

The Santiam News

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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Collected From the Telegraph Columns.

A colony of 500 negroes will locate in California.

The proposed plow and threshing machine combines are off.

Admiral Sampson says our navy should be twice its present size.

Otis has established cable connection between Ho Ho and the island of Cebu.

A number of schools have closed in St. Louis on account of the hot weather.

Canada's latest proposal is to establish a customhouse on the Dalton trail.

Johann Strauss, the late famous composer, was buried with public honors in Vienna.

Western men are urging an early session of congress to consider currency legislation.

Steps have been taken by the French government demanding the extradition of Esterhazy.

James S. Sherman has withdrawn in favor of Henderson for the speakership of the national house.

Sammons have disclaimed and are now awaiting the verdict of the joint commission as to who shall be king.

One death at Chicago and two at Pittsburg with many prostrations from the heat is the record for one day.

Miss Lena Warren, whose home is at Knappa, Or., has mysteriously disappeared from Pacific university at Forest Grove.

The body of the "Barefoot King of Hawaii" is missing. It is supposed to have been stolen by natives and buried in the mountains.

That negotiations are in progress looking toward a six-month sugar consolidation is now admitted by one of the men most interested.

New York experienced the hottest June day on record Tuesday. Thirty-one prostrations were recorded. The thermometer reached 95.

President Schurman, of the Philippine commission, in a dispatch to Secretary Hay, has, it is believed, recommended more liberal concessions to the Filipinos, with a view of ending the insurrection at once.

The condition of affairs at Manila is claimed to be satisfactory to members of the administration, yet there is a great deal of correspondence between General Otis and the war department which is not made public.

A project for final improvement of the cascade locks on the upper Columbia has been submitted and approved. The appropriation is \$75,000, and the object is to prevent any further damage by freshets in the river.

Admiral Dewey has sailed from Hong Kong.

Storms in the Central states continue.

The pipe trust is believed to be a failure.

Stage robbers have been captured in Arizona.

The thermometer was 96 in Chicago Tuesday.

There was a cloudburst near Redding, Cal.

Santiago papers have been suppressed by General Brooks.

Natives will recruit our army in Cuba and Porto Rico.

Great crowds of Cuban soldiers are now accepting payment.

Georgia troops have been ordered out to protect the jail at Atlanta.

Emperor William expects great things from his new possessions.

Captain Dreyfus will be returned to France on June 26, landing at Brest.

Zola asks for notice of sentence in the libel action against him last year.

Admiral Kautz is now in Hawaii. He will sail for San Francisco, June 25.

Agricultural implement makers will advance prices from 15 to 25 per cent.

A tornado a mile wide occurred in Iowa. Kellogg and Thorpe buildings suffered.

Information disclosed in New Mexico unearths four old murders hitherto unknown.

Admiral Schley heartily endorsed the course of President McKinley in a speech at Salt Lake.

It is announced that the war tax will come in force for some time to come, but will be modified.

The sultan of Sulu, heretofore believed to be peaceably disposed, is said to be preparing to fight this country.

General Otis advises the war department that the Oregon regiment will leave for the United States this week. It will be sent direct to Portland for muster out at Vancouver barracks.

Minor News Items.

The street cars at Wichita, Kan., have been cleared a public nuisance and have stopped running.

The discovery has been made that 2,000,000 silver dollars stored in the Philadelphia mint vaults have rusted from a leak.

The first annual reunion of rough riders will be held in Las Vegas, N. M., June 24. Governor Roosevelt and staff will be present.

Henry C. Frick, head of the new Carnegie syndicate, made his fortune by an early appreciation of the possibilities of the coke industry.

A Dickens of the third generation has taken to novel writing. She is a daughter of "Charles the Second," as the eldest son was playfully called by his friends.

Sleeping Bear, a full-blooded Gros Ventre Indian, successfully conducts a general store at Great Falls, Mont. He will not give his own people credit, but extends it to a limited number of whites.

LATER NEWS.

Schurman is leaving the Philippines because his plan for home rule was not approved.

Veterans of the civil war, both of the blue and the gray, are planning a law and order expedition to Cuba.

Miss Mabel Kautz and Walter Henderson were drowned by the capsizing of the Flora near Stockton, California.

The southward movement of Lawton and Wheaton's forces proved a success. The Filipino forces were badly routed and disorganized.

The survey for the submarine cable which will connect Germany with the United States by the way of the Azores has been practically completed.

President Loubet, of France, has had his revenge for the recent outrage. He was the hero of a popular demonstration while driving to the races.

By working upon the muscles of the abdomen, a New York physician has cured a case of appendicitis. No instruments were used, and relief came in eight minutes.

The German peace delegate at The Hague objects to arbitration. He affirms that Emperor William will not pledge himself to accept decisions on issues that have not arisen.

The trust mania has reached the brewers, and it is said, on the best authority, that a scheme is on foot to form a trust with \$1,000,000,000 capital and buy up all the breweries in the country.

The Alaska grand jury has condemned the school management. Educational work, it says, has been misdirected. The government agent is accused of falsehood, and his removal from office is demanded.

England has bought an additional \$500,000 in American eagles to strengthen its reserve. The report that Russia is a buyer of gold in New York is regarded in London as being significant.

War seems certain between England and Transvaal. Both are preparing for a struggle. British troops are near the border and Kruger's forces are said to be able to cope with any English can muster.

Over 5,000,000,000 gallons of petroleum, according to the treasury bureau of statistics, are now produced annually in the world. Of this amount 2,500,000,000 gallons are produced in the United States, 2,250,000,000 in Russia, and the remainder is distributed among a dozen countries.

A tornado swept over San Pedro and Atara, in the province of Valladolid, Spain, about 150 houses being destroyed. There was also great loss of life. Ten bodies have already been recovered from the ruins. Toledo has been visited by a great storm. The lower part of the city has been flooded.

Hungry Filipinos are being fed by the Americans.

The Philippine commissioners have been called home.

The Vixen has reached Bluefields to relieve the Detroit.

Costa Rica and Nicaragua are preparing for a conflict.

Mosquito coast Indians have rebelled against Nicaragua.

Angusta, Ga., was visited by a destructive fire; loss, \$250,000.

A new banana trust has been formed. It will fight a similar organization formed last winter.

The outlook is said to be bright for the settlement of the Alaska boundary dispute in London.

Seven walnut-growers' associations in Southern California have combined for mutual protection.

Twenty-five deaths and 33 prostrations is the result of a hot June day in New York and vicinity.

The United States court of appeals holds that the alien labor law applies only to common laborers.

The Indiana supreme court declares that it is unlawful for corporations to attempt to destroy competition.

Private Crew, of company D, casual detachment, was seriously wounded in target practice at San Francisco.

Augustin Daily, famous as a theatrical manager, dramatist and adapter of plays, died suddenly in Paris.

A company capitalized at \$10,000,000 has been organized to work a mountain of copper found in Arizona.

A Havana dispatch says brigandage is on the increase in portions of Cuba where no United States soldiers are quartered.

The Washington State Pioneers' Association has passed a resolution protesting against the cession of any Alaska territory to Canada.

Governor-General Brooks has issued orders appointing General Gomez de Quesada, special commissioner from Cuba at Washington, at a salary of \$5,000. The appointment greatly pleases Gomez.

Judge Allen, of Los Angeles, holds that people who secure a divorce in California who go beyond the jurisdiction of the California courts and contract another marriage and then return to California have no standing in a California court in an action for divorce.

Charles Acton Ives, a well-known lawyer of Newport, R. I., died of heart disease while riding a bicycle.

Mathias Steinberger, who lives with relatives on a farm in Jackson township a few miles out of Fosteria, O., has recovered his memory and intellect after a lapse of 23 years.

The Massachusetts supreme court has rendered an opinion holding that passengers can recover damages for injuries to baggage from the last road over which their baggage came.

Ex-Queen Natalie of Serbia is writing an autobiographical novel, in which her family troubles are to be given to the world in the guise of fiction.

New Rochelle, N. Y., has the largest mayor in the country. His name is Michael J. Dillon, he is nearly six feet in height and weighs over 300 pounds.

By the purchase of the Bell telephone interests in the state of Wisconsin the Cleveland (O.) Telephone Company becomes the largest concern of the kind in the world. It now operates 110,134 miles of wire and serves 75,000 subscribers.

Four deaths in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, June 10.—There were four deaths in this city, and an unusually large number of prostrations due to the heat today.

FLOOD CLAIMS VICTIMS

Twenty-Five Deaths Caused by a Texas Cloudburst.

TWO TOWNS SWEEP AWAY

Crops in the inundated district will prove a total loss—Hundreds of Cattle and Hogs Perished.

Austin, Tex., June 10.—The cloudburst, yesterday, which swelled the waters of this portion of the state out of their banks, and caused a great loss of property, was much worse than reported last night. Many people are reported to have perished, meager reports tonight placing the number at 25. Today reports came from San Saba and Mandanville, small towns, 90 miles north of here, in the mountains, saying that both towns had been swept by the raging floods, and were devastated. In San Saba, eight people were drowned and the entire town is reported under water tonight. The river at that point is one mile wide and running like a mill-race. At Mandanville, 13 houses were swept away, and this morning several more gave way into the swirling torrent and started on their way down the stream. The river is reported as rising at that place, and grave fears are entertained that the entire country in that neighborhood will be laid to waste. San Saba is located in a valley, and vast tracts of wheat fields are under water. These crops will prove a total loss. Many persons, according to reports received here today, had difficulty in getting to high land before the rise came. The situation at Mandanville is even more serious. A small town located to the right and left of the river in the valley, it proved an easy prey to the raging torrent. Seventeen people are known to have been drowned there, and there may be others. Of those drowned, two were young white girls, Lydia and Anna Wells. The others were all negroes, who were living in cabins close to the river front, and were caught in the flood before they could make their way to safety, owing to the darkness of the night. All the surrounding country is inundated.

This additional flood has not yet reached Austin, but it is expected here some time during the night. A 45-foot rise is expected. The big dam and power-house at this point has been under a heavy strain since yesterday, owing to the terrific force of the flood. The farming lands below the city are under water. Owing to the fact that all telegraphic communication with San Saba and Mandanville was interrupted at an early hour tonight, no additional details have been received from those points. It is known, however, that the property damage will exceed \$100,000. Livestock suffered severely, hundreds of cattle and hogs having been swept away by the resistless torrent. The river, running, as it does, through a mountainous region to this point, rises very quickly and falls as rapidly. This particular rise was announced by a solid wall of water 10 feet high, which swept everything before it. Reports from Bastrop, 30 miles south of Austin, state that several bridges have been wrecked by the rushing waters. The loss to the farming lands south of here will represent another \$100,000.

POSSIBILITY OF WAR.

England Will Present an Ultimatum to Kruger.

London, June 10.—The morning papers are beginning to talk seriously of the possibility of war in South Africa. Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, in his speech in the house of commons yesterday, announced that his reply to the ultimatum of the Transvaal, which had been back pending the result of the conference at Bloemfontein, would now be presented to the Transvaal.

This reply is semi-officially described as "explicit but conciliatory," but it is believed to be in the nature of a practical ultimatum. The resources of diplomacy are regarded as exhausted with the failure of the conference. Nothing is left, it is felt, but a recourse to force.

Fireworks Exploded.

New York, June 10.—Thirty-six buildings comprising almost the entire plant of the Nordlinger-Charlton Fireworks Company, at Grandview, Richmond borough, were blown up this afternoon, and the entire fireworks plant practically wiped out of existence. Six lives were injured, two of them seriously. The property loss will not exceed \$25,000.

Graders Halted Alive.

Little Rock, Ark., June 10.—It is reported here tonight that a landslide occurred at Ross Hollow and engulfed 28 men, all of whom are supposed to have been killed. Ross Hollow is a pass between two small mountain ranges about 25 miles west of Little Rock, on the line of the Choctaw & Memphis railway, now under construction from Little Rock to Howell.

Newton Died From Heat.

New York, June 10.—The cool flurry which struck this city last night had but little effect upon the temperature that was to follow today. The record of fatal prostrations was somewhat smaller than the list of yesterday, 19 persons dying in New York and vicinity today.

Countess Esterhazy Divorced.

Paris, June 10.—The civil tribunal of the Seine today granted a divorce to Countess Esterhazy.

Alleged Cuban Plot.

New York, June 10.—A local paper publishes extracts from a letter from a Cuban, said to be the highest possible authority, exposing an alleged conspiracy on the part of ultra-revolutionists to give the island independent, and at that time, if not free they will burn the island from one end to the other.

Four Deaths in Philadelphia.

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PASSENGER TRAIN DERAILED.

Midnight Adds Horror to the Sufferings of the Injured.

Kansas City, June 12.—Forty-eight passengers were more or less seriously, three perhaps fatally injured by the derailment of train No. 4, south bound on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railroad, two miles south of Granville, Mo., at 9:30 last night. The injured were brought to this city this morning and the seriously hurt were taken to St. Joseph's hospital and others to the Savoy hotel. Those considered fatally injured are Mrs. C. B. Chandler, Junction, Mo.; A. J. Gougeon, Junction, Mo.; Kansas City, G. I. Crawford, Drexel, Mo.; nearly all the injured are Missouri people. The wrecked train left Kansas City last night at 8 o'clock. Two miles south of Kansas City, the train was derailed by spreading rails, the track having been damaged by recent severe rains. The smoker which contained most of the injured, and the chair car immediately following, were turned on their side into a ditch. The Pullman left the track, but remained upright. The engine and combination baggage and mail car remained on the track. The accident occurred during a heavy downpour of rain. The crew went to work with a will to rescue passengers. Women and children were dragged from the windows of the chair car and attended to as well as possible under the circumstances. Before all had been taken out fire started in the rear car. The porter of this car earned great praise for his presence of mind in cutting a hole through the roof, quenching the fire and rescuing several women in imminent danger. The fire, which was well filled, the passengers were compelled to crawl cautiously the full length to the rear door to escape, exit through the broken windows was dangerous, the darkness making it impossible to see a foot ahead. The scene of the wreck was in the woods, and there was no house near to which the injured could be taken. For the immediate care of the injured fires were built along the track.

As soon as possible the news of the wreck was sent to Granville and a relief train was started from Kansas City. The train moved at 3 A. M. and took back to Kansas City all of the injured.

CUBANS GIVE UP THEIR ARMS.

Then Buy New With \$75—Many Threat to Anger Them.

New York, June 12.—The Rev. Alfred Barrett, who four months ago founded the Congregational church in this country for aid in his religious and educational work in Cuba. Dr. de Barrett spoke today about present conditions in Cuba and the possibility of an outbreak against the Americans.

"If this occurs," he said, "it will be the fault of the Americans. The Cubans are a peaceful people, but they are also proud and sensitive, and many things have been done recently to anger them. The Cubans feel that they are being treated very much as though they had been conquered by us. At any rate, the Washington authorities should do away with the present military government. It is worse than unnecessary; it is doing an immense deal of harm. A great many of the American officers do not like Cubans and don't scruple to let this be known. How can you expect the Cubans to like them? General Brooke and General Lee are liked and trusted, but their influence for good is nullified by the attitude of other officers."

The payment of the Cuban troops and requiring them to lay down their arms was a mistake. The disarming was a great humiliation to the men, and the first thing a good many of them did with their \$25 each was to buy new guns and machetes. There is as yet no distinct idea in the minds of the majority of people as to what they really want, whether annexation or independence. But they obtain their ideas of the United States government from the American officers and these ideas are not favorable."

President Names Canal Commission.

Washington, June 12.—The president today appointed the following commission to determine the most feasible and practicable route for a canal through the Isthmus of Panama: Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, United States navy; Hon. Samuel Packer, of Florida; Alfred Noble, chief engineer, of Illinois; George S. Morrison, civil engineer, of New York; Colonel Peter Haines, United States navy; Professor William H. Burr, of Connecticut; Lieutenant Colonel Ernest Fremont, United States army; Lewis M. Haupt, civil engineer, of Pennsylvania; Professor Emory R. Johnson, of Pennsylvania.

England May Aid the Cable.

London, June 12.—The Times says the British government has consented to consider its attitude toward the Pacific cable project as the result of urgent representations from Canada and the colonies, and is now inclined to utilize British credit in providing the necessary capital.

Woodmen Will Meet at St. Paul.

Kansas City, June 12.—The head camp of Woodmen of America selected St. Paul as the place of meeting in 1901.

Flood in Kansas.

Wichita, Kan., June 12.—One hundred and thirty feet of track on the Santa Fe is washed out north of this city, and trains are stalled. Five thousand acres of lowland are under water. The Arkansas river is the highest since 1877, and is still rising, and a flood is predicted within 24 hours.

A Nephew of General Merritt Was Rejected in the West Point Examination because of defective eyesight.

The Coal Production and Consumption of the World. During the past 15 years are presented in tables just prepared by the treasury bureau of statistics. These show that while the United Kingdom is still the largest coal producer of the world, the United States is a close second, and if the present rate of gain is continued, will soon become the leading coal-producing country of the world.

A cork that is steeped for a few minutes in hot vasoline will, it is said, serve all the purposes for which a glass stopper is used.

ATTACKED BY THE REBELS

Reconnoitering Party in a Fight Near Morong.

ONE AMERICAN WAS KILLED

Fought Their Way Back to Camp Through the Enemy Reinforcements for General Otis.

Manila, June 12.—A reconnoitering party of 25 American soldiers, in the hills in the vicinity of Morong yesterday, were attacked by 300 rebels. The Americans fought their way to camp through the enemy and inflicted severe losses on them. The American chief was killed. Five insurgents were captured and taken to Morong. The rebels' army is extremely active. The garrison of cavalry and North Dakota infantry are throwing up fortifications.

Two Thousand Men for Otis.

Washington, June 12.—The solution of the problem of how to reinforce General Otis without calling for volunteers or reducing below the danger line the reserve force in the United States, was reached at a meeting of the cabinet today. Attorney-General Clegg announced his opinion that the army reorganization bill, fixing the maximum strength of the army at 65,000 men, did not include the enlisted force of the hospital corps, and the regular army can be increased by that number. As the enlisted hospital corps aggregate 2,000 men, the opinion of the attorney-general gives that many more men to the regular army for Manila.

Major-General Shafter has now at the Presidio in California, ready for early shipment to Manila, 2,400 recruits.

Word was received by the war department today that the Nineteenth infantry, under orders to go to the Philippines, which came back from Porto Rico only 700 strong, had today been filled to its full quota of 1,300 men by recruits enlisted at Camp Meade. The regiment will be sent to General Otis at once. In addition, the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth infantry regiments, negroes, every company recruited to its full strength are under orders to go to the Philippines, which will amount to General Otis 6,000 more fighting men in good condition. The Fourteenth infantry, also fully recruited, and part of the Fourth artillery, are at the Presidio, awaiting orders to sail. Thus, without issuing a call for volunteers, the president can send General Otis a force slightly in excess of 10,000.

General Otis has been instructed to organize several skeleton regiments of volunteers who may accept the proposition to re-enlist for service until July 1, 1901. These skeleton organizations are to be offered by volunteer officers to be selected by General Otis from the 14 volunteer regiments now with him, and are to be increased to the maximum strength by regulars sent from here.

No Limit to Enlistments.

Chicago, June 12.—Captain P. H. Bonney, of the army recruiting station in this city, has received instructions from the war department to enlist an unlimited number of men for service in the Philippine islands.

LYNCHINGS IN CUBA.

Bandits Disposed of in the Southern Style.

Santiago de Cuba, June 12.—General Wood has been notified that Antonio Garcia, chief of the Holquin bandits, who was captured by the rural guards, has been hanged by the citizens. Seven men belonging to Garcia's band voluntarily surrendered to the rural guards, but General Wood has instructed the commanding officers to accept no surrenders hereafter, but to capture the bandits as highwaymen or murderers.

Two robbers were lynched by Cubans near Puerto Principe, two days ago. At Sonora, recently, six bandits were badly beaten by employees of sugar estates, where they attempted to commit robbery.

Five Knocked Out.

New York, June 10.—James J. Jeffries, another sturdy young giant, has come out of the West to whip champion pugilist. At the arena of the Coney Island Athletic Club tonight he defeated Robert Fitzsimmons, world's champion in two classes—middle-weight and heavy-weight—in 11 rounds of whirlwind fighting. He is the acknowledged master of the man he defeated. He was never at any time in serious danger, and after the six-up in the early rounds of the contest, took the lead. He had the Australian whipped from the ninth round.

Transvaal Dispute.

London, June 12.—The Westminster Gazette this afternoon says a rumor is current from a well-informed source that it has been proposed in a responsible quarter that the United States mediate between the Transvaal and Great Britain. It is added the suggestion is being considered, and that it is "not even improbable that mediation may be undertaken."

Slide in White Pass.

Nansimo, B. C., June 12.—The steamer Anna, Captain J. H. Blaine, arrived here this morning from Skagway, and reports that on Sunday morning, June 4, men were at work clearing snow from the White Pass & Yukon railway, just over the summit, when a terrible slide of rocks and snow came down the mountain side, killing one man almost instantly, and seriously, if not fatally, injuring others.

At the time the Anna left, the names of the men were not obtainable.

The Peace Conference.

The Hague, June 12.—The peace conference entered today upon its important stage when the drafting committee of the third section took up arbitration. According to a foreign delegate, the American scheme does not seem to have obtained the support of many of the delegates.

Bombay, June 12.—Serious riots have broken out in the Tinnevelly district, of Madras presidency, between the Maravars and Kulars on the one hand, and the Shanari on the other, at Sivkias.

DIVORCED AND REMARRIED.

Last Chapter of a Romantic Story of True Love and War.

Chicago, June 12.—A special to the Chronicle from Highmore, S. D., says: The return to this town of a man and woman, divorced five years ago, both who are again husband and wife, adds the last chapter to a romantic story of love and war.

Five years ago Henry Ballantyne and wife, of this place, agreed to separate. They had been married not quite 12 months. Ballantyne was a prosperous grain-broker, and owned several good farms near Highmore. Those he decided to his wife. The few investments accumulated within the hundred dollars he was able to scrape together in cash to put in his own pocket and left to begin life afresh in a new location. As soon as he had gone, his wife sued for a divorce. There was no defense, and a decree was granted. The land given her by her husband she sold to advantage, and by shrewd investments accumulated within the next few years a comfortable fortune.

The past winter she spent in Southern California. On her way home a month ago she stopped in San Francisco. On the street there one day she met an emaciated figure in army blue, hobbling about with the aid of a heavy cane, in a vain search for employment. It was Ballantyne, discharged from the United States volunteer service, and intruded home from the Philippines after a fever which left him in such poor health as to destroy his usefulness as a soldier.

Ballantyne was about to pass his former wife without speaking to her, but she, when she saw his wasted form and miserable condition, felt all her old love for him revive. She hurried him into a carriage and to her hotel, where comfortable quarters, good food and the services of a competent physician soon produced a marked improvement in his health. Last week the two were remarried and have just returned to Highmore together.

CURE FOR APPENDICITIS.

New York Physician Releases a Patient Without Instruments.

New York, June 12.—Dr. George Helmer, a New York doctor, has cured a patient of appendicitis in eight minutes without the use of a knife, ice packs, or poisons. He applied one hand to a point midway between the top of the right leg and a point above the stomach, then bent up the right leg of the patient at the knee joint, and gave the leg a slight twist, by means of a quick motion, repeated two or three times, and the operation was over. This forced out of the appendix the clogging particles that occupied it.

Just back of the appendix is the largest muscle in the human body, known as the psoas magnus. It is attached to the femur or big bone of the leg, and is the muscle by which one can revolve the leg as on a pivot at the heel. It is this muscle which is made to do the trick of emptying the appendix. Using the fingers of one hand to hold the walls of the abdomen in place, and to prevent rupture of delicate internal structures, with the other hand a special modification of the psoas magnus is brought about, which snaps against the appendix and forces out of it organic whatever foreign substances it may contain.

VETERANS FOR CUBA.

Civil War Soldiers Plan a Law and Order Expedition.

Chicago, June 12.—A special to the Chronicle from Omaha says: Paul Vandervoort has received a letter from President McKinley acknowledging the receipt of his letter offering to take to Cuba a great colony of old soldiers of both the blue and the gray, whose presence shall be a guarantee against the outlawry practiced by some of the Cuban bands. Mr. Vandervoort is receiving hundreds of letters daily from veterans in all parts of the country, who are anxious to accompany the expedition.

Mr. Vandervoort was formerly commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He says the colonists will go in the fall, whether the movement has been sanctioned by the government or not—merely as a private affair. The West and South seem to be the largest contributors to the scheme.

DASH FOR LIBERTY.