



MYSTERIOUS LETTER IN HANDS OF LOCAL POLICE

AMERICA'S GREAT DRYDOCK DEWEY AT MANILA SINKS

Water Displacing Valves Left Open in Some Unknown Manner—Large Enough to Receive Dreadnaughts.

INSTALLED AT TOTAL COST OF \$1,040,000

All Nations Used Dock—Towed to Islands Via Suez Canal in 1906.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Manila, May 24.—The drydock Dewey, the largest floating drydock of the American navy, sank in 70 feet of water at Olongapo, Subig bay, today, in some unknown manner the water displacing valves of the drydocks were left open.

The costly machinery of the Dewey is ruined, according to naval engineers.

Installed July 16, 1906.

The Dewey was installed at Olongapo, Subig bay, July 10, 1906, after having been towed there from Hampton Roads.

The drydock was used by the ships of all nations touching at Olongapo. It could take vessels of the Dreadnaught class. The drydock cost \$1,040,000.

While the Dewey is out of commission war vessels in the Orient must use the Kowloon, China, drydock.

Valledo, Cal., May 24.—The drydock Dewey, which is reported sunk in Philippine waters, was installed at Olongapo, Subig bay, Manila, by Naval Constructor W. G. Duboss and Chief Carpenter W. W. Cowles, who are at the Mare Island navy yard here.

Cowles said the drydock probably sank in a tornado, as that was most feared by naval officers when the huge steel tank was put in place. He expressed the belief that the Dewey would be raised.

Cost \$1,040,000.

The Dewey was built at Starrows Point, Md., by the Maryland Steel company, at a cost of \$1,000,000. The drydock measured 500 feet in length and 166 feet in width, and would accommodate the largest ship, including even war vessels of the Dreadnaught type. The hoisting machinery could lift 24,000 tons dead weight.

The Dewey was towed to the Philippines by the refrigerator ship Glacier and the supply ships Caesar and Brutus, under command of Captain Hawley, new chief constructor Duboss and Chief Carpenter Cowles accompanied the expedition. In passing through the Suez canal the huge drydock scraped the sides of the canal and the United States was compelled to pay \$30,000 for repairs to the waterway. The Dewey was installed at Olongapo March 10, 1906.

DEATH OF SMALL CHILD ATTRIBUTED TO CREED OF HOLY ROLLERS SECT

Another death has been laid to the fanatical creed of the "Holy Rollers" sect. The 3-year old daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Nelson, 31 Grand avenue, died of diphtheria. Although the baby suffered for several days no physician was called until the little one had ceased to breathe. A physician was then summoned. He found that diphtheria had been the cause of death. A 14-year old brother is now lying in bed with the disease. He refuses to take medical treatment, his refusal being approved by his mother. The health authorities are powerless to aid the stricken boy because of his stubborn religious belief.

RAILROADS TO RUN EVERY DIRECTION IN OREGON—HILL

Returning From 1500-Mile Journey Through State, Railroad President Voices Enthusiasm Over Interior.

SATISFIED OREGON SOIL WILL PRODUCE ANYTHING

Great Northern to Assist in Doubling Population by Advertising Campaign.

"Oregon is a wonderful state." This is what Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad learned on his 1500-mile tour through central Oregon and the Willamette valley which was completed last night, when the party drew up at the Hotel Portland.

"A wonderful state that will grow anything. I never dreamed that Oregon would grow palms," he resumed.

"But it will. I saw them flourishing down the line. It will grow anything from rye and wheat and grasses to figs and tropical fruit."

"My impressions of the trip are so many that they would fill a book, but the one thing above all others is that the Great Northern, which has been doubling the state's population in the next two years. And railroads will be built in every direction. I am not speaking for an east and west line or any other line, because I am not building railroads, but I know they will be built, and there will be more than one. I see room for many roads."

Open Up Oregon.

"The Great Northern is going to open up Oregon whether the people want us to or not, but I feel that the people are with us. I never met more enthusiastic anywhere than in Oregon. Everywhere we were received and welcomed in a way that bespeaks genuine sympathy and deep enthusiasm. To say that the trip was a revelation and a great pleasure is putting it mildly."

"We will immediately begin our advertising campaign in the east and headquarters have already been established in Portland to look after matters at this end. Occasional tours will be made through the state to keep us closely in touch with the progress of development."

Mr. Hill left for St. Paul this morning in his special car after having left matters in charge of H. A. Jackson, assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Great Northern, and F. W. Graham, who will be known as western industrial and immigration agent.

Find Anything Here.

Headquarters will be maintained for the time being at least in the Third street office of the Great Northern until a permanent exhibit of state products has been arranged, when larger quarters will be required. By that time plans will also be perfected to meet and take care of people who come out to settle. It is realized that these people are in need of unprejudiced advice, and this will be furnished.

Large collections of photographs will be secured from all parts of the state to show the topography of the various localities to people before they begin looking over the country in search of a suitable location.

"Almost anything a man wants can be found in Oregon," Mr. Hill continued. "I found that the state contains every character of land, and in large quantities. Some of the counties are large enough to house entire states of the east without crowding."

Such Land Withheld.

"I would like to see the man with a fixed ideal enter Oregon and come out with a different one."

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THE RISING STORM



MILWAUKEE'S NEW MAYOR SUGGESTS UNIQUE METHODS

Tells Ministers Schools Should Have Moving Pictures to Offset Cheap Shows—Advocates Ball Game.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Milwaukee, Wis., May 24.—That moving pictures installed in the public schools will offset the evils of the nickel theatre is one of the suggestions made by Mayor Emil Sidel that has given the ministers of Milwaukee something to reflect upon.

The Socialist mayor attended a meeting of the ministers yesterday and talked about reform. One minister suggested that it was useless to try to give good, wholesome amusement to the boys of Milwaukee as long as the nickel theatres were allowed to operate. The picture shows it was charged, had an evil influence.

"The thing to do is to compete with the nickel theatres," the mayor replied. "Moving pictures having a proper influence installed in the schools would counteract the effect of the cheap theatres."

Advocate Ball Game.

Another suggestion that started the ministers was that baseball is a counter attraction for the saloon.

"When a boy is offered a ticket to a ball game he will abandon saloons," the mayor declared.

One of the ministers objected, saying liquor was sold at the ball park. "The boys will manage to drink somehow," he said.

BOMB OUTRAGES IN SPAIN REVIVE FEARS FOR KING

Renewal of Anarchistic Activity Shown in Simultaneous Occurrences at Widely Separated Points.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Madrid, May 24.—Bomb outrages at Barcelona, Seville and Madrid, in which the life of King Alfonso was endangered, caused the police today to begin a campaign against anarchistic organizations.

The reign of terrorism at Barcelona and Seville received impetus here when a man named Callenmayor, dropped a bomb near a place where the king and queen of Spain were to drive on the king's return from England.

The bomb exploded and wounded Callenmayor. The police started in pursuit of the man, who, seeing he would be captured, killed himself with a revolver.

A report was circulated by the authorities that Callenmayor had attempted to dynamite a monument erected to the memory of the victims of the bomb explosion of 1904 but later it was admitted that Callenmayor's act was not one of vandalism but was the mischance of an anarchistic plot for a concerted uprising.

Carransa, Spain, May 24.—Three persons were killed and 18 injured today in a bomb explosion in a church here. The killed and injured were worshipping in the edifice at the time.

The authorities have learned that the bomb was composed of explosives similar to that which injured a man named Callenmayor at Madrid, who is believed to have planned an attack upon the king and queen.

The similarity of the bombs leads to the belief that an anarchistic reign of terror is impending.

TWO MEN SAVED AFTER 36 HOURS ON LOG IN OCEAN

Attempt to Cross Small Bay on Improvised Raft Which Goes to Pieces—Picked Up by a Fish Schooner.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., May 24.—Clinging to a log raft for 36 hours in the middle of San Juan Straits, and half crazed by cold and hunger, Hans Larsen and Oliver Jensen, loggers of Richardson, were picked up last Wednesday night by the halibut schooner Standard Fish company No. 3.

The schooner arrived in port last night and the captain told the story of the rescue today. In rescuing the two men the dory in which the crew was lowered was stove in by the great log to which the loggers were clinging, and only quick work by Captain Nelson with a life line saved the crew as well as the castaways.

A stiff gale was blowing Wednesday night and the sea was running high in the straits. Captain Nelson, who was at the wheel, heard a cry and made out a dark object on the water. The crew was lowered in a dory and made for the spot. A great wave hurled the log into the little boat and the captain heard the crash. He steered the schooner within a few feet of the sinking dory and got a line to the men.

The two loggers were taken to Port Angeles the next day, where they were sent to a hospital, weak from exposure and from the effects of drinking ocean water.

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ALLEGED LETTER FROM ERICSON OF PORTLAND INVOLVES SMITH CASE

LOS ANGELES HAS RUMOR OF PLOT AGAINST WOMAN

Los Angeles, May 24.—The chief of police refuses to admit the alleged Ericson letter or discuss the case. He is said to have wired full instructions to Chief of Police Cox of Portland last night.

Los Angeles, May 24.—The police later admitted they had secured possession of a letter signed by Ericson, an undertaker of Portland, directing a certain man here to send a fake message to Portland, purporting to be signed by the missing woman.

E. E. Ericson, undertaker at 409 Alder street, who was the custodian of the funds of Mrs. Hanna Smith, the aged Swedish woman who so mysteriously dropped out of sight on May 8, was the real author of the telegram signed with her name and sent here to Mrs. Anna Harper, her niece, according to advices received from Los Angeles today.

According to these advices Ericson wrote to a friend in Los Angeles and directed him to send the telegram to Mrs. Harper. This man was taken to police headquarters in Los Angeles and gave the letter written to himself by Ericson to the police, who now have it.

Makes No Reply.

Ericson was asked about the report this morning over the telephone. At the time he was at the Greenwood cemetery and he was called to the telephone. The report from Los Angeles was told him, and he was asked if he had any statement or explanation to make. No reply was received from him and it was found that he had left the receiver hanging and had mounted the stairs standing outside the building, and driven rapidly away. It was said by the woman who answered the telephone that he had gone to a funeral south of Greenwood cemetery and would return there about 2 o'clock.

Captain of Detectives Moore says that he had no word from Los Angeles (Chief Cox, however, did) and that he could make no move without the instructions of the district attorney's office.

The report from Los Angeles has it that Ericson wrote to a friend in Los Angeles, asking that the following telegram be sent to Mrs. Anna Harper at 229 Main street: "Send all my things C. O. D. to Los Angeles, Cal. by friend freight. Pay room rent. Tell Ericson I will write later. Am all right. Hanna Smith."

The peculiar thing about it is that Mrs. Smith did not know the address of her niece, Mrs. Harper. Ericson did know the address, having hunted Mrs. Harper up after the disappearance of Mrs. Smith, May 8. Mrs. Smith has no friends in Los Angeles.

Danish Ministers Resign.

Copenhagen, May 24.—When King Frederick returns from London he will find the resignations of the ministers of worship and commerce, who failed of reelection. The resignations are in the hands of Premier Zahle.

Story of Last Conference.

The insurgent executive committee gave the following outline of their visit to the president, before the insurgent caucus: Nelson, Gardner and Madison endeavored to secure good legislation throughout my administration.

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INSURGENTS CLAIM ROOSEVELT PLAN TO WIN WITH HIM

Relation of Events in Closing Hours of Administration, When Roosevelt Asked Taft to Stand by People.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, May 24.—That Theodore Roosevelt is with the insurgents heart and soul is the gist of a hitherto unpublished report made by a committee of insurgents to a caucus of the house progressives in March, 1909. The insurrection was given the insurgents in the strenuous closing days of Roosevelt's administration.

With this support behind them the house progressives, with "Roosevelt and insurgent" as the battle cry, are planning a terrific campaign next fall that will sweep the former president into the whirlpool of politics.

The insurrection, which forms the ground work of the campaign planned, was given to Representative Nelson of Wisconsin, Representative Gardner of Massachusetts and Representative Madison of Kansas. The three representatives were sent as a committee by the insurgents to Roosevelt to obtain his endorsement of the insurgent policies.

They appeared before the caucus and made a report of the result of their mission. The report is here made public for the first time.

Canon Greatly Obstacle.

On March 3, 1909, the report declares, Roosevelt proposed to give Representative Nelson, as chairman of the insurgent caucus, a letter of endorsement of the fight made by the progressives on Speaker Cannon and the house rules. He expressed thorough sympathy with the progressives and said:

"Cannon has been the greatest obstacle to my efforts to secure good legislation throughout my administration."

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BELATED EFFORT FOR PUBLIC DOCKS MAY SAVE PORT OF CHICAGO

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Chicago, May 24.—Belated efforts to regain Chicago's lake commerce by harbor improvements have been aided by facts concerning Bristol, for centuries one of England's greatest ports, but during the last 60 years in decline because private ownership of the docks prevented harbor developments.

The completion of the Royal Edward docks at Bristol, which the new Royal line of steamships, owned by the Canadian-Northern railway was first to use, have provided the harbor depth for big boats, the lack of which caused Transatlantic steamships to develop Liverpool instead of Bristol as a great port.

ATLANTIC CITY SHUNS THOSE GREEK DUNCANS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Atlantic City, N. J., May 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Duncan, formerly of San Francisco, are daily promulgating the board walk attack in ancient Greek costumes. The exponents of Greek simplicity arrived at Atlantic City in company with Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Krebs of Swanton, and went to a restaurant. The proprietress refused to serve them unless the Duncans put on more clothing. When the party left they were forced to pass through a crowd that had gathered about the restaurant.

Extend Car Line.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Albany, Or., May 24.—The first street carline will be extended this summer from Washington to Cascade street. A. J. Fitterbach is now upon the ground making preparations for the extension.

POLICEMEN PAY FOR SLEEP AT RATE OF \$1 PER MINUTE

It cost \$1 a minute for Patrolmen R. E. Williams and J. J. Mackey to sleep on duty, but they have agreed to pay the price.

Both men were found sleeping in a basement last week by Sergeant Harry Parker. The patrolmen covered their feet, and at 10 o'clock on morning found repose in the warm basement. The sergeant saw them go in the place, and after waiting 30 minutes entered the place. Williams was lying on the floor, while Mackey was asleep in a chair. Both men were suspended until the matter could be taken up yesterday by the police commission. They were each fined \$25.

Willamette League Dissolves

Albany, Or., May 24.—The Springfield team of the Willamette Valley Baseball league has withdrawn from the league on account of an alleged unfair treatment at Eugene on Sunday. The Albany team claims that it also received unfair treatment at Eugene on the previous Sunday. Through the withdrawal of Springfield the league becomes dissolved. Albany will keep an independent team in the field throughout the summer, as also will Springfield.

Kaiser Leaves for Home

London, May 23.—Kaiser Wilhelm left London today for Sherburn, where he will board the royal yacht Hohenzollern and sail for Germany. The Hohenzollern has been lying at Sherburn since May 18, when it brought the Kaiser to England to attend the funeral of his uncle, King Edward.

CHURCH PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES WISH BIG FIGHT STOPPED

Denunciatory Resolutions to Governor Gillett and San Francisco Officials Demand Enforcement of Law.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, May 24.—Officers of the Church Federation of Los Angeles today denounced the proposed resolutions to fight to be forwarded to Governor Gillett and to District Attorney Fickert and Chief of Police Martin of San Francisco.

The Federation council unanimously passed the drastic resolutions last evening. It brands the proposed fight as an evidence of "commercialized brutality" and a "desecration of Independence day."

One paragraph of the document that will be forwarded to Governor Gillett declares the proposed fight to be in direct violation of the law. It states that if steps are not taken to prevent the contest the celebration and other organizations will prosecute an ordinance the principals and promoters, and will seek to remove from office the officials responsible for permitting it to proceed.

HALLEY'S COMET SITS FOR PHOTO DURING ECLIPSE

Camera Man at Lick Secures Some Excellent Likenesses of the Wanderer and Also of Luna in Obscurity.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Lick Observatory, Cal., May 24.—Halley's comet was seen by Director Campbell of Lick observatory for 45 degrees of its length, during the eclipse of the moon last night. The eclipse took place at the time scheduled, 7:10 p. m., emerging 95 minutes later. At 9:00 the eclipse was total.

Heavy fog hung over the Santa Clara valley below Mount Hamilton, and to eager watchers of San Jose, Palo Alto and other valley towns the comet was obscured.

Professor Campbell took several photographs of the comet and of the moon at various stages of the eclipse, which will be needed for scientific purposes. No extraordinary phenomena were observed.

Official observations were taken also on Mount San Jacinto from San Jose.

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