

FLEET WILL REMAIN

Warships to Rendezvous in Hampton Roads.

NO NAVAL REVIEW SOON

Advisers from Washington are to the effect that the vessels will not be ordered away, but a parade is not probable.

Warships returning from Cuban and Porto Rican waters will continue to rendezvous in Hampton Roads, reports to the command are not withstanding.

Information to this effect was received in a telegram yesterday from Postmaster Fred Lead, who as a representative of Newport News, accompanied a party of Newport News gentlemen, who went to Washington Wednesday evening to protest against the removal of the ships from Hampton Roads.

No change has been made in the plans of the Navy Department, but it is not probable that the vessels will be reviewed while they are in these waters, not in the near future, at any rate.

A special dispatch from the Washington correspondent of the Richmond Times says: "Assistant Secretary Allen said today that the report published to the effect that the Navy Department had decided not to rendezvous the warships in Hampton Roads was erroneous.

With reference to alleged protests of the committee, Mr. Allen said that the only possible ground for such statements was the fact that he had received a letter from the Old Dominion Steamship Company, saying that the vessel was not in the middle of the channel.

"There has been no change in the plan of rendezvousing the ships in Hampton Roads," Mr. Allen said, "and the removal of the vessels there is for administrative reasons only, and no formal review is contemplated."

It is probable that the vessels will arrive home this morning. It is evident that the committee was given an audience at the Navy Department, but it does not look as if they were successful in having the vessels removed from Hampton Roads.

However, this may occur at a later date. Now that it is certain that the warships will remain in Hampton Roads, it is likely that a number of excursion trains will be run to Newport News and Old Point from the west, as many people are desirous of seeing some of the vessels.

It is stated, applications are pouring in to the passenger department of the Chesapeake & Ohio. It is expected that the season of the boats will come down from Richmond Sunday of the popular excursion run from that city.

HAULED DOWN HIS FLAG. Commodore Remy, commander of the Massachusetts, hauled down his flag this morning at the Cape Fear, and is expected to arrive in New York by rail.

Tardiness in the arrival of vessels at Old Point has caused interest in the warships to flag. The tug Washington, which was expected to arrive yesterday, was not here until this morning.

PROPERTY OWNERS MAY "KICK"

Sever Commission Orders That Connections Be Made to the Curbing.

The Sever Commission has ordered Mr. Alexander Potter, who is supervising the construction of the sewer system, to direct the contractors, M. H. H. & Son, to run connections from the curb line to the main, whether they are ordered by the property owners or not. This means that connections will be made in front of every house and lot.

The commission has no authority to order connections, which are to be made at the expense of the property owners, and it is likely it will involve a number of law suits. This matter was discussed at the special meeting of the Common Council Tuesday night, but Commonwealth's Attorney J. K. M. Newton advised that no action be taken there, as its legality might be questioned in the future, especially if any order was made in the connection with the payment of the charges made for the connections. Mr. Newton held that it would be necessary to have the property owners consent to the making of the connections and fixing the charges, therefore, and it was proposed to take the matter up at the next meeting of the council.

The Sever Commission, however, has taken the bull by the horns and ordered that the connections be made. This is liable to involve litigation and will be a law suit galore, for some of the property owners will not consent to the right of the city to compel them to pay for the extra pipe. The reason given by the commission for issuing the order was that the contractor was laying the sewer in the street, and would all the council hold a meeting and passed an ordinance providing for compulsory connection, and, too, it was made with the system of connections constructed in the distant future when connection was desired, it would be necessary to tear up the street.

TOO MANY TRAMPS.

"Hobos" Who Come to Newport News May Have to Work in the Chain Gang.

"Hobos" are getting entirely too plentiful in this part, and must be taken to rid the city of this nuisance. The chain gang is the best place for them, but it seems that the city has no room for them, and they must be taken to the jail and employ laborers to work on the streets. It would really be an act of compassion to take the people to the streets, for it is well known that the place is unworthy of the name of a city. It is entirely too small and lacks sanitation. The proper authorities should see to it that the chain gang is put to work, for at the rate the public funds are now being expended the close of the present fiscal year will see a large deficit.

How about the tramp nuisance? It is said that an ordinance will be offered at the next meeting of the Common Council to put a stop to the influx of hobos. There is but one solution of the problem—the "hobos" must be made to work for the city. If every "knight of the turban" caught begging in the city had to work in the chain gang, the town would either get rid of tramps or the streets would be in first-class condition. It is not known by whose order the chain gang was abolished.

WITH GENERAL LEE.

Fourth Regiment of Volunteers A-Signed to the Seventh Army Corps.

The Fourth regiment of National Volunteers, Colonel Patti, commanding, has been in camp at Fredericksburg, Va., near Jacksonville, and joined General Lee's corps.

The men of the Fourth regiment are pleased at being assigned to General Lee's corps and are ready to go to Cuba. But not all of General Lee's army are so pleased at this duty. The Fourth Virginia, including the Huntington 1st, it is said, have no desire to do police work in Cuba, and petitions are being circulated to have the regiment discharged.

These merchants who have been delinquent in their licenses since May 1 last were busy yesterday "ponying up" the funds and "squaring" the records with Commissioner of the Revenue. A month ago there were nearly 200 delinquents. Last week the number had dwindled down to about seventy-five. Notice was given that those merchants and professional men who had not taken out their licenses before last evening would be summoned to court today to show cause why they should not be fined for their indifference to the requests of the law.

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DATE AGREED UPON

Corner Stone to Be Laid on Thursday, September 29.

FLAG FOR THE FIREMEN

Ladies Will Present the Stars and Stripes to Liberty Fire Company No. 1, Next Thursday Evening, Mayor A. Moss to Speak.

The corner stone of the new high school building will be laid on Thursday afternoon, September 29. This agreement was reached by the committee appointed by Dr. W. P. Cooper, president of the Board of School Trustees, and Chief W. K. Snow, of the Liberty Fire Company No. 1, at a conference held yesterday afternoon. The corner stone, laying will take place on the second day of the annual meeting in this city of the Virginia State Firemen's Association, and it will be included in the program of exercises. According to the plan of the Entertainment Committee the ceremony will occur at the school building about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, after the parade. Besides the firemen the various fraternal organizations of the city and school children will be in the parade. The corner stone will be laid by the Hon. Andrew Jackson, who is a member of the State Board of Education. Attorney General Montague will be invited to deliver the address and to give the invocation. He will accept. This will be the first corner stone the Masons have ever laid in this city.

The members of the Citizens' Executive Committee are busy making preparations for the coming of the visiting firemen. The indications are that this will be the largest convention ever held in the State. Besides the various volunteer organizations in Virginia, firemen from other States are expected to be in attendance. Then, too, it is likely that the best of warships will remain in Hampton Roads till the first of October and many people will take advantage of the cheap rates given by the railroads in order to see the vessels.

FLAG FOR THE FIREMEN

The large silk flag which the ladies of the city purchased for Liberty Fire Company No. 1 has arrived from the factory and is now in the hands of the clothing store kept by Fire Commissioner J. A. Hirschberg. The flag will be presented to the firemen at the department building next Thursday night. Mayor Allan A. Moss will make the presentation speech and Fire Commissioner Hirschberg will, on behalf of the firemen, accept the flag. The Stars and Stripes in the parade which will take place on the second day of the annual meeting of the Virginia State Firemen's Association.

WILL BE TRIED HERE.

Sam Hall's Case Will Come Up in the Corporation Court.

Sam Hall, the negro saloon keeper, who shot and killed Private Alonzo Andrews, of company I, 10th Indiana Cavalry, in Hood's last week will be tried in the Corporation Court of this city. The negro will probably be indicted by a special grand jury when the September term of court convenes and placed on trial for his life at once. It is not thought that Hall will be convicted of murder in the first degree, as it seems that he shot the man in the heat of the blood. It is thought that he would reduce his crime to murder in the second degree, which is punishable by confinement in the State penitentiary for a term not exceeding eight years. To constitute murder in the first degree under the laws of Virginia the prosecution must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that it was murder by poisoning, or by lying in wait, or in other words, it must be premeditated murder. He will be represented by Attorneys E. S. Robinson and R. M. Lett.

Funeral of Mr. Richard Henley.

The funeral of Mr. Richard Henley, who died at his home near Williamsburg yesterday morning, took place from the Episcopal church in this town yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the presence of a large concourse of people. Among those who attended the funeral were Messrs. Margon, Edinborough, and Richard Henderson, who acted as pallbearers. Mr. W. A. Post, general manager of the shipyard, was unable to attend, but the funeral on account of pressing business engagements.

DIAMOND EAR DROPS RECOVERED.

A Well-Known Young Lady Recovers Her Jewelry in a Miraculous Manner.

Miss Annie Rosenbluth came from Baltimore last week to attend the burial of her father. On Sunday last she disappeared to one side a very valuable pair of diamond ear drops, and when she went to get them a short time after was dismayed to find that they had disappeared. After vainly trying every means known to her to recover the lost property, Miss Rosenbluth, on Monday called on Madam Amac, the well-known spiritual medium, of No. 335 Twenty-fourth street, who informed the young lady that the jewelry had been stolen, but would be returned to her that day. On her return home the young lady confronted the party described by Madam Amac, and was made glad by finding the stolen property returned to her, just as predicted by the madam.

Persons who can board and lodge visitors during the firemen's convention are requested to fill out a blank found in the advertising columns and send it to P. O. box 163.

Notice.

The patrons of the Newport News Light and Water Company are hereby notified that the water supply will again be shut off at 11 o'clock P. M. Saturday, August 27, 1898, and will remain off for about six hours while certain connections are being made at the pumping station.

Newspaper Light and Water Co.

By L. B. MANVILLE, Agent.

Grape Juice is very fine, exhilarating and refreshing. W. G. BURGESS.

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WANTED—At the Virginia Cleaning and Dyeing Establishment, 85 suits of clothes every day to be cleaned, dyed, pressed and repaired, and made to look like new. 3105 Washington

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FALSE FIRE ALARM

Electric Light in Pier 5. Emits Sparks But No Damage Results.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this morning the siren whistle at the wharf sounded an alarm of fire. The wharf was turned in by the watchman on pier 5, who saw an electric light burn out. A wire evidently came in contact with one of the iron girders on the pier, which caused the high pitched shriek of sparks. The watchman proceeded to button and is a siffy the shrill blasts of the siren whistle were resounding throughout the city. The C. & O. fire department turned out and soon had a stream of water playing on the light, but this made matters worse, causing more sparks to fly. Finally the light burned out. The city fire department responded to the alarm, and every C. & O. tug at the wharf had up steam and was ready to turn on a stream of water. No damage was done.

RUMOR PROVES FALSE.

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The report that Col. P. Huntington, the founder of Newport News, had been shot at his camp at Pine Knot, La. is not true. Mr. Huntington is hale and hearty, and the report was sent out by a man who had no authority to make such a statement. The Associated Press denied the rumor. Mr. W. A. Post, general manager of the works at Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, of which Mr. Huntington is principal owner, received a telegram from President C. B. Green early in the forenoon, in which the president stated that he had received no information that Mr. Huntington had been shot. For a while many people feared that there was foundation for the report, and the demand was received with general satisfaction.

BRIEFS.

General Yardmaster E. I. Ford left yesterday afternoon for Indianapolis, Ind., on a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. Walter A. Post has returned from a business trip to the States. He has been in the interest of the shipyard and the city.

Mrs. W. A. Post and her daughter, who have been visiting Mr. H. S. Long, left yesterday for their home in Morrisville, Va.

Miss Kate Hudgins left yesterday for Matthews county, where she will spend some time. She was accompanied by Master Harry Diggs, who has been visiting friends in the city.

Mr. Jacobine Henley, of West Point, Va., who has been staying with her son, Mr. Thomas B. Henley, on West avenue, left yesterday for Portsmouth, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Robert S. Dew.

Mr. J. A. Hirschberg will bid for three new battleships of the first-class, to possess the highest possible speed for ships of that type, will be opened at the Navy Department and the prospectors at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company will be awarded certainly one and probably two of the contracts.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Biennial Encampment at Indianapolis Nearing Its End.

The biennial encampment at Indianapolis is nearing its end. The Uniform Rank companies began to break camp at Camp Colgrove, the entire Ohio brigade leaving at 6 o'clock this morning. The Uniform Rank companies will leave at 10 o'clock this afternoon.

The judges, who are Captain Daugherty, Major Field and Lieutenant Field, author of Field's tactics, will be awarded the regular award, will award the prizes at noon tomorrow.

The awarding of prize money will be the first formal ceremony connected with Camp Colgrove.

The parade of the Knights of Korasson took place tonight, and was witnessed by thousands of people. About 1000 men in uniform marched, garbed in Arabic costumes.

The election of the officers of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, did not take place this morning. It is usual to elect officers the third day of the biennial session, but it was objected to because of the investigations that are now going on, and one representative insisted that the election be delayed until it would be the proper thing to elect men who are under investigation. There were stormy times in the lodge room this morning, and general appropriations, that usually were made at the time of former meetings were either referred or voted down. This morning a resolution was introduced that will cut the expenses of the meeting of the Supreme Lodge and the next session will be the cheapest ever held with so many representatives present.

An attempt will be made to reduce the number of members of the Supreme Lodge in the Uniform Rank, and a warm fight is expected over it.

The sensation this afternoon was the report of the estimate of the finance committee. The committee went at the salary with an axe and chopped everything in sight. The committee recommended that the per diem of the supreme representatives be reduced from \$5 and five cents a mile each way to \$3 and three cents a mile each way.

This report has precipitated a fight that has almost become personal between some of the members. The members of the Temple, Pathbone Sisters, discussed the question of an insurance feature and votes sufficient to adopt the resolutions have been received.

NEGRO TRAMP KILLED.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 25.—A runaway caused a wreck on the A. G. S. railway near Hull, between Tusculoo and Meridan, about 5 o'clock this afternoon. An unknown negro tramp was killed and twelve freight cars were wrecked. The disaster occurred where the track is low, running along the banks of the Warrior river. The heavy rains for the past few days caused the stream to overflow.

The steam yacht Congress will leave Pine's pier at 2 o'clock Saturday, carrying parties wishing to witness the boat races.

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PEACE COMMISSION

Preliminary Meeting Held in Washington Yesterday.

THREE MEMBERS NAMED

Two Others Said to Have Been Selected and Will Be Announced Tomorrow. Start for Paris to Be Made Soon.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The first meeting of a majority of the American peace commissioners took place today at the State Department, when at 12 o'clock Secretary Day was joined by Senators Davis and Frye. Prior to this the secretary's membership of the commission had had a conference of two hours with the President. Secretary Day was not present at the White House meeting, but after getting the peace commission's membership of the commission had had a conference of two hours with the President. Secretary Day was not present at the White House meeting, but after getting the peace commission's membership of the commission had had a conference of two hours with the President. Secretary Day was not present at the White House meeting, but after getting the peace commission's membership of the commission had had a conference of two hours with the President.

As a result of the meeting, it can be stated with positiveness that Messrs. Day, Davis and Frye are members of the peace commission. It is understood that the remaining two members have been selected and will be announced by Saturday. At the meeting today the general plans of the commission as to proceeding to Paris were talked over, and an understanding reached that the start be made between September 15th and 20th. The exact day was left open in order to permit further conferences with the State Department and the British. No definite arrangements have been made thus far as to securing quarters in Paris, but this will be left to the State Department and the British. The sessions will be held in the Salon des Ambassadeurs, through the courtesy of the French government.

The commissioners expect to be occupied with the more important matters, to come before the tribunal, and the preparation of the American side of the case. The question whether the negotiations with the Spaniards should be conducted in the English or French language will not be determined prior to the arrival of the commissioners in Paris. It is determined arbitrarily that the American commissioners in advance of the meeting.

PENNSYLVANIANS HAPPY.

Sixth Regiment Men Glad They Are to Be Mustered Out.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—A special train to the Star from Philadelphia carries the greatest delight is evidenced by the Sixth Pennsylvania regiment over the official announcement that they are to be mustered out. The officers and men of the regiment are as anxious for their service to end and petitions are in circulation everywhere. Major Price's battalion, the third of the Sixth Pennsylvania, left camp for Middletown, Pa., at 11 o'clock and the First and Second Battalions will follow in the day. The Seventh Illinois will go tomorrow.

Private George Mayes, who was pronounced cured of measles and late on the same day returned to the hospital in an unimpaired condition, but a case of spinal meningitis. It is said that when he was reported cured of the measles all his clothes were burned to destroy germs and he was provided with a rubber poncho as covering.

The troops of the First Wisconsin and Second Kansas regiments, probably will be completed today. It is charged with having deserted graves of Confederate soldiers.

TROOPS ORDERED HOME.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Orders have been issued directing General Miles to send home from Porto Rico all troops not actually needed for service there. No point has been designated as yet for their disembarkation in the United States, but an examination of several sites is in progress. It is desired to secure a healthy camp and at the same time one where disembarkation can take place at once without any delay such as occurred at Montauk Point.

It is expected that some of the troops to be sent home from Porto Rico will sail today morning from the first arrivals will be landed at New York City.

SCHLEY ON THE BROOKLYN.

WESTPORT, CONN., Aug. 25.—Rear Admiral W. S. Schley started for New York this morning on the train leaving this station at 8:56. He was accompanied by his son-in-law, R. S. Wortley. The admiral apparently had completely recovered from his indisposition.

Tomorrow he will be joined by Mrs. Schley and will her will proceed to Washington.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Admiral Schley arrived in this city this morning and went at once to his flagship, the Brooklyn.

Admiral Schley about 6 o'clock today started for Washington.

LAWTON'S SANITARY REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—At 2:30 this morning Adjutant General Corbin received from General Lawton, now in command at Santiago, reports of the health conditions of the American troops for the 24th and 25th instants. Following is the report for the 24th: "Total number of new cases of fever, 39; total number of fever cases returned to duty, 43; deaths, 7."

AFFAIRS IN HAWAII.

Congressional Commission Preparing to Accomplish Its Task.

(By Telegraph.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25.—The steamship Mona arrived here today from Honolulu, bringing the Hawaiian Commission, an Associated Press correspondent writes from Honolulu, under date of August 18, as follows:

"The congressional members of the committee to report on a form of government for the territory of Hawaii arrived August 17 on the Mariposa. Today the commission met at the home of Justice Fear to qualify as members by taking an oath. As soon as the members were regularly listed, the commission proceeded to elect a secretary, a stenographer and a permanent chairman. Senator Culberson is chairman. The men for the clerical positions and the sergeant-at-arms have been brought from Washington.

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HEAT AT CAMP WIKOFF.

High Temperature Causes Increased Death Rate.

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An extra supply of milk was received today and was a blessing to the sick men. General Alger said there should be at least 2,000 gallons of milk delivered at the hospital camp daily, and arrangements have been made for such a supply.

The men on the Yale were unloaded today and the 178 sick were taken to the detention hospital. The Red Cross Society has 300 cots ready for distribution in the hospital. Hospital Lieutenant Commander Thomas Twi, of the Japanese navy, said today, after inspecting the camp at Montauk, that he was satisfied with the camp and his men were well.

LAST OF SHAFTEE'S ARMY.

It Will Sail From Santiago Some Time.

(By Telegraph.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The last of Shaftee's army will sail from Cuba tomorrow. The following dispatch was received from the War Department late this afternoon: "Santiago, via Hayti, Aug. 23 3:36 P. M. Adjutant General, United States Army, Washington: "General Shaftee, commanding Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, detachment of recruits for First Illinois volunteer infantry and a part of the Ninth Massachusetts volunteer infantry, all of which will embark tomorrow morning on transporta now here."

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CUBAN WAR EXPENSES.

MADRID, Aug. 25.—P. M.—The Gazette gives the Cuba war expenses from January 1 to June 30 as 447,359,000 pesetas. (By Telegraph.)

The Queen Regent presided at today's cabinet council, the home situation was discussed and Senator Sagasta, the Premier, gave details of the military operations at Manila and Santiago, and explained the manner in which the Antilles will be evacuated. The cabinet council also discussed the army at Manila and the dispatch of the Spanish funds to Admiral Cervera and to Manila for the immediate needs of the Spanish prisoners.

Tranquillity prevails throughout; the Peninsula.

The landing of troops at Coruna continues. The men present a piteous spectacle. Eight died today.

SIXTEEN LIVES LOST

Steamer in Collision With a Fishing Schooner.

EIGHT SEAMEN SAVED

Salting Vessel Sinks at Once After Being Cut Clean in Two by a Thingyalla. Loner, Details of the Accident.

(By Telegraph.) NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The Thingyalla line steamer Norge, which arrived here today, reports that she sank the French fishing schooner La Coquette, of Bayonne, France, on Saturday last on the Green Banks. The captain and eight seamen were saved. Sixteen were killed, and the unfortunate vessel, which was carrying a cargo of fish, was lost. The weather was foggy, but not so thick that the vessel's speed was reduced. Captain Knudson said he could see about three cable lengths ahead. The vessel was struck by the west-southwest, when a vessel suddenly loomed from the north, with sails full, and stood directly across the bow of the steamer. The bells were struck for the four ways, in the judgment of the captain, not sufficient to reduce headway. The fisherman was an active vessel, had a good breeze and was under good steerage way, but made no attempt to avoid collision. The rigging on sails full until squarely under the bow.

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The report on Captain Berre to the French consul states that when the collision occurred the weather was foggy prevailing. Suddenly the Norge appeared coming toward them, head on for their side. It was impossible to do anything to avoid the collision. The steamer was going at a speed from eight to ten knots an hour, hit La Coquette in the side. Her sternmast fell toward the Norge. There were sixteen men in the part of the steamer that was struck, sails and mast pinned them down so that it was inevitable death for them as the vessel began to sink. The French consul states that the collision occurred on the morning of August 18. The steamer backed as quickly as possible and her crew lowered boats and went to the rescue of the men in the water. It was impossible to save the sixteen men who perished. La Coquette sank at once.

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