

THE MALTA ENTERPRISE.
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IMPORTANT NEWS
NOTES OF A WEEK

LATEST HAPPENINGS THE WORLD OVER TOLD IN ITEMIZED FORM.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

Condensed into a Few Lines for the Perusal of the Busy Man—Latest Personal Information.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

President Roosevelt declared that if the authors of the Panama canal graft charges could be reached for criminal libel he would try to reach them. William Nelson Cromwell branched the stories as absolute falsehoods.

Members of congress who resent President Roosevelt's language in the part of his message concerning the secret service planned to rebuke him. Senator Arosemana, minister from Panama, presented his credentials to President Roosevelt.

That the outbreak of the foot and mouth disease now prevalent in several states was due to the importation into this country of either biological products or such material as straw or merchandise, or in the clothes or effects of immigrants, is the opinion of Secretary Wilson.

Andrew Carnegie was subpoenaed to appear before the house ways and means committee to testify in the tariff revision hearings being conducted by the committee.

The total estimates of the war department for the next fiscal year, as shown by the annual report of the secretary of war, amount to \$183,755,939, an increase of about \$52,000,000 over the appropriations for the present fiscal year.

Secretary Wilson decided that flour bleached with nitrogen peroxide is an adulterated product under the law and that it cannot legally be sold in the District of Columbia or in the territories or be transported in interstate commerce.

The government decided that the withdrawal of troops from Cuba shall be gradual, running into April.

PERSONAL.

Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was convicted of bribery. He is liable to a maximum penalty of 14 years in the penitentiary.

President Castro was allowed to land at Bordeaux and was assured by the government that he would be welcomed as a private citizen and protected.

Charles E. Davis was found not guilty of the murder of Dr. Frederick T. Rustin in Omaha.

President Castro of Venezuela, interviewed at Santander, Spain, said he would land at Bordeaux and that his trip was taken for the purpose of settling all the international quarrels of his country. His general health was good.

John L. Sullivan, former champion heavyweight pugilist, was granted a divorce in Chicago.

Once reputed to be worth several million dollars, Samuel E. Gross, formerly of Chicago, was discharged in bankruptcy proceedings in the United States court in Detroit, Mich.

Gov. Deneen will take the University of Illinois "short course" in agriculture in 1910.

Frederick A. Hyde of San Francisco, convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States of large tracts of land in Oregon and Washington, was sentenced in Washington to pay a fine of \$10,000 and serve two years in the penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va.

James Page, who has been watchman at the Des Moines post office for 13 years, was arrested on a charge of robbing the mails.

President-elect Taft and his household finally departed from Hot Springs, Va.

GENERAL NEWS.

Louis Pratt, the religious fanatic, and Officer Mullane, wounded in the street battle in Kansas City, died. James Sharp, the leader of the band of fanatics, was arrested.

Laboring under the delusion that he had been marked as a victim of the "Black Hand," Thomas Fitzpatrick, aged 36, shot and killed himself near Cahoon, Mich.

After a brief argument with a crowd of negroes in a saloon in Memphis, William Latura, a white saloon-keeper, shot and killed three of the negroes and wounded others, one mortally.

Dr. A. S. Pitts, a prominent physician of Hazlehurst, Miss., was shot and killed by Dr. Thomas Birdsong, a dentist.

Three men held up an east-bound Great Northern train near Hilliard, Wash., and robbed the mail car. They missed \$20,000 in the express car.

J. P. Garroty, accused of attacking two little girls near Willow River, Minn., was saved from a mob by being spirited out of town.

Dr. G. E. Barnes, a veterinary surgeon, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed his house at Woodville, O.

The various copper properties of Phelps, Dodge & Co., the output of which has been as high as 100,000,000 pounds a year, are to be merged into a new corporation, capitalized at \$50,000,000.

Representative George L. Lilley, governor-elect of Connecticut, has been served with a subpoena to answer the complaint that in the recent campaign he, himself or through a financial agent, violated the corrupt-practices act.

Two bunco men worked the time-honored satchel substitution game at Minneapolis and got \$7,105 from R. F. Cargell, an aged cattle dealer from Clyde, N. D.

The board of regents of the University of Minnesota decided that members of the faculty must retire on reaching the age of 65 years.

More than a score of persons were injured, five of them seriously, and 100 more were thrown into a panic when a bomb was hurled into the air shaft of a tenement house at 320 East Sixty-third street, New York.

Independence, Kan., voted to adopt the commission form of government.

W. H. Crowninshield, aged 40 years, of Boston, Mass., said to be a nephew of Rear Admiral Crowninshield, was run down and killed by a railway train in Cleveland, O.

The body of Rear Admiral Coghlan was interred in the Arlington national cemetery with full military ceremonies.

E. N. Blacker, a prominent business man of Bakersfield, Cal., shot and fatally wounded Adrian von Plank, an actor.

Mrs. Mary Leven of Philadelphia sold her baby for ten dollars because she was destitute and starving.

The police of Kansas City and a band of religious fanatics headed by John Sharp, who styles himself "Adam God," engaged in a fierce revolver street battle. Over 100 shots were exchanged, one patrolman and a little girl being killed, Sharp and two officers fatally wounded and two other officers slightly hurt.

F. D. Hirschberg of St. Louis, a millionaire merchant and prominent Catholic, was shot and killed in his house. It was not known whether it was a case of suicide, murder or accident.

Probably fatal injuries were sustained in an automobile accident near Washington by Senator Don Juan Barrios, minister of foreign affairs of Guatemala, who is here on a special mission. His companions, Dr. Luis Herrarte, Guatemalan minister to the United States, and Gen. John Drummond, a wealthy planter in South America, were painfully hurt.

The State bank of Maize, Kan., was entered by burglars, who dynamited the safe, securing \$5,000.

Miss Helen Chaffee, daughter of Lieut. Gen. and Mrs. Adna R. Chaffee, was wedded at Los Angeles to Lieut. John Hastings Howard, U. S. A.

Capt. James Watters of the British steamer Hornby Castle, which has arrived at Norfolk, Va., says the vast tract of still water in the Atlantic known as the Sargossa sea has disappeared.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, premier of Canada, was shaken up by the ditching of his train on the Great Northern at St. Vincent, Minn.

The receivers of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company and the Securities Investment Company were discharged in the United States circuit court at Pittsburg, Pa.

Francisco Martinez abducted Maggie Garcia, 16 years old, after killing her parents in Las Animas county, Colorado. Being pursued by officers, he slew the girl and himself.

Rev. J. P. McCloskey, assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Toledo, O., calmly told his congregation that he had but a few more weeks to live.

President-elect Taft was the chief speaker at the annual dinner of the North Carolina Society of New York. Herman Billek, the Chicago neomancer who was sentenced to be hanged December 11 for murder was reprieved until January 29 by Lieut. Gov. Sherman.

Charles W. Blow of St. Louis, manager of the American Lined Company, shot and killed himself.

Thomas F. Gilroy, Jr., receiver of the Fidelity Funding Company of New York, which went into bankruptcy on October 28 last, announced that stockholders and creditors of that corporation would lose more than \$5,000,000 as a result of the failure. The creditors are mainly Catholic churches, priests and nuns.

The Atlantic battleship fleet passed through Singapore harbor.

The case of Mrs. Florence Maybrick and her mother, Baroness von Rogge of New York, involving title to land said to be worth about \$2,500,000, was decided in their favor in the chancery court at Richmond, Va.

Commissioner Mark Foote at Chicago decided that Christian Rudovitz must go back to Russia to stand trial for murder, his alleged offense not being political. The case will be referred to Secretary Root.

Mrs. Emma Russell Chesebrough, wife of a noted yacht designer, committed suicide at her home in Bristol, R. I.

CONGRESS TO PROBE PRESIDENT'S WORDS

HOUSE PASSES RESOLUTION TO APPOINT COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION.

ACTION BY SENATE SOON TO FOLLOW

Representative Perkins Points Out That Disregard of Criticisms Might Argue for Lack of Respect—Decision of Caucus Closely Followed.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Immediately after the convening of the house Friday Representative Perkins of New York introduced a resolution, which had heretofore been agreed upon, providing for the appointment of a special committee of five members to consider the proper means of dealing with that portion of the president's message which criticizes the course of congress in prohibiting the detail of secret service men to duty outside of their own bureau. The resolution is preceded by a preamble reciting some expressions of the message. No effort is made to give voice to the feeling of the house. The resolution was passed.

House Takes Action.
In presenting the resolution, Mr. Perkins made a brief statement saying that he was satisfied that the house would not hesitate to take such action as the dignity of that body required. He said that some of the president's expressions were misleading. In submitting the resolution, Mr. Perkins said that the statements by the president could not be lightly disregarded, as they might impair the usefulness of the congress; that undue obtuseness might argue a lack of proper self-respect. A resolution similar to that passed by the house probably will be adopted by the senate early next week. It will provide for the appointment of a committee to recommend a course of action relative to the president's utterances.

No Debate on Appropriations.
When the legislative appropriation bill was called up in the house of representatives Friday by Mr. Bingham of Pennsylvania the extraordinary situation was presented that for the first time in 12 years no general debate was asked for. Even the first reading of the bill was dispensed with by unanimous consent.

Mr. Bingham, having the measure in charge, explained its provisions, the main features of which already have been printed. Its reading for amendment then was begun.

Sailing Dates for Cuban Troops.
Final instructions regarding the return to the United States of the army of Cuban pacification contemplate final evacuation on or about April 1. Sailing dates to the United States will be approximately as follows: Twenty-eighth infantry, January 2; provisional government officers and civilians on duty with it and Company I of the signal corps, January 28; Fifteenth cavalry and battery F, Third field artillery, February 15; headquarters army of Cuban pacification, Eleventh cavalry; Fifth infantry, Eleven infantry, Seventeenth and batteries A and B Second field artillery, February 27, so as to arrive in Washington in time for the inaugural parade; Twenty-seventh infantry, companies F and G engineers, all remaining officers and detachments and civilian employees as it may be necessary to leave until final evacuation, April 1.

SIMON CAPTURES A HAYTI TOWN.
Information to That Effect Reaches Navy Department.

Washington, Dec. 12.—A force of 200 men, which landed from the Haytian gunboat, took without resistance the town of Gonaives, Hayti, and established authority there in the name of Gen. Simon, according to the latest information received by the navy department from Commander Shipley of the cruiser Des Moines, now at Port-au-Prince, who is in charge of the American naval forces in Haytian waters. The former commander of the Haytian forces on shore at Gonaives. It is stated, went on board a Hamburg-American Steam Packet Company's steamer, then in the harbor, under the combined protection of the consulate corps.

Taft Declines Denver Invitation.
Washington, Dec. 12.—That President-elect Taft foresees the possibility of the prolongation through the entire summer of the proposed extra session of congress to revise the tariff, was developed Thursday when he refused to positively accept an invitation to attend the next session of the Trans-Mississippi Congress which is to be held in Denver, Col., on the 16th to 21st of next August.

Murdered Near Life Goal.
New York, Dec. 12.—On his way from Mill Creek, Pa., where he had worked as a laborer for many years, to his native home in Italy, where he intended to spend his last years in comfort on his savings, Vito Palero, 54 years old, was murdered Friday in a tenement house in Mott street, where he was temporarily stopping.

Decides \$50,000 Contract Illegal.
Cleveland, O., Dec. 12.—Judge Lawrence of the common pleas court decided Friday that the contract between the county commissioners and Guy L. Watson, as tax inquisitor, and under which \$50,000 was recently paid to Watson out of the county treasury, was illegal.

METCALF LAUDS WORLD CRUISE

NAVY REPORT TELLS OF GOOD DONE BY LONG VOYAGE.

Ships Maintain Standard Time—Take Care of Own Repairs and Make Many Friends.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The world cruise of the Atlantic fleet is given the first place in the annual report of the secretary of the navy, made public Friday. The report is signed by Victor H. Metcalf, the retiring secretary, his successor, Truman H. Newberry, having taken office only a few days ago.

"An epoch-making cruise," is the way the trip of the battleship fleet is described.

Late in the spring of 1907, says the report, it was decided to send the Atlantic fleet on a practice cruise to the Pacific. When the purpose of giving the assemblage of 16 battleships such a practice cruise, under severe conditions, was announced, says the secretary, criticism from high technical quarters was heard. The undertaking, it was said, was too monumental; dangers more than multiplied with numbers in such a case; battleships should not be sent around the globe on any ordinary occasion; the skeletons of some of them would doubtless be left in the Straits of Magellan; and if the ships should round South America, they would, one by one, arrive with machineries loose and unserviceable, and with crews reflecting the condition and the material.

The facts are, Mr. Metcalf says, that the ships maintained schedule time, and have practically taken care of their own repairs on this cruise. The repairs list sent in at the naval station, Cavite, P. I., has just been received, and is significant. It shows that after the voyage to the distant borders of the Pacific, the needed repairs are negligible. The performance, he seems, been substantially repeated.

This cruise, while hardly half over, he declares, gave opportunity to get better acquainted with republics to the south of us, with our own island possessions, with the new and vigorous branch of the British empire in Australia, and particularly with Japan; and has given to those countries a better opportunity to get acquainted with us. It has been everywhere understood and accepted as it was intended, and the reaching out of a strong hand in friendly greeting on the part of America, and the cordial hospitalities extended to our fleet will be long remembered, and have powerfully influenced feeling in this country.

MANIAC HOLDS TOWN IN TERROR.
Alleged "John the Baptist" Runs Amuck at Edgewater, N. J.

Edgewater, N. J., Dec. 12.—Shouting that he was "John the Baptist, come to save the world," an aged insane man held this town in terror for nearly an hour Friday afternoon. He rushed down the main street, waving a revolver and shouting, held up half a dozen citizens, robbed the tills of three business establishments, stole a team of horses and exchanged many shots with a hastily-formed posse. His wild career was checked when he was bowled over by shots fired by members of the posse after a chase of more than half a mile.

After his capture the man said his name was Arthur S. Pomeroy and that he came from Nebraska. It is believed that he escaped recently from a sanitarium at Stamford, Conn. Pomeroy was shot twice, but his wounds are not regarded as serious. He will be removed to the state insane asylum at Morris Plains.

FIVE DEAD IN FANATIC BATTLE.
Innocent Bystander Passes Away from His Wounds.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 12.—"The Lord was either not with us or was on a vacation. Now I know my faith was wrong, that I was mistaken." That is the statement of James Sharp, better known as "Adam God," who was captured in Kansas. It was Sharp who last Tuesday led his followers into a battle with the police that has already resulted in five deaths. A. J. Selsor, aged 72, an innocent bystander, wounded by a stray bullet, is the last of the victims to die. Selsor died at the hospital.

Taft Parade Cost \$60,000.
New York, Dec. 12.—Nearly \$60,000—\$57,481, to be exact—was spent on the business men's parade for Taft and Sherman held in New York just before the national election. The figures were made public at a banquet by the Business Men's Republican association in an uptown restaurant.

Twenty Injured in Collision.
Brussels, Dec. 12.—There was a collision near here Friday between a freight train and a train carrying workmen into the city. Several of the foremost cars of the latter were overturned. Twenty men were injured, seven seriously.

Senator Hansbrough Seriously Ill.
Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 12.—United States Senator H. C. Hansbrough of North Dakota, who has been ill in Minneapolis for a number of days, had a decided turn for the worse Friday, and he was removed to Asbury hospital.

BOSS RUEF FOUND GUILTY OF BRIBERY

FORMER POLITICAL LEADER IN SAN FRANCISCO CONVICTED ON GRAVE CHARGE.

NEW CAPITAL CASE TRIALS ARE DENIED

Pennsylvania Graft Convictions Against Prominent Former Officials Refused by Harrisburg Court—Appeal to Be Filed Before Higher Judiciary.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was convicted of bribery. The verdict was returned exactly upon the stroke of four o'clock when the deliberations of the jury had been prolonged throughout a period of 24 hours.

The warnings of Judge William P. Lawlor and the vigilance of the police checked all attempted demonstration, although the excitement in the courtroom was so intense that men were thrust down into their seats or held in the grasp of detectives as they rose to obtain a better view of the proceedings.

Impressive Scene in Court.
As the jury filed into the courtroom and took their seats in the jury box, Judge Lawlor asked Foreman McNamara:

"Have you gentlemen reached a verdict?"

"We have," replied the foreman as he handed a folded slip of paper to Clerk Welch. An impressive silence followed. Attorneys, defendant, spectators, detectives and police held their breath as the clerk slowly and deliberately, yet with apparent agitation, unfolded the paper and then, as every

eye in the courtroom was riveted upon him, read the words: "We, the jury, find the defendant, Abraham Ruef, guilty as charged."

Immediately all arose to their feet. There was a murmur of approval, but no demonstration.

At the other end of the counsel table, near the place where his blood had dyed the floor a deep crimson red which had been effaced with sandpaper, sat Francis J. Heney, who appeared in the courtroom for the first time since the day he was shot.

No New Trial in Capitol Cases.
Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 12.—A new trial was refused to four of the defendants in the capitol conspiracy cases Friday by Judge George Kunkle in the Dauphin county court, before which the men had been tried. The defendants are John H. Sanderson, Philadelphia, the contractor for the furnishings and decorations in the \$13,000,000 capitol; James M. Shumaker, Johnstown, who was superintendent of the board of public grounds and buildings during the period of the furnishing of the building; William P. Snyder, Spring City, former auditor general of the state, and William L. Mathews, former state treasurer. These men, with Joseph M. Huston, Philadelphia, the architect of the great building, were charged with conspiracy to cheat and defraud the state in connection with furnishing and decorating the capitol, but Huston secured a severance and his trial has not yet come up.

Tried and Convicted.
The four defendants were tried last spring and were convicted as charged. They immediately appealed for a new trial, but argument was not heard until after the Dauphin county court had disposed of a second conspiracy trial in which the defendants in the first case were also among the accused and were acquitted.

Several other defendants, of whom there were 14 in all, remain to be tried. One defendant died and another was removed to a sanitarium, having broken down mentally during his trial.

The capitol scandal is one of the outcomes of the political revolution in Philadelphia in 1905 following which a Democratic state treasurer was elected. He discovered and made public alleged irregularities and the prosecutions followed.

Livestock Convention January 26-28.
Denver, Col., Dec. 12.—From the office of Secretary T. W. Tomlinson of the American National Livestock association has just been issued the call for the twelfth annual convention of the association, to be held in Los Angeles, January 26 to 28, 1909.

Fire Destroys Paton, Ia.
Boone, Ia., Dec. 12.—The town of Paton was destroyed by fire. Eleven buildings were burned. There was no fire protection. Loss, \$28,000.

PROVED BY TIME.

No Fear of Any Further Trouble.

David Price, Corydon, Ia., says: "I was in the last stage of kidney trouble—lame, weak, run down to a mere skeleton. My back was so bad I could hardly walk and the kidney secretions much disordered. A week after I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I could walk without a cane, and as I continued my health gradually returned. I was so grateful I made a public statement of my case, and now seven years have passed, I am still perfectly well."

Sold by all dealers. 50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

WHAT WOULD HE HAVE SAID?

"Get up, Jack. You mustn't cry like a baby! You're quite a man now. You know if I fell down I shouldn't cry, I should merely say—"

"Yes, I know, pa; but then—I go to Sunday school—and you don't."

TORTURED SIX MONTHS

By Terrible Itching Eczema—Baby's Suffering Was Terrible—Soon Entirely Cured by Cuticura.

"Eczema appeared on my son's face. We went to a doctor who treated him for three months. Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor for four months, the baby never getting any better. His hand and legs had big sores on them and the poor little fellow suffered so terribly that he could not sleep. After he had suffered six months we tried a set of the Cuticura Remedies and the first treatment let him sleep and rest well; in one week the sores were gone and in two months he had a clear face. Now he is two years and has never had eczema again. Mrs. Louis Leck, R. F. D. 3, San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 15, 1907."

RECIPE FOR REAL TROUBLE.
Cheerfully Contributed to an Already Unhappy World.

Trouble making is an older industry than the manufacture of steel. Cain, the trouble maker, got into action before Tubal Cain, the iron worker; and Eve got Adam into hot water long before the Boiler Makers' union began business.

There are three kinds of trouble—imaginary, borrowed and real. Imaginary trouble consists of railroad accidents, earthquakes, fires, suicides, the poorhouse, death, and the grave, carefully mixed and taken after a late dinner, or a drop in the stock market.

Borrowed trouble is the kind we get from our relatives. Its principal ingredients are visits, borrowed money, birthday presents, advice and expectations. But the real article is produced as follows: Put the sandals of endurance on your feet, take your life in your hands and follow by turn the How-to-Be-Happy Philosopher, the Preacher of Physical Culture and the Apostle of Diet.—Puck.

Grown-Up Children.
It is not only the frivolous whom the spirit of childishness is just now leading astray. Silliness is the fashion even among the wise. Women especially affect a kind of childish shrewdness in talking of serious subjects. Like children who have the habit of romancing, they lose the sense of reality, and because they never talk exactly as they think they begin to think exactly as they talk.—London Spectator.

CAUSE AND EFFECT
Good Digestion Follows Right Food.

Indigestion and the attendant discomforts of mind and body are certain to follow continued use of improper food.

Those who are still young and robust are likely to overlook the fact that, as dropping water will wear a stone away at last, so will the use of heavy, greasy, rich food, finally cause loss of appetite and indigestion.

Fortunately many are thoughtful enough to study themselves and note the principle of Cause and Effect in their daily food. A N. Y. young woman writes her experience thus:

"Sometime ago I had a lot of trouble from indigestion, caused by too rich food. I got so I was unable to digest scarcely anything, and medicines seemed useless.

"A friend advised me to try Grape-Nuts food, praising it highly, and as a last resort I tried it. I am thankful to say that Grape-Nuts not only relieved me of my trouble, but built me up and strengthened my digestive organs so that I can now eat anything I desire. But I stick to Grape-Nuts."

"There's a Reason."
Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

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