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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Cullied From the Telegraph Columns.

Bryan made 14 speeches in Southern Illinois.

The Chinese court refuses to return to Peking.

France is anxious to annex Yunnan province.

Russian troops may withdraw from Manchuria.

Chamberlain is mentioned as a possible successor of Salisbury.

The ministerial majority in the British parliament will be from 150 to 160.

Trades Council orders strike on Seattle's buildings. Over 1,000 men are idle.

The Boers now occupy Wepner, as well as Rouxville and Ficksburg, in Orange River colony, and the British are attempting to surround them.

Five persons were killed and 75 injured in a railway collision at Karlsruhe, Germany. The accident was due to an error in signaling. One official has been arrested.

Five thousand pilgrims assembled at the St. Nikander monastery, in the Porthoff district, St. Petersburg, for a religious festival. During the night one of the upper floors collapsed and many of those sleeping there fell upon those below. A panic was caused by a false alarm of fire, and four men and 36 women were crushed to death, many others being seriously injured.

Arrangements for building 3,000 freight cars for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad by the Pullman Company, at Pullman, Ill., has been completed. The contract calls for 2,500 box cars, each with a capacity of 60,000 pounds, and 500 flat cars. The total cost of the rolling stock will be \$1,865,000. This is the second large order for freight equipment given by the Baltimore & Ohio management within the week. The first order was for 6,000 steel cars, to cost \$6,000,000.

Having found the natives of Tutuila fit to serve as policemen and maintain peace and order, Commander B. F. Tilley believes they would make excellent soldiers to man the fortifications of Pango Pango harbor. In private letters to officers on duty he has indicated that they would make effective artillerymen. To enlist a regiment of natives, it would be necessary to obtain special authority from congress. The natives who are acting as policemen were enlisted by Commander Tilley as landmen. It is likely, however, that a force of marines will be permanently stationed at Pango Pango.

The Boers are active in Orange River Colony.

Roosevelt spoke to two big meetings in Chicago.

Japanese troops are withdrawing from China.

Bourke Cookran discussed the issue in Topeka, Kansas.

The battleship Texas may be permanently retired from service.

A tornado struck the town of Biwabik, in Northern Minnesota, killing nine persons, injuring several others and doing damage to the amount of \$500,000.

Fire on the docks of the Atlantic Transport Line, in the North river, New York, destroyed one of the piers of the company, with all the merchandise on it, entailing a loss of \$175,000.

The population of the city of Tacoma, Wash., according to the United States census for 1900, is officially announced as 37,104, against 36,001 in 1890, an increase of 1,708, or 4.84 per cent.

It is officially announced by the census bureau that the population of the state of New Hampshire is 411,585. In 1890, the population was 378,530, the increase being 33,055, or 9.50 per cent.

Li Hung Chang has ordered the release and safe escort to Peking of five Belgian engineers and 15 missionaries, who have been kept prisoners many weeks at Pao Ting Fu. Li Hung Chang is apparently doing his utmost to please the powers.

At Trenton, N. J., Eddie McBride, 10 years old, died from burns received while playing "Indian" with companions. McBride was tied to a stake and his clothing saturated with gasoline and then ignited. The boy broke loose and ran screaming to his home, where he died.

The war department has approved an exhaustive opinion by Judge Advocate-General Lieber to the effect that absentees from a volunteer regiment, save prisoners of war, are discharged from the service on the same date upon which their organization is mustered out. The decision was important as affecting the pay and status of many officers serving on detached duty.

LATER NEWS.

The United States has answered the French note.

Roosevelt denounced the Democratic issue of militarism.

British ministerialists hold 357 seats and the opposition 205.

Horse buyers for German government are in Eastern Oregon.

A general uprising is expected in the southern provinces of China.

Mgr. Chapelle argues for retention of church property in the Philippines.

An eight-year-old boy of Roseburg, Or., was killed accidentally while playing with a rifle.

One man was killed and 12 injured in a riot in the anthracite region at Hazleton, Pa.

Mrs. Ann Jane Darrah, of Liberty, Jr., an aged and blind woman, was burned to death.

An aeronaut fell from a balloon at Gay's Mills, Wis., and was instantly killed. It was his 32nd ascension.

Thomas Sheridan, 50 years old, a laborer employed in a shingle mill at Fairhaven, Wash., was run over by a train and killed.

The American marines from Peking have arrived at Taku, where they will be joined by the Tien Tsin battalion, and sail on the Indiana for Cavite.

The wife of a minister at Atchison, Kan., jumped into a cistern with her 8-year-old child and both were drowned. The woman was insane.

The results of the first day of registration in Chicago for the presidential election, which occurs next month, shows that 285,861 voters entered their names on the registration books. The first day four years ago 293,507 voters registered.

A cablegram received from Commissioner-General Peck, at Paris, contains an announcement of final results obtained at the exposition by the countries in the way of awards. The United States received 2,475 awards; Germany, 1,826; Great Britain, 1,117; Russia, 1,418. The United States leads not only in the grand total, but also in all grades of awards, from grand prizes to merely honorable mentions.

Referring to the mooted purchase of the Danish West Indies by the United States, the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "The renewed negotiations will result, I believe, in the purchase. The opposition party in the Danish parliament favors the transaction, but urges the government to obtain a larger price than the United States has previously offered. It is understood that America wishes to use St. Croix as a naval coaling station."

Bryan concluded his tour of Illinois. Cecil Rhodes will re-enter politics. The empress dowager is said to be ill.

Roberts will name his own successor.

Osborne Indian reservation is opened for settlement.

Roosevelt spoke to an immense audience in St. Louis.

Canada will sell crown mining claims in Klondike.

General Brooke urges reorganization of the army on modern lines.

Conger has prepared a list of Chinese officials that should be punished.

Idaho Soldiers' Home was destroyed by fire. One inmate was suffocated.

The American Bible Society furnishes a list of missionaries killed by Boxers.

John Q. Packard, a wealthy mine owner of Salt Lake, made a donation of a site and \$75,000 for a public library in that city.

General MacArthur reported to the war department that the transport Rosecrans and the transport Argyle arrived at Manila with Light Batteries C and M. Seventh artillery, Major G. G. Greenough.

P. H. Gilhooly, counsel for the Elisabethport, N. J., Banking Company, announced that William Schieber, a missing clerk of the bank, was a defaulter to the amount of \$50,000, and that the bank directors had made good the amount of the shortage.

Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, has received the following from Lord Curzon: "The general condition of crops is excellent, and except in a part of Bombay famine conditions are disappearing. The total number on the relief list has fallen to 2,746,000."

The American Bridge Company closed a contract to furnish all of the structural steel to be used in the erection of a big arsenal at Kure, Japan. The money value of the contract is between \$250,000 and \$300,000. It will require six months to furnish the material, and it must be delivered at Kure within a year.

Officials of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company at New York City have awarded a contract for a monument to be erected in a plot owned by the company in a cemetery in North Hudson, in memory of the persons who lost their lives in the great fire that destroyed the piers and steamers of the company at Hoboken, on June 30 last.

WILL SELL CROWN CLAIMS

Canada Decides to Dispose of Mining Lands.

ARE LOCATED IN KLONDIKE

Those Properties Not Purchased Will Be Thrown Open for Relocation After List Is Published.

Seattle, Oct. 11.—Advices from Dawson, dated September 25, state that the sale of the crown claims in the Klondike country was to begin October 2 and last for several weeks, and to begin again November 2. The gold commissioner of the district estimates the number of claims to be sold at between 5,000 and 10,000. Men were at work all the latter part of September ascertaining the exact number. To do this the titles of all the claims in the district, about 20,000, had to be looked up. The claims are nearly all creeks and old timers at Dawson believe that many of them are rich.

All the claims that the public will not purchase will be thrown open for relocation 30 days after the list is published. No one knows much about the claims, as to whether they are rich or not, but it is believed that some have thousands, and perhaps millions, hid in them.

The News in Dawson.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 11.—News that the Dominion government has decided to offer for sale all government claims in the Klondike, has been received with much joy in Dawson, as it means the development of some of the best property in the Yukon valley. The claims to be offered included all the alternate claims that have reverted to the crown from various causes. It is estimated that there are between 8,000 and 10,000 such claims in the Klondike.

LOST IN THE DESERT.

Narrow Escape of Binger Hermann's Brother and Two Others.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Phoenix, Ariz., says:

I. B. Hanna, cousin of Mark Hanna, superintendent of forest reserves for Arizona and New Mexico; A. F. Hermann, brother of Land Commissioner Binger Hermann, and W. E. Price, had a thrilling experience and almost lost their lives on the desert between the grand canyon of the Colorado and the Utah state line. When within 40 miles of Lee's Ferry they camped for the night and their horses escaped. Pierce was lost from the party and after journeying over burning sands all day, Hanna was so exhausted that he could not proceed. Hermann continued his search for water, which he discovered five miles further on. He returned with water to Hanna who was unconscious and almost dead. The following day a cowboy discovered Hanna and Hermann wandering aimlessly about the desert and directed them to their destination. A searching party later found Pierce, frantic with thirst. The three men were taken to Flagstaff Monday.

CONGER HAS A LIST.

More High Chinese Officials Marked for Punishment.

Washington, Oct. 11.—The cabinet meeting today, which occupied about two and a half hours, was devoted almost exclusively to a discussion of the Chinese situation. Special consideration was given to the French note, and it is understood that a more or less definite conclusion was reached as to the nature of this government's reply, but it has not yet been put in diplomatic form. Its purport will not be made public for the present.

It developed today that Mr. Conger, in compliance with a suggestion from Secretary Hay, had submitted to the state department a list of 10 or 12 names of Chinese officials who were prominent in the Boxer movement against the foreigners and in a great measure responsible for the assaults upon the legations in Peking. These officials, Mr. Conger believes, should be included with Prince Tuan and others in any punishments which are to be inflicted upon those who took a prominent part in the Peking outrages. It is not unlikely that the position of this government in regard to the punishment of these officials will be stated in reply to the French note.

Actor Instantly Killed.

Huntington, W. Va., Oct. 9.—W. J. McCauley, of Philadelphia, an actor playing with "A Woman in the Case" company, was killed today by Pearl Newman. McCauley and three friends had entered a restaurant and were talking to Miss Dorsey Brown, when Newman opened fire, killing McCauley instantly. Newman escaped to Ohio.

Major Nelson N. Clark Dead.

Washington, Oct. 11.—Major Nelson Noyes Clark, a widely known newspaper man, who had been connected with the Washington bureau of the New York Tribune for 22 years, died here today of heart failure. He was an authority on political and economic questions.

ARTILLERY REORGANIZATION.

Major Story Says That the Greatest Need Is More Men.

Washington, Oct. 12.—Accompanying the report of Major-General Brooke, commander of the department of the east, to the war department, was a report by Major Story, Seventh artillery inspector. Major Story states that the personnel of the artillery is manifestly inadequate to serve the armament already mounted, and he believes there is such general recognition of this fact that there will be an increase in artillery forces at the coming session of congress.

"It should be remarked in this connection," he says, "that the enlisted force required for one relief to serve the modern coast armament in this military department is estimated at 18,010 men. On the 18th of last June the enlisted strength of the heavy batteries in the department amounted to only 4,985 men, and of these quite a number of artillery soldiers are required by the exigencies of the service to garrison posts which are not properly artillery stations."

"It may also be stated that with the exception of the artillery school at Fort Monroe, Va., there is not in any important harbor in the United States even the minimum number of officers and men required by the coast artillery regulations for the service of modern armament fire, control and direction."

Major Story comments upon the artillery reorganization bill now pending in congress, and says it is a serious defect of the measure that it does not supply sufficient officers for staff administration.

"The number of officers now absent from their batteries," he says, "is probably in excess of 40 per cent, and there is no prospect in the near future of improvement in this respect. If the bill passes in its present form this unfortunate condition will be aggravated, since officers must be withdrawn from the batteries for staff administration. It is, therefore, earnestly recommended that the artillery be put upon the same basis as infantry or cavalry in providing officers for staff work."

STRIKERS IN A RIOT.

The Second Serious Affray in the Anthracite Region.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 12.—A special policeman was killed, another was wounded in the head, a striker was probably fatally shot and 10 nonunion men were more or less seriously wounded at the Ononda colliery, of Cox Brothers, in a clash between the officers and 500 strikers this morning.

The dead policeman is Ralph Mills, aged 50 years, of Beaver Meadow, who was one of the officers conveyed in a special train early this morning from that place to Ononda. He was shot through the back.

Those seriously wounded are: George Kellnor, aged 38, of Beaver Meadow, also a special officer, received shot wounds in the head, but will recover; Joseph Lakow, aged 38, of Shepton, a striker, shot in the groin and will probably die.

Ten nonunion men were stoned, but only two of them were seriously injured. They are John Van Blargin and James Toash, of Shepton. The former sustained scalp wounds, and the latter had four ribs broken.

The Ononda colliery had been in operation since the inauguration of the strike. The union men at Ononda and Shepton decided early this morning to close the mine. They gathered in groups on the streets as early as 8 o'clock. As the nonunion men went to work they were asked by the strikers to remain at home. Some turned back, others did not. Those who went to the colliery were stoned. Van Blargin, one of the nonunion employees, attempted to draw a revolver, but the weapon was taken from him, and he received a beating. This occurred just before starting time at the mine. The strikers remained at the colliery all morning.

Japan Turns to Russia.

Yokohama, Oct. 12.—The tone of public sentiment in Japan, while it partakes of the general bewilderment arising from the middle in China, indicates quite plainly that there is a decided tendency toward joining hands with Russia, should this empire's natural allies, Great Britain and America, turn the cold shoulder to her. At the same time it is perfectly well known here that Russia's hopes are centering in an ultimate alliance with Japan—and it may be that the latter, if the Western friends forsake her, will turn to her semi-Asiatic neighbor as the only resource for the settlement of the Eastern problem. That it will be a disagreeable and unwelcome recourse goes without saying. The result of the Chinese campaign and the facilities for comparison between the soldiers of the different nationalities, which it has afforded, has been to awaken a profound contempt for Russian soldiery on the part of the Japanese.

A Three Days' Fight.

London, Oct. 11.—The Times publishes the following dispatch from Vredford, Orange River Colony: "The British column had a three days' fight, from October 5 to 7, with General Dawet's command of 1,000 men and five guns. It took place in a veritable sea of mountains near here. The Boers were dislodged and dispersed, and they fled demoralized. The British casualties were slight."