

FLEET LEAVES IN GOODLY RIZZLE

Weighs Anchor at San Francisco on Trip Up Coast to Puget Sound.

ONLY TWO SHIPS LEFT

Alabama and South Dakota Remain on Anchorage of Fleet—Naval Men Much Pleased With Showing of the South Dakota.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—In the gray mist of a rainy morning the Atlantic fleet sailed out through the Golden Gate today on its way to visit various ports in Puget Sound. On its way up the coast the fleet will call close to the shore at certain points in order to give the people of Northern California and Oregon an opportunity to view the long line of fighting vessels under way at sea.

Admiral Sperry in Command. Anchors were lifted from San Francisco Bay at 11:30 A. M. today and the fleet got under way under the command of Rear Admiral Sperry.

Only Two Ships Left. The sailing of the Atlantic fleet left only two ships of war anchored in the place where over a little more than a week ago the Secretary of the Navy reviewed the greatest number of ironclads ever brought together under one flag.

FLEET IMPROVED BY VOYAGE. Metcalf Says Effect Also Good on Officers and Men. WASHINGTON, May 18.—Twenty-four battleships will be reviewed by President Roosevelt in Hampton Roads February 22 next, the date of the return of the Atlantic battleship fleet from its world cruise.

Suit to Recover Letters. The defense also submitted a copy of the legal petition in the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, entitled "Mae C. Wood versus Robert J. Wayne, William Loeb and J. Martin Miller, defendants."

Complaint and Denial. In his answer, the Senator declares that Miss Wood's allegations that he married her about November 9, 1901, in New York, are absolutely false.

Launch Naval Harbor Drydock. WASHINGTON, May 18.—With cradles and sliding ways in position, everything is in readiness for the launching of the vessel, a 12,500-ton collier, at New York Navy Yard tomorrow morning.

Site for Pearl Harbor Drydock. WASHINGTON, May 18.—Captain Sesson Shroeder will be president of a board of naval officers which will convene at Honolulu on the arrival of the Atlantic fleet there, whose duty it will be to make recommendations regarding the location of the proposed new drydock and repair shop at Pearl Harbor.

DEFICIT TO BE \$150,000,000. Appropriations for This Session Will Total \$1,026,000,000.

SHORTAGE NEARLY \$2,000,000. Closing of Pittsburg Bank Foretold and Little Excitement Occurs.

Evans Detailed to General Board. WASHINGTON, May 18.—Secretary Metcalf has detailed Admiral Rowley D. Evans to duty with the General Board of the Navy, which has to do with the preparation of plans for naval campaigns for use in time of war.

Goodrich Heads Naval Board. WASHINGTON, May 18.—Rear-Admiral Caspar F. Goodrich has been designated as president of the general board of Rear-Admirals, which will consider the retirement of naval officers at the end of each fiscal year, in accordance with the new naval personnel act.

Pay for Injured Employees. WASHINGTON, May 18.—The bill passed by the House granting certain employees of the Government compensation for injuries sustained in the line of duty, was reported to the Senate favorably from the committee on the judiciary.

Senate Confirms Maddox. WASHINGTON, May 18.—The Senate, in executive session today, confirmed the nomination of Richard Maddox, of Montana, to be Solicitor of Internal Revenue.

FUNDS IN DEFUNCT BANK. PITTSBURG MAY HAVE TO BOND TO GET CASH. Deposits Secured and Eventually Will Be Paid, but Meanwhile the City Has No Ready Money.

STANDS BY NEGRO SOLDIERS. Bulky Insists on Action Towards Restoration to Army. WASHINGTON, May 18.—In the Senate today Bulky, of Connecticut, called up his bill for the restoration of the Negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who were discharged without honor by the President because of the Brownsville affray.

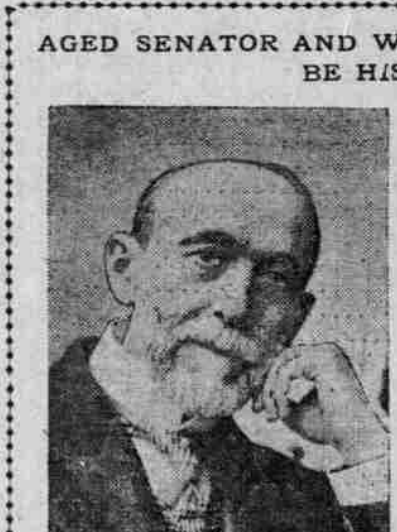
ATTACKS 5-YEAR-OLD GIRL

Unknown Man Frightened Away From Assault by Housemaid.

An unknown man made an attack on a 5-year-old daughter of E. S. Meares, 825 Everett street, yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, after enticing her into the basement of the family residence.

Platt's Ways as a Wooer. (Continued From First Page.) made public, because Mr. Platt wanted it to be kept secret.

AGED SENATOR AND WOMAN WHO CLAIMS TO BE HIS WIFE. Senator Thomas C. Platt. Mae Wood.



been written by Mr. Platt were then read by Miss Wood's counsel. They were addressed in terms of endearment and signed "your Tom."

Notwithstanding the fact that the committee of the House held a session tonight, it was unable to conclude the testimony, but hopes to do so by tomorrow night.

Miss Wood denied that she ever retained Mr. O'Flaherty or Mr. Pulver, Richmond, Va., to prepare a case against Senator Platt, but said she had met them and talked about the case.

Mr. Liman, assistant to the president of the International Paper Company, testified that the statement that the International Paper Company borrowed \$5,000,000 in 1905, with which to build new machines, and diverted it to other uses is absolutely untrue.

Mr. Stanchfield offered the release signed by Miss Wood to Mr. Platt, in evidence. Counsel for Miss Wood objected to the release being taken into evidence.

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WASHINGTON, May 18.—The Republican leaders in the House through a majority of the committee on ways and means today voted to report a "no tariff revision at this session."

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Rising to a question in the House today, Littlefield of Maine denied that in the course of a speech in Brooklyn Saturday last, before the Young Men's Republican club, he made assault on the reputation of members of Congress.

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TRUST HAS INNAMINGS

Denies Intention to Raise the Price or Limit Output.

Officers Flatly Contradict Every Statement of Publishers—Offer Proof Fair Wages Paid—Inquiry Will End Tonight.

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THINKS SOLUTION IS IN SIGHT

Taft Hopeful of Boundary Question at Panama.

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Hamburger's Millinery Department

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A good-shoe guarantee with SELZ ROYAL BLUE SHOE

EVERY PAIR of these shoes has a maker's guarantee attached to it which says, in substance, that the shoe is guaranteed to be satisfactory.

ROGERS SELLING BONDS. Disposes of \$17,000,000 Tidewater Company Gold Paper.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Henry H. Rogers, of the Standard Oil Company, has sold \$17,000,000 Tidewater Company first lien five year six per cent convertible gold bonds to Rodmond & Co.

A MIRACLE. Saved From an Operation by W. J. Van Damme.

Don't wait till you need a violent physic, for harsh physic always harms. Take one Cascaret as soon as you need it.

It is wicked to thus abuse the stomach and bowels. Gentleness is just as effective. Cascarets act naturally. There is no gripping or pain. They are vegetable.

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