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GOREMYKIN'S REGIME

Cabinet of Bureaucrats Now Rules Russia.

BITTER ENEMY OF EX-PREMIER WITTE

Was Exposed by Ex-Minister in 1896 For Giving False Reports of Famines in Provinces and Countries by Sea.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 4.—The papers are nonplused as to whether the downfall of Witte's cabinet means a reversal of the lever or the possibility of reaching a common ground in parliament.

The immediate organization of the new cabinet is now anticipated. All the ministers are understood to have placed their resignations in the emperor's hands.

M. Goremykin, the new premier, was exposed by Witte in 1896 and since then has been the retiring premier's unrelenting enemy.



PREMIER GOREMYKIN.

former minister of the interior made a report to the emperor that the reports of famine and suffering which were said to exist in certain provinces were untrue.

Witte, who then was minister of finance, thereupon produced documents to prove that the conditions in the interior were as they had been represented.

When the emperor confronted M. Goremykin with this he is said to have fallen on his knees before his majesty, to have wept and to have begged forgiveness.

The minister was so overcome that the emperor himself brought him a glass of water.

Later M. Goremykin took part in the Vos Pietre cabal which drove Witte from the ministry of finance in 1904.

Goremykin comes from a noble but not prominent family of Novgorod province, where his estates are situated.

They are especially noted for the excellence of their cows and their dairy products, which are sent to St. Petersburg. In fact, M. Goremykin practically supplies the capital with milk.

The news of Count Witte's retirement from the premiership produced heavy liquidation on the bourse.

ROCKEFELLER IN WRECK.

Oil Magnate Shakes Up on New Jersey Central Road.

NEW YORK, May 4.—John D. Rockefeller was a passenger on a Jersey Central train which had a narrow escape from serious accident just after leaving Red Bank for its run to Jersey City.

A cylinder head on the engine blew out, a piston rod broke and crashed through the locomotive cab, barely missing the engine driver, and then the train came to such a sharp stop that every one in the cars was shaken up.

Like other occupants of the Pullman car, the Standard Oil chief had his window raised and then inquisitively peered out his head, which was protected by his customary black skull cap.

He could not ascertain the cause of the trouble in that way, so he sent his valet out to investigate. He was not content until he had learned the extent of the accident and that no one had been killed or injured.

Japanese Envoy Visits President. WASHINGTON, May 4.—Viscount Aoki, recently appointed first ambassador of Japan to the United States, was presented formally to the president.

At the White House Ambassador Aoki was received by Secretary of State Root and conducted to the blue room, where the introduction to the president took place.

The personal greetings between the president and the ambassador were cordial.

Ex-Bank President Held. CHICAGO, May 4.—John R. Walsh, former president of the defunct Chicago National bank, was held to the federal grand jury in bonds of \$50,000 by United States Commissioner Mark Foote.

Open Erie Canal. BUFFALO, May 4.—The Erie canal was formally opened for the season, although heavy loads, mostly grain laden, were being handled.

Drop Lou Dillon Case. NEW YORK, May 4.—Charges brought against Elmer E. Smathers by Murray Howe, secretary of the Memphis Trusting association, that Mr. Dillon's name Lou Dillon was used in her name with Major Delmar on Oct. 1894, were dismissed by the board of review of the National Trusting association.

STRIKE THEIR ONLY RESORT.

Scranton Convention Feeling Seems to Foreshadow War.

SCRANTON, Pa., May 4.—Surcharged with the feeling that a strike will be the only means by which their demands upon the anthracite operators can be realized, the 630 delegates representing districts 1, 7 and 9 of the United Mine Workers, covering the hard coal field of Pennsylvania, assembled in joint convention in the Lackawanna county court house, John Mitchell presiding.

As a check on this feeling of the miners' delegates, there will be but one controlling element, and that will be the counsel that will come from Mitchell, for many of them, perhaps the majority, have been advised by their locals to be guided by his counsel.

Here in the center of the anthracite region the people are about reconciled to the fact that the convention will declare a strike, and the only thing they feel can positively avert it will be the recommendation when the real issue comes that instead of the convention taking positive action it refer the matter back to the locals for a referendum vote.

The appearance here of Dr. Charles P. Neill, United States commissioner of labor, has given rise to much conjecture among the delegates. They are of the opinion that he acted as an emissary of the White House.

The secrecy of the commissioner's coming to Scranton and his conference with Mitchell at the home of a mutual friend have outweighed the statements of Dr. Neill that he did not represent President Roosevelt.

Mitchell has refused to discuss the scale committee are a unit in saying that they do not know anything about the subjects discussed by their leader and the labor commissioner. They are not inclined to think that President Roosevelt will intercede at this time to prevent a strike, but if one is declared they think it probable that he will use his influence to bring about a settlement.

LEGISLATURE CLOSED.

New York State Assembly Adjourns sine die.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 4.—The closing day of the legislative session of 1906 began today in both houses, because everybody was tired out.

In both houses there were the usual courtesies, but there was in the senate a more than ordinary sense of sadness because this is the end of the two years' life of this senate, and it is known that several of the oldest, best known and most popular senators do not expect to seek re-nomination, to say nothing of the inevitable changes due to the vicissitudes of politics.

Both houses were bowers of social tributes from admiring constituents.

One of the most interesting features of the day was the presentation to Speaker Wadsworth of a greatly admired portrait of himself, painted from life by Frank Townsend Hutchins of New York and presented by his colleagues in the assembly.

In the senate addresses by Senators Haines, Brady and Malby and finally a brief speech by Lieutenant Governor Bruce were made just before adjournment, and there was a general interchange of courtesies and farewells.

Instead of the usual tame ending of the session of the assembly the final adjournment followed an exciting and unexpected battle, in the course of which Messrs. Hooker of Genesee and Wade of Chautauque, both Republicans, charged that "persons not members of the legislature" at the behest of Governor Higgins were openly exerting influence on the floor of the house to secure the reconsideration and passage of the twice defeated bill of Senator Davis providing for two additional supreme court justiceships in the Eighth judicial district. The bill was passed.

SHERMAN MARCH ABANDONED.

Son of "Old Tommash" Regrets That His Mission Was Misunderstood.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 4.—Father Thomas Sherman abandoned his trip over the historic hills which his father, General W. T. Sherman, traversed forty years ago and when the escorting party returned to Fort Oglethorpe.

A special messenger with orders from General Duvall, commanding the department of the gulf, reached Cartersville at midnight Wednesday from Fort McPherson. Mail and telegraph orders were also received by Lieutenant Campbell, commanding the escort, sent by General Duvall, stating that an account of the misapprehension by the southern people the war department ordered the immediate return of the party to Fort Oglethorpe.

Father Sherman expressed regret that his mission should have been misunderstood and said he was keenly hurt by the criticisms of people and press. He declared at first that he would continue the trip alone, but finally decided to return with the military escort which had extended him the courtesy of the trip.

Secretary Bonaparte Recovering. BALTIMORE, May 4.—Secretary of the Navy Charles J. Bonaparte, who is at his home suffering from an attack of acute indigestion, is reported by his attending physician, Dr. Thomas R. Brown, as decidedly better. Should there be no check to his progress toward recovery it is expected that he will be able to leave the house for a drive by the end of the week.

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HORRORS AT FRISCO

Prison Matron Tells Her Experience of Earthquake.

CELL DOORS COULD NOT BE OPENED

Many Hardened Convicts Shrieked For Mercy and Then Knelt Down and Prayed For Deliverance From Death.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Locked in separate cells in the city prison, 100 prisoners, whose crimes range from plain drunkenness to brutal murder, knelt in prayer when the earthquake of April 18 shook the Hall of Justice from basement to tower top.

Blind hardened men and women appealed to God to spare them. Their prayers for deliverance came only after it became apparent that the attendants could do nothing for them. The earthquake had so twisted and warped the cell locks that not a door could be opened for nearly an hour.

"I never want to witness such sights again," said Prison Matron Ryan of the central station prison, who was on duty when the trouble came. "There was something like eighty men and twenty-two women in the cells on the morning of the earthquake. In our department there were abandoned creatures, charged with all manner of crimes, many of whom I deemed hopelessly lost."

"They cried and shrieked for mercy when the shock came and pleaded pitifully for release. Not one cell could be opened, and when I advised my charges of this fact they knelt on the hard cement floor and offered up a fervent prayer in unison."

"In the department of the male prisoners the conditions were the same, and many of the men attempted to destroy their lives by battering their heads against the steel bars when they realized there was no chance for immediate release. They, too, prayed when the attendants in charge managed to get them calm enough, and when it was all over it was a meek and humble band that we removed to the branch county jail."

Mrs. Ryan was the last person to leave the city prison. She was detained by a female prisoner who became hysterical, and just as the matron walked under the immense glass doors covering the prison office the glass fell all about her and her prisoners, with a mighty crash.

FRISCO'S GREAT LOSSES.

Hundreds of Safes Found to Contain Only Ashes.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—While it is difficult to give exact figures as to losses, an insurance company in connection with the fire which has devastated such a large portion of San Francisco, close estimates have been compiled, which show that the actual property loss to the city is close to \$550,000,000.

A large proportion, if not the majority, of the business men who were thankful during the conflagration that their valuables were inclosed in fire-proof vaults have wakened to an unpleasant surprise. Within the last seventy-two hours 576 safes and vaults have been opened in the district east of Powell and north of Market streets, and in not more than 90 per cent of these instances were the contents found intact. In many cases a pile of ashes represented thousands of dollars' worth of accounts.

TIFF IN THE SENATE.

Senator Tillman Orders Senator Spooner to Take His Seat.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The last day for general debate in the senate on the railroad rate bill was fully occupied. Following a brief speech by Mr. Nelson, Mr. Tillman spoke at length in an effort to show by criticism of individual judges that the power of granting temporary injunctions by inferior United States courts should be taken from them in interstate commerce commission cases, and he was followed by Messrs. Bacon, Bailey, Teller and Foraker in speeches of some length.

Mr. Tillman's speech consisted mainly of quotations reflecting upon the conduct of federal judges in different parts of the country. While he was speaking he engaged in controversy with Mr. Spooner, in which the Wisconsin senator characterized his adversary's references to him as "indecent" and "insulting."

Mr. Bacon criticized the course of Mr. Tillman as calculated to produce a false impression upon the country and was in turn censured by Mr. Bailey, who held that while the office of judge is entitled to the greatest respect there should be no reverence for judges as men.

The army appropriation bill, carrying an appropriation of about \$74,000,000, was passed.

B. and O. Official Owes Coal Stock.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—C. S. Wright, manager of freight traffic, and Hugh L. Bond, Jr., second vice president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, testified before the interstate commerce commission as to the connection of "contingent" carriers with coal and oil products concerns along their lines. Mr. Bond admitted he owned fifteen shares of stock in the Merchants' Coal Company of West Virginia, and six bonds in the Fairmount Coal company.

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MANILA, May 4.—Governor General Ide has appointed a committee of judges to examine the records of the cases of the prisoners under sentence for sedition and insurrection to determine if such prisoners can be given their liberty without endangering the public peace. Billiard prison contains 4,000 active prisoners, a large percentage of whom are serving sentences for sedition and insurrection.

Prominent St. Louisian Dead.

ST. LOUIS, May 4.—Corwin H. Spencer, a leading grain trader, capitalist, vice president of the world's fair and former president of the Merchants' Exchange, collapsed while watching the stock quotation record at the Planters' hotel and died soon afterward.

Hotel Burned at Rockland.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., May 4.—The Hotel Bon Air at Rockland was entirely destroyed by fire. The loss is about \$20,000.

KISSING MEN STOOD TOGETHER.

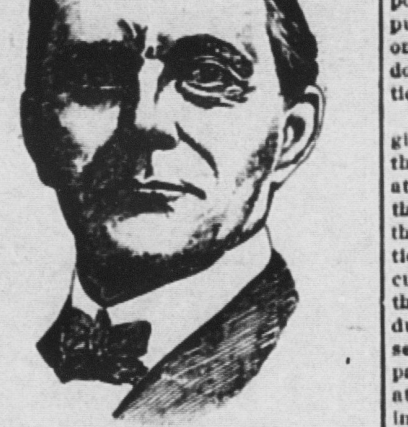
Congratulations Four in on Governor E. W. Hoch.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 4.—Governor E. W. Hoch is being congratulated on all sides over his renomination by the convention here.

The efforts of the friends of Judge A. R. B. Clark to defeat Hoch on account of the recent exposure made of the alleged attempt of the governor to kiss Mrs. W. E. Stanley, wife of a former governor, in his office were in vain. The "kissing" men in the convention stood together.

The committee appointed to escort the governor to the stage could not find him for awhile and so reported to Chairman A. W. Smith.

"Look in the ladies' gallery," cried a voice among the delegates, while the convention was convulsed with laughter.



GOVERNOR HOCH.

"He seems to be something of a ladies' man and probably will be found there."

The governor touched on the kissing incident in his speech of acceptance, saying: "Despite what the polecats of Journalism may say, I am going to make this fight on political issues and not on domestic issues. The domestic question does not enter into this fight, and I am prepared to go out and whip the Democrats in the campaign which is now upon us."

COLUMBUS STAKES.

Yard Beat Out the Favorite For Jamaica Feature.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Excellent weather prevailed at Jamaica, and as a result the attendance was up to its normal state. About 7,000 people were on hand. The programme was a good one, with the Columbus stakes for three-year-olds the feature.

Belfed and Clements proved to be the winning combination in the opening race. It was a dash of five furlongs, and he went to the front from the start.

Calabash proved to be a false favorite in the Columbus stakes. He was at 11 to 10 in the betting, but the best he could do was to run second to Yazd all the way. The former won by a length in handy fashion, while Calabash was ten lengths in front of Caprice.

Acrobat made all the running in the maiden two-year-old event. He opened up a gap in the first quarter and on the home turn increased it half a dozen lengths. He won by that margin, with Lida Jones second, a length and a half in front of Kernochan. The latter showed a lot of speed, but tired and at the end was all out to beat Diebold.

Summaries: First Race—Clements, first; Black Mate, second; Round Dance, third. Second Race—Cunio II., first; Lord Budge, second; Jase Holly, third. Third Race—Colossal, first; Monnet, second; Garah, third. Fourth Race—Yazd, first; Calabash, second; Caprice, third. Fifth Race—Acrobat, first; Lida Jones, second; Kernochan, third. Sixth Race—Hallfax, first; Pater, second; Mollie Donohue, third.

Many Accidents at Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, May 4.—Kercheval, the favorite, won the free handicap at Churchill Downs, beating a good field. Several horses fell. Jockey Pierce's shoulder bone was broken. Pierce and Rice were suspended for a week, and Ford was set down for the rest of the meeting. All were disabused at the post. Aside from Kercheval no decided favorite won.

Britt and Terry to Fight.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—James E. Britt said that he had accepted a match for a ten round contest with Terry McGovern at Madison Square Garden on May 28. Britt will leave for New York on Monday.

Chicago University Beats Indiana.

CHICAGO, May 4.—Walker's effective pitching, backed up by good fielding, won the baseball game for the University of Chicago over the University of Indiana by the score of 7 to 3.

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A JUDICIAL INQUIRY

Attorney General to Probe Anti-rebate Violations.

GARFIELD'S REPORT TAKEN AS BASIS

Prosecutions in Court Will Follow Discovery of Laws Being Disobeyed by Oil and Railroad Corporations.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The statement is authoritatively made that the department of justice will immediately begin an investigation of the relations of the so called oil trust and a number of railroads with a view of determining whether there have been violations of the anti-rebate law.

The basis for this investigation will be the information recently submitted to the president in a report of Commissioner Garfield of the bureau of corporations, which is soon to be made public. This report, it is learned, deals only with the subject of rebates and does not go into the questions of violations of the antitrust law.

If it is found that rebates have been given by the railroads and accepted by the so called oil trust steps will be at once taken, it is asserted, to bring the matter before the grand juries in the localities where the alleged violations took place, with a view to prosecutions in the courts. It is not thought that the department of justice in conducting its inquiries will require the services of any one outside of the department proper and the United States attorneys and other officers under its immediate direction. It is stated that Mr. Garfield, in conducting his investigation, traveled extensively and visited all important sections covered by the operations of the so called oil trust, from New England to California and the south, and that the evidence obtained is amply sufficient to warrant the department of justice in taking the course decided upon.

HOIST BY OWN PETARD.

Russian Reds Hurt While Carrying Bombs Far Off.

PARIS, May 4.—A bomb explosion occurred in the forest of Vincennes killing a Russian named Strie and dangerously wounding a companion named Roussoff. The two men were proceeding through the woods, each carrying a bomb with the evident purpose of hiding them for future use. While so doing the bomb which Strie carried exploded killing him instantly. Roussoff was struck by fragments of the bomb and fearfully lacerated.

The police have not yet been able to establish the identity and the connections of the men. The remaining bomb has not yet been examined owing to the danger in handling it.

The general strike shows further evidence of disruption, but a number of trades are still refusing to return to work until their demands are granted. A squadron of dragoons is drawn up in the court yard of the Prince Eugene barracks on the Place de la Republique, prepared to respond to the call of the police. The latter continue to be massed in considerable force in the neighborhood of the Labor Exchange, and occasional arrests are made, but there is no disorder.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Games Played Yesterday in the National and American Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

At Boston—Boston 0, Philadelphia 0. At New York—New York 2, Philadelphia 0. At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 0, Boston 0. At St. Louis—St. Louis 1, Philadelphia 0. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 1. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 1. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 1.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

At New York—New York 0, Boston 0. At Boston—Boston 0, New York 0. At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 0, Boston 0. At St. Louis—St. Louis 0, Philadelphia 0. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 0. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 0.

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