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### CLAIM HUGE BLUFF

#### Warship Fleet Not to Come to Pacific Coast.

#### NO ORDER TO NAVY DEPT

Believe a Roosevelt Stunt Responsible for Belief in Move to Send Fleet Around Horn—Ships to be Sent on a Cruise in Fall.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Is the sending of the Atlantic fleet of Pacific waters merely a huge Roosevelt bluff? Developments here indicate that such is the case, and corroboration has come from Oyster Bay. The proprietor of a New York newspaper cabled to Viscount Hsiashi, minister of foreign affairs at Tokio, asking him the views of the Japanese government on the proposed transfer of America's naval power from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean. As might be expected, the diplomatic Japanese official replied in most conciliatory language. His message had scarce been ticked off the cable before what was reported to be an official statement was obtained by the same newspaper from President Roosevelt. The President is reported to have said that no order has been given to the Navy Department to send the battleship fleet to the Pacific, and that he knows of no order to that effect having been issued by the general board. It was announced that the present plan of the department is to have the battleships leave on a cruise early in the fall, but the destination has not yet been determined and they may not go to the Pacific. The statement credited to the President insists that the matter has nothing whatever to do with the Japanese question and closes with the declaration that absolutely no international significance can be attached to it. The armored cruiser St. Louis, however, is on its way to Pacific waters and is due to reach San Francisco about September 1st. The Navy Department has been informed that the cruiser has left Montevideo and will next touch at Punta Arenas in the Straits of Magellan.

Government circles are noting with interest the tendency of the various State universities to draw upon the capital for special lectures for their summer schools. Mr. C. J. A. Veditz, acting dean of the College of the Political Sciences of the George Washington University, left this week for the University of Illinois, where he will deliver a course of lectures during the summer. This excursion of Dr. Veditz is of especial interest, for the reason that he is at the head of a branch of the George Washington University that is turning out skilled help for the consular service of the United States, and which has been recognized as the leading institution of its kind in this country, taking rank with the schools of

have used it, to their credit, the safety of the defendant, and the understanding of the whole reading world. Even a jury is entitled to some refuge against its unsupported convictions in a case like this.

#### COWARDICE AT CRISIS.

A terrific crisis will bring out all the latent bravery, or cowardice, in the souls of those involved in its passage. It is a season for the development of the best and worst in human nature, and the expressions culled from such a juncture may be taken as indicative of the man, or woman, exemplifying them, pure and simple. No excuses are in order for failure to come up to standards of faith, grit, and daring during the hour of peril; they will avail nothing to the pleader when justification is sought for the lashes of the hour of stress. The world denies probation under the circumstances, and one is praised or damned as he or she shall have won out of the strain. Shipwreck is one of the incidents that reveals the stuff people are made of and the record is, generally, to the good, for it affords unusual opportunities for demonstration of the nobler qualities and time for their exercise. But even in disaster at sea, the coward is made conspicuous as in all desperate situations and he is promptly condemned and never forgotten.

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### WEATHER.

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### OUR FIRST DRY SUNDAY.

Astoria has passed her first "dry" Sunday, and from all appearances, is none the worse for the experience. Business is humming along just the same; the people are all in their accustomed places looking cheerful and doing their stunts in office, shop, factory, mill and other lines of service and interest; there is no growling about the new rule; all hands seem to take it as a matter of course, and no threats are heard of breaking, testing, or defying the regulation. It's alright, apparently, and if it is not, the protest has not yet developed.

It's a new sort of feeling down here, but it seems to be taken by way of relaxation and change and is accepted because of the freedom it gives from associations and engagements that were getting a bit tiresome, anyway. There was but little effort, if any, made to circumvent the deprivations of the hour, and the day passed pleasantly enough with all, even those who had to forgo their usual occupations and indulgences. In fact, everybody seems better for the adoption of the law, and the situation promises a steady and ready compliance right along.

Of course there are quite a number on whom the embargo fell with distinct and troublous emphasis and their contest with an ever-vivid thirst was a bit strenuous and was made manifest by a virtuous and prolonged yap against the invasion of their "constitutional" rights, but this was expected and laughed down, and the consensus of public opinion is that "it's all right and won't hurt anybody and had best be continued!"

### AN AMENDMENT NEEDED.

The laws of the several states need revision so that jurors may have something to report beside straight verdicts of "guilty" and "not guilty," when they have a huge ambiguity to cover and neither of the standard findings will answer their purpose. The old Scotch conclusion of "Not Proven" should be made available for just such issues as were presented in the Haywood case, and it would have filled the bill a whole lot better than the verdict sent to the records.

The jury in the Haywood case has undoubtedly done its whole duty, and whether it has or not the matter is ended and accepted so far as they are concerned, being beyond all dispute publicly or privately in so far as amending it is concerned. But those several gentlemen will be busy for the next few years explaining the basis of their conclusion, as rendered, to those who had looked for a verdict of "guilty;" and the story will get old and trite and tiresome, and will never be taken at its real value by the disappointed ones who are invariably insistent and contentious. The general belief throughout the country, as far as we can trace it, is that there was truth in Orchard's statement that the "inner circle" of the Western Federation of Miners had criminal interest and knowledgeable concern in the death of Governor Steunenberg; and while the jury did right in not convicting upon the testimony offered by Orchard unconfirmed as it was by collateral testimony of weight and value, they, believing there was tacit guilt and direct relation, it being unproven to their satisfaction, they were compelled to return the verdict that did not meet their real conviction and was the only one legally employable. Had they been permitted to use such a verdict as "Not Proven" they would, unquestionably,

the political sciences of France and England. This policy of sending professors of this University to the various schools throughout the country is aspiring to fill this niche, and its aspirations have been endorsed by the President, the presiding members of both houses of Congress, and practically every member of the President's official family, together with a large number of other men prominent in public life. The intention is to achieve this and without resorting to the use of public moneys, and patriotic Americans are beginning to subscribe liberally to an endowment fund.

Senator Hopkins' announcement, after a conference at Oyster Bay, that there will be no tariff revision at the coming session of Congress do not startle the country, and certainly caused no surprise here in Washington. No one who is at all familiar with the political situation has believed that revision will be attempted until after the next election. The "standpatters" are well entrenched, and it is likely that no changes in the schedules will be made until 1910, during the first session of the Sixty-first Congress. It is certain that the Republican party will endeavor to leave out of its platform entirely next year the question of revision, and although President Roosevelt is reported to have declared many times in the course of private conversations that he believed some changes should be made, he has refrained from recommending such a course in his messages because he realizes fully the futility of hoping to accomplish anything now. So if Mr. Hopkins hoped to create a sensation by his statement, he made a poor guess.

Rumors are insistent to the effect that Representative Burton of Ohio will resign his chairmanship of the House Rivers & Harbors Committee in the next Congress. It is said this course will be taken so that he may devote greater time to the work of the Inland Waterways Commission, of which he also is chairman. President Roosevelt is reported as being favorable to this plan, for the Commission was created by him just after the close of the last Congress and he is much interested in the entire program of waterway development. This interest is of long standing and has been expressed many times, never more clearly than in his addresses to the conventions of the National Rivers & Harbors Congress, the last two of which were held here. On both occasions Mr. Roosevelt applauded the organization for its work in arousing the American people and Congress to the necessity for a vigorous national program along such lines of betterments. The National Rivers & Harbors Congress is still maintaining its work in this convention and John A. Fox, its special director, is now visiting the cities of the upper Mississippi Valley, to enlist the moral and financial support of the people of that rich territory on behalf of the organization and its work. A number of important betterment schemes will be up for consideration before the Congress that will convene in December, and the National Rivers & Harbors Congress is endeavoring to increase its membership so that it may be thoroughly representative of the solid shipping and business interests of the whole country.

### TENEMENT VICTIMS

#### Twenty People Are Lost in Death Trap.

### MAYBE BLACK HAND OUTRAGE

Bodies of Dead Scarcely Recognized—Cripple Rescued Only to Die—Police and Firemen Risk Lives to Save Those in Burning Building.

NEW YORK, July 29.—After an all night search of the ruins of the six story tenement at 222 Christie Street shortly after midnight the police announced that there were twenty victims of the fire. The bodies of the dead were found in all sorts of unexpected places, where they had fled. Almost all the bodies were burned to such an extent that it was impossible to distinguish the sex. The majority of the victims, the police believe were women and children. Only five of the victims had been identified at an early hour today. They were Marjorie de Dolie, his wife Amelia and their two infant children and Frank Fields, a bedridden cripple who was carried out alive by the firemen, but who had succumbed to his injuries after his rescue.

The burned building was one of those old-fashioned tenements of the east side with a store on the ground floor and the apartments up stairs crowded with tenants, mainly Italians. The fire started in the rear and swept through the building with a rush. The people were severely burned or otherwise injured. One man was found wandering delirious in the street, suffering intense agony from burns which extended from head to foot. His clothes had been burned from his body only here and there a shred remained attached to the blistered flesh.

Brave work by the police and firemen saved many lives, the firemen alone rescuing five persons. It is thought that the fire was caused by an explosion, a citizen reporting that he heard a loud report and saw the stor window crack and fall to pieces.

If this is true, it is possible that the great loss of life is due to "black hand" outrage.

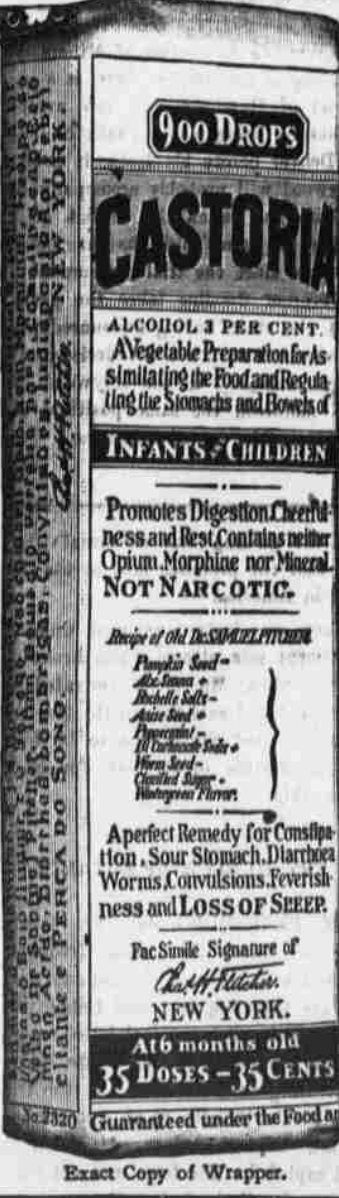
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