

HILL DENIES THE REPORT

Says Columbia Government Demands no Portion

OF PANAMA CANAL MONEY

Three Elements Opposed to Ratification of Canal Treaty

PRESIDENT MARROQUIN RESIGNS OFFICE IN FAVOR OF GENERAL RAFAEL REITES—THE SAMOANS ARE FRIENDLY TO AMERICAN PHILIPPINE MONEY QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Concerning the report from Panama that the Panama Canal Company had offered to the Colombian Government \$12,000,000 of the \$40,000,000 the company is to receive from the United States for the canal property, Edward B. Hill, counsel for the Canal Company, said today: "I have never heard of such a thing. Colombia has never demanded such payment."

Private advices from Colombia state that there are three elements opposed to the ratification of the Panama Canal Treaty. One element antagonizes the feature giving the United States perpetual control; another urges that the indemnity and annuity is not sufficient, and the third element consists of the revolutionary spirits who fear that with the Colombian treasury enriched by ten million dollars, the Government's strength will be so increased as to destroy all hopes of success from the revolutionary movement.

On Account of Politics. Panama, Colombia, May 11.—It is reported here that President Marroquin has been compelled to resign the office on account of political trouble and that General Rafael Reites, second vice-president of Colombia will assume the Presidency. The friends of the canal

are anxiously awaiting the confirmation of this report.

Celebrate the Anniversary.
Washington, May 11.—Commander Underwood, in charge of the naval station at Tutuila reports that the Samoans celebrated April 17, the third anniversary of the raising of the American flag on Tutuila as a public holiday. He says in his report: "The feeling in this district toward the Government is of a friendly character."

Discussed Money Question.
Washington, May 11.—Secretary Root, Mr. Ide of the Philippine Commission; Mr. Edwards, of the Insular Bureau, and members of the Monetary Commission, held a conference today and discussed the Philippine money situation in its relation to the operation of the new currency laws for the islands.

DROWNED WHILE BOATING

A MAN AND WOMAN FALL OVERBOARD FROM SKIFF INTO KAW RIVER.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 11.—Alfred Taylor, aged 24 years, and Mrs. E. E. Renney, aged 31, were drowned in the Kaw river off Armourdale, Kan., near here last night, while boating. The couple started out at 10:30 at night, having hired Roy Van Metre, a boy, to manage the boat. While in the middle of the stream they fell overboard. The boat remained upright, but Van Metre was too excited to render any assistance, and, rowing to shore, notified the police. Up to a late hour the bodies had not been recovered. Mrs. Renney came here recently from Coffeyville, Kan., with her husband, who is a railroad employe.

LUMBER YARDS TIED UP

TALLY MEN AND LUMBER INSPECTORS EMPLOYED IN CHICAGO STRIKE.

CHICAGO, May 11.—A strike of 1500 tally men and the Lumber Inspectors' Union, which may develop a serious trouble for the lumber industry of this city, was inaugurated today. Seventy-five lumber yards throughout the city are involved. Upon refusal of the employers to grant a demand of 30 cents an hour and a ten-hour day, the men walked out without any warning, although an agreement had been signed January 1st between the tally men and lumber inspectors' union and the employers, making the wages 22 1/2 cents an hour for one year.

COMPETITION IS NOW RIFE

The Frisco-Northwestern Road Combines With Santa Fe

TO BUILD A NEW BRANCH

Will Be 300 Miles Long and the Capital Stock \$15,000,000

SOUTHERN PACIFIC WILL COMPETE WITH COMBINATION FOR REDWOOD FREIGHTING BUSINESS — O. R. & N. CO. MAKING MOVE TO IMPROVE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 11.—The San Francisco & Northwestern Railroad Company filed articles of incorporation today in the office of the county clerk in this city. By the articles filed it is evident that the railway is a branch of the Santa Fe system. The corporation starts with a capital stock of \$15,000,000. The route of the road is from Alton, Humboldt county, thence in a generally southerly direction to Point Richmond, a terminus of the Santa Fe. The estimated length of the railway is 300 miles. It is reported that the Southern Pacific has arranged to compete with the Santa Fe in the redwood freighting business. The proposed plan of the Southern Pacific contemplates the building of 300 miles of railway between Willets and Eureka and connecting the road at Eureka with the line of A. B. Hammond, the Eureka & Klamath River Railroad.

O. R. & N. Co.'s Big Game. Portland, Ore., May 11.—A special board of United States Army Engineers, consisting of Col. Heuer, Major Marshal and Burr and Captains McKinstry and Gillette, arrived in the city today for the purpose of investigating the Hart's plan for removing the obstructions to navigation of the Columbia river from The Dalles to Celilo. The board held its first meeting today in the office of Major Langfitt, the resident engineer, and will continue its sessions during the week. Tomorrow a trip will be made to Celilo for the purpose of inspecting the rapids at that point. President Mohler of the O. R. & N. Co., has placed his private car at the disposal of the board.

BID STROKE AT VANDALISM

The President Lectures the People of California

UPON DEFACTING OF TREES

Giants of Forest Are Literally Covered With Cards of Tourists

EXPRESSED REGRET THAT THEIR BEAUTY SHOULD BE SO OBSCURED — CARDS ALL TORN DOWN LATER IN THE DAY — A BAD MAN ARRESTED.

SAN JOSE, Cal., May 11.—President Roosevelt today gave the people of the county an object lesson on the evils of vandalism. While at Santa Cruz this forenoon he was taken to the big tree grove. Almost the first sight that greeted his eyes as he entered the park was one of the huge trees with thousands of business and personal cards tacked on it.

Tourists for years have been placing their cards upon this tree and it began to look more like a receptacle for bits of pasteboards than it did one of the wonders of nature. The President instantly expressed his disapproval of such procedure, and a little while later, when asked to make a speech, called attention to the defacement of the tree and said he hoped the people of

California would see to it that such vandalism was stopped. He also intimated that he would like to see the cards taken down.

Later, when the President went for a walk through the park, the members of his party, together with the members of the reception committee, tore down the cards. Later in the day the President again signified his disapproval of placing large placards of signs on the trees. He was informed that the committee wished to name one of the trees after him. While desiring that some other name be given to the tree, the President said he did not want to act churlish in the matter, and if the committee really desired to name the tree after him, he would not object.

He stipulated, however, that the card bearing his name, that was to be placed on the tree, should not be more than three-quarters of an inch by an inch and a half in diameter.

The President made speeches today at Pajaro, Watsonville, Santa Cruz and San Jose, addressing the largest audiences of the day at this place. He was taken on a drive through the country here, stopping for a few minutes at Campbell, where he participated in the planting of a tree. The President spent the evening quietly on his car and will leave at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning for Palo Alto.

Arrested on Suspicion.

San Jose, Cal., May 11.—Clay Taylor, alias Prof. Plutte, was arrested by Detective Pickering this afternoon for supposed designs upon the life of the President. He has served three terms in prison. It is alleged that he wrote to the President advising him not to come here. He is also accused of recent anarchistic utterances.

S. K. Entrekini, of Hennessey, Oklahoma, has arrived in the city and will engage in business here in the near future. Mr. Entrekini has spent the past few months in Albert, B. C., but was not highly pleased with that country. The family has taken up residence on Liberty street.

HIGHBINDERS ON WARPATH

Presidents of Two Societies Made Confessions

ADMIT OF BIG CONSPIRACY

To Kill 300 Members of the Chinese Educational Society

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO BE PAID FOR EACH INFORMANT KILLED, \$300 FOR EVERY OTHER AND \$200 FOR EACH ONE THAT IS MAIMED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 11.—Two of the four Chinese Highbinder Societies' presidents, arrested for alleged complicity in the killing of Tom Yick, a member of the Chinese Educational Society, on Friday night, have signed confessions in which they admit that a conspiracy existed among the different ramifications of the power of the Yip Society to put out of the way 300 members of the educational organization; that a price of \$500 was to be paid for the murder of each of those suspected of giving information to the police; that \$300 was to be forthcoming for every other one of the 300 members put out of the way; that \$200 would be paid to the gun men and the hatchet men for each one maimed;

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EVERYBODY COME OUT

PRESIDENT COLEMAN TO ADDRESS THE COMMERCIAL CLUB TONIGHT.

No little interest is being taken in the meeting of the Greater Salem Commercial Club which is to take place in the police court room of the city hall this evening at 8 o'clock. Not only is this the first meeting of the club to be held under the new rule, the meeting nights having been changed from the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month to the second and fourth Tuesdays but tonight the members will be treated to an elegant and able address by President John H. Coleman, of the Willamette University, who was extended an invitation to address the club at its last meeting.

President Coleman has a reputation, and justly so, of being one of the best and most interesting talkers in the country and anyone who misses this opportunity will certainly be deemed guilty of neglect and carelessness, which is an unpardonable sin. President Coleman will speak upon the subject of the Willamette University and its needs and no business man or citizen, who has the interest of that grand old educational institution at heart, cannot afford to miss it. Everybody should come out.

BATTLE WITH MAD BULL

FARMER'S WIFE KEEPS BEAST OFF WITH PITCHFORK TO SAVE HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, May 11.—Armed with a pitchfork, Mrs. James Morton, a plucky farmer's wife, living near Flinders, N. J., for nearly an hour kept at bay a vicious bull that had attacked and nearly killed her husband. Two of the farmer's children gave the alarm, and friends and neighbors then rushed to the field and drove the bull away.

While entertaining visitors, Mrs. Morton became uneasy over the long absence of her husband, who had gone out to care for his stock. She heard a dehorned bull, noted for its vicious temper, bellowing, and on running to the field she saw her husband lying unconscious on the ground, while the bull stood over him. Flourishing a pitchfork, the farmer's wife ran forward and drove the prongs four inches into the bull's hide. As the animal still continued to attack her husband, Mrs. Morton again and again jabbed the fork into it, until the animal turned and rushed at her. With a blow on the head Mrs. Morton made the bull pause.

She was still standing guard, pitchfork in hand, when, an hour later, the rescuers, summoned by the children, arrived. Mr. Morton was carried into the house, where it was found that several of his ribs were broken. He was severely injured about the head and chest.

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