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DEMOCRATS BANQUETED

Jefferson's Birthday Generally Observed Throughout the Country.

BIG TIME IN NEW YORK

Eighteen Hundred Guests Sat Down to the Democratic Club's Banquet.

A SWELL DINNER AT TACOMA

The First Step in Allying the Silver Forces Under the Name of Democracy—The Portland Banquet.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The dinner of the Democratic Club in honor of the anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson was held tonight at the Metropolitan opera house. Looking from the tiers to the floor of the vast dining hall, the tables seemed like great beds of roses. So abundant were the flowers that some of the guests were hardly able to see each other over the floral banks.

The guests began to arrive at 6 o'clock, but the dinner did not begin for an hour and a half after that. Captain Price, of the Tenderloin, and 42 policemen were in and around the building.

Just before the guests were called to order, Richard Croker, Perry Belmont, Commissioner Scannell and Commissioner Sexton entered a box. There were fully 300 more guests than the 1500 planned for, but all found seats.

This is said to be the largest number ever accommodated at a banquet in the history of the city.

The band struck up "Hail to the Chief" at 7:30 o'clock and Richard Croker, arm-in-arm with John Stanchfield, marched down the aisle.

Croker held a levee just before the regular speech-making began. He shook hands cordially with everybody and smiled as man after man congratulated him upon the success of the dinner.

THE BANQUET AT TACOMA.

First Step Toward Cementing the Fusionists as Democrats.

TACOMA, April 13.—The state democrats celebrated Jefferson's birthday at a banquet here tonight. The banquet was given under the auspices of the democratic central committee and is significant in that it is the first step in the movement toward cementing the fusion forces under a democratic organization. Populists and silver republicans were as numerous as democrats.

Governor John R. Rogers (populist), in responding to the toast, "Jefferson and Popular Government," strongly endorsed expansion. Ex-Congressmen Lewis and W. C. Jones, Senator Turner, and H. T. Jones, chairman of the democratic state central committee, were caught in a washout and prevented from being present.

Jefferson's own punch bowl, which has been in the possession of the family of E. C. Clay, an Elma hotelkeeper, for 120 years, was sent by express to ex-Congressman Lewis for use at the banquet. Lewis failed to arrive and the punch bowl remained in the express office. Clay is a distant relative of Jefferson.

THE MILWAUKEE BANQUET.

MILWAUKEE, April 13.—The Jefferson Club of Milwaukee observed the natal day of the founder of democracy in a most fitting manner by a banquet at the Plankington house tonight, which was attended by over 400 guests. Colonel W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, was the guest of honor and delivered the principal address.

THE PORTLAND DINNER.

PORTLAND, April 13.—The banquet in honor of Jefferson's birthday was held tonight at Watson's restaurant by the local democracy. Over 200 guests were present, many of them being from distant parts of the state. The banquet was served at $1 a plate.

EARLY MORNING ATTACK MADE BY INSURGENTS.

Small Body of Rebels Swooped Down on the Third Artillery, but Was Easily Repulsed.

MANILA, April 13.—4:05 p. m.—At about 4 o'clock this morning a small body of rebels attacked a camp of the Third artillery from the swamp near Paombonan, a mile and a half west of Malolos. Two privates were killed and a lieutenant and two others wounded. At daylight the American forces scoured the district, driving the rebels northward and killing several of them. A private soldier of the Montana regiment was wounded.

GUERILLA WARFARE BEGUN

Aguinaldo's Tactics Will Prolong the War for Some Time.

NEW YORK, April 13.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: It is becoming evident to the officials of the administration that the insurrection in the Philippines is apt to drag along for a considerable time.

Dispatches received from General Otis show that the natives retreat when attacked by American troops in force, and the continuance of these tactics show that Aguinaldo has determined not to give the Americans an opportunity of crushing his army at one blow, as is so greatly desired by the administration.

There is a disposition on the part of some officers to believe that the attack made by the insurgents on General Wheaton's command was to draw General Lawton from the vicinity of Santa Cruz, where he is operating. It is apparent, however, that they found the Americans in stronger force than was expected.

Officials are becoming convinced that Aguinaldo proposes to maintain a guerilla warfare which will keep the island of Luzon in constant turmoil and necessitate the maintenance of a strong American army there. The approach of the rainy season, now only a few weeks distant, will greatly embarrass American operations and will, of course, benefit the insurgent forces.

A great deal is still expected from the work of the Schurman commission, but the effects of its recent proclamation have not been as great as the authorities hoped for. Reports received here are not very encouraging, especially in view of the statement this morning that more troops would be required to crush the rebellion.

It was stated at the war department that General Otis has not called for more additional troops and insists that his present force, re-inforced by the six additional regiments under orders to proceed to Manila, will be ample.

No action has yet been taken by the war department looking to the mustering out of the volunteers, and nothing will be done until after the arrival of the regulars. General Otis will then be authorized to re-enlist such of the volunteers for six months as may desire to serve for that length of time.

MINING LICENSES FOR THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY.

Order Issued From Department of Interior—British Vessels Only to Navigate the Canadian Yukon.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 13.—At the suggestion of Collector of Customs Milne, of the department of the interior has arranged for the issuance of mining licenses for the Northwest Territory at Atlin City. The collector has also arranged difficulties on White Pass trail between the mounted police and the American customs officers.

Arrangements have also been made to allow none but British bottoms carrying none but British officers to carry freight between Dawson and points on the upper Yukon from the Canadian boundary to Bennett.

The same rule will also apply on all navigable Canadian waters in the gold country. The government will rigidly enforce the regulations to this effect. No American vessels will be allowed to carry freight or passengers between river points on the Canadian Yukon, Hootalinqua, Stewart, Pelly, Lake Teslin or other lakes in Canadian territory. Besides the masters of all Canadian river steamers carrying over 40 passengers will be obliged to carry certified mates holding British papers. All will also have to carry certified British engineers.

INCREASE OF ARMAMENT DEPLORED BY HICKS-BEACH.

English Budget Carries the Greatest Amount for Years, Causing Much Concern to Officials.

LONDON, April 13.—The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, presented the budget in the house of commons today. He estimated the expenditures for the coming year at £112,927,000, an increase of £5,098,000 over last year, the total increase of expenditures during the last four years being no less than £19,076,000. If this increase was to continue, the speaker pointed out, parliament must agree to a large increase in taxation or discover new and productive sources of revenue. The chancellor of the exchequer then said:

"We must, however, be hopeful that the approaching conference of the powers which are animated by a desire for peace may devise a check for the terrible increase in armaments, so wasteful of our ability and money, from which even the wealthiest nations may well pray to be delivered."

REVENUE CUTTER PATROL TO SEE SERVICE IN MAY.

The Perry to Assist in Enforcing the Laws Against Pelagic Sealing—Assignment of Vessels.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Captain Shoemaker, of the revenue service, has perfected arrangements for sending out the Behring sea patrol fleet in May. The Bear, under command of Captain Tuttle, will cruise through the Arctic to Point Barrow, to render any aid to whalers and incidentally to aid the civil authorities in enforcing law and order on the northern Arctic coasts.

The Grant, Rush, Perry and Corwin will enforce the laws against pelagic sealing in the North Pacific and in Behring sea. The Nunivak, which will be completed within the next few days, will be assigned to duty on the Yukon river, to enforce the customs laws.

WANT RESERVE THROWN OPEN.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The commissioner general of the land office, Binger Hermann, said today that applications had been received from Washington state to have a portion of the Olympic forestry reservation thrown open to settlement, for the reason that it is properly included in the reserve. A number of persons have objected to this course, and the superintendent of the reserve has been ordered to make an investigation. Hermann said that there was not at this time any decided intention to throw it open to settlement, for in any event the superintendent's report must be first considered.

MODUS VENDI ACCEPTED.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—When the United States government recently proposed a modus vivendi on the Alaskan boundary, to overcome the possibility of a lawless outbreak pending a final adjustment, the British authorities referred the proposition to the Canadian officials at Ottawa. The Ottawa government has responded with an acceptance of the general idea of the modus vivendi. This must now go to the British foreign office.

NEW LINE OF STEAMSHIPS

President Hammond in Conference With San Francisco Business Men.

THE PROJECT ASSURED

Bay City Merchants Desirous of Extending Their Jobbing Territory in the Northwest.

OPPOSITION TO THE O. R. & N.

That Company Has Failed to Make Reasonable Rates and the Wholesalers Will Establish a Line.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 13.—(Special to the Astorian.)—The Chronicle today publishes the following:

A. B. Hammond, one of the best known capitalists of the Pacific northwest and president and principal owner of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad, is here in connection with a steamship project which is designed to secure for San Francisco a competitive route to Astoria, and by greatly cheapening the cost of transportation, secure to San Francisco jobbers a wider market for their wares in the northwest. The steamship enterprise is being backed by some of the largest wholesale houses in San Francisco and Mr. Hammond has come here, it is understood, at the invitation of the merchants to make arrangements for the operation of the proposed steamship line in connection with his railroad between Astoria and Portland.

A movement has been on foot for several weeks past among the wholesale merchants to secure relief from the actions of the existing rail and ocean carriers by the establishment of a competitive steamship line of this port, and it is declared on good authority that there is every prospect that the enterprise will be successfully launched. If satisfactory terms are made with President Hammond, the new line of steamers will be run in connection with his road, using the railroad terminals at the mouth of the Columbia river for the transferring of freight from the steamship to the car, and thereby saving the expense of delay of the long water haul up the river.

A subscription list was started for the support of the proposed new line, and a large number of the local business houses pledged themselves in writing to contribute to the support of the undertaking, either by furnishing an agreed amount of tonnage each month or a cash subsidy in lieu thereof. It was found advisable to abandon temporarily the undertaking, for the reasons mentioned, but now the enterprise has been revived and for some weeks past a committee, consisting of A. C. Rulofson, of Baker & Hamilton; W. R. Wheeler, of Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson, and Joseph Sloss, of Miller, Sloss & Scott, have been busily engaged in reorganizing the movement. Mr. Hammond, it is learned, has come to San Francisco at their invitation and may enter into some traffic arrangements with the promoters of the merchants' steamship line before his departure for the north.

Mr. Hammond, when seen at the Palace hotel last evening, was unwilling to discuss the matter and referred the interviewer to the merchants. He evinced no hesitancy, however, in talking of his railroad, which has recently been completed from Portland to Astoria, a distance of 100 miles. He says he expects his road some day to assume the importance of a trunk line that will enable the various railroads centering in Portland and on Puget sound to get to the ocean.

This is the road which President Huntington of the Southern Pacific Company, was credited with having a great desire to purchase a year ago. Huntington made a trip over the then uncompleted road on his way east, after attending the annual meeting of the Southern Pacific Company, and the road was expected to become a part of the Southern Pacific system. It still remains in Hammond's control, however, and it is now being operated the entire distance between Portland and Astoria.

The new steamship enterprise is nothing more or less than a revival of the project undertaken by the wholesale merchants of the city a year ago and temporarily abandoned for a variety of reasons.

Such houses as Miller, Sloss & Scott, Baker & Hamilton, Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson, and others are back of the enterprise, and they intend to see that the proposed new line is established and successfully maintained. A year ago the interested merchants perfected an organization, and would have carried out their plans but for the fact that the Klondike excitement and the rush of business to the north placed too high a premium on charters. The merchants felt aggrieved at the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company for refusing to make rates on a basis that would enable San Francisco jobbers to compete for business in Portland and other distributing centers in the northwest, and determined to put on a line of steamers that would secure low rates of transportation to the jobbing points in the northwest, or secure the same results by concessions from the existing line.

WATCH MANUFACTURERS TO FORM A COMBINE.

Plans to Unite the Leading Manufacturers of Watch Cases and Movements—Objects of the Consolidation.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The Tribune says: It is learned that a new trust, which will embrace nearly all the big watch case and watch movement manufactories in this country, will soon be organized. Plans for bringing these industries under one common board of management have been under way for some time.

Elliott Burris is the promoter of the proposed trust. Mr. Burris had little to say about the plans of formation of the trust, further than that the proposed organization would have a capital of not less than $20,000,000, and that it might reach the sum of $30,000,000. Stock will be issued to each company in the combination in proportion to the value of its assets.

It is said that each company is to receive the full marketable value of its plant and business in stock. None of the stock will be listed for speculative purposes.

The Tribune informant said that a central company will be organized with headquarters in New York and a large distributing house will be established in Chicago and probably in San Francisco.

"What do you expect to gain by consolidation?" was asked.

He replied that the methods of competition in the watch case and watch movement industries were costly and the methods of consolidated capital economical. He further said that nearly all the big watch case and watch movement manufacturers would enter the new organization if they had not joined already, and that those who have become identified with the movement are not told when asked to join what companies are in the scheme.

"There are nine different styles of watch cases," continued the speaker, in explaining the advantages to be derived from consolidation, and to make them requires as many different sets of lathes and other tools. Under consolidation, each of the big manufactories will have but one kind, and in this way the business will be simplified, a lot of machinery used at present will not be needed, and it is also expected that there will be a saving in manual labor."

Preferred stock, bearing 7 per cent interest, it is said, will be issued. The firms mentioned in connection with the possible consolidation are the Elgin National Watch Company, the American Waltham Watch Company and the Hampden Watch Company, all manufacturers of movements, and ten makers of cases, the Deuber Watch Case Manufacturing Company, the Crescent Watch Case Company, Joseph Fahys & Company, and the Keystone Watch Company.

REVOLUTIONARY ARMY DEFEATS ALONZO'S FORCES.

Battle Fought Near Oruro in Which 200 Men Were Killed—Victorious Army Occupies the Town.

NEW YORK, April 13.—A dispatch to the Herald from Lima says: The battle between the revolutionists or federalists under General Pando and the forces of President Alonzo near Oruro, in Bolivia, lasted oven an hour, during which time 200 men were killed.

General Pando commanded the victorious federalists and occupied Oruro without the slightest disorder.

President Alonzo, with a body guard consisting of only 30, has arrived at Autofagasta, on the bay of Morena, Chile.

The Chilean forces are at present engaged in disarming the fugitives, who have passed over the frontier.

DISTILLERY COMBINE.

LOUISVILLE, April 13.—The R. B. Lancaster distillery in Nelson county has been acquired by the Kentucky Distilleries & Warehouse Company. The plant was owned by R. B. Lancaster and is one of the best houses in the state. It has a capacity of 400 bushels per day.

T. P. Rippy, of Lawrenceburg, has received pay from the combine for his two distilleries in Anderson county. The Rippy distilleries are widely known and are valuable properties.

C. H. Still and Alfred Austrian have been at work on the deal for some weeks. The formal transfer was delayed by several little technicalities.

An officer of the Kentucky company says that all the properties would not be acquired by the combine before July 1. There are several plants which may be on the outside even until fall. The officers in the company are working hard to put all the plants acquired in operation as quickly as possible. Five distilleries are now being run at their full capacity.

ELEVEN VESSELS ICE-BOUND.

SEATTLE, April 13.—A detailed report of the situation of the Yukon river fleet between Russian Mission and Dawson has been received from S. S. Mahoney, who has just completed a trip from the mouth of the Yukon river. According to Mahoney there are 11 vessels in a critical situation. They are lying in the middle of the stream. When the ice goes out they are liable to be carried down and wrecked on sandbars.

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