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OUR NAVY IS BEHIND TIMES

OTHER POWERS ARE BUILDING BIGGER AND BETTER BATTLESHIPS.

Senator Hale Presents a Remarkable Comparative Statement of Naval Strength to the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 12.—A remarkable comparative statement of naval strength in respect to new battleships was submitted to the Senate yesterday by Senator Hale.

The comparison shows that the biggest ships being built or projected are four 21,000 tons each by Russia.

The South Carolina, of the latest type designed for the United States navy, having 18 1/2 knots speed, is small and slow in comparison.

VATICAN SCORES A VICTORY

French Government Yields to Objections Made by the Pope.

Paris, Feb. 12.—A further concession to the church in regard to the contracts for the lease of churches is indicated by the Government through an unofficial announcement that the period of contracts may be definitely fixed at eighteen years.

This will remove one of the principal objections raised by the Vatican to the contract proposition.

Queen Lil Wants a Settlement.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Vice-President Fairbanks today laid before the Senate for Liliuokalani, former Queen of the Hawaiian Islands, a second addition to the petition filed by her in 1905 praying for the settlement of her claim for sovereign lands taken from her at the time of the acquisition of the islands by the United States.

Edgar Sistro Secures a Divorce.

St. Helens, Ore., Feb. 12.—The ill-fated marriage of Edgar E. Sistro, which took place at Cape Town, South Africa, June 21, 1890, has been terminated by a divorce granted the son of Adolph Sistro of San Francisco, from Henrietta L. Sistro, on the ground of desertion.

Messenger Robbed of \$25,500.

Moscow, Feb. 12.—A messenger belonging to the government spirit depot here while on his way to a bank today was held up by ten armed men and robbed of \$25,500.

Narrow Escape of Ten Firemen.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Ten firemen were partly overthrown by smoke and a loss of \$83,000 was incurred yesterday in a fire which threatened to destroy the six-story building at 150 1st Fifth avenue.

To Play in the Open Air.

New York, Feb. 12.—According to an announcement published here today, Palenville, a hamlet in the Catskill mountain region, will be the scene next summer of the open air performance of "The Van Winkle."

A Valuable Lesson.

"Six years ago I learned a valuable lesson," writes John Pleasant, of Magnolia, Ind. "I began taking Dr. King's New Life Pills, and the longer I take them, the better I find them."

DIFFICULTIES ARE OVERCOME.

The Break in Colorado River's Bank Is Successfully Closed.

Imperial, Feb. 12.—The last water, coming through the break in the Colorado river, was shut off yesterday after a long and hard struggle by the Southern Pacific railroad company.

The levees have been put in good condition several miles below the break and are being extended rapidly with the aid of hundreds of men and teams.

The New and Alamo rivers, carrying water from the Colorado to the Salton Sea are rapidly going dry in the valley.

It is expected that Salton Sea will now evaporate and fully disappear through evaporation in about ten years.

CALIFORNIANS HOPEFUL

THINK THEY WILL WIN THEIR POINT IN CONTROVERSY WITH THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The conference between the President and the California delegation was concluded last evening. Mayor Schmitz made the statement that although they had still further discussed the question, nothing definite had been accomplished and that there would be another meeting subjected to the call of the President.

In an interview today Congressman Hayes of California said: "We all believe that a satisfactory conclusion of the Japanese question will be reached by the San Francisco delegation headed by Mayor Schmitz at the meeting with the President. The people of California are unduly excited by the misleading reports from the East. They seem to believe that they are going to give something away, when as a matter of fact they will get all they are contending for."

SAYS FATHER IS HEARTLESS.

King Leopold's Daughter Has a Tearful Tale of Woe to Tell.

Paris, Feb. 12.—Princess Louise of Belgium, the divorced wife of Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, in an open letter published in the Martin today complains bitterly of the heartless fashion in which her father, King Leopold, has abandoned her even allowing the heritage which she derived from the late Queen mother to be seized for debt.

Climb Roof to Make Arrests.

Springfield, O., Feb. 12.—The police, with the aid of the Fire Department, raided a saloon and with ladders scaled the walls of a five-story building and captured thirty-one men who had escaped from the place and taken refuge on the roof.

State Senator in Divorce Suit.

Bakersfield, Cal., Feb. 12.—A sensation was created here when it was known that Clarence E. Young, a prominent resident and an Oakland oil broker, had filed a suit for divorce from Mrs. Jessie Young, alleging adultery and desertion.

Attempt to Blow Up Witte's Family.

London, Feb. 12.—A special dispatch from St. Petersburg says that an infernal machine was discovered accidentally last night in a chimney of the house occupied by Count Witte, the former premier. The machine was set to explode after the family had retired.

He Helped to Build Famous Monitor.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 12.—Captain William Woodworth Goodrich, City Engineer of St. Johns, Oregon, who was one of the builders of the ironclad Monitor, is dead at his home in St. Johns after an illness of two months of heart trouble. He was 65 years old.

EXCLUDE WOMEN FROM THAW TRIAL

MOB OF FEMALE SPECTATORS ARE BARRED FROM HEARING OF EVIDENCE.

Prisoner's Will Is Offered by Delmas and May Be Used As a Proof of His Insanity.

New York, Feb. 12.—Dr. Charles E. Wagner, an alienist, was the first witness called after the recess. Dr. Wagner said the first examination of Thaw in the Tombs showed the latter suspicious and fearful he would be declared insane.

New York, Feb. 12.—The opening of the fourth week of the Thaw trial brought a new order of things, in the courtroom and all women other than the half dozen active newspaper writers who have followed the case since the beginning were barred by order of Justice Fitzgerald.

District Attorney Jerome, on demand of Mr. Delmas, produced the note Mrs. Thaw passed to her husband in the Cafe Martin on the night of the tragedy. The note read:

"The B— was here a minute ago, but went out again."

Mrs. Thaw explained that the "B" meant "blackguard" and referred to Stanford White.

In the afternoon session of the Thaw case it was agreed by counsel that Mrs. Evelyn Thaw should step aside as a witness to permit the introduction of competent testimony tending to show the alleged insane condition of the prisoner's mind. This action was taken after the repeated objections of District Attorney Jerome to further questioning of the witness as to conversations between her and the defendant concerning Stanford White had been sustained by the court, and Justice Fitzgerald had intimated that counsel should follow the spirit of the court's rulings as laid down in specific instances.

Mr. Jerome's objections were based on the ground that the testimony of Mrs. Thaw had gone far enough without a better foundation showing insanity on the part of the defendant being made.

The recalling of Mrs. Thaw to the stand followed the testimony of J. Lyon, vice-president of the Union National Bank of Pittsburgh, who declared he had possession of Harry Thaw's will until late in November, 1906, and the testimony of John B. Gleason of Thaw's counsel, who went on as a witness to say that he received by mail from Pittsburgh, December 11, 1906, the will in question.

Mr. Jerome expressed willingness to admit that the will received by Mr. Lyon passed directly to Mr. Gleason, who has testified that there had been no changes made in the will.

In the course of the afternoon proceedings Mr. Delmas said that the statements made that the defense would consume several weeks yet was untrue. But little more time would be taken up.

President Roosevelt Takes a Hand.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The following statement was given out at the White House last night:

The President has communicated with Postmaster General Cortelyou to know whether it is feasible to bar from the mails the papers that give the full, disgusting particulars of the Thaw case. He does not know whether it is feasible, but if it is he wishes it done.

Women Make a Protest.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 12.—Women of this city met yesterday and protested against the printing of the details of the Thaw murder case and similar criminal court proceedings.

The protest, it was stated, was made "in the interest of the sanctity of our homes and the purity of our children, and to protest against the minute and detailed accounts given in the daily papers of the sensational and scandalous proceedings of the criminal court."

Publishers Are Warned.

New York, Feb. 12.—United States District Attorney Simson of this city has served notice upon the publishers of all the principal newspapers in this city that he intends to bring before the United States Grand Jury for criminal prosecution all violations of the Federal laws against the circulation of obscene matter in reporting the Thaw trial.

Old Virginia Corn Relish, Something good as a dressing for nearly every thing you eat at Smythe's Quality shop.

A MINE IN IYLO COUNTY

The Alexandria Gold and Copper Mining Co. Owns a developed mine in the Argus range of mountains in Inyo county, California, and according to the engineer's report has 5000 tons of ore in sight. The engineer's report is herewith given:

Engineers Report. The Alexandria Gold and Copper Mining Co. Gentlemen:—I have finished an exhaustive examination of your properties in the Argus Range of mountains. Since making my examinations some years ago, I find your properties have been developed continuously. I find the developments under the efficient direction of your superintendent, Mr. H. C. Hamilton, have been carried on in an economical and systematic manner.

There is now on your property fully 2000 feet of drifting and 500 feet of shafts, all in ore, throwing a very large tonnage in sight. I should say, on the "Little Maud" and "Knight" vein, which have been exploited by nine tunnels and numerous cuts along the vein, exposing the ore for fully 1700 feet in length, there is fully 40,000 tons of ore that could be called in sight. On the "South Inyo" vein there are 5000 tons in sight, and on the "Star of the West" there are also 5000 tons that can be conservatively called in sight.

At no place where the ore was opened were values below milling, and at least seven per cent of the ore can be sorted for shipping. The ore can be cobbled to over \$100 per ton. I have suggested in my detail report that a bucket tram and a 25-stamp mill should be immediately erected. These improvements would cost \$50,000 and would immediately put your property on a dividend paying basis. A 20-stamp mill would mill four tons to the stamp, or 80 tons per day. From my sampling your mill ore should average 55 per cent, or \$1000 to \$1200 per day, in free gold and concentrates, and your shipping ore at least four tons per day, have a value of over \$100 per ton, or \$400 per day. This can be done at an expense of \$5 per ton of ore mined. I should recommend this expenditure immediately. Your property will then pay enormous dividends and with the large tonnage already opened up, of known value, would pay for years.

In my opinion the property, with depth, is turning into copper. All of your lower workings demonstrate this, the gold and silver values holding out. With a larger per cent of copper coming in, and with the advent of the railroad, your property would more and more be brought into prominence as a shipper.

Yours very truly, (Signed) W.B. GILLINGHAM, M. E.

Does This Look Good to You? It certainly looks good to us and you will note that additional stamps are needed to mill the ore already in sight and that is the reason stock is being sold at the prospect price of 25 cents per share.

Will You Buy Some of the Stock? The stock is easily worth double the price asked for it, but the quick money is worth more to the company than the stock that will have to be sold to build and equip the mill. The stock is selling at the price of many ordinary prospects, but as a matter of fact, it is a REAL MINE. If you failed to realize the importance of the above report, read it over again and see if you do not wish to join as a partner, in a proposition that you, yourself must acknowledge is meritorious in every respect.

Get Some Alexandria Now. After the present allotment is sold, the stock will be entirely withdrawn from sale, and will undoubtedly be worth from two to four times what it is now selling for. Stock in a dividend paying mine at 25 cents per share is certainly a bargain, and that is what Mr. Gillingham says it is, as soon as the mill is in operation. The ore being in sight, all that is necessary is the equipment to handle it. The allotment will be sold promptly and in offering it to you, it is unnecessary to state that we advise its purchase. Don't be too slow in getting your orders in. As soon as you read this, write or wire the number of shares you want. Our customers are our best friends, because we make them money.

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A Real Estate Bargain

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IT ISN'T PLEASANT to buy your meat where you have to take chances—where you must be on the watch against "off color" provisions, short weight or overcharging. "Tisn't pleasant, either, to take things back to the store and make a "fuss" when you've been ill treated. You can avoid even the shade of annoyance by dealing with this clean "on the level" butcher store. Try us just once—"that's all!" City Meat Market. J. H. AHLF. Prop.

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