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TAFT IS PROVISIONAL GOVERNOR OF CUBA

(Scripps News Association)

Havana, Sept. 29.—Secretary of State William H. Taft issued a proclamation this morning declaring himself provisional governor of the island.

The proclamation was published officially and thousands of copies are being circulated. The terms of the proclamation are being received with general satisfaction, being unexpectedly moderate in tone which states that the United States has undertaken provisional government only for the purpose of restoring peace order and public confidence and to continue only until a permanent government is established.

THE PROCLAMATION

The proclamation says in so far as is consistent with provisional government under the authority of the United States and the Cuban constitution, it announces that elections for permanent officers are to eventually be held. The Cuban flag is to be hoisted as usual over the government building. All departments to be administered as under the Cuban republic. All heads of departments including General Roderiques commanding the Rurales and General Roloff treasurer are ordered to report to Taft.

Secretary Taft signed the proclamation as "Secretary of war of the United States provisional government of Cuba."

WILL LAND TOMORROW

First detachment to be landed will arrive tomorrow consisting of 1200 men in command of Lieutenant Maitland. They are to be quartered at Camp Columbia. A close watch is being kept on all of the moderates who talk rebellion against America. They could make a lot of trouble but little anticipation is felt along this line.

YELLOW FEVER IN CAMP

Captain Seaton Schroeder of the battle ship Virginia and General Funston visited Camp Columbia this afternoon to select camping grounds for the forces to be landed tomorrow. There are two cases of yellow fever at Havana and every effort to prevent an epidemic will be taken. Taft is preparing to immediately disarm

all of the insurgents in the field and will probably appoint a commission to visit the rebel generals and arrange for a general disarmament. Palma's secretary has been ordered to make no change in the arrangements of the palace.

TO BACK UP TAFT

Washington Sept. 29.—Secretary Taft this morning cables Bell to make immediate preparation to send the army to occupy Cuba.

FIRST EXPEDITION ORDERED

Washington Sept. 29.—The first expedition has been ordered to mobilize at Newport with 5,600 men.

CALIFORNIA FIRE

(Scripps News Association)
San Bernardino, Sept. 29.—Fire completely gutted the business section of Darstow last night. The loss is estimated \$33,000. The flame started from a gasoline lamp which exploded in the barber shop of Henry Bros. The flames fanned by the wind swept the business district and burned until after midnight.

Several were injured while fighting the fire but no lives were lost. The town is without provisions and food is being rushed in from this city.

DISLOCATED AND BROKEN

Francis Cleaver, aged four and a half years, yesterday afternoon fell from a ladder, and dislocated his elbow, also fracturing the arm immediately above the elbow. He had been climbing a ladder but fell only three or four feet. However in that fall he suffered two very severe injuries. This morning the little fellow is bearing up bravely under the excruciating pain of a combined break and dislocation.

THE PORTLAND STRIKE

(Scripps News Association)
Portland, Sept. 29.—The grain dealers announce that they expect to have a full corps of non-union men Monday. The longshoremen threaten to strike in sympathy.

CORN FESTIVAL

(Scripps News Association)

Chicago, Sept. 29.—The great Corn Festival and Contest arranged under the Chicago Commercial Association will open in Tattersall's this evening and will continue for two weeks. The various commercial organizations of the city and the western railroads have contributed large sums of money for premiums, which are large enough to attract the attention of the farmers throughout the corn belt. The highest awards in the principal classes will be \$5,000.

M. Y. A. C. GAMES

(Scripps News Association)

New York, Sept. 29.—The seventy-seventh annual fall games of the New York Athletic Club will be held at Travers Island this afternoon. The chief event will be a one-mile relay race for clubs and colleges, each team to consist of four men, each to run one quarter of a mile. There will be the usual handicap events, to which all registered amateurs under the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union are eligible.

REPORTING TIDAL WAVE FATALITIES

(Scripps News Association)

Atlanta, Ga. Sept. 29.—The dead quarters of the gulf department today received a message from Lieutenant Rice, quartermaster at Fort Morgan, thirty miles south of Mobile announcing the death of six men during the hurricane. The destruction of property in the immediate vicinity will amount to a hundred thousand dollars. The six killed were civilians, but there is one enlisted man missing.

GALE AT HONG KONG

(Scripps News Association)

Hong Kong, September 29.—There is a gale blowing here but shipping was warned in time to escape.

ARMY POST DAMAGED

(Scripps News Association)

Washington, Sept. 29.—The War Department this morning received the following from Col Dwyer, commanding the post at Mobile. "The post here was swept by a terrific storm. The entire post was under water. Every building was seriously damaged, some destroyed including the pumping plant which furnished water. It is probable that we will be able to get water from Mobile when the storm abates."

MURDER AND SUICIDE

(Scripps News Association)

Fresno Cal., Sept. 29.—Charles Bromer a motorman who is suffering of consumption in fear of becoming a county charge, shot his wife while asleep in her bed. Two bullets were sent into the woman's head. He then turned the revolver and sent a bullet through his own heart. He made no attempt to kill his nine year old son, who slept with his mother. The man was formerly a motorman in San Francisco.

SEVEN MEN KILLED IN WRECK

(Scripps News Association)

Philadelphia Sept. 29.—An express of the Pennsylvania road ran into the rear of the Long Branch express at Edmington Pennsylvania, nine miles north of here this morning killing seven out right and injuring fifteen. The air brakes on the Long Branch had gone wrong. The train stopped to repair them and it was while standing still that the New York express crashed into it at the rate of one mile a minute. The car ahead of the rear coach was smashed. Seven were killed immediately. The engine plowed half way through the Long Branch train.

LAGRANDE DAY AT THE FAIR

Yesterday was La Grande day at the fair. The stores and most all of the business houses closed in the afternoon, and hundreds of our people turned out. The attendance was many times greater than any previous day. The stock parade was a fine one and the blue and red ribbons were in evidence. A list of the premium winners will be published just as soon as the clerks can arrange them.

This will close the fair. Those who attended have been favored with delightful weather.

LA GRANDE FOOD STUFF IN SPOKANE

The Amalgamated Sugar Co. this week received an order from a Spokane firm for eighteen hundred bags of sugar. Three cars will be shipped at once and the rest in a few days. La Grande is fast becoming a commercial center of importance, and one way to help La Grande grow is to always have a good word for it and its industries.

The Blue Mountain Creamery Company shipped a car load of butter to a firm in Spokane this week. The time was, and not more than a few years ago, when this valley did not produce sufficient butter for its own needs, but since the organization of the Blue Mt. Creamery a change has taken place. This car so far as dollars are concerned totaled the neat sum of \$2212.76. Every little helps, and thus a home industry has made a substantial addition to the circulating medium in this community.

GOOD WATER NEXT YEAR

According to the decision, of the city council, Elgin's new water system will not be constructed until next spring.—Recorder.

TWO SHIPS OF THE OLD TEXAS NAVY

Are Still Afloat and will Soon be on Exhibition at the Jamestown Fair

(Scripps News Association)

Norfolk, Sept. 29.—That Texas ever had such a thing as a navy will be news to almost everybody except of course some of the older Texans.

The Republic of Texas has not been so long a thing of history but that there are still men living who have seen the ensign of that nation flying at the peak of the flagship of her fleet. This is recalled because of an effort now being made to exhibit one of these old ships at the great world's naval rendezvous at the Jamestown Exposition in 1907.

The Texas navy was created in 1835 when Henry Smith was provisional president of the republic. There were three armed schooners in the little flotilla, but they made the Mexicans tired of life along the Gulf Coast. They preyed upon Mexican commerce, raided coast settlements, and with their captured booty and supplies did much to maintain the Texas military establishment aside from supporting themselves.

This navy gradually strengthened until

in 1840 it numbered six good staunch fighting ships. The flagship was the Austin, carrying the ensign of Commodore Edwin Warde Moore. The others were Zarala, San Antonio, the San Jacinto, the San Bernard and the brig Dolphin. It was the mission of that fleet to make as much trouble for Mexico as possible, and when in 1840 the province of Yucatan went into revolt President Lamar of Texas ordered Commodore Moore to help the revolutionists, and if the Yucatan soldiery had done their part, Mexico would probably have lost another slice of territory, for the Texas fleet certainly did create some excitement wherever the enemy happened to be.

It is understood that at least two of these historical craft are in good repair and may be had for exhibition purposes at the Jamestown Exposition. An antiquated schooner of war would be a strange sight flying the flag of the Republic of Texas among the powerful fighting machines of today, which will be gathered in Hampton Roads next year as a spectacle of the Jamestown Exposition.

WILL MARRY STENOGRAPHER

(Scripps News Association)

Milwaukee, Sept. 29.—Edward C. Wall aged 63, a multi-millionaire, a member of the Democratic national committee, and who was mentioned for president at the St. Louis convention two years ago, a widower this morning announced his engagement to Miss Martha Arndt aged 26 who was formerly his stenographer.

GRAIN MARKETS

(Scripps News Association)

Chicago, Sept. 29.—Wheat opened at 73 closed at 72 1/2; corn opened at 46 1/2, closed at 46; oats opened at 34, closed 34.

BOARD ADJOURNS

The board of equalization adjourns this afternoon at five o'clock after having been in session the past week. The changes the board saw fit to make were very few, in all hardly a dozen. A few assessments were found to be too low and were accordingly raised. The reverse is also true. But the few changes that were made were trivial.

FATAL PRIZE FIGHT

(Scripps News Association)
Seattle, Sept. 29.—Johnny Crowe died this morning as a result of a fight with Snailham at Everett last night. He was knocked unconscious by a blow in the stomach from which he never regained consciousness.

WILL HIT THE TARGET

(Scripps News Association)

Oyster Bay Sept. 29.—President Roosevelt sailed today on the Mayflower for Cape Cod to take part in the target practice off the Cape.

It has been arranged that President Roosevelt will be picked up at sea by the battleship Missouri and will make a short cruise on that ship.

During that cruise President Roosevelt will try his skill as a gunner by training and firing one of the big turret guns at a target. George Philippo, the champion

gunner of the Missouri will instruct the President in sighting and manipulating the gun. The President intends to keep on shooting until he hits the target.

The rest of the cruise he will spend on the bridge getting navigation pointers from Captain Pendleton.

Boston, Sept. 29.—The Mayflower with the President aboard joined the fleet this morning for the target practice which is soon to begin. The President keeps in touch with events in Cuba by wireless telegraphy.

THE NEW, FALL STYLES IN STATIONERY

It's needless to say that we have the finest showing of stationery in town, it is well known that we always have that, but we are even out-doing ourselves this fall.

Box, Bulk, and Tablet Paper

in the newest and daintiest tints and textures, productions of the best manufacturers are here for your inspection. We can see no reason why everybody should not use good papers in up-to-date shapes. When purchased here the prices are so low that one really cannot afford to use the common sort.

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