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ON VERGE OF REVOLUTION

Crisis in Russia is Considered the Most Dangerous Yet Faced by the Emperor.

St. Petersburg, May 30.—The expected conflict between the government and the douma has come and as a result Russian today faces another crisis and perhaps the most dangerous that the nation has yet encountered. Only the most diplomatic handling of the situation and the back-down of one or the other of the opposing forces can avoid an utter break of relations between the assembly and the governing powers, which may bring about a greater revolution than that which has kept the country in an agony of suspense for months.

Disgusted with the tactics adopted by the governmental authorities in trying to nullify their power and make of the douma a plaything, the deputies yesterday took the bit in their teeth, so to speak, and bolted. Where they will end and drag the great mass of the people who support them, can only be surmised.

Real Demands Rejected.

The speech of Premier Goremykin in reply to the demands of the douma of the czar, was the final straw that broke the camel's back. While a pretense of reforms was outlined by the premier in the government's program for the douma's work, the real demands of the douma were rejected outright or ignored. Amnesty for political offenders, now confined in prisons throughout the country, and the expropriation of land so that the peasants may have an opportunity to earn an honest living, the two vital demands of the douma, were refused outright. Instead, the sop of a universal suffrage bill was handed out grudgingly to the deputies.

Angered beyond control by this fresh affront, which was piled on top of the other insults to which the deputies have submitted patiently during the few days the douma has been in session, the members determined to assert themselves.

BANK PRESIDENT ARRESTED

Birmingham, Ala.—Gordon Dubose, president of the First National bank of Ensley, Ala., was arrested here charged with embezzling \$40,000 of the bank's funds.

REPORTS INDIAN BILL

Washington—Mr. Sherman, from the committee in Indian affairs, presented to the house the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill.

400 MARINES AT GUANTANAMO

A cablegram received at the navy department announced the arrival at Guantanamo of the cruiser Columbia

with 400 marines aboard. She will take a full load of coal there, and, while the officials of the department will not state her itinerary, it is understood that she will not remain in Guantanamo longer than is necessary to complete this coaling, and then probably will start either for the isthmus or make her way nearer to Santo Domingo.

BRYAN REACHES BUDA PEST

Present in Parliament During Delivery of Speech

Buda Pest—William J. Bryan was present during the delivery of President Wekerle's speech before parliament.

GUILTY OF EMBEZZLEMENT

Minneapolis—Dr. J. F. Force, formerly president of the Northwestern National Life Insurance company, was found guilty of embezzlement. Sentence was deferred pending arguments on a motion for a new trial. The specific charge under which Dr. Force was convicted was the embezzlement of 135 shares of Metropolitan bank stock from the Northwestern Life Insurance company. The trial brought out much sensational testimony.

SHONTS HAS NOT RESIGNED

Panama—It is persistently rumored here and throughout the zone that Theodore P. Shonts has resigned the chairmanship of the Panama canal commission.

Atlanta, Ga.—Hon. T. P. Shonts, chairman of the Panama canal commission, who is the guest of friends here, denied the report from Panama that he had resigned the chairmanship of the canal commission.

NOMINATED FOR CONGRESS

Cameron, Mo.—Joshua W. Alexander of Gallatin was nominated by the democrats of the Third congressional district.

Beloit, Wis.—John Res of Mankato was nominated for congress by the democrats of the Sixth district.

APPLE CROP IS INJURED

Nebraska City, Neb.—The fruit men report that the apple crop in this section was injured by the cold spell early in May and many of the apples are falling from the trees. It is feared that the apple crop in this section will be light on that account.

ACTRESS UNABLE TO SAIL

New York—Owing to illness, the nature of which has not been made public, Ada Rehan, the actress, could not sail for Europe as planned.

ELECTER AS PRESIDENT

Budapest, Hungary—Julius von Ustth was elected president of the lower house of the Hungarian parliament.

RAILROAD SOLD AT AUCTION

Harrison, Ark.—The St. Louis & North Arkansas Railroad company was sold at public auction at the court house here this week for \$2,000,000.

The purchasers were John Scullin, D. R. Francis, R. C. Kearns, J. F. Shapleigh and Powell Clayton of St. Louis. The North Arkansas has been acquired by the committee on reorganization, which is acting in behalf of the holders of first mortgage bonds. The committee on reorganization comprises John Scullin, D. R. Francis, R. C. Kerens, Powell Clayton and R. C. Brookings.

GERMANY GIVES ASSURANCE

Berlin—General Roca, former president of Argentina, who is now in this city, is being treated with much distinction by the German government with the object, the Associated Press is officially informed, of convincing Argentina that Germany has no political aspirations regarding their country nor any wish to interfere in Pan-American questions.

WARRANTS OUT FOR BANKER

Joplin, Mo.—Additional warrants have been sworn out here charging George W. Layne, president of the Joplin savings bank, which closed Tuesday and W. C. Porter, assistant treasurer with receiving deposits when they knew the institution to be in a failing condition.

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS

Washington—The senate has confirmed the following nominations: George H. Pickrell, Ohio, consul of the United States at Para, Brazil; George M. Bowers, West Virginia, commissioner of fish and fisheries.

FEEL EARTH TREMORS

Reading, Pa.—Reports from southern Berk county near the Chester county line, report earth tremors and vibrations which has created great alarm. There was a gentle rocking of buildings.

WEAKENS THE MINISTRY

Copenhagen.—The general election for members of the lower house of the Danish house has been held. The result leaves the ministerial position in a precarious condition.

INCREASES CAPITAL STOCK

Trenton, N. P.—The Great Western Sugar company increased its capital stock from twenty millions to thirty million dollars.

NATIONAL GUARD WILL GO

Nebraska to Be Represented at Maneuvers at Fort Riley

Adjacent General Culver has announced that Nebraska has accepted an invitation to send troops to the army maneuvers at Fort Riley, Kan. General Culver asked that the entire Nebraska guard be permitted to go but the secretary of war has thus far indicated that only one regiment will be welcome. The Second regiment attended last year and the First will probably be selected this year. A state encampment will probably be held in August for the Second regiment and the other troops remaining at home.

TILLMAN AND BAILEY

Correspondents Agree That Tillman and Bailey Added to Reputations on Rate Bill Debate

Washington, D. C., May 30.—(Special.)—Congress has hardly gotten into regular first class working order again since undergoing the severe strain caused by the rate bill. When this measure was finally disposed of in the senate and the members experienced the first relaxation all seemed anxious to sum up the result of the contest as effecting the standing of individuals and parties. This has been done by all of the experts and the results have been announced. All agree that Tillman acquired the most fame and glory from the contest. He conducted one of the fiercest fought senatorial battles of recent years and did it with great skill and patience as well as dignity. All feel that Mr. Tillman did his full duty in protecting the measure committed to his care, and that he treated everyone with courtesy and respect. Next to Tillman the man that acquired glory out of the contest is Bailey of Texas, who is now regarded as the ablest man in either house of congress. That Mr. Bailey carried his points and not only demonstrated that his version of the constitution and law is the only sound and tenable one, but that he eclipsed Spooner and Knox in point of ability and power as an expounder of the law is universally conceded. He further impressed all who heard him as being an orator of commanding power.

On the republican side Spooner seems to be the looser in prestige but excuse is made that he was not in usual health and consequently did not do as well as he might have done otherwise. But the conclusion is that he has suffered in reputation and prestige as the result of the debate. Knox has not suffered as much as Spooner because so much was not expected of him, but the consensus of opinion is that he is no match for Bailey as a lawyer or legislator. The one man in the republican party who has acquired fame and prestige of a certain kind above his fellows is Aldrich of Rhode Island. Aldrich was but little known to the country at large before the rate bill came before the senate. He is now known to the entire country as an astute and able representative of special interests in the senate and par excellence the leader of the republican party in congress.

The bill exempting from taxation alcohol for mechanical and other purposes aside from a beverage has finally passed. In this instance again Mr. Aldrich proved his loyalty to special interests by having the date in which the law takes effect put off until January 1, next, thereby giving the Standard Oil company their monopoly for three additional months.

In the house of representatives the members have lately been doing a little sparring for position and making for themselves capital to use in the