

FLEET WILL NOT VISIT IN CHINA

American Government Said to Have Reconsidered Acceptance of Invitation.

SITUATION TOO DELICATE

United States Officials in Orient Alleged to Have Represented That Manchurian Matters Might Be Much Complicated.

PEKIN, April 30.—Certain Chinese officials received information at a late hour today that the American fleet of battleships will not visit Chi Pu, as has been expected here. Eight of the battleships, late in October, will call for 24 hours at Amoy. This visit will be made as the vessels are on their way from Japan to Manila.

This news is regarded here as meaning that the American Government had reconsidered its acceptance of the invitation from China for the fleet to visit a Chinese port, in other words, that the visit has been virtually abandoned.

This course is understood in Pekin to be a result of representations made by American officials in China, who feel that the fleet should not come to a Chinese port, an invitation which conviction on the belief that such a visit would give China a false impression as to the attitude and intentions of the United States regarding Manchuria. China had planned an extensive programme for the American visitors, and was preparing to give them an unprecedented reception.

This decision on the part of the American Government coincided with the arrival at Taku of a Japanese cruiser squadron, and the presence in Pekin of a number of officers from these vessels emphasizes the danger of the existing political situation, particularly in Manchuria.

WHY PROGRAMME IS CHANGED

Fleet Must Hurry to Fall Target Practice in Philippines.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The Navy Department is anxious that the battleships of the Atlantic fleet shall get to work at their fall target practice in the Philippines as soon as possible. This is given as one of the reasons why only one squadron of eight vessels of the fleet is to stop at Amoy, China. After a stay there of six days the ships will join the others at Manila. When the Chinese government invited the American Government to have the fleet visit a port of that country, Shanghai was suggested, because it is the location of the Chinese naval base. The naval officials, however, preferred Amoy as a stopping place, and an intimation to this effect was sent to the Chinese government through its minister here.

The suggested change met with the prompt approval of the Pekin authorities and an itinerary contemplating a six days' stop of the fleet at Amoy was accordingly made out. It is pointed out at the Navy Department in this connection that only one stop of the fleet was made in Brazil and only one is to be made in Japan.

FLEET OFF FOR MONTEREY

Leaves Santa Barbara at Early Morn. Glad to Escape.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., April 30.—The Atlantic battleship fleet sailed this morning promptly at 6 o'clock for Monterey, where anchors will be dropped tomorrow at 7 A. M. After one day at Monterey, the two squadrons of the fleet will separate, the eight ships of the first squadron steaming across the bay to Santa Cruz for a three days' stay. They will be joined at Santa Cruz by the second squadron on May 4, in order that the entire fleet may be there for 24 hours, as will be the case at Monterey. Then on May 5 Admiral Dewey will take command as the fleet is about to leave Santa Cruz for the Golden Gate. The train leaving here at noon for the north was crowded. The wives of naval officers who have come to the Coast and who are accompanying the ships, filled two special Pullman cars. Their presence adds considerably to the interest of the tour and they have been quite royally entertained.

Quite a number of sailors and marines who went to Los Angeles on liberty rather than remain in Santa Barbara, where they said prices were high and comforts few, did not return to their ships in time to sail today, and will have to make their way either to Monterey or San Francisco to rejoin them.

FLEET PASSES PORT HARFORD

Aerogram Tells of Welcome Waved From Point Arguello.

POINT ARGUELLO, CAL., April 30.—The following wireless message was received at the station here today from the representative of the Associated Press on the battleship fleet: "The fleet passed Point Arguello at 11:15 o'clock this morning and counter-marched before Port Harford from 2 to 3 o'clock this afternoon, keeping close to the shore and steaming in fleet column at ten knots, or half speed. All the ships kept perfect distance. There were no incidents of any importance. "A crowd of a hundred or more assembled on the cliffs at Point Arguello and waved a welcome. People dotted the hills and crowded the wharves at Port Harford."

Evans in Good Spirits.

PASO ROBLES HOT SPRINGS, CAL., April 30.—After a good night's rest, Rear-Admiral Evans was in excellent spirits this morning.

Declines Memorial of Fleet.

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—In the spirit in which it was offered, the fleet committee, in special session today, decided to decline an offer from the crew of the battleship New Jersey to erect a fountain or an historical tablet to commemorate its visit to this city.

STORMS SWEEP NEW YORK

One Brings Rain and Other Ravages the Seacoast.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Two storms, one from the Southwest, which has been advancing rapidly from the Pacific Coast, and another which has moved more slowly from the Northwest, reached New

York in a dead heat tonight. The storm from the South brought rain, while the counter disturbance spread snow over the western part of New York State. Here counter-winds of 40 odd miles velocity played havoc, tearing down trees in the parks. A square rigged sailing vessel was driven ashore off Fire Island and in the East River a three-masted schooner all but ran down Bellevue Hospital. Two hundred bath-houses at Coney Island were blown down. Brighton Beach racetrack was converted into a lake.

KILLING FROSTS AND SNOW

Damage to Crops Reported in the Central States.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Reports from all over the Central and some of the Southern States are to the effect that frosts and heavy snows did considerable damage to fruit, vegetables and other crops. There were killing frosts in Iowa and Wisconsin and light frosts damaged fruit in Eastern Kansas and Missouri. At Lexington, Ky., heavy snow stopped the progress in progress there and in Ohio there was a heavy fall of snow, which broke down fruit trees and interfered with streetcar traffic. There were light frosts in Western Pennsylvania.

ALARMED BY HUGE DEBT

GERMAN STATESMEN PLAN A SINKING FUND.

Government Admits That It Must Borrow \$250,000,000 During the Next Five Years.

BERLIN, April 30.—That the imperial government must borrow \$250,000,000 during the next five years was the substance of an admission made by Secretary of the Treasury Sidow to the appropriations committee of the Reichstag today. These borrowings will be necessary even though the appropriations for each year are not increased before 1912. At the time this statement was made the committee was discussing a proposal of Chairman Paasche's. Nominal interest on a definite bill from the government to fix sinking fund requirements. Herr Erzberger, Socialist, said that members of the committee must be shocked by the government's reckoning that a thousand million marks more must be borrowed to cover the annual deficits in the ordinary budget for another five years and that actually very much more probably would be required.

Continuing, Herr Erzberger made several allusions to the burden which this generation was creating for subsequent ones by the policy of spending far beyond its income. Herr Sidow said he was also shocked by the prospect of having to borrow \$250,000,000 and he declared that the empire must under all circumstances abandon its borrowing policy. The committee adopted Herr Paasche's proposal that the government present an amortization scheme.

Diamond Find Proves To Be Costly

Laundry Workers Remove Gem From Shirt Boson, but Are Found Out and Go to Jail.

WHEN J. A. Storer and Jack Seely, markers at the City Laundry, received a shirt with a big \$500 diamond stud sparkling prosperously from the boson of the tempter, it was too great for them. Storer quietly took the big sparkler and passed it along to Seely, who secreted it. Then they went ahead with their work, suppressing their excitement at the find.

The diamond belonged to Tom Fallon, a North-End saloon keeper. It found its way to the laundry by mistake and unfortunately for Storer and Seely, Fallon was not slow in discovering the mistake. He had left the shirt lying in his room while taking a bath, he said. The laundryman called, Mrs. Fallon seized what laundry she could find in a hurry, and with the lost Fallon's diamond stud and shirt. He discovered the mistake a few minutes later on emerging from the bath in search of the garment.

The police were notified at once, and Captain of Detectives Baty went direct to the laundry. The driver was interviewed, but he made it plain he knew nothing. The markers came next. Storer denied having seen the diamond, as did Seely, but Storer's actions belied his words and the officer kept questioning the two until he learned the truth. The diamond was produced from an old purse in which it had been hidden.

Seely fell in a faint while being taken to the police station. He was barely able to walk from the laundry, so completely did his nerve fall him on being arrested. When the corner Third and Oak streets was reached he staggered and fell. Captain Baty thought the prisoner was shamming, but it was quickly seen he had really fainted. Several officers from the police station helped carry Seely the rest of the way to the jail, where he recovered consciousness in about five minutes.

The two confessed to their misconduct. A charge of larceny was placed against them and they were locked up.

BODY IS FOUND IN RIVER

Italian Laborer, Sick and Despondent, Committed Suicide.

The body of a man identified as G. Bruni, an Italian laborer, supposed to have ended his life by jumping into the river was found floating in the Willamette yesterday morning at 11 o'clock close to the new steel railroad bridge being constructed near St. John. The remains were found floating in the river by a bridge tender, who notified the coroner. The body was in a bad state of decomposition and is thought to have been in the water for more than a month. Nothing was found on the body to identify the man save a pill box, which gave the information that its contents had been prescribed by Dr. C. E. Candiana. Dr. Candiana identified the man as a patient who had come to him some time in March, suffering with intermittent fever. It is the supposition that his illness induced suicide. He had been in the city only a short time and his friends and relatives are unknown.

Northwestern People in New York.

NEW YORK, April 30.—(Special.)—People from the Northwest registered at New York hotels today as follows: Portland—Holland, T. B. Wilcox, Breslin, C. Jennings, T. A. Kindred, Spokane—Imperial, C. L. Butterfield, Murray Hill, G. O. Nettleton, Seattle—Murray Hill, J. G. White, Marlinque, Mrs. Hammond, Misses Blethen, La. A. Blithen, Cadillac, R. Murhaser.

Rome.—Efforts are being made by Prince Chinato to obtain from the Vatican an annulment of his marriage with Miss Clara Ward, later Madame Rigo and now Madame Ric-

JUST AS WELL OFF

Jefferson Myers Thinks Portland Does Not Need Fleet.

BIG EXPENSE INVOLVED

Possibility of Accident to Vessels, He Says, Is Another Reason This City Should Not Lament Absence of Battleships.

Portland should not indulge in any lamenting that a big part of the Atlantic fleet is not coming to Portland. This is the opinion of Jefferson Myers, who returned yesterday from a two-months' trip to the beauty spots of California and Mexico, and who stopped off to see the big American fleet a short time ago when the vessels were at anchor off San Pedro.

"It costs a fortune to entertain the fleet," said Mr. Myers last night, "and while we would not begrudge any expense in entertaining American sailors, did their course lead in this direction, yet I think it unwise to go to extremes to bring the vessels far out of their course to this port."

"In saying that, I have in mind several things," continued Mr. Myers. "First, there is the possibility that a vessel might get aground in the river through an accident of some sort which might be blamed on the river. Word of such a thing would be telegraphed to every part of the civilized world and Portland would never recover from the bad name it would receive."

"Then there is the possibility of someone being indicted through the conduct of irresponsible grafters. Look at poor old Santa Barbara. The place will never recover from the bad reputation it has received because of insufficient entertainment of sailors and a few instances of overcharging. I am sure Portland could never be accused of inhospitality, but then to do things in the Portland way, it would cost a big fortune to entertain the fleet here, and since duty doesn't bring the vessels here, I think we should be quite satisfied."

"The mosquito fleet, as it has been termed, is coming and that is most interesting. The entertainment involved is on a comparatively small scale, and I feel we should be contented that a big array of battleships is not coming into the port."

"I saw the fleet steam into San Pedro harbor and it was an imposing spectacle—one never to be forgotten. There were 200,000 people from Los Angeles and surrounding territory lined up on the sand hills of San Pedro. Many of these people underwent many hardships in order to see the fleet, but I believe they were well repaid for their pains."

Speaking of business conditions in California, Arizona and Mexico, Mr. Myers said he saw thousands of men idle and found business rather sluggish. He was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Myers, and both report a thoroughly enjoyable journey. They visited nearly all the celebrated beauty spots of California and many interesting and picturesque points in Arizona and Mexico.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Edward Owings Towne, of New York, dramatist, author of "Other People's Money" and other plays, is registered at the Perkins.

Eugene Shelby, of San Francisco, district agent of Wells-Fargo Express Co., is in Portland on one of his regular business trips. He will remain for a few days.

Monroe Goldstein, a well known local newspaper man, returned yesterday from New York and other Eastern cities. Mr. Goldstein declares that business conditions are better in Portland than in any other portion of the country which he visited.

Lieutenant Thomas W. Hammond, of the Twenty-second Infantry, stationed at Angel Island, San Francisco, passed through Portland yesterday on his return from a trip to Spokane. Lieutenant Hammond was a student at the University of Oregon when he received his appointment to West Point. His regiment will leave in July for two years' service at St. Michael, Alaska.

R. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., leaves Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Josselyn, for an Eastern trip. Mrs. Josselyn will remain in St. Louis while her husband makes a trip to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, from which he will return to St. Louis to be present at the graduation of their oldest daughter on May 21. This young lady and her sister will

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CHICAGO, April 30.—(Special.)—The following from Oregon registered at Chicago hotels today:

From Portland—Miss Felling, Mrs. H. Myers, and maid, Mrs. M. Wiley, Miss Marguerite Wiley, Miss Cecile Wiley, A. B. Richardson, at the Auditorium Annex; David S. Stearns, wife and son, at the Kaiserhof; W. E. Jamieson, at the Great Northern.

Bank Clearings for April.

Clearings of the associated Portland banks for the month of April show a decrease over the corresponding month of

last year of 21 per cent. Total clearings are \$35,315,815 and for April last year the figures are \$32,110,628. This condition of affairs is understood, however, when it is remembered that April, 1907, was the third largest month in the banking business of the city. Taking the first four months of the present year as against the same period of last year and it is seen that the loss is only 16 per cent this year. It is expected by bankers that the adverse balance will soon be wiped out and the local banks be on a basis whereby they will show advances over last year's business once more.

Rome.—Most Rev. Diomedo Falconio, Apostolic Delegate at Washington, is among those mentioned as likely to be created cardinal at the next consistory in June.

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16-button length fine Milanese lisle, \$1.50 quality, special at, pair..... **75c**

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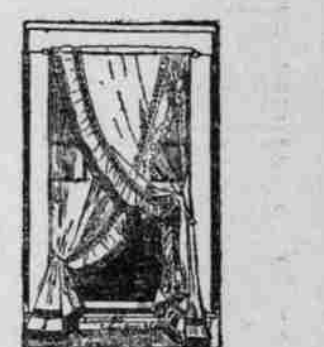
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Many displayed for inspection. Prices \$10 down to \$2. There is a fetching smartness about these new straw creations. Exquisite chip straws, milan braids, exclusive Gage styles, light, comfortable mohairs, fancy braids to match the new street suits, and beautiful leghorns massed with elegant French flowers—they all vie with each other in attracting your admiration. All are most moderately priced.

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