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WAR MEASURE IS NECESSARY

Major General Wood Declares We Are Wholly Unprepared for Conflict.

AMMUNITION INSUFFICIENT FOR ONE ENGAGEMENT

Chief of Army Staff Insists This Country Could Not Meet Hostile Moves of Any First Class Nation—Coast Well Protected but Artillery Is Useless and Ammunition Insufficient—Favors Hobson Bill.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Before the house committee on military affairs Major General Wood, chief of staff declared the United States is unprepared to meet the hostile moves of first class nations. His testimony was made public today.

Ammunition at the army's disposal, he testified, is not sufficient to last through a single engagement. He explained his plan of reorganizing the militia so a more mobile force will be ready for the field in an emergency.

He said to the committee: "There is no use talking about our patriotism and fighting qualities, we have them. But brave men unorganized are ineffective. In the Spanish war we lost about 200 volunteers in battle, but buried our thousand who died of disease."

He said the field artillery is practically useless although he believed the season is well fortified. Wood continued: "If we were called to war tomorrow, we would be practically without field artillery or ammunition. As far as the season goes, I feel we are well fortified. I don't believe foreign fleets would attempt to sail into any port in the face of our season fortifications unless the object was one of tremendous importance."

NEW YORK TO HAVE LARGEST HOTEL IN WORLD

New York, N. Y., Dec. 27.—The work of demolishing old buildings at 34th street and Broadway preparatory to the erection of the Greely Square hotel, the largest in the world began today. The hotel will be 25 stories, exclusive of the basement and will contain 1600 sleeping apartments.

ANNITY OF \$1000 ON WIDOW OF DEAD AVIATOR

Dayton, O., Dec. 7.—The Wright company will settle an annuity of approximately \$1000 on the widow and children of Ralph Johnstone, a Wright Brothers aviator who was killed at Denver, according to a statement made tonight by F. H. Russell, manager of the company. Johnstone fell to death at Denver while soaring over an aviation field.

WILL FILE SUIT TO DISSOLVE ELECTRICAL TRUST

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—A suit to dissolve the alleged electrical trust will be instituted as soon as the papers can be drawn up, was the semi-official announcement made today. The government won't wait for the supreme court decisions in the Standard Oil or American Tobacco cases, now appealing, but will start a new issue.

The electrical companies will be charged with conspiracy to restrain trade through the operation of patent laws. They are the General Electric, the Westinghouse and several others.

Thief Attacks Office.

London, Dec. 27.—Another striking example of the dangers to which unarmed policemen are exposed in pursuing burglars was given yesterday, when Policeman Haytred was fired at four times while chasing a burglar. None of the shots was effective. When the policeman finally grappled with the fleeing law breaker, the latter pressed the muzzle of a revolver to the policeman's forehead and pulled the trigger. The last cartridge failed to explode and the thief was taken to jail.

Important Meeting.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholasovich, Michael Nicholasovich and Serge Mikhailovich have departed for Skiernewice, Russian Poland, where they will hunt with nine Austrian persons, among them Archduke Rudolph, Crown Prince of Austria. The highest importance is attached to the meeting.

BLACK HAND BAND GIVEN HARD BLOW

New York, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Ignoring their threats of violence and open threats of death from other quarters County Judge Fawcett today sentenced Stanislo Pattenza, the reputed leader of the Black Hand society and Mary Raph to indeterminate sentences of from twenty-five to forty-nine years in prison.

They were convicted of kidnaping and holding for ransom twenty days, Michael Rizkie and Luisppi Longo, both aged eight. The children were released when the money was paid.

The sentence brought consternation to the ranks of the extortionists and many are said to be fleeing the city. The judge said to them: "It is almost unbelievable that you held two broken-hearted children for twenty days, knowing their parents were also suffering."

When sentencing the woman he said: "You have no spirit or instinct for mother love. It is stronger in beasts than in you."

To Pattenza he said: "You are the brains and the acknowledged king of the Black Hand society. Your companion would have confessed if the agent of your organization had not called at the jail and told her that if she revealed the secrets she would be killed. Criminals of your type should never be permitted to land in this country. I regret the law does not permit the death penalty for such crimes."

EXPERTS SECURE \$2,100 FROM SAFE AT HELLIG

Safe crackers blew up the heavy steel safe of the Hellig theatre, at Seventh and Taylor streets, some time Sunday night after the close of the Christmas evening performance of the "Burgomaster" musical comedy company, and secured \$2100 in cash, says the Portland Journal.

Captain Moore, of the city detective force says the job was done by experts. Although Manager William Fangle, of the Hellig, and Mrs. Pangle occupied a sleeping room on the top floor of the theatre directly above the safe, which was located in the basement, they did not hear a sound.

Evidence of the craftsmanship of the nocturnal visitors is the large window that lets in light from an alcove off the sidewalk. This window is almost directly in front of the safe and only two or three feet from it, yet the glass was not cracked.

The heavy steel door of the safe was bent almost double and the firebrick and iron lining was crumbled into bits yet not a piece of furniture was damaged and the electric light globe only a few inches from the safe door was unharmed.

The Hellig carried burglar insurance on the safe amounting to \$1500 so the theatre management will lose only \$600.

"Whoever did the job," said Manager Fangle today, "knew that we would have our share of the receipts of the Saturday and Sunday performances in the safe and that we would have a large sum on account of the holiday attendance. To make matters easier for the thieves the money was all neatly tied up, the gold and silver in canvas bags and the currency in convenient packages. In the interior of the safe there is a strong box in which we kept a bundle of oil theatre programs dating back to the revolution. This box was not locked. The contents were found scattered all over the floor. The robbers evidently rummaged through the bundle hurriedly and, finding nothing of value to them, threw it away."

FIVE INJURED WHEN AUTO MEETS POLE

Seattle, Dec. 27.—Five prominent Wenatchee men were injured, one dangerously, when an automobile in which they were hurrying to the Wenatchee-Chicago football game skidded and crashed into a telephone pole on Eastlake avenue between Nelson Place and Alder street. The man most seriously injured is Niles M. Sorenson, prosecuting attorney-elect of Chelan county. He is suffering from concussion of the brain. It is believed he will recover.

The other members of the party who were severely cut and bruised, were Will Campbell, a Wenatchee business man, H. T. Wright, an insurance agent, Dr. L. B. Manchester, member of the state board of health, and Dr. L. E. Hutchinson, official physician for the Wenatchee team. The car was driven by James McBride, a professional chauffeur. He was not badly hurt.

According to the occupants, the automobile was going between 60 and 70 miles an hour when it approached a sharp turn in Eastlake avenue. Fearing that it would not safely make the turn the five Wenatchee men rose to their feet, prepared to jump. They were saved the trouble, for when the car skidded they were pitched out head foremost, some of them landing 50 feet away.

The car whirled around, breaking off a telephone pole, smothered across the stand and crashed part way through a wooden bulkhead where it overhangs Lake Union.

Fire in Meena.

Meena, Ark., Dec. 27.—Fire which started early yesterday destroyed property in Mount Ida near here to the amount of \$75,000. Eight business buildings were destroyed.

JAPS PLAN TO MINE HARBOR OF MANILA

Manila, P. I., Dec. 28.—The alleged discovery of a conspiracy among Japanese to place mines in Manila harbor and blow up the American warships in case of war between the two countries is persistently rumored in military circles today.

Although General Duval has said that the search of Japanese homes for explosives was unsuccessful, it is reported that explosives were found and also maps showing that Japanese spies had a thorough working knowledge of the harbor and fortifications and had planned carefully where and how to place submarine bombs in the harbor. This is causing much excitement in military circles as it is reported that Duval has threatened to court-martial any officer who tells the alleged facts.

The story leaked from civil authorities who aided in the search. According to a current report today papers have been discovered that identify the Japanese secret agents in the Philippines. It is reported that acting on this information a number of arrests have already been made secretly. Reports say the Japanese have been smuggling explosives into the city for months.

It is understood a careful search of the principal Japanese colonies is being planned by army officers. It is believed the military authorities are attempting to cover up Japanese activity in the island and at the same time are weeding out spies.

Denied at Washington. Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—War department officials denied that official advice concerning the discovery of an alleged plot of the Japanese to mine Manila harbor had been received. The army officers, however, are of the opinion that the Japanese have been working secretly in the islands since the war with Russia.

The particulars as far as they can be learned indicate that the Japanese plotted placing the mines near the naval anchorage. These were to be connected with shore batteries. Military men privately admit the proposition is serious.

DISEASED ASIATICS IN CALIFORNIA ILLEGALLY

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 28.—That hundreds of Asiatics, mostly Hindus, are illegally in California and that the state has failed to provide funds to permit the employment of physicians to search out the diseased ones and have them deported, was the assertion today of a prominent member of the state board of health. The federal government is willing to aid in the deportation of the undesirable aliens if only a report by state officials can be secured.

The principal ailments of the Hindus here is hook-worm and trachoma.

ACTOR-AVIATOR CHOOSES PATH OF LOST BIRDMAN

Dover, England, Dec. 28.—Robert Lorraine, the actor-aviator, flew from Shepper Island in the North Sea today in an effort to win the DeForest prize for the longest flight from England's shores to France or Belgium. Lorraine took the course flown by Cecil Grace, the English aviator believed to have been drowned in the channel last week while attempting the same flight. The machine must be English built to win the \$20,000 and the aviator must be a native Englishman.

BANK PRESIDENT PROPHESES PROSPERITY

New York, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Unusual prosperity is predicted for 1911 by Orion Howard Cheney, state superintendent of banks, based on the condition of the banks business of New York state. He is preparing a report showing the condition of the state banks. He says when banks are prosperous other business will flourish also.

WANT TEACHERS FOR THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Washington, Dec. 28.—A special examination for teachers in the industrial schools of the Philippines is being held today in all parts of the country under the direction of the United States civil service commission. Teachers in carpentry and forging and machine shop practice are in great demand, according to the commission.

GOVERNMENT PREPARING TO DEFEND AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 28.—Active preparations for the government's establishment of defense forces on the southern footing in a short time are under way. It was announced today that the government is planning to train at least 100,000 boys, between the ages of fourteen and twenty, in the military art, probably beginning in July. The government will soon order the equipment and clothing necessary for the new departure.

Observe Meena Anniversary.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Special masses were said in all the churches of Rome today in memory of the hundreds who perished in the earthquake which the city of Meena was destroyed today. It is the second anniversary of the disaster.

REVOLUTION IS DUE IN HONDURAS

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, Dec. 28.—That two thousand rebel troops have gathered ready to attack Tegucigalpa is reported here today. Federal officials say the revolution which has threatened for months will start soon. Preparations to repel the attack on the city are being made and troops are being mobilized.

The rebel army has been drilled for several weeks near Cape Gracias a Dios, Christmas, the American adventurer who played an important part in the former revolutionary movement and who has led armies in Honduras and Nicaragua, will share the command of revolutionists with former President Bonilla who started the trouble.

Gunboat for American Interest.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—The United States gun-boat Yorktown arrived at Amapala, Honduras today. She was sent to investigate the conditions and protect American interests in the event a revolutionary outbreak occurs.

Americans Lashed.

New Orleans, Dec. 28.—A special dispatch to the Pinyune from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, says William Barber of Kentucky, and two other Americans, were seized by Honduran police and soldiers, thrown into jail and brutally lashed with whips, afterwards deported on the Honduran gunboat Taumbula to Guatemalan territory and landed penniless in the forests.

According to an affidavit made by Barber and corroborated by witnesses the dispatch says he was taken by police to Puerto Cortez while walking along the street and ordered to go with two other Americans also in custody and bury a dead Honduran pauper.

Refusing to do as he was told, Barber, who was foreman of a bridge gang on the Honduran railroad, was taken to jail surrounded by soldiers with fixed bayonets, beaten over the head with clubs and lashed with whips the other two Americans being treated likewise and the three were then taken to the Taumbula and transported to Guatemalan territory and set down in woods without food or money.

CROSSED ELECTRIC WIRES CAUSE DISASTROUS FIRE

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Crossed electric wires were probably responsible for the fire which caused the death of thirty firemen in the stockyards last Thursday, according to testimony brought out at the coroner's inquest today. Paul Lufka, the night watchman, said the flames first came from the second story where the wires entered. No other cause was discovered. The sudden illness of a juror cut the inquest short, which was postponed until January 3.

VOTERS BY HUNDREDS PLEADING GUILTY

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 28.—West Union's hotels are overflowed today with citizens of Adams county waiting for a chance to plead guilty to the charge of selling their votes. Wagon loads of indicted voters poured into the city during the day. As fast as their cases are called they pleaded guilty, were disfranchised for five years and given a small fine. It is expected the grand jury now in session will return 150 more indictments before tonight. Already 750 have been indicted.

SUFFRAGETTE DIES OF ALLEGED ILL TREATMENT

London, Eng., Dec. 28.—As a result of alleged hardships she said she was forced to endure in prison where she was sent for participating in the recent suffragette raid, Mrs. Clark, sister of Mrs. Pankhurst, the suffragette leader, died today at Brighton, her home. Previous to her death she told of how the officers fed her coarse food and were cruel and gave her no comforts. When she was released her health was impaired and she became ill.

Quiet in Capital.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Christmas Monday in the national capital was as quiet as Christmas day. President Taft surprised his staff at the executive office by appearing there for an hour in the morning and reading his mail. Secretary Nagel and Secretary Meyer called on the president. In the afternoon the president and Mrs. Taft drove around the city, calling at the residence of Admiral Dewey. Secretary and Mrs. Nagel gave a dinner last night in honor of Miss Helen Taft.

Attempts Suicide.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., Dec. 27.—John Christiansand jumped 40 feet from a wagon bridge into Chippewa river yesterday with suicide intent. He went under the ice and came up 200 feet down stream at an airhole. He grabbed the ice and crawled out. He went home and said that the cold water made him feel so much better that the desire to die had left him.

Girl Accidentally Killed.

Ewing, Mo. Dec. 27.—Rosa McCoy, 11 years old daughter of Edward McCoy of Clarence, Mo., was shot and instantly killed at the home of her grandparents yesterday when a gun, which her uncle, Ben Fredmore, was cleaning, was accidentally discharged.

MILITIA RESCUES NEGRO FROM MOB

Clarksburg, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Escorted by a company of militia William Furby, a negro, was brought to the Moundsville penitentiary today. He was rescued from a mob by the militia after having spent the greater part of the night locked in the vaults of a railway station in Weston to prevent a lynching. He is accused of attacking Florence Anglin, a white girl.

The Anglin girl says Furby attacked her while she was returning from the dairy on her father's farm last Saturday night.

While she struggled, he dragged her fully 300 yards, and following the attacks he was in the alleged act of strangling her when a railroad flagman came running to her rescue. The negro ran to a horse tied nearby and made off, but the animal fell, throwing the rider. His shoulder was dislocated and he was captured.

FRENCH AVIATORS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Paris, Dec. 28.—Marquis Marie Paula and Alexander Laffon, chief pilot of the Antoinette school of aviation, were crushed to death today under an aeroplane just after they had taken to the air for a speed flight from Paris to Brussels, trying for a \$20,000 prize offered for the fastest passenger flight over this course.

The crushed bodies of the famous French aviators were viewed by hundreds in the morgue this afternoon, soon after the news had spread that they had been killed in an aeroplane accident while attempting to fly from Paris to Brussels. Laffon's body was horribly crushed. His wife, who witnessed the fall, is prostrated. The machine turned over twice in falling and struck on top of the passengers.

MILLIONAIRE ARRESTED ON FUGITIVE CHARGE

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28.—E. H. Bibb, a millionaire lumberman of San Francisco, has been arrested as a fugitive from justice according to Assistant District Attorney Cotton who so informed Judge Lawler today when Bibb's case was called in the superior court. Bibb is charged with having sold a piece of real estate twice. He failed to answer the case six weeks ago when called into court. Since then he was arrested in Washington, D. C.

SENATOR GORE EXPECTS TO SPEND LIFE IN SENATE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Senator Gore of Oklahoma, moved by the printed stories that he intended resigning today definitely declared he would not retire and that he expected to spend the rest of his life in the senate fighting graft and grafters. The senator said since his charges of fraud in connection with the Indian lands he had been the target "for vitriolic abuse and false charges." And the resignation story is part of the scheme to embarrass him, he says.

LORIMER WHITEWASH WILL CAUSE FIGHT IN SENATE

Washington, Dec. 28.—Senators interviewed today believe that the whitewashing of Lorimer in the recent bribery scandal is due to cause a fight in the senate.

Many senators, among them Beveridge, is reported to be spending his vacation studying the testimony taken by the committee preparatory to the clash. Beveridge said today he has not decided whether he would submit a minority report.

ALASKAN MINER KILLED IN SEATTLE SALOON BRAWL

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 28.—Billy Marks a miner who recently returned from Alaska was shot and killed in front of the Avenue Saloon this morning. Edward Groogin was arrested in connection with the affray. It is reported they had quarreled in the saloon and were ejected by the bar tender. The next moment a shot was fired.

Demand Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Demands will be made on congress, it is said, for an investigation of the wireless telegraph situation throughout the United States. Letters are being sent to members asking that the matter be taken up. These charge that a conspiracy was set on foot to destroy the United Wireless Telegraph company because its present officers would not surrender \$5000 worth of stock.

Favors Partnership.

St. Louis, Dec. 28.—Governor-elect Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, declared last night before the American Home Economic association that a partnership between the statesmen and the students of political science is entirely feasible. He said that he realized that this often had not been the case before.

Italians Drink Poison.

New York, Dec. 27.—After drinking punch, believed to have contained wood alcohol, two Italians died yesterday in North Bergen, N. J. Four others are in a critical condition.

VESSEL LOST IN PACIFIC

Wreckage and Lifeboats Tell Tale of Another Ocean Disaster.

STEAMER LEAVES PUGET SOUND PORT—DISAPPEARS

St. Dennis, Loaded With Coal and Manned by Crew of Fifteen, Not Sighted After Passing Cape Flattery—Left Victoria November 21 for Mexican Port—Fate of Crew Is Unknown—Wireless Brings First Definite News.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27.—A wireless from the steamer Tees, stating they had found a cabin and two life boats from the missing steamer St. Dennis, which formerly operated between Victoria and northern British Columbia, in the neighborhood of Clayoquot, is taken as confirmation that the ship has been wrecked. She carried a crew of fourteen men, Captain Davis. Their fate is unknown.

The ship left Vancouver November 13, and passed Cape Flattery, November 18, and passed Cape Flattery November 21. Since then nothing has been heard of her. She was loaded with coal and Mexican cargo, and was 161 feet long. She was owned by the Boscowitz Steamship company of this city.

Score Reported Wrecked.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 27.—Scores of hulls of wrecked vessels have been driven on the rocks on the coast near Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket shoals according to mariners who reached here today. Eight wrecks near Cross Rips alone are reported. A two-masted schooner was sighted at Half Moon shoals and another on Handkerchief shoals. Others are near Stone Horse, Pollocks Rip and Great Point.

PROMINENT CITIZENS GUILTY OF FRAUD

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Thirty-five of the most prominent citizens of Manchester, Ohio, were arraigned before Judge Blair here today on charges of having bought votes.

The charges are the outgrowth of the investigation into the alleged election frauds of Adams county. All pleaded guilty and were punished by small fines. The men left Manchester in a body and were cheered as they left for trial.

A telegram has been received from Governor Harmon, saying he would appoint a special committee to continue the investigation of the frauds when the legislature meets.

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Charges that votes purchased by one party were stolen by another before they could be cast were made to Judge Blair today during the hearings of indictments growing out of the alleged election frauds in Adams county. Voters from the infirmary who had been paid six dollars to vote the republican ticket were kidnapped and given ten dollars to vote the democratic ticket, it was alleged.

ROOSEVELT DENIES TAFT SUPPORT TALK

New York, N. Y., Dec. 27.—"All talk of me supporting Taft in 1912 is most absurd," said Roosevelt today in reply to the story that he and Taft had reached an understanding regarding the presidential possibility two years hence.

The colonel continued, saying nothing like it had been discussed and asserting he had never talked to Taft concerning it.

Students to Protest.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—A deputation of students from Odessa arrived yesterday to protest against the decision of the government to expel students of the University of Odessa because of the recent disorders there. The students say that the official version of the affair was untruthful. They say that the students did not fire a shot, but merely broke windows. They declare also that a judicial inquest into the affair and a search of the precincts of the university did not disclose any firearms and that the reports of the examining doctors did not certify to the wounding of any policemen.

Butte Team Defeated.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 27.—The debut of the Maroons, Butte's representative basketball five, was made last night when they were defeated in a fast game, 39 to 25, by Company F team of Portage, Wis. The locals were out-clasped in the lightning team work of the visitors, but put up a surprisingly good game for their first appearance this season, and for most of the first half kept pace with the visitors in scoring baskets.