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REBELLION GROWING IN CUBA

Battleships Ordered to Be Held in Readiness for a Descent Upon the Island if Peace is Not Restored.

TAFT CABINET IS ALARMED

President Campaigning Before Large Crowds in New Jersey—Vice-President Sherman Makes a Flying Visit to Chicago—Governor Johnson of California Will Second the Nomination of Roosevelt—Situation of the Delegates to the National Convention.

Washington, May 25.—A formidable array of battleships with Rear Admiral Osterhaus in command, was this afternoon ordered to mobilize at Key West, ready to take a hand in suppressing the Cuban revolution, should such action be deemed necessary.

The fleet includes the third and fourth divisions of the Atlantic fleet, including the battleships Georgia, Nebraska, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Mississippi, Missouri, Minnesota and Ohio. The hospital ship, Solace will accompany the fleet. Two supply ships will go later.

Washington, May 25.—Probability of immediate American intervention in Cuba, as a result of the negro rebellion there, is indicated in a request to the navy department from the department of state at noon today to send the battleship Nebraska and other warships that can be readily called into service to mobilize at Key West, Fla., to be held in readiness for developments in Cuba.

President Taft and his cabinet are greatly concerned over the Cuban situation.

Havana, May 25.—Advices from El Caney Del Sifio, which was looted yesterday by negro insurgents, state that two Americans who were imprisoned there were released today. The negroes, say the reports, retreated toward Baracoa, dynamiting railroad bridges as they went.

The rebels attacked the Santa Lucia plantation, where they were repulsed. It is reported that the government has offered to grant the rebel leaders amnesty if they will stop the rebellion.

Sacramento, Cal., May 25.—Governor Johnson announced today before a meeting of Roosevelt delegates that he would not be a candidate for temporary chairman at Chicago, but he would second, on behalf of California, the nomination of Colonel Roosevelt.

Jersey City, N. Y., May 25.—President Taft today addressed 18,000 employees of the Standard Oil company's works at Bayonne.

VOCAL RECITAL, FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 31, FIRST M. E. CHURCH

Miss Magers will present the Misses Mabel Lantz, Gertrude Erickson, Ermine Bushnell, Ada Miller, Edna Josse, Inez Dennison, Greta Phillips, Hazel McIntyre, Ruth Reed, Marguerite Flower, Ruth Fugate and Hallie Morrison Starr and Seba Case Wall in recital. They will be assisted by a mixed chorus consisting of the Ladies' Thursday Musical Class and some of the best men's voices in the city. Messrs. Williams, Jenks, Foster, Metz, Ellis, Tridie, Gile, Gille, Jones, Bruer, Snyder, Smith and Wolf, presenting choruses from "The Chimes of Normandy" and from the noted oratorio, "The Statute Water," Mr. McGilchrist directing and Mr. Roberts accompanying on the pipe organ.

SPORTING MAN WHO IS SHY ON CASH

New York, May 25.—Alleging that he has assets of only \$200,000 to meet liabilities of \$300,000, a petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed here today by George Conidine, a New York sporting man.

MAN WHO WAS QUITE TOO PARTICULAR

Los Angeles, Cal., May 25.—Maid street barber doing a huddy-up sham-boo job, emptied an egg of cobwebby vintage on a customer's dome. Then the fight started. A porter was sent out for a box of chloride of lime.

AGITATING FOR PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

At the meeting at Young's hall last night by citizens of the fifth ward to discuss the proposition of the purchase of the Salem water plant with the special committee of the city council it was agreed to hold another meeting next Tuesday evening at the same place to determine the sentiment of that community regarding the purchase. The member of the committee went over the matter in much the same way as has been done in the other meetings. In the absence of Alderman Rigdon, who was detained on account of an accident to a lady who was injured by a buggy being turned over, Alderman White, of the special committee, stated the purpose of the meeting and stated his views as favoring arbitration while those of Alderman Rigdon were for condemnation.

August Huckenstein spoke saying that the proposed purchase was a gigantic undertaking but he took the same view he has always held, that is favoring the purchase. Mayor Lachmund, Alderman Lafky and Alderman Waring were there and expressed their views. Among the citizens of that ward who expressed their views were John D. Turner, August Huckenstein, Geo. B. Jacobs, H. C. Fletcher, Frank English and G. A. Bach, all of whom favored purchasing the plant. There was some difference as to the best method of purchase, but further time will be given and more discussion of the matter will be held next Tuesday evening when a large attendance is desired.

Alderman Rigdon spoke in strong terms regarding the disinterestedness of the voters and urged everybody to vote, even if their views did not agree with his. What he wanted was the sentiment of the people whether for or against the purchase.

John D. Turner strongly favored purchase by arbitration and not such as was before. He said that there should be articles of agreement drawn up and that both parties should be bound by them.

Alderman Waring in stating his view said among other things, "I do not propose to spend \$15,000 or \$20,000 to prove to the people that there is no graft in the proposition." Rigdon spoke up saying, "I do." Mayor Lachmund said, "We propose to purchase the water plant at our price and not at the price set by the water company. He said even if the plant cost \$700,000 he felt that the people could be made to see that it was a good investment.

SOCIALISTS ASSISTING ATTY. WEBB

Representative of the Governor is at San Diego to Get at the Facts in Co-operation With I. W. W.

DARROW BRIBERY TRIAL

A Lawyer on Trial Makes the Whole Fight One of Technicalities—Old Man Darrow Seems to Be the Least Technical of All—Direct Testimony to the Effect That Jurors Were Fixed With Large Sums—Case Adjourned Until Next Monday.

San Diego, Cal., May 25.—Attorney General Webb, here at the request of Governor Johnson to investigate and act on the I. W. W. situation, told a committee of Socialists and labor union men today that he would do his best to get at the facts and would act in accordance. The 10 members of the committee called upon Webb by appointment and remained in session with him for an hour and a half.

They offered their services for any future time when Webb might wish to call upon them for facts concerning the situation.

In a general way, Webb stated to the committee what his plan of action would be there and they were conciliated, they said later, that before he is through all law violators will be punished.

"It is a serious matter for the state to step in and take the law into its own hand," said Webb. "Realizing this, of course, I shall do all I can to co-operate with the local officials."

"If I should find that the laws cannot be enforced through the local officials, then I should act accordingly. "I believe that a municipality has a right to create a centrally-congested district, and to maintain the same, not any wrong on the part of the I. W. W. does not justify the taking of the laws into their own hands by a vigilance committee."

A committee of Socialists and labor unionists conferred with Webb today. Secretary Cotman of the Socialists alleging that the conference was not to present evidence, but merely to assure the attorney general of their pleasure at his presence in San Diego, and to express their belief that the trouble is apparently nearing the end.

The Darrow Trial.

Hall of Justice, Los Angeles, Cal., May 25.—Indication that the trial of Clarence Darrow, charged with jury tampering in the McNamara murder case, will be replete with tedious technical fights between lawyers was made by the court proceedings during the morning session.

The defense has started a quibbling legal contest from the outset. It was made evident that Darrow's attorneys are going to fight every step of the way.

NEW MANAGER OF THE OREGON SHOE COMPANY.

A change has been made in the management of the Oregon Shoe Co., by which D. F. Bruner, who has been the manager for a number of years, will retire from the business and L. L. Sloper, formerly of the shoe department of the Meyers' store, will take charge. Mr. Sloper has been manager of the shoe department of Meyers' store for the past year and a half, having been in the employ of that store for three years altogether.

HE HELD MANY OFFICES, BUT HAD TO GO.

Bellingham, Wash., May 25.—Timothy Griffith, of Guinness Island, died today after a short illness.

Griffith was private secretary to the late United States Senator, Roscoe Conklin, for years; clerk of the United States senate for ten years, and clerk of the United States circuit court in New York for eight years. He was born in Steuben, N. Y. He came to Washington in 1898, and leaves a widow and daughter in Buffalo, N. Y., and a sister in Utica, N. Y.

BASEBALL Tomorrow at League Grounds 2:30 p. m. SALEM LEAGUE TEAM VS. WINTON SIX OF PORTLAND Winner of five straight games and only team that has defeated the first team of the Columbia River League

THE P. E. & E. SILVERTON EXTENSION

Portland, Eugene & Eastern activities got a new impetus today when County Surveyor B. B. Herrick, with a force of men, began the survey of the branch to be built from the fair grounds to Silverton. He went over the proposed route Friday with Engineer Smithson, of Corvallis, and today began staking out the route. It will be very direct.

The lines to Rosedale have been surveyed, and all have terminals on the Pemberton tract at Rosedale, on which the Welch corporation has options. Right of way negotiations have begun, and, while some property owners are very reasonable, others are not, as is always the case, and the company has reserved the right to pick either one of its surveys.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC EXTENSION

The Southern Pacific branch line from Salem to Fir station, the line that is to give Salem an interurban traction service to Silverton, has been held up some time, pending negotiations for the Mt. Hood highway along some O. R. & N. right of way, in now to be constructed at once. Governor West has taken the bus off the extension and will now let the work proceed. The contract has been let for some time, and the contractors have been notified by Superintendent Campbell.

SHE GOT A DIVORCE IN ONLY 150 MINUTES. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, May 25.—A record was made here when Mrs. W. L. King was handed a divorce decree just 150 minutes after she filed her complaint.

FEDERAL PROBING GENERAL

By the United States Grand Jury of the Industrial Workers of the World in Southern California Cities.

SCENES IN SAN DIEGO JAIL.

Workers as Noisy Behind the Bars as on the Street—Even the Chinese Are Disorderly in the Metropolis of Millionaires—Renewal of the Tong Warfare and One Chinaman Gets a Long Sentence.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 25.—The attitude of the Industrial Workers of the World toward law and order will be the general matter for investigation when the federal grand jury probing the activities of that organization resumes its inquiry next Tuesday. This was the statement late today of Assistant United States District Attorney Dudley Robinson, who is directing the investigation.

Robinson refused to divulge the specific line of questioning that will be taken up Tuesday, but intimated that several San Diego city officials and police officers, and possibly members of the Industrial Workers will be called to testify.

Reports of the discovery of bombs here and in San Diego, and attempts to connect them with the dolags of the I. W. W. members apparently receiving little attention from the federal officials. Robinson also refused to state whether action will be taken on plots alleged to have been unearthed in San Diego jeopardizing the lives of Mayor Wadham, Superintendent of Police Sehon and Chief of Police Wilson.

San Diego, Cal., May 25.—There was trouble in the city jail here today when the 25 Industrial Workers imprisoned there awaiting trial for violation of the street speaking ordinance began to sing revolutionary songs and cheer for the red flag. The trouble began when Chief of Police Wilson entered the jail to consult with Jailor Pringle. Wilson declared that the men called him vile names and insulted him in every way possible. He ordered the men out of the large cage, in which they were kept, and put in separate cells. This, however, did not stop the noise, and the songs, cheers and threats could be heard for a block. The prisoners had been orderly for several weeks.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 25.—What the police believe means a renewal of the tong war here occurred today when an unidentified Chinese, who came here recently from San Francisco and opened a store, was shot and killed in his place of business. Quan Gim Gow, who arrived here last evening from San Francisco, was arrested after witnesses of the affair declared him to be the murderer.

GRAND ARMY VISITS ALL THE SCHOOLS.

Friday deputations of Grand Army men visited nearly all the schools in the city. The schools were decorated with flags and flower and the talks were in the line of teaching patriotism and loyalty. The children had recitations and songs suitable to the occasion. At the Park school Principal Dotson and the veterans carried out the following program: Song by the school, "America." Recitation by Peter Stansel. Address by Judge Webster. Song by the fourth grade. Recitation by Grace Allen. Address by General Byars. Song by the seventh grade. Recitation by Charlotte Whittier. Address by Mr. Harris. Concert reading, sixth grade. Address, Mrs. Smith of the Relief Corps. Song by the school.

Medford's public market opened for business Saturday morning, May 25. Lazelle brothers want to open a cannery at Oregon City.

MRS. SCHUNCK IS SEEKING HER LIBERTY.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Wheeling, W. Va., May 25.—Release from the charge of having poisoned her aged millionaire husband, John O. Schenck, was sought today by Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenck, his young wife, when the case was called in the criminal court here. Following the submission of affidavits by the state, Judge Jordan took the question of finally dismissing the case under advisement. He will decide next week whether Mrs. Schenck is again to be placed on trial.

EX-MAYOR SCHMITZ AGAIN AN HONEST MAN.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, May 25.—Superior Judge Lawlor today dismissed from the calendar the 27 indictments standing against former Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz.

These are the last of the hundreds of indictments arising from the graft cases against dozens of former San Francisco officials and corporation magnates. Dismissal was entered on the ground that the cases had not come to trial within the 60-day limit directed by law, as ordered by the appellate court in the cases of Abe Ruef, Patrick Calhoun and others indicted by the grand jury here some six years ago.

WOMEN ARE NOT WANTED ON THE JURIES.

Chico, Cal., May 25.—No woman can serve on juries before Judge Richard White here. The judge denied a request for a woman jury with a statement that women had no business on juries, despite their recent enfranchisement.

MOTOR CAR ACCIDENT FRIDAY

F. H. Garland was driving his Maxwell "30" about five miles south of Salem Friday for the Board of Trade with a party out from St. Louis, with W. T. Rigdon, to see the prune district.

They met Mrs. Wolf driving a single buggy, a girl aged about 12 accompanying her. Mr. Garland passed on the right side, but after she got by she overturned the buggy in the ditch on the east side of the road. The buggy caught both of the women and had to be righted up to let them out. Mrs. Wolfe was found with a broken ankle. She was taken at once to the auto to the office of Morse & Robertson, where she was attended. The buggy nor the little girl were hurt.

The horse was not frightened, and stood perfectly still while matters were got into order.

Mrs. Wolf lives with her father C. C. Hickok, and does not blame any one for the accident.

WORK BEGUN ON PAVING OF FRONT STREET.

The Bi-Concrete Paving & Cement Co., of which L. O. Harrold and Russel R. Smith are the managers, began this morning laying concrete pavement on Front street at the corner of Chemeketa street. Nearly the entire street is now graded, and now the concrete work will go forward with as much haste as the weather conditions will permit.

Work on Center street from Summer street west has taken another turn, and it appears that the street car track is not to be taken up, but the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway company, successors to the P. R. L. & P. Co., began today changing their track on this street by substituting heavy steel for that now down. This will delay the contractor on the pavement, who will give his attention to making the sub-grade at points further west. The work to be done by the railroad company will require some time to complete. The change from light to heavy steel will necessitate that the ties be lowered about two inches.

Forecast Till 4 p. m. Sunday. Salem and vicinity: Showers this afternoon, tonight and Sunday. Southerly winds.

TITANIC DISASTER DETAILED

Testimony of One of the Stokers Who Explains Some of the Nautical Signs and Customs.

WHEN SHIP WENT DOWN

Door Closed on the Section Where the Stokers Were at Work and Many of Them Were Shut in Like Rats in a Trap—Says It Only Took Fifteen Seconds to Lower a Lifeboat—Getting at the Facts in the Matter.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] New York, May 25.—Sworn testimony that the Titanic was steaming ahead at full speed when it collided with the monster iceberg was given Senator William Alden Smith, chairman of the Titanic investigating committee, here today by Frederick Barrett, a Titanic stoker, who was working in that section of the ship damaged most by the collision. Chairman Smith, who was accompanied by Admiral Richard M. Watts, took Barrett's deposition in the stokehold of the liner Olympic, a sister ship of the Titanic, which is in port here.

Barrett testified that at the time of the crash a white light burned in the stokehold, indicating that the vessel was going ahead at full speed. At least 24 of the Titanic's 29 boilers were going, he said, when the collision came.

Replying to questions asked by Senator Smith and Admiral Watts, who accompanied him to explain nautical technicalities, Barrett said: "I was on duty in the forward section on the night of the collision. I was talking to Second Engineer Haskett when an order suddenly came down from the bridge to stop the engines. Simultaneously a red light was flashed in the signal box. I cried to Haskett to shut off the damper. As I did this there was a crash, and Haskett and I jumped through the doorway from No. 8 section, where we stood, to No. 7. The door barely missed us as it closed, and I know that several other stokers were cut off from escape. I hurried above, and when I looked down again there was eight feet of water in section No. 5. Then the lights were extinguished there. Later they were turned on again, and when I saw a mass of the ladder."

Barrett testified that he saw water enter bunker No. 5 from a hole two feet above the floor plates.

It poured in from a tear, he said, along the side of the vessel. Barrett had charge of the lifeboat wherein Mrs. John Jacob Astor escaped.

Senator Smith also took the depositions of Captain Haddock and Wireless Operator Moore, of the Olympic. The operator's book showed the following message from Captain Rostron, of the Carpathia: "Ismy's under plates."

Both Captain Craddock and Operator Moore swore that they had not received orders to suppress messages. Captain Craddock said that his first information of the disaster came from the Carpathia.

At the request of Senator Smith Captain Haddock lowered one of the Olympic's lifeboats. It only required 35 seconds to get the lifeboat from the deck to the water.

THE WOMAN'S SCREAM WAS NOT LOCATED.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Or., May 25.—A report that a woman had screamed for help and immediately afterward a coffin shaped box had been carried out of one of the rooms caused a raid by police on an apartment house here. The box contained a kindling. The scream has not been located.

CITY OF PORTLAND WILL INSURE PROPERTY.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Or., May 25.—Alarmed by the destruction of a fire house by fire here recently, the city executive board announced it would see that all buildings of the city are insured against fire.

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