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President of Panama Congratulates Admiral on Success.

FLAGSHIP GUIDED BY TUG

Shore Leave Is Given to Crews Before Warships Continue Today on Cruise to San Diego.

ABOARD THE FLAGSHIP U. S. S. NEW MEXICO, Saturday, July 26.—(By Wireless to the Associated Press.)—The Pacific fleet, under the command of Admiral Rodman, tonight is floating in Pacific waters.

Six dreadnoughts, led by the flagship New Mexico, today successfully negotiated the Panama canal, the largest ships that ever have passed through this waterway.

The average time for each warship from Colon to Balboa was ten hours.

"This is the biggest event in the history of the canal," said Governor Chester Harding of the Canal Zone.

Admiral Rodman Congratulated.

Admiral Rodman today visited President Porras of Panama, who congratulated the naval officer on his success in negotiating the canal.

Approximately 3500 sailors received shore leave at Panama and the city tonight is celebrating the arrival of the fleet, which will depart tomorrow for San Diego.

The fleet left its anchorage in Gatun lake at dawn today, proceeding in pairs two hours apart. The New Mexico and Wyoming led the way, followed by the New York and Texas and the Mississippi and Arkansas.

Flagship Guided by Tug.

To Admiral Rodman was given the honor of directing the course of the first dreadnought to make the trip.

Through the reaches of Gatun lake the dreadnoughts steamed at 13 knots an hour.

On nearing the narrow confines of the Bas Obispo reach the speed was reduced to five knots an hour.

The flagship accepted guidance from a tug to keep her nose out of the high banks of the Culabra cut.

The giant raft threaded her way slowly through this section.

Three hours from Gatun lake, the flagship passed under the ominous shadow of Gold hill, the backbone of the continent, where many slides have occurred.

The warships then entered the locks at P. de Miguel, where 600 sailors receiving liberty took a special train for Panama.

Officers Visit Flagship.

Governor Harding and Rear-Admiral Marbury Johnston, of the Panama naval division, came aboard as the flagship was being locked down 39 feet to the level of Miraflores lake.

As the New Mexico made her way into Miraflores lake, a great crowd collected on the concrete locks, cheered and a salute of 15 guns was fired on the flagship in honor of Governor Harding.

"It was no more trouble than putting through the canal a fleet of Great Lakes tugboats," said Admiral Rodman.

LONDON CALM ON MEXICO

British Not Forcing Hands of U. S. Over Carranza Actions.

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LONDON, July 27.—(Special cable.)—No effort is being made by the British government to force the hands of the United States regarding the Mexican situation. This statement was made from authentic quarters.

An investigation is now under way to ascertain the truthfulness of the report that a British subject was recently killed. It is asserted here that never has there been a better understanding between Washington and London about the Mexican situation than now.

In quarters having big interests in Mexico there is a growing belief that America will use a strong hand with Mexico in the near future unless there is a cessation of the outrages and the Carranza government shows its determination to meet its obligations. It is felt that American patience is becoming exhausted.

GIRL SMOKER ARRESTED

Telephone Operator Alleged to Have Used Tobacco in Public.

The second girl arrested recently for smoking cigarettes in public was Fannie LaVette, 18, telephone operator, who Patrolman Parker and Shrimp took into custody with Harry Clifford, 18 years old, at Fourth and Everett streets yesterday. Clifford also is held for smoking.

Helena Nelson, a clerk, 23 years old, and S. Noonan, 21, a shipworker, were arrested with the youngsters and held on a charge of contributing to delinquency of minors.

The first case of the kind in recent months was tried in the municipal court last week, when Judge Rossman imposed a heavy penalty on a man for giving cigarettes to a girl.

PERSHING EXPRESSES THANKS TO BRITISH

AMERICAN GENERAL LEAVES ENGLAND FOR FRANCE.

Forging of Definite, Visible Links of Friendship From Shore to Shore Is Desired.

LONDON, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—General Pershing, after receiving on Wednesday at Cambridge the honorary degree conferred upon him by the university of Paris and will not visit this country again before returning to America. He goes back deeply impressed with the genuine warmth of Britain's welcome to his troops and an intense conviction of the permanence of the bond that now unites the two great branches of the English speaking race. So he told a party of newspaper men whom he invited to give this message to the British nation:

"I can only stammer my thanks to everybody. It is not possible for me to put into words all I feel about a matter like this. The people's reception was wonderful—wonderful. I never heard anything finer than that cheering. Nor have we ever seen anything finer than the British navy men. I think that was what specially impressed me. Perhaps it was because the American army cannot forget that but for the British navy it wouldn't be here today."

The moral that General Pershing thinks most people have drawn both from the French and from English celebrations is that "the job is done and we must now get on with something else." And one of the things he wants got on with is the forging of definite, visible links of friendship from shore to shore of the Atlantic.

BOY, 19, DROWNS IN SANDY

Divers Fail in Effort to Save Del Wilson, of Corbett.

Del Wilson, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson of Corbett, Or., was drowned in the Sandy river near Montrose park yesterday. The body was recovered and Coroner Smith took charge.

The boy, who was a poor swimmer, waded beyond his depth. Several girls saw him go down and notified Montrose Ringer, proprietor of the park. Mr. Ringer and his son Malcolm dived repeatedly in an effort to rescue the boy, but were unable to find him. They notified Sheriff Hurlburt of the drowning and obtained a boat and grappling irons, with which the body was recovered.

Young Wilson has been driving a truck for his father, who is a farmer near Corbett.

YOUNG WIFE MEETS DEATH

Bullet From High Powered Rifle Penetrates Wall, Kills Bride.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—A bullet accidentally discharged from a high-powered rifle in the hands of Charles Fleishmann, 16 years old, penetrated a wall and killed Mrs. Ruth Seelye Snodgrass in an adjoining room early today.

Mrs. Snodgrass, a bride of three months, was a guest at a reception given at the home of her father, Joseph Seelye. Her husband, Harold Snodgrass, recently released from service in the navy, was displaying to Charles Fleishmann, also a guest, a high-powered rifle, when it was in some manner discharged.

Mrs. Snodgrass was a graduate of the University of California and was prominent socially.

COLD TEA SOLD AS LIQUOR

Well-Known Salem Man Threatens Arrest and Regains Money.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—Perfectly good cold tea, attractively sealed in glass containers and bearing labels resembling those used by the government on bonding 100-proof liquor, has been sold in Salem during the past few days at prices ranging from \$7.50 to \$11 a quart.

Thrifty buyers are said to have been numerous and it is believed the vendor of the camouflage product netted several hundred dollars. One well-known Salem man, a victim of the so-called joke, named up the seller and after threatening arrest recovered the amount paid for the tea, minus the cost of the bottles. Many prominent Salem residents are on the list of those duped.

PERSHING TO BE HONORED

Congress Plans to Give Him Sword With Rank of General.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Preparations for the welcome of General Pershing on his return home are being made by both congress and the war department, but the plans of neither are complete.

The congressional programme, however, is already drafted, calls for the gift of a sword, a vote of thanks and the permanent rank of general for the commander of the American expeditionary forces.

War department plans have not yet been completed and are awaiting receipt of information as to the time of General Pershing's return.

WOMAN DEAD AFTER LEAP

Mrs. Clara Reeder Jumps From Window at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—Mrs. Clara Reeder of Vallejo was killed instantly today when she jumped from the window of her room on the fifth floor of a downtown hotel.

According to her husband, George Reeder, a restaurant owner, Mrs. Reeder recently was released from a state hospital at Agnew. He said she was being returned for treatment.

COMMISSION SEES LOWER COLUMBIA

Astoria Docks, Factories, Warehouses Reviewed.

RIVER COMMERCE IS STUDIED

Men Hearing Rate Case Get Idea of Waterway.

ASTORIA BODY ENTERTAINS

Members of Interstate Commerce Commission Express Surprise on First Trip Down River.

ASTORIA, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—Inspection of the lower Columbia river from the decks of the steamer Georgiana, a visit to the port of Astoria docks and grain elevators as well as the manufacturing district of Astoria, a speedy glimpse of Warrenton and the Flavel docks, winding up with an hour's visit at Seaside comprised the Sunday activities of Henry C. Hall, Winthrop M. Daniels and Joseph E. Eastman, the three members of the interstate commerce commission who are hearing the Portland rate case.

At Astoria the three commissioners were met by members of the port of Astoria commission, composed of B. F. Stone, Chairman Frank Patton and George W. Sanborn. R. S. Bartlett, chief engineer of the commission, accompanied the party on its tour through Astoria.

Harbor Is Viewed.

The party was first taken to the Astoria city park, where a splendid view of the harbor, including the Lewis and Clark and Youngs rivers was obtained. From this point the delegation of commissioners was shown mills, manufacturing plants of interest and the reclamation projects which consist of fillings in the bay and changing Astoria from a city of stilts to a town built on solid foundation.

Of particular interest to the three members of the interstate commerce commission was the inspection of Astoria's public dock and grain elevator operated by the port of Astoria. The dock and warehouses are now in use and contracts have been let for the construction of the third unit to cost \$1,000,000. They were informed, and an addition on the first unit is being built to handle the business which is being sent to Astoria's port.

A belt line railway partially completed, which, when completed will skirt the peninsula, also was viewed.

The grain elevator, the commissioners (Continued on Page 8, Column 2.)

U. S.-JAPANESE WAR PREDICTED BY HI

ENGLAND TO LOOK ON REAP BENEFITS, IS VIEW.

Reports of Negro Riots in Washington Reach Germany in Sensational and Distorted Form.

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BERLIN, July 27.—(Special.)—German politicians are intently watching Japanese-American relations as reflected here, probably in highly distorted form, in reports of the attitude of the American senate and proceedings in that body regarding the Versailles treaty.

Comment has been muzzled in the German press, but opinion is already cautiously voiced that the next world war will start in the far east. In certain German quarters the curious theory has been evolved that England will have a vital interest in playing the United States and Japan against each other.

Pan-German argument is that England, having eliminated its strongest rival at sea, Germany, will henceforth pursue the policy of trying to break the next strongest naval power, Japan and America. In this view England can best accomplish its purpose by looking on while America and Japan damage each other's navies in an east-west world war, thus leaving Great Britain's supremacy unchallenged.

Reports of the negro riots in Washington are reaching Germany in the most sensational form.

A typical example of how the pan-German imagination can still be "pipe dreaming" is furnished in a column article in the Lokai Anzeiger, with the head line, "The Black Peril," by Friedrich Franz von Lonsing who writes: "The disorders now reported are but a beginning. If the negroes can find a leader—perhaps already they have one—we may yet experience all sorts of things, perhaps some day a black president."

"It is easily possible that bolshevist propaganda will make use of the negro. One cannot foresee what might happen in the United States if these masses poured over the country murdering and plundering. The Japanese, too, are calculating on the negro."

YEAR'S CASUALTIES 501

San Francisco Coroner Makes Report on Violent Deaths.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 27.—(Special.)—Five hundred and one persons died by violence or accident in this city in the fiscal year ending June 30, according to the annual report of Coroner T. B. W. Leland. One hundred and ninety-eight cases of suicide were reported during the year. The statistics follow:

Murders, 47; suicides, 198; exposure and neglect, 4; illegal operations, 11; manslaughter, 4; automobile accidents, 81; street-car accidents, 49; horse-drawn vehicle accidents, 7; homicides, 3; drowning, 25; railroad accidents, 12; bicycle accidents, 2; undetermined, 52.

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IRISH LEADER SAYS DIVISION WILL FAIL

Plan to Establish Two Legislatures Rapped.

ULSTER NAMED AS FACTOR

Ability to Defeat Proposed Upper Assembly Foreseen.

POWER LEFT TO BRITAIN

Major Childers Says Northcliffe Plan Would Throw Country Into Confusion and Possible Chaos.

BY LINCOLN EYER. (Copyright by the New York World. Published by arrangement.)

PARIS, July 27.—(Special.)—Bitterly referring to the "strong vein of humor underlying three portentously solemn solemnities" in London Times, Major Erskine Childers, ex-secretary-general of the Irish convention of 1917, issues a long statement today in reply to Lord Northcliffe's proposals for the settlement of the Irish problems.

After remarking that the Times coolly does away with existing home rule, Major Childers says the project may be divided into two parts, one of them positive and intended for immediate execution and the other purely speculative and contingent.

Plan to Split Ireland Charged.

"The positive part amounts to this," he says, "that Ireland be partitioned and split into two sections, the smaller being Ulster and the other covering the remainder of Ireland, and that each have a petty provincial legislature. Neither of these two artificial Irelands is to have any connection with the other, but both will be under the supreme direction of the British government."

"This is the first stage, the Times says, and it is all it proposes that shall actually be done here and now. Ireland is to be thrown into confusion and left therefore to split into two, a country which God and nature made one and which is united by common laws, customs, administration and above all by economic conditions. This will create confusion, if not chaos."

Supreme Parliament Desired.

"I want to be strictly fair. Americans will see at once that if there were to be simultaneously created a supreme federal Irish parliament to which these two artificial provinces would be subordinate, a solution would be proposed that would at least be logical; but such (Continued on Page 8, Column 2.)

BELA KUN'S REMOVAL DEMANDED BY ALLIES

HUNGARIAN PEOPLE INFORMED HOW TO OBTAIN FOOD.

Czecho-Slovak Government Makes Strong Protest Against Violations of Armistice.

PARIS, Saturday, July 26.—A strong arraignment of the present Hungarian government is contained in the allied statement, just issued, by which it was made known to the Hungarian people that they could only obtain a removal of the blockade and receive food supplies if they ousted Bela Kun and set up a truly representative government.

The text of the statement follows: "The allied and associated governments are most anxious to arrange a peace with the Hungarian people and thus bring to an end a condition and thing which makes the economic revival of central Europe impossible and defeats any attempt to secure supplies for its population. These tasks cannot even be attempted until there is in Hungary a government which represents its people and carries out in the letter and the spirit the engagements into which it has entered with the associated governments."

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