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PEACE COMMISSION

There Was No Hitch in the Proceedings.

GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE.

The United States Will Assume Control in Cuba—Philippine Expedition—Strike in Paris.

PARIS, Oct. 10.—The United States peace commission held two sessions today. They were devoted to weighing information relative to all questions involved in matters under immediate consideration of the commissioners. It is believed the questions now being discussed relate to Cuba and the adjustment of the debt of that island.

The Paris newspapers show evidence of anxiety in behalf of the Spanish cause. The Matin on Sunday alleged that an understanding regarding Cuba and Porto Rico was possible, "as the United States claims everything and Spain refused nothing, but the difficulty arises on the question of the Philippine islands."

The Matin closes its remarks by expressing the belief that "we shall see the republic, which has, just shown herself also generous."

As the joint commission has not yet considered the Philippine question, the Paris papers appear to Americans as making the statement that the Philippines are under consideration, in order to be in a position to adjure the American commission to treat Spain generously.

No Delays Probable.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: From a dispatch received from Chairman Day, the authorities are still of the opinion that the work of the peace commission will be completed before congress meets. Mr. Day takes quite an optimistic view of the situation. It is his desire to limit the time of discussion of the various points raised as much as possible, in order that the negotiations may reach an early conclusion.

Information which has been received here shows conclusively that Spain has no further hope of foreign intervention, and this fact leads the authorities to believe that she will not attempt to drag the negotiations out so long as she would if she believed there was a chance of any European government attempting to secure a modification of the American terms.

The United States may submit a diplomatic protest to Spain through the French government against its action in sending a Spanish auxiliary cruiser loaded with arms and ammunition to the Philippines. In any event, the matter is under consideration, and it is believed has been called to the attention of the American commissioners in Paris.

Cuban Control.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—The American commissioners have notified the Spanish authorities in Havana that the United States will assume entire control, military and governmental, of Cuba December 1. The same control will be exercised in Porto Rico, October 18.

This order was not intended to work a hardship to the Spanish troops or government, but it was thought best to definitely end Spanish rule and begin operations under the United States sovereignty by December 1. It is expected to have the United States troops so stationed there will be no need of the Spanish troops to preserve order.

An Unconfirmed Report.

LONDON, Oct. 11.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Paris says the United States and Spanish peace commissioners are reported at entire variance on the question involving the disposition of the Philippines, and they have referred the matter to their respective governments.

A Big Strike.

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: There are at this moment on strike 8000 navvies, 2000 laborers, 5000 carters, 1000 wharfingers, 5000 locksmiths, 5000 masons, 2500 stonecutters, 3500 housepainters, 2500 plumbers, 2500 carpenters, 2000 mechanics and 5500 cabinet-makers. In all some 40,000 strong men are idle in Paris today.

Cession Proposals.

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: Proposals for the cession of Porto Rico and Guam islands to the United States and providing for the independence of Cuba will be discussed by the peace commission in Paris at its next session. These protocols which were drawn up at the last meeting of the commission, have been the subject of serious consideration by the American peace commission for the last three days. Secretary Day sent a cablegram to the state department on Monday regarding the work of

the American commissioners, but it was merely routine in character and simply shows that Mr. Day and his colleagues have completed the features of the agreements which they are anxious the Spanish commissioners shall adopt.

There is no truth in the reports from Madrid that there has been a hitch in the negotiations, and that the proceedings of the commission are not progressing as satisfactorily as desired.

SMALLPOX AT MANILA.

Six Deaths in two Days. One Victim in Second Oregon.

MANILA, Oct. 6.—There have been 14 cases of smallpox and six deaths from that disease among the American troops during the past two days. The dead are: H. M. Powers, First California; Harry Wheeler, Second Oregon; Henry Culver, Fourteenth Infantry; Joseph Saly, George Cootny and Frank Wawick, Thirteenth Minnesota.

Eight deaths from typhoid fever have also been recorded.

Artilleryman Reach was killed by a sentry Wednesday night at Tondo.

OREGON BOYS TO GO.

Final Expedition will include Nearly 6000 Men—Leave on the Senator.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—General Merriam has chosen the following forces to constitute the next and presumably the final expedition to the Philippines:

Third battalion, Twenty-third infantry and Oregon recruits, 15 officers, 643 men; batteries A and D, California heavy artillery, 8 officers, 297 men; Wyoming light artillery, 2 officers, 106 men; Nevada cavalry, 2 officers, 94 men; First Washington infantry, 43 officers, 1158 men; Twentieth Kansas infantry, 43 officers, 1064 men; total, 191 officers, 5579 men.

In most of the regiments and detachments a great falling off from their original strength is to be observed, which is accounted for by absentees on leave, sick furlough, on detached service, in the general hospital, and by discharges, desertions and deaths.

The battalion of the Twenty-third United States infantry and the recruits for the Second Oregon regiment have been designated for embarkation on the Senator, which will sail by Sunday, and may carry 200 men, probably one of the batteries of the California heavy artillery. The new fleet of transports is rapidly being prepared for sea. The Newport has not yet arrived, but is expected at any hour.

The Senator will come off the Union Iron works drydock today and the Valencia will take her place. The Ohio will go on the drydock today also, and as soon as she has been overhauled the Indiana will take her place. The latter vessel went direct to the quarantine station, and will be fumigated before she goes on the drydock. The Newport will follow the Valencia at the dock, and an effort will be made to get all five vessels away next week. If they can be fitted out in time they will leave in a bunch. If not the Senator will sail next Sunday and the others will follow as they are got ready.

General Merriam has called on General Miller for the complete field returns of all the troops in his command. This he did for the purpose of seeing how to best select commands to go on the different transports. They have to be chosen with regard to the capacity of the vessel, and an effort will be made not to overcrowd any of the transports.

General Merriam has been informed that the transport Peru sailed from Manila on Saturday.

U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The following data, covering a period of 26 years, have been compiled from the Weather Bureau records at Portland, Oregon for the month of October for 26 years.

TEMPERATURE.
Mean or normal temperature, 53 deg.
The warmest month was that of 1875, with an average of 58 deg.
The coldest month was that of 1893, with an average of 50 deg.
The highest temperature was 83 deg. on the 7th 1891.
The lowest temperature was 31 deg. on the 31, 1877, and the 31, 1895.
Average date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn, November 26.

PRECIPITATION.
(rain and melted snow).
Average for the month, 4.06 inches.
Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 12.

The greatest monthly precipitation recorded in any 23 consecutive hours was 2.93 inches on the 10, 1882.

CLOUDS AND WEATHER.
Average number of clear days 7; partly cloudy days, 10; cloudy days, 14.

WIND.
The prevailing winds have been from the South.
The highest velocity of the wind was 42 miles from the Southeast, on the 23, 1897. B. S. PAPER, Weather Bureau, Portland, Oregon Sept. 27, 1898.

THE LEGISLATURE

Joseph Simon Elected United States Senator.

SIMON A GOLD STANDARD MAN.

Senator Brownell Made the Nomination—Porter's Bill Passed Both Senate and House.

Friday.

At noon Friday both houses adjourned for the day, and at 7:30 all the Republican members except three met in caucus Clackamas county members all present, it having been ascertained that H. W. Corbett had by letter withdrawn his name as a candidate for United States senator, when after taking a ballot it was found that Hon. Joseph Simon had received 41 out of 63 votes and was made the nominee for the party. At this time Senator Brownell was again honored as in 1895 when he was the chosen one of the caucus to present the name of Hon. J. N. Dolph for the support of the party for the place which is now filled by Senator McBride, so at this time by a resolution of the caucus he was requested to make the speech presenting the name of the nominee, which stamps him as one of Oregon's most gifted speakers, and it is needless to say that the senator from Clackamas fully sustained his former good record as a speaker, as he was frequently interrupted with burst of applause while speaking, when the ballot was counted Saturday at noon it was found that out of 65 republican votes present the Hon. Joseph Simon had received 64, he having voted blank, the fusionists voting for Kincaid, Simon having a majority of 9 was declared elected U. S. senator for the next 4 years and will resign as state senator from Multnomah county and take his seat in congress which meets in December necessitating the election of a new state senator from Multnomah county and also the election of a president of the state senate which meets in January 1899.

It is generally conceded that the election of Mr. Simon as senator from Oregon is one of wisdom, and while it will be of vast benefit to the state, it will do much to solidify the different elements of the republican party of Oregon. In accepting the office Mr. Simon said that his entire aim should be to build up the interests of Oregon and to know no East no West no North or South.

Dr. Carl and G. B. Dimick were noticed Saturday at the state capital watching the election of a U. S. senator.

Monday.

Both branches of the legislature was called to order at 2 o'clock. In the senate Mulkey introduced a bill relating to state printing.

By Brownell—Relating to exemption of the earnings of a judgement debtor.

Senate bill No. 3—Reducing statutory rate of interest to six per cent, passed, all present voting for the bill.

A message from the Governor announcing his signature to Senate bills No. 13 free ferry at Corvallis and Senate bill repealing Railroad commission.

Senate Bill No. 10—For protection of hotel and boarding house keepers passed.

In the house much business was disposed of, the following are some of the bills passed.

By Bayer—To regulate the doing of public work.

By Curtis—To provide for the office of game and forestry warden.

By Hill—To require and regulate the registration of voters for election purposes.

By Gray—To regulate the opening of doors to public buildings.

By Davis—To reimburse Lincoln county for overpaid taxes.

By Nichols—To appropriate \$25,000 for the Oregon Agricultural.

Other bills passed of a more local nature.

House Bill No. 16—By Kruse relating to the practice of medicine failed to pass.

Senator Porter's bill mentioned last week, in regard to certain amendments to the code, passed the senate and went to the house where it will be pushed through, as it is a bill of importance.

The Appropriation bill will be cut on a good many points so that the total amount will not reach the large sum of former sessions.

L. Kruse representative from Clackamas was excused from farther attendance at this session, he having been called home by the serious illness of his father, Hon. John Kruse.

Mrs. W. Smith, wife of the doorkeeper of the senate spent several days visiting in Salem.

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