

ROOT'S ARMY PLANS

WILL CHECK REDUCTION PHILIPPINE FORCES.

RETURNING TROOPS REPLACED

Soldiers Now in United States to Be Sent to Manila to Fill Gaps Caused by Termination of Enlistments.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 26.—Having reached a decision to check, at least temporarily, the natural reduction which is going on in the United States army in the Philippines...

While a final determination as to the particular organizations to exchange has not been reached, it is in contemplation to withdraw from the Philippines the Fourth, Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third infantry, the organizations to return to the United States in the order in which they went to the islands.

Changes in Army Organization. Before leaving the Philippines there will be many changes in these organizations, however, for it is the intention to exchange into them from the other regiments in the Philippines the men whose terms of enlistment are about to expire.

To take the place of returning troops, the department will send out the Eleventh, Twelfth and Fifteenth cavalry and the Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth infantry.

The cavalry organizations will be brought up to the maximum strength by recruitment before they go out, while the infantry regiments will be swelled to the exceptional figure of 1500 men each.

In addition, at least 1000 men will be recruited and sent out in battalion organizations for attachment to depleted regiments in the Philippines.

GENERAL GREELEY SAILS

Chief Signal Officer Says Philippine War Is Now History.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 26.—General Greeley, chief of the United States signal service in Washington, returned to New York on Wednesday on the Columbia, says a London correspondent.

He was a recent caller at the American embassy. General Greeley expressed himself as highly pleased to get back from the Philippines. He has no intention of returning. During his stay there he completed a network of telegraph lines from one end of the archipelago to the other.

The value of this installation was shown by the fact that over 10,000 messages a day were transmitted between the various military posts on the island. The insurrection was a matter of history, except in a few of the outlying islands, which were always in a state of rebellion, even before Admiral Dewey arrived at Manila.

"Civil government was restored gradually, though," said General Greeley, "and it will take some time to Americanize the islands. Over 40,000 troops are still there, but most of them are only doing garrison duty."

The outlook for the islands was very good, in his opinion, and lots of money might be made by anybody caring to risk going out there.

REINDEER FOR ALASKA

Smallpox Epidemic Causes Great Mortality Among the Natives.

(By Associated Press.) Port Townsend, Wash., Oct. 26.—Captain Tuttle of the United States cutter Bear which arrived from Bering sea yesterday reports that while on the Siberian coast he made arrangements for a large number of reindeer to be delivered along the northeast coast of Siberia next season when they would be picked up and transported to the reindeer stations in Alaska.

Captain Tuttle confirms the report of the loss of a number of reindeer this season while being transported, owing to the prevalence of stormy weather while the animals were transit. During the present season, General Randall, commanding the military dis-

trict of Alaska, sent a large amount of supplies to the orphan asylums at Golovin bay and Port Clarence.

At these places there are 45 orphans whose parents were victims of last season's epidemic which made sad inroads in the ranks of the native population at those two places and, what few adults survived are little more than able to care for themselves.

Captain Tuttle says that at all stations visited by him he found the natives had suffered fearful loss from the effects of last year's epidemic of smallpox and not more than half of them survived.

He reports that the epidemic has run its course and that during his cruise he did not come across a single case of smallpox, but all tribes are practically in a destitute condition and many children are homeless.

PARK GAME PLENTIFUL

Tourists Use Explosives in Trout Fishing—Fires Due to Campers.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 26.—The annual report of the acting superintendent of the Yosemite national park in California, shows that game is very plentiful in the park and there have been 4,000 visitors this season, of whom about two-thirds were campers.

Stricter regulations are recommended for governing the presence of campers. There is evidence that these people have used high explosives in the Bridal Vale creek to catch trout.

Every fire on or near the park this summer is attributed to either careless or criminal acts of campers.

Authority is recommended for burning fallen timber during the winter months and for letting holders of leased land within the park limits graze cattle near their own premises under park supervision.

ROSAS IS DEFEATED

Colombian Revolutionists Have Met With Severe Check.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 26.—A Port of Spain, Trinidad, correspondent cables: The latest advices received here indicate that the revolution in Colombia has sustained a severe check.

General Rosas, who led the insurgents in an attack on the government forces near the frontier of Ecuador, has been defeated. The number of casualties is not known, but it is reported that General Rosas was killed.

According to an official bulletin in La Guayra, the port of Caracas, General Arce and Salazar, who were taken prisoners by the Venezuelan revolutionists, have escaped. This bulletin also announced that General Rosas and his revolutionary force has been defeated and their ammunition captured.

Equel Rojas, who was minister of foreign affairs during the administration of President Castro in Venezuela, arrived at Port of Spain a few days ago.

CASTRO CUTS EXPENSES

Venezuelan President Displeased at Uribe-Uribe's Lack of Success.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 26.—President Castro of Venezuela has sent a dispatch to Senor Sarriel, president of the state of Bolivar, announcing that circumstances have required him to issue a decree suspending the grants of all expenses to the several states, including grants of expenditures for public instruction and the clergy of the republic.

A vessel sailing under British registry, which started from Port of Spain for Barranquilla, put into Cedros to seek protection. Her captain said that she had been chased by the Venezuelan gunboat Miranda. Other reports call attention to this and similar acts perpetrated by Venezuelan gunboats under command of General Ybarra.

The relations between President Castro and General Uribe-Uribe, it is reported, are seriously strained, owing to the latter's failure to defeat the Colombian forces.

VOLGA TRAFFIC CLOSED

Rapidly Falling Water Threatens Grave Disaster in Russia.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 26.—A dispatch from Odessa says the water of the Volga is falling at an alarming rate and that there is no hope of getting the accumulated traffic through before the river is ice-bound. Several hundred steamers and ice barges are aground.

Grave charges of mismanagement and corrupt practices have been made against the contractors and officials connected with the administration of the Volga waterway.

It is declared that the water would have to rise two feet before the freezing, which is unlikely, in order to liberate the caravans of oil and general merchandise, the non-delivery of which would cause disaster along Russia's great waterway.

Castellane Injunction Dismissed

(By Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 26.—The suit of an injunction to restrain George J. Gould, Edwin Gould, Howard Gould and Helen M. Gould as trustees of the estate left to their sister Anna, Countess De Castellane, from paying her more than an income of \$250,000 a year out of her annual income of \$900,000 until a claim of Asher Wertheimer, a London bric-a-brac dealer for \$373,000 for goods sold to Count Bona De Castellane and the countess for which Wertheimer accepted the Castellane's note, has been dismissed by the supreme court.

Scotch Economy

A Scottish noble lord, famed among his friends for his saving, or, as he would have put it himself, "his careful propensities," went out one day shooting on his broad moors, accompanied only by his keeper, says the Sketch. After an afternoon's hard work he sat down to rest, and, ruefully contemplating his game bag, observed thoughtfully:

"And to think that each brace has cost me first and last, at least 15 shillings, Donald!"

"Eh, eh!" answered Donald consolingly, "then it's a maircy yere lordship missed the many ye did today, for it's a nice bit yere saved, I'm thinking!"

Sixth Victim of Texas Feud

San Augustine, Tex., Oct. 26.—Eugene Wall was yesterday shot to death by unknown persons, seven miles from here and the county is greatly excited. Wall is the sixth man to die in the Wall-Brooks feud and his faction has contributed five victims, two of them sheriffs of the county. Rangers have been ordered to stop any further trouble.

BULLER AN ISSUE

LONDON PRESS ESPOUSES RETIRED OFFICER'S CAUSE.

MUSIC HALL DEMONSTRATIONS

South African Soldier's Famous Speech Calls Out Letter From the King Advising Resignation.

(By Associated Press.) London, Oct. 26.—The leaders of the liberal organization deny that any meeting of the liberal leaders has been called, as cabled to the United States, to consider the advisability of issuing a manifesto to the country calling on the government to resign or call a special session of parliament to discuss the Boer war, the dismissal of General Buller and other matters.

So far from stirring up an agitation on the subject of General Buller, it is undeniable that the liberal leaders concede that the war office acted correctly in retiring General Buller, though this does not prevent criticism of that officer's previous appointment to the command of the first army corps.

Music Hall Demonstrations

The efforts made by several of the London daily newspapers to create a feeling in General Buller's favor, are due partly to their desire to make party capital, as these papers, previous to the action of the war office could scarcely say anything bad enough about the general. They have succeeded, however, in working up a certain amount of popular enthusiasm, which finds vent in music-hall demonstrations wherever General Buller's name is mentioned.

A great meeting of sympathy in Hyde Park is now under consideration, and there is talk of the presentation to the general of a sword of honor, as a national tribute. In the west of England, where General Buller's home is situated, the feeling runs high, frequent meetings having been held to denounce the government's action.

Buller Bears From King

A representative of the Associated Press learns that General Buller, first of all, after delivering the speech which resulted in his retirement, received a personal letter from King Edward, disapproving of his utterances and clearly intimating that his majesty would be glad if General Buller would resign.

Then the war secretary, Mr. Brodrick, summoned General Buller and pointed out his flat refusal to resign. It was a stormy interview, ending in General Buller's flat refusal to resign. It is said that General Buller even then did not believe that the war office would venture to retire him.

After the interview, Mr. Brodrick went straight to King Edward in Scotland, and the result of his visit was the action which has now stirred up the country: Government Defends Appointment.

Walter Long, president of the local government board, in the course of a long speech at Liverpool yesterday afternoon, said the government would defend General Buller's appointment to the command of Aldershot on the grounds of policy and justice. His dismissal was solely because his recent speech was subversive to military discipline.

Full consideration has been extended to the case, and the cabinet immediately supported the order of Lord Roberts' action.

There is probably no man possessing the traditional qualities of the British to a greater degree than General Buller ever wore the king's uniform, but a greater mistake than his no soldier could make.

NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

MANILA—Arrived, Hyson, Tacoma, via Higo, etc., for London.

SAN FRANCISCO—Mrs. Mary Dubosce and Col. W. J. Fife of the state of Washington were married.

WASHINGTON—Statement of the treasury shows available cash balances, \$189,034,358; gold, \$103,704,947.

PATTONSBURG, Mo.—The Kansas City & Northern Connecting railroad was sold at auction here today for \$500,000.

SAN FRANCISCO—The prosecution ended its testimony today against Judge Noyes in the Nome contempt proceedings.

DAVENPORT, Iowa—The Chris Mueller Lumber company's saw mill burned yesterday; loss \$110,000; insurance, \$40,000.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Little Boy broke the world's pacing wagon record at Billings Park, making the circuit in 2:01 1/2.

SOFTA—It is semi-officially asserted that no indication has yet been found that Miss Stone's kidnapers having been in Bulgaria.

LONDON—Negotiations that were pending between the Bulgarian authorities and the abductors of Miss Stone have been broken off.

OMAHA—Burglars blew open the safe in the Rock Island ticket office at Underwood, Iowa, and secured a considerable sum of money.

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CADIZ, Spain—A demonstration in favor of the mayor, who was recently dismissed from his post, led to a series of conflicts with the police.

LONDON—Hall Caine has been elected to represent the town of Ramsey in the Manx parliament, receiving 458 votes to 191 cast for his opponent.

EUGENE, Ore.—There are no arrests as yet of the robbers who held up the Southern Pacific train near Walker's station Wednesday morning.

CONSTANTINOPLE—Communication has been established from Melnik, province of Salonica, with the brigands who abducted Miss Ellen M. Stone.

KANSAS CITY—The annual show and convention of the American Angora Goat Breeders' association are in progress at the stock yards in this city.

TRUCKEE, Cal.—Three burglars entered the butcher shop of Joseph Marsen, Jr., broke open the safe and carried away \$300 in coin and \$1000 worth of jewelry.

PARIS—The Temps says the sole topic for discussion on the bourse is the new French loan of 250,000,000 to 250,000,000 francs, secured by the Chinese annuities.

WASHINGTON—The feature of yesterday's session of the supreme court of Scottish Rite Masons for the southern jurisdiction was the conferring of degrees.

WASHINGTON—Admiral George Dewey has resigned the office of president of the Metropolitan club, the most exclusive social organization of the national capital.

CHICAGO—Victor O'Brien, the young Californian, who became insane because of the alleged unrequited love for Countess Frances De Correux, has recovered his reason.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash.—Reports from the North brought by Captain Tuttle of the United States revenue cutter Bear say the Halcyon, which sailed from Puget sound in 1900 on a prospecting cruise in Bering sea, is numbered among the missing, and with her is Captain Charles Thomas.

SHANGHAI—Sixteen hundred persons in the province of An Hui and 300,000 in the province of Kiang Su are on the verge of starvation.

IRON RIVER, Wis.—Fire in the lumber yard of the Alexander & Edgar Lumber company destroyed 12,000,000 feet of lumber. Loss, \$160,000.

SECRETARY SPEAKS

IRISH OBSTRUCTION NECESSITATES NEW RULES.

POSITION OF EMBARRASSMENT

Secretary for the Colonies Tells Edinburgh Audience What the Government Party Proposes for England's Weal.

(By Associated Press.) Edinburgh, Oct. 26.—Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, addressing more than 8000 persons in Waverly Market, Edinburgh, announced that the government intended to frame new rules for the house of commons so as to limit Irish obstruction.

"We purpose," he says, "to bring forward rules which shall give to the majority of the commons greater control over its own business and greater control over the men who insult and outrage it and we shall endeavor to protect the mother of parliaments from those who would destroy her usefulness and reputation."

But this was not the only thing Mr. Chamberlain declared the government intended to do.

Attacks Irish Representation. "The present representation of Ireland is," he said, "an abuse and scandal. No alteration could be made except an immediate anticipation of a general dissolution, and we are not contemplating that. But when we get nearer to the time we shall ask you whether you think Irish representation is so precious to you, is so valuable to the national interests that it is desirable to have it on a scale which gives the Irish a representation enormously exceeding the proportionate representation of Ireland and England."

The colonial secretary went on to point out that on the basis of population Ireland had thirty members too many in the house of commons and on the basis of her contributions for imperial purposes, as considered at the time of the union, she had from forty to fifty members too many.

"I saw that this constitutes an abuse," he continued, "and there is no reason why it should be perpetuated."

Position of Embarrassment

In another portion of the speech, which was largely devoted to the Irish question,

he observed: "If these gentlemen who now openly shout for the Mahdi and pray for the Boers, if they had a parliament of their own, if all of the strings of Irish government had been in their hands, if they had the power, is it not certain they would have refused to have paid their contribution to the war and that would have placed us in a position of embarrassment?"

The relations of the parliamentary opposition with the Irish party, Mr. Chamberlain said, he considered "dangerous to the empire."

Reviews African War

In reviewing the war in South Africa, which he declared again had been forced upon Great Britain by the Boers, he said the government acknowledged that it had made a mistake as to the time of ending the war and that he admired the tenacity of the Boers, but he insisted that it was the duty of Great Britain to meet this tenacity with equal resolution. Then followed what is regarded as a most important declaration.

"I think the time has come, or is coming," said the colonial secretary "when measures of greater severity may be necessary and if that time comes we can find precedents for anything we do, in the actions of those nations who now criticize our barbarity and cruelty, but whose examples in Poland, in the Caucasus, in Algeria, in Tonquin, in Bosnia and in the Franco-German war, we have never approached."

OTTUMWA, Iowa—Four of the persons injured in the Burlington wreck at Exline have died, and it is feared that two others can not recover.



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