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## SECRETS OF NAVY TRADED FOR CONTRACT

Building of Battleships Consideration  
for Betraying to Argentina Confidential Information in Possession of Government Bureaus.

## KNOX AND MEYER WONT EXPLAIN TRANSACTIONS

Admiral Garcia Claims Carte Blanche  
to All Information in Possession of Navy Department.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—That the secrets of the American navy have been traded for two battleship contracts, chief beneficiary of which is Charles M. Schwab's Bethlehem Steel Company, is the sensational charge brought here today against Secretary of State Knox and Secretary Meyer of the navy.

The two ships, the building of which was obtained for Americans by the alleged bargain, are now in course of construction for Argentina, one at the yards of the Fore River company at Quincy, Mass., and the other at the yards of the New York Ship Building company. The plans and drawings of the United States navy department and the brains of Uncle Sam's experts are being used in their construction.

It was because of the promise of open and free access to the secrets of the American navy by the state department that the contract for the warships came here, it is charged. Now the navy department has been called upon to make good the promise. Once the ships are built there is no guaranty that their guns may not be turned against the stars and stripes, say those protesting against the action, for they might be sold, or by capture, fall into the hands of any nation—possibly Germany or Japan. Thus it is charged, for a single contract the millions spent on the development of the American navy are practically placed at the service of a possible enemy.

When Argentina decided to build two dreadnaughts bids were asked from the whole world. The bidding was finally narrowed down to the English, German and American bids in the latter of which Charles M. Schwab's steel works were greatly interested. Secretary Knox was formerly attorney for Schwab.

While the contracts were still "up in the air" United States Minister Sherrill at Buenos Ayres intervened and by pledging the secrets of the American navy, it is asserted, turned the scales in favor of the United States bidders and the contracts came to this country.

All requests to Secretary Knox to explain the transaction have been met with a note saying the secretary declined to be interviewed on the subject.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Queried on Washington reports that American naval secrets had been pledged and were being used in the construction of the Argentine dreadnaughts here and in Massachusetts as a part of the bargain by which the contracts were given to America, Admiral Garcia, chief of the Argentine commission in charge of the construction of the war vessels, today freely admitted that it was the influence of the state department which secured the contracts for the United States.

"I met Secretary Knox in Washington," he said, "and was introduced to Secretary Meyer. I was informed that confidential relations had been established between the United States and Argentina. The relations are extraordinary. The United States Minister, Mr. Sherrill, at Buenos Ayres, obtained remarkable concessions from your government. We have carte blanche to all information your navy department has and are free to call for drawings, devices or expert advice. We can also use your proving grounds for testing our guns. We have been allowed to put our naval officers on board your ships to study your navy and methods. These new ships will be more powerful than any in your navy—indeed, than any in the world."

## 6000 INSURGENTS IN SCATTERED BANDS TO ATTACK CHIHUAHUA

Resumption of Through Traffic on Mexican Railroads Brings News of Insurrection

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 21.—With the resumption of through traffic on Mexican railroads, a train crew brought word here today that 6000 insurgents are scattered throughout the provinces of Southern Chihuahua and Durango. According to the railroad men there are from 300 to 600 in each band and the entire force is marching toward Chihuahua.

Two federal deserters who arrived here today declared that General Navarro's force was in a pitiable condition. Many of the soldiers are without shoes, they said, and have been forced to march barefooted through sleet and snow. Provisional President Madero's force camped last night at Ahumada.

## RAISING MONEY FOR CHINESE FAMINE FUND

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 21.—Over \$2000 was collected in the Chinese quarter in the last 24 hours for a famine fund to be cabled to the Red Cross society at Shanghai for relief of the famine stricken Chinese in the An Hui district. The subscription is being continued and efforts will be made by the Chinese to raise money at other points throughout Canada.

## SELECT SITE FOR HOSPITAL

Mother Provincial Arrives to Inspect Location and Complete Preliminary Plans—Brings Architect to Draw Elevations for Big Building.

For the purpose of looking over the site on Nob Hill, for the \$100,000 hospital to be erected there by the Sisters of Mercy and Providence, the Mother Provincial of this district with headquarters at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, and Sister Wenceslaus, of the order and Robert W. Tegen, an architect, came to Medford last night and spent today at the location, fixing among other things, the site for the laundry, the first of the hospital buildings to be erected.

Mr. Tegen, the architect chosen by the Sisters has had considerable experience in building similar institutions and it is expected that after completing the preliminary work here today, he will have the plans for the structure completed within a short time.

The Mother Provincial and Sister Wenceslaus, who while here were the guests of the Sisters at St. Mary's academy, will return to Portland tonight.

"We will have the laundry building put up first" said the Mother Provincial told a representative of the Mail Tribune this morning, "and will make of that the living quarters until the remainder of the hospital is completed. When finished the institution will have a capacity of about 75 beds and a personnel of probably 120."

"It is more than probable that a training school for nurses will be attached," she continued, "if a sufficient number of young ladies here show a disposition to learn the profession of nurse."

## WIFE TOOK SCISSORS TO BED WITH HER

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Walter K. Tichenor, dentist, stood for alleged ill treatment from his wife until she began, he says, taking knives, scissors, hatpins and "other deadly weapons" to bed with her, with the threat that she would do him bodily harm. And then he kicked. Today he is suing for divorce. Mrs. Tichenor denies the charges and asserts that her husband threatened to take her life if she did not leave home.

## CENTRAL ONLY ROAD TIED UP BY STRIKE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 21.—President Franklin of the International Brotherhood of Boiler-makers said today that the New York Central railroad was the only road affected by the boiler-makers' strike. He announced that 2000 men would be out by tonight.

## LORMIER TO LEARN FATE TOMORROW

Senate Will Vote on Illinois Senator According to Notice Served by Burrows—Beveridge Speaking This Afternoon Upon Case.

## CANADIAN RECIPROCITY IS A GO, SAYS CARTER

Agreement to Be Ratified Before Adjournment—Heyburn Expected to Lead Opposition.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—The senate probably will vote on the Lorimer case tomorrow, according to notice served in the upper house by Senator Burrows today. Burrows announced that immediately following Senator Lorimer's personal statement tomorrow he would demand a vote.

Senator Beveridge spoke on the Lorimer case this afternoon. Following a conference this afternoon with President Taft, Senator Carter of Montana announced that the Canadian reciprocity agreement would be ratified before the senate adjourned.

As Idaho is lined up solidly against the measure, Senator Heyburn is expected to lead the opposition when the bill is brought up in the senate for final action.

Representative Gaines of West Virginia today endeavored to force the house ways and means committee to consider a reciprocity measure which provides for absolute free trade between Canada and the United States for a period of twenty years. The bill requires both countries to adopt the same customs duties upon products of other countries.

The committee adjourned leaving the measure pending.

## SEATTLE GRAFT BEING PROBED

Secret Session of Grand Jury Investigating Corruption in Police Department—Patrolmen Accused of Collecting Tribute.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 21.—The secret session of the grand jury that is investigating the charges of corruption and graft in the police department under former Chief Wapenstein today have several saloonkeepers before it, and it is said that Gideon Tupper, saloonkeeper, will be compelled to give bond before he will be permitted to leave the city. Tupper is said to have been an officer of the Northern Club, a big gambling enterprise that flourished here last spring when Gill was mayor.

A number of policemen have been called before the grand jury and it is said that these men are accused of having collected regular weekly tribute from the unfortunates below the dead line and to have turned it over to their superiors.

Chief of Police Bandek, who was a police captain under Wapenstein was before the grand jury today.

## OREGON PRIMARY VETOED IN IOWA

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 21.—Governor B. F. Carroll appeared personally before the state assembly today and read his veto of the Oregon primary bill which the democrats and progressive republicans had passed. The governor said he feared the law might result in democrats controlling the state at the next election.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—The house committee of postoffices and postroads this afternoon favorably reported the Gallinger ship subsidy bill. China, Japan and the Philippines were stricken from the provisions of the bill in committee.

## GRANGERS TO FIGHT TAFT'S RECIPROCITY PLAN TO A FINISH

Master of Organization Notifies Senate Finance Committee That Proposed Agreement With Canada

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Declaring that introduction of the Canadian reciprocity measure offered seven cents in the price of wheat representatives of farmers and master granges, headed by N. J. Batchelder today, "It is a jug-handled fellow, master of the National grange, today notified the senate finance committee that their organizations would fight the bill to a finish.

"The treaty is decidedly unfair to the American farmer," said Batchelder today. "It is a jug-handled affair with Canada owing the jug and the United States the handle. The farmers will endure free trade in products and continued protection to manufacturers, but they will not stand for the reciprocity treaty."

## GOULD TO RETIRE FROM ACTIVE BUSINESS

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—With official verification today of the report that the Gould holdings of Missouri Pacific had been offered for sale at something above \$70 a share, it is generally believed here that George J. Gould shortly will retire from active business. The railroad holdings of the Gould family approximate \$100,000,000.

## MAY IMPEACH JAP CABINET

Removal of Marquis Katsura Demanded in Diet—Alleged to Be Responsible for Growth of Anarchy in Empire.

TOKIO, Feb. 21.—Impeachment of the Japanese cabinet headed by Marquis Katsura was demanded in the diet today.

Introduced by the constitutional nationalist party, a resolution was placed before that body declaring the cabinet responsible for the growth of anarchy in Japan and for a serious schism among its people growing out of the contents of a new school textbook which practically attacks the right of the Mikado to his throne. Great excitement exists throughout the country as a result of the latter complication and the bitterness engendered, it is feared, may have serious consequences.

The accusation of responsibility for the growth of socialism and anarchism in the empire is based in general terms. The Katsura administration is bitterly censured for too severe repressive measures and particularly for the execution of Denjiro Kotoku, the socialist and his partisans, the constitutionalists maintaining that too great severity only feeds the flames of socialism and will result in its rapid growth.

The other, and the more serious charge, against Katsura and his cabinet, is based on conditions peculiar to Japan. In the Katsura ministry's new school textbook on Japanese national history a feud dating back to the 14th century is re-opened.

## LORDS VETO BILL NOW IN COMMONS

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Lords' veto bill today was introduced in the house of commons by Premier Asquith. In speaking to the subject of the introduction of the measure he declared that an unprecedented situation would arise if the lords' rejection of the 1909 budget went unchallenged. He said:

"If you leave this power in the lords' hands it will revolutionize constitutional practice, enabling the lords to force the resignation of the ministry by rejecting finance bills."

He ended the rejection of the 1909 budget the "most stupendous political blunder ever perpetrated."

## TARIFF REST IS DEMAND OF BIG BUSINESS

No Extra Session of Congress Say Money Kings Who Are Bringing Great Pressure to Bear Upon President to Prevent Further Agitation.

## WALL STREET FEARS BUSINESS DISTURBANCE

No Indication as to How Taft Regards Plea for Legislators to Be Permitted to Go Home.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Fearful of business disturbance if an extra session of congress is called, agents of the money kings today are bringing the greatest possible pressure to bear on President Taft to induce him to forego his declared purpose, no matter what the action of congress on reciprocity and his other pet projects.

"Let us have a rest," is the plea to the president. "We don't want an extra session. It will keep business in a turmoil, because the democrats are apt to start anything when they hold the reins of government. We want a tariff rest until December anyway."

No indication has yet been given as to how President Taft regards the plea of "big business," but it is known that every resource of the interests is being brought into play to induce him to allow the legislators to go quietly home, even if his reciprocity program is not endorsed.

## Mission Lodging House Burns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 21.—Scores of lives were jeopardized when fire today gutted a lodging house in the Mission, the tenants fleeing to the streets, scantily clad.

## PLAN CAPTURE OF ENSENADA

Rebel Troops Occupy narrow Pass and Prepare to March South Towards Capital—Bull Ring Fortified at Tia Juana.

CALEXICO, Cal., Feb. 21.—As a preliminary move to an advance on Ensenada, the capital of lower California, rebel troops under General Leyva and General Berthold today occupied Pichacho Pass, a narrow defile directly south of here. A party of 40 insurgents took the pass, meeting with no opposition from federal outposts who were reported in the vicinity. It was expected that the federals would place every obstacle possible in the path of the rebels between Mexicali and Ensenada.

The movement of the full rebel arm toward Ensenada will start probably tomorrow, according to General Leyva. One or two other passes will have to be scouted fully to prevent an ambush before the main body of troops enters.

In the last few days the Mexican federals at Tia Juana have thrown up breastworks around the old building and are prepared to make resistance there if insurgents appear. A detachment is believed to be on the way from Calexico, evidently bound for Ensenada.

## PHONE COMBINE TO BE EFFECTED

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The proposition to combine the Bell and independent interests, has not been dropped. It was learned today that a "gentleman's" agreement will be made and that rate-cutting and unnecessary competition will be abolished. Representatives of both interests conferred today in the offices of J. P. Morgan. Such a combination would not be in violation of the Sherman law, it is said.

## MILLIONAIRE ARNOLD BELIEVES DAUGHTER KIDNAPPED AND SLAIN

States in Affidavit That Heiress Was Abducted December 12 and is Convinced She Has Been Murdered.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Affidavit that he believes his daughter, Dorothy Arnold, the missing New York heiress, has been murdered was made here today for District Attorney Whitman by Francis R. Arnold, the millionaire father of the girl.

Arnold, urging action by the New York authorities, swore that he had information to the effect that his daughter was kidnapped on Fifth avenue on December 12 last, and declares he is convinced that she was later murdered and her body disposed of.

"I am firmly convinced that my daughter has been killed," Arnold said after his interview with the district attorney, "and I will spend every dollar I have in the world to avenge her death."

## SPOKANE JEWELER COMMITTS SUICIDE

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 21.—Herbert W. Counter, a jeweler formerly a resident of Minneapolis, and where his family is said to now reside committed suicide early today by shooting. He has been living in Spokane for four years.

Acquaintances ascribe his deed to worry over family affairs.

## POSSES CLOSE IN ON INDIANS

Five Days Hunt After Murderers of Four Prominent Nevada Stockmen Ends With Aborigines Being Surrounded—Battle Is Expected.

RENO, Nev., Feb. 21.—Death by the bullets of outraged frontiersmen, it is expected here, will be the fate within 24 hours of the band of Indians who murdered four prominent stockmen in the wilds of Washoe County some time ago. Three posses today are closing in on the band, which now is in the Jackson Mountains, heading for the Plate Indian reservation at Pyramid Lake.

After a five days hunt over mountain trails after the murderers, Captain Donnelly of the state police, who, with Sheriff Ferrell and twenty-two men, took up the pursuit as soon as the crime was discovered, has communicated the fact that the end of his long chase is at hand. Captain Donnelly sent a courier from Quinn River, thirty-six miles, to Amos, from where he telephoned to Sheriff Lamb of Winnemucca, who within an hour led a second posse to cut off the Indians from the reserve. The news was then sent to Pyramid Lake and the state police there made up a third posse to block the red skin's retreat. There is little doubt that a battle will come within a very few hours.

Coroner Lee Davis and Surgeon S. K. Morrison arrived today from the country where the massacre occurred. They report that near the scene of the killing Captain Donnelly's posse found a deserted camp of the Indians strongly fortified and with a look out stationed high up on the mountain-side, which commanded all approaches for miles. There was every evidence that the camp had not long been evacuated, and the posse believed that the Indians had decamped only a short time before their arrival.

## HOBSON'S WAR SCARE DUE IN TEN MONTHS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—War with Japan within the next ten months was predicted in the house today by Representative Richmond P. Hobson. During a speech in favor of a definitive constructive policy of defense, he declared that Japan now is financially prepared for war, and that the United States, before long, will be forced to make an exhausting struggle with the Japanese, ending in probable disaster.

## COLD WEATHER KILLS WHEN BULLETS FAIL

NOGALES, Ariz., Feb. 21.—Usually cold weather in the mountains near Nogales, where Mexican soldiers are entrenched has resulted in a dozen cases of sickness and caused several desertions, according to reports received here today. One soldier died from exposure.

## NO CHARGES FOR USE OF ICED CARS

Interstate Commerce Commission Rules That Western Shippers Should Receive Use of Refrigerator Cars Without Additional Cost.

## NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR PRE-COOLING FACILITIES

Thousands of Dollars Saved Annually to Fruitgrowers of Pacific Coast by Decision.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—By the decision today of the interstate commerce commission in ruling that western shippers should receive the use of refrigerator cars whenever asked without additional cost, hundreds of thousands of dollars will be saved annually to the fruit growers of the Pacific Coast.

The commission sustained every contention made by the fruit growers and denounced the extra charges made by the railroads for pre-cooling facilities as unreasonable and unjust.

The decision renders practically useless the pre-cooling plants of the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific, costing more than \$500,000 each.

The new court of commerce received its first big case today when western railroads appealed from the decision of the interstate commerce commission declaring that switching charges exacted at San Francisco and Los Angeles were unreasonable. Pending a decision, the commission postponed the reductions ordered until May 1.

## AMERICANS IMPRISON FELLOW COUNTRYMEN

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 21.—Friends of W. H. Holmes, a magazine writer; J. H. McDonald, a soldier of fortune, and Ferdinand Palomares, an insurgent officer today bombarded Senator LaFollette, Champ Clark and Victor L. Berger with telegrams urging them to exert their influence to obtain the release of the three men from the United States Army prison at Calexico.

The matter probably will be settled by the state department, as it is understood that the Mexican government has expressly requested that the prisoners be held. Palomares and Holmes crossed the border from Mexico for medical treatment. McDonald, wounded, was brought over by United States soldiers.

## TWELVE THOUSAND FOR CHINA'S STARVING CHINKS

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 21.—With \$12,000 pledged at a mass meeting last night committee of citizens today began an active campaign to add more to the fund which is to be used to aid the famine victims of China.

An appeal to all citizens of the city in the form of a resolution was published in the newspapers today and it was predicted that several thousand more would be added to the sum before nightfall.

## GOTCH LOSES MATCH AGAINST "AMERICUS"

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 21.—Wrestling fans are undecided today whether Frank Gotch made a better showing against "Americus" in their match here last night than did George Hackenschmidt recently. Gotch lost his match, failing to throw his man twice in the hour allotted, but so did Hackenschmidt. Gotch secured the first fall in 50 minutes and 35 seconds. It took Hackenschmidt a minute longer.

## REDUCED IN RANK BY SINS OF CLERK

BREMERTON, Wash., Feb. 21.—Because his safe was robbed of \$2,200 by one of his clerks, Assistant Paymaster E. R. Wilson, United States Navy who is attached to the navy yard here, will be reduced two numbers in rank. This is said to be the sentence today determined upon by the court martial. Paymaster Wilson was pay officer of the Philadelphia when the theft occurred.