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DEFIANT RIOTERS FACE A DEADLY BAYONET CHARGE

One of Many Conflicts on the Fire Desolated Soil of Moldavia

FORTY-TWO OF MOB LEFT DEAD ON FIELD

Eight of the Soldiers Fell Before the Revolver and Rifle Fire of the Rioters—In Another Battle Between Troops and the Peasant Mobs Fifteen of the Latter Were Killed, the Soldiers Opening Fire, Though Forbidden to Do So by the Prefect of the Town—Eight Thousand Fugitives Have Fled to Austria.

(Special Cable to The Times.)
Vienna, March 23.—The present uprising in Moldavia continues unchecked. To date, 85 persons have been killed, 400 farms have been devastated, 8,000 fugitives have fled into Austria and 10,000 Jews are homeless.

Five hundred peasants invaded Michaleni, and the soldiers, by order of the prefect of the town, were not permitted to fire. Some of the soldiers fired against orders, killing fifteen of the rioters and wounding forty-five.

The most serious fight of the day occurred near Platra. Several thousand peasants marched against this town, where a regiment of infantry was stationed. The soldiers charged the peasants with fixed bayonets; the peasants replied with rifle and revolver fire, and then the troops opened fire. In the end the rioters retreated, leaving 42 dead, 67 wounded and 250 prisoners. The troops had eight killed and 27 wounded.

CAPTURE OF PORTERS WHO LOOTED THE MAIL.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New York, March 23.—Through the arrest and confessions today of two Grand Central station mail porters, the post office department expects to recover many thousands of dollars worth of loot and to stop the systematic pilfering of mail in transit which has piled up more than 2,000 complaints in the last seven months.

Postoffice Inspector Jacobs and Meyer were on the watch all of last night in the Grand Central station, and today arrested William Cohen, aged 38, of No. 413 East 51st Street, and William Friedman, aged 45, of No. 1258 Park Avenue, as they were about to quit work.

NEGRO PRISONER BURGLARIZED ROOM

Sheriff R. H. Raper arrived in Raleigh this morning from Elizabeth City with a negro by the name of Elwell Overton, who was convicted of burglary and sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

The circumstances connected with the case were very unusual, for at the time that the crime was committed Overton was serving a term in the Pasquotank county jail. In some way he got out of his cell and went to another part of the jail and entered the room occupied by the jailer's wife.

At the trial Overton pleaded guilty, and but for this fact, it is said, he would have certainly been hanged.

To Be Moved to Statesville.

(Special to The Evening Times.)
Winston-Salem, N. C., March 23.—Winston-Salem loses the collector's office for the fifth internal revenue district. It is to be moved from Asheville to Statesville, the home of the collector.

Miss Grace E. Seymour



This picture is from a recent photograph of Miss Grace E. Seymour, former resident of Helton Hall, who reveals the secrets of the Utopian Colony, founded by Upton Sinclair.

NEW BERN OIL MILLS FLAME

(Special to The Evening Times.)
New Bern, N. C., March 23.—The plant of the New Bern Cotton Oil and Fertilizer Company was partially destroyed by fire shortly before 12 o'clock last night. The part destroyed was devoted to the manufacture of cotton oil and its products, together with all contents, consisting of about 300 tons of oil cake and meal and 1,000 barrels of oil.

ITS HORROR IS INDESCRIBABLE

(Special Cable to The Times.)
Shanghai, March 23.—Reports from the famine area indicate that famine conditions have become so serious as to threaten to exceed in horror the great famine of India. Hundreds are dying every day, and diseases which have started among the sufferers are spreading rapidly, striking down the weakened people like a plague. The civic committee is preparing to send out appeals broadcast to the world. The situation confronting China cannot be understood in other countries, as the horror is indescribable.

AN EARTHSHOE JARS KINGSTON

(Special Cable to The Times.)
Kingston Jamaica, March 23.—There was another very severe shock of earthquake felt in Kingston and the vicinity. For several seconds buildings rocked violently and the people are greatly alarmed.

WORK WAS BEGUN TODAY ON SEABOARD PASS TRACKS.

Work was begun this morning on the pass tracks of the Seaboard Air Line between Raleigh and Norfolk, the contract having been awarded several days since to a Charlotte firm. The tracks are badly needed and the work will be pushed rapidly to completion.

Mr. T. W. Dobbin has returned from New York City.

ZELAYA FOUND AGHAST BEFORE HIM A HOT GOAL MADMAN'S CELL

A Thermal Interview With Minister Merry

CROOKED WORK DONE PRESSURE ON JUDGE

The American Representative Kicked Like a Mule Over Tampering With His Cablegram, Went Aboard the Baracouta and Hurdled De-fiance at All the Nicaraguan Government.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New Orleans, La., March 23.—A letter received yesterday from a staff correspondent of the Pienyue at San Jose, Costa Rica, dated March 16, says: "The publication in the United States attempting to discredit the story of Minister Merry's departure from Nicaragua and the denial by the state department, and the report of Nicaragua, have attracted considerable attention among Americans in Costa Rica, who know the facts of this incident."

"Minister Merry had been pressing the claim of San Well, of New Orleans, very energetically, and from information he received he came to the conclusion that some one was tampering with his cables. He sent on one occasion a message in code, and some little time after was uncertain as to the wording of the message, and sent his clerk to the cable office with a request to have the cable returned to him."

"The cable clerk, after a lengthy search, claimed that he could not find the message. Minister Merry then went in person to the office and demanded the copy. It is understood from the very best authority that the clerk of the cable office went to the palace of President Zelaya and received the message. It has also been stated upon equally as good information that one of the words in the message had been changed."

A Stormy Interview.

"This led to a very heated and stormy interview between President Zelaya and Minister Merry, and resulted in Minister Merry closing his legation. Shortly after he left for Corinto to catch a vessel bound for Puerto Remeo, Costa Rica."

"At the same time the steamship Baracouta, from Panama, arrived before the city of Para reached Corinto from points further up the coast. The minister of war of Nicaragua, with an armed guard, came down from Managua, the capital, to Corinto, and went to the Baracouta, tied up at the wharf, went aboard and demanded from the captain the manifesto of the Honduras consignment."

"The captain of the Baracouta objected and reported the action to Minister Merry, who went aboard and fully informed the position taken by the captain. He held that there was no law in the country which can force a ship captain to open his safe and show consular invoices to the officials of another foreign country, even though this country may be at war with the country to which the invoice and freight is consigned."

"Arm and Defend the Ship."

"The minister of war then told the captain of the Baracouta that he would search the hold. He left the ship apparently to secure armed force, and during his absence Minister Merry instructed the captain to arm his crew and officers and attach the hose to the fire pipes and be ready to defend his ship by means of hot water."

"Then he notified his secretary to have his baggage brought from the hotel and taken on board the Baracouta. He hoisted the legation flag to the mainmast of the ship and notified Nicaragua that this ship for the time being was the American legation and American territory."

"Since Minister Merry's arrival in Costa Rica, Nicaragua has cut off all cable communication between points south of Nicaragua and the United States, excepting such messages as they see fit to allow to pass through. All code messages are stopped at Corinto."

Thaw Urges His Counsel to Fierce Work

PRESSURE ON JUDGE

The Chief Reliance of the Defense is the Statement of an Altruist Who Recently Made an Exhaustive Examination of Thaw and Pronounced Him Quite Sane.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New York, March 23.—"Harry Thaw is sane. I have seldom talked with men who were more able to advise with counsel. He knows what he wants and why he wants it and his logic is the logic of a sane man. At this minute he is no sane as anyone in the court room who has watched the case. We shall offer affidavits swearing to this fact and there is a possibility that there will be no commission appointed."

These were the words of Delmas Michael Delmas, Thaw's chief counsel, before the lawyers for Standard White's slayer went to court today to submit affidavits affecting those of Jerome's seven attorneys, who swore Thaw was a hopeless lunatic. The terror of a madman's cell has dawned clearly before Thaw, and he has instructed his counsel to fight to the utmost against a lunacy commission.

Mr. Delmas' failure to appear in court yesterday when the jurors were dismissed, pending Justice Fitzgerald's decision on the appointment of a commission was in no wise indicative of him having withdrawn from the case, he declared.

A Flood of Affidavits.

"Will you have many affidavits as Mr. Jerome has?" he was asked. "We shall have many more. If it is possible to avoid the delay that the commission necessarily will cause, we will do it. It is hardly an agreeable proceeding at the best. I myself would not like to face it, and if we can we will spare our client. But it will be difficult for a body of conscientious men to say that a sane man is insane."

With the filing today in the supreme court of the affidavits prepared by Harry Thaw's lawyers, in their determined attempt to prove him sound of brain at the present time it became known that the prisoner has submitted to the most exhaustive examination possible since last Wednesday by one of the defense's altruists.

Found Thaw Sane.

The result of this mental and physical probe was the declaration of the examining physician, that in his belief Harry Thaw is quite sane. This declaration was embodied in an affidavit and formed the chief reliance of the defense upon swaying Justice Fitzgerald to refuse the demand of the district attorney for the appointment of a commission in lunacy.

Other affidavits, sworn to by all the insanity experts retained by the defense and all declaring Thaw sane and perfectly capable of conferring with his counsel were also filed with the court clerk. They were all as positive as to Thaw's sanity as the eight submitted by the district attorney were emphatic in declaring Thaw a paranoiac and, therefore, an incurable lunatic.

But there were further documents in Thaw's handwriting intended to show that Thaw was not only sane, but also that he had consulted, conferred with and directed his lawyers since the trial began. These papers included notes, suggestions, memoranda, all in the defendant's handwriting, as was the first long letter.

Postponed Until Monday.

With this mass of answering documents—all tending to refute the claim of the district attorney that Thaw is insane—in the hands of the court and the district attorney today, further action in the case was postponed until Monday. But the district attorney was not idle. He supplemented his affidavits declaring Thaw insane with a number of letters which he had not brought forward during the trial. These letters also were in Thaw's handwriting, and a number of them (Continued on Page 5.)

Thomas Bailey Aldrich.



Thomas Bailey Aldrich, dean of American poets, is dead, at the age of 71 years. Mr. Aldrich combined rare poetic genius with much shrewd business sense and accumulated a fortune as a banker.

AFFIDAVIT BY DELMAS

Strong Argument for Sanity of Harry Thaw

Notes by the Prisoner Breathe a Spirit of Deep Devotion for His Wife and Urge That She Be Spared All Possible Humiliation.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New York, March 23.—Eight affidavits were prepared and submitted by Delmas testifying to Thaw's sanity at present. They were taken by Delmas, John B. Gleason, Henry C. McKike, and the following attorneys for the defense: Dr. Britton D. Evans, Dr. Charles G. Wagner, Dr. Smith Ely J.iffie, Dr. Graeme M. Hammond and Dr. George Francis Shiloh.

In the estimation of the attorneys for Thaw the most convincing arguments presumptive of Thaw's sanity is supplied by fifteen notes and letters, all embraced in Mr. Delmas' affidavit, written by Thaw to his attorneys since the trial began.

Mr. Delmas' affidavit in part follows: "During the course of the trial I have had frequent interviews with the defendant in the prison in which he has been confined and have received from him a number of letters. These are hereto attached, marked exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, and made a part of this, my affidavit. During the actual conduct of the case in court, I have, from time to time, received from the defendant, at the hands of a messenger, a number of slips of paper, containing suggestions with reference to the conduct of the proceedings actually going on. Many of these slips were, at the time of their reception, torn up and destroyed. Some few I happen to have (Continued on Page Seven.)"

MURDER A DREAM, MURDER A FACT

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
New York, March 23.—Awakened by a dream which pictured his brother being murdered, Dr. Oscar Austin, of Yonkers, jumped out of bed early today, dressed himself and rushed to his brother's home at 50 Warburton avenue. The halls were dark, and Dr. Austin groped his way up the stairs. At the top landing he stumbled over the lifeless body of his brother. Lighting the gas, Dr. Austin turned his brother over on his back. He found a bad bruise at the base of the skull. Dr. Austin notified the police and an investigation is being made. Austin makes the declaration that his brother met with foul play and was robbed. The dead man was a prosperous merchant, and always carried a large sum of money.

GLORY WRECKS TAKE THE ROAD A BLACK HERO OUT THE STREET

Mental and Physical Undoing of Jim Parker

HE FELLE CZOLGOSZ

And Wrested the Pistol From the Assassin's Hand When He Would Have Fired on McKinley Again. Prosperity and Glory Have Proved Too Much for Him.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Atlantic City, N. J., March 23.—Declared by physicians to be mentally and physically a wreck, James Parker, the giant colored man, who figured as the hero at the shooting of the late President William McKinley at Buffalo, when he struck the revolver from the hands of Czolgosz before the assassin could empty the remaining shells into the frame of the already fatally wounded executive, and then felled the murderer with a blow from his right fist, lies in the city prison. Policemen could scarcely recognize in the emaciated prisoner before Recorder James Hayes the heavy seven foot giant who came to the resort last year. "Prosperity and too much glory proved the undoing of Jim," a friendly witness told Judge Hayes.

A policeman arrested Parker for vagrancy. Judge Hayes refused to sentence him. "A man who tried to do the service for his country that Parker attempted deserves leniency and help, even when he goes wrong," said the kindly magistrate.

Friends say that Parker quickly went through with the funds, aggregating a small fortune, which admirers of his at the time of his fame showed upon him. Doctors who have examined him in jail say Parker is likely to prove a victim of tuberculosis of the lungs within a few months, and that his mind is nearly gone. He appeared to realize his condition at times, however, and has begged to be sent to his old home in Jacksonville, Fla., to die. Wealthy men of the city who have been acquainted with his case will probably see that his wish is carried out.

James Parker was formerly employed in the United States senate as a messenger, the place having been given him as a reward for his action at Buffalo. Senator Hanna secured him that appointment, and shortly after the senator's death Parker left his government place and went on a tour, lecturing about his experience in connection with the assassination, at which time he was a waiter in a cafe on the Buffalo Exposition grounds. Parker was formerly a constable at Savannah, Ga.

THREE SUICIDES IN WINDY CITY

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Chicago, March 23.—Louis Chaldecott, 49 years old, formerly connected with the Sycamore-DeKalb Electric Company, of Sycamore, Ill., and with the National Chicgo Company, yesterday committed suicide by shooting himself in the head at his home on Clarendon avenue. Mrs. Chaldecott attributes the act to nervous prostration, and says he brooded considerably because some of his ventures did not pay as well as he had expected.

Continued ill health is said by the police to have been the cause for the suicide of Khas Bruin, 38 years old, of 117th street, who killed himself by shooting last night.

Henry Bofatora, 21 years old, of West Polk street, a printer, cut his throat last night with a razor. He then called for assistance. He was taken to the hospital in a critical condition.

HONDURAN ARMY SUFFERS DEFEAT

Managua, March 23.—Advices from the front say the Honduran army has been attacked and defeated near Marcita by Honduran revolutionists and the Nicaraguan army.

Remove Stock Quotation Tickers from Their Offices

THUS ADVISES RYAN

The Railroads Are Really Owned by the People, Not by the Nabobs of Wall Street, He Declares, and They Should Not Be Manipulated By Them.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Washington, March 23.—Thomas F. Ryan, the New York banker, a dictator in the insurance business, emperor of Gotham's transportation systems, and a central figure in the eastern business horizon, spent a few hours in Washington today, and then hurried to Oak Ridge, Va., where he has a country home and where he expects to take a rest. He neither saw the president nor tried to see him, and did not call upon any government officials.

"Take the railroads out of Wall street and take the tickers out of the railroad offices," he said in an interview today; "for only by so doing will the great arteries of commerce be freed from those old men of the sea, the stock manipulators, who are now riding upon the necks of the people who are the real owners of the roads."

"No, I do not expect to see the president," said Mr. Ryan. "I am on my way to my place at Oak Ridge, Va., for rest. Besides, there is nothing more that I can do affecting the problems now confronting the president."

JACQUES' LOVE FOR JONATHAN SHOWN

(Special Cable to The Times.)
Paris, March 23.—In the exceptional elaborateness of the ceremony attending the reception of Mr. White by President Fallieres, Europe sees a desire on the part of the French government to pay the new ambassador of the United States a signal compliment in return for his services to France in the Algerias conference.

There is also the deeper wish to draw tighter the bonds between Paris and Washington. French statesmen have reverted almost unanimously to the standards of judgment as to the United States which obtained in the Revolutionary period and the years immediately following.

It has come to pass that an American is more welcome on the banks of the Seine than any other foreigner. This is well brought out in the Paris press comment upon the White appointment.

FIREMEN COMPLAIN TO CHIEF OF POLICE

Another complaint was made this morning to Chief Mullins, of the police force, of the people who are not members of the fire department jumping on the wagons when they are going to fires.

Raleigh has one of the best volunteer fire departments in the state, and one that the citizens can be justly proud of, but it is a great nuisance both to the drivers and the members of the different companies for non-firemen to be running in the fire house when an alarm is coming in, and jumping on and off the wagons. The penalty is a heavy fine for the offense, and hereafter the law will be strictly enforced, and any one caught on a wagon that is not a member of a company will be taken before Police Justice Badger and dealt with accordingly.

ELECTRIC POWER FROM BUCKHORN

(Special to The Evening Times.)
Fayetteville, N. C., March 23.—Supt. E. J. Maxwell, of the Cape Fear Electric Power Company, with its immense plant at Buckhorn Falls, says that he confidently expects to have 2,500 or 4,000 horsepower flashing by electrical transmission to the industrial plants of Fayetteville by June 1.