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PEACE PREVAILS IN CITY OF MOSCOW

Appearances Change As If By Magic.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT $5,000,000

Most of the Undamaged Factories Have Resumed Work—Railroad and Steamship Lines Are Also Resuming Business Slowly.

Moscow, Monday night, via St. Petersburg, Jan. 2.—Except for the numerous military patrols in the streets and the pillars of smoke lazily floating above the ruins of factories and houses in the Presna district there is little to recall the nightmare of the past ten days.

As if by magic in 24 hours the appearance of the city has changed. The stores everywhere have been reopened and the streets are crowded with holiday shoppers making belated purchases for the Russian Christmas, which, according to the Julian calendar, falls on Sunday.

As the early northern night fell, the guards were doubled, but the electric street lamps brilliantly lighted the shop windows reassuring the people who lingered in merry-making with the careless indifference of the Russians to the dramatic tragedy just ended.

The Presna district, however, presented another picture. There people by the hundreds, who had been burned out were excitedly searching the ruins, bemoaning their loss of dear ones, while the police and the troops continued their unceasing hunt for hidden revolutionists.

A batch of Drujinists, surrounded in a sugar factory in the suburbs during the night surrendered this morning when they found that further resistance was useless. The only other war like incident was a rear attack made by a body of Drujinists on a detachment of troops stationed at a bridge with instructions to cover the work of the firemen. The soldiers when attacked turned right about face and fired a volley, killing three students and wounding several others.

This was the coldest day of the winter, the thermometer registering 18 degrees below zero. The roaring fires at which the pickets are warming themselves give a touch of picturesqueness to the streets.

Two most important captures were made today—Volkoff and Mallinoff—the chiefs of the fighting organization, and members of the national revolutionary committee. The authorities are promising indemnity for the revelations of the hiding places of the leaders, but only a few rebels reveal the hiding places of their comrades. It is understood the prisoners will be tried by courtmartial and some of them say that those caught with arms in their hands will be given a short sarift.

The list of casualties and losses to property are being compiled at Governor General Doubassoff's headquarters, and are promised tomorrow.

At the bourse today a prominent manufacturer estimated the damage done in the burned district at $5,000,000.

The American factories, of which the New York Air Brake company, the Barry Boiler company and the Singer Manufacturing company are the principal ones, who have not suffered. The employes of the airbrake company, whose works are situated at Lubertzi attempted to seize the premises in order to get possession of the explosives, but a squadron of dragoons was dispatched to the scene by Governor Doubassoff and the troops prevented the strikers from carrying out their plan. Their leader who was marching at the head of the men was shot down by the officer in command of the dragoons, which caused a panic and the strikers fled.

Although the strike is off, some factories decided that it is useless to recommence work four days before the Russian Christmas, and have dismissed their workmen until Jan. 21. Most of the undamaged factories have resumed work. The railroads and steamship lines are resuming business.

The directors of the Kazan line have dismissed every official or other employe of the line and are engaging an entire new force, ignoring and using as a mockery the worthy veterans. The other roads probably will follow their example.

DIAMOND MYSTERY CLEARED.

Crook Who Aided in Stealing Gems Makes Confession.

New York, Jan. 3.—Information has been given to the police recently indicating that the mystery that has surrounded the loss of three large diamonds from local jewelry establishments nearly seven months ago, will soon be cleared up and that part of the gems at least will be recovered. It was said last night that Prentice Teller, well known throughout the United States, as one of the most cunning criminals in 25 years and who is now in jail at Dayton, O., has agreed to disclose to detectives the hiding place of part of the booty obtained.

Few diamond robberies have so baffled the detectives of this city as that committed in Union Square on May 4, 1905. Three large stones were spirited out of the lapidaries department between the closing of business on May 4 and the opening of the safes next day. They were said to be worth $35,000 and a reward of $10,000 offered for their recovery.

Prentice Teller has a record in almost every state in the union. He came into prominence in 1884 when he stole $100,000 from the Pacific Express company in St. Louis. He has done time in Jefferson City, Mo., for this crime and has been in prison repeatedly for robberies in Louisville, Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Louis and this city.

ADMIRAL DEWEY IS ACTIVE.

In the Court Proceedings Against Decatur for Hazing.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 3.—The court proceedings against Midshipman Stephen Decatur, Jr., of Portsmouth, N. H., charged with hazing Isaac N. McCreary, of Texas, and Gaylor Curren of Pennsylvania, both class men, were continued today, Decatur going to the stand in his own defence. Decatur denied also the statements of McCreary and Curren, which incriminates him. The courts are thus left to decide between the testimony under oath of the upper and lower classmen.

Other witnesses will be introduced to bear out the defense.

Decatur's case is attracting great attention, and a desperate effort is being made to save him. He is a great grandson of the famous naval hero of the same name, and stands No. 6 in studies in the class which will graduate next month.

Decatur has some very powerful friends who are willing to help him in every way. Admiral Dewey is also active in the case.

Heavy Snow in New Mexico.

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 3.—After 12 hours' of steady snowfall one of the heaviest snows for many years now covers the whole of New Mexico. The depth of the snow varies from several inches on the Mesas and in the Riogrande valley to as much as five and six feet in the mountains. Conditions are unprecedented. Work at Camp No. 2, o the Belen cut-off, the first camp in the Rugged Abo cannon in the Manasno mountains have been stopped and several hundred men are temporarily out of work. The snow in the canon is four feet deep. The zero weather is causing much suffering among the natives and Indians.

Killed Man to Save Honor.

Oklahoma City, Okla, Jan. 3.—Miss Barbara Toxer shot and killed F. C. Clayton, a business man of this city. The woman asserts that Clayton attempted to assault her, and she shot in self defense. Clayton, the woman asserts forced his way into her room when she fired. The bullet entered Clayton's heart. Miss Toxer, who is 27 years old, was placed under arrest pending an investigation by the coroner. Clayton was 35 years old and single.

Street Cars Crash in Fog.

Louisville, Jan. 3.—Five Louisville people were injured in a collision between street cars which was caused by a dense fog. The conductor and motorman were among those injured.

WITTE STANDS ON OCTOBER MANIFESTO

Will Firmly Hold Position Until Douma Meets.

TROOPS DISPLAY THEIR FIDELITY

Despite War Against Reds Government Takes Every Opportunity to Prove It Is Absolutely Necessary to Gain a Promised Reform.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 2.—3 p. m.—The government strongly worded announcement yesterday that it proposes to pursue to the bitter end the policy of putting down he "reds" following on the heels of the crushing of the revolt at Moscow, demonstrates the confidence of Premier Witte's government that it has the ability to complete the task that it has undertaken.

The main cause of this confidence is the fidelity displayed by the troops. That the government was uncertain of how far the extensive propaganda conducted by the revolutionists in the army had shaken the loyalty of the troops is unquestionably but the events of the last fortnight it seems to believe have proved completely reassuring on this point.

Despite the rigirous, ruthless fashion in which the war against the "reds" is conducted the government is taking every opportunity by word and act to try to prove to the public that the repression of the revolutionists does not involve the abandonment of the reform program but that on the contrary their suppression is necessary in order that the new regime may be realized.

It was learned today by the Associated Press through Premier Witte himself that last night's report that he was urging the immediate promulgation of a constitution is incorrect.

"Until the douma meets, "said he, "I stand firmly on the manifesto of Oct. 30. Not one step in advance nor one step in the rear will I go until the douma assembles. All the energies of the government are now consecrated to the work of making possible the convocation of the representatives of the nation at the earliest possible moment."

The Molva (Russ) bitterly assails the government for its "blind boastfulness in asserting that the revolution is crushed."

Scientists' Convention Nearing Close.

New Orleans, Jan. 3.—With a number of the important sections finished with their work, officers elected and the next place of meeting selected, the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science is drawing to a close. The final session will be held Wednesday, and a trolley ride in the afternoon will be the winding up of the convention. The decision of the general committee to have an extra meeting at Ithaca, N. Y., in June, was the result of a desire to meet the wisnes of those who are reluctant to leave their homes during the Christmas holidays to attend the regular session of the association.

Cleveland Has Big Fire.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 3.—Fire has practically destroyed the Bradley building, adjoining the Cleveland theater on St. Clair street, northwest. The theater caught fire several times, but was not seriously damaged. The losses will approximate $50,000. Lieutenant Edward W. Sewer, of engine company No. 27, formerly a widely known baseball player in the national league, fell through an open elevator shaft from the third floor of the Bradley building during the fire and was seriously injured. It is thought he will recover.

Mssissippi Legislature Meets.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 3.—The Mississippi legislature has convened in special session. Among other important legislation to be considered are a new code and a bond issue of $1,000,000. Governor Vardaman has announced that he will place no limit on the time of the session.

WILL RESUME SCHEDULE.

Gainesville and Gulf Will Put on Passenger Train to South.

Superintendent Barker of the Gainesville and Gulf Railway stated to The Sun reporter Wednesday that his road would in a short time renew the regular passenger schedule between Gainesville and Fairfield and intermediate points, which was suspended a few weeks ago on account of repairing and repainting the cars.

This will be gatifying information to those residing along the line between the two points, and who have been accustomed to do their trading here. Since the train was taken off there has been no means of reaching Gainesville and returning same day other than by private conveyance, which made matters very inconvenient.

JUDGE MASON'S COURT.

Negro Man Arrested for Murder, But Released on Court's Order.

In Judge Mason's court Wednesday morning William Harris, colored, was arraigned upon a charge of the murder of Henry Smith at Newberry on the night of June 12, 1905.

Harris was arrested at Newberry by a deputy sheriff and brought here. The evidence in the case not being sufficient to convict, the defendant was released by order of the court. Attorney Syd L. Carter represented the State, while Col. B. A. Thrasher appeared for the defense.

Some Real Estate Deals.

Real estate seems not only to be moving lively in Gainesville, but throughout the county as well, and hardly a day passes but that some important transfer is made. Among the latest transactions was the sale of a tract of 2,000 acres of land in the vicinity of LaCrosse by the Alachua Abstract Co. to H. F. Dexter of Live Oak. The tract is said to be among the most fertile in the county. It is partly cleared and it is understood that the new owner will make extensive improvements.

Colson & Blanding have sold to W. J. Locke a tract of 320 acres of fine farming land near Fannin on the extension of the Jacksonville and Southwestern railroad. This land is especially valuable, since the railroad has recently opened up the country, and Mr. Locke will clear and cultivate the land at once.

Funeral of Clyde Finch.

The funeral services over the remains of Clyde Finch, the young man who died in this city Sunday night, were held at the First Presbyterian Church Wednesday morning, Rev. Thos. P. Hay conducting the services.

The remains were shipped via the Atlantic Coast Line to the former home of the deceased, Laurens, S. C., for interment. They were accompanied by his mother, who has watched faithfully over his sick bed for several months.

An Approaching Marriage.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Clara, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. DeSha, of Waldo, to Jasper J. Donaldson, which event will occur at Waldo on the 11th inst. The bride is a niece of Mrs. C. A. W. Thomas of this city, while the groom, a very popular young man, is the son of the late Wm. Donaldson of Waldo.

Mother Sees Child Burn.

Meridian, Miss., Jan. 3.—With her clothing entangled in a barbed wire fence, and unable to go to the rescue, Mrs. Will O'Neill, of Enterprise, saw her little daughter burn to death. The child's clothing caught from a bonfire, and the mother, in her frantic haste to render assistance, became tangled in the wire and the little girl was fatally burned when she got her clothing loose.

Seaman Dies on City of Atlanta.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 3.—Chief Engineer I. C. Smith, of the steamer City of Atlanta, now at seat on the run between New York and Savannah, is dead, according to a wireless message received here. As a boy, Smith was a member of Commodore Perry's expedition to Japan.

POWER OF RAILROADS SHOULD BE CHECKED

So Said Kentucky's Governor in Annual Message.

ALSO DISCUSSES INSURANCE

He Says that Interests of the People Who Have Put Their Savings in Insurance Companies Must Be Protected by the Law.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 3.—In his message to the legislature today Governor Beckham reviewed the various branches of the state's work, calling attention to the excellent results attained in the various state institutions. The state is practically out of debt, an amount of $1,250,000 resulting from the collection of civil war claims having made possible the paying of the state debt of $1,000,000 before it was due, except $26,000, for which a higher rate was demanded than had been paid for the other bonds.

At the close of the last fiscal year on June 30, 1905, there was in the treasury a balance of $437,343.16, but appropriations for the new capitol and current expenses will more than wipe this out, so that legislative action for increasing revenues is necessary. He said that the public is defenseless without proper and effective state and federal regulation of railroads, but whose owners and managers seek to earn the largest possible dividends for the stockholders.

He continued:

"The power of a railroad company to levy an extortionate rate, simply because of a lack of competition or by an agreement with a competing line, should be restrained and the authority to do this now rests without board so far as rates within this state are concerned."

In discussing insurance he said:

"The disclosures made in the past year of the corruption and crime in the management of a number of the large life insurance companies show conclusively that the interests of the people who have put their savings in them must be protected, if protected at all, by the strength and power of the law and not left to the supposed conscience or integrity of the companies' officers any more than that a lamb could be safely entrusted to the conscience or altruism of the wolf. I would advise that you carefully examine into your power in the premises, and that if you find it would be effective, pass a law requiring a short period accounting of the surplus to the policyholders of the company. I would also advise that you pass a law along praticable lines requiring a company doing business in the state to invest a certain portion of its earnings in Kentucky."

School of Trades Opened.

Milwaukee, Jan. 3.—The Malwaukee School of Trades, founded by the Milwaukee Merchants and Manufacturer's association opened in this city today. The institution is but one of a few of its kind to be established in the west. The branches to be taught are those considered important in the building and manufacturing trades, and will include mechanical drawing machine designing, plumbing and wood and metal pattern making.

Sinking Boat Drowns Two.

Natchitoches, La., Jan. 3.—The steamboat Robert A sank at Grand Encore, a point on Red river, 4 miles from this place. Driftwood became entangled in her rudder and the pilot was unable to control the boat. The current sent her into collision with the protection work of the bridge and she sank immediately. The chamber-maid and a deck hand were drowned. The boat is a total wreck, and her cargo was lost.

Heckle Made Deputy.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 3.—John C. Heckye was appointed United States deputy marshal to succeed Charles A. Guttenberger, who has resigned. Deputy Heckle took the oath of office and has begun his term as deputy.