

SNAPSHOTS AT NATIONAL CAPITAL

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(Special Bulletin Correspondence.)
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—An aerial station was established in the Philippine Islands the middle of this month at Fort McKinley, on the out skirts of Manila, and was placed in charge of Lieut. Frank P. Loun, veteran biplane flier and balloon man. A Wright biplane, to be used on the Islands, was shipped from San Francisco, was accompanied by Corporal Vernon L. Burge and First Private Kenneth L. Kentzell, of San Antonio, Tex. They are familiar with the construction of biplanes, having had experience with army machines at the recent Mexican revolt, when this Government had three fliers in Texas.

The establishment of an aerial station in the Philippines is the first step toward creating a strong aerial squadron to patrol the coasts of the country and its possessions. It is believed by army aeronautical experts that the presence of a flying machine on the islands will have a great influence over the natives, and tend to keep them from stirring up revolts. Lieutenant Loun will make long flights from time to time. Eventually other machines will be shipped to the Philippines, and in a few years a large station will be maintained there.

Toll rates for the Panama canal, varying from a minimum of 50 cents a ton to a maximum of \$1 a ton, are favored by some members of the House committee on interest and foreign commerce who have just returned to Washington from the isthmus. Considerable sentiment also prevails in the committee and throughout Congress for legislation which will give free passage through the waterway to American ships. Prof. Emory Johnson, an economist and statistician, who used to be a member of the isthmian canal commission, is at work on a proposed system of tolls, and his report will be submitted to the committee soon.

Col. Goethals, chief engineer of the canal, is extremely anxious to have Congress enact legislation on the subject at an early date.

It is understood the cost of operating the canal will be about \$2,500,000 a year, and it is the desire to raise all of this sum by tolls. Of course, the cost of maintaining the canal strip will be many times greater than this, and all of the problems presented must be acted upon by Congress at this session.

While on his way to the New Year reception, Rear Admiral Potter, aide for personnel of the Navy Department, fell down the stone steps of the State War and Navy building, and received severe cuts about the face and head.

The rear admiral was near the head of the line, and was immediately behind Rear Admiral Wainwright. They had started down the steps when the heel of Admiral Potter's shoe caught in the flagging, and he stumbled forward.

Half a dozen rear admirals rushed to the assistance of the officer, and when he was picked up he was bleeding profusely.

Several of the officers supported Admiral Potter to his office in the department, where first aid was administered. Later he was taken to his home, where naval surgeons were summoned to attend him.

Among the things which Congress will be likely to consider this session will be the proposed memorial amphitheater for the national cemetery at Arlington. President Taft has called attention anew to the subject by recommending that Congress construct this amphitheater on a plan that has already been approved. He made the same recommendation last year, though nothing came of it.

It is hardly expected that, in view of the wave of economy talk at the Capitol, there will be provision made for the structure.

The plans are for a marble amphitheater which would cost \$750,000. They were evolved by architects in New York who were employed by a commission authorized by act of Congress.

House leaders are trying to suppress a public building bill, and in view of this effort they are likely to from on a plan to spend three-quarters of a million at Arlington. But the question may come up and be threshed out.

Considerable difference of opinion about the wisdom of it has developed. Many old soldiers are opposed to it. They take the view that Arlington is one of the most beautiful spots in the world as it stands; that to put up an amphitheater would ruin many trees and otherwise detract from the beautiful appearance of the grounds.

will be raised when the Democrats of the House undertake to eliminate the appropriation of \$25,000 for the traveling expenses of the President. Not since Secretary of State Knox was forced to serve at a smaller salary than that allowed other Cabinet officers—because Mr. Knox as a member of the Senate participated in increasing the emoluments of that Cabinet position—has there been afforded such an opportunity for expounders of the Constitution to expound.

That section of the Constitution relating to the compensation of the President of the United States reads: "The President shall, at stated times receive for his services, a compensation, which shall neither be increased or diminished during the period for which he shall have been elected, and he shall not receive with that period any other emolument from the United States or any of them."

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SHAW PLAY BY LOCAL AMATEURS

The College Club gave its annual entertainment last evening at Bishop Hall, Oahu college, in the form of a presentation of Bernard Shaw's comedy, "You Never Can Tell." The interest of the play itself did much to insure success, but each part was so appropriately assigned that it was felt to carry a particularly convincing impression. There was no character conspicuously weak, and several rose to heights unusual in an amateur performance. Especially was this true of Dolly Clandon and Phil (Miss Anna Tucker and Reginald Carter), and of Miss Pone as Mrs. Clandon, mother of the irrepressible pair. Mr. Shaw (Valentine) and Miss Dillingham (Gloria Clandon) carried their more difficult parts with great success, while Mr. Mac'naughty, as the nervous, overwrought Fernus Crampton, maintained his conception of the character most consistently from his first appearance in the dentist's office to the end of the play. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Anderson, as the Bohams, father and son, made an interesting contrast, while Finch McComas (Mr. Ricker) showed himself an excellent target for Dolly's delightful teasing.

Altogether, the friends of the College Club may well feel that last night's play deserves to take high rank among the many interesting productions given by the club in the last few years.

The cast was as follows:

Fergus Crampton.....
Vaughan Mac'naughty
 Bohun, Queen's Counselor.....
 Finch McComas.....David Anderson
 The Walter.....Harold Robinson
 Valentine.....N. W. Shaw
 Philip Clandon.....Reginald Carter
 Mrs. Clandon.....Miss Ida Pope
 Gloria Clandon.....
Miss Frances Dillingham
 Dolly Clandon.....Miss Anna Tucker
 Parlor Maid, Miss Margaret Peterson

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"BOSS" CROKER ONCE MORE IN U. S.



NEW YORK—Richard Croker, who arrived from Europe recently, is looking hale and hearty, though he is 70 years old. After visiting the horse show here he will go to Lexington, Ky., to look over some stud farms and will then go to Florida for the winter. Mr.

Croker was enthusiastic about the future of Ireland, declaring that he believed the country would have become rich probably within a year. All Ireland needed to develop her resources, he said, was enterprising men with money to invest.

BANKERS WANT CHINA DIVIDED; NORTH AND SOUTH MONARCHY

PARIS, Fr., Jan. 7.—The suggestion discussed here for several days that an international commission of bankers might arrange some concrete plan for the settlement of the Chinese difficulty includes the idea of the possible recognition of two Chinas—one in the north, the old monarchy, and the other in the south, the new republic.

This idea finds its basis in the supposition that the struggle in the north and the south is likely to continue indefinitely, plunging the empire into an interminable war, destructive alike to the welfare of China and the interests of the foreign powers.

A distinguished French financier said: "Much has been said by the world about the power of capital to do harm or good. It seems as if there is an opportunity for capital to offer itself to the attainment of a great goal—the salvation of a great nation. However the present deadlock in China may develop, China must have capital, but before capital can be offered by the powers China must accept a stated form of government or governments as a guarantee of peace and surety in the future."

The attitude of France toward China is that of absolute cooperation with the other powers. The French government

has no present intention of taking separate action of any kind, but realizes that an outbreak of anarchy and an attack upon the foreigners or their property might precipitate immediate concerted intervention.

The cruiser Sao Rafael, 1800 tons which had left Lisbon recently for Looe, owing to the rough and thick weather, overran her distance and was wrecked on the rocks a quarter of a mile off Villa do Conde. The sea breaking over her endangered the lives of a crew of 250. Ultimately the men were rescued by three lifeboats, and only one life was lost. Twelve sailors were injured. The vessel became a total wreck and broke up.

The Minister of Marine, giving an account of the disaster, said that the cruiser broke amidships. He assured the Chamber that the Commander was blameless, the disaster being due chiefly to the intense fog. The warship is regarded as lost, but hopes were entertained that the artillery might be saved.

Whitney & Marsh are showing a line of comforters and blankets.

SOCIETY AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

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 WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Prominent among the smart festivities of the Holiday week were the dances at the White House, to which Mrs. Taft invited only young people, eliminating all married folks with the exception of Col. and Mrs. Spencer Crosby, U. S. A., and Lieut. and Mrs. John W. Timmons, U. S. N., the military and naval aides at the White House and their wives, and the ball masque which Mrs. William F. Draper, widow of General Draper, late ambassador to Italy, gave for her daughter, Miss Margaret Preston Draper.

Miss Draper made her debut just two years ago at a memorable collation given by her parents to the younger set in celebration of her coming out. This was to have been followed by a reception in January, at which she was to have met the older people in society, but her social career was summarily interrupted by the death of General Draper. Since then Mrs. Draper and her daughter have lived abroad for the greater part of the time, and last summer Miss Draper enjoyed the social distinction of a presentation at the court of St. James.

Since Miss Draper's childhood, the Draper annual fancy dress parties have been a feature of juvenile social life at the National Capital, and the ball brought together many of those who participated in numerous other hospitable gatherings at the Draper mansion.

Great preparations were made for this ball, which was a most lavish and picturesque event.

Townsend gave a dinner in their honor the night preceding.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart C. Chatfield-Taylor announced in Chicago the engagement of their daughter Adelaide to Hendricks Whitman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Whitman of Brookline, Mass.

The wedding will take place at Lake Forest in June. Mr. Whitman is in the cotton and wool business with his father's firm, and has been stationed in Chicago for the last two years.

Mrs. Augusta Gomer of Brooklyn has announced the engagement of her daughter, Martha E. Gomer, to Second Lieut. Robert Lincoln Gray, U. S. A., now stationed at Fort Monroe, Va. Miss Gomer is well known in society in both Brooklyn and New York. Lieut. Gray was graduated from West Point last June.

Miss Elizabeth Hillis, daughter of the Secretary to the President, and Miss Barnes Richardson, daughter of Congressman Richardson of Alabama, will join the legion of ship sponsors in this city, January 27, when each will officiate at the christening of a revenue cutter. Arrangements for the launching of the Unalga, destined for the Alaskan service, and the Miami, which will patrol the Florida coast, have been completed by Captain Commandant Berthoff.

These cutters are of the new type, designed for speed and thorough police work. Miss Hillis will christen the Unalga and Miss Richardson the Miami.

Prof. and Mrs. Philip R. Alger announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Taylor Alger, to Midshipman Roy Campbell Smith, Jr., U. S. N., son of Capt. Roy C. Smith, U. S. N., and Mrs. Smith of Washington.

Capt. Richard C. Moore, U. S. A., was in Washington to spend Christmas with Mrs. Moore and the latter's mother, Mrs. S. T. Davis, who is convalescing from her recent illness. Mrs. Moore will remain with her mother until she has recovered.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—The President and Mrs. Taft gave the first of the four great annual receptions at the White House on the evening of January 9. It was in honor of the diplomatic corps. This is the event to which all people desire invitations. The uniforms and regalia of the diplomats add so much life and color to the affair that it is considered the best of the series.

The usual custom was followed of limiting the list of invitations. It has been the policy of the President and Mrs. Taft to prevent overcrowding at their social functions. For that reason all requests for cards are refused when the number has reached a certain limit.

Buffet refreshments were served and the event was pronounced a success.

Some of Mr. Taft's enthusiastic friends were very much encouraged by the large attendance at the New Year's Day public reception. The total of those who passed by and shook the President's hand was 8999. The statement was sent forth that a new record had been established. This is erroneous, as many former receptions on January 1 have eclipsed that of this year. It is a curious fact that the last reception given by President Roosevelt before he retired from office surpassed that of this year by 1600. More than 9600 people bade good-bye to Mr. Roosevelt.

Miss Helen Taft and her cousin, Miss Harriet Anderson, attended the dinner given for Miss Mary Southerland and Mr. Louis Bacon by Senator de Pout, at which all the relatives here for the wedding of this couple and other guests were present. Dancing finished the evening.

Miss Mabel T. Boardman, head of the National Red Cross Society, has sailed from New York for Panama to inspect the work of the Panama Red Cross. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Frederick A. Keep. Miss Boardman and Mrs. Keep will be home at the end of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hays Hammond sent out invitations for Friday, January 12, at 10:30 p. m., when they gave a large reception in honor of the American ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whiteley Reid.

Mr. John W. Garrett, American minister to Argentina, and Mrs. Garrett will leave for South America in a few days.

Congressman and Mrs. Horace Mann Towner of Iowa have taken an apartment for the winter at the Marlborough.

Mrs. William Belden Noble, who has been with her son-in-law and daughter, Lieut. Sherman Miles, U. S. A., and Mrs. Miles, at Fort Myer, Va., since she returned from the north this fall, now is established in her residence in N street.

Col. George R. Colton, governor of Porto Rico, who spent the Christmas holidays with his father and sister, Francis Colton and Miss Margery Colton, who sailed for his post. Miss Colton, who acts as hostess for her brother at the governor's palace, will join him in February. She has been spending several months in this country with her father.

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53 HIGHEST AWARDS IN EUROPE AND AMERICA

Rear Admiral Willard H. Brownson, U. S. N., and Mrs. Brownson had as their house guests for the holidays their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roswell R. Brownson, and their two children, from California, and their sons-in-law and daughters, Lieut. Com. and Mrs. Charles L. Hussey, U. S. N., and Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. Hart of Newport, R. I.

Senor Don Miguel Fernandez de la Regata, third secretary of the Mexican embassy, has returned from his holiday visit to Philadelphia. He passed a pleasant Christmas with friends in the Quaker city.

Mrs. Walter H. Bryant is the guest, until after New Year, of Gen. and Mrs. George L. Gillespie.

Congressman Swager Sherley and Mrs. Sherley have taken an apartment in the Dresden for the winter.

Gen. and Mrs. L. J. Bollong are spending a couple of weeks at Atlantic City.

CHURCH UNITY WORK GROWING

Executive Committee Planning Religious Campaign—After Noted Singer.

The executive committee of the Christian Extension Movement in which the English speaking Protestant churches of the city are uniting, held a regular session yesterday at the Y. M. C. A. Reports were made by the business committee with reference to available places in which to hold the large central meeting; from the music committee with reference to the organization of a large chorus choir to be led by Mr. Fred Butler upon his arrival; and from the meeting's committee in regard to a plan for the holding of Parlor Conferences preparatory to the public meetings of the movement.

A cablegram was sent yesterday to Mr. Fred Butler definitely engaging him to come if possible on the Siberia arriving in Honolulu March 11. This was followed by a letter to him today outlining in detail the campaign. It was also voted in the meeting to order by the next mail one thousand copies of the new hymn book entitled "Fellowship Hymns" which is regarded by many as the best collection of hymns for meetings of the type which are to be held in this movement that has yet been published.

It will be seen from the plans already perfected and those now under consideration by the committee that this is to be no ordinary banner-waving Evangelistic Campaign, but a strong, united, dignified movement to advance the Kingdom of Christ in this community—to bring to the attention of the non-church attending public the claims of Jesus Christ upon their lives—and to enlist if possible large numbers not now so engaged in active Christian service.

Danny Maher, the great American Jockey who for years has been the most popular rider on the English turf, failed this season to land 100 winners—a record he has maintained from 1903 up to the present year. He fell short of the mark by one winning mount, his work in the saddle at the end of the racing on the flat just netting him 99 winners. He finished third on the list of winning jockeys, but second in the percentage column of successful riders.

Announcement

I beg leave to announce that I have, in addition to the business conducted by me as a Wholesale Dealer in Japanese Provisions, Groceries and General Merchandise, undertaken the business of a Commission Merchant, Merchant Broker, and will also represent different firms as their agent for the Territory of Hawaii.

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