

JAPAN SAID TO BE PREPARING FOR WAR

Purpose Alleged to be to Force it on China in a Year or Two.

YOKOHAMA PAPER TELLS OF IT

Eastern World Says It Would Offer Promising Prizes, Pretext Being Easily Found.

Victoria, B. C., May 31.—According to advices received by the steamer Katazawa Maru today, the Eastern World, a German paper of Yokohama, published a sensational leading article stating that Japan is getting the army and navy into readiness for war with China in three years hence. The Eastern World says another war with China would offer promising prizes and a project could be soon found. The paper goes on to state that Japan's hope is inditedness to England and America is driving the country to plan an attack on China. By this, the Eastern World says Japan could exact a heavy indemnity and also make permanent the precarious tenure of Port Arthur and the Liaotung peninsula. China is marked to pay the piper for the recent war. The Northern paper says, "and there will be no suspicion of the rights or wrongs of the case. Japan need have money, many hundreds of millions of money, and a war with China would not only pay off the present debt and practically make China the treasury of Japan. It would be popular." Continuing, the Eastern World says, "Attacks will probably be deferred two or three years more than Japan may be fully equipped for a struggle with other powers, in the first place, probably Russia, would likely be drawn, but not for much longer as China is arming and Japan will attack her before she can bring her naval and military forces to some kind of equality with those of Japan and whatever plans have been made must be executed before the alliance with England and France and arranged so that Japan, of course, much against her will, should be induced to maintain the peace of the far east."

No news of these preparations was obtained from the files of other papers received, nor did those who argued by the steamer know anything of any such plan.

ASS. JUSTICE BROWN GUEST OF HONOR.

Washington, May 31.—Associate Justice Billings Brown of the United States supreme court, whose retirement from the bench was announced in court Monday, was the guest of honor at a dinner given by the Eastern division of the Knights of Columbus at the new Willard hotel tonight. A notable company gathered there, including President Roosevelt, Vice President Fairbanks and representatives of the executive, judicial and legislative branches of the national government.

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In a concluding hour many speakers spoke by acclamation, and when not going to waste sympathy upon the supreme court, because it occurs annually in this manner shares the fate of our common humanity.

John Brown in his remarks excoriated the critics, being a deplorably terrible stick-fighter. The fault ascribed to the critics was that they permit defects through acts of error and appeal. While not recommending the abrogation of the right of appeal he said: "In the first 50 years of our government there was no act of treason and that justice was meted out in the criminal as impartially as in the civil.

DR. LOUIS A. WEIGEL DEAD.

Binghamton, N. Y., May 31.—Dr. Louis A. Weigel, the first American authority on the Roentgen rays, died yesterday as a result of his experimental work in that connection. In October, 1894, it became necessary to remove his right hand and some fingers of his left hand, and he died last night with a cancer growth. A few months ago he had a tumor removed from the skin of his left chest, and he died before he finally succumbed.

MUTUAL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

New York, May 31.—At a meeting today of the trustees of the Mutual Life Insurance company it was announced that William S. Stevenson has been elected comptroller. New committee made up almost exclusively of men who controlled the company under the McCurdy regime were elected. They include a new finance committee consisting of George F. Baker, Adolph Iselin, Jr., James N. Jarvis, A. D. Julliard, and Frederick C. Peabody. President Peabody and Vice President McClelland are officers of this committee.

President Peabody announced that an investigation is being made regarding the more recent charges of corruption in the company's supply department. He added that if any former official of the company owes it any money steps will be taken for full and complete restitution.

STANDARD BEET SUGAR CO.

One of Biggest Concerns of Kind in West May be Declared Bankrupt.

Omaha, May 31.—A circuit court of appeals today granted a suspension in the case of Meany, Gaynor and Green, contractors of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with their improvements work. This has the effect of staying the execution of the sentence imposed on them.

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LIVELY TIMES IN THE DOUMA.

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ABOLITION OF DEATH PENALTY

Committee on Invulnerability of Person Instructed to Present Bill For It.

St. Petersburg, May 31.—Indignation at the execution of the eight revolutionists at Riga on the heels of the interpellation of the government on the subject adopted by the lower house of parliament created a storm at the opening of the session today.

After the reading of a message of congratulation from the president of the Argentine parliament, couched in extremely cordial terms, which was received with much applause, the group of radical Constitutional Democrats, supported by the workmen group, urged the necessity of immediately framing a law to abolish the death penalty, in view of the government's refusal to cease executions. The majority of the speech was extremely revolutionary in tone and the moderate and conservative Democratic leaders had hard work in stemming the tide of radicalism, which threatened to carry the session off its feet.

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BURNED AT THE STAKE.

Children Playing Indians Tie Child to Fencepost and Burn Him.

Montgomery, W. Va., May 31.—The five-year-old child of Robert Marney of Cedar Grove, was tied to a stake and burned to death by playmates who were emulating the characters in a mock imitation of "Red Men" recently presented by members of the local lodge in the public hall at that place.

The children, the oldest of whom is about 12, were arrayed like Indians and the little Marney child was bound to a fencepost. A quantity of shavings were placed about his feet, saturated with oil and the names communicating with the child's clothing, and in a moment the little boy was writhing in flames.

The other children, realizing what they had done, struggled manfully to tear away the burning mat and cut rescue the child while still alive, but it almost immediately succumbed to its injuries.

ALLEGED LYNNERS HELD WITHOUT BAIL.

Wadsworth, N. C., May 31.—Thirteen alleged members of the mob which early Monday night led John V. Johnson here in jail tamely without privilege of bail, and caused his release, were held without bail by the magistrate.

The trial of the 16-year-old Negro, Tom Nelligan, a boy held but proved his innocence.

ELSIE MILLHUFF'S MURDERER.

Tom Nelligan, a Boy, Held But Proves His Innocence.

Seattle, Wash., May 31.—Little definite evidence pointing to the identity of the young man who murdered twelve-year-old Elsie Muff at Remond's school has yet been secured by the deputy sheriffs. A squad of five officers is working on the case. Tom Nelligan, a fifteen-year-old newsboy, who is large for his age, but who has always borne a good reputation, held the county jail on suspicion. He admits having seen the girl on the night of the killing, and having told confiding stories at the beginning of the investigation. He is being kept in custody pending further inquiry.

The murderer first struck the girl on the head with a rock causing hemorrhage of the brain. Then he stabbed her to the heart, severed her spinal cord at the base of the brain and cut her throat so as to stop the action. Any one of four wounds would have caused death.

Nelligan, the boy suspect, maintains his innocence, and the people of Remond, where he was born, do not believe him guilty.

The murderer, it is believed, was the victim of the efforts that only a desperate could have committed the crime. The Welsh miners of Remond have resolved to torture and lynch the murderer if he can be caught and his guilt proven.

CONGRESS OF MOTHERS ATTACKS SENATOR SMOOTH.

MO. REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Minneapolis, May 31.—The executive council of the National Congress of Mothers today adopted resolutions as follows:

"The National Congress of Mothers urge the United States senate to report on the Reed-Smoot case at this session and to declare his seat vacant; also that no political party, for the sake of votes, forget the duty it owes to the nation by condoning organized crime in retaining as a representative of a law-defying disloyal organization in the senate.

"It asks that a constitutional amendment be enacted giving the federal government power to deal with polygamy."

The council also took up the divorce question in the following resolution:

"Whereas, the enactment of uniform divorce laws is of universal interest to women;

"Resolved, That the National Congress of Mothers requests every woman's organization to use its influence in securing the enactment of a bill for uniform divorce laws, which will be presented to state legislatures by the committees appointed by the recent divorce congress of Washington."

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Punch-and-Judging

the

United States Court

In Everybody's for June, Lawson tells how his offer to testify against Rogers and Rockefeller, and recover \$4,000,000 stolen from the Bay State Gas Company, was refused by the receiver; also how William Rockefeller sailed for Europe just at the "right time" and returned as soon as the trial was over.

Also a magnificent picture of the exposed frenzied financier. "It is rash to disturb greed at the kill."

Everybody's Magazine

15 cents a copy \$1.50 a year.

Democratic ticket at the election held by his regiment (the One hundred and Ninety-fifth Ohio Volunteers) a short time previously. With the Democrats killing time Mr. Dalsell decided to adjourn rather than go through the weariness of two more roll calls.

DEFUNCT TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY.

San Francisco, May 31.—Three hundred and fifty policyholders in the defunct Traders' Insurance company held a meeting today at which State Insurance Commissioner Wolf presided. In the course of the meeting the policyholders received an invitation to accept 60 cents on the dollar in full settlement of their claims.

The proposal came from Thomas Bates, a lawyer from Chicago, who was introduced to the meeting by Commissioner Wolf as attorney for the receiver of the Traders' Insurance company. Bates stated that while he did tell the state insurance commissioner that he was attorney for the receiver of the insurance company, he did not represent eight or ten stockholders who felt so humiliated at the position in which they found themselves that they wanted to see if a way could not be found to take the company out of the hands of the receiver by letting the assets and surplus go to the policyholders.

He explained that the Traders had \$5,107,000 at risk in the burned district of San Francisco and the assets of the company were only a capital of \$500,000, and surplus of \$1,300,000. It had besides a re-insurance reserve of \$1,300,000 but that under the law this could not be applied to the payment of losses. He stated that the company had \$160,000,000 in policies outstanding all over the world and the re-insurance reserves applied to the return of premiums.

"The small estate of stockholders who want repayment," said Mr. Bates, "want to get their debts and take the company out of the hands of the receiver. If they can get a settlement from you, their creditors here, of 55 or even 60 cents on the dollar, those eight or ten men will put up the money and make good."

He went on to say that if the San Francisco policyholders, of which there are about 2,000, would accept this offer, the money would be paid in from 30 to 60 days, and he then drew on the long drawn out and expensive legal proceedings if they took the matter into the courts.

When asked who the directors of the company are, Bates refused to give the name except the one John Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, as being one of the eight or ten stockholders whom he represented.

Commissioner Wolf wanted to go into the question of the stockholders' liability. "Then I'll declare all off," declared the Chicago lawyer.

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