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GRANTS LIBERTY OF WORSHIP

Czar to Issue Important Decree Regarding Religion on Easter.

PEASANTS' TAXES ARE TO BE REMITTED

No General Amnesty for Political Prisoners, but Many Will Be Released from Punishment for Particular Offenses.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 29.—This city was holiday asper today. Beautiful weather prevailed and the Nevski Prospect and other popular boulevards were crowded. There was not the slightest evidence of alarm for tonight or tomorrow. Nevertheless there are reports of bomb-throwing in the churches at midnight and of pillage and bloodshed tomorrow continue to circulate. A decree conceding liberty of worship to the Old Believers and abolishing the religious disabilities of the Roman Catholics and other Christian communities and of the Mohammedans, will be published tomorrow.

Emperor Nicholas' Easter gifts, in addition to the decree on the subject of religious freedom, consist of a series of receipts and ukases which will be published in the Official Messenger tomorrow. One of the imperial announcements remits the peasants' arrears of taxes and back payments on account of lands given to them at the time of their emancipation, amounting to about \$7,500,000.

Although no general amnesty for political offenses will be granted, it will be extended to certain classes of prisoners, including those arrested for participation in the disturbances of January 22. Besides this it is reported that an important official announcement will be made in connection with the receipt of March 2.

Muslims Ask Representation. Interior Minister Boulgan today informed a delegation of Muslims that while the question has not been definitely decided, he presumed the Mohammedans of the Caucasus would be allowed representation and equal rights with Russia in the assembly. The Boulgan commission having the assembly question under consideration is still engrossed with the question of the manner in which the representatives shall be apportioned and elected. The functions of the body are not being seriously considered.

It is believed in government circles that M. Boulgan's report regarding the proposed national assembly provides for the convocation of a body to be called the Douma of the empire, which will be altogether distinct from the existing council of the empire.

YOUNG WOMAN TAKES ARSENIC

Ill Health Preys on the Mind of Miss Florence Ryan, Resulting in Attempt on Life.

Florence Ryan, aged 19, who lives with her uncle, George Lebo, at 1330 Canton street, last evening drank one and one-quarter ounces of what is known as Fowler's solution, this being equal to six grains of arsenic, with the intention of killing herself. She had just completed writing two letters, one to her brother in Chicago and one to her sister in Detroit. She went into her room and then walked to the street letter box and mailed the letters. When she returned she approached her aunt and said:

"Well, aunt, it is all over now. I will not be in your way much longer."

"What have you done?" replied Mrs. Lebo.

"I have taken arsenic and soon will be dead."

As the girl had frequently talked of killing herself her aunt immediately ran out of the house and telephoned the police station and requested that a doctor be sent to the house. Police Surgeon Kennedy responded and found the girl was in great distress from the drug. Her throat was badly swollen and she was suffering intense pain. She resisted every attempt to relieve her and it was only after she was firmly restrained that the surgeon was able to administer antidotes. She said she had nothing to live for and begged to be permitted to die. After much trouble Dr. Kennedy was able to overcome the effects of the arsenic and as the girl persisted in saying that she would repeat her attempt to take her life, Dr. Kennedy telephoned for the patrol wagon and brought her to the police station. She was placed in the matron's room and will be kept there until Monday, when some action will be taken to prevent her from destroying herself.

Miss Ryan is a very attractive young woman who has been working in the Regent shoe factory until the factory was shut down for a few days for repairs. She is an orphan. Her health has been poor for a long time, and she became very dependent and melancholy. Her relatives, she says, complained and intimated that she was only good for a doctor bill. She had few associates and never participated in the social enjoyments usual to young girls. For some time back and because someone had advised her to do so, she had been taking every day three drops of Fowler's solution for her health. When she discovered in some way that the medicine contained a solution of arsenic she managed to get a larger bottle of it. This was about a month ago. When the shoe factory closed down for repairs a few days ago her troubles seemed to drive her into a state of deep melancholy. Her dependency met with reproach from her aunt, and this only added to her distress. She often said she had no friends and that her poor health made it impossible for her to have even the ordinary enjoyments of life.

At a late hour last night Miss Ryan was resting well and Dr. Kennedy said she was no longer in danger, unless her attempt on her life so aggravated her general health that complications might set in. He said that by chance she had taken about the right amount of the solution, for if she had taken more she would have been unable to have retained it on her stomach. The amount taken contained fully three times as much arsenic as was sufficient to kill her, but the effect of the solution is very slow, or it probably would have been impossible to save her. Miss Ryan said that she did not state anything in the letters to her brother and sister that she was going to kill herself. Dr. Kennedy said that it is not improbable an effort will be made to have Miss Ryan taken in charge by the Home of the Good Shepherd.

GREAT WESTERN IS SUEED

Interstate Commerce Commission Wants Live Stock and Dressed Meat Traffic Nearer Equal.

CHICAGO, April 29.—The Interstate Commerce commission through United States District Attorney Morrison brought suit against the Chicago Great Western railroad and seventeen other roads in Missouri, Minnesota and Kansas.

The suit asks for an injunction restraining the railroads from discriminating in prices charged for the shipment of live cattle and hogs as compared with the prices charged for the shipment of dressed meats.

Lothrop School's Trrolley Ride. A unique plan for raising money to buy the class picture was adopted by the eighth grade class of Lothrop school, which fishes and goes from there to the high school in June. A trolley ride was devised and the other children of the school were invited to take part at 25 cents per person. As a result of the ride, assisted by Miss Heinrich and Miss Newlin, escorted a party that filled two of the company's biggest open cars over a route from Lothrop school to Albright, to Benson, to Florence and home again. The party was out three hours and had such a time as only happy school children can have on a bright Saturday afternoon. A handsome sum was netted for the picture fund.

MOGY INVITES AN INQUIRY

Asks Woman's Club to Investigate Affairs of the Newsboys' Home.

"Mogy" Bernstein, who has had charge of the Newsboy's home on Farnam street for a number of years, has requested the Woman's club to appoint a committee to institute a thorough investigation of his management of the home and especially of the receipt and disposition of all moneys that have passed through his hands as manager of the home. The Woman's club will hold a meeting at 3:30 Monday afternoon for the appointment of the desired committee and to make arrangements for the investigation.

It is understood that the charges of irregularities made against Mr. Bernstein are not preferred by the newsboys jointly, but are being urged by only a few, who by their activity have become the leaders of all the discontented boys. Considerable excitement was aroused yesterday afternoon by a number of the boys assembling in the street before the home and vigorously denouncing Mr. Bernstein and openly charging him with being "crooked." A large crowd was attracted by the demonstration and for a time the sidewalk was blocked. It was only after some effort on the part of the police that the crowd was broken up. Mr. Bernstein concluded that the best way to dispose of the whole matter was to apply for an investigation.

"I have asked for this investigation," said Mr. Bernstein, "in order that this whole matter may be settled in a way that will be thoroughly satisfactory to all concerned. This takes the matter out of my hands, and the boys can feel assured that they will be given every opportunity to present any complaints they may feel they have against me. Of course, the charge is untrue and is not believed by any one who knows the newsboys. I have taken in the establishment and maintenance of the Newsboys' home. In the meantime the home will be closed and will not be reopened until the charges are disposed of, and when it is reopened it will be under conditions that continue to invite and deserve the generous support that has been given it by many who believed that a good work was being done for the boys. I am perfectly willing to be investigated and until that is done I have nothing more to say."

The home was established five years ago by Mr. Bernstein. Mrs. W. J. Branch has been treasurer for the past three years. It is mainly sustained by public subscriptions. It is a resort for the boys when they are not at work. Arrangements are provided for taking care of boys who have no home. Mr. Bernstein says that the rent for the room is paid by himself and is not in any way a charge on the funds contributed for the support of the home.

PUSHING FRATERNAL CARNAVAL

Association Active in Getting the Preliminary Work Well Under Way.

The Fraternal Carnival association, with many new representatives from orders that did not have time to send delegates to the first meeting, met last night and discussed matters of program and entertainment for two hours after changing the carnival dates from May 25 and 26 to Thursday and Friday, June 1 and 2. This was done so as not to conflict with the Commercial club's trade excursion into the country.

The members of the association quitted the session in a very enthusiastic frame of mind, declaring that the time had come for fraternalism in Nebraska and Iowa to put its best foot forward and show its great strength. Nearly every member declared that the carnival would undoubtedly prove one of the greatest impetus for fraternal orders and fraternal insurance. It was stated on all sides that the project had been received with much favor by the friends of the orders and societies generally who hail it as a remarkable opportunity for a demonstration that would result in good all around.

It was decided to meet every Saturday night at the Commercial club rooms. Meanwhile the executive committee for whom Chairman Yates named Philip Miller, Frank L. Weaver, I. G. Bright, George A. Ostrom, J. C. Lindsay and Judge A. L. Sutton, will get busy and map out exactly what is to be done to show lodge members the really good time of their lives. To make it all right in the matter of railroad fares, Philip Miller, Nelson C. Pratt and J. Jaskatek were named to consult the passenger departments.

Central Park Improvement Club

The Central Park Improvement club will meet Monday night at the Commercial club rooms. The club has a program of improvement clubs are expected for the north-west part of the city and the red-lighting of the city into wards will be discussed.

The Time Will Come

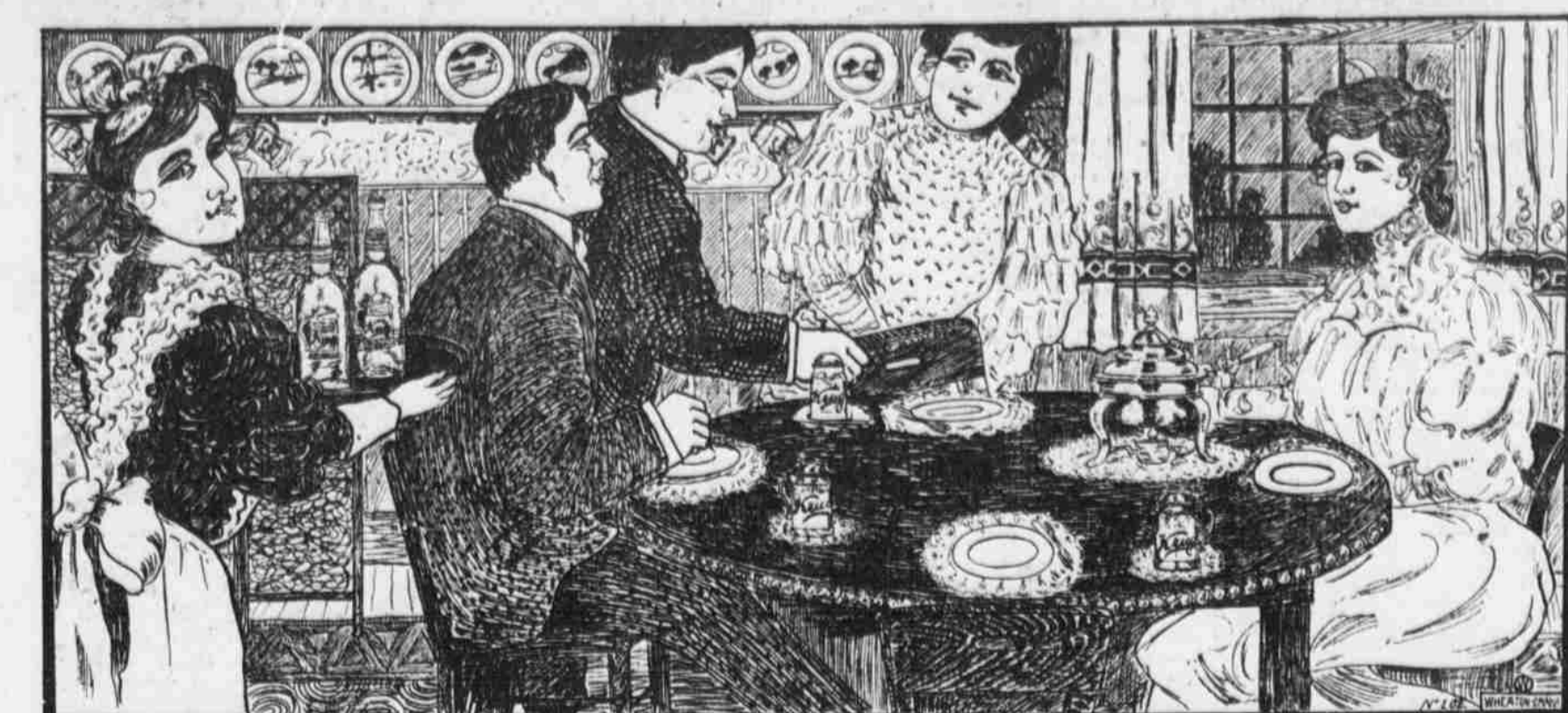
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BOWEN MUST COME HOME

Minister to Venezuela to Be Called to Washington Immediately.

SHAKE-UP AMONG DIPLOMATS IN SOUTH

Russell Goes to Caracas, Barrett to Bogota and Bowen May Be Dropped or Given Promotion.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Secretary Taft has received instructions from the president to call Minister Bowen, now at Caracas, to Washington, also to send Mr. Russell, now minister to Colombia, to Caracas, and Mr. Barrett, now minister to Panama, to Colombia.

It is stated that if Mr. Bowen's action relative to the charges affecting Assistant Secretary Loomis are not subject to criticism it is the president's purpose to send him as minister to Chile, and then probably as ambassador to Brazil.

The cablegram to Minister Bowen, instructing him to report to Washington forthwith, was dispatched today by Acting Secretary Loomis.

Reasons for Recall. If the minister is particularly active he may catch the mail steamer Monday next, which would permit him to reach Washington about May 8, the day the president expects to break camp and start homeward. If he misses this steamer the minister must wait at least a week for another. Arriving here before the president's return, Mr. Bowen will make his statement to Secretary Taft, who is disposed to deal with the case himself and not permit it to remain open to add to the bulk of important business which will confront the president on his return to the capital.

Secretary Taft also sent a cablegram to Minister Bowen today stating the reasons for his summons to Washington. These are, in brief: First, because Mr. Bowen had filed charges against Mr. Loomis; second, the publication of those charges in the New York Herald; third, Mr. Loomis' complete denial; fourth, Mr. Loomis' counter charge that Mr. Bowen had secured that publication; and fifth, Mr. Loomis' desire to be confronted by the minister.

The secretary added: "If all goes well you may return to the diplomatic service."

OGDEN TRAIN IS WRECKED

Special Bearing Southern Educators Strikes Freight Train—Four Persons Killed.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 29.—While rounding a curve inside the yard limits of the Southern railroad at Greenville and running at the estimated speed of fifty miles an hour, the special Pullman train bearing Robert C. Ogden and 100 members of the southern conference of education crashed into the rear end of a freight train at 7:55 this morning, killing four persons and injuring a score of others. None of Mr. Ogden's guests was killed.

The dead: CHARLES M. COPE, white, brakeman of the special, Columbia, S. C. FRED W. W. CUMMINGS, white, baggage master, Greenville, S. C. Mrs. J. G. Thorpe, Cambridge, Mass., cut and bruised on head.

The injured: Bishop W. N. McVicar of Providence, R. I. James Hunter, engineer on special, leg and arm broken. Walter Kershaw, electrician on special, ear and head cut. Ed Ecker, bruised. John F. McCoy, Pennsylvania railroad, gash on head.

R. H. Hill, negro cook, cut on arm. George Williams, waiter on diner Waldorf, bruised.

As a result of the wreck President Ogden abandoned his trip to other points on the special left tonight for the east. Prof. Farnham and his wife remaining here in a hospital. At the coroner's inquiry this afternoon the train dispatcher testified that orders to the effect that the special would arrive at 7:15 were filed in the yardmaster's office and later that another order was filed that the special would arrive at 7:55 a. m. Yardmaster Riser testified that he received no orders whatever to that effect.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Gage County Gets Complete Rural Delivery Service from June First.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Complete county rural free delivery service has been ordered established June 1 in Gage county, Nebraska, making the total number of routes in the county thirty.

Iowa rural routes ordered established June 1: Albert City, Buena Vista county, routes 1, 2 and 3, population 1,230, houses 284; Alta, Buena Vista county, routes 4 and 5, population 315, houses 62; Pocatohas county, route 4, population 245, houses 50; Lake Park, Dickinson county, route 3, population 420, houses 105; Marathon, Buena Vista county, route 3, population 375, houses 75; Rembrandt, Buena Vista county, route 1, population 600, houses 90; Storm Lake, Buena Vista county, routes 5 and 6, population 700, houses 135; Webb, Clay county, route 1, population 450, houses 90; Wheatland, Clinton county, route 1, population 430, houses 105.

Rural carriers appointed: Nebraska—Bladen, Charles E. Davis carrier, James Davis substitute; Iowa—Adair, route 3, William O. Scull carrier, James W. Scull substitute; Belknap, route 1, John McCormick carrier, Thomas E. Putnam substitute; Cedar, route 2, Joseph Brown carrier, James Knott substitute; Elkport, route 1, Peter Schneck carrier, Isaac McEvers substitute; Marengo, route 5, Truman Armine carrier, James Little substitute; Waukegan, route 2, Harry Harrod carrier, James Harrod substitute. South Dakota—Bridge-water, route 2, Peter Anderson carrier, Fred Moulson substitute.

WILKIE TO THE PHILIPPINES

Chief of Secret Service Will Try to Stop Counterfeiting of Insular Money.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—John E. Wilkie, chief of the United States secret service, is here on his way to the Philippines to investigate the counterfeiting of the American silver coins. The work is supposed to be done by Filipinos and Chinese. It has grown to such an extent that the business of the islands is being seriously menaced.

Chief Wilkie will organize a large secret force to break up the gangs of counterfeiters, and on his way to the Philippines will stop over in Honolulu, where a branch of the secret service is about to be established.

Examiner Appoints Deputy

MITCHELL S. D. D. April 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Announcement is made of the appointment of Prof. J. L. Winfield as second deputy public examiner, the appointment having been made by Public Examiner F. L. Bramble of Watertown and concurred in by Governor Elrod. He will begin his duties July 1. Prof. Winfield is connected with the faculty of Dakota Wesleyan university, having charge of the commercial department and is exceptionally well qualified for the work.

Concert at Clifton Hill Church

A concert will be given at the Clifton Hill Presbyterian church by the Young People's Christian Endeavor society on Thursday evening, May 4, at 8 o'clock. The following program will be given: Piano Solo—Ezra H. H. Selected. Monologue—His First Case. Selected. Violin Solo—Legend. Wientawski. Vocal Solo—Merlin Mace. Piano Solo—Lily Blankenship. Pantomime—Violetta. Roma and Miss. Ladies' Quartet—Sleep Little Baby of Mine. Miss Birdie Wilson, Mrs. O. W. Hendee, Mrs. R. D. Johnston and Miss Pearl Cole. Reading—The Old Man Went to Town. 2. M. Gillan. Octet—Omaha High School. Club Singing—C. S. Myers. Closing Night at Auditorium. The closing night of the skating season in the Auditorium building attracted a large crowd, the floor being at all times filled by those who are fond of this kind of amusement. Several impromptu races added interest to the evening's entertainment.

JOINT FUND FOUND INTACT

Money in Charge of Two Officials at San Francisco Not Short.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—In the course of investigating the affairs of Edward J. Smith, the defaulting former tax collector of this city, the money in the "joint custody vault" of the treasurer's office has been counted and found correct. The gold was counted in 27 sacks, each containing \$20,000, or a total of \$549,000.

The money was replaced in the vault, which has been sealed up by representatives of the surty company. The contents of this vault are under joint custody of the city treasurer and auditor.

NO WATER AT CHARLESTON

Break in Main Pits West Virginia City Temporarily Out of Business.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 29.—Charleston resident's were dismayed today to find not a drop of water for domestic or commercial purposes, owing to a break in a main in the pump house.

Electric service is paralyzed, as well as all business dependent in any way on city water. Traction traffic is at a stand still, and a fire would be a serious matter. For many purposes people are carrying water in buckets from the river. The city expects to have repairs before night.

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN CHILE

Reports from Pisagua Say that Entire Population of Town May Die.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 29.—Passengers from Chilean ports, according to a dispatch to the Express from Matamor, Mex., bring the first full information concerning the terrible ravages of bubonic plague in the city of Pisagua, Chile.

For some time before their departure the deaths in Pisagua had ranged from ten to thirty a day and the authorities were then unable to enforce burials. Corpses were thrown into the streets, to decompose and spread contagion. But little headway had been made in the fight on the disease and it seemed as though the entire population of that Chilean port might be exterminated by the plague. Many persons had been shot down by the soldiers on guard while attempting to escape from the stricken city.

Paderewski Goes to Switzerland. BOSTON, April 29.—Ignace Paderewski arrived here today from Buffalo. He had a comfortable journey and was said by his secretary to be about the same as when he left Buffalo yesterday. By advice of his physician the pianist has decided to cancel all engagements and return to Switzerland. He hopes to sail from New York, about May 10.

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