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WAR OFFICERS AROUSED OVER WORK OF SPIES

Heads of Army Know Very Well That Large Number of Foreigners Are Nos-ing Around

MANY INCIDENTS TO PROVE THEIR PRESENCE
Plans of Forts Along the Coast Easy to Get, But Photographers are Barred

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Thoroughly aroused by the startling evidence of the activity of foreign spies in the United States, the war department is taking extra precautions against such secret agents, and is giving the most trifling report of that nature searching investigation. Many reports of attempts to gain knowledge of the military secrets of the country have been heard. Some of the incidents are of comparatively recent date, and it was upon the submission of such information to a secret session of the judicial committee of the house that legislation was obtained last session from congress providing for the severe punishment of spies during time of peace.

It has not been long since an Englishman in Calcutta picked up in the streets a small package of blue prints showing every detail of the defense of Corcoran Island, the main stronghold of the United States in the Philippines. The prints were not copies of any drawings or charts prepared for the use of the United States, but were evidently the result of a careful and deliberate investigation of the official records of the war department, but the department was unable to discover the means by which the information had been obtained.

Evidence of Spying.

Numerous incidents have come to the attention of the secret service men and the war department of spies being at work in this country. A number of arrests have been made and it is interesting to hear of the various methods resorted to by spies to gain a knowledge of the military secrets of this country and at the same time escape detection.

A waiter in a Seattle hotel was arrested and found to be a foreign officer. In his possession were found many maps and other military information that he had gathered of the defenses of the Pacific coast. By assuming such a humble position he was able to wander about the fort without exciting suspicion. An ambassador recently notified the state department that a certain captain belonging to the army of the country in which the diplomat was stationed had been secretly detailed to spend three years in this country studying its defenses.

Even the Panama Canal has not escaped. One of the engineers found a foreign officer, an attaché to one of the South American countries situated in the Panama canal from a strategic standpoint and under stood that there were six or seven officers of the same country in the United States gathering military information.

Trunk Gives Proof.

Recently in New York a man was arrested for a trivial offense and in his trunk were found papers and other information which convinced the authorities that he was in the employ of some foreign power.

The incident which convinced the judicial committee of the necessity for the protected act occurred less than a year ago in the Philippines. An enlisted man belonging to the engineer corps was offered \$25,000 by two foreign officers for the plans of the defense on Corcoran Island. Being the official photographer, he had ample opportunity to get all the necessary pictures. He informed his superior officers, and a trap was laid for the spies. They were captured and held for trial. Habeas corpus proceedings were instituted, and they gained the Philippines or the United States their liberty, as there was no law in the Philippines or the United States under which they could be prosecuted.

A recent case which has been brought to the attention of the authorities is that of Private James Reay, stationed at Fort Totten, New Jersey. He is suspected of being a spy. It is claimed that he is an officer in the Austrian army. Little consideration is given to this particular case, for the man re-enlisted a short time before his term of enlistment expired. If he had been in the employ of a foreign government, he would have been mustered out and returned to his country with the information he had obtained while stationed at the various coast defenses.

Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, admits that it is an easy thing to obtain the plans of a coast defense. This is especially true of coast defenses near large cities, where there are always a large number of visitors. Visitors are allowed to walk around and look at the fortifications. In this way they are able to make many mental observations. These observations may be put

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25 DEAD, MANY HURT, IN THEATER PANIC

PITTSBURG, Aug. 26.—Twenty-five are known to be dead, and a large number of injured, following the explosion of a moving picture film in Morgar and Grant opera house in Cannonsburg, Pa., twenty miles from here, tonight.

As the film exploded, some persons shouted, "fire." The house was crowded with women and children. All rushed to the hall leading to the stairway, and were jammed on the stairs. Few thought to use the fire escape. Many were knocked down and trampled. Most of the dead were smothered in the crush of persons who fought to gain the street.

SHOPMEN ONLY ARE CONCERNED

The Firemen and Enginemen of Harriman Lines Would Not Join Striks If It Occurs

BUT SHOPMEN ARE STRONG

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 26.—The four organizations which embrace the men employed on the train service of the railroads of the United States will not join the strike of the shop workers if the troubles of the latter should result in a walkout. This statement is made by Hugh L. Dickson of Peoria, Ill., general counsel of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, who arrived here today. Dickson, who formerly was district attorney of San Bernardino county, said he thought the rejection of forces in the shops put into effect today by the Southern Pacific is not a war measure designed to forestall a strike, but is due to falling off of business.

Although I have no official knowledge about the threatened strike of the shopmen of the Harriman system," Dickson continued, "I know of the men's demands, and am afraid a strike may grow out of it. But our organization and other brotherhoods of trainmen are not concerned, as they have satisfactory contracts and will observe them."

Dickson said that in the event of a strike the railroads would have a hard time as the shopmen of the Harriman lines have an organization which embraces all branches of shop work, with all the resources of the American Federation of Labor behind it.

DEMOCRATS OF COCHISE FIRM

Adopt Plank at Douglas Last Night Favoring Recall in Constitution When Arizona Is State

PIE COUNTER RUSH BALKED

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—The larist of democracy swished and whirled through the air tonight as the democrats of Cochise county in mass meeting here entered upon the campaign to round up the county of Cochise and the state of Arizona into the democratic corral and to forestall attempts on the part of the republicans to cut the young calf out of the herd.

A ringing platform was adopted, on which county candidates will stand in the coming election. The feature of the platform is the paragraph in which the democrats go after President Taft for nullifying the work of the democrats in congress and thus by the use of his veto power defeating the will of the people of the United States. The president's action in vetoing the wool and cotton schedule and other bills passed by the democratic party, aided by progressive republicans, was severely censured and the prominence of this plank is taken to indicate that this will be one of the features of the fight in the new state of Arizona.

The meeting also adopted a plank favoring the incorporation of the recall of judges into the state constitution by amendment as soon as Arizona has become a state in fact.

Rush for the Pie
A fight was precipitated when Douglas made a rush for the pie counter. Douglas wanted the meeting to sanction a division of the offices of the county that would give that city one state senator, one representative, one member of the board of supervisors, the superior court judge, the county sheriff and the county recorder. The division was so obviously unreasonable that Major George H. Kelly of Douglas led the fight against it, stating that it could not be done for the reason that it could not, in fact, be done. It was finally decided to allow the voters themselves to determine where the offices should come from.

A finance committee was named and Chairman Clay Hanks of the executive committee called a meeting of his committee for next Saturday night.

The Voters
Among the out-of-town politicians present were: William Robinson, Fred Sutter, L. W. Wallace, Alex. Murray of Bisbee; Owen E. Murphy, Mike Hannon, Mr. Karger of Lowell; John Rock, H. S. Ross, Charles R. Howe and W. G. Gilmore of Tombstone; J. A. Jenkins and W. Garrard of Cochise, and Charles G. Fulgham of Willcox.

At a meeting of the Douglas Republican club, held concurrently with the meeting of the democrats, John Doan was elected president; F. S. Badger, vice president; D. Bershimol, secretary, and W. W. Gray, treasurer. The only business of importance was the reorganization.

CIRCLES GLOBE UNDER 40 DAYS

Jager-Schmidt Arrives in Paris Yesterday Morning After Trip That Smashes All Records

BANQUET COSTS 2 HOURS

PARIS, Aug. 26.—Andre Jager-Schmidt, the Parisian journalist, drove up in an automobile in front of the office of the Daily Excelsior this morning, shortly after 9 o'clock, officially completing the circuit of the world in 39 days, 19 hours, 33 minutes, 37.45 seconds.

He left Paris July 17 in an attempt to beat the record of M. Stieglitz, of the Paris Matin, who made the journey around the world in 63 days. Jager-Schmidt could have reached the goal two hours, earlier if he had not stayed in Cherbourg after midnight for a supper given in his honor by journalists.

THROWS GIRL IN LAKE FOR BROKEN PROMISE

HOLLAND, Mich., Aug. 26.—An aged, he said, because Grace Lyons of Chicago broke her promise of marriage, Walter Hopper of that city attacked her aboard the steamer Puritan in midlake and tossed her overboard. The body was not recovered. News of the tragedy was flashed by wireless and officers were waiting for Hopper when the boat reached Iro dock.

LOSES \$8700 CASH

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Aug. 26.—R. B. Scott, a mining man of Bakersburg, has offered a reward of \$4250 for the return of a wallet he lost several days ago in Fresno. The wallet contained eight \$1000 bills and \$700 in greenbacks of smaller denominations.

THE WEATHER

ARIZONA—Showers Sunday north and southeast portions. Fair southwest; showers Monday, except extreme southeast.

ELGIN AUTO ROAD RACE TAKES TWO LIVES CAUSES FOUR BROKEN LEGS, AND NUMEROUS SMALLER INJURIES; ZENGEL WINS \$6,500

CUNIFF HANDS AKERS CROWD HARD JOLT BY WITHDRAWING

PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 26.—A hard jolt was handed Akers and his crowd, who planned the big statehood celebration for tonight, when M. G. Cuniff, of Yavapai county, who had been advertised widely as one of the speakers, announced positively that he would not address the meeting. It is understood that Cuniff refused to speak when he learned that Senator Clapp was to be on the program. When asked about his reason for not speaking, Cuniff said that as the democrats of Yavapai county had not yet seen fit to celebrate, he felt he ought not to take part in the celebration here.

Akers' paper, the Gazette, of today gives the program for the meeting without including Cuniff on the list of speakers, although it had advertised that he would speak before, and does not mention him, or the fact that he is dropped from the program.

Rain Spoils It All.
PHOENIX, Aug. 26.—The big demonstration in jollification over statehood planned for tonight by the statehood leagues was postponed on account of a terrific thunder storm. The rain put a damper on the project early in the evening, and the later downpour before the exercises began caused the announcement from the plaza stand that the meeting would be held next Wednesday night. Earlier there was some firing of anvils preliminary to the expected meeting.

Senator Clapp of Minnesota, and several Arizona publicists from various parts of the territory are here, having been billed to speak. The committee decided on delay, rather than limit the crowd to the capacity of the opera house.

DEFECT IN RAIL WRECK CAUSE

Shattered Into Seventeen Pieces, It Is Mute Evidence of Neglect in Lehigh Valley Horror

26 DEAD—OTHERS MAY DIE

MANCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Twenty-six persons are dead and half a dozen more lie at death's door, while 69 others crowd the hospitals from Canadagula to Rochester, according to the latest figures, as the result of the wreck on the Lehigh Valley train No. 4, east bound, behind two powerful locomotives on the trestle spanning Canadagula outlet yesterday. A ninety pound rail on the 466 foot bridge, shattered into seventeen pieces, showing defects in manufacture, marked the weak spot, investigators say, explains the cause of the disaster.

So far but half of the twenty-six men who met death among the twisted and splintered mass of wreckage fifty feet below the trestle, have been identified. Four of these are at Rochester. The other twenty-two lie in the Shortsville morgue in rough pine boxes. Injured in following hospitals: Rochester-Hanneman Hospital 18; Homeopathic 7, et al 25. Clifton-Springs Sanitarium 12. Canadagula Memorial Hospital 17. At Shortsville, reported as injured, but not found in the preceding hospitals 15. Steps looking to the usual rigid investigation have already been taken by the public service commission, coroners and other officials who have workers on the scene.

LEE CONFESSES AWFUL CRIME

Indiana Young Man Finally Tells How He Killed His Father, Mother and Younger Brother

BRAINS ALL WITH AN AXE

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 26.—William Lee, aged 22, confessed that he murdered his father, Richard Lee, his mother and younger brother, Clarence, then set fire to the family home at Booneville, early Thursday, in hope of concealing the crime. In a verbal and written statement to Sheriff Davis, Lee said his motive was anger because his parents would not consent to his marriage with Mina Taylor, which he had planned for Thursday because his parents would not consent with which to begin house-keeping.

When the confession was made public the officers started with Lee in an automobile for the state reformatory at Jeffersonville to prevent possible mob violence. Lee had previously made the statement that he killed his father in self defense after the father had murdered his wife and younger son.

Lee said he went Wednesday night to Newburg and called on his fiancée. They talked about arrangements for their wedding. He had had \$100 in a bank, but it had been spent. He knew his parents had \$50 in the house and returned home late. His mother reprimanded him. He told her he was determined to marry on the following day. She answered that he must stay at home.

Going to his room, Lee said he brooded until he was out of his mind. He suddenly rushed to the room where his father, mother and brother slept. "I grabbed the axe by the door," he said, "and struck for father, but hit mother. Brother rose up, and I struck him. The father, who had been outside, ran in, and started to grab me by the throat. I hit him, and he fell. I was scared so badly I did not know what I was doing."

He said he lit a match to see what had been done, then dropped the flaming match on the bed where his mother's body lay. "Flames flashed up, and blinded me," he said, "and I jumped to my room, put on my trousers and ran to alarm the neighbors."

The fire in the Lee home was put out before the bodies were more than scorched. The partridge stolidly helped to carry them out on the lawn, insisting he did not know how they came to their death.

CONLEY KNOCKS OUT KLINE IN FOURTEENTH

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—Franklin Conley of Kenosha, knocked out Pat Kelly of Newark, in the fourteenth round of a twenty round fight at Vernon. Kline received a fierce beating, and went out more from accumulated punishment than from any one blow. He was perfectly conscious, but too weak to rise before the count. Conley will fight the winner of the Rivers-Kilbane bout on Labor Day.

STATEHOOD PEN ARRIVES.

SANTA FE, N. M., Aug. 26.—One of the pens with which the statehood measure was signed by Taft was received by Ex-governor L. Bradford Prince, president of the New Mexico Historical society, and placed in the historical museum in the old palace, beside the pen with which the president signed the enabling act. Both pens were secured by Delegate William H. Andrews, and given to the society.

RIORDAN'S BIRTHDAY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 26.—The Most Reverend Patrick W. Riordan, Roman Catholic archbishop of San Francisco, will enter upon his seventieth year tomorrow. The Archbishop was born in New Brunswick, and was connected with the Chicago archdiocese for many years before coming to San Francisco in 1884.

DELUGE DAMAGES VINEYARDS

ROME, Aug. 26.—Torrential rains, accompanied by high winds, have fallen for twenty-four hours in Lombardy, devastating the rich province. Many houses have been blown down and some fatalities have resulted. Enormous damage done to vineyards.

BOLT KILLS MAN AND TEAM.

GLOBE, Aug. 26.—Chuna Eia, an Apache, driving six miles from here, was killed by lightning striking his head, knocked three white men from the wagon, glanced and killed the team.

TAFT HAS ONLY DEFIANCE FOR HIS OPPONENTS

Sounds First Note in the Fight He Is About to Make Before the American People

CHARGES OTHER SIDE WITH "PLAYING POLITICS"

Names Several, But Lays Emphasis Upon La Follette, and Regrets Democrats Helped Him

HAMILTON, Mass., Aug. 26.—President Taft began his presidential campaign for 1912 with speeches that breathed defiance and condemned the efforts of the "insurgent" republicans and democrats combined to revise several schedules of the present tariff at the special session of congress just closed. The president singled out Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, Speaker Champ Clark, and Chairman Underwood, of the house ways and means committee, as leaders in the movement, and charged them with "playing politics." Several times he referred by name to M. La Follette, but mentioned the other insurgents as merely La Follette's "associates."

Condemns the Course.
Taft indicated that he regarded the proposed revision as injurious and dangerous to business, but made it plain that if the tariff board reported in December in favor of downward revision of the cotton and wool schedules, he would recommend the reduction. Standing on the broad terrace of Congressman A. P. Gardner's home, with Senator Lodge and other Massachusetts republican leaders, the president seemed to vent the smoke of the coming battle. Many of the 500 members of the Essex County Republican club, who gathered to listen thought they had heard the "key-note speech" of the coming campaign, and their cheers were loud and long.

Senator Lodge supplemented the president's tariff remarks by a few words, while two of the three candidates for the republican nomination for governor of Massachusetts, Lieut. Governor Frothingham and Speaker Walker, also spoke. Taft said: "The extra session of congress was called for the purpose of confirming the Canadian reciprocity treaty, which it did. Our democratic friends, however, were not content to allow it to pass with the accomplishment of the purpose for which it was called. They assisted—most of them—in the passage of the reciprocity bill, because they believed in its usefulness, and did not play politics in its passage."

BOY HAS BABIES FROM PET DOG; IS DYING

Sore on Hand Is Infected By the Saliva From the Animal

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—Charles V. Brennan, fifteen years old, was stricken with hydrophobia, and brought to the point of death tonight, after caring for a sick dog which he thought suffered from poison. Physicians say there is no hope for the lad.

Brennan was not bitten by the animal, but the doctors believe its saliva infected a wound on the boy's hand, and inoculated him with the dreaded disease. Another lad, Brennan's friend, who also fondled the stricken dog, was paced under Pasteur treatment.

BEATTIE'S TALK OVER GIRL IS REPEATED

CHESTERFIELD COURTHOUSE, Va., Aug. 26.—Considerable progress was made by the prosecution in the case of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., on trial for murder of his young wife, who was slain with a shotgun while motoring with her husband on Middlethian Turnpike last month.

Just before adjournment of court, application by Beattie's counsel was granted that the accused man be permitted to go to Richmond, so the defense might have a conference over Sunday. The prisoner was whisked back to Richmond, cheerfully waving from the automobile to those he recognized.

There were many tense moments for the prisoner as the prosecution uncovered fragments of conversation which he is alleged to have had with Beulah Binford, the girl in the case.

GOV. MILLS NOTIFIED OFFICIALLY BY TAFT

SANTA FE, N. M., Aug. 26.—Receipt tonight by Governor Mills of the official letter of President Taft directing the governor to issue a proclamation for election of state officers, completed another chapter toward statehood. The proclamation will be issued early next week, calling the election for November 7.

SEARCHING FOR HUSBAND

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Aug. 26.—Leaving his bride a month ago for Seattle, where he expected a job with the Oregon railway, A. A. McCord, a locomotive engineer, aged 30, disappeared May 5. His wife today began a country wide search. When he left he had \$900 and was last heard of in Sacramento.