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REBELS OCCUPY TWO MORE CITIES

FOUR PROVINCES NOW HELD BY REVOLUTIONISTS

Chinese Government Takes Steps to Defend Shanghai—Refugees Arriving

Shanghai, Oct. 23.—The occupation by revolutionists of two more important southern cities, Chang Sha and Nan Chang, was announced in dispatches which reached this city early to-day.

Chang Sha is the capital of the province of Hunan and Nan Chang is the capital of the province of Kiang Sa. Their capture, therefore, delivers into revolutionary hands the local governments of two important provinces, thereby more than doubling the territory in which the rebels are masters.

Chang Sha, with 300,000 population, is the chief commercial centre on the railroad between Hankow and Canton. It is the seat of Ya Li College, the Chinese extension of Yale University. Chang Sha is 200 miles southwest of Hankow, while Nan Chang, with 100,000 population, is correspondingly situated 200 miles southeast of Hankow.

The fall of Chang Sha and Nan Chang had been rumored here for a day or two. To-day's advices definitely confirm that both cities are entirely in the hands of the rebels.

Four of the 18 provinces are now regarded as under revolutionary influence—Sze Chuen, where the movement started; Hu Peh, of which Wu Chang is the capital; Hunan, and Kiang.

The fall of Nan King, where the garrison is regarded as siding with the rebels, would deliver to them the viceroyal government of two more provinces, Kiangsu and Ngan Hwei.

The entire Yangtze valley is gradually succumbing to the revolutionary influence.

No uprising has yet been reported at Nanking, which is only 200 miles above Shanghai, but there is every reason to believe that the garrison there cannot be relied upon to support Imperial government. Nanking is not only a great commercial centre, but is also the most important military depot in Central China, and its fall would be the most severe blow which the government has yet received.

The government is taking steps for defence in Shanghai. During the last few days there has been much activity around the arsenal. The situation is regarded here as most alarming.

It is generally admitted that unless the government succeeds speedily in dealing a decisive blow to its adversaries the revolution will spread of its own momentum over a great belt of territory across Central China.

Refugees of all nationalities continue to flock into Shanghai from points up the Yangtze river. They all agree that while the general appearance of things is quiet, sympathy everywhere is with the revolutionists, and support is being given the agents of the new government. Business is absolutely stagnant even in the cities on the lower river, and a commercial depression in Shanghai is complete.

A large number of Americans from various points have appealed to Consul-General Amos P. Wilder here, asking for the protection of American gunboats for their cities. One of the appeals came from Consul Edward Baker at I-Chang. Mr. Wilder said to-day that he was making an effort to secure additional vessels. Up to the present time, however, so far as had been learned, no American has suffered personal injury from either side.

The American cruiser Albany will arrive here to-morrow. The New Orleans is stationed at Nanking.

News from Hankow is greatly delayed owing to the severance of the telegraph wires. The nearest point that can be reached by wire from Shanghai is Kiu Kiang, 100 miles from Hankow. Thence dispatches are relayed by boat, a nineteen-hour trip.

The telegraph wires out of Hankow were cut by the commander of the government forces, who set up the Hankow end of the line in his camp, giving him control of all messages. The rebels learned of the situation and took matters into their own hands by circling the government camp and cutting the wires below, 95 miles from Hankow. The wireless from Hankow is not working satisfactorily.

Quiet prevails here but the financial and mercantile situation is grave. Native merchants refuse to accept delivery of cargoes that are arriving here almost daily from European and American ports. Foreign merchants are unable to meet their drafts and what trading is done is on a small margin and on a commission basis. Even the wealthy firms are unable to finance their business without the assistance of banks which are reluctant to come to their aid.

Negotiations Suspended.

London, Oct. 23. — The negotiations between China and the four groups of bankers, who arranged the currency reform loan for $70,000,000 have been suspended. The international bankers concerned recently refused China's request for a temporary loan of $3,000,000 for its war fund, preferring to maintain a neutral attitude as between the government and the revolutionists.

Flight From Nanking.

Wu Hu, Province of Ngan Hwei, China, Oct. 23.—A Japanese firm at Nanking telegraphs to-day that the gates of the city have been closed and no one is allowed to enter except after a close examination. The public is panicstricken and an exodus is under way. Already ten per cent of the population of Nanking has left.

Foreign war vessels are passing here daily, proceeding up the river.

Populace Panicstricken.

Chin Kiang, Province of Kiang Sui, China, Oct. 23.—Conditions here are serious. The well-to-do fear looting on the part of the famine-stricken population. The large mercantile settlement is in a panic.

General Commits Suicide.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 23.—News was received here to-day by the Ching Sai Yat Po, a Chinese paper, that Gen. Chang Piao of the Imperial troops, who was sentenced to death for cowardice, had committed suicide before the decree could be carried out. Viceroy Jui Cheng of Hu Peh and Hunan provinces, escaped before he could be punished for a similar offence by the Imperial authorities.

In Nanking the viceroy is disarming the new army in fear of treachery, retaining their arms and munitions and supplies while sending them to stations in the loyal provinces. The finding of thirteen cases of dynamite there yesterday gave the government great alarm.

Chinese barbers in San Francisco have been working overtime cutting queues during the past few days. The queue-cutting proclamation of revolutionists has been posted boldly at the entrance to the Imperial consulate here. American dress is becoming popular among the younger Chinese, who began to wear their hair short several years ago.

MOROCCAN NEGOTIATIONS.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—The German foreign office substantiates the French report that the Moroccan negotiations probably will terminate this week.

PASTOR REFUSES TO MAKE STATEMENT

MAINTAINS SILENCE IN FACE OF MURDER CHARGE

Police Gather Additional Evidence in Connection With Young Woman's Death

Boston, Mass., Oct. 23.—Efforts of the police were further extended to-day to complete the evidence and substantiate the testimony of witnesses in connection with the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, the young music student, whose death by poisoning occurred at the Young Women's Christian Association building on the night of October 14. The police to-day continued their efforts to locate the restaurant where Miss Linnell and the Rev. Clarence Richeson, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist church of Cambridge, charged with the murder, are said to have dined on the day the girl was found dead. In his cell at the jail Dicheson remains calm and has made no statement.

At the time of her death Miss Linnell wore a bathrobe over her nightdress, but this was buried. When the police learned of this fact they surmised that the cyanide of potassium retained by the girl had been thrust into the pocket of the bathrobe and it was believed that orders would have to be given to exhume the body. Inquiry, however, revealed that the medical examiners examined the bathrobe carefully and declared there was nothing in the pockets of the garment.

The morning worship at the Emmanuel Baptist church, Cambridge, yesterday, was without reference of any kind to the plight of Richeson, the congregation's pastor. It had been reported that Mr. Richeson would resign his pastorate, but no letter from him was forthcoming.

Miss Violet Edmands, the fiancee of Richeson, is said to be ill as a result of the shock she received when her clergyman lover was taken to jail. It is also reported that Mr. Richeson has released his fiancee from her engagement, but her father, when questioned to-day about the matter refused to discuss it. Nor would Mr. Edmands say whether the wealth of his daughter or himself was behind the retention of the counsel of Mr. Richeson.

SEAT FOR HON. W. T. WHITE.

Peterboro, Ont., Oct. 23.—J. B. Burnaham, Conservative M. P.-elect, for West Peterboro, has wired Hon. R. L. Borden that his seat is at the disposal of Hon. W. T. White. Mr. Burnaham adds that he is sure local Conservatives will endorse his action.

PROFITS OF MINT.

Ottawa, Oct. 23.—The branch of the Royal Mint made a profit of $861,188 on coinage of silver and $84,827 on copper coinage. A further profit of $15,889 comes from excess bank circulation during the harvest.

AUTO FATALITY.

Walla Walla, Wash., Oct. 23.—J. D. Laidlaw, pioneer resident and banker of Waitsburg, was crushed to death beneath his heavy motor car when the machine refused to respond to the slow speed clutch on a steep hill near Prescott and ran up against an embankment.

DEATH OF ONTARIO SCHOOL TEACHER

ANOTHER POST MORTEM EXAMINATION HELD

Relative of Girl Says There Was Nothing to Warrant Verdict of Suicide

Toronto, Oct. 23.—When the remains of Miss Violet Smith, for five weeks school teacher at Dillonsport, an isolated settlement 25 miles north of Parry Sound, and who met death by drowning on Monday morning, October 9, were interred beside those of her mother in Mount Pleasant cemetery yesterday afternoon, the last chapter in one of the most tragic episoles in Ontario ended.

A distant relative of the deceased said last night that in view of the evidence produced at the inquest in Dillonsport last Friday, there was no warrant for bringing in a verdict of suicide. He said:

"Although I do not in the least wish to cast any reflections on the postmortem examination and the inquest held at Dillonsport, or upon the men conducting them, I do not think they should have brought in a verdict of suicide. No direct evidence was produced to show Violet Smith committed suicide. It is quite possible that she met death by accidental drowning. She might have slipped into the river and been drowned. The chief witness, in my opinion, was Mr. Narcisse Miner, the trustee of the school, who was not called at the inquest owing to absence from the settlement. In view of the fact that he was the man who started the trouble in the school, caused by Miss Smith degrading a son of Mr. Miner from the fourth to the third class, and which trouble seemed to worry Miss Smith so much, they should have had Mr. Miner give evidence, and if he was away the day the inquest was called, it should have been adjourned to a day when he could be present. Such a move would only have been fair."

A second postmortem examination of the remains of Miss Smith was held in the [illegible] yesterday morning by Chief Coroner A. J. Johnson, and Dr. G. W. Graham. The result of it has not yet been published. It was held, it was explained, in order to get an even more expert report on the probable cause of the girl's death.

DOCTOR IS AGAIN PLACED ON TRIAL

Accused of Murdering Col. Swope by Poison—Convicted at the First Hearing

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 23.—Dr. B. Clarke Hyde was to-day, for the second time, placed on trial charged with murdering Col. Thomas H. Swope by poison. The verdict of the first jury, which on May 16, 1910, found Dr. Hyde guilty and fixed his punishment at life imprisonment, was reversed and the case remanded for retrial.

The first tragedy in the Swope home was the death of Moss Hunton, Oct. 1, 1909. Dr. Hyde was charged with negligence in bleeding him. Two days later Col. Swope died in convulsions. Testimony was given that Dr. Hyde, a few moments previously, had given a capsule alleged by the state to have contained cyanide of potassium and strychnine. An epidemic of typhoid fever then started in the Swope home. On December 6, Christian Swope died under conditions similar to those which attended the death of Col. Swope. The physician was accused of spreading typhoid germs at the house. Secret autopsies were held on the bodies of the two Swopes in January and the toxicologists claimed they found poison.

The state alleged Dr. Hyde's motive was to add to his wife's share of the estate of Col. Swope, the share growing larger every time an heir died.

The inability of Dr. Hyde to explain his cyanide purchase was chiefly responsible for his first conviction.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Pilot Mound, Man., Oct. 23.—Shortly after mid-day Saturday when the Collins-Davidson outfit was moving on to the farm of Isaac Knowles, four miles northeast of Pilot Mound, one of the gang Lloyd Mackenzie, was walking on the near side of the separator when his foot became entangled in one of the wheels, which passed over the whole length of his body, crushing his life out, but breaking no bones.

FAVORITE SCRATCHED.

London, Oct. 23.—Quite a flutter in the turf market was caused to-day by the scratching of the favorite for the Cambridgeshire. Sir W. Cook's Bornet's Beauty, the Irish bred three year-old who at 8 stone 13 pounds had been well backed by the public for the big handicap run at Newmarket next Wednesday.

FIRE ON GERMAN CRUISER.

Kiel, Germany, Oct. 23.—Fire broke out yesterday in the German cruiser Von Der Lann, starting in the oil and alcohol storeroom and burning furiously for half an hour. The crew worked heroically in extinguishing the flames, and the damage to the cruiser was not great. It is supposed that the fire was due to spontaneous combustion.

A fire similar to that on the Von Der Lann, and having its origin also in the storeroom, is believed to have been responsible for the explosions which wrecked the Liberte, one of the French navy, on September 25 last. The disaster to the French warship resulted in the death of nearly 250 men, and the serious injury of scores of others.

RECORD SURPLUS FOR PAST YEAR

REVENUE $30,006,215 OVER ORDINARY EXPENDITURE

Hon. G. E. Foster Acting Premier During Absence of Hon. R. L. Borden

Ottawa, Oct. 23.—The public accounts blue book for the last fiscal year shows a total revenue of $117,780,409, giving a surplus of $30,006,215 over all ordinary expenditures. Capital expenditure totalled $30,852,963, of which $25,500,000 was for the National transcontinental. The statement is the best in the continuous record of Hon. W. S. Fielding's surpluses.

Hon. G. E. Foster is acting premier during Hon. R. L. Borden's holiday at Atlantic City and Hot Springs, Virginia.

There is a general scarcity of ministers in Ottawa to-day, Hon. W. T. White not being back from Toronto and Hon. Frank Cochrane also being away. Hon. Martin Burrell, Hon. Dr. Roche and Hon. Robert Rogers are in the west.

EXPLOSION KILLS NINE MINERS

FIFTEEN OTHERS ARE IMPRISONED BY CAVE-IN

Ten Men Seriously Injured Brought to Surface—Rescue Work in Progress

Harrisburg, Ills., Oct. 23.—Nine men were killed, ten others severely injured and fifteen more were imprisoned by a cave-in, as a result of an explosion of a keg of powder, which ignited black damp to-day in O'Gara mine No. 9, a mile south of here. That more lives were not lost was due to the fact that the shift was changing when the explosion occurred.

The explosion, although it occurred 400 feet down in the earth and was muffled by the strata above it, was heard here. Several men, with cloths over their noses and mouths, had themselves lowered into the pit and began sending up the dead and injured.

Two men had been instantly killed, and were so terribly burned and torn that they could not be identified. Seven others, sent to the surface, were so badly injured that they died within an hour afterwards.

The detonation of the explosion warned the town that an accident had occurred, and the fears of the wives and children of the miners were confirmed when they saw two ambulances galloping toward the mine, followed in a few minutes by an automobile containing doctors and nurses.

Most of the miners employed by the O'Gara Mine Company are Americans, although there also is a number of Poles.

INTERVENTION NOT YET WARRANTED

Germany Does Not Believe Chinese Stuation Calls for International Action

Berlin, Oct. 23.—The German foreign office received inquiries to-day from the United States government regarding the situation brought about by the revolution in China.

Germany believes that the situation does not call for international action. It is considered that the naval forces in Chinese waters are apparently adequate for the protection of foreigners, should the latter be endangered, of which contingency there are, however, no signs at the present time.

ROYALISTS ARE BEING DISARMED

CONSPIRATORS AGAINST REPUBLIC WILL BE SHOT

Monarchists Preparing for Second Incursion Into Portugal

Lisbon, Oct. 23 (via frontier).—As the failure of the Royalist campaign becomes more apparent, the people in general continue completely indifferent to the royalist propaganda. An additional reason for their attitude is to be found in a proclamation just issued by the carabineers that any inhabitant discovered conspiring against the republic shall be instantly shot.

The Royalists have suffered further discouragement on the frontier, for the Spanish government apparently has decided to take active measures against them. During the last 48 hours, a hundred Royalists have been disarmed.

Despite these obstacles the Royalists are reported as preparing for a second combined incursion into Portugal. They will be divided into three columns, 450 men under Capt. Couciere, the Royalist leader, near Port Tortellohomen; 800 under Camacho, near Londoso, and 250 under Chagas, near Petiere. These will await the subsidence of the floods and the arrival of a Royalist cruiser, and it is said then will attack Oporto.

There is a report that Capt. Couciere has been stabbed, but no details are given.

The Diario Notices publishes a dispatch from Abrantes, 80 miles from Lisbon, to the effect that last night a band armed with rifles and revolvers was surprised by a military force in the act of tearing up the railroad tracks. The plan was to derail and attack a train. Several volleys were exchanged and the wreckers fled, leaving there dead. It is reported than an attack has been made on the government ammunition stores at Barcarona, but the soldiers fired upon the attacking party, who immediately disappeared.

AVIATOR KILLED.

Hamburg, Oct. 23.—Aviator Lacks was injured while making a flight near here Saturday and died a few hours later at a hospital.

RELEASED BANKER DIES SUDDENLY

John R. Walsh Passes Away Nine Days After Being Granted Parole

Chicago, Oct. 23.—John R. Walsh, former banker, publisher and railroad owner, released a week ago from the Leavenworth federal prison, died to-day of heart disease. Mr. Walsh had been in bed most of the time since his arrival here from Leavenworth on October 15.

Mr. Walsh was 74 years of age. Death came just nine days after his release on parole from the federal penitentiary, where he had served one year, eight months and twenty-six days of a five-year sentence, on a charge of misappropriating the funds of the bank to use of other enterprises.

Mr. Walsh's health failed soon after his entrance to the prison. An immediat movement to obtain his release on a parole was begun by members of his family, Mrs. Mary Walsh and his two sons, Richard and John W. Walsh. At that time the examining physician at the prison said Mr. Walsh was suffering with a hardening of the arteries. After his release Mr. Walsh was thought to have been still further weakened by a long, cold automobile ride from the prison to Kansas City.

When he arrived home on the morning of October 15, Mr. Walsh was so ill and weak that he went at once to bed and remained there until his death.

THREE KILLED BY NEGRO.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 23. — Frank Harrison, a negro, who yesterday killed former Deputy Sheriff Thomas Cooper at Northport, Ala., killed Deputy Sheriff Brown Horton and a negro, and wounded Deputy Sheriff Hohmby and another negro to-day near Sander's Ferry, Ala. A posse is on his trail.

OLD TIMER'S BEQUESTS.

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—Large bequests to educational and charitable institutions are made in the will of the late Thos. Douglas Smith, one of the old timers in the west, who died at the General hospital last spring. Bequests to the different institutions total $20,000.

CONSPIRACY TO KILL MADERO.

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 23.—A statement was made here to-day by a friend of Francisco I. Madero, jr., that the president-elect of Mexico had abandoned his trip to Piedras Madras because of reports that reached him from San Antonio that his assassination was planned.

FIGHTING IN SOUTHERN MEXICO.

Federal Troops Unable to Suppress Insurrection Which Was Started By Zapata.

Mexico City, Oct. 23.—Two bridges blown up on the Oceanic railroad, one station burned, and two small battles with federal troops, form yesterday's record of the Zapata campaign.

The apparent inability of the government to capture Zapata or to put down his insurrection leads to the belief that the pacification of the south will remain for Madero when he assumes the presidency next month.

In addition to the Zapata problem, the new executive must also deal with prisoners.

The bridge destroying yesterday occurred near the state line of Morelos and Mexico. The station at Nepantla was burned.

A train load of troops was sent to the raided district from Cuatla.

REV. DR. GREGORY DEAD.

Toronto, Oct. 23.—Rev. Dr. Arthur Ronald Gregory, principal of the Westminster Ladies College, whose death occurred here last night, numbered among his pupils and teachers, past and present, many young women from British Columbia. Mrs. Wright, wife of the Presbyterian minister at Fort George, was, prior to her marriage, a teacher at Westminster College.

CHOLERA IN ITALY.

Chiasso, Switzerland, Oct. 23.—Italy's official bulletin on the cholera epidemic in that country shows a total of 247 cases with 91 deaths from October 8 to October 15, inclusive.

There was a decrease in all parts with the exception of Venice.

DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE.

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 23.—One half of the business section of the town of Dos Palos had been destroyed by fire at an early hour to-day. The loss is estimated at $75,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

MANY ITALIAN TROOPS KILLED

FIERCE FIGHTING EAST OF TRIPOLI

Turks and Arabs Display Reckless Bravery in Attacks on Entrenchments

Tripoli, Oct. 23.—The fighting at Benghazi between the Italians and the Turks has been of the fiercest character.

After an engagement which lasted all day October 19, the Turks returned to the camp during the night. They made a savage onslaught upon the Italian camp, but were repulsed. In the morning the Italian forces occupied the city.

The Turkish losses were heavy, and the Italian dead numbered not less than 100.

There are good reasons for believing that the Italian forces at Benghazi have been severely handled by the Turks and their Arab auxiliaries.

It is understood the Italian losses are much heavier than officially reported. Color is given to this belief by the hurried departure for Benghazi of four warships and the hospital ship Reina Margherita.

Steamer passengers who went to Benghazi but were unable to land, say the Turks and Arabs have displayed reckless bravery in making furious attacks on the small Italian forces entrenched.

There also are reports of massacres of Christians at Derna and Benghazi, but no confirmation has been received.

Turks Claim Victory.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—Special dispatches from Constantinople say the Turkish ministry of the interior has news that the Turks and Arabs have defeated the 8,000 Italians near Barca. The Italians lost 800 and the Turks 115 men.

The Italians left large quantities of arms and ammunition on the field. The Berlin newspapers print the dispatches doubtingly.

TWO HUNDRED HOUSES BURNED.

Constantinople, Oct. 23.—The fire in Stamboul on Saturday destroyed more than 200 houses and a mosque.

HYMNS DO NOT PLEASE HIM.

Montreal, Oct. 23.—"Perhaps you do not know it, but I am quite a specialist in hymns, and when I have time I am going to compile a hymn book which will contain nothing but good English and pure verse. At present we have only hymns of the namby-pamby boiled curatey kind," said Principal Peterson, of McGill University, at a session of the annual convention of the Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers of Quebec. Principal Peterson spoke on "Poetry in Schools," and strongly urged its more general adoption.

"It is regrettable that Canadian children should lack culture and be unable to speak pleasing English, a condition which leads many employers to prefer English boys to Canadian boys in their offices. This might largely be overcome if Canadians acquired a softer and more musical intonation in their vowels," declared Bishop Farthing.

PREPARING FOR ONTARIO ELECTIONS

NUMBER OF CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN NOMINATED

Frontenac Conservatives Reject Present Member—More Conventions This Week

Toronto, Oct. 23.—Conventions to nominate candidates for the Ontario legislature were held in a number of ridings on Saturday.

West Peterboro Liberals chose R. R. Hall, ex-M. P., to contest the riding. Hon. J. R Stratton, ex-M. P., and G. M. Gordon were nominated but retired. Mr. Hall scored Sir James Whitney as responsible for bi-lingual schools and charged the rural schools were neglected.

In South Wellington the Liberals nominated J. Innes McIntosh, proprietor of the Guelph Mercury. Mr. McIntosh, after working on the Woodstock Review and Toronto Globe, was private secretary to Hon. J. M. Gibson before taking over the Mercury fourteen years ago.

Frontenac Conservatives turned down their present member, G. S. Gallagher, M. P. P., and on the fourth ballot nominated A. M. Rankin, Reeve of Kingston township, by 21 majority over Mr. Gallagher.

Peel Conservatives unanimously renominated Sam Charters, M. P. P.

South Brant Liberals on Saturday night nominated Ald. Morgan. E. Harris for the Legislature. He is a brother to Lloyd Harris, the Liberal member who broke with the Laurier Government on the reciprocity issue.

East York Conservatives will meet next Saturday, James Henry, reeve of York townsite, and Dr. Walters are expected to contest the ballot with Alex McCowan, the sitting member.

Chas. Calder is expected to receive the nomination from South Ontario Conservatives next Thursday, but may have opposition from Dr. Kaiser of Oshawa and John Bright of Myrtle, both strong Conservatives.

Prince Edward Conservatives next Saturday will probably nominate R. A. Norman, M. P.-elect. Edgar Masten, manager of the Farmers' Canning Co., is named as the Liberal Candidate.

SHOCK PROVES FATAL.

Portland, Ore. Oct. 23. — Ralph Dimick, a young lawyer of this city and well known in the Pacific Northwest and the Middle West as an athlete, while delirious, was killed by jumping from the second storey fire escape of a local hospital.

Dimick, who contracted pneumonia 10 days ago as the result of a football game between college alumni and students of the Pacific University at Forest Grove, had been out of his mind. During the momentary absence of his nurse, Dimick jumped from a window and leaped from the fire escape to the ground. A nurse in another wing of the hospital who saw the deranged man jump stated that as he alighted on the ground he sprang to his feet, and with the crouch that characterizes football players when sprinting with the ball, Dimick ran fully 500 feet before dropping exhausted. The distance he fell was not great and he suffered no bodily injuries, but in his weakened condition he was unable to stand the shock. He was dead when picked up. Dimick was 28 years of age.

FATAL RACE RIOT.

Two Men Killed and Four Wounded—Militia Maintain Martial Law.

Muskogee, Okla., Oct. 23.—With two dead and four desperately wounded in last night's race riot at Coweta, twenty miles north of this city, state militiamen to-day are maintaining martial law in the district and searching homes of the negroes for arms. The soldiers have arrested numerous blacks and many others are under surveillance.

Ed Russe, a negro, who resisted arrest and with other negroes defied the city marshal, probably is fatally wounded. John R. Thomas, a section foreman, attacked early to-day by a mob of negroes, is probably fatally hurt.

When the news that the troops were coming spread early to-day among the negroes in Coweta and the surrounding villages, quiet was restored. However, the local authorities, assisted by the soldiers, began searching homes of the negroes suspected.

Unconfirmed reports stated that two white farmers had been set upon and shot to death by negroes near Coweta. It is rumored that an armed mob of blacks is preparing to march from Redbird to Coweta to-night.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Pierce City, Mo., Oct. 23.—Following the refusal of Minnie Haynes of Joplin, Mo., to marry him, Lee Guthrie, aged 28, of this city, shot and killed her in a hotel early to-day, then shot himself to death.

NEW GOVERNOR.

Brandon, Oct. 23.—E. O. Heathcote, Secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, has been appointed Governor of Brandon Jail succeeding T. M. Percival, who resigned last week and will likely be postmaster here.