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FILIPINO WIVES AND CHILDREN DESERTED BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS

Brave New York Girl Saved an Infant From Death—A Special Session of the Pennsylvania Legislature to Settle Coal Strike—Other News.

The officers in division headquarters are kept busy now days, not only with the departure of regiments, but in looking after wayward and miscreant husbands that are leaving for the states leaving behind them wife and family, says the Manila Times.

How many soldiers who have left their lawful wives in the provinces before coming to this city will probably never be known, but the wronged woman have found that there is some consolation to be found in stating their wrongs to the commanding general of the division and a large number have taken advantage of the assistance offered.

Tuesday six men were taken one of the transports in the bay, the complaint in such case being able to show a neat marriage certificate many of them having been signed by the chaplain of some regiment who was on duty in the islands. Yesterday there were seven more women at the Estado Mayor, claiming that their husbands were leaving, that they were both mother and wife, that were penniless, and their husbands on board the transport Cook, now in quarantine, preparatory to sailing for the United States.

One pitiful case among the many was that of a beautiful native woman who was sitting on the beach opposite the door of General Chaffee office at the Estado Mayor, weeping as though her heart would break. The general happened to pass just as she was in the midst of the sorrow, and ordered one of his aides to ascertain the matter. An interpreter was called and the woman told the same pitiful story that she was the wife of a soldier by the name of McDonald, of M company, twenty-fifth Infantry, that her husband had gone to the states on the transport Crook, and left her and her child penniless. It is needless to say that the general when made acquainted with the facts, ordered his launch to the vessel's side to have the miscreant husband returned to the city.

Cases of the kind are becoming so numerous that steps will be taken to punish soldiers who have been lawfully married here and who return to the states deserting their families.

The colored regiments have not been alone in this, and complaints have been made of members of other regiments who have gone away and left a wife and baby in these islands, and several cablegrams have been sent over the sea to intercept the parties before they are discharged, so as to bring them to justice. There is but little that can be done in the way of punishment for soldiers who have been found guilty of deserting a family in these islands, but they can be discharged from the service without honor. Whether this would have any effect in stopping the practice is questionable, but it would return them to the islands for discharge, would relieve the army of such miscreants and would leave them here where they would be compelled to give support to their children, instead of turning them out on the streets to beg.

Whenever a marriage certificate can be produced to show that the parties were legally married the case will be looked into and the men will be brought ashore and dismissed without honor.

of baby carriages pass by. Just beyond her was a spirited horse attached to a light wagon.

Suddenly one of the women turned over the carriage which she was pushing and its occupant, a tiny baby, fell out and rolled directly under the horse. "Oh! My heaven! My baby will be crushed!" screamed the mother. Even then the horse was moving restlessly and its right forward foot was raised in the air as if he would bring it down upon the little frame lying prostrate and helpless beneath its feet.

Like a flash Miss Sweet sprang from the side walk and seized hold of the up lifted foot. The horse began to prance but the Poughkeepsie girl clung to his hoof and it was only a matter of seconds before strong hands grasped the animal by the head and another pulled the baby from its precarious position.

Harrisburg, Pa, Aug 30—Persistent rumors were in circulation today that a special session of the legislature may be called by Governor Stone in the interest of the legislation looking into the matter of arbitration of the strike in the anthracite region. It is understood that should there be a popular demand for calling the legislature together, a demand imperative and unmistakable, representing the great mass of the people who have indirectly suffered by the coal strike, the governor would be constrained to call an extra session.

While no confirmation of these rumors can be secured from an official source it is stated tonight that a legislative solution of the grave situation in the strike is possible.

Berlin, Aug 30—The price of meat in Germany continues to rise, and the town councils and other bodies and the newspapers in every part of the country are discussing what is called a "meat famine." The Butcher's Guides advanced the price of meat this week from 2 1/2 to 5 cents per pound. A good steak costs 44 cents in Berlin. Meats are generally reported statistically 26 per cent higher there now than in 1900, although in Rotterdam, Paris, Vienna and Budapest they are only 10 per cent higher. Germany's more rapid advance is attributed to the scarcity of home animals, the exclusion of foreign livestock and the prohibition of canned meats thus suspending large American imports. Hamburg figures show that the imports of American salt and smoked meats in 1901 were only 128,800 metric hundred weight against 305,200 in 1898. The import of sausages have shrunk in the meantime from 18,000 to 880 metric hundred weight and American canned meats from 34,600 to 18,900 metric hundred weight. Berlin slaughtered in July 5110 fewer animals than in July 1901, in spite of the increasing population, and the slaughterings were further diminished in August. The officials of the kingdom of Saxony report 5 per cent decrease in the slaughtering since 1901 and a great lack of animals suitable for butchering.

A number of important municipalities have petitioned the government to open the frontiers to livestock. The Prussian ministers of agriculture, Herr Podbielski, replying to a deputation of the Posen council said that it was impossible to withdraw the exclusion decrees, averring that the exclusion of foreign animals had immensely improved the veterinary conditions of Germany.

Henry L. Shattuck, of Shellsburg, Iowa, was cured of a stomach trouble with which he had been afflicted for years, by four boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. He had previously tried many other remedies and a number of physicians without relief. For sale by Graham & Wells.

Philadelphia, Aug 30—High society had a surprise today when it learned that a member of the Biddle family had secretly married and had not taken his bride from the ranks fashion or wealth. J C Mercer Biddle accompanied by a young and pretty woman presented himself before the Rev M E Kunkleman of St Andrews Lutheran church in Atlantic City, and asked to be married. The bridegroom signed his name as J C Mercer Biddle, of Atlantic City, occupation, gentleman; age 45;

FIVE KILLED

A TORNADO WRECKS A TRAIN IN MINNESOTA.

Cecil Rhodes Bequeaths Land Worth \$1,000,000 to Earl and Countess of Warwick—Duke of Marlborough in Automobile Accident—Other News.

Waseca, Minn, Aug 30—Two persons were killed, three fatally injured and more than a score hurt tonight in the wreck of a train which had been hurled down an embankment by a tornado. A west bound train on the Chicago & North western R R, consisting of an engine, a baggage car, and two crowded passenger coaches was struck by a tornado while running at the rate of 35 miles an hour two miles from Meridan. The passenger and baggage cars were hurled 18 feet down the embankment to the fence guarding the right of way. A brakeman was lighting the lamps when the crash came and the wreckage was ignited by the spilling oil.

The engineer is reported to have seen the tornado in apparent pursuit of the train and scarcely an instant before the wind struck the cars the train gave a lurch in a sudden spurt to evade the funnel shaped fury. It was 5:40 when the train was struck. Fully an hour and a half elapsed before the wrecking train arrived.

The engine did not leave the track, the baggage and passenger coaches having been twisted off and hurled downward to the bottom. The baggage car was shattered to splinters. The two dead were jammed in the wreckage and their bodies cut out with axes. It is feared that more bodies may be found under the debris and wrecking gangs sent from Waseca, are at work on the shattered cars.

The brakeman who was lighting the lamps in one of the passenger coaches when the tornado struck, cannot be found tonight. It is feared his body may be in the wreckage. Passengers saw him strike the under side of the coach with terrific force and at the same time he lamp that he had been trimming was smashed into splinters.

The injured and the bodies of the dead were brought to Waseca, by physicians who attended to the seriously injured.

London, Aug 22—The Essex county Chronicle says it hears that Cecil Rhodes bequeathed to the countess of Warwick lands in South Africa which have been sold for \$1,000,000.

The Earl and Countess of Warwick have an estate in Essex. The Countess formerly Lady Bourke, the famous beauty known as "babbling Bourke," was given that nickname because it was supposed it was she who first whispered the baccarat scandal in which King Edward, then Prince of Wales, figured years ago. The Countess founded Brooke house at Reading for the training of women and later added to it, a colonial department in which women are taught cooking, housewife, laundry work and dressmaking. Some time before the death of Rhodes the countess published an article on "Training Girls for the Transvaal," in which she appealed to Andrew Carnegie for aid in the work.

At the time some of the provisions of Mr Rhodes will were made public and it was reported that he had left a large sum to the Earl and Countess of Warwick because the Countess, more than any other Englishwoman, best personified British imperialism. The report was denied at the time.

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father's name, Marks J Biddle. The bride signed her name, Anna Teresa Brennan; twenty one years old, of Atlantic City.

The bridegroom is a very wealthy and popular member of the "horsey set" in this city, and a familiar figure in Philadelphia club life. I is said that the bride is a Philadelphian but her parents do not reside in the aristocratic neighborhood.

London, Aug 28—While the Duke of Marlborough was riding in his automobile on the Eynsham road near Oxford, this afternoon, his machine came in collision with a farmer's trap in which a woman and little girl were driving. The occupants of the trap were thrown out and the woman sustained a slight concussion. She was taken to Radcliffe Infirmary by the Duke.

Colfax, Washington, Aug 30—At Garfield, 19 miles north of here, burglars entered the O R & N Co's depot last night and blew open the safe and escaped with \$275 and escaped, leaving no clew. The work was evidently done by experts. The depot stands near the business center of the town but the robbery was not discovered until this morning.

The safes in both the O R & N and Northern Pacific depots at Garfield have been blown open half a dozen times in the past few years. Garfield is only nine miles from Palouse where the postoffice safe was blown open and \$300 taken. It is believed that a gang of experts are at work in that part of the country.

Chicago, Aug 30—The hearing of testimony in a legal tangle that comes as an echo of the absorption of the Carnegie company by the United States Steel Corporation was closed today before Marshall Sampson, clerk of the United States court, acting as special commissioner. The suit involves the transfer of over \$5,000,000 of stock of the Carnegie Company held by prominent Pittsburg people.

William H Vantine of Pittsburg is the complainant. He alleges that the Chicago broker was on the other side of the deals and by agreement was supposed to divide the profits with Mr Vantine equally.

The deal was carried through in February 1902 and it is alleged that W J Hylands represented J P Morgan & Co in the transactions. Hylands is said to have made \$75,000 profits out of the deals but it is said that he turn had to pay President Delafield \$14,771 for a three minute interview with J P Morgan.

Washington, Aug 30—The United States army officers after an exhaustive test have reported against the adoption of bullet proof cloth shields. The test showed that for weight, the shields were not as resistant as steel plates while they were of double weight when wet.

Eureka, Aug 30—After floating in the waters of the Pacific for just nine months an empty bottle containing a rough scrap of paper a message from one of the victims of the steamer Walla Walla, wrecked 11 miles off of Cape Mendocino, January 2, was picked up in Humboldt bay today. The message in the bottle reads as follows:

"Four a. m. Jan 2 Wrecked from steamer Walla Walla off the coast of Cape Mendocino. Nine of us in an open boat; death stares us in the face.

A. E. WILLIAMS,
A Passenger.

A close inspection of the list tonight of the doomed vessel at the time of the disaster shows the name of Williams among the missing and unaccountable for.

The Best Liniment for Strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says: "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. I used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by Graham & Wells.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

A FORGERY CASE

BY A TELEGRAPH OPERATOR AT CRESENT, WASHINGTON.

The Oldest Naval Officer Now 90 Years Old—Attempt to Wreck an S. P. Passenger Train Near Shedd by Placing Ties on Track.

Spokane, Aug 28—Among the troubles that Harry Tracy, the outlaw, left to the people interested or instrumental in his death, the latest to appear is a forgery case. Floyd Johnson, telegraph operator and railroad agent at Creston, is the central figure of the transaction and he is now under arrest for the serious charge. The complaining witness is Constable Charles Straub one of the Creston party, which will probably receive the reward for Tracy's undoing.

The ground for the arrest and the trial, which will be soon held are given by the Creston authorities as follows:

About the time of the death of the outlaw, the New York World sent so it is claimed, a telegram to Sheriff Gardner at Creston, asking that official to send a dispatch containing a descriptive story of the capture, and to draw a sight draft on the World for \$50.

It is alleged that Johnson, being the receiving operator at Creston, took the message and instead of delivering it to the person addressed, he suppressed the telegram and sent the story to the World over the signature of Charles Straub. He then went to the bank and signed Straub's name to the sight draft of \$50.

Straub, on being informed of the occurrence by the bank officials immediately went to Davenport, the county seat, and made complaint to the prosecuting attorney. The officers notified the telegraph and railroad officials that Johnson would be arrested and a man was sent to Creston to relieve the operator. Sheriff Gardner then visited Creston, and placed Johnson under arrest. His bond was fixed at \$1000, and was furnished.

It is stated by some of those interested that nothing can be done, to the accused, as he simply adopted an assumed name, that he did not defraud Straub out of anything by signing his name and in no way laid himself liable to punishment on the charge of forgery. The case will come up for hearing in the near future.

Washington, Aug 28—The oldest living officer of the navy is the most sensitive of any in the service about his age. He is Rear-Admiral Thomas O Seltidge, retired. No one except the admiral knows his age and he won't tell.

Therecord shows the admiral to be born in Massachusetts. They also show that he was appointed from that state in Jan 1818, many years before the establishment of the naval academy or the invention of the rifle guys. Midshipman of his day entered young, and allowing the admiral to have been fifteen at that time, he is now ninety nine years old. If he lives until next January it is believed that he will turn the century mark.

The admiral dislikes to have any one mention age to him, and as far as the retiring age is concerned, he thinks it ought to be seventy two instead of sixty two. Washington is his home where he has lived since his retirement, more than 30 years ago. His eldest son is Rear-Admiral Thomas O Seltidge Jr now about sixty six years of age.

There is another son, a commander in the navy.

Albany Railway officials here were apprised early Wednesday of a distantly attempt to cause disaster to the second section of the northbound passenger train by placing ties on the track near Shedd's, the station some 26 miles below Eugene.

Train No 10 was in two sections, which ran about 24 minutes apart. The first section passed through Eugene at 3:13, and the second went through at 3:31. The first section passed through Shedd's in perfect safety and immediately the ties were piled on the track. They were discovered by the engineer of the second section just in time to save the rushing train from being continued on page four

Laurels Again!
The Paris Exposition has made the Gold Medal Award to
I.W. HARPER
KENTUCKY WHISKEY
Gold medals were also awarded at New Orleans 1884 and World's Fair Chicago 1893.

Poughkeepsie, Aug 28—According to a report which reached this city today from Ocean Grove, Miss Virginia Sweet a popular school girl of this city, is a heroine among the summer boarders of that New Jersey resort because of the bravery she displayed at the time of the baby parade at Ocean Grove. Miss Sweet is nineteen years old. With her parents she is visiting Ocean Grove. She went out to see the baby parade, and stood on the curb to watch the long procession