

OFFICERS FEAST WITH PRESIDENT

Penna Shows Friendship of Brazil for Republic of North.

PALACE GAILY BEDECKED

Visit of Fleet to Brazilian Capital Causes Exchange of Messages Between Presidents Roosevelt and Penna.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Jan. 15.—The President of the Brazilian Republic, Dr. Penna, entertained the Admirals and some of the higher officers of the American fleet at breakfast today at Portofol. Later in the day there was a garden-party at the American Embassy in the suburbs.

The breakfast of the President was given at the palace, which was beautifully decorated with flowers and green and the Brazilian and American flags. There was a warm interchange of fraternal greetings. Dr. Penna speaking eloquently and in awarded terms of the friendship entertained by the Brazilians for the great Republic of the North.

In reply the American Ambassador, Irving B. Diddle, warmly thanked the President for his attention to the relations of friendship existing between the United States of America and Brazil, and for the magnificent reception which awaited the Americans on their arrival in this country.

The newspapers this morning all commented favorably upon the good behavior of the sailors who had shore leave yesterday. Not less than 400 men visited the city during the course of the day and evening. It is calculated that between the money spent on shore by officers and sailors not less than a quarter of a million dollars will have been left behind in Rio by the time the vessels sail on their way South on January 21.

The English and American residents have united for an entertainment, and tomorrow will give a smoking concert in honor of the visiting officers.

SHIPS MESSENGERS OF PEACE

Roosevelt Exchanges Felicitation With President Penna.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Something more than the usual degree of importance attaches to the felicitations exchanged between the presidents of the United States and Brazil over the visit of Rear-Admiral Evans' fleet to Rio de Janeiro, owing to the significant expression, made by President Roosevelt in accounting for the mission of the battleship fleet.

President Penna, cabled President Roosevelt as follows:

This afternoon I had the great pleasure of receiving and becoming personally acquainted with the Admirals and Captains of the American fleet en route to the Pacific Ocean.

I congratulate you upon the successful arrival of so powerful and well-drilled a fleet at Rio de Janeiro, and I take keen pleasure in informing you that the people of our capital spontaneously joined the Brazilian navy authorities from the very first moment in the demonstrations of fraternity and friendship toward the American sailors and the republic of the month for whose glory all Brazil utters the most cordial wishes.

President Roosevelt replied to President Penna as follows:

I thank you for the kind message which you were so good as to send me upon the arrival of the American fleet at Rio de Janeiro. It has given me and will give to the American people the liveliest satisfaction. We are all very sensible of the courtesy and distinguished hospitality with which the government and people of Brazil have received our officers and sailors.

The warmth of America's debt for so other purpose than to insure peace against possible aggression and justice against oppression. As between the United States and Brazil these ships are not men-of-war, but are messengers of friendship and good will, commissioned to combine with your long-continued and never-to-be-broken amity and mutual helpfulness of the two great republics.

Flotilla May Go to Buenos Ayres.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Upon the invitation of the Argentine government, Commander Cane has been cabled instructions to make a special visit to Buenos Ayres with the torpedoboat flotilla when the little vessels reach Montevideo. The distance from the latter port to the Argentine capital is only 120 miles of easy steaming up the Plata. But the vessels are not possible till the battleship fleet, owing to the lack of water.

Hawaii Wants to See Fleet.

HONOLULU, Jan. 15.—Governor Frear urged that preparations be made to receive the Pacific-bound American fleet in case it should visit Hawaii. He intimates that the American Asiatic Expedition may be here at the same time.

The Governor says that there probably will be no restriction on the immigration of Japanese into Hawaii, while they are needed, if sincere efforts are made to introduce European laborers.

VIOLENT SHOCK IN HAYTI

Earthquake, Followed by Tidal Wave, Destroys Buildings.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, Jan. 15.—A serious earthquake which occurred at Gonaves, 65 miles northwest of this city. A few houses have been destroyed and others were damaged. No loss of life has been reported. Communication with the town is broken.

The shocks continue. The first was followed by a tidal wave. Several houses were destroyed and the colonial houses of Herrmann, Addor & Jobert.

PROPOSES CENTRAL BANK

Portland Named as Branch City in New Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The establishment of the "United States National Bank of America" is provided for in a bill introduced in the House today by Mr. Forney (Dem.) of New York. The bank, as conceived, is to be located at Washington City, and is to have a capital stock of \$100,000,000, divided into 100,000 shares at the par value of \$1,000. Three-fifths of these shares are to be purchased by the United States Treasury at par, the purchase money to be raised by a tidal wave of \$50,000,000 bonds, payable in 50 years and bearing 2 per

cent interest, the same to be designated "United States currency bonds."

Two-fifths of the shares are to be offered at not less than par to the National banks of the country, to be paid for in gold coin.

The United States National Bank of America is to open for business September 1, 1908, and to cease to exist September 1, 1958, unless its life is extended by Congress. Branches are to be established in New York, Chicago, New Orleans, Boston, Denver, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati and Portland, Or.

The bank shall be governed by a board of 25 directors, elected by the stockholders, and the Secretary of the Treasury shall be chairman. The bank may issue additional notes of the National Bank of America in amounts not exceeding \$40,000,000 and such notes shall be available for general National bank circulation upon deposit of proper security. Four per cent dividends may be paid stockholders on the bank's earnings.

REDUCES BOXER INDEMNITY

Senate Passes Resolution Giving Back Nearly \$13,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The Senate today passed the joint resolution providing for the remission of more than half of the Chinese indemnity granted on account of the Boxer rebellion. The resolution reduces the amount of the Chinese indemnity against expenses incurred by reason of the so-called Boxer disturbances in China in 1900 from \$24,460,078 to \$11,553,482.

Metcalf Avoids Trouble.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Secretary Victor H. Metcalf has withdrawn the request made to Congress for a deficiency appropriation of \$22,350 for equipping the hospital ship Relief. The billers have recently been withdrawn from committee, and the money thus saved will be diverted toward fitting out the Relief, and officers and crew will be obtained on the Pacific Coast.

CAPTAIN QUELLS MUTINY

FRENCH SAILORS ON CHAMPIGNY HELD AT BAY. Armed With Knives and Marlin Spikes, Crew at Seattle Resents the Food Supplied Them.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Brandishing knives and marlin spikes, as they threatened the captain with death, the French crew of the sailing ship Champigny was held at bay yesterday by the doughty master, Captain Joseph Cartier, who at the point of a revolver quelled the mutinous sailors and, with the assistance of the United States customs launch, put down the uprising. The Champigny was lying at a buoy in the stream at the time.

An result of the trouble a number of the ringleaders are today in iron, while other members of the crew are being disciplined in various ways by the commander of the vessel. The trouble was between the crew and the provisions of the men, and had been brewing for several days unknown to the master.

Smallpox in Castle Rock.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Three cases of smallpox have been discovered at this town. The patients were isolated and placed under strict quarantine. The cases are very mild, but Dr. Sims, county health officer, and Dr. Campbell, the city physician, are taking every precaution to prevent its spread. Two of the patients are about well and a case discovered yesterday is so mild that the patient was able to carry his head to the post-house, which was hastily improvised from the old town jail.

\$2000 WAGERED ON MEAD

J. H. Easterday and Stanton Warburton Back Their Convictions.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Probably the first bet on the outcome of the coming state elections was made today between Railroad Commissioner J. H. Easterday and ex-Senator Stanton Warburton, the former betting \$1000 that Albert E. Mead, present Governor of Washington, would be re-elected in November.

The bet was the result of a heated discussion that lasted for several hours. The men met by chance and began bantering each other over state politics. Finally Warburton wanted to bet \$300 that Mead would not fill the office again, and as the argument grew in heat the bets were raised until the sum of \$1000 was agreed upon.

Both gentlemen drew and indorsed checks for that amount and the checks were then placed in an envelope and given to a stakeholder.

POISONS HER TWO SONS

Demented St. Louis Mother Then Kills Herself.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—Suffering from melancholia and despondent because of the absence of her husband, Mrs. Camille Jacobs, 59 years old, wife of Leo Jacobs, a prominent contractor, was today found in West Pine Boulevard, today poisoned two little sons, aged 5 years and 14 months, and killed herself. The tragedy was discovered tonight. A servant returned and found the doors locked.

Name God in New Constitution.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 15.—Present indications are that the new constitution of the state of Michigan will carry the name of the Deity in its preamble, a feature that was missing from the old constitution merely says:

"The people of the state of Michigan do hereby constitute themselves."

The constitutional convention now in session here has passed on its first reading the following preamble introduced by Delegate Cranor, of Kent County:

"The people of the state of Michigan are grateful to the Almighty God for the blessings of freedom and earnestly desiring to secure these blessings undiminished to our posterity, do ordain this constitution."

St. Louis to Help Unemployed.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—Hungry and out of work, 600 thinly clad men marched through the snow and cold to the city hall yesterday, asking Mayor Wells in order to make application for his assistance in securing employment.

James Eads How, a philanthropist and son of a prominent family, who graciously styled himself a "hobo," led the procession, and the Welfare Association, of which he is the founder and benefactor, followed the column of the army. The Mayor promised to give the men a share of the street work, and obtained an appropriation of \$10,000 for the purpose.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

Great sale of fine dress goods to be held at McAllen & McDonnell's. See today's ad.

TWO NEW REMEDIES

Bacon and Owen Propose Bills on Financial Ills.

SECURITY FOR CURRENCY

Railroad Bonds Not Stable Enough, Says Bacon, Who Raps New York Banks for Refusing Money to the South.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Bacon today introduced a currency bill and explained its chief features to the Senate. Bacon said that his bill was an amendment to the Aldrich bill and embodied many of its provisions, as it did of the provisions of the bill introduced by Knox. He said it omitted railroad bonds from the classes of securities that could be used as a basis of circulation.

"I don't think," said Bacon, "that railroad bonds possess a sufficient stability of value to permit them to be used as a security for the issuance of currency, and I have therefore left them out."

He had also extended the classes of institutions that could issue such currency, so as to benefit others besides the National banks. In the recent financial stringency the banks in the money centers had refused to give Southern banks the money belonging to them, he said, and that course had resulted in depressing the price of cotton. By allowing other moneyed institutions besides National banks to issue this currency, the difficulty would be obviated in the future.

Opposes Tax on Currency.

He said he had omitted from his bill the provision of the Aldrich bill, imposing a tax of 6 per cent in order to drive the circulation in as soon as the emergency disappeared. He did not believe that such a tax was necessary, but he was satisfied that the business needs of the country would determine the amount of money that would be put out.

Owen today introduced bills limiting the speculative loans of National banks for the purpose of financing agricultural and other products to their unimpaired capital and surplus; forbidding National banks to receive deposits in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury and surplus; providing for the creation of a liquidation fund through a tax on all National banks imposed by the Controller of the Currency, and requiring the Secretary of the Treasury to keep on hand \$100,000,000 in United States notes, which shall be issued on securities other than bonds of the United States up to 5 per cent of their market value.

No Answer From Cortelyou.

The Senate did not receive a reply today from the Secretary of the Treasury to its resolution in emergency currency concerning the financial situation, as had been promised, and in its absence Aldrich assented to the passage of Culberson's resolution on the same subject. Without further comment, the resolution was adopted.

Very little headway was made today in the consideration of the Aldrich financial bill by the Senate committee on finance. Hansbrough offered his plan to put the supervision of the emergency currency in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury. The Hansbrough plan was not generally agreed to, but some members evidently desire some different system from the one proposed in the bill.

Among the amendments discussed was one by Bailey, providing for the distribution of the increased circulation among the states in proportion to their banks' capital. No action was taken, but so many members appeared to regard it with favor as to justify the opinion that it will be accepted. The probability that the bill will be amended to increase the amount of circulation to be issued by the banks to 90 per cent of their security. The bill as it stands provides for 75 per cent.

FOREIGN COLLERS FOR FLEET

Will Receive \$1,000,000 for Transporting Fuel.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Rear-Admiral Cowles, Chief of the Bureau of Equipment, today informed the House committee on naval affairs that the cost of transportation of coal for the fleet now sailing to San Francisco will be \$1,000,000.

Without making any corrective explanations, he called attention to the fact that, with a single exception, the collers chartered to transport the coal to the fleet are foreign bottoms. American owners having declined to give charters; even at the 50 per cent advance over the foreign quotations which the Government offered.

Cubans Take Roosevelt's Word.

HAVANA, Jan. 15.—President Roosevelt's declaration that the turning over of the government to the new Cuban President and Congress must occur not later than February 1, 1909, was received everywhere with expressions of the keenest satisfaction and confidence in the determination of President Roosevelt to carry out his pledge to restore the republic at the earliest possible moment. The American officials unanimously agree on the practicability of President Roosevelt's programme.

Localize Liquor Shipments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Senator Gore today introduced a bill providing that the interstate character of the shipment of liquor shall cease upon its arrival at the place within a state where consigned and making the shipment subject to local laws from that time on.

Public Hearings on Currency Bills.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The proposal of the Democratic members of the House committee on banking and currency that public hearings should precede the report on any of the several currency expansion bills that have been introduced in the House today was accepted today by the majority of the committee. It was decided to begin daily public hearings Wednesday, January 22.

FIND GIANT OIL GUSHER

Flow of 120,000 Barrels Daily From Russia Well.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 15.—A mammoth oil gusher has been discovered in the Baku-Eybat field at Baku, flowing at the rate of 120,000 barrels a day. Oil shares jumped 3 per cent on account of the discovery.

Goods Reduced
in Every
Department
in
The Store

Mail Orders
Filled
at
Sale Prices
Prompt Service

30th Annual Clearance

- ## Linen Sets Special At \$6.98
- A very attractive Housekeepers' Day bargain from Portland's foremost linen shop. Year after year we've featured and underpriced lines of the better sort, and for this Clearance more strongly than ever do we bargainize and put forward linens that appeal to particular housekeepers. See to it that you secure your share of these.
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| Sets consisting of Tablecloth 2 yds. square, in pleasing patterns, with 1 doz. napkins to match, Thursday only..... | \$6.98 |
| With cloth 2x2 1/2 yds. napkins to match, special..... | \$7.65 |
| With cloth 2x3 yds., with napkins to match, special..... | \$8.33 |
| SCOTCH LINEN TOWELING, 18 inches wide, special Thursday, the yard..... | 10c |
| CRASH TOWELING, cream color, linen finish, 5000 yards, Thursday, the yard..... | 6c |
| HUCK TOWELS, heavy Irish linen, regularly 20c each; Thursday..... | 14c |
| PILLOW CASES, made from heavy sheeting and regularly worth 18c each; special today..... | 12 1/2c |
- ## Longcloth
- FRENCH LONG CLOTH for making underwear; an extra fine grade, regularly 35c the yard; special..... 25c
- BEAR CLOTH, for making women's and children's coats, special for today, the yard, \$2.48 only.....

Curtains as Low as \$1.15 a Pair

- In cross-stitch Madras, on all-silk materials; many styles from which to make your selection and many qualities on which to save. Odd lots and sharply bargainized. The regular \$1.75 grades now, the pair
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| \$1.15 | \$1.25 | \$1.65 | \$1.85 | \$1.95 | \$2.25 | \$2.95 | \$3.25 | \$4.25 |
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Decorated Dinner Sets

- Dinner Sets in Semi-Porcelain, in very attractive decorations, finished with dainty border. The sets contain 48, 81 or 112 pieces, priced like this:
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| Sets of 48 pieces, that sell regularly at \$9.10 each, special..... | \$5.45 |
| 81-piece sets, regularly worth \$13.65 special today..... | \$8.20 |
- ## Haviland China Dinner Sets
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| 60-piece sets, \$27.25 values..... | \$21.75 |
| 100-piece sets, \$48.25 values..... | \$33.50 |
| 100-piece sets, worth \$52.00; special..... | \$35.00 |
| 100-piece sets, worth \$56.00; special..... | \$38.50 |
| 100-piece set, worth \$61.00; special..... | \$42.50 |
| 117-piece sets, worth \$97.00; special..... | \$78.00 |

20-Mule Team Borax 7c Pkg.

Save on this famous household necessity. Shop Thursday and find it among the Housekeepers' Day Specials offered in the small wares aisle. A 12-oz. package of the famous 20-mule-team powder'd borax for only..... 7c

WHITE CASTLE SOAP in large sized bars, for toilet and bath, regular 25c size, Thursday..... 15c

BATH SOAP in violet or bouquet odors. A good-sized cake, regularly worth 10c each, special Thursday..... 6c

TOILET PAPER, Waldorf brand, large size 16-oz. roll. A fine tissue paper, regularly worth 14c a roll, Thursday..... 10c

PAPER NAPKINS, fine white crepe, 100 in a package, regularly 15c a package, Thursday..... 10c

SEWING MACHINE OIL in patent cans that hold 4 oz. each. Best grade of oil, regularly 15c the can, Thursday..... 10c

Big Morning Specials In the Shoes



- Will tempt shoe buyers out early this morning—we are positive of that, for here is a list of savings bound to attract. One must be prompt, though—these special prices last only till noon and are withdrawn promptly at 12. We want you to shop in the morning, 'cause we've more time to fit you properly then. Note the savings: CHOICE OF ANY WOMEN'S TAN OR BROWN SHOES IN OUR STOCK THAT SELL REGULARLY AT \$3.50 OR \$4.00 THE PAIR, FROM 8 TO 12 THIS MORNING, \$2.69 PER PAIR.....
- WOMEN'S FRENCH HEEL SHOES, unrestricted choice of any French heel shoe in the store that sells at \$3.50 or over; this morning, \$2.69 pair.....
 - WOMEN'S HOUSE SLIPPERS, in sizes 2, 3, 3 1/2, 7, 8 and 9, regularly \$1.50 the pair; today only, 98c pair.....
 - WOMEN'S HEAVY SOLE SHOES—13 styles of \$3.50 grades, including the famous Pingree Glorias. A good line of sizes, from 8 to 12, the pair..... \$2.89
 - WOMEN'S FELT JULIETS, in black, brown or red; regularly \$1.50 the pair, from 8 to 12..... 89c
 - SHOE POLISHING OUTFITS, paste, polish and dauber; 25c values, from 8 to 12..... 19c
 - MEN'S OR WOMEN'S SHOE TREES, regularly \$1.00 the pair, special this morning..... 75c
 - BLACK OR TAN SHOE POLISH, regular 10c grades, from 8 to 12 (none sold to dealers)..... 5c

35c Ribbons 19c

Fancy Ribbon in graduated stripes; colors, blue and white or black and white, 4 and 5-inch widths, sold regularly at 35c the yard; special 19c today.....

15c Ribbons 10c

Fancy Ribbons in striped and corded effects; several shades; two inches wide and regularly worth 15c the yard, 10c special today.....

Short Kimonos 79c

Coats \$6.75

Women's short Kimonos in soft, warm eiderdown; in pink only. An ideal garment for wearing around the house crisp, chilly mornings. \$1.25 values. Special, for only..... 79c

EMBROIDERY

15c

A final offering on the best lot of Embroideries ever brought to Portland to sell for a price so small. Dainty, delightfully new patterns in several widths and many designs; eyelet, open work or blind embroideries for skirt flouncing, for trimming muslin underwear, baby dresses, etc. Regularly worth to 50c the 15c yard, Thursday 15c

WOMEN'S LONG COATS AT \$6.75

Women's Long Coats in plain or fancy mixtures. Dressy and comfy wraps that are needed for immediate use. Regular values run as high as \$25.00 each. Choice for today..... \$6.75

Men's Suspenders 19c

Lisle Web Suspenders, with leather or cord ends; regularly 35c the pair; special today..... 19c

MEN'S FANCY HOSE, in gray, brown, navy or tan. Regularly 25c the pair, today..... 18c

MEN'S SHIRTS, a great variety of styles and all sizes. Regular \$1.50 values..... 95c

MEN'S PAJAMAS, of striped outing flannel, military neck, well made; regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, today..... 98c