



U.S. HURRIES SHIPS TO FLANK ZELAYA

Marines on Two Coasts Ready to Strike.

FLAG OFFICER IN COMMAND

Navy Anticipates Raising of Delicate Questions.

700 MEN SAIL ON PRAIRIE

Commanding Officer of Marine Corps Denies Forces Have Yet Been Landed—Will Be Held in Readiness Close By.

FLEET READY FOR ACTION AGAINST ZELAYA. Ready for Action. Des Moines, at El Castillio, 250 men. Cruiser Tacoma, 280 men, ordered to El Castillio. At Corinto: The Vicksburg, with 135 marines; cruiser Albany, with 280 men; Yorktown, 185 men. WARSHIPS AVAILABLE. Cruisers. Tacoma, third class; bought from Italy in 1898; 3450 tons; 10 four-inch guns, 15 smaller guns. Des Moines, third class; 2000 tons; same armament as the Tacoma. Gunboats. Marietta, 200 tons; 6 four-inch guns and smaller weapons. Princeton, now off Pacific Coast of California; 1100 tons; six 4-inch guns, eight smaller. Vicksburg, 1100 tons; six 4-inch guns, eight smaller arms. Yorktown, 1110 tons; six 4-inch guns, ten smaller. Transports. Buffalo, 6000 tons; six 4-inch guns, eight smaller; capacity, 22 officers, 800 men. Prairie, 6620 tons; 12 small guns, all under 4-inch; capacity, 23 officers, 1000 men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Naval forces of the United States are being moved forward tonight to both coasts of Central America to protect American life and property in Nicaragua, by force of arms if necessary. With the departure this afternoon from Philadelphia of troop ship Prairie, with 700 marines aboard, for the Isthmus of Panama, and if it be so decreed, Nicaragua, and with the sailing from Magdalena Bay of the protected cruiser Albany and the gunboat Yorktown, for Corinto, on the Pacific Coast, activity of the Navy Department was becoming manifest on both oceans that wash the Nicaraguan shores. Besides the cruisers Des Moines and Tacoma and the gunboat Marietta are lying off Port Limon, Costa Rica, ready for any call upon them, and guns of the little gunboat Vicksburg are pointed toward the Custom-house and town of Corinto.

Delicate Questions Involved. The gunboat Princeton also is endeavoring to make her way from the Bremerton Navy-Yard, Washington, to Corinto. With the probability of many delicate questions arising in Nicaragua, the Navy Department decided to send a flag officer to Nicaragua to take command of the American Naval forces. Rear-Admiral William W. Kimball was chosen. He sailed for Colon today on the Prairie. He will make his way from there to Corinto. Admiral Kimball is a member of the Naval Board of Examinations and Retirements and the Bureau of Construction. Landing of Men Denied. No marines have been landed at any point in Nicaragua. That statement was made to the Associated Press tonight by Brigadier-General George F. Elliott, commanding the United States Marine Corps. "Neither are there any marines on board any United States war vessels now in Nicaraguan waters," said General Elliott. "The marines nearest Nicaragua tonight are at Panama." "Have they been ordered to Nicaragua?" General Elliott was asked. "Not yet," replied the commander.

ZELAYA WOULD ADD TO NAVY Consul's Plan to Buy and Equip Schooner Probably Balked. PANAMA, Dec. 2.—The Nicaraguan Consul-General here is negotiating for the purchase of a schooner named Herald for the use of the government of Nicaragua. It is planned to equip the vessel with rapid-fire guns obtained from the Government of Panama. The deal is hardly possible of completion, as the Herald is American-owned and the Republic of Panama is not likely to furnish artillery to a country that is not an friendly terms with the United States. The only schooner Herald reported as in the vicinity of Panama sailed from Philadelphia on November 17 for St. Thomas, D. W. I. This vessel has not been reported from Panama. It is of 415 tons. (Concluded on Page 7.)

PROBE OF PINCHOT PLAN OF CONGRESS

PRESIDENT TAFT WILL INTERPOSE NO OBJECTION.

Evidence Accumulates That Forestry Officers Were Perniciously Active. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 2.—Senators who have talked with President Taft about the advisability of holding a Congressional investigation into the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy, particularly with a view of showing the extent of the activities of Forester Pinchot and his subordinates, have come away from the White House satisfied that the President will offer no objection to such an inquiry, provided it is thorough. Only recently the President has had documentary proof, in the form of affidavits, that A. C. Shaw, law officer of the Forest Service, under instructions from Pinchot, had made L. W. Glavis by appointment in Chicago and there collaborated with him in the preparation of the latter's elaborate report to the President, assailing Secretary Ballinger. In fact, the President has evidence showing that the report was almost entirely written by Shaw and that Glavis had little to do with its preparation. It is understood also that proof of similar activity on the part of other subordinates of Pinchot is in the President's hands and knowledge that this evidence is extant has caused great uneasiness among Forest Service officials. Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, is preparing a resolution calling for this inquiry.

FAMILY'S 6TH VICTIM DIES

Crippled Infant Alone Survives Automobile Accident. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Mrs. Nicholas Jacobs died at the Crocker-street Hospital this morning, as a result of injuries received Thanksgiving night, when the Jacobs family was almost eliminated by a Santa Fe flyer at Latin Station. Jacobs and four children were killed instantly. Mrs. Jacobs and her 2-month-old baby were badly injured. It is more than probable that the seventh member of the family, the 3-month-old baby, will be added to the death list. The baby is suffering from a concussion of the brain, a broken arm and possibly internal injuries. Jacobs was a wealthy retired Cleveland, Ohio, contractor.

WHEAT IN FINE CONDITION

Crop Outlook Far Ahead of What It Was Year Ago. CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—P. W. Snow's crop report for December 1, estimates the winter wheat acreage seeded at that date at 29,914,000 acres, against a harvested area this year of 27,530,000 acres, with seeding not yet completed on the Pacific Coast and some yet in progress in Kansas. The seed bed was in excellent shape. Fall weather has been highly favorable, germination full and prompt and early growth strong, and the December 1 condition is reported at 96.2 against 78.9 at this date a year ago. The crop is evidently going into winter quarters in little short of perfect condition.

DEAD MUST LEAVE "MARK"

California Judge to Insist on Tombstones in Adjudication. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—In adjudicating the estate of an intestate today, Judge Graham, of the Superior Court here, ordered that 10 per cent of the property left by the decedent should be used for the purchase of a tombstone to mark his last resting place. In making the decree, Judge Graham declared that in all similar cases which may come before him in the future he will make the same order.

ANTI-BETTING LAW VALID

California Supreme Court Passes on Test Case. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—The State Supreme Court, sitting en banc, sustained the validity of the Walker-Otis anti-betting law today, when it refused to issue a writ of habeas corpus for the discharge of Charles Brown, who was arrested at the Emeryville racetrack on November 22 for accepting a bet. The law in question makes betting a felony.

PRESS INVITES ROOSEVELT

Milwaukee Newspaper Club to Celebrate Silver Jubilee. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 2.—The Milwaukee Press Club today extended an invitation to Theodore Roosevelt to be the principal speaker during the silver jubilee exercises next year following his return from Africa, the date to be selected by Mr. Roosevelt. Colonel Roosevelt has been a member of the Milwaukee Press Club for several years.

THIEF HURRIED TO PRISON

Begins Sentence Twelve Hours After Robbing Store. RAWLINS, Wyo., Dec. 2.—Twelve hours after he had robbed a store here last night, Paul Jones, alias Duke Graham, began serving a four-year sentence in the penitentiary.

PORTLAND RAILWAY BUYS MORE POWER

Site on Clackamas Is 1642 Acres.

WORK TO BE BEGUN AT ONCE

Sawmill, Included in Purchase, Will Be Operated.

FUTURE NEEDS CONSIDERED

Additional High Tension Transmission Lines Will Be Needed—Estacada Dam May Be of Low Concrete Construction. Through the purchase yesterday by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company of property owned by the Portland Water Power & Electric Transmission Company and the River Mill Company, concerns controlled by Morris Bros., the local street railway company becomes one of the largest power-developing properties in the United States. Including the purchase of yesterday, which makes possible the development of 15,000 horsepower, this local corporation now owns property which is capable of developing in the aggregate 110,000 horsepower. Yesterday's transaction comprised 1642 acres on the Clackamas River, in Clackamas County, a bridge across the Clackamas River and a sawmill plant. While the consideration was not stated, it is understood to have been more than \$200,000. This is the property Morris Bros. intended to develop as a water power, but its situation on the line of the Oregon Water Power, which is owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and near the Cazadero plant of the latter corporation, makes it a desirable property for operation profitably by the railway company in connection with its other properties, as compared with its operation by an independent concern. The railway company will proceed at once with the development of the water power plant on the property acquired near its Cazadero plant and expects to have it in operation by September 1, 1911. The plant will be designed for an ultimate 25,000-horse power capacity. A new steam plant will be installed on the East Side and a fifth unit will be added to the Cazadero plant, all of which will be ready for use by September 1, 1910, so that a year later the company will have in operation about 60,000 horsepower in water plants and 25,000 horsepower in steam plants, a total of 85,000 horsepower, which, it is estimated, will be entirely adequate for the needs of the city for six or seven years. Bigger Station Being Built. In addition, work is being prosecuted diligently on what is known as the upper Clackamas property, about three and one-half miles above the Cazadero plant. (Concluded on Page 13.)

WHITE PLAGUE GETS BLOW AT BAY CITY

SAN FRANCISCO HEALTH BOARD WINS FIGHT ON DISEASE.

Ordinance Imposing Stringent Regulations Is Passed—Victims Can Be Taken From Homes. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—An ordinance framed by the Board of Health, imposing regulations upon persons afflicted with tuberculosis, was passed by the Board of Supervisors yesterday. Under it physicians are required to report within 24 hours every person coming under their notice who shows symptoms of tuberculosis. A complete record of every case will be kept by the Health Department. When a case is reported, it is made the duty of the physician to make immediate report if the patient vacates the quarters he was then occupying, or if there is no physician, then the duty devolves on the landlord. The apartment must be disinfected and renovated before they can again be occupied. The cleaning or renovating must be done at the expense of the landlord, and if it is not done to the satisfaction of the health authorities, then the following notice will be posted at the door of the room: "Tuberculosis is a communicable disease. These apartments have been occupied by a consumptive, and may be infected. They must not be occupied until the order of the health officer, directing the disinfection and renovation, has been complied with."

EQUITABLE LIFE IS NOW J. P. MORGAN'S

He Buys Stock Formerly Held by Ryan.

DEAL GIVES MAGNATE CONTROL

Transfer Means Banks Will Guide Insurance Destinies. NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Control of the Equitable Life Assurance Society by Thomas F. Ryan soon after the insurance scandals a few years ago, has passed to J. Pierpont Morgan with the \$472,000,000 of assets which the company declared in its last statement. The transfer marks a complete reversal of the old order under which insurance companies controlled destinies of banks and trust companies. News of the transfer was contained in the following brief statement from the offices of Morgan & Co.: "Mr. Morgan has bought the majority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, formerly owned by Thomas F. Ryan. This purchase is subject to the trust under which Grover Cleveland, Morgan J. O'Brien and George Westinghouse were made voting trustees for the benefit of the policyholders and it covers all Mr. Ryan's interest, including all the stock purchased by him from James H. Hyde." Beyond these bare facts, Mr. Morgan and his partners declined to give any details. Nor would they name any other interests allied with them, although it is believed that at least one large trust company may take a hand in the deal. Under the terms of the trust agreement referred to in Mr. Morgan's announcement, the Ryan stock could not be sold without the consent of the surviving trustees, whose term of power held until June 16, 1910, if they saw fit. Both are busy men and have served the society without pay. Prior to confirmation of the transfer, neither Mr. Westinghouse nor Mr. O'Brien would discuss either its details or its possibilities. Harriman Sought Control. Mr. Ryan's holdings in the Equitable were bought, in large part, from James H. Hyde, although Edward H. Harriman had laid plans which, as he supposed, were to assure him the control that went instead to Mr. Ryan. It was at hearings of the Armstrong insurance investigation that Mr. Harriman, when questioned on this point, coined what subsequently became a national slogan: "Harriman Sought Control." (Concluded on Page 6.)

TAFT GIVES HERO MEDAL

Second Honor Badge Conferred on Naval Veteran. WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—President Taft today pinned a second medal of honor on Water Tender John King of the Navy, besides the medal King already possessed. The ceremony took place at the White House. The medal was conferred upon King for "extraordinary heroism" on the occasion of an accident to one of the boilers on the Salem on September 13, 1909. King entered a fireroom filled with flames, hot gas and steam and turned open the valves to admit water to the boilers, thus preventing a more serious accident. Then he carried a savior, overcome by gas and steam, to safety and was about to return when prevented by those who noticed his own burns and injuries. The first medal was awarded King for heroism displayed in an accident on the Vicksburg.

KANSAS AFTER SALOONISTS

Pittsburg City Officials to Be Taken Into Camp. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 2.—Commitments to the Shawnee County Jail were issued today by the State Supreme Court for 14 city officials and ex-saloonists of Pittsburg, Kan. This is the result of the efforts of the Attorney-General to stop the sale of liquor in Pittsburg. (Concluded on Page 6.)

Advertisement for Young America featuring a sign that reads "HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY." and a cartoon illustration of a man in a suit holding a sign that says "ONE DAY'S NEWS! \$125,000 BID FOR FIGHT BETWEEN WHITE AND NEGRO. RICH BANK WRECKERS STALL THE LAW WITH MINE SWINDLERS, TWO AND A HALF YEARS IN JAIL FOR GOING GOOD TO INTERESTS."

RUEF IS LET OUT ON \$300,000 BAIL

BONDS GIVEN AND PRISONER IS RELEASED AT MIDNIGHT.

Under 14-Year Sentence for Bribery, Former Boss Is Given Freedom Pending Appeal. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—Abraham Ruef, former political boss and for a number of years the dominating power in San Francisco politics, was released from the County Jail at 12 o'clock tonight on bonds aggregating \$300,000. Ruef had been in the County Jail since November 13 of last year, when he was ordered to give a few minutes after Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Heney was shot down in the courtroom during a brief recess in Ruef's trial. Ruef is under a 14 years' sentence on a charge of bribery, and is released pending appeal. The petition for bail was filed several days ago when 20 physicians signed a statement asserting that the incarceration of Ruef was undermining his health. Before considering the petition the court appointed a board of three physicians, who examined the prisoner and reported today that he was suffering from a complication of maladies which would in time endanger his life.

CREW WRECKED, NOW SAFE

Rescue of Party Effected in Terrific Northeast. STASCONSETT, Mass., Dec. 2.—The crew of the waterlogged schooner Eugen Borda, from Nova Scotia to Philadelphia, was rescued off the Massachusetts coast today by the steamer Vaderland of the Red Star line. It is believed that all on board were saved. The wrecked schooner was a small vessel of 10 tons and carried a crew of five men, and also the captain's wife and child. They were saved. The rescue was accomplished in a terrific northeast gale. Captain Barman brought the Vaderland near the craft and one of the Vaderland's boats was lowered. It slowly made its perilous way close under the lee of the schooner. Mrs. Bigelow, wife of the captain, and her child were the first taken off. The four men in the crew then followed, Captain Bigelow being the last to leave.

CABINET EDITS MESSAGE

Taft Finds Blue Pencil Used Unsparingly on Document. WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—For four hours today cabinet members discussed the final text of President Taft's forthcoming message to Congress, and when they emerged from the cabinet room left a literary wreck behind them. President Taft sat staring at a big bundle of proof sheets of his message on which the executive editors had used the blue pencil unsparingly. The message was rushed to the public printer and a big force of compositors is at work tonight. President Taft will be ready for distribution tomorrow, but it will not be made public until it is read in Congress next week.

WED 54 YEARS; BOTH SUE

California, Aged 75, Brings Original Action; Wife Aged 74. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2.—Samuel Shepherd, 75 years old, appeared in the Superior Court today as an applicant for divorce from Lucinda Shepherd, one year his junior. They were married in 1855. One of the allegations in the complaint is that Mrs. Shepherd compelled him to cook his own food and eat at a separate table, "after the style of slaves prior to the abolition of slavery in the United States." In a cross complaint, the wife alleges harsh and cruel treatment.

COUGAR LEAPS AT DEER

Wild Animals of Forest Invade Farm in Grand Ronde Valley. LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—A scene suggestive of the days of the frontiersmen was enacted a few yards from W. J. Spears, a homesteader living on Rock Creek, a few miles from this city, today, when a cougar sprang from a clump of underbrush and barely missed his grasp at a deer feeding nearby. The deer soon bounded out of sight over the hill, closely pursued by the cougar.

WIFE BLAMED FOR TROUBLE

Young Soldier Insists Extravagance Led to Passing Bad Checks. DENVER, Dec. 2.—Betah Smith, formerly a lieutenant in the regular Army, was arrested here today, charged with passing several worthless checks. Smith, who served in the Philippines and then married in Boise, lays his downfall to his wife's alleged extravagance, saying they got him hopelessly into debt. He has been court-martialed and dismissed from the Army. Elks Visit at Haines. BAKER CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Baker Elks are spending this evening as guests of Haines. At 7:30 o'clock a special train of three coaches on the O. R. & N. carried the party to Haines, where an elaborate program has been arranged for them.

300,000 MEN TO DEMAND MORE PAY

Eastern Railroads to Feel Strike.

TEN PER CENT RAISE ASKED

Votes in Various Districts Are Taken by Trainmen.

NOTICE NOT YET GIVEN

Agreement With Companies Is That Contract May Be Terminated Within 30 Days by Either Party—Statement Is Issued. NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Representatives of trainmen on all the Eastern railroads of the country, comprising 300,000 employees, issued a statement today declaring they would soon present a demand to the railroads for a 10 per cent increase in wages. The statement reads in part as follows: "The votes in the various districts have all been taken by members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and soon will be presented to all Eastern railway companies. Everything possible will be done to avoid a strike. Though the Switchmen's Union of North America believes in radical measures, the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen does not. The agreements with the Eastern railroads stipulate that they may be terminated upon 30 days notice by either party. No such notice has as yet been given."

DULUTH MEN WILL GO BACK

Eighty Per Cent of Them Vote to Resume Work Today. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 2.—As a result of a meeting of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen this afternoon, 80 per cent of the striking trainmen here will return to work tomorrow, most of them for the Northern Pacific. It was decided that the order to switchmen to strike was unconstitutional and all were advised to hold out no longer. Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha announced tonight that they are ready to receive freight. One hundred strikers will be (Concluded on Page 4.)

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