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HELPING OUT COSTA RICO.

United States Cruiser Detroit Watching Hostile Military Expedition.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says:

A Nicaraguan military expedition is reported to have landed at Chiriqui, Colombia, and the cruiser Detroit has left Port Limon, Costa Rica, for that point.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Allen said tonight that he did not know there was any connection between the two events, but it is believed the Detroit has gone to Chiriqui to observe the conduct of the Nicaraguan expedition.

The American minister to Costa Rica and Nicaragua and the commanders of the cruisers Philadelphia and Detroit are acting under instructions to preserve the peace of Central America by every proper means.

Chiriqui is not far from the southern boundary of Costa Rica. It has been believed by the state department that the tension between Nicaragua and Costa Rica was very much reduced as a result of the good offices of Minister Merry, and the San Jose government, apparently thinking there was no further danger of hostilities, began to discharge the troops hastily levied and to reduce the guard established along the northern frontier. Information received here is that the Nicaraguan expedition was carried to Chiriqui by the Nicaraguan transport Momotombo, so that the movement is regarded as a government one for which Nicaragua cannot avoid responsibility.

In some quarters it has been looked on as a filibustering expedition, intended to aid the revolutionists in the Colombia government. It was pointed out, however, that the seat of the revolution in Colombia was in the state of Panama and not in Chiriqui.

There is reason to believe that Costa Rica was advised of the despatch of the Nicaraguan expedition and the information may have been given to Commander Duncan Kennedy, of the Detroit by the Costa Rican authorities. If Colombia permitted the landing of the expedition and allow the Nicaraguans to use its territory as a base of operations against Costa Rica, the latter country will have good grounds for damages against the Bogota government. Having been informed of the landing of the expedition at Chiriqui, it is presumed that Costa Rica has undertaken measures to defend herself from attack.

It is not believed that Commander Kennedy will forcibly interfere with the Nicaraguan expedition but he may use his good offices to prevent it from carrying out any hostile design.

CHICAGO LABOR TROUBLES.

Leaders of the Unions Going East to Appeal for Sympathy.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Building mechanics in the East will be in possession of the situation in Chicago, from the union standpoint, within the next forty-eight hours.

Acting on the decision of the building trades council meeting of Friday night and the advice of leaders who held a conference Sunday afternoon Edward Carroll, president of both the national and Chicago trades councils, and James E. Daly, president of the Chicago federation of labor, left last night for Washington, D. C. In that city it is probable that the two officers will have a conference with representatives of the American federation of labor and each will address meetings of workmen.

Mr. Carroll will go to New York, Boston and other cities in the East, while Mr. Daly will travel to Cleveland, Cincinnati, Louisville and other points. In each of these cities the unorganized as well as the organized

workmen will be addressed. The plan which the Chicago body has outlined for the support of the idle men will be explained and the union men will be asked to contribute part of their earnings to prevent the dissolution of the building trades council and the disruption of the unions attached to it.

A leading member of the building trades council said: "It is our purpose to lay our case before the workmen in the East from first hands. We want to convince them that this fight is as much for the perpetuation of their unions as for our own. If the contractors should succeed in disrupting us here, how long would it be before they would, through their national association, attack the organized workmen in other cities? We have had assurances from many points that our cause will be given a careful hearing."

"The action Friday night was not the first move we made in this direction. Letters have been sent all over the country by the national building trades council and now the president of that body is following them."

SURVEYING CUBAN HARBORS.

More Vessels to Be Detached to Carry on That Work.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A special to the Tribune from Washington, says: Secretary Root has requested the Navy department to detail several more small vessels of the Eagle type to survey Cuban harbors.

The request is made at the suggestion of the governor-general of Cuba, Major-General Leonard Wood, who is preparing for a topographical survey of the whole island, with a local organization, which will become a permanent department of the local government when that is established.

The navy already has the Yankton and the Eagle at work on Cuban harbors and as soon as the Vixen finishes a survey at San Juan, San Blas Bay, Colombia, she will be sent to assist them.

General Wood, in his letter to the war department says all the Spanish charts are exceedingly defective and untrustworthy.

FRISO TO TAHITI.

Oceanic Steamship Company to Establish a Service Immediately.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—News has been received from Tahiti, via Auckland, N. Z., that the Tahitian government has accepted the Oceanic Steamship Company's proposal for a steam service from San Francisco to Tahiti. Heretofore the only connection between the Society Islands and San Francisco has been maintained by schooners sailing at intervals of about a month and occupying from thirty to thirty-six days in passage.

According to the terms of the agreement entered into between the Tahitian government and the Oceanic Steamship Company, a ship of about 3,000 tons register is to be placed in the service, to make eleven round trips per annum, each round trip occupying about thirty-five days, which includes thirteen days in port.

THE CUTTER BEAR.

Captain Tuttle Has Not Been Able to Ship a Crew at Government Wages.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—The revenue cutter Bear will sail for Seattle on Friday on her way to Cape Nome and the Arctic territory.

The cutter has made little progress toward replacing the crew that recently deserted. There were formerly 29 men on the deck and thus far only three have been shipped. Captain Tuttle says that he will go to sea with four men, two to a watch, if he can do no better.

It is very difficult to obtain sailors at the government rate of \$28 per month, as masters of coasting vessels are now paying as high as \$40.

CONGER HAS NOT ACTED.

Report That United States Minister Joined in Threat to Land Troops in China Untrue.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Mail advices received by the state department from Edward H. Conger,

United States minister at Peking, show that he has not been acting with the representatives of other powers to compel the Chinese government to suppress the "Boxers" and other anti-foreign societies.

He has been making vigorous representations to the Tsung Li Yamen in behalf of the American missionaries but so far as the authorities are informed, he has not threatened that the United States will land troops in China should the Boxers be allowed to continue their operations. Such a threat, if made, would certainly be disavowed by this government.

The authorities understand that the German government has made representations to the Tsung Li Yamen and it would not be surprising if it should have declared its purpose to protect foreigners by force if China was unable or unwilling to do so. The German government has announced its purpose to protect foreign missionaries in Shan Tung province and its troops at Kalo Chou are available for this purpose.

PROPOSED ARMY CHANGES.

General Lee to Be Given a New Command in Cuba.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Formal orders will be issued by Secretary Root Tuesday directing the detachment of Brigadier-General Ludlow from the command of the city of Havana and assigning Brigadier-General Lee to command the new Department of Havana and Pinar del Rio.

These changes will occur on May 1. General Ludlow will receive instructions to report to the secretary of war for duty as president of the army war college board. General Lee and General Wilson will remain in Cuba until after the municipal elections, which will determine whether the military force in the island can be further reduced.

Major-General Wesley Merritt will be detached from the command of the Department of the East before June 16, when he reaches the retiring age. It has been reported in army circles here that General Merritt contemplated relinquishing his post next month in order to start for Paris where he will attend the Paris exposition. Immediately upon his detachment General Brooke will receive orders directing him to succeed General Merritt.

General Brooke could have had orders to assume duty at Chicago, but he preferred remaining on waiting orders until the vacancy occurs in the Department of the East. Friends of General Brooke are very much concerned at the possibility that General Otis may be assigned to command the Department of the East.

HIGH EXPLOSIVES WANTED.

Government Considering the Question of Adopting Thorite.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Much attention is being paid by both the war and navy departments to the question of high explosives for use in both the military and naval service. The war department, it is understood, has received a proposition from the inventor of thorite announcing his willingness to sell to the government the right to manufacture the explosive for \$150,000.

Senator Proctor has introduced a bill appropriating \$500,000 for the purchase of the right. The ordinance bureau is opposed to the purchase, however, on the ground that a superior explosive may be obtained.

MRS. HEARST'S KINDNESS.

California University to Receive Another Valuable Gift From Her.

BERKELEY, Cal., April 10.—Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst has decided to establish a museum of art and archaeology at the university of California. She has planned for the collection on a large scale of objects illustrating the history of the fine arts throughout the world. Incidentally the collections will be of great ethnological interest. The fruits of those explorations will be housed in the new fine arts building.

COMMODORE MAYO DEAD.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Commodore Wm. K. Mayo, U. S. N., retired, died at his home in this city last night, aged 76 years.

GUARDING AGAINST PLAGUE.

Health Officers of Southern States May Quarantine Against California.

CHICAGO, April 10.—A special to the Tribune from Austin, Tex., says: State Health Officer Edmund Souchof of Louisiana and Health Officer W. C. Blunt of Texas, held a conference here today in reference to the admission of Chinese into Texas and Louisiana from California.

It is claimed by the health officers that there is danger of a spread of the bubonic plague if the Chinese are permitted to enter the states unrestricted. It is likely a quarantine will be established against all Chinese coming from California ports.

OCEANIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Contract for Carrying the Mails Closed by the Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—The contract for carrying the Australian and English closed mails across the Pacific has been awarded by the United States government to the Oceanic Steamship Company for ten years at a rate of \$2 per mile. The service is to begin November 1.

The steamers will touch at Honolulu, Apia or Pango-Pango, in the Samoan group, and Auckland.

CREEK INDIANS MOVING.

They Will Leave Indian Territory for Minnesota and Dakota.

CHICAGO, April 10.—A special to the Record from Eldora, Ia., says: The Creek Indians from Indian territory are coming north and will locate in Iowa, Minnesota and the Dakotas. An agreement has just been signed and made public by members of the Indian commission whereby the Creeks will be allowed to take up forty acres of land to a family under the Curtis act and for such opportunity relinquish to the United States government the control of their schools and abolish their tribal government.

ANOTHER GUN POSTED.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A dispatch to the Herald from Ladysmith, April 5, says:

The Boers have posted a big gun on Knight's hill, north of Eldora's Laag, to another in the vicinity of Wessels' Nek station. The enemy are reported to be strongly entrenched at Helpmakaar.

ARIZONA MINING TROUBLES.

TNSCON, Ariz., April 10.—Colonel Kosteritzki, gendarme commander of Sonora, has arrived at the Cobre Grande Copper Mine, just below the border with a cavalry command having been called to protect the mining property against the Cosello faction which has made several unsuccessful attempts to gain possession of the valuable property.

The mine is operated by the Green Consolidated Company and the Cosello faction, who once held the property are trying to regain it. No trouble is expected to occur so long as the troops remain on the ground.

PREACHER COMMITS SUICIDE.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., April 10.—News has reached here that Rev. Dr. Joseph Hemphill committed suicide near Ballard, in the northern part of this county by blowing the top of his head off with a shotgun. He is believed to have been temporarily insane as no other cause can be assigned for the act. He was a brother of Rev. John Hemphill of San Francisco. A wife and five children are left almost penniless.

HOTEL KEEPER DEAD.

NEW YORK, April 10.—David S. Hammond, lessee of the Plaza and Murray Hill hotels, died at the latter hotel last night, aged 65 years. He was an owner and breeder of fine trotting horses.

ANOTHER V. P. CANDIDATE.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 10.—The Journal says: "Former Congressman Charles A. Towne of Duluth, is a candidate for the democratic nomination for vice-president. Judge Caldwell of Arkansas

has declined to permit his name to be used in that connection and Mr. Towne's candidacy is predicated on the judge's declination."

THE BRITISH STANDSTILL.

No Developments Reported Along the Entire Line in Africa.

NEW YORK, April 10.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: The press dispatches are still filled with belated accounts of the Reddersburg fight and the adventures of Burnham, the American scout. General Gatacre does not deserve censure for sending a British column without artillery, as it had been dispatched on a long trip for receiving arms and pacifying the country and was caught through a sudden change of the Boer tactics.

The troops offered a stubborn resistance and fought bravely as long as their cartridges held out. There was nothing creditable to the British arms in this affair and General Gatacre was well advised in not renewing the attack with an inferior force when he arrived with reinforcements from Springfield. The Boers are now reported to have retired eastward in small bands. They were probably bent upon sending the prisoners northward before renewing their attack upon the isolated British posts.

There are many dispatches from the southern half of the Free State but it is difficult to get a clear idea of the situation. The correspondents have a confirmed habit of overrating the Boer force whenever anything goes wrong. The estimates of the Boer strength in Thabanehu, Ladybrand and Wepener districts are grossly exaggerated and the importance of the Dutch flanking movements is overrated, as was done when Sir Redvers Buller's army was broken up into three sections by a small force of raiders below Estcourt.

The sensational rumors of the general concentration of the Boer commandoes south and east of Bloemfontein are from the British point of view too good to be true. Nothing would suit Lord Roberts' plan so admirably as the massing of the Dutch forces where they could be overwhelmed with superior numbers before the British line of communications to be guarded should be lengthened to the Vaal and thence to Pretoria.

The moral effect of the return of the Boers to the central reaches of the Free State is mixed. Recruits are gained and farmers are intimidated and this makes for the advantage of the Boers, but supplies are taken without being paid for and houses and farms are looted and these losses tend to reconcile the burghers to British occupation. The inaction of Sir Redvers Buller's army continues and on the western flank there is nothing more important than sniping and shelling between Warrenton and Fourteen Streams.

Sir Henry Rundle is reported as under orders for Kimberly and this may be the signal for a movement of the eighth division now arriving at Cape Town toward Mafeking, but this is not definitely announced. The relief of Mafeking can hardly be dependent upon the operations of a column sent to Rhodesia from Beira across the Portuguese territory by the railway.

Parliament has risen for the Easter recess after a series of dull debates. The government has strengthened its position and the liberals are dreading the effects of a premature appeal to the country which several ministers are known to favor.

NO INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

Yale and Harvard Will Not Challenge Oxford and Cambridge.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 10.—Bassett Johnson, captain of the Yale athletic team, says:

"I do not believe there is now the remotest chance that Yale and Harvard will be able to agree upon terms for a challenge to Oxford and Cambridge. Yale will, in a few days, issue a statement of her side of the case. That will end the whole matter."

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President Hill Wrecked in His Wild Flight From the Pacific Coast.

BUTTE, Mont., April 10.—President Hill, of the Great Northern railway, attended by a party of officials of his road, arrived in this city today after an exciting experience.

Early this morning his special train was derailed on the Northern Pacific track in the Silver Bow canyon, about six miles west of Silver Bow Junction. The engine and baggage car were overturned and although members of the party were badly shaken up, none were injured.

New steel was being laid where the accident occurred and several rails had been torn up. Hill's train was traveling at a high rate of speed and, although flagged, the engineer could not stop his engine in time to prevent the accident.

GEORGIA POPULIST MEETING.

Claim the Democrats Stole Their Thunder by Adopting Their Platform.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 10.—Two hundred delegates of the populist organization of Georgia met today for the nomination of a state ticket and the election of delegates to the national convention in Cincinnati.

Chairman W. L. Peck said Marion Butler of North Carolina was the "chief of all traitors" and the democratic party had adopted the platform of the populists except that the former was opposed to a "free ballot and a fair count."

Wharton Barker of Philadelphia was unanimously endorsed for the head of the national populist ticket and Ignatius Donnelly for vice-president.

JAMES HAM DECLINES.

Will Not Accept Democratic Nomination for Congress or Governor.

SEATTLE, April 10.—James Hamilton Lewis, in a letter to secretary Thomas Maloney of the democratic state central committee, which was made public today, declines in advance a nomination by the democrats next fall for congress or for governor.

PEACE MAKERS AT NAPLES.

The Boer Commissioners Empowered to Make the Best Terms They Can.

NAPLES, April 10.—The Boer peace commissioners, Messrs. Fischer, Wolmarans and Wessels, arrived here today. It is asserted by passengers that the peace commissioners are empowered to open negotiations for acceptance

of peace or for a truce, with a view to subsequent negotiations.

Corriere D'Italia this evening publishes an interview with Mr. Fischer, representing him as having said: "Lord Roberts will never reach Pretoria, as he would have to pass through an impracticable desert."

THEY WANT HANNA.

The Virginia Negroes Want the Dollar Man Re-Elected.

NORFOLK, April 10.—The republican state convention today elected delegates to the national convention and endorsed Mark Hanna for national chairman.

CLEVELAND'S SECOND LECTURE.

PRINCETON, N. J., April 10.—Ex-President Cleveland delivered his second lecture in Alexander hall tonight before a large audience.

PROMINENT BANKER DEAD.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Herman Marcuse, formerly one of the best known bankers in New York is dead at Nefel Walflur on the Rhine, Germany, aged 75 years.

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Mrs. E. Shiver, La Plata, Mo., writes: "A small pimple came on my jaw about one inch below the ear on the left side of my face. At first it gave me no trouble, and I did not think it was anything serious until the jaw began to swell and became much inflamed. At the same time the sore began to spread and eat into the flesh, and gave me intense pain. I tried everything I could hear of, but nothing did me any good. I then began the use of S. S. S., and after taking several bottles the Cancer healed, and there is now no sign of the disease. This was two years ago, and I am still enjoying perfect health."

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