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UP AGAINST UNCLE SAM

Moroccans to Be Confronted by Two Full Fleets of Warships.

SAILING ORDERS GIVEN

Both South Atlantic and European Squadron Will Demand Release of American Millionaire Perdicaris.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) Washington, May 21.—The United States government will go to the extreme of its authority to effect the speedy rescue of Ion Perdicaris, the American millionaire host of the Moroccan bandit Raisul, and his British stepson, Cromwell Varley, who were kidnaped May 18 in Tangier.

In this action the United States will be seconded by Great Britain, which has dispatched one warship to Gibraltar. Acting Secretary of State Loomis has cabled orders to both the South Atlantic and European squadrons to proceed at once to Tangier and demand that the sultan of Morocco secure the release of the captives at any cost.

Formidable Fleet. South Atlantic squadron (Rear-Admiral Chadwick, commanding)—Brooklyn (flagship), Capt. J. M. Hawley; Atlanta, Commander E. F. Quiltrough; Marietta, Commander Henry Morrell; Cascade, Commander E. J. Dorn.

European squadron (Rear-Admiral T. F. Jewell, commanding)—Olympic (flagship), Capt. Z. B. Coker; Baltimore, Commander J. H. Briggs; Cleveland, Commander W. H. H. Sutherland; Des Moines, Commander Alexander McCrackin.

A Paris dispatch from Tangier says leading Moroccan officials have started for the mountains in an effort to induce the brigands to give up their prisoners. The Temps correspondent at Tangier cites the audacity of the brigands in sending back for the clothing of the prisoners.

Perdicaris Is Prominent. The passport application of Ion Perdicaris, the kidnaped American, made when he sailed for Tangier in April, 1903, was scanned with interest by Acting Secretary of State Loomis today. The document is in Perdicaris' own hand. The passport was issued for Perdicaris and his second wife, Ellen, who was Mrs. Varley, an Englishwoman.

Perdicaris states his age as 63, his stature as 5 feet 10 inches, and minutely describes his person as follows: Forehead high, eyes brown, nose straight, mouth medium, chin slight, hair gray, complexion fair, face oval.

The passport is asked for the purpose of a temporary sojourn in Europe, and Trenton, N. J., is stated as the legal residence of the applicant, with his temporary residence at Tangier.

It is learned at the state department that the father of Perdicaris was at different times minister to Portugal, Austria, and Greece, and that Ion Perdicaris was born in the American consulate at Athens. His citizenship status is the same as that of Mayor McClellan of New York.

SAYS HE WAS FORCED TO DEATH. (Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., May 21.—Hounded for months, according to his statement, Charles Thompson was driven to desperation and then death. Tuesday night Thompson turned on the gas in his room in a lodging house. Today a letter was found addressed to my influential enemies and their stool pigeons.

ACTOR HUMPHREYS DIES WHILE AT SEA. (Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) New York, May 21.—Joseph Humphreys, actor, author, and stage manager, died today on the American liner St. Louis as that vessel was racing past Nantucket on her way to this port. The body will be buried here.



HOW THE FACTS LOOK TO BINGER (WITH APOLOGIES TO THE OREGONIAN)

KENTUCKY BREAKS NAVAL RECORDS

Is Now Regarded as the Fastest and Finest Battleship Afloat—Evans Dined by Royalty.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) New York, May 21.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans is home from the China station, glorying in a new mousethese and a new record for his flagship, the Kentucky, the finest and fastest battleship afloat.

The Kentucky made record runs all the way from the ports of the Suez. She left Gibraltar on the same day as the army transport Kilpatrick, stopped at Madeira for two days and sailing from there May 12 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, entered New York harbor at 7:45 this morning, to learn that the Kilpatrick had not yet arrived.

From Madeira to New York the Kentucky broke the record of the Kearage, averaging 13.4 knots an hour, to 13.5 made by the latter.

The admiral was willing to talk about his reception by the emperor and empress of China and to repeat the message he sent to the "Bad Man" of Nanchang, but reminded the interviewer that an admiral must be careful not to say too much.

The king of Italy visited the ship at Naples on April 29 and exchanged courtesies with the American admiral. The latter said of the visit of the king: "When the king came on board the Kentucky we were taking on coal from lighters on both sides and the ship was in no condition for inspection."

"His majesty was accompanied by the minister of marine and spent about an hour on board and complimented me very highly. The next day I dined at the royal palace in Naples with the king and queen. The king knew more about America and the American navy than I had given him credit for."

IDENTITY OF WOMAN IS ESTABLISHED. (Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal) New Haven, Conn., May 21.—The identity of the daughter of the Yale professor, who was brutally attacked near her home in the fashionable section of this city Thursday night, has been established.

GENERAL FUNSTON CALLS HISTORY CHANGE MALICIOUS

Explains Mistake Occurred in Compiling Matter for History

(Journal Special Service.) Topeka, Kan., May 21.—A subcommittee of the state school book commission has decided that General Funston shall no longer figure with such marked heroism through the Kansas histories, and proposes, therefore, to cut out the story of his swimming the Bagbag river, in the Philippines, while a spirited action was on with the enemy.

For five years this has been the teaching in Kansas. When General Funston was promoted from a colonelcy of volunteers to be a brigadier-general in the regular army his commission embodied the swimming episode as being one of the pertinent reasons for such promotion.

Commissioner McCray, who will thus controvert the oft-repeated story and see that history is sent glimmering down the ages as "she should be wrote," declared the Bagbag incident untrue and says credit shall be given Trembley and White, privates, and incidentally citizens of Kansas, for this exploit.

Brigadier-General Frederick Funston in an interview here last evening regarding the story telegraphed from Topeka, Kan., to the effect that the scholars in the high schools there will no longer be taught that he was the hero of the Bag Bag river incident, said that in this controversy he had been the victim of a complication of misunderstandings.

General Funston frankly admitted that Edward White and William B. Trembley were the heroes of the hour, but that the act of bravery for which they were justly lauded, granted medals of honor and offered commissions in the volunteer service did not happen on the Bag Bag river.

Compilers Used Wrong Data. "From the tone of the telegram sent from Topeka the public might infer that I was promoted and decorated on the strength of the newspaper stories cabled by war correspondents. But this is not the case. My promotion was based on reports sent by the war department by General McArthur, division commander, and General Wheaton, brigade commander. Their recommendations were cabled, and my promotion wired back in three days. The reports sent by war correspondents were accurate, but I do not think that their home offices fully understood that there were two engagements, and that is what has caused all this confusion.

The text books in use in the Kansas schools, from which the Bag Bag river incident has been ordered expunged, were published during the Philippine war and the committee, or whoever compiled the books, is more to blame than anybody else. The compilers of these books did not go by the official war records, but obtained their data from newspaper reports, which were correct as sent from the Philippines, but the dispatches came together and the public confused the Rio Grande river exploit with that which happened on the Bag Bag river.

NEARLY A RIOT IN HEBREW CHURCH

Member of Congregation at Sixth and Hall Streets Viciously Attacks Rabbi Abbey, Calling Him a Liar.

Prompt action and earnest appeals for order on the part of the few calm members of the congregation checked an incipient riot yesterday morning in the synagogue of the Nevah Zedek Talmud Torah, Sixth and Hall streets, which was precipitated during the observance of the feast of the pasover. Vigorous advice and exhortations of the older and more cautious members ago said to have prevented a lynching, which was threatened when Solomon Weinstein usurped the pulpit and pronounced the rabbi a liar, hypocrite, robber and impostor. He capped his arch of fierce denunciation by declaring the rabbi to be an "anti-Semite."

Immediately a wave of intense indignation swept over the congregation, composed largely of Russian Jews. Men rose quickly from their seats with threatening gestures. Women were awe-struck and called down curses upon the head of the blasphemer. Children gaped in open-mouthed horror at the man who dared denounce the holy rabbi.

Crowd Becomes Angry. There was a hum of angry mutterings as the wrathful crowd of men pushed out into the aisles breathing vengeance. Children and women began a hasty exit in fear of impending trouble. In the face of the menacing throng which crowded towards him, Weinstein retained his stand upon the rostrum and continued his harangue.

Rabbi Abbey, the victim of the fierce assault, stood calmly near. He raised his hand in humble protest, but the mandate was unheeded. Subdued cries of "lynch him," escaped the crowd, while Weinstein, in a frenzied spasm of wild upbraidings, proceeded with his harangue, unmindful of the danger.

Escaped From Building. It was then that M. Simon, secretary of the congregation, seized the infuriated speaker and forced him to leave the building. Venerable members stood between him and the crowd and pleaded for peace. Their advice prevailed and serious trouble was averted. Before the departure of Weinstein, however, another member of the congregation quietly escorted Rabbi Abbey from the building to his home.

Jewish quarters have been deeply stirred as a result of the act of Weinstein and it was the sole topic of conversation yesterday among Hebrews in all sections of the city. A committee, consisting of the president, secretary and other officers of the congregation, was appointed and presented information of the affair to District Attorney Manning. According to the statements of Filipinos, whose entire force in that vic-

nothing particularly dangerous about the feat, the river not being very wide and having very little current. We simply jumped into the water, swam across and occupied the enemy's trenches. That was the only swimming I did.

HIS NAME EXPUNGED FROM BOOKS IN THE KANSAS SCHOOLS.

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"I do not attempt to deny that White and Trembley are entitled to all the credit that can be given them for their bravery," he said, "but I do think that the tone of the story telegraphed from Topeka is to say the least, malicious. Most of the confusion in the public mind regarding my promotion in the Philippines came from the fact that two engagements in which I participated came very close together. The Bag Bag river affair simply amounted to the fact that on April 25, 1899, five enlisted men and myself swam that stream in order to get near the enemy's lines. There was a very small fire going on, which did not amount to much, and there was

PANAMA PURCHASE MONEY WILL REMAIN

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) New York, May 21.—It was semi-officially stated today that \$4,000,000 of Republic of Panama money will be invested in New York City real estate mortgages.

The investment will be negotiated here on the arrival next week of the Panama commissioners, William Nelson Cromwell is their counsel, and it is likely that the money will be placed through J. P. Morgan & Co.

The Republic of Panama received \$10,000,000 from this government on account of the canal. Of this amount, \$1,000,000 was turned over to the agent of the new republic some weeks ago and a warrant for the remaining \$9,000,000 was received by J. P. Morgan & Co. from the treasury department of Washington. The money is in bank here, awaiting the disposal of the commissioners.

It was originally intended that the Panama money should be invested in United States government bonds, as the representatives of the government wished to locate it in this country. Government bonds, however, returned a very small income. Railroad bonds were also suggested, but finally it was decided to purchase real estate mortgages as the best secured investment available.

FORTRESS RELEASED

Train Reaches Port Arthur After Battle in Which Japs Lose.

HARBOR ENTRANCE OPEN

Russians Encouraged by News From Front Which Indicates a Change of Fortune—Czar Attends the Services.

(Copyright Hearst News Service by Leased Wire to The Journal) London, May 21.—According to a message received today from St. Petersburg, several divisions of the Japanese army are advancing rapidly on Mukden. If this report be true the Japanese are supposed to have outflanked Kuropatkin and got around his line of entrenchments or else cut their way through.

RUSSIA'S STAR RISING.

Close of a Very Successful Week of Fighting. (Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, May 21.—Three things are of interest here tonight. The first is the report that the cruiser Bogatyr grounded off the tortuous Vladivostok entrance, where she now lies waiting for assistance. This the government officials deny, but their report is doubted by many.

The second feature of the war which brings much joy to the Russian mind is that it has been proved that by land through the beleaguered garrison and the unbolting of the Port Arthur entrance, there seems to be no doubt that Russia is nearly ready to assume the offensive.

The reports received here estimate that the Japanese lost nearly 1,000 killed and wounded. The Russian list of casualties were less than 150.

The train, which was loaded with supplies and ammunition, made its way to the port as soon as the road was clear. The Japanese road destruction seems to have been of a poor order, as the reports with this respect indicate a difficulty was found in making repairs.

Port Can Be Entered. It is reported here tonight, but without any official confirmation, that a (Continued on Page Three.)

NEWSBOYS STRIVE FOR CASH PRIZES

There are about 150 little peddlers of the daily papers in Portland. At the present time each of them is the concrete embodiment of happiness.

The cause is two-fold. In the first place a benefit performance is to be given at the Marquam Grand theatre next Wednesday evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to increasing the facilities of their new library and club room at Fourth and Burnside streets. And, secondly, in selling tickets for this benefit three of the youngsters will secure cash prizes aggregating \$12.

B. E. Keagy, president of the Newsboys' association, will present the boy selling the most tickets with \$5. The Journal will give the one selling the next largest number of tickets \$4, and the boy selling the third largest number \$3.

One boy has as good a chance as another in this contest. The youth possessing the greatest amount of ability as a hustler will win the first prize, and the others will come in the order of merit. It is a free-for-all contest.

Not only will the offer of prizes result in an increase of cash capital in the case of these boys, but the struggle for the cash will cause a much larger number of tickets to be sold than otherwise. In the end the association as a whole will be the winner.