

WAR IN FAR EAST, IN NEAR EAST, IN SAN DOMINGO

The Japanese are Landing Troops by the Thousands in Korea and the Yalu River Territory—Big Land Battle is Near at Hand.

Torpedo Attack by Japanese on Sunday Said to Have Destroyed Two More Russian Ships—Alexieff Issues Appeal to the Soldiers.

Paris, Feb. 17.—An official dispatch received here today from Tokio announces one of the most important movements of Japanese troops yet made as occurring today. One of the main branches of the army consisting of three divisions is now going on board the transports. The previous landing of Japanese forces in Korea and elsewhere is said to be small compared with this simultaneous sailing of three divisions aggregating approximately thirty to fifty thousand men. The Japanese authorities reported that they have taken every precaution and the destination of the army is believed but this is uncertain to be a point near the mouth of the Yalu River or at Spot Liao-Tung peninsula, flanking Port Arthur.

Elouquet Alexieff. Port Arthur, Feb. 17.—Viceroy Alexieff in an order issued to the Russian troops yesterday, says: "The heroic army and fleet has been entrusted to me by His Majesty the Emperor and now we are on us we must remember our sacred duty to protect the East and Fatherland. Russia is great and powerful and if her foe is strong that must give us additional power to fight him. The spirit of the Russian soldiers and sailors is high. Our God who always upheld the cause that is just is doing so now. Let us unite for the coming struggle, let every man be tranquil in order better to fulfill his duty, remembering that, prayer to God and service to the emperor are never wasted."

Report Confirmed. Port Arthur, Feb. 17.—Reports are confirmed that the Japanese have concentrated sixty thousand troops at Wonsan on the East Coast of Korea with the object of entering Manchuria.

Japan Embarking Troops. Shanghai, Feb. 17.—The following telegram was received from Nagasaki dated last Monday: "Fifteen thousand troops are embarking on transports today. Horses are in poor condition. Two damaged warships are waiting to go into dry dock."

Loss of Yenisei. Paris, Feb. 16.—It is reported here that the loss of the Russian torpedo boat Yenisei will entail serious consequences. The captain of the vessel had placed torpedoes at various places and the names indicating these spots went down with the ship. It is believed that the general staff possesses copies of these papers, but there is a probability that those which were lost contained certain corrections and modifications which the others do not.

Hay Triumphant. St. Petersburg, Feb. 17.—Russia's reply to Secretary Hay's note on China will possibly be made in a few days. She will acquiesce in the principle with certain reservations regarding Chinese administrative control over the region in Manchuria, leased to Russia or controlled by Chinese reservation, in order to safeguard existing Russian interests. Russia at first was inclined to fear the note might contain a hidden pitfall for her, but authorities are now acquainted with replies of the other powers including that of Japan, and the fear has begun to disappear and it has been decided to give adherence to the

THE REVOLUTION IN SAN DOMINGO The Rebels Defeated and the Lately Rebellious Government is Firmly Intrenched in Power Until the Next Revolution.

(By Associated Press) New York, Feb. 17.—A Herald dispatch from Porto-Plata San Domingo says the rebels made a savage attack on the city of Santiago and were completely routed. The revolutionists entered the city yesterday and proceeded unopposed until they reached the Government house when the government forces opened fire. The battle raged several hours and one rebel fell with a wound. Many revolutionists were killed and the rebels fled pursued by government soldiers. The government losses are not stated but it is known that two officers were killed and several wounded.

STRIKE OF COAST LINE EMPLOYES

General Manager Kenly Interviewed Today—He Says the Tendency Now Seems to be for Men to Get Back to Work at Once.

(Special The News) Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 17.—The strike of the maintenance of way employees of the Atlantic Coast Line will not amount to very much say the officials of the company today.

Wiju Opened to Commerce. Washington, Feb. 17.—American Minister Allen at Seoul cables the State Department that Wiju has been declared open to the commerce of the world by the Korean government.

Details of the Attack. London, Feb. 17.—A bulletin to St. James Gazette from Kobe, Japan, reporting a Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur last Sunday says that a family "Pearl" Box 552, city, another Russian warship outside the harbor were torpedoed and the Japanese retired without injury.

Storm Saved Russians. Tokio, Feb. 17.—Heavy storm spared the Russians from a desperate torpedo attack on Port Arthur last Sunday morning. During the preceding night the Japanese flotilla torpedo craft were separated by the force of the wind and waves in the blinding snow storm so that only the two large destroyers were able to force their way to Port Arthur. There they made the attack separately and one claims to succeeding in torpedoing a Russian warship. The destroyer Asagiri arriving at Port Arthur at three o'clock the same morning met a sharp fire from the fortress and scouting ships. The destroyer Hetyory arrived two hours later and ran close to the mouth of the harbor and fired a torpedo at one of the Russian ships. Results are also unknown but they claim one ship damaged. The Admiral reporting the attack says that although results are unknown it is believed the moral effect on the enemy is excellent.

Off Yalu River. Paris, Feb. 17.—Another official dispatch says the Japanese transports have been sighted off the mouth of the Yalu river. This is not to be confused with the embarkation of three divisions of Japanese troops, but it is considered to be a confirmation of the report that the town of which the transport was seen is to be one of the bases of Japanese operations.

SIXTEEN THOUSAND ALBANIANS REBEL

Great Activity on the Bulgarian Frontier—Albanian Attack Successful in the Town of Diakova—Turks Defeated in Battle.

(By Associated Press) Constantinople, Feb. 17.—Sixteen thousand Albanians are in revolt in the district of Diakova against the reform plans of the Powers for Macedonia and the obnoxious taxes. In conflicts between Albanians and Ottomans the latter were defeated. Albanians attacked the town of Diakova last Saturday and plundered many houses. The Turkish forces subsequently attacked the insurgents of the main body but were repulsed with heavy loss. Feverish activity continues among the Turkish authorities on the Bulgarian frontier accumulating stores and massing troops.

TROUBLE IN THE BALKANS. It is Feared That Turkey is Provoking Bulgaria into War—Austria Arming.

(By Associated Press) Vienna, Feb. 16.—The situation in the Balkans is creating great uneasiness here. The denial of the rumors of the mobilization of Austrian troops has failed to reassure the public and it is still asserted that the government intends to mobilize two army corps provisionally for the purpose of guarding the Balkan frontier because of fears that Turkey will provoke Bulgaria into war.

COTTON SITUATION. It Was Discussed Today in the House of Commons—The Remedy Proposed.

(By Associated Press) London, Feb. 17.—The crisis in the cotton trade was the subject of a question in the House of Commons today, in reply to which Secretary Akers-Douglas in behalf of the government said that although the recognized manipulation undoubtedly was the cause of anxiety, it could hardly be amended by legislation respecting gambling in futures. The best remedy he said would be to increase the source of supply in the various parts of the empire.

Pine Plant Burned. Albany, Ga., Feb. 17.—The Plant Pine Products Company for distillation of pine was burned this morning. Loss \$20,000; insurance, \$4,000.

SENATE PAYS HONOR TO THE MEMORY OF SENATOR HANNA

A Distinguished Body of Government and Foreign Officials Attend the Simple Service in the Senate Chamber Today.

(By Associated Press) Indianapolis, Feb. 17.—President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers issued a request this morning to the members of the organization that they cease work at noon on Friday, the day of the funeral, as a tribute to the memory of the late Senator Hanna and in recognition of his many services to the organization.

Simple Ceremony in Senate Chamber. Washington, Feb. 17.—In presence of the family and friends whose grief was hardly less than that of the Senate and House, of Dignitaries from all branches of the Government and chief officials representing foreign powers, the funeral of the late Senator Hanna was held today in the Senate Chamber. The ceremony was simple and dignified. Scarcely a more distinguished body of people been collected in Washington to do honor to a dead or living and rarely has there been a more impressive scene.

AMERICA ALL RIGHT. Redmond Resents the Reference That America is Being Corrupted by Irish Labor.

(By Associated Press) London, Feb. 16.—Sir John Redmond caused a sensation in the House of Commons today during the discussion on the subject of Chinese labor in the Transvaal. H. C. Cusks (Conservative), made a reference to the effect that Irish labor was responsible for corruption in New York, whereupon Mr. Redmond exclaimed excitedly: "You have no right to insult America. I will not allow it."

MURDERED BY DYNAMITE. Trial of the Croats Who Blew up a Man For His Money.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Penn., Feb. 17.—A jury having been secured last evening in the trial of Milovar Kovovick, charged with the murder and robbery of Samuel T. Ferguson, a Wabash railroad contractor, near West Middletown, Pa., last September, was formally opened today.

PUBLISHERS RESOLVE. American Newspaper Association Pays a Tribute to Hanna.

(By Associated Press) New York, Feb. 17.—The American Newspaper Publishers' Association, now in session in this city, today adopted the following: "Resolved, That the American Newspaper Publishers' Association learned with profound regret of the death of Senator M. A. Hanna, and feel in common with the American people the great public loss to the business interests of the world, and further that this expression of our sorrow be and is hereby extended to his bereaved family."

REAR-ADMIRAL COTTON. He retires Today on Account of His Wife's Health—An Able Officer.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 17.—Announcement was made today at the Navy Department of the retirement at his own request of Rear Admiral Charles S. Cotton, commander-in-chief of the European station. Rear Admiral Cotton's request to be retired was because of the continued ill health of his wife. It is thought that he hauled down his flag from the Brooklyn today at Genoa. He probably will be succeeded by Rear Admiral French F. Chadwick.

TO DEEPEN THE CUMBERLAND. Committee on Rivers and Harbors Hear a Half-Million Proposition.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 17.—The House committee on rivers and harbors today heard a delegation interested in the improvement of the Cumberland river. Senator Bate, Representative Gaines, and Governor McMillan of Tennessee presented a large delegation. The request is for an appropriation of \$500,000 to make the river deeper.

MRS. BENJAMIN HILL. Widow of the Late Senator Hill of Georgia is Critically Ill in Atlanta.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Benjamin Hill, of Atlanta, Ga., widow of the late Senator Hill, of Georgia, is critically ill with pneumonia at the residence of her daughter, in this city.

Dowie Chased by a Mob. New York, Feb. 17.—The Sydney New South Wales correspondent of the American says John Alexander Dowie has been compelled to flee from a mob. Rowdy scenes characterized the meeting and these culminated when the crowd broke up the exercises and drove Dowie from the hall. He escaped in a cab but a howling mob of five thousand followed him to the hotel. The police were unable to check the crowd and Dowie is reported to have left the hotel through the back door.

ANOTHER DUNN BANK IS DONE FOR

Bank Examiner Ellington Instructed to Take Charge—Extent of Embarrassment Not Yet Known—Bailey Makes Announcement.

(Special The News) Raleigh, Feb. 17.—State Bank Examiner J. O. Ellington notified the Corporation Commission this morning that he finds on examination that the Bank of Dunn is insolvent, and the Commission has instructed him to take charge and hold the assets until a receiver is appointed according to law.

IN SUPERIOR COURT. Two True Bills in Arson Cases—Numerous Sentences Imposed.

(Special The News) The third day of Superior Court in this city has been consumed in the hearing of a number of cases of ordinary character.

WAKE FOREST AND FURMAN. Representatives of These Colleges to Debate in Charlotte.

(Special The News) Salisbury, Feb. 17.—In the Superior Court this morning the case of the White brothers, charged with the murder of Russell Sherrill, was continued until the September term of Rowan court.

WEBB'S INTEREST. In the Market for Southern Cotton Goods.

(By A. W. Hughes) Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.—Representative E. Y. Webb has been devoting some of his spare moments to looking into the subject of foreign markets for our Southern cotton mill products, for he has grasped the fact that our home consumption will hardly continue to equal the supply at the present rate of rising prices, and that we should provide as did Germany for a period of financial depression in this country by cultivating foreign markets for our surplus products.

F. D. SAMPSON NOW WITH CATAWBA CO. Former Superintendent of the Electric Line to be Made Local Manager of the Catawba Power Co.—Will Remain in Charlotte.

(By Associated Press) Mr. F. D. Sampson, formerly of the C. C. as superintendent of the electric line, has resigned his position with the D. A. Tompkins Company and has taken a position with the Catawba Power Company, which company has been recently awarded a five year contract for lighting the city.

CUT AT A DANCE. Alf. Hemphill Swipes Arm of Negress With a Knife.

OUR ENGLISH FRIENDS. Pay Tribute to Memory of George Washington.

(Special The News) New York, Feb. 17.—The president of the Liverpool Cotton Exchange cables that on February 22, Washington's birthday, that exchange will close out of respect to the memory of that American. This is considered here as an unusual token of the friendship that binds the two nations.

Church Social. The Cheerful Workers of the Tryon Street Baptist church invite their friends to a social to be given at Mrs. W. M. Lyles at 315 North Brevard street next Thursday night from 8 to 11. Refreshments will be served.

Cotton Up Today. (By Associated Press) New York, Feb. 17.—There was considerable activity and excitement at the market of the cotton market today, with first prices showing an advance of 30 to 40 points. After call the market, while more or less irregular, showed a steady to firm undertone with May fluctuating round 13.25 and July 13.40, a net gain of 44 to 47 points.

Insurance Company Fails. (By Associated Press) Baltimore, Feb. 17.—Application was made today for a receiver for the Old Town Fire Insurance Company of Baltimore. It is understood that the liabilities exceed the assets by \$100,000.

THE WHITE CASE WAS CONTINUED UNTIL SEPTEMBER

Owing to the Inability of Miss Annie White to be Present, the Case Goes Over Until the September Term.

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Hor. R. Z. Linney Speaks in Salisbury Tonight on the Life and Death of Senator Marcus A. Hanna—He Will Speak in the Court House.

(Special The News) The grounds upon which the continuance was granted was the inability of Miss Annie White to be present. Miss White is the young woman who it is alleged the dead man ruined and the direct cause of the terrible tragedy.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL OFFICIAL HERE. General Manager Wallace, of the Illinois Central railway, accompanied by his wife, passed through Charlotte today in their private car. Superintendent Baker joined them here, and will go with them over his division. Mr. Wallace is making an extended trip through the South.

SUCCESSORS MR. COWAN. Mr. T. Edward Helms in Charge of Stone & Barringer Co. Picture Department.

JABEL REGISTER CONFESSES GUILT. Says he is Guilty of the Crime for Which he was Convicted—He Implicates a Man by the Name of White who is in Jail.

(Special The News) Wilmington, Feb. 17.—Jabel Register who is under sentence to be hanged at Whiteville, N. C., on the 26, for the murder of Jesse Sales and Jim Staley in Columbus county, has made a full confession of the crime and implicates a Columbus county man named White as an accessory to the crime.

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