

WAITS ON AMERICA

Britain Will Let Her Pass on Independence of Panama.

WILL THEN TAKE LIKE ACTION

Strong Feeling That It Would Be Good Arrangement for United States to Preserve Order in Central America.

LONDON, Nov. 5.—The British official attitude toward the events at Panama is that it is entirely the United States' affair. This feeling, with the consequent comparative apathy, appears to be shared in all diplomatic quarters in London. Except in the unlikely possibility of some outside interference, no action is contemplated by the British, or, so far as the Associated Press is able to ascertain, at the various Embassies here, by any other government. Upon request, the British diplomatic or consular representative in the disturbed region a war vessel would be sent to protect the rights of subjects of Great Britain, but such request would not be encouraged, as Downing street is of the opinion that the force of the United States is sending to the isthmus is more than sufficient to maintain the safety of the foreign residents.

The question of the recognition of Panama's independence entirely depends on the action of the United States. If Washington communicates to the powers that it intends to recognize the independence of Panama, it is not likely that there will be the slightest objection on the part of Great Britain, while, according to the views of the diplomatic here, the other European powers probably will quickly follow suit.

There has long been a strong feeling in British official circles that it would be an excellent arrangement if the United States would undertake the preservation of good order and the stability of all the Central American states. This feeling is well known to the American diplomats in England.

At the German Embassy here, a representative of the Associated Press was informed that there was not the faintest likelihood that Germany would take any steps in the matter. If the United States is satisfied to recognize Panama's independence, doubtless Germany will cordially agree to it.

On all sides America's paramount interests and rights to deal with the situation single handed are recognized by the diplomats, though the Globe, in its usual anti-American tone, declares that on account of the proximity of the West Indies the British Government should take a hand in the matter. The other afternoon papers, however, comment on the correctness of the United States' attitude and the reasonableness of anticipating a solution of the intercontinental canal problem from the independence of Panama.

GERMANY WILL HOLD ALOOF.
America is Regarded as the Power Having Dominant Interests.

BERLIN, Nov. 5.—Germany, the Associated Press is advised, will observe complete indifference to the political side of the Panama revolution. Both the revolutionists and the government forces, it is asserted, will respect the rights of the property rights of German subjects living at Panama. It is considered likely that the commander of the German West Indian squadron will send a vessel to Colon, as that is now the most interesting place within his cruising field. It is also conceivable here that the German naval commander might send a vessel to Colon, in combination with the United States and Great Britain, if such action seemed desirable. Emphasis, however, is placed on Germany's aloofness. The United States is recognized as the power having dominant interest on the isthmus. Germany has no inclination or object for the least interference, and certainly would not do anything without knowledge in advance that it would be agreeable to the United States.

POLICY FRANCE WILL PURSUE.
Strong Indications That It Will Be Similar to That of America.

PARIS, Nov. 5.—The French Consul at Panama has cabled a request for instructions, in view of the revolution, and Foreign Minister Delcasse is considering the question. It is expected that instructions will be sent soon, showing the attitude of the French government. There is a strong indication that its attitude will not be materially different from that of the United States, and probably will take the same general lines. The Consul advises that the American Naval forces and the railroad company officials have "given some assistance to the revolutionary element at Colon."

The feeling is growing in French official quarters that the revolution at Panama is likely to result beneficially for the canal. It is pointed out that while Colombia obstructed the treaty, the shares of the French Canal Company steadily depreciated, but they went up yesterday on the prospect of the revolution terminating the obstruction.

WISH NEW REPUBLIC WELL.
Congratulations From Nearly All Parts of the World.

PANAMA, Nov. 5.—11 A. M.—The government of the new Republic of Panama is constantly receiving congratulations from Paris, London, the republics of Central America, and from nearly all other parts of the world. The government of the Republic of Panama is making all efforts to prevent bloodshed, but the correspondent of the Associated Press understands that an ultimatum has been sent to Colonel Torres, commander of the government forces at Colon, announcing that it is the intention of the Government of the Republic of Panama, should Colonel Torres refuse to consider the generous proposals made to permit the embarkation of his troops on board a steamer and their transportation back to Savanilla, to send an army to attack Colon.

The telegraph lines communicating with the interior of the isthmus are kept busy transmitting notices from the city of Colon of outlying places of their adherence to the recently declared Republic of Panama.

FAVOR FREE HAND TO AMERICA
Diplomats at Washington Will So Advise Their Governments.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Diplomats came to the State Department today in unusually large numbers, many of them under instructions from their government to obtain all possible information regarding the situation on the isthmus and the part the United States is taking in events there. It is understood that the inquiries learned little but what has already been made public in the official bulletins at the State and Navy Departments.

The substance of the information gleaned by the foreign visitors was that the United States was but pursuing its time-honored course in executing its obligations of maintaining open transit across the isthmus under the treaty of 1846. One diplomat was informed that the policy of the United States also would be directed to the effort to prevent blood-

shed, and it was for this reason that the adequate naval force had been dispatched. No requests have yet been made by foreign powers for the American naval vessels to afford protection to the lives and property of foreigners on the isthmus, but in view of the impression gained at the State Department today, several diplomats will advise their governments that it will be necessary in the interest of harmony for the United States to be given a free hand in the conduct of affairs on the isthmus and in isthmian waters.

AMERICAN HEADS THE NAVY.
Graduate of West Point Made Commander of Rebel Flotilla.

PANAMA, Nov. 5.—General H. O. Jeffries, a graduate of West Point, has been appointed commander of the Pacific flotilla by the provisional government. Carlos Constantino Arosemena has been made Assistant Secretary of Foreign Relations. Troops of the new republic will be sent to Colon at once. The provisional government has already organized the military to be commanded by General Domingo Diaz. All the soldiers forming the division fought with the government or Liberal army during the last revolution. They are, therefore, already trained, and accustomed to military discipline.

German Press With America.
BERLIN, Nov. 5.—Responsible opinion in Germany regarding Panama is plainly expressed as well in the following in the Frankfurter Zeitung, as in any newspaper.

"What role the Washington Government played in the incidents in Colombia nobody can know. Nothing can be proved in such cases. It has been formally denied from Washington that the Government of the U. S. supported the movement for the separation of the isthmus. However that may be, it is not striking nor does it give occasion for special excitement that a great mighty state will not permit itself to be thwarted in its civilizing work through the stubbornness of a land three-fourths barbarous."

Mexico Suspects America.
CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 5.—There is great public interest here in the Panama revolution, and the undercurrent of talk in the Clerical party circles, where Colombia is regarded as in sympathy with the Clerical party programs, is that the American authorities are the secret promoters of this disturbance, and are planning to seize the Panama region and annex it to the United States.

Returning to Panama Post.
ASHEVILLE, N. C., Nov. 5.—Hon. H. A. Gudger, Consul-General to Panama, who has been spending the Summer and Fall months at his home in Asheville, left today for New York, where he will take a boat for Panama.

GUNBOAT'S NORTHERN RECORD.
The Bogota Formerly Cruised in Alaskan Waters.

The Colombian gunboat Bogota, which has been doing more or less promiscuous bombing at Panama, was formerly well known in British Columbia waters and for a time Captain Richard Chilcott, who is at present in Portland, operated her in the Alaskan trade. She was never a success on the North Pacific and was always in trouble. For two years she lay on a reef outside of Juneau and was lifted as a total loss, but was finally released, repaired and sold to the Colombian government for use as a gunboat. The deal was consummated by Surtis Hope, a Seattle promoter, and a secret agent of the Colombian republic. The consideration was \$28,000, and steamship men on the Coast considered her owners had unloaded a white elephant on the unsuspecting Colombians. Constructor J. T. Hibbe, of the Navy, passed upon her, and it was upon his report that the Colombian government paid the price.

She was built about 15 years ago by the British government and presented to the Rajah of Cutch, an East Indian potentate, for his use as a private yacht, and was called the "Cutch." Her dimensions are 145 feet over all and 22 feet beam and her original cost was \$100,000. Although equipped with full steam power her speed is only about 11 knots and she is a "bad actor" at sea.

After her sale to the Colombian government she was overhauled at San Francisco, partially armored and supplied with four light pieces of ordnance and two rapid-fire guns. At that time she was rechristened the Bogota. While in the Northern waters she was at one time commanded by Captain Alex McLean, whom Kipling immortalized in his ballad of the "Three Sailors" as the most daring ruler of seal rookeries in history.

Captain Chilcott, who is thoroughly familiar with her peculiarities, is watching her career as a gunboat with great interest and expects to hear that she has blown up or gone aground at any moment.

TIRES OF BLAIR RISK

Insurance Company Wants to Cancel Big Policies.

ASKS COURT FOR RELIEF

Prominent St. Louis Man Refuses to Accept Premiums and Interest Thereon in Settlement, and is Charged With Deception.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 5.—In the United States Court today the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, filed an application for the cancellation of two life insurance policies aggregating \$250,000 carried by the company upon the life of James L. Blair.

The company charges that the policies were secured through fraudulent representations. The petition further charges that Blair attempted to take his own life on October 15 and October 31 and defraud the company of the amount of the policies. The petition also charges that Blair for ten years, during which time he was attorney for the company, deceived the company by representing that he enjoyed an income of \$50,000 a year; that he was a capitalist and able to pay the premiums. The petition sets forth that on November 20 the company served notice upon him of cancellation of the policies which it had upon his life, and made him a tender of the amount of premiums he had paid and the interest thereon, amounting to \$32,000, and this tender was refused. The tender is therefore made to the court, and it is petitioned that Blair be required to appear in court to answer the charges, but not under oath, the petitioners specifically waiving requirement of an oath.

Papers summoning Blair to court were given to a United States Deputy Marshal late today, and he departed for the Blair home to serve them.

IDAHO AT THE ST. LOUIS FAIR
Commissioner Applies for a Permit to Erect the Building.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 5.—Clarence B. Hurt, the executive commissioner of Idaho for the World's Fair, applied today for a permit to erect the Idaho building. The building will be 61 feet square and is to cost \$7500. The exterior will be of the bungalow style.

GIVE UP CITIES.
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will give this country the right to use the Panama route within any reasonable time.

"The situation is such that we cannot get any treaty with Colombia. We cannot look forward to securing a treaty with the people who have proclaimed the independence of the Department of Panama, should they prove successful. In the first place, we could never make such a treaty without going to war with Colombia. Colombia would not stand such proceeding on our part, and a war with Colombia would mean that we would have to send 50,000 soldiers there, and Congress would never consent to such expenditure and would not permit it."

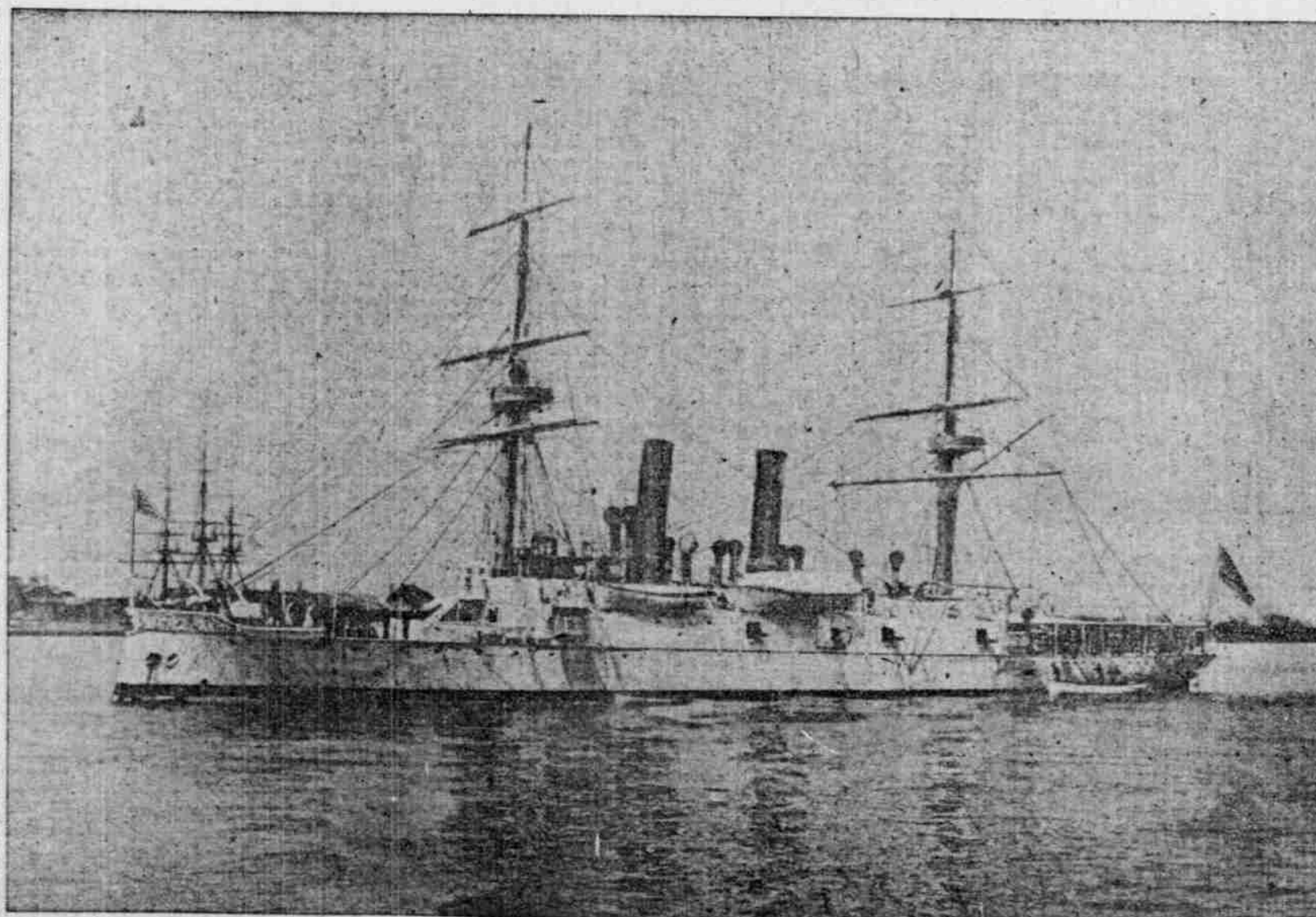
"The revolutionary proceedings at Panama, whatever the outcome may be, will mean that a long time will elapse before any treaty can be ratified by any proper authority of the building of the canal there."

AMERICA ONLY IS FEARED.

Colombian Consul Says Rebels Will Be Crushed, if She Stays Out.

PARIS, Nov. 5.—Senator Passado, the Colombian Consul here, told the correspondent of the Associated Press here today that the conditions at Panama gave France no right to intervene. He added: "If the United States will keep her hands off Colombia will have no difficulty in suppressing the insurrection and maintaining her sovereignty over the isthmus. I can understand why various interests are anxious for the independence of Panama, but the government has regular troops at Colon and they will vindicate her authority if the United States does not place any obstacles in the way."

CRUISER ATLANTA WHICH IS NOW EN ROUTE TO COLON.



The Atlanta is an unarmored single-screw steel cruiser of 3000 tons' displacement, propelled by engines of 4000 indicated horsepower, which permit a speed of 15.6 knots an hour. Her crew consists of 19 officers and 356 men, and she carries two 8-inch and six 6-inch breech-loading rifles in her main battery—a powerful one for a vessel of her class. Besides she has 14 rapid-fire guns for repelling boarders and torpedo-boats. The ship's dimensions are as follows: length, 271.3 feet; breadth, 42.1 feet; mean draft, 18.81 feet. The Atlanta's keel was laid in 1893, but she has lately undergone extensive repairs and alterations, which greatly increase her efficiency.

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ELOPES TO WED CHINAMAN.
Montana Girl Outwits Her Uncle, Who Searches San Francisco.

CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—The Chronicle today says:

While her uncle was searching San Francisco for her, Miss Bobb Clarke Hoyt, of Bozeman, Mont., outwitted her relatives by coming East instead of going West, when she put her plans for an elopement into effect. The plans for the secret marriage were made a year ago, and she is now the wife of John Wing Lee, a naturalized Chinese, who was formerly an employee of her uncle, Benjamin D. Hoyt, owner of the "Bar H" ranch. They have just been married by Justice Cochran, and are now on their way to Niagara Falls for a honeymoon trip. The father of the bridegroom was at one time cook in the Hoyt household, and it was while the son was on a visit to his father from Leland Stanford University, where he was a student, that he met Miss Hoyt.

GOOD WORK FOR 1905 FAIR.
John Cordano is Promised a Fine Exhibit by California Winemen.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 5.—John Cordano, ex-detective in Portland, Or., and incidentally booming the Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held in Portland, Or., in 1905, while in this city, having come to recuperate from the injuries received in the wreck of the Elks train last Fall, has secured a promise of an exhibit from the leading wine men and will try for other industries before he leaves. The wine men are considering a proposal to erect a Swiss chalet at the Portland fair, and to fill this chalet with exhibits that will show the progress of the wine industry of Southern California.

The Italian-Swiss colony of Sonoma County will make an exhibit and knowledge of this has spurred the Southern California wine men to activity.

Funston Returns Home.
VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash.

Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Brigadier-General Frederick Funston, commanding the Department of the Columbia, arrived at this post today from San Francisco with Mrs. Funston and her two sons.

PIT MUST REIMBURSE HIM.
Jury Decides for Man Who Lost on Grain Options.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Nov. 5.—A jury in the McLean County Circuit Court today gave Oscar E. Green, of Saybrook, a verdict of \$5000 damages. He sued to recover money lost on the Chicago Board of Trade, and an important precedent is established in this form of transaction to recover. The defense alleged there was a bona-fide sale of grain, while the plaintiff argued only options were purchased.

Pit Discounts the Decision.
CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—Speaking of the decision of the McLean County Circuit Court, allowing the recovery of \$5000 lost on the Board of Trade, Secretary Stone, of the board, said today:

"The decision is not of importance, as the matter of legality of dealing in grain and provisions futures on this exchange has been decided favorably to the ward, not only by the Supreme Court of Illinois, but by other courts throughout the country."

British Cruiser to Panama.
VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 5.—H. M. S.

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