

raised against him on this account as well as the popular clamor against him in his position of assistant minister of the interior, caused the czar to remove him and make him commandant of the imperial palace.

At the time of his death Trepoff was virtually military dictator of Russia, and the man upon whom the czar depended to protect him from revolutionists and terrorists.

#### WAS FRIEND OF PRESIDENTS

Mrs. Lee, Who Died in Maryland, Favorite of Jackson

Washington—Mrs. Elizabeth Blair Lee, widow of Rear Admiral S. P. Lee, U. S. N., who died yesterday afternoon at her home in Silver Springs, Md., of old age, was a favorite of President Andrew Jackson, a friend of President Buchanan and knew Presidents Van Buren and Lincoln intimately. Her acquaintance with President Jackson began through her father, Francis P. Blair, who was the friend and adviser of the president, and as a little girl she was with them in their conferences and up to the time of her death recalled that it was her privilege to fill Jackson's corn-cob pipes of which he had a fresh one each day.

One of her most valuable possessions was the portrait of Jackson by Sully, which was painted when Jackson was a senator and which Mrs. Jackson considered the best likeness of her husband ever produced.

Mrs. Lee spent one winter at the White House. Her father had built a residence opposite the executive mansion, but it was cold and damp, and the president, fearing for her health, insisted upon her taking a room at his residence. Just before his death she visited him at the Hermitage, and to her he gave his wife's wedding ring and also a ring which had been presented to him by Mrs. Eliza

W. Custis, who sent it by General Lafayette.

Mrs. Lee was born at Frankfort, Ky., June 10, 1818, and came to Washington with her father, who was then the editor of Andrew Jackson's political organ, the Globe. She married Lieutenant Lee in 1844.

#### HELD MENACE TO CZAR

Premier Stolypin Seeks to Crush Constitutional Democrats

The proposed meeting of the constitutional democratic party, which controlled the douma, has been prohibited by Premier Stolypin, says an Associated Press dispatch from St. Petersburg.

M. Stolypin's decision on this matter was reached after the attitude of the constitutional democrats in the late parliament and their present activity had been exhaustively discussed by the cabinet. According to a prominent member of this party, who visited the premier to secure his support for the meeting, M. Stolypin said he considered the constitutional democrats to have been an undesirable party in parliament, because their "respectability" was a cloak for highly dangerous sedition and criticism. The premier much preferred the group toil, because men like Alladin and Zhilkin were at least outspoken. The government and the world at large knew just where to place them.

This decision has been communicated to the committee of the party and preparations are already under way to hold the meeting in Finland, probably at Helsingfors.

The soldiers on duty at Warsaw, enraged at the continuance of murders by the terrorists, are acting with great brutality. Governor General Skallon is taking energetic steps to prevent an attack on the Jews. The Jews are in a state of panic.

#### NOT THE RICHEST GIRL

Bertha Krupp Says There Are American Girls Wealthier Than She

"I am not the richest girl in the world," says Fraulein Bertha Krupp, in denying the many stories that have been published about her. She says: "There are American girls much wealthier than I. The American papers, you see, have been printing a lot of nonsense about my affairs and have put words in my mouth that I would never dream of uttering. No, I do not keep a court; this lady, Madam Brandt, is my companion, not a 'dame of the palace.' They say I have a bodyguard of 3,000. Those 3,000 men are doing police duty in the works and yards—that's all. And my cabinet? If I have one, every American bank president indulges in that luxury. I have a board of directors that direct, in fact they direct the business without even consulting me."

#### CHINA TO OPERATE COAL MINES

Probably Will Export Fuel From the Northern Part of Empire

A dispatch from Tokio, Japan, says there is growing evidence that the Chinese government seriously contemplates competing with the Kaiping mines in the production of coal in north China.

The Taotal Kwoh has secured from the viceroy authorization to export coal from the district of Paltaitze, between Kaiping and Linsai, and 45,000 taels have been provided to work the existing native shafts. When the viceroy is satisfied that the prospects are favorable, extensive modern mines will be opened with foreign assistance.

Whether this action of the Chinese is caused through the shortage of coal supply for railway locomotive

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consumption last winter or is the result of litigation in London, or both, is an open question.

#### ZIMMERMAN IS NOW FOR BRYAN

Ohio Democrat Unreservedly Indorses the Nebraskan

A Springfield, Ohio, dispatch says that John T. Zimmerman, conservative candidate for the democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1903 against Tom Johnson, has broken his silence of a year or more and comes out squarely for Bryan. Zimmerman admits he supported Bryan in a lukewarm manner in 1896 and in 1900, but says he is now for him unreservedly.

He declares Bryan has said nothing about government ownership that any conservative democrat cannot indorse. He believes Bryan does not expect to make it an issue, but to hold in reserve as an ultimate remedy in case present laws are not effective.

#### SAYS BACON IS BEST MEAT

Minnesota Professor Declares It is Cheapest Because it Contains the Most Nourishment

Professor Snyder of the Minnesota food station says that bacon should be the most popular meat. Speaking of a recent test made, he asserts that the bacon was cut into thin slices and baked or broiled in the oven until crisp and brown. All the fat cooked out was saved and consumed with bread and other food. This way about 90 per cent of the protein and 96 per cent of the fat-containing bacon were digested and about 88 per cent of the energy was available. "Even at a higher price per pound," said Prof. Snyder, "bacon is the cheapest meat to buy, as it is far more nourishing."

#### FIGHTING THE OPIUM HABIT

British Missionaries at Hong Kong Would Check Traffic in Drug

The British missionaries in Hong Kong have petitioned the governor to appoint a commission to ascertain the best methods of checking, and if possible abolishing, the use of opium, at the same time asking his excellency to direct that instruction be given in the public schools of that country respecting the evil and debasing results of the opium habit. The governor has promised to give the petition careful consideration.

#### ADAMS SPIRITED FROM PRISON

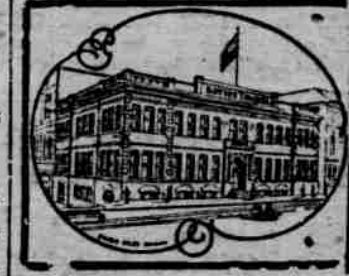
Attorneys for Defense in Steunenburg Case Are Outwitted

Boise, Idaho—Steve Adams has been spirited away from the state penitentiary and taken to Wallace, where a charge of murder has been made against him. Attorneys Clarence Darrow and John F. Nugent, representing the officers of the Western Federation of Miners involved in the Steunenburg case, apparently were outwitted.

#### Spurious Half Dollars

Des Moines, Ia.—Secret service men have been summoned here to investigate the circulation of a thousand spurious half dollars. The coins are said to be perfect and there is a possibility that a die has been stolen.

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