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Isthmian Canal Treaty Now Bears Signatures of Secretary Hay And the Panama Re- presentative.

Text of Convention Can Not Yet Be Made Known by Our Government.

PATTERNED AFTER OLD ONE

Provides for Perpetual Lease of Right-of-Way and Gives Us Complete Juris- diction Over It.

Washington, Nov. 18.—The Hay-Bunau Varella Isthmian canal treaty was signed this evening at the residence of Secretary Hay by the secretary and Philippe Bunau Varilla, minister from Panama.

The treaty in its text can not be made public at this moment for two reasons: First, because of the unwritten law which obliges the state department to await the pleasure of the senate's ratification.

Certain facts have been disclosed as to the provisions of the treaty which make it appear that in its outline the new convention is patterned upon the Hay-Herran treaty. Instead of a fixed period, however, the new treaty provides for perpetual lease of the right of way. The new treaty permits the United States to exercise its most complete jurisdiction thereupon.

The United States may fortify the line and terminals and may police it with troops. The money consideration is understood to be the same. The canal is to be neutral and open to all nations on even terms. The new treaty is much simpler than the Hay-Herran treaty and it has been especially drawn to meet the objection urged against the latter. It is said the Panama commission, which arrives here tonight, has been empowered to ratify the treaty, and this action may occur within the next 48 hours.

EX-COMMISSIONER IN TROUBLE

Is Charged With Having Stolen Valuable Documents.

New York, Nov. 18.—Edward F. McSweeney, of Boston, formerly commissioner of immigration at Ellis Island, has appeared before United States Commissioner Shields for examination on the charge of having stolen important documents. He was accompanied by counsel, and witnesses were present from all parts of the United States and Canada.

It is charged that Mr. McSweeney, on leaving the office, had official letters and other documents belonging to the government packed up with his personal papers.

Mr. Sweeney declares he had a clerk pack up his private papers and left the boxes at the immigrant station for some time. Government officials there opened the boxes and found what were asserted to be official records. These documents, he says, were inadvertently mixed with his private papers and were of no use to him or others. Identification of several letters of small import occupied the time of the first session.

JEWELS ARE LOST AND FOUND

Honest "Cabbie" Will Be Liberally Rewarded.

New York, Nov. 18.—Colonel E. H. Power of New York, has had the unusual experience of losing a package containing \$40,000 worth of jewelry and finding it within a few hours, says a London dispatch to the Herald.

Mrs. Power had sent her jewels on from Carlsbad by a friend and her husband started to take them to a safety deposit. Colonel Power put the package on a seat in a cab beside him covering them with his overcoat. On the way he stopped at a tailor's, and, catching up his overcoat, paid the cab driver and dismissed him. It was not until he was leaving the tailor's that he remembered the precious package. Much wrought up he hurried to Scotland Yard and a score of detectives began to search the city. A few hours later the police inspector called on Colonel Powers and announced that the cabman had been found and turned over the jewels. Under the law the finder is entitled to 20 per cent of their value, so he will be substantially rewarded.

MEN BOILED IN GREASE.

New York, Nov. 18.—Five workmen have been instantly killed by the collapse of a huge lad rendering vat in a West 6th street estimate. Three of them will probably die. The men were

at work in the basement when the bottom of a tank containing many gallons of scalding grease suddenly gave way and the men were literally boiled. Instantly the grease became ignited and soon the basement was in flames. The cries of the men could be heard by pedestrians in the street and aid was quickly rendered by the police and firemen, but three of the men had almost been boiled alive before they could be rescued. The others were very seriously hurt but will probably recover.

DUEL ON CHICAGO STREET.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—A duel between men armed with a pistol and stiletto was fought in Archer avenue last night. When the battle ended both the participants had received wounds which were pronounced fatal.

Frank Russo, 18 years old, and Ferdinand M. Vinnetto, 21 years old, met in front of Russo's rooms. They had long been enemies, it is said and without any warning they rushed at each other. Vinnetto fired as he ran and Russo stabbed him as he fell. Thirty people standing nearby saw the battle, and policemen who came had to beat their way through a large crowd. Anthony Russo was arrested for complicity in the crime.

Moros Attacked By Our Troops

Force Lands From Transport, En- gages Jolo Residents and Fires on Them.

Manila, Nov. 18.—An unofficial report says that the captain of a United States army transport has landed reinforcements in Jolo and that fighting commenced as soon as the troops were landed. No further particulars have been received, as the cable is interrupted.

(A cable to the Associated Press from Manila, November 18, said that the Moros of Jolo had broken out in rebellion and that Major-General Wood had left for the scene of the disturbance. One received October 30 stated that a party of Moros had attacked a battery of artillery and that firing was kept up all day. Two Americans were wounded.)

TROUBLE SEEMS PROBABLE

Effort to Effect Horn's Release Will Be Coumbatted.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 18.—Cheyenne anxiously awaits developments in the Horn case. The authorities have taken every precaution, and while an attempt may be made by Horn's desperate friends to release him, it is certain he will never leave the jail alive, for the guards, before surrendering him, will take his life. Thirty militiamen are on guard within 100 feet of the jail, and should Horn's friends try to storm the building a number of men will certainly be killed.

Friends of Horn are circulating a petition praying the governor to commute the sentence. They are meeting with little success. Governor Chatterton will not countenance their efforts and Horn's doom is sealed.

ADMIRAL EVANS IS UPHOLD.

Washington, Nov. 18.—Secretary Moody today announced his decision in the matter of the protest of paymaster H. E. Biscoe against the language used by Rear-Admiral Evans, commander of the Asiatic station, in reviewing the result of the court-martial of Assistant Paymaster Nichols.

His ruling is that Rear-Admiral Evans, as the convening and reviewing authority of the court-martial of the case in question, was within the limits of his authority in criticizing the finding of not guilty upon the third charge and pronouncing the sentence inadequate, and in his criticism and animadversion of the court.

COSTLY CLUBHOUSE PROPOSED

New York Workingmen to Have Fine Home.

New York, Nov. 18.—This city is to be the home of the most costly clubhouse for workingmen in the United States. Plans for the structure, which is to be in the East Eighty-fourth street, near Third avenue, have been filed with the city authorities for approval and it is expected that construction work will be started early next spring. The clubhouse is to be of five stories, 100 by 102 feet in area and is to cost \$200,000. Facilities for physical and mental culture are to be the best obtainable. A gymnasium, class room, lecture rooms and library are provided and it is the intention to have regular courses of lectures, debates and studies for members. A large ball room will be arranged with stage for theatrical entertainments and musicals; while, on the first floor there will be a bar and cafe with reading and billiard room.

The workingmen's educational and home association of New York, which will carry out the project, was organized in 1886 and now has more than 1400 members. Through entertainments and other means, funds were raised to purchase the property.

TEAMSTERS STEP IN AND AID CARMEN

Decide to Refuse to Deliver Any Material to the Chicago City Railway Com- pany.

If Necessary General Strike of the Teamsters of Windy City Will Follow.

THE OUTLOOK NOT BRIGHT

Indications Are That the Plan of Arbitration Proposed for Settlement Will Miscarry.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—The teamsters' union took action tonight that may result in one of the most serious labor situations ever seen in this city.

At a general meeting of the organization it was decided to order all the members of the teamsters' union to refuse to deliver any articles to the Chicago City Railway Company during the existence of the present strike. It was also decided that if any of the teamsters were discharged by employers for refusing to deliver goods to the railway company a general strike would at once be ordered against the Chicago Employers' Association.

The teamsters' union, which is the strongest labor organization in the city, has about 4,000 members.

OUTLOOK NOT BRIGHT.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—"The prospects for speedy settlement of the strike of the employes of the Chicago City Railway Company are not as hopeful as they were yesterday."

This statement was made by Mayor Harrison tonight, after a conference between the city council and peace commission, delegates of the union and representatives of the Chicago City Railway Company.

"Whether or not the difficulty will be adjusted by arbitration I am unable to say," continued the mayor. "Every effort possible was made today to have both sides to the controversy adopt this means of settlement, but without satisfactory result. The officials of the company, however, have promised to send me tomorrow a more complete statement of their position than they were able to give tonight, but from today's developments, I am not so sanguine as I was yesterday. They will not agree to the proposition of arbitration as submitted by the strikers."

FORTY ARRESTS MADE.

New York, Nov. 18.—Forty arrests

have been made at Krasnoyarsk, western Siberia, in connection with the revolutionary movement, the headquarters of which is in European Russia, according to a Herald dispatch from Chfoo. A member of the Novi Kral has been arrested at Port Arthur where arrests are said to be numerous but the police conceal everything. Despite the cheerful tone of the Russian press, matters are most serious, the correspondent declares, owing to the impatience of the Japanese at the Russian expedients to gain time.

KEENE RETIRES FROM TURF.

New York, Nov. 18.—James R. Keene has personally confirmed the Associated Press dispatch from London announcing that he and his son Foxhall have decided to withdraw, for a time at least, from the English turf. Some of the horses—those having valuable stake engagements, will be sold and the remainder brought home. Mr. Keene declared that his trainer, as well as those employed by other American sportsmen, got lost in a multitude of perplexities that beset them on the English turf and, further, are unaccustomed to methods suitable to the climate.

SORRY PLIGHT OF SETTLERS

Snowbound and on Verge of Starvation in Montana.

Missoula, Mont., Nov. 18.—Word has been sent to the Missoula from the Trout creek district this evening that there are several parties of emigrants along the Spokane road in the west end of Missoula county snowbound and on the verge of starvation.

In one party near the Idaho border is a family of five, snowed up and without provisions or money. The family is living in an eight-foot tent, with snow up to the wagon bed. Relief parties will be sent out tomorrow.

THEY ATE MEAT ON FRIDAY

Miss Helen Gould's School I Placed Under the Ban.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Nov. 18.—Rev. T. J. Early, rector of the Catholic church of Irvington, has forbidden the children of Catholic parents in his parsonage to attend the sewing school that for years has been maintained by Miss Helen M. Gould. About 200 children attend the school. Father Early's first objection was made when some Catholic children attended a luncheon given by Miss Gould on Friday. At this luncheon meat was served and the Catholic children partook of it unthinkingly of the day. When Father Early learned of this he put the school under the ban.

BASE BALL SCORES.

At Sacramento—Sacramento 3; San Francisco 4.
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 5; Portland 2.

COLOMBIAN NATION WILL BE SPLIT UP

Departments of Cauca and Antio- quia Are Seeking Admis- sion Into the New Republic.

Not at All Satisfied With the Poli- ticians' Conduct of Af- fairs at Bogota.

COURSE NOT UNEXPECTED

Two States Are Most Prosperous of Republic and Con- tribute Greater Share of Revenues.

Washington, Nov. 18.—The state department late this afternoon received advices that the departments of Cauca and Antioquia, Colombia, are seeking to separate from the government and soliciting admission into the republic of Panama.

No surprise is expressed here over the reports these departments are making in an effort to align themselves with the republic of Panama. The departments named and also that of Bolivar are the most prosperous in the whole Colombian territory. They contribute the greater portion of the federal treasury. Antioquia alone paying about one-third the entire amount. The Antioquienses are known as the Yankees of Colombia and are progressive and businesslike people.

For a long time there has been dissatisfaction and discontent among the people of these departments over the management of affairs by the politicians of Bogota. The department of Cauca will benefit more largely than any of the others except Panama from the construction of the canal across the Isthmus.

STRANGE ILLNESS PREVAILS.

Williamston, Nov. 18.—A peculiar illness, accompanied by high fever, has prostrated a number of students at Williams college. Ten are now in the infirmary. The college authorities are endeavoring to ascertain the cause of the epidemic.

STRIKE SETTLED.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 18.—The strike at Snowshoe, in the soft coal district, has been settled at a conference here. The company agreed to give the men 66 cents a ton for low coal and 60 cents for high coal until April and then 65 cents.

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