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CONGRESS MAY OUST NEGROES FROM UNITED STATES ARMY

Worthy in Battle but a Menace in Peace.

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 28.—Congress will be urged to rid the army of all negro soldiers the next time a consideration of the Brownsville affair arises. Many army officers and members of congress are planning on the resolution which will be presented.

Four entire regiments will be affected should this measure become a law. They are: The ninth and tenth cavalry, the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth infantry. The attack upon Captain Macklin, the assault of Mrs. Clifford in Oklahoma, and the fights in Fort Leavenworth, all perpetrated by negro soldiers, has increased the agitation against black troops.

Negroes have been good fighters against the Indians, Spaniards, Philipinos, but their record for guarding the peace is filled with stories of hawries, street fights and efforts to "shoot up" towns.

As a result of this the War Department finds it difficult to station negro troops when not in active service. No community wants them near. Protests invariably arise as soon as it is rumored that negro troops are to be stationed at any post.

The same occurs in the Philippines, where the citizens object to colored troops being quartered near.

James L. Slayden, the Democratic representative from Texas, will press the resolution providing for the honorable discharge of all negro troops.

BUSCH IS ILL

(Scripps News Association)
St. Louis, Dec. 28.—Adolphus Busch is critically ill with pneumonia. Physicians are doubtful as to final recovery.

TONOPAH IS EXCITED OVER FIGHT

(Scripps News Association)
Tonopah, Dec. 28.—Everything is in readiness for the fight between Kid Herman and Joe Gans, who fight here to the finish for the light weight championship on January 1, beginning at three o'clock Pacific time. A large representative body from the coast is expected.

The arena is completed and is the finest in the country, every seat being in close range. Herman has let down in his training and boxing so as not to injure his hands. Gans has announced that he is at weight. Betting favors Gans at two to one. The negroes are planning a big possum eat and a ball for Gans on New Year's night. Herman says the fight will not go over eighteen rounds.

INSPECTING DISTILLERIES

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Wilson and Solicitor McCabe went to Baltimore today to inspect the distilleries of that city.

Herman Seigrist of Lewiston, Idaho, who is in charge of the Lewiston branch store is here looking after his La Grande interests for a few days.

THE GERMAN ELECTIONS

(Scripps News Association)
Berlin, Dec. 28.—There is great excitement already over the coming elections as the conflict between the government and the center and social Democratic dissolution of the Reichstag, has attracted the attention of Europe, and the uncertainty in Germany over the outcome increases the interest. The action of the London press on the situation is universally condemned. The report that on the eve of the dissolution the Kaiser telegraphed to Prince Buelow "I am determined to blow the whole gang to hell" has been commented on by the North German Gazette in strong terms. An active canvass is going on and the general opinion seems to be that Prince Buelow has already been politically killed. The result of the elections will be known early on the morning of the 25th of January.

GRAFTERS DELAYING THE TRIAL

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Attorneys for Schmitz appeared before Judge Graham this morning to argue the motion for a transfer of Schmitz's trial from Judge Dunne's court to some other department to secure a more speedy trial. The court has granted the application for a continuance of the hearing until Monday morning.

Attorney Johnson for the state, accused Schmitz and his attorneys of trying to bunco the judges and is merely trying to secure a new trial to delay instead of speeding the trial. The mayor is flushed under the charges. A transfer of the case is opposed by the state on the grounds that Judge Graham had no jurisdiction since Judge Dunne has not consented to the transfer.

Pending the decision of Judge Graham Judge Dunne has continued the trial of Abe Ruef until next Wednesday morning. Judge Dunne is seriously opposed to the requested transfer because he says if the charge is made, Ruef will be asking for the same change.

ONLY ONE SAVED

(Scripps News Association)
Carrara, Spain, Dec. 28.—The Spanish steamer, Ros, foundered off this coast today, only one person being saved.

IS BACK TO FACE THE RACKET

(Scripps News Association)
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—A close personal friend of Ellis Wainwright, the millionaire brewer, who has been a fugitive from justice since his indictment in connection with the bribery investigation brought by Governor Folk in 1892, says that Wainwright has decided to return home and face the music. This friend states that Wainwright has remained in France and Egypt the greater part of the time since he has been a fugitive.

ROBBERY IN WOOLEY

(Scripps News Association)
Woolley, Wn., Dec. 28.—Professional cracksmen blew the safe open of the Great Northern depot last night, and secured a thousands dollars in cash and valuables. There is no clue as to the thieves.

MONTANA EXECUTION POSTPONED

(Scripps News Association)
Anaconda, Dec. 28.—The execution of Henry Paenna for the murder of Susan Bryant which was fixed for this morning has been postponed as the condemned man's attorneys have lodged notice of appeal to the Supreme Court. Paenna was tried and convicted of murder in the first degree on Oct. 17 and on Nov. 19 was sentenced to death. Under decisions of the Supreme Court of Montana, a mere notice of appeal filed in court is sufficient to operate as a stay of execution until the Supreme Court decides the appeal which cannot now be done before six months at least.

CASSET OF PENN ROAD DIED TODAY

(Scripps News Association)
Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—President A. J. Casset of the Pennsylvania railroad, died this afternoon.

Harry C. Frick will probably succeed Casset. He is now the largest shareholder in the "Penny" road. He was recently elected a director of the Wall Street faction, and it has been rumored for some time that he would be the next president. Mr. Casset was born in 1859, and was educated in this country and German technical schools. He started in on the Pennsylvania road as a rod man and became president of that monster railroad seven years ago. He caught the whooping cough while visiting his grandchildren a few days ago, when it suddenly affected his heart, and from then on he sank rapidly.

INSURANCE OFFICIALS INDICTED

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 28.—Geo. W. Perkins and a man named Fairchild were indicted today on a charge of forgery to a third degree in the New York Life Insurance Company investigation. Perkins had been warned by District Attorney Jerome that the indictments would be returned. He was in the court when the bills were handed and he was formerly arrested, immediately being arranged before Recorder Goff. He pleaded not guilty, on the condition that he could withdraw it and interpose another plea before January twenty-first. He was bailed at ten thousand, which amount was furnished by J. P. Morgan, Jr., and Cleveland Dodge. The prisoner was released.

PRESIDENT SHOTS TURKEYS

(Scripps News Association)
Norfolk, Va., Dec. 28.—The weather clerk is certainly working for a promotion as the sample of which he has succeeded in furnishing for the President's turkey hunt is something extraordinary for this season of the year. The President who is accompanied by his sons and General Rixia and others went out this morning to Pine Knot Forest, Albemarle county. They were not accompanied by the ladies, who went horseback riding. The Presidential party is so large that a number are accommodated at the home of Mr. Wilmer near the President's lodge. All the Roosevelts are present with the exception of Mrs. Longworth.

NEW CUBAN SUGAR COMPANY

(Scripps News Association)
Jersey City, Dec. 28.—The Santa Clara Raw Sugar Company has been incorporated here by Baltimore, New York, and Cuban capitalists. The capital stock is \$5,000,000 of which \$1,000,000 is preferred and \$2,000,000 common. The Logumito sugar factory near Cienfuegos Cuba, with over 5000 acres of land, some 30 miles of narrow gauge railroad, ships and electric light plant have been acquired.

TERRIFIC SMELTER EXPLOSION

(Scripps News Association)
St. Lake, Dec. 28.—One is dead, three fatally injured and two were seriously burned as a result of an explosion at the Highland Boy Smelter this morning. The explosion was caused by the contact of wet dope and hot matt when the big conveyor was tapped. Oscar Wallin is dead and Thomas Fox, Oscar Tripp and Alma Mathews are fatally injured and the seriously burned are Scott Bridgurt and Fred Davis.

SPAIN TO TAX WHEAT AND FLOUR

(Scripps News Association)
Madrid, Dec. 28.—The bill providing for temporary taxing of foreign wheat 2½ pesetas and flour 1 peseta per 100 kilo grams, introduced by Navarro Reverter Minister of Finance will become law on or about the 10 of January as there is no opposition to the measure.

FOUNDER OF THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 28.—Rev. Dr. Francis E. Clark, the founder of the Christian Endeavor and president of the Worlds Union sailed from here today for Jamaica for a tour of the island in the interest of the movement, he will speak in nine different centers before leaving for Cuba on Feb. 1st.

INFLECTS A TERRIBLE VENGEANCE

(Scripps News Association)
Jackson, Dec. 28.—The Governor of this state offers a reward of five hundred dollars each for the capture, dead or alive of Hall Bird, Earnest Brown, Dan Kerr, all white men who are all alleged to have shot Clint Nicholson, an innocent negro farmer, and burned him while he was not yet dead. He also offers five hundred for the capture of Tom Simpson, a negro who murdered John O'Brien, a railroad detective.

ENGLISH TO OPERATE FISHERIES

(Scripps News Association)
London, Dec. 28.—A company was finally formed here today with a capital of \$800,000 to work the British Columbia halibut and herring fisheries. Mr. Wethley who was sent on behalf of the promoters to make investigations on the grounds, reported that steam trawlers could be successfully worked. Operations will be commenced as soon as possible.

SCOTLAND IS SNOWBOUND

(Scripps News Association)
Edenburg, Scotland, Dec. 28.—This city is snow bound. Traffic is suspended and the coast is dangerous.

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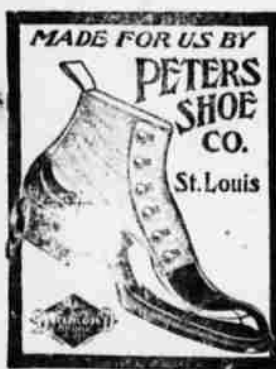
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