

WASHINGTON FEARS CUBAN UPHEAVAL

American Business Aggression Causing Trouble and Revolution Seems Near

Washington, Aug. 24.—Grave apprehension concerning the Cuban situation is felt at the state department. No efforts are made to conceal a belief that a crisis is fast approaching. Indirect information from official sources is indignant because President Gomez is absent on a continued vacation at a time when a revolution may occur. It is also understood that this sentiment was not hidden from Minister Velez, of Cuba, when he called upon the president at Beverly to discuss the situation with him. Some of the most cautious observers expect an outbreak before the end of the year and would not be surprised they say if it comes soon. Of one thing Washington is certain—that the unintermitted administration of President Gomez, until the expiration of his term, is a futile hope. The hatred of the opposing factions for each other is intense. The situation is made more difficult of solution, because no one can count the actual number of these factions.

Cuban manufacturing and producing interests are apprehensive and though the Cuban Legation have called upon the American Government for active supervision. It also transpires that certain American business interests have gradually entered a financial wedge in the island.

The people expect the controlling interests to be in American hands within two years. Gomez is known to be an advocate of "Cuba for Cubans" and hostile to all foreigners. The supremacy of American financial interest in the island it is conceded in Washington, would mean the certain downfall of the Gomez administration.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Mrs. John Marsh left recently for a three weeks' visit to her old home at Eureka, Cal.

Mr. Cruik was in from the Von der Hellen place near Wellen one day last week.

Miss Mary Peter, deputy county recorder, left for Portland and Seattle Saturday on her vacation.

Judge J. R. Neil is at Portland at present on a business and pleasure trip combined.

New Cases.

Eliza J. Lewis vs. C. W. Palm et al.; partition suit. O. C. Boggs, attorney for plaintiff.

S. J. Majors vs. Joseph T. Gagnon, et al.; action to recover money. O. C. Boggs, attorney for plaintiff.

Marriage Licenses.

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BANNER YEAR FOR RAILROADS PREDICTED

Already Nearly as Busy as in Rush Months of 1907, Reports Chairman Knapp

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—A heavier business than has ever been known in a single year is looked for by Chairman Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission for American railroads during the present fiscal year, according to a statement he made today.

The fear is not only of Judge Knapp but of other officials of the commission and operating railroad men generally is that there may be a shortage of cars. The crop prospects are considered so bright that the likelihood is that railroads and other transportation companies will be taxed beyond their capacity to handle the freight offered them.

Already according to the figures submitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the railroads in considerable number have recovered from their poor business of a year and a half ago and now are handling as much traffic as in the rush months of 1907, which was the banner year in American railroading.

In the view of Chairman Knapp the carriers are now in a better position to handle the freight offered in 1907.

and he said today that it would not surprise him if that year's record were broken this year.

"The railroads learned a good lesson in 1907," said Chairman Knapp. Then they were absolutely unable to handle the traffic that was offered to them. Since that time they have added materially to their equipment, have improved their roadbeds and in every respect have increased their facilities. I do not doubt that this year will be a red letter period for them and for the country.

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