

SOME OPPOSITION TO ABRIGATION OF TREATY DEVELOPS

Alliance With Japan by Russia. Injuring Oriental Trade Has Been Suggested

MANY MESSAGES ALONG THIS LINE RECEIVED

Assurance Given That Resolution Will be Reported to Senate Immediately

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Opposition to the senate program for immediate action on the Suler house resolution looking to the termination of the Russian treaty of 1832 is developing among some senators.

This view will be presented to the committee on foreign relations when it meets next Monday in accordance with Chairman Cullom's promise to take up the resolution.

There is a possibility of ultimate delay on account of changes in the resolution which would require the concurrence of the house.

UNDER COVER OF DUSK NEGROES WERE RUSHED TO JAIL AT CHARLOTTE

Lynching of Alleged Murderers of Wealthy Young Couple Threatened ONE CONFESSES

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 15.—Charged with the murder of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, a prominent and wealthy young couple of Cleveland county Wednesday morning, John and Hack Ross, brothers, and Will Ross, their cousin, negroes, were formally committed by the coroner's jury this morning and tonight were hurried to jail to prevent lynching which had been threatened all day.

Hundreds of farmers were in Shelby attending court and excitement ran high. After some delay it became whispered that the hearing had been postponed and the impatient citizens began to wend their way toward the jail.

"SHOOTING SHOW GIRLS" FREED BY VERDICT OF JURY

Hysterics Seized "the Spirited Miss Conrad" When Verdict Was Announced—In Exactly Fifty-Eight Minutes Jury Decided.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The verdict of "not guilty" was returned late today freeing Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad of criminal charges on which they had been held since last June for shooting the millionaire sportsman and hotel proprietor, W. E. D. Stokes. The jury reached its verdict by slightly less than an hour's deliberation—58 minutes to be exact.

The "shooting show girls" were tried on an indictment of three counts, the first charging an attempt to murder Stokes. Of consideration of this count, however, the jurors were relieved by Justice Marcus, at the request of the district attorney. The court restricted the jury to the second and third counts, which charged respectively, assault in the first degree, with intent to kill, and assault in the second degree, with intent to do bodily injury.

When the foreman announced the words "not guilty," Miss Conrad stood "thank God" and went into violent hysterics. She sank to the counsel table, then jumped up again shrieking and tearing her hair and throwing her arms about wildly.

The girl's hysteria continued for fully ten minutes, before friends succeeding in quieting her. She recovered as suddenly as she was attacked, and with Miss Graham on her arm, issued from the court room to be greeted with cheers by a large crowd gathered outside.

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INTEREST NOW CENTERS IN PEACE CONFERENCE; QUIET IN MOST PLACES

Dilatory Fighting Continues in the Vicinity of Shih-Kai Chwang

ABDICATION ASKED MORE BODIES FOUND

PEKING, Dec. 15.—Fighting continues in the vicinity of Shih-Kai Chwang. The commander of the imperial troops there recently asked the government to send him \$300,000 Mexican money with which to pay the troops.

SAO FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Immediate abdication of the Manchu emperor and recognition of the republic or renewal of hostilities were the instructions sent by General Li Yuan Heng, commander-in-chief of the revolutionary forces, to the republican representative at the Shanghai peace conference, according to dispatches received here today.

A Saturday Night Hold-up.



FORT RILEY FOR NINE MONTHS HAS BEEN ALMOST IN STATE OF TERROR

Officers Have Received Letters Threatening Death and Destruction of Fort—Has Been Under Double Guard—Destruction Has Cost Government Million Dollars—Sixth Private Arrested in Connection With Crimes.

JUNCTION CITY, Kan., Dec. 15.—

Trumpeter John Crill, of Battery E, sixth field artillery, was arrested late today in connection with the dynamite explosion and fires at Fort Riley which cost the government one million dollars.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 15.—

W. H. Mackey, deputy warden of the federal penitentiary here, formerly United States Marshal for Kansas, who investigated the explosion and fires at Fort Riley, in an interview tonight, declared neither the Rev. Mr. Brewer nor Mrs. Anna Jordan were implicated in the crimes.

CAROLINA LEAGUE WILL REMAIN INTACT IN 1912

Greenville Comes Forward and Deposits Guarantee Check of \$1,000

MISTRIAL IN CHILDERS CASE

AMERICUS, Ga., Dec. 15.—After deliberating fifty hours without reaching a verdict, the jury in the case of Mert S. Childers on trial for the second time for the murder of his wife by poisoning, was discharged this afternoon.

PROSECUTION GAINS ONE OF ITS STRONGEST POINTS

Judge Allows Locks Which Barred Girls' Escape to be Introduced

SUSPECTED OF ROBBING MAIL

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 15.—George H. Hill and Henry Elchorn, white men, were arrested today by post office inspectors in connection with the robbing of an Atlantic Coast Line passenger train of registered mail valued at \$5,000 near Hardeeville, S. C., last Tuesday.

LORIMER WILL TESTIFY JUST AFTER HOLIDAYS

Had Been Thought That He Would Take Stand Next Monday

ABDICATION DEMANDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator Lorimer will not testify in his defense until congress reconvenes after the Christmas holidays. It was practically arranged to have him for a witness next Monday, but it was decided today to finish with all other witnesses before congress adjourns and hear Senator Lorimer after the recess.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Forecast: North Carolina: rain Saturday; warmer central portion; Sunday clearing and colder; moderate south-east and south winds, becoming north-west Sunday.

SEEKING TO PROVE OTHERS CONNECTED WITH EXPLOSIONS

Federal Grand Jury Learns From Two Sources Details of Dynamiting Cases

HOTEL CLERKS WILL ADD THEIR TESTIMONY

This is Expected to Corroborate M'Manigal's Movements Through Country

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 15.—Government officials who are co-operating with District Attorney Miller in conducting the investigation of the dynamite conspiracy before the federal grand jury, issued from two sources today the details of explosions in which it is alleged others than the McNamaras were implicated.

W. E. Griffin, chief of police of Kansas City, Mo., who had knowledge of five explosions in Kansas City, was questioned about certain facts which it is said had never been revealed. These explosions all directed against structures erected by firms employing non-union men, occurred from 1908 to 1910. As not more than two of them were confessedly the work of Orin McManigal, Chief Griffin's information was sifted to ascertain who else might have destroyed the property.

Hotel Clerks Summoned Many hotel clerks from various parts of the country have been summoned to tell what they know of the movements of McManigal, while he was on his dynamiting expedition. The hotel men are to be questioned chiefly to corroborate McManigal's confession wherein he relates visits to certain towns with a suit case filled with either dynamite or nitro-glycerine. It was intimated that the iron workers' officials were not opposing the government's efforts to expose all implicated in the dynamiting, the fact being pointed to that H. B. Hockin, acting secretary of the association, again conferred with District Attorney Miller.

It was while Hockin was absent that several wagon loads of papers recently were taken from the headquarters. Hockin refused to say whether they were taken with his consent. About thirty thousand papers are to be digested for the benefit of the grand jury.

testimony of Edward Hines of Chicago, the lumberman who has been mentioned in the case as the "man who put Lorimer over."

Counsel for the senate committee investigating Mr. Lorimer's election wanted to know something about what is alleged to have happened at a meeting in Mr. Hines' private room in the Chicago Union League club on the day after Lorimer was elected. The lawyers were not prepared to say today what they were holding back. They probably will recall Mr. Hines next week.

E. H. Nochie, a labor leader whose name was recently mentioned in trial of the McNamara dynamiters, was a witness today and testified to certain conversations at Springfield.

Santa Claus Letters

The Citizen has received a message from Santa Claus asking us to forward immediately to his home at the North Pole all the letters which his little friends have sent him in care of The Citizen. Therefore The Citizen will not publish any of them this year.

Santa Claus further states that he advises the old fashioned methods of sending him letters. One of the best plans is to put the letters up the chimney the last thing before going to bed.

In his message Santa Claus was very particular to warn all the children to be very good between now and Christmas and to mind their parents. He says he has heard that a number of Asheville children have not been quite so obedient as they should be.

The Citizen hopes that these children will improve before Christmas eve so that they will not be disappointed when they come to look for their presents on the morning of the twenty-fifth.

