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SHOW OF FORCE AGAINST JAPAN

Why Battleships Are Coming to Pacific.

PUSH OPEN THE DOOR IN CHINA

Japan Has Blocked It and Broken Promises.

ROUTE FLEET WILL TAKE

Evans Will Assemble 19 Battleships at San Francisco—Officials Try to Minimize the Importance of the Demonstration.

Table with columns: Battleships, Tons, Guns, Speed. Lists various ships like Connecticut, Maine, Louisiana, etc.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(Special.)—Interest in world politics and the possibility of conflict with Japan was renewed here today when the definite news that a great fleet of United States warships would be sent to the Pacific Coast became generally known.

Japan Blocks Open Door. Ostensibly it was for the open door that Japan went to war with Russia.

Fleet Will Stay in Pacific. While it has been constantly declared by the Navy Department that no menace to Japan is intended by the dispatch of the fleet, and Ambassador Aoki, of that country, has asserted that Japan will not construct the presence of the fleet in the Pacific as such, it is understood here that the arrival of the battleship squadron in the Pacific marks the initial step toward the maintenance of a permanent fighting fleet in the Pacific hereafter.

Whether the entire fleet of 18 vessels which is now destined for the Pacific remains there or not, it is asserted on the authority of well-informed officials that the American Navy in the Pacific will never again be inadequate to cope with any emergency on that side of the continent unless there is a vast change in the aspect of international politics.

SHIPS AND ROUTE TO PACIFIC

Battleships and How They Will Make Long Voyage. WASHINGTON, July 5.—Details of the vast movement of the Atlantic fleet to Pacific waters have been theoretically worked out weeks in advance by the Naval General Board.

Canal is open to the objection that it would bring the big ships almost into Japanese waters, and the movement might consequently be regarded as a menace, which Mr. Metcalf has stated was never contemplated.

This battleship Oregon covered the distance from San Francisco to Jupiter Inlet, Fla., in 1898 in 62 days. But she was handicapped by the company of the little gunboat Marletta, which was scarcely able to make more than eight knots an hour, and also by the fact that as a precautionary measure the Oregon was sent around the West Indies, sensibly lengthening her route.



United States Commissioner of Labor Charles F. Neill, Mediator in Telegraph Operators' Strike.

ing a reasonable time for coaling on the way, the Atlantic fleet can make the passage from New York to San Francisco in less than 60 days.

It is conceded that Rear-Admiral Evans will have the honor of commanding the fleet. It is believed now that the route will be about as follows: Where Stops Will Be Made. Leaving New York or Hampton Roads in the early fall, the battleships would probably steam straight to Culebra, where coal would be taken on.

It is believed that after reaching Peruvian waters the movements of the vessels will be much more deliberate than up to that point. Although the reason for this statement is not officially obtainable, it is apparent that the explanation is to be found in the fact that the battleships will be within easy reach of San Francisco.

Will Have 19 Battleships. Admiral Evans, it is expected, will start with 18 battleships besides as many cruisers. The armored cruisers Washington and Tennessee, which are now in French waters, are under orders immediately to refit and proceed to the Pacific Coast to form part of an armored cruiser squadron to be assembled there.

OLDFIELD TRIES TO TAKE HIS LIFE

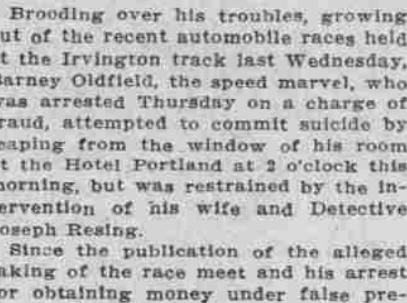
Smashes Windows in Effort to Leap.

WIFE'S SCREAMS BRING HELP

Crazed by Charges of Fraud, He Takes to Whisky.

ENRAGED BY REPROACHES

Pounds Glass With Fists and Cuts Himself Severely, but Portland Hotel Detective Drags Him Away to Doctor.



Barney Oldfield, Automobile Racer, Who Attempted to Commit Suicide Last Night.

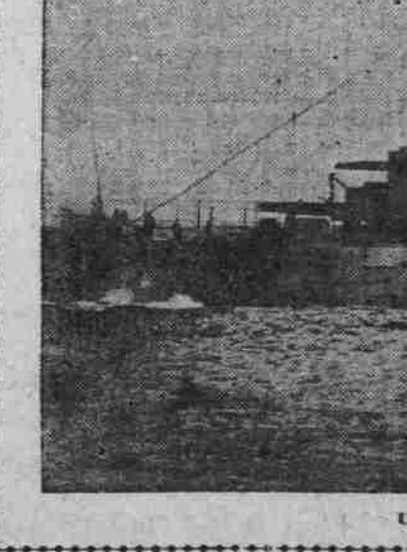
Brooding over his troubles, growing out of the recent automobile races held at the Irvington track last Wednesday, Barney Oldfield, the speed marvel, who was arrested Thursday on a charge of fraud, attempted to commit suicide by leaping from the window of his room at the Hotel Portland at 2 o'clock this morning, but was restrained by the intervention of his wife and Detective Joseph Reasing.

Since the publication of the alleged faking of the race meet and his arrest for obtaining money under false pretenses, Oldfield has been worrying over the affair and has been drinking heavily. This morning he returned to his room at the Portland Hotel after having been absent most of the night, and was taken to task by his wife, who is said to have upbraided him severely for his conduct, whereupon he became frenzied.

As near as could be learned at this hour, Oldfield rushed to the window of his room and smashed out the windows with his bare hands, which were severely cut during the operation.

Oldfield has taken his arrest and the notoriety gained through the charges of fraud very much to heart, and in spite of the admonition of his friends he has taken to drink, which is unusual for the great automobile driver—usually a most temperate man.

Will Count Catholics. Population in United States Is Estimated at 15,000,000. ST. LOUIS, July 5.—Archbishop John J. Glennon, of St. Louis, has just been appointed by the United States Census Bureau as a special agent to compile statistics of the Catholic population of the country, estimated at 15,000,000.



UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP KEARSARGE.

thinking a murder was being committed. Several automobiles and carriages were also attracted to the scene and most of the autoists knew the great driver and expressed their sympathy for him.

Aside from the cuts on his hands, Oldfield is not hurt and will suffer no permanent ill-effects from the episode.

OLD VETERAN PENNED IN. Government Inquires Into William Rockefeller's Game of Squeeze.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—An investigation has been ordered by Postmaster-General Meyer, with a view to determining whether the Postoffice discontinued at the town of Brandon, New York, shall be re-established there.

appears that several years ago William Rockefeller, who owns a large estate comprising more than 50,000 acres in the vicinity of Tarrytown, conceived the idea of acquiring the site of the town of Brandon to fill out his estate.

A court order was made preventing Lamora, in person or by agent, from going onto the estate of Mr. Rockefeller, it is stated, and that therefore he was unable to obtain mail for him directed to the Bay Pond office.

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Archbishop Glennon has appointed Rev. J. J. Tanneth, of St. Louis, his chief assistant, and has written to all the bishops in the United States, asking their co-operation.

ADD SKYSCRAPERS TO OREGON HOTEL

Annex Buildings Will Cost \$500,000.

TWO TEN-STORY STRUCTURES

Hostelry Will Become Largest in Pacific Northwest.

MODERN IN EVERY DETAIL

Wright and Dickinson Secure Leases on Adjoining Ground and Work Is Begun on Park-Street Side — Credit to City.

Two 10-story additions to the Oregon Hotel are to be erected at a cost of \$500,000, making that hostelry the largest in the Pacific Northwest.

Preliminary work on the first annex is already under way. This building is to stand on the lot immediately adjoining the present hotel in the rear.

Leased for Twenty Years. Negotiations for the lease of the site of the Park street annex have been under way for several months but Wright & Dickinson have kept their plans quiet until all details have been completed.

As soon as the old buildings now occupying the property have been removed, C. J. Cook & Co. will begin excavation work. One of the old buildings already was torn down and the work of demolishing the other will commence today.

The building will be of reinforced concrete, the third large structure of this character to be erected in Portland. The others are the eight-story Couch building on Fourth street, now nearing completion, and the 12-story Board of Trade building, at Fourth and Oak streets, now well under way.

will be an important improvement for Park street.

The annex will increase the capacity of the present hotel by about 130 rooms and 75 private bathrooms. It will be as nearly fireproof throughout as modern construction can make it and be equipped with every convenience.



Admiral Robley D. Evans, Who Will Command Battleship Fleet Coming to Pacific Coast.

Grill to Seat 700 Guests. As soon as the lower floor of the annex is completed, the present grill room will be enlarged to 10x100 ft.

When the two annex buildings are completed the hotel will have 400 guest rooms and about 200 rooms with private baths, as well as numerous sample rooms, with baths, for commercial travelers and many sample rooms without baths.

As every detail has been completed for the Park street building, its construction will progress rapidly. It is expected that the building will be practically completed within six months, and that Wright & Dickinson will occupy the property with their hotel business not later than 10 months from the present time.

Both Rockefeller arrive in Chicago to testify before Landis. Page 1. Foreign. Hague conference has lively debate on American proposition. Page 8.

McClellan still fights recount and Hearst gains votes thereby. Page 2. Domestic. Victory for Kansas over C. O. D. Hogue sales. Page 16.

Row between Tillman and Dolliver causes talk of duel. Page 2. Wisconsin tornado kills 21 persons and does immense damage. Page 5.

Portland and Vicinity. Oregon Hotel to be enlarged by addition of two skyscrapers, each ten stories high. Page 10.

STANDARD OILS REACH CHICAGO

Both Rockefeller Will Be in Court.

SLIP INTO CITY UNOBSERVED

Only Two Witnesses Cannot Be Found by Marshal.

ROGERS IN FROM EUROPE

Long List of Oil Men to Be Examined About Stock Holdings. Many Questions Will Be Asked by Landis Today.

STANDARD OIL DIVIDENDS. CHICAGO, July 5.—(Special.)—The Standard Oil Company, whose dividends have furnished the foundation for Mr. Rockefeller's great wealth, is productive of dividends of dazzling proportions.

John D. Rockefeller owned 27.4 per cent of the capital stock of the Standard Oil Company and apparently he has received an average of more than \$11,000,000 a year on the shares over the last ten years.

CHICAGO, July 5.—John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, and his brother, William, one of the directors of that corporation, are in Chicago tonight, ready to appear tomorrow at 10 o'clock in the United States District Court before Judge Landis and be questioned regarding the management of the corporation.

Consult Their Attorneys. An automobile was in waiting for the two oil magnates and they lost no time in getting away from the depot.

Only Two Missing Witnesses. Have just been informed by Mr. Elliott, one of the Standard Oil attorneys, that William Rockefeller will be in Chicago July 8 without a subpoena.

Portland labor unions will fight wood trust by engaging in fuel business. Page 11. Federated Trades Council condemns action of Industrial Workers of World. Page 11.

Police Inspector Bruin said to be slated for dismissal. Page 10. Interior Warehouse Company sues C. O. & N. for \$31,800 damages by car shortage. Page 10. Knotty problems puzzling Oregon politicians. Page 10.