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GOLD IN THE TREASURY.

Largest Amount Now Held by Any Institution in the World.
NEW YORK, April 17.—The Evening Post says:
"Today's summary of the United States Treasury's report of yesterday afternoon shows that the Government's aggregate gold holdings for the first time in history have passed the \$500,000,000 mark. The exact total was \$500,275,500, of which \$252,078,850 was held against outstanding notes, the balance of the outside public and \$248,196,650 a reserve against outstanding United States notes, the balance being free assets. This is the largest amount of gold now held by any single financial institution in the world, and it is the largest ever held by any institution with one exception—the Imperial Bank of Russia—which in February, 1898, raised its total holdings to \$500,000,000. At present, however, the Russian bank holds only \$371,000,000. The Bank of France now holds \$477,271,900, its high record being \$478,244,000, the 4th of this month. Most of this gold is held against outstanding notes. The Bank of England holds \$19,300,000 gold, and the high record of its history was \$25,500,000, in February, 1896. Present gold holdings of the Imperial Bank of Germany are \$130,000,000, and its total of gold and silver combined never ran above \$222,500,000. The United States Treasury's gross holdings have increased \$75,850,000 within the past 12 months. In April, 1899, they barely exceeded \$275,000,000, as against the \$500,000,000 now held. February 10, 1898, they reached the low level, \$24,230,542."

NO LONGER NEEDED.
Why Russell Harrison Was Discharged From the Army.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 17.—Governor Durbine has received a long letter from Secretary Root, in which a full explanation is made of the facts connected with the discharge of Russell B. Harrison from the Army. Secretary Root says that, after a conference with the President, directed the discharge of Colonel Harrison, and that Adjutant-General Corbin simply acted in his official capacity in issuing the orders. By inadvertence the discharge was made to take effect December 1, instead of December 2, a matter which the Secretary regrets. Mr. Harrison's services were dispensed with, so the Secretary states, because they were no longer needed, and for no other reason.

To Mine Manganese Ore.
DENVER, Colo., April 17.—The Colorado Grande Development Company, capitalized at \$125,000, was incorporated in this city today for the purpose of mining manganese iron ore, 12 miles south of Little Grand, Utah, a station on the Rio Grande Western Railway, where the company owns 1160 acres. The manganese iron was discovered there by C. T. Wolverton, a veteran prospector.

MAY SETTLE TODAY

Threatened Strike at Steel Plants Hangs in Balance.

MOVE TOWARD ARBITRATION

Meeting of the Advisory Board of the Amalgamated Association—Attitude of Morgan Toward Labor.

PITTSBURG, April 17.—The threatened strike of all the men of the Amalgamated Association employed in the organized mills of the American Sheet Steel Company, and subsequently all the organized men of the association in the mills of the United States Steel Corporation, trembles in the balance tonight. On the one hand, President T. J. Shaffer is backed up in his determination to call a general strike by a majority of the members of his advisory board and the district presidents and trustees, who were in session all day today. On the other hand, there is a new move toward conciliation and arbitration which may end the entire controversy in Pittsburgh tomorrow, or may be carried to New York where the higher powers. President T. J. Shaffer said tonight that the outlook for settlement is better than at any time since the McKeesport trouble started, by the operators. Colonel G. Watson French, vice-president of the Republic Iron & Steel Company, visited the Amalgamated headquarters today in relation to matters pertaining to some of his own mills. He became interested in the issue against the Sheet Steel Company, and volunteered to do all in his power to avert a struggle. He talked to the advisory board for an hour, advising conciliation and arbitration. Later it was understood President Shaffer heard from Colonel French at his home in relation to some action he had taken.

The session of the Amalgamated executives today took no action on the president's proposed resolution giving him power to call out the men of the Sheet Steel Company, and subsequently, as he sees fit, all the men of the new Morgan Company. This is accounted for by the absence of John F. Ward, of Niles, O., and John Chappell, of Newcastle, Pa. The meeting adjourned until tomorrow morning, when these officials will be present. Much of the session today was taken up in conference with John Jarrett, head of the bureau of the Sheet Steel Company. Mr. Jarrett contended that the men had violated their agreement of a year ago, in that they agreed to remain at work under the conditions then existing, the violation being in their joining issues with the Association. The Amalgamated men were firm in asserting that the violation was not a violation of the agreement. The original agreement will probably arrive tomorrow from New York, and will be taken up by the board and Mr. Jarrett. The nature of this agreement consumed in argument much of the time of the session, and on it hinges the possibility of a general settlement without further concession by the Sheet Company or a testing of strength of the new combination of capital and labor.

POOLROOMS RAIDED.

Many Arrests Made by Direction of New York Committee of Fifteen.
NEW YORK, April 17.—The committee of 15 raided several alleged poolrooms this afternoon. The raids were made on warrants issued by Justice Jerome, and upon evidence obtained by the staff of detectives working for the committee under the direction of Superintendent John McCullagh. The raids in each case were personally conducted by individual members of the committee, assisted by their own detectives and policemen of the precinct force from the precinct in which the raid was made.
In only one place did the raiders fail to make any arrests, and that was at the place of the committee, openly says the inmates of this place received a tip from the police that the place was about to be raided. Mr. Brewster said the police moved so slowly that he urged them to hurry, but met with a rebuff. When Mr. Brewster reached the place ahead of the police, his own agents told him some one had come into the station and given a tip to the 40 or 50 men within, and they had all left. They were still coming out when he got there. When the policemen arrived the place was empty. Six books of racing cards, a rubber speaking tube and some racing slips were seized. Mr. Brewster later entered a protest concerning the action of the policemen to Captain Moynihan, who is in command of the precinct, but who was not present at the station when Mr. Brewster presented his warrants for service.
In all, 30 arrests were made. A feature of the raiding was the effort by at least two of the police officials to prove that the places raided were not poolrooms, but orderly and well-conducted clubs.

ARGUMENT BEGINS TODAY.

All the Testimony in the Ripley Case in It.
FRANKFORT, Ky., April 17.—The argument in the Ripley case will begin today. Judge Cantrill heard arguments this afternoon on two sets of instructions presented by the attorneys on each side, but will not decide upon the instructions until tomorrow. The instructions submitted by the prosecution are in substance the same as those given by Judge Cantrill at Georgetown last summer in the Caleb Powers case, stripped, however, of the features which were recently turned down by the Court. Appeals in that case. The grand jury adjourned today without bringing in any new indictments in connection with the Goebel murder. The Ripley case will not likely go to the jury until Friday.
Counterfeiter Skoog Is Dead.
NEW YORK, April 17.—John Albert Skoog, alias Albert Donlin, the alleged counterfeiter, who shot himself twice in the head April 3, died today.

STEAMER BLEW UP

Explosion of Boiler Killed Four People.

TWO MORE PROBABLY WILL DIE

Two Bodies Cannot Be Found—Disaster Occurred in Midstream Near Victoria—Steamer Was Built at Portland.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 17.—By the explosion of the boiler on the river steamer Ramona this afternoon, four persons were killed outright and six others seriously injured. The dead include two

LEGISLATURE OF HAWAII.

Bitter Fight Over the Liquor Dispensary Law.
HONOLULU, April 17, via San Francisco, April 17.—The Territorial Legislature is now in the midst of a hard fight over the proposed liquor dispensary law. The bill has been before the Senate in various stages for several days and committee reports for and against it have been made. The campaign has developed into a very bitter one and there are many charges of a corruption fund circulated by the liquor interests. It will be some days before a final vote is taken in the Senate on the bill, which will reach the lower house. Party lines have completely broken on the subject. The House has killed a bill to make the old territorial emblem of the territory the territorial emblem, on the ground that it is not the rule for territories of the United States to have flags of their own.

PLAGUE AT HONG KONG.

Rapid Spread of the Epidemic Is Reported.
PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., April 17.—Advice received today by United States quarantine officers from Hong Kong are of the most discouraging nature relative to bubonic plague in that city. During the past few months the plague has been rapidly spreading and the number of deaths has increased over previous records. The authorities have put forth strenuous efforts to check the disease, but the plague seems to increase. This report is confirmed by officers of the Oriental steamship Tosa Maru, arriving yesterday, and the past few months she anchored at Hong Kong and the surrounding country that the ravages of plague will be greater this year than it has been for a number of years.

THE COMMISSARY FRAUDS.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Major George B. Davis today received a reply to his message cabled to Colonel Woodruff, at Manila, expressing his willingness to start Chinese on the first available transport to face the charges that have been brought against him. Colonel Woodruff's reply was an assurance that such a step is not necessary. It is believed that the affair was of any great gravity. Colonel Woodruff would not have advised against Major Davis' departure for the scene of the alleged frauds, even though the latter's health is not very good at present.

THIRTY-NINTH RETURNS.

Transport Lawton Reports Three Cases of Smallpox.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—The transport Lawton arrived today from Manila and went into quarantine. Three cases of smallpox developed on the vessel during the voyage. The Lawton brings 22 officers and 700 men of the Thirty-ninth Infantry. The Lawton left Manila March 18 last, and two days later First Lieutenant Harry E. Courtney, of the Thirty-ninth Infantry, was taken down with smallpox. He was sent to the United States Hospital at Nagasaki on the transport's arrival there. After being fumigated, the Lawton started for San Francisco, but March 31 two more cases of the disease appeared. Lieutenant Courtney's roommates had been First Lieutenant Charles M. Cobb, Jr., of the Thirty-ninth Infantry, and Acting Assistant Surgeon H. X. Stormberger, and both were attacked. As the transport was running short of coal she was headed for Honolulu and on her arrival there both the smallpox patients were landed.

IOWA BANK WRECKED.

Vice-President and Manager Embellished Over \$25,000.
SIOUX CITY, Ia., April 17.—The Leim National Bank at Leimars, Ia., did not open this morning. Thomas F. Ward, vice-president and manager of the institution, is a self-confessed embezzler to the amount of \$25,000 to \$30,000. He has also absconded. Ward departed Monday night and yesterday Cashier Frank Koots received a letter from him, beginning: "Frank, I leave tonight for God Almighty knows where. The board of trade business has ruined me. Save me from indictment if you can. I will pay back every cent I can."

NOTHING IN IT.

OMAHA, April 17.—County Attorney George W. Shields returned tonight from Dallas, Tex., where he went to investigate the case of H. C. Henderson, the self-confessed kidnaper of Edward Cuda, Jr. "There is nothing to it," remarked Judge Shields.

CAUSED BY SEA BATH

Death of Mrs. H. T. Hudson, of This City.

OCCURRED AT LONG BEACH

Cautioned Against Bathing in the Ocean, She Ventured In, and Congestion of the Heart Followed.

LONG BEACH, April 17.—Mrs. H. T. Hudson, wife of the well-known Portland gunsmith, died here today of congestion of the heart, presumably caused by an ocean bath. Mrs. Hudson was at the beach by the advice of her physician. She was troubled with neuralgia of the heart. Yesterday she went in bathing, and felt in better spirits after coming out of the water.
Today she decided to bathe again, but was cautioned not to do so, on account of the exceedingly low temperature of the water. She insisted, however, and went in, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas Lyttle. The two ladies did not go in above their waists, and came out all right. As they were walking up the beach Mrs. Hudson dropped her handkerchief, and picking it up, walked back to the water.
Mrs. Lyttle saw her stoop in the water to wash the handkerchief. She was in about knee deep. A wave rolled in and struck her, and she fell forward, apparently in a faint. Mrs. Lyttle dragged her out, and she was carried to the house of Mrs. Levi Knott, where she was stopping. Restoratives were applied, and she regained consciousness for a few moments. A physician was summoned, but Mrs. Hudson died before he could arrive.
The deceased leaves a husband and one daughter, Miss Maud Hudson. Mr. Hudson will arrive here tomorrow to take his wife's remains back to Portland. The deceased was 49 years of age.

PATH OF THE ECLIPSE OF THE SUN TODAY.



There will be a total eclipse of the sun today, but it will be invisible in America. It will be visible in Eastern Africa, Southern India, Siam, Southern China, the East Indian Archipelago, the Philippines and Australia. The path of the total eclipse passes over the Indian Ocean across Sumatra, the southern part of Borneo, Celebes, and the southern portion of New Guinea. Many American and European astronomical parties are in Sumatra to observe the eclipse.

WOMEN WHO WERE PASSENGERS ON THE STEAMER AND TWO DECKHANDS. OF THE INJURED, THE PURSER AND THE MATE WILL PROBABLY DIE.

The bodies of both women have been recovered and are comparatively free from bruises or burns, indicating that death was due to drowning. The remains of the two deckhands, Philip and Mack, have not been found. Purser Power was badly scalded by escaping steam, and Mate Maynard was also terribly burned. They were taken to New Westminster and are now in the City Hospital, but are not expected to survive. The injuries of Fireman Knowell are not so severe, but he is expected to recover, as are also the Indians.
The Ramona was a stern-wheel river steamer of about 300 tons. She was 19 years old, but her boiler was new, having been put in last summer. She was valued at \$25,000. On her fall trip today she had only five passengers, the two women who were drowned and the three Indians who were burned.

THE GARONNE REPORTED.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The transport Garonne, with Massachusetts Volunteers, returning from Manila, has been reported. She was at Honolulu, and will be in San Francisco in two or three days. The Garonne was long overdue, and anxiety was felt for her safety.

THE ROSECRANS IN QUARANTINE.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The transport Rosecrans has arrived from Manila with a portion of the Thirty-fifth Regiment. She will be held at quarantine for inspection.

CALIFORNIA PLAGUE INVESTIGATION.

ALMA GORDO, N. M., April 17.—Dr. Cobb, of the United States Marine Hospital and Sanitarium at Fort Stanton, near here, has been ordered by Surgeon-General Wyman to proceed to San Francisco and make an exhaustive study and report on the bubonic plague situation. It is believed this action of the Government is taken to secure impartial evidence of the true conditions there, and reconcile the differences of opinion in California between Federal and state authorities.

CEBU NOT PACIFIED.

Two Hundred Insurgents Terrorize the Island.

CEBU ISLAND OF CEBU, P. I., APRIL 17.

A thousand troops in the Island of Cebu are unable to accomplish the surrender or capture of the 200 insurgent riflemen still out. Colonel McClernand says the terms the insurgents offer are impossible. Of the 50 towns, a dozen of the larger have been organized under military order. The others are believed to have insurgent governments. Judge Taft, addressing the convention today, deplored the fact that Cebu was the least pacified province, and called on the delegates to decide whether 300 men would be permitted to restrain peace and prosperity, or whether the majority would organize and notify the mountain sulkers to cease causing trouble. If the people were not ready to do this, the commission would not supersede the military by civil control. The expedition was not demonstratively received. The leading Visayans from the 24 towns represented urged the organization of a provincial government, and the winding up of the rebellion, and commended Colonel McClernand for commanding wisely and without bloodshed. The island population of the organization is one province. The population numbers 820,000.

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