vice presidential nomination is inopportune.

CABLE IS READY FOR ALASKA

First Long Submarine Wire Ever Manufactured in America.

WASHINGTON—General Greeley has been informed that 580 miles of the submarine cable to be laid between Puget sound and Alaska have been shipped from New York to Seattle. The remaining 750 miles will be shipped from New York in August. This is the first long cable ever made in the United States. It is of the seamless rubber type. Captain Edgar Russell, signal corps, has started for Seattle to make preliminary arrangements for laying the cable and will be followed in August by Colonel James Allen, who has general charge.

Robbers Take the Stamps.

DES MOINES—Robbers broke into the postoffice at Rhodes, Marshall county, twenty miles northeast, and cleaned out the place of every stamp in the possession of the postmaster. The loss will be \$1,000.