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RIOTS ARE FEARED

Russia is Taking Every Precaution to Avoid Trouble During Easter Week.

IGNORANT CLASSES EASILY AROUSED

False Stories Lieble to Work People Into a Religious Frenzy.

MUCH UNEASINESS FELT OVER REPORTS

Odesa Has Confidence in the Governor in Charge of City.

LOOKED UPON AS ENERGETIC AND HUMANE

Warnings Printed in the Papers and Placarded About the City From-ising Severe Punishment to Disturbers.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.—Reports received by the ministry of the interior indicate that the precautionary measures taken to prevent anti-Jewish disturbances during Easter week, when the ignorant are easily aroused to a sort of religious frenzy against the Jews by the dissemination of false stories regarding "blood atonement," will result in the avoidance of trouble.

In spite of the precautions it is feared there may be rioting, but the authorities may be relied upon to suppress these with a strong hand. The following telegram was received today from Odesa:

"Reports of anti-Jewish disturbances, which are always common at Easter time, cause more uneasiness than usual this year because of occurrences of last year. The authorities have confidence in Governor Eldhardt, who is in charge of the city and who is an energetic and humane man, as well as in Baron Kaulbars, commander of the troops in southern Russia. Under the circumstances any serious disturbances are considered impossible."

BEAR NOW SNARLS AT LORD CURZON

Russia Professes Perfect Confidence in Great Britain.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.—The newspapers continue to praise the British expedition to Tibet and the speech of the viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Keddington, March 30, at Calcutta, when he reviewed the last five years of Indian administration and referred to the government's watchful policy, but most of them in a singularly dispassionate tone.

The Bourne Gazette openly suggests that King Edward is planning an entente between Great Britain and Russia and then says:

"There is no need for alarm. We have been accustomed since the days of Disraeli and Balfour to see the British throne referring to Lord Curzon as the Indian Secretary Brodric's announcement of big plans for India, which no bones nor any one frightened by the forthcoming British naval demonstration in the Mediterranean."

ISSUE INDICTMENTS FOR TEN

Grand Jury Findings at Milwaukee Involve Officials in Various Alleged Illegal Acts.

MILWAUKEE, April 3.—The indictments returned by the grand jury at its final session are directed against ten individuals, the list being as follows:

Augustus Puls, supervisor, three indictments; Herman Haas, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, one indictment; William C. Wagner, supervisor, two indictments; Jacob Schulz, supervisor, one indictment; Louis R. Stollberg, plumbing contractor, one indictment; J. Martin Donsburg, one indictment; Adam Kreuter, supervisor, four indictments; Joseph A. Schick, former supervisor, one indictment; Adam Moser, one indictment.

SOME FACTS ABOUT BIG STORES

Characteristic Methods and Huge Transactions of Noted Department Stores.

Facts, taken at random from the day's work of the department store are astounding. John Wanamaker's Philadelphia store has under its roof the biggest book shop in the world, and has sold, in the past six years, \$10,000,000 worth of books in a single work of reference. The firm of Montgomery, Ward & Co. has developed the mail order business to astounding proportions, forty-five girls, working ten hours a day, were three weeks behind, recently, in the simple act of opening the incoming letters. The transfer of cash from Macy's counters to the cashiers' room in Macy's store in New York keeps in operation eighteen miles of pneumatic tubing. In a Chinese newspaper in Hong Kong may be read the advertisements of several American department stores. A Chicago store has shipped an entire church, complete from bell to Bible, into the heart of Africa, on a simple mail order. A thousand shippers lunch every day in the restaurant of Wanamaker's New York store. One store has sold over its counters, in a day, 1,500 dozen live frogs; another, twenty tons of sugar in small parcels. Another store sends out every year nearly 2,000,000 copies of a bulky catalogue, on each copy of which the domestic postage charge is 35 cents.—Frank Poyant in Success.

BAD COLLISION IN INDIANA

Misinterpretation of Train Orders Results in Wreck in Which Three Are Killed.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 3.—Three men are dead and two engines and about forty cars demolished because of the head-on collision of two Vanderbilt freight trains at Locust cut, eleven miles east of Terre Haute, today. The dead are: ERNEST MEAN TRAVAINNE, RICHARD SIMMONS, FRANK HICKEY.

FIRE BURNS OFFICIAL RESIDENCE

Lady Minto, an Invalid in Burning Structure, Safely Removed.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 3.—The new wing of Rideau hall, the official residence of the Canadian general, was destroyed by fire to-

FIGHTING FOR SUPREMACY

Harriman and Hill Interest Struggle to Control Northern Pacific.

SUIT AGAINST NORTHERN SECURITIES

Attorneys Assert Filing of Petition is a Surprise, but Big Legal Battle Has Been Anticipated.

ST. PAUL, April 3.—None of the attorneys for the defense in the suit of E. H. Harriman and Winslow Pierce and the Oregon Short Line Railway company against the Northern Securities company, notice of which was served yesterday, would make today any extended reference thereto.

EMPEROR'S HEALTH IS EXCELLENT

Government Organ Denies Rumors Regarding William's Condition.

BERLIN, April 3.—The North German Gazette, a government organ, denies the rumors printed in London and circulated in the United States that the health of Emperor William is such that it gives reason for concern. The paper adds that the emperor's condition of health remains excellent and that the voyage he is now on gives every prospect of full success in recuperating his strength.

WENCHES CUT WHITE PEOPLE

Two Negro Amazons Use Knives Freely on Two Men and a Woman.

R. L. Cosar of 1215 Capitol avenue, his wife and a friend, Joseph Burns of 1359 Capitol avenue, were attacked last night by two colored women and the three of them stabbed. According to their story they were walking along Thirteenth street near Capitol avenue when they met the two women, who made an insulting remark regarding Mrs. Cosar. Mrs. Cosar remonstrated with the women, whereupon the negroes began stabbing indiscriminately. Mrs. Cosar was wounded three times, in the shoulder, arm and breast; her husband received a wound in the hand and a serious cut in the shoulder and Burns got out on the hand.

WILL INSTRUCT FOR PARKER

Understood that Empire State Will Favor New York Candidate as Democratic Standard Bearer.

ALBANY, April 3.—From a source so close to former Senator Hill that it may be understood as representing Mr. Hill's own views, it is learned that the New York state delegation to the democratic national convention at St. Louis shall be positively instructed in favor of Judge Alton B. Parker as New York's choice for the presidential nomination.

DOUBLE WEDDING IS SPOILED

Clarence Thurston's Intended Second in Aisle is Down with Measles.

ST. LOUIS, April 3.—(Special Telegram.)—The plans for the proposed double wedding next Tuesday morning of Clarence Thurston, son of Senator Thurston, to Miss Nellie Cotter, and Matthew Rex Smith to Miss Lucile Bentine Cushing, were abandoned today because Mr. Smith is ill at Yellville, Ark., with the measles. The nuptials of Mr. Thurston and Miss Cotter will not be postponed with those of the other couple, but will occur Tuesday morning at the time and place of usual a. m. at the new cathedral chapel at which the double wedding breakfast at the Planters hotel will occur, but instead of two brides and two bridesmaids there will be only half that many.

IRISH DISCOURAGE TREATY

Draw Up Resolutions Protesting Against Alliance Between Great Britain and United States.

CLEVELAND, April 3.—The Irish nationalists of this city have adopted strong resolutions, protesting against an arbitration treaty between the United States of America and Great Britain. The views of George Washington, relative to the danger of alliances with foreign powers, is cited and the opinion is expressed that such a treaty between the United States and Great Britain would be an undesirable condition to the others of the European powers and would disrupt and destroy the friendly relations that now exist between the United States and those countries. A copy of the protest will be sent to Senators Foraker and Dick.

SPARK SETS PRAIRIE FIRE

Damaging Blaze Burns Over Large Area of Land in Rock County.

BASSETT, Neb., April 3.—(Special Telegram.)—A prairie fire started this afternoon between this town and Newport and burned from the railroad north nearly to the Niobrara river and destroyed one school house and a large quantity of hay. L. Dale, a ranchman eight miles northeast of here, is reported to have lost all of his hay. The fire passed through a settlement nine miles north of the railroad and while definite information has not been received, it is supposed that good deal of damage was done. It is reported that the fire was started by a spark from a locomotive.

HEATING PLANT BLOWN UP

Kills Three People and Results in Destruction of Considerable Property in Iowa Town.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 3.—An explosion in the Citizens' National Bank building at Albion today resulted in three being killed and several injured. The dead are: R. RAMSEY, EDWARD DOUGHERTY, RICHARD GRIMES. The cause of the explosion is unknown, but it is supposed it originated in the heating plant. Besides the bank building a clothing store and two grocery stores were destroyed by fire. The financial loss is \$5,000.

NATIONALS WIN SECOND GAME

ST. LOUIS, April 3.—The second game of the local championship series between the National league and the American league teams was won by the former by a score of 4 to 1. Attendance, 23,000.

SEVERAL BILLS IN SENATE

Panama Canal One of the Measures Which Will Be Considered.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The early part of the present session of the senate to the postoffice appropriation bill, and when that measure is disposed of the Panama canal bill will be taken up. The canal bill will be among the few measures other than appropriation bills which will receive attention before the final adjournment session.

It is expected that the measure will be debated at some length and it is understood that amendments to it will be offered by senators on both sides of the chamber. It is expected that by the time the canal bill shall be disposed of the sundry civil bill will have been reported from committee, whereupon it will be considered.

During the week there will be discussion of various other bills, including the bill for the protection of the president, on which Mr. Hear will speak on Monday; the pure food bill, on which Mr. Hepburn will speak Tuesday, and the Chinese exclusion bill, which will be discussed on Wednesday by Mr. Patterson. Thursday will be devoted to adjointing on the late Senator Hanna.

The Swayne impeachment resolution will be the feature of the proceedings in the District of Columbia will have the right-of-way part of Monday and the balance of the day will be utilized for the passage of bills under suspension of the rules. Tuesday and Wednesday, the conference report on the District of Columbia appropriation bill, to which the senate has made amendments, will be considered. The Swayne impeachment bill will be disposed of during this time, as will conference reports on several minor house bills. Thursday the Swayne impeachment case will be called up and present indications are that the subject will be disposed of during this time, as will conference reports on several minor house bills. Thursday the Swayne impeachment case will be called up and present indications are that the subject will be disposed of during this time, as will conference reports on several minor house bills.

GOVERNMENT OF AIRSHIPS

Changes Made by World's Fair Committee in the Rules Regarding Ballooning Contests.

ST. LOUIS, April 3.—The World's fair has announced the following changes in the rules governing the airship contest: The prize for the highest altitude attained in balloons, because of the great danger in such contests. There will be only eight races for special balloons, instead of ten, and they will begin the first Monday in June. There will be no races in May.

STEAMER TOWED INTO PORT

Drifts About for Twenty-Five Days Before a Ship Came to Crew's Rescue.

NEW YORK, April 3.—The General Levent steamship Tenedos, which arrived today from the Black sea and the Mediterranean, ran, fell in with the disabled Belgian steamer Clematis on March 16 in latitude 35, longitude 41, and towed it into Fayal. The Clematis was bound from Antwerp to Genoa, but was disabled by a heavy sea and drifted for about twenty-five days when the Tenedos was sighted.

LINDSAY MAY GET CLERKSHIP

Offered Now as Compromise Candidate Between Judge Barnes and Judge Sedgwick.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Barnes of the supreme court came to Lincoln tonight to be in readiness for consultation with the members of the court. It has been reported that the court would at this sitting appoint a clerk to take the place of Lee Herdman, but the indications are that this will not be done. It looks now like Judge Barnes and Judge Sedgwick are just as far apart as they have ever been in the matter of a selection, and the indications point stronger than ever to the selection of some one other than Jackson or Seymour. Since Judge Baxter secured the position of United States district attorney, friends of H. C. Lindsay have been more zealous in urging his appointment as clerk of the court as a compromise candidate, because of his zealous work for the party, and it is believed that he stands a good show of securing the plum.

SUGAR FACTORY MOVES WEST

"Cheung Ping" Will Lose Promising Plant Owing to the Indifference of Beet Farmers.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 3.—The work of dismantling the Binghamton beet sugar factory, which is to be removed to Blackfoot, Bingham county, Idaho, will be begun within a few days. The change is made because it has been difficult to persuade the farmers here to raise enough beets to successfully operate the plant. The Idaho soil and climate are well adapted to beet culture and farmers there are eager to contract to raise enough to supply the factory. Already 4,000 acres have been contracted for near Blackfoot, more than ever contracted for within a radius of 100 miles from Binghamton. The company is capitalized at \$600,000.

BATTLE ALONG THE YALU

European Experts Look for First Big Fight Near Wu Ju.

CONDITIONS JAPANESE MUST ENCOUNTER

Manchurian and Korean Roads Make Progress to the Northeast Almost Out of Question During Spring Weather.

(Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904.) PARIS, April 4.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The military expert of the Herald's European edition writes as follows:

"In view of the appearance of the Japanese at Un San and Kang Kyel, which leads to the supposition that they are thinking of invading Manchuria from the north of Korea, it is interesting to cast a rapid glance over the topography of the regions they will have to traverse if they carry out this plan.

"From Ping Yang toward the north and west there are three principal roads, the first of which passes through Anju and continues toward Liao Yang, the Kang Kyel road and that from Wouson. There is a road passable for vehicles which follows the coast and goes to Vladivostok. The Kang Kyel road passes through toward the Yalu river and follows its course till near its mouth, where it crosses the Tsoumou Oula, which follows to the bend that the latter river makes not far from its mouth. This road, as we have already said, leads to the pass of Miao Eur Chau, which it traverses.

"It will be necessary first to cross the Yalu, and the Japanese will find before them a very mountainous country, covered with almost virgin forest, where there are in some places altitudes of more than 8,000 feet. The Kirin road follows a valley also cut out by virgin forests. Only two or three paths afford communication with the Tsoumou Oula route and the north of Korea.

ROADS ARE AWFUL

"The branch road, which from Miao Eur Chau runs westward, passes through quite a number of towns and crosses two principal rivers before arriving at Sing King, where it begins to be practicable for vehicles as far as Mukden and beyond. One can with difficulty imagine an army, with all its convoys and war material, venturing into the roads which it must follow to reach Sing King, or, further to the north, to the grand prize of \$100,000 is eighteen and three-quarters miles a day, instead of twenty miles. Formal entries will be received until June 1, instead of closing May 1.

"The prize for the highest altitude attained is withdrawn, because of the great danger in such contests. There will be only eight races for special balloons, instead of ten, and they will begin the first Monday in June. There will be no races in May.

"Prizes of cups, medals and other trophies are offered for amateur balloon races, to be held the second and fourth Mondays in September. The exposition committee will furnish free hydrogen gas for all contestants.

WHERE THE JAPS ARE

"Besides, everything leads one to believe that it is really toward the north that the Japanese are organized at Ching Yang and at present concentrating toward Anju. This army has material for pontoon bridges, ready to be thrown across the Chien Chien river, which follows north from Anju, when the passage is already made as accomplished by the Japanese, as their outposts cover the line of Chang Ju Pak Chien and Yung Ping. From Anju the "mandarin" road skirts the coast for a distance of ten or twelve miles, passing four or five rather high hills and three rivers of little importance and several towns or villages before reaching WU. This road is an excellent one, dry and well kept in repair. Consequently it will not present the slightest obstacle to the march of the troops and their supplies.

"As the Russian headquarters will have been kept forward by the Cossacks of the advance movement of the enemy, General Kourpatkin will be able to decide what degree of resistance will be offered (and would be expected) if he can reach the Yalu. At the present moment it seems certain that the Russians have on the left bank of the river only a strong screen of cavalry, having also at its call the guns of its supporting infantry and of the engineering troops. The screen will scarcely be able to do more than slacken without stopping the march of the Japanese army, which the Russians have every interest to await on the Yalu and even to draw them into the mountains of Manchuria toward Fung Yung Ching for giving the decisive battle there, when the Japanese will have in their rear a large and deep river, running the risk of being thrown into it in disorder in case of failure."

JAPANESE TROOPS IN SENG CHENG

Occupy Korea Town Without Opposition from Russians.

TOKIO, April 3, 7 p. m.—The advance guard of the Japanese army in northwest Korea occupied the town of Seng Cheng yesterday afternoon without opposition. Seng Cheng is on the Peking road, eight miles west of Chong Ju and about sixty miles west of Wu Ju.

"When the Japanese drove the Russians out of Chong Ju last Monday the Russians withdrew in two columns, one going over the Kouk San road and the other over the Peking road. The Japanese advance from Chong Ju was made very rapidly. It was anticipated that the Russians would resist this advance, but they failed to do so and it is not now expected there will be any further opposition south of the Yalu river.

"Chong Ju, because of its natural surroundings, is the strongest place between Ping Yang and Wu Ju. Besides these natural advantages there is an old Korean fort there, which had it been defended with spirit, would have been hard to take. The Japanese are gratified at the comparative ease with which they drove the Russians from this fort.

"Russian patrols are reported to be in the country east of the Peking road, but it is not probable that there is any considerable force of Russians in that section. The patrols are withdrawing gradually to the northward toward the Yalu. It is reported that the ice on the Yalu is well broken up, and in the future the river will be

NEBRASKA WEATHER REPORT

For Monday—Fair and warmer in East and cooler in Northwest Portion.

Table with 4 columns: Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, Hour, Day, Degree. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

DRIVE RUSSIANS BACK

Japanese Advance is Steady, Although it is Stubbornly Disputed.

CZAR'S TROOPS AGAIN SUFFER DEFEAT

Another Sharp Engagement Ends in Full Victory for Mikado.

PORT ARTHUR'S CASE SEEMS HOPELESS

Jap Navy Intact and Waiting for Good Chance to Attack.

MOVEMENTS OF ARMY ARE OUTLINED

Three Columns Already in Motion and Fourth Ready to Start Against the Russian Forces in Manchuria.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1904.) SEOUL, April 3.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The Japanese troops advancing toward the Yalu river have had another action, repulsing the Russians smartly, only a score of Japanese being wounded in connection with the engagement, at Chong Ju, in north Korea, on March 28.

Much fighting occurred in the town itself, which is a big walled place. It is asserted here that forty Russians were killed and wounded and that a number were captured. The Japanese losses are given as thirty.

Wounded on Hospital Ship.

Twenty of the troops wounded in a skirmish at Kasan on March 26 were embarked on Thursday upon the hospital ship Kosai Maru. They are doing well. The Russian losses on that occasion were estimated at fifty. It is rumored in the same connection that a Japanese major and thirty men were cut off and captured.

A great body of the Japanese troops has moved northward from Chingnam and the harbor there is being used for the landing of troops and stores, which latter are arriving at Chingnam in huge quantities. A tramway has been laid from the landing place, and for two miles on either side of the roadway a thousand coolies were busy adding to the huge piles of war material, even as late as yesterday. The weather is now milder and the land campaign will soon be in full swing.

Watching Port Arthur.

The Japanese fleet is still intact and continues watching Port Arthur. Doubtless the mikado's sailors will succeed in blocking the place on the first occasion when the weather favors them. Only a narrow passage is now left. The Russians have taken many of the twelve-inch guns out of their ships to arm the old and new forts.

The northern seas are safely patrolled. The head of the heroic vice Captain Hirose, which fell into his boat when his body was blown to pieces by a shell while he was leaving a sinking hulk during the attack of March 27, was sent to Japan by the steamer Yomashiro Maru and has been buried.

It seems reasonable to believe now that the defenses of Port Arthur have been weakened and its early capture is to be expected.

Port Arthur is Weakened.

It has now become known that at the first attack on Port Arthur even more conspicuous bravery was shown by the Japanese than was at first indicated. Their torpedo boats advanced in line ahead in three squadrons. In the darkness two Russian torpedo boats unwittingly crossed behind the leading Japanese squadron. The rest of the Japanese flotilla mistook them and followed the enemy, thus failed to enter the harbor to complete the work of destroying the Russian fleet. The three Japanese torpedo boats which went in having fired all their torpedoes than regained their own fleet.

Japanese Movement Develops.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1904.) SHANGHAI, April 2.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to The Bee.)—It is credibly reported here that the Japanese are operating in an irregular lozenge shaped area, whose corners are intended to be Antung, New Chwang, Kirin and Vladivostok. One force of 100,000 troops has been landed opposite Takushan, in southern Manchuria, and is marching north and northwest. Another army of 40,000 men was landed in northwestern Korea and is marching toward the Yalu river. A third force, whose number is unknown, has disembarked in northeastern Korea and is marching to the west. It is supposed another force will attack New Chwang from the southwest, and news of engagement is daily expected. The ice on the Yalu river is thawing and the Russians are slowly retiring northward. Good authorities here estimate the total Russian force in Manchuria is 200,000 good men, but this is probably an excessive estimate.

Humorous Correspondents Wonder if Victims Would March on Irkutsk.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 2.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to The Bee.)—On what ought to be considered reliable information, it is stated that four ships of the cruiser type, built for the Turkish government by Germany, and also two torpedo boats, built by France, were purchased by Russia at the price of 40,000,000 rubles (\$20,000,000), the terms being that all the ships be delivered here within a short period.

JAPS WILL NOT SHELL YIN KOW

It is asserted that M. Zinovieff, the ambassador at Constantinople, made all the arrangements concerning the evacuation of the good will of Germany toward Russia.

An American house is going to supply tinplate provisions to the value of 1,125,000 rubles.

Baron Van Rosen reached here yesterday. A special dispatch from Mukden is to the effect that 27 Japanese have arrived there from Hlavogetschensk and state that they were well treated. They left several ill behind them.

PROMISE JAPS WARM RECEPTION.

Preparations to Circumvent Attempt to Bottle Up Port Arthur.

PORT ARTHUR, April 2.—Preparations have been made to give the Japanese a warm reception in case they again attempt to block the harbor. Vice Admiral Togo was right in surmising that Vice Admiral Makarov is responsible for the change in Russian tactics and the inspiration of Russian seamen.

A signalman named Aronkoo, who, during the bombardment of Vladivostok, remained at a small signal station on Askold Island near the enemy's ships and wired information of the movements of the enemy to the fortress has been decorated with the cross of St. George.

First Batch of War Prisoners.

TSITSIHAR, Manchuria, Wednesday, March 2.—The Associated Press correspondent met here the first batch of Japanese prisoners taken during the war, who are enroute to Chita, where they will be detained. The prisoners include a major of the Japanese general staff, his wife and a maid and seven soldiers who were captured in Korea by Cossack troops. They were heavily guarded and appeared to be greatly depressed.

Mistook the Man.

An artist painted a portrait of Mark Twain. Some time afterward Twain was confronted with the picture in an art gallery. After gazing at it for some minutes he seemed to be oppressed by a feeling of sadness and exclaimed: "Poor—poor Wagner!" "Wagner?" interrupted the artist. "Why—what do you mean?" "Wagner?" said Twain. "Isn't that Richard Wagner?"—Atlanta Constitution.