

EVANS' CONDITION WORRIES DOCTORS

Rheumatism Yields to Treatment, but Complications Will Retard His Recovery.

NO DETAILS GIVEN OUT

Admiral's Wife and Daughter Join Him at Hot Springs—Find Startling Change in His Appearance.

PASO ROBLES, Cal., April 9.—Mrs. Robley D. Evans and her daughter, Mrs. Charlotte C. Marsh, arrived here shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon and joined Rear-Admiral Evans at the Hot Springs. Their coming cheered him greatly, and it is believed will have a good effect.

Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Marsh were accompanied by Lieutenant Frank Taylor Evans, who went to Los Angeles to meet them. The party arrived on a private car and were escorted by Mayor A. C. Harper, of Los Angeles, Brigadier-General Robert Washkowsky, of the National Guard of California, detailed by Adjutant-General J. B. Lanck, J. R. Neville, vice-president of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, who is a cousin of Mrs. Evans, and J. E. Scott, a prominent attorney of Los Angeles.

Mayor Harper and his party returned to Los Angeles tonight.

Surgeon Has Free Hand.

Dr. P. E. McDonald, surgeon on the Connecticut, who is in charge of Admiral Evans, has been given a free hand by the department at Washington to call other physicians into consultation upon the sick admiral's case.

Lieutenant-Colonel George H. Torney, surgeon-general at the Presidio, San Francisco, a personal friend of Admiral Evans, was here last Sunday and made a thorough examination of him. He agreed with Dr. McDonald that the proper course of treatment was being followed. Dr. Torney will come to the Hot Springs again tomorrow or Saturday for the purpose of seeing Admiral Evans. Now that the admiral's rheumatism has been greatly relieved by the treatment, the efforts of his physicians will be directed toward building up his strength.

Recovery Will Be Slow.

While his rheumatism has almost disappeared as a result of the treatment at the Hot Springs and his normal condition has improved greatly, and he has gained considerable strength, Dr. McDonald and L. E. Phillips, the physician at the Hot Springs, admitted this morning that there were other complications which retard his rapid recovery and will make permanent improvement very slow. They declined, however, to go into the details or state the nature of the complications.

Lieutenant Colonel Torney, who recently announced as untrue the statements published that Admiral Evans was injured yesterday while being whaled by his assistant.

Is Much Emaciated.

This she would be greatly shocked when she saw him was admitted. But a mere shadow of his former self, his pale, drawn face furrowed with many deep lines, his thin, emaciated body, his knees and ankles so enlarged and deformed as to be very noticeable through his clothes, there is not much resemblance in the physical appearance in that of the man who stood on the bridge of the Connecticut, leading his great fleet out of Hampton Roads, less than four months ago. He then weighed 175 pounds, now he weighs barely 125.

Mayor Harper and Colonel Neville expressed the belief tonight that Admiral Evans would be able to take some part, at least, in the Los Angeles festivities, April 20, and quote Mrs. Evans as saying that she has seen her husband in worse condition several times.

RUSH CLEANING AND COALING

Fleet Prepares for Voyage North. Athletes Go in Training.

MAGDALENA BAY, April 9, via San Diego, Cal., April 9.—The fleet today entered upon the last week of its stay at Magdalena Bay. The ships will weigh anchor April 14 at an hour not yet set and steam for San Diego, where they are due to arrive at 1 P. M., Tuesday, April 11.

The fleet formation will be slightly changed for the last leg of the journey, when Admiral Thomas transfers his flag from the Minnesota to the Connecticut. The third and fourth divisions will change places. Rear-Admiral Sperry, on the Alabama, commanding the eight ships of the second squadron and Captain Harper, of the Maine assuming temporary command of the Connecticut.

Today (Sunday), one of the most perfect days of the fleet's stay at Magdalena, sees all of the 16 battleships, with the exception of the Virginia, riding again at anchor in Man-of-war Cove. For several days half of the ships of the fleet have been busy with the torpedoes. The regulations strictly forbid publication of any of the details of the work. The chief value of the practice attaches to the trial of the new Bliss-Yerrett torpedoes, which are supposed to possess greater firing range than those previously used.

The work of coaling the ships is being rushed forward with all speed day and night, to avoid the demerit charges on one or two of the boilers, which amount to about \$50 a day for each day the cargo remains on board. All will have finished coaling by tomorrow. Coaling and painting is going on on all sides. Every bit of metal and wood-work is being given over with the most scrupulous care. The ships will be made of water and cleanliness when they reach the California Coast.

One more death has occurred, that of Lewis Robinson, a colored cabin steward on the Rhode Island. This is the second death since the fleet's arrival here, the first one being an ordinary seaman on the Massachusetts, who died and was buried at Magdalena a week ago. Robinson was married and lived in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Commander Albert W. Grant, of the Arcturion will become chief of staff by order of Rear-Admiral Evans as soon as his ship reaches this port. He succeeds Captain R. R. Ingersoll, who was detached while the Connecticut was at San Diego.

It is expected Admiral Thomas will resume his command about Wednesday. Lieutenant R. G. Castleman, his aide and flag-lieutenant, and Lieutenant L. E. Burrows, aide, will go with him. Lieutenant-Commander E. E. Chandler, aide to Admiral Evans, will remain upon the flagship until the retirement of Admiral Evans at San Francisco. It is understood that the Lieutenant-Commander Grant will be chief of staff to Admiral

THOMAS AND SPERRY, WHEN THEY TAKE COMMAND.

Governor Augustin Sanguinex, of Lower California, who has been at Magdalena since the fleet reached here, will return to La Paz as soon as the American warships have departed.

WILL COMMAND THE LOUISIANA

Captain Richard Wainwright.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Captain Kossuth Niles, general inspector of ordnance, with headquarters at New York, has been detailed to command the battleship Louisiana on the trans-Pacific cruise of the battleship fleet.

ABERDEEN WANTS A WARSHIP

Metcalf May Send Cruiser, but Battleships Can't Enter.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash., April 9.—Senator Ankeny today requested the President to send a warship to Aberdeen when the battleship fleet comes North. The President referred the Senator to the Secretary of the Navy, who stated that it would be impossible to send the battleship fleet into Grays Harbor, because of insufficient depth, but he believed the cruisers Albany and Yorktown could be detailed to visit Aberdeen.

HISS EARLE AND AFFINITY

Neighbors Give Artist an Ugly Welcome Home.

Villagers of Monroe, N. Y., Do Not Subscribe to His Advanced Theories on Marriage.

NEW YORK, April 9.—(Special.)—Ferdinand Hissney Earle, the artist, and his "soul affinity" whom he wedded in Italy after inducing his wife to go to France to secure a divorce, returned from Europe today. They went immediately to Monroe, where Earle has a country home. On the train Earle assailed a reporter who asked him regarding his future plans.

SCOLDS THE LAWMAKERS

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plainly lashed by the long struggle of yesterday. Grady and McCarran, leaders in the successful opposition to anti-gambling bills yesterday, took the occasion to make bitter attacks upon the Governor. Senator McCarran suggested that "a respectful message be sent to the Governor, advising him to mind his own business."

BELMONT EXPRESSES HIS JOY

Says Racing Is Assured—Evil Betting to Be Cured.

NEW YORK, April 9.—August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club, said today concerning the failure to pass the anti-gambling bills at Albany:

"The community is to be congratulated on the failure of the Governor's so-called anti-race-track legislation. If it is final, it is to be still more congratulated. The measure was not reform. Racing will now be assured.

LEADER A COLLEGE MAN

Bulgarians Who Invaded Chicago City Hall Have Real Grievance.

CHICAGO, April 9.—A football player of the University of Chicago is chief of the hungry Bulgarians who marched on the City Hall yesterday. Investigation reveals that Ivan Doseff, a graduate of the University, is the instigator of the plan to march on the City Hall. Doseff, who is a Bulgarian and last year played left tackle on the college football eleven, says he sent the mob to the City Hall in order to "call public attention" to the distressing condition of his countrymen.

DOUKHOBORS IN PRISON

Forty More Arrested for Running Naked in Streets.

PORT WILLIAM, Ont., April 8.—Forty Doukhobors, arrested a fortnight ago for appearing stark naked in the streets, were joined in jail today by another squad, members of which had repeated the offense today.

HYDE'S LETTERS SHOW HIS FEARS

Government Plays Strong Card in Land-Fraud Conspiracy Trial.

HYDE HATED SCHNEIDER

Called Informer Blackmailer With Lively Imagination — Dimond Fears Press Will Expose Frauds and Warns Hyde.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Perhaps the Government played one of its strongest cards in the Hyde-Benson-Dumond-Schneider land-fraud trial today when several letters passing between Dimond and Hyde shortly after the scandal was unwarped were submitted to the jury. These letters disclose the fact that bitter enmity existed between Hyde and Schneider. Schneider formerly was employed by Hyde in San Francisco, but they quarreled and later Schneider told him he knew of the alleged fraudulent schemes which resulted in the investigation and the indictment of the four men.

Hyde wrote to Dimond, his attorney in Washington, under date of January 15, 1905:

"Will be better off after Richards comes in than we are now. It may be well to let the matter rest until Herrmann gets out of office."

Calls Schneider Blackmailer.

Hyde shows his ill feeling for Schneider in a letter written to Dimond the following day:

"If they will suspend anything on the mere unsupported statement of a blackmailer, who would not my statement in return be equally effective to release them? It is utterly impossible for me to trace all of these people, and it would be inconvenient to trace others, for it would subject me to almost unlimited blackmail. Try and find some way and keep it quiet, anyway."

Hyde also refers to Schneider in this tenor:

"With Schneider's vivid imagination and his malignant spirit this was sufficient basis for him to make the wild statements he did, which he never would dare swear to."

Fears Special Agents.

The letter states also that Schneider took advantage of ignorant persons and made representations to buyers of land.

Dimond's Warning to Hyde.

The publicity amounts to this: That the truth is day by day becoming generally known. It involves a large number of people, and it is bound to become public property. If the press should write a sensational article, you can rest assured that they would leave no stone unturned to give it to the people and make it as sensational as possible.

Frankly, you were making money too fast and got careless, thereby laying yourself liable to such a calamity as has happened, and it is not a question now of what you want to do, but what you will have to do.

Relations of the Gang.

Interesting testimony was given by Walter K. Stack, who was in the employ of Hyde and Benson for several years. Stack testified in regard to the relations existing between Hyde and Benson in the conduct of their business and also of the work done by Dimond and Schneider, the other defendants.

According to the witness a joint account was kept of the money and handled by Hyde and Benson. He said that Dimond was employed by Hyde as his confidential man. Stack testified that Schneider had been sent by Hyde to Oregon to secure school lands. The Government claims made to the witness the statement that he was sent to Tucson, Ariz., by Hyde to endeavor to get Schneider to withhold further information from the Government after he had already made a partial confession to an agent of the Land Office.

Big Grain Firm in Trouble.

LONDON, April 9.—One of the largest grain firms in the city is in difficulties. The liabilities, it is said, exceed the assets by nearly \$500,000. Attempts are being made to arrange for an extension of credit, failing which the creditors will hold a meeting on April 13. The trouble is attributed to over-speculation.

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