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BRITAIN FACES CRISIS

Chamberlain Delivers Remarkable Speech at Birmingham.

TELLS OF TRANSVAAL SITUATION.

Secretary of State for the Colonies Considers Time Has Arrived When Moral Pressure Has Become a Farce—Says Government Will Be Firm.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., June 27.—Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, addressing the Unionists of this city, reviewed carefully the Transvaal question.

In the course of his speech he said that, owing to the enormous military preparations of the government of the South African republic, Great Britain had been compelled to increase the forces in Cape Colony and Natal.

Mr. Chamberlain said the government had tried to establish friendly relations with President Kruger, but all their advances had been received with contempt.

"The Transvaal's enormous secret service fund had procured it friends and advocates in every country. The way the British subject there is treated is not only a menace to them all, but interferes with our prestige among the natives, who now regard the Boers and not the British as the paramount power.

"Besides the breaches of the London convention, the Transvaal is flagrantly violating the equality that convention was intended to secure.

"Four times since the granting of independence we have been on the verge of war with the Transvaal. It is erroneous to say that the British government wants war, but it is equally erroneous to say that the government will draw back now that it has put its hands to the plow.

"It is hoped the efforts now being made will lead to an amicable settlement, for Great Britain only wants justice, but there comes a time when patience can be hardly distinguished from weakness, and moral pressure becomes a farce, that cannot be continued without loss of self respect."

Germany Rejects Czar's Proposal.

LONDON, June 27.—The Hague correspondent of the Daily News at The Hague says: "The German delegates yesterday privately informed their colleagues that they had received instructions to accept the principle of a permanent tribunal of arbitration as outlined in the Anglo-American plans. This and the speech of Colonel Gross von Schwartzhoff, plainly intimating that Germany had made up her mind against the Russian idea of disarmament and had reached the conclusion that the time had arrived to tell the world so, are the two great events of the whole conference."

Anti-Foreign Outbreak in China.

LONDON, June 27.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs as follows: "Anti-foreign disturbances have just occurred in Meng Tzu, province of Yunnan, where the residences of the customs staff and the French consulate have been burned by an armed mob. The foreigners effected their escape."

RACE WAR IMMINENT.

Negroes Arm Themselves to Prevent Lynching of One of Their Race.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 27.—Two armed bodies of men are holding vigil near Cardiff, in this county. One body is composed of white men, officers of this county, and the other of negroes. Early this morning it was reported that John Shepherd, the negro who assaulted Mrs. Monroe Jones near Corona last Wednesday, has been seen in that vicinity. Officers were immediately sent out to capture him. The news spread and the negroes began arming themselves. They congregated at Brookside, two miles from Cardiff, until there were fully 200 of them. The negroes said that their only purpose was to prevent violence to Shepherd. Two special trains from this city with a detachment of cavalry went out this afternoon. The negroes were dispersed, but the rapist was not captured. The sheriff of Walker county has joined the posse from here and the search is being continued.

Fiendish Crime of a Kansas Youth.

HARPER, Kan., June 27.—John Kornstadt, a 16-year-old boy, has confessed to having murdered his cousin, Nora, the 10-year-old daughter of Tony Kornstadt, a farmer. He first assaulted her and then threw her into an abandoned well, where she was found last Wednesday. She was alive when found, but died an hour later without recovering consciousness. The youth was taken to Wichita for fear of mob violence.

IOWA HAPPENINGS.

Killed by a Bull.

WATERLOO, Ia., June 27.—The body of a young farmer named Mark was found yesterday in a field near New Hartford, supposed to have been killed by a vicious bull. The body was badly mutilated.

Confederate Veteran Shoots Himself.

WASHINGTON, Ia., June 24.—Yesterday Ephraim Maxwell, a one-legged confederate veteran, shot himself in the right temple and died a short while afterward. He has for many years been a great sufferer and had evidently contemplated the deed for some time.

Legality of Removing Smallpox Patient.

IOWA CITY, June 26.—Judge Scott of Brooklyn granted an injunction against Iowa City forbidding its board of health to remove a smallpox patient to the pest-house in West Lucas, a suburb. This is the first suit of its kind in Iowa. The city will carry the case to the supreme court.

Iowa Missionary Dies in Turkey.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., June 24.—News has just been received here by relatives of the death in far-off Turkey in Asia of the death of Mrs. Ida Nakashian, formerly Miss Ida Melinger of this city. She was a young woman well known in this section prior to her going to Armenia as a missionary.

Miss Rice's Successor.

WATERLOO, Ia., June 27.—Bishop Morrison of the Iowa diocese, Episcopal church, yesterday announced the appointment of Miss Mary Louise Buffington, a Vassar graduate, to succeed Miss Rice as principal of St. Catherine's Hall, the diocesan school at Davenport. Miss Rice recently married Hon. J. J. Richardson.

Marshalltown Carries Off Honors.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., June 26.—The last day's program of the State Firemen's tournament closed Saturday evening. Marshalltown carried off the state race and championship, Sheldon and Onawa tying for second place. Marshalltown comes first as a money winner, with \$600 won in prizes; Sheldon, second, with \$555, and Onawa third, with \$402.50.

Will Erect a Labor Temple.

DES MOINES, June 27.—The Des Moines Trades and Labor assembly has begun the sale of stock for the erection of a labor temple to cost some \$30,000. A lodge or two whose membership is mostly laboring men, will join with the assembly in erecting the temple. It will contain club rooms, gymnasium, etc., for the laboring men and will, in addition, have a big hall for labor meetings.

New Iowa Railway.

BURLINGTON, June 24.—The Iowa and Mississippi Valley Railroad company, with \$300,000 capital, was organized here yesterday and will be operated in Lee, Des Moines and Louisa counties. The headquarters will be here. A line will connect Oakville, Burlington and Denmark, connecting at Oakville with the Muscatine and Southwestern, a branch of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

Tax Tender Rejected.

MARSHALLOTOWN, Ia., June 26.—County Treasurer Wilson Saturday rejected the tender of \$4,375 made the county by the Boardman heirs as back taxes for 1898, due on personal property withheld from the assessor. The county demanded \$145,000 as delinquent taxes for five years and a penalty of 50 per cent and its refusal to accept the proffer made doubtless will result in another big lawsuit against the Boardman estate.

MacLean Accepts Iowa Offer.

LINCOLN, June 26.—Chancellor MacLean of the University of Nebraska sent a telegram to the regents at Iowa City announcing his acceptance of the presidency of Iowa university. The action is regretted by regents and friends of Nebraska university, but was not unexpected. Chancellor MacLean will leave in a few weeks for Europe, returning for the opening of the college year in Iowa.

Fifty-First Band Wants Engagement.

DES MOINES, June 27.—The chief musician of the Fifty-first Iowa regimental band, George W. Landers, has written to Secretary Van Houten of the State Agricultural society, applying for an engagement for the band to play during the Iowa state fair this year. The chief musician makes his application in a very modest manner, assuring the agricultural society that the band can furnish recommendations as to its ability, if need be, from Admiral Dewey down.

OTIS SENDS REPORT.

Details Conditions in the Philippine Islands.

REBEL FORCES BADLY SCATTERED.

Sections Inhabited by Tagals Now Practically Under American Control—Nebraska Volunteers on Shipboard, Ready to Sail For Home.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—General Otis, in reply to a cablegram from the war department asking for information regarding the situation and condition in the Philippines, cabled a long reply, as follows:

MANILA, June 26.—Rainy season. Little inland campaigning possible in Luzon. We occupy large portion Tagalog country, lines stretching from Imus south to San Fernando north, nearly 80 miles, and to eastward into Laguna province. Insurgent armies have suffered great losses and are scattered; only large force held together is about 4,000 in Tarlac province and northern Pangasinan. Their scattered forces are in bands of 50 to 500 in other portions of Luzon; in Cavite and Batangas provinces could assemble possibly 2,000, though demoralized from recent defeat. The mass of the people are terrorized by insurgent soldiers, desire peace and American protection and no longer flee on the approach of our troops unless forced to do so by the insurgents, but gladly welcome them; no recent burning of towns. Population within our lines becoming dense, taking up land and cultivation extensively. They are kept out of Manila as much as possible, as the city population is becoming too great to be cared for. Natives south-east of Luzon are combining to drive out the insurgents.

The only hope of insurgent leaders is United States aid. They proclaim the near overthrow of the present administration, to be followed by their independence and recognition by the United States. This is the influence which enables them to hold out. Much contention prevails among them and no civil government remains. Trade with ports not in our possession and former source of insurgent revenue now interdicted. Am not certain of wisdom of this policy, as the people in those ports are without a supply of food and merchants are suffering losses. I meditate restoring trade privileges, although insurgents will reap the benefits. The courts here are in successful operation under direction of able Filipinos.

Other Islands Are Quiet.

Affairs in other islands are comparatively quiet, awaiting results in Luzon. All are anxious for trade and repeated calls for American troops received. Am giving attention to Jolo archipelago and Palawan islands. Our troops have worked to the limit of endurance. Volunteer organizations have been called in and replaced by regulars, who now occupy salient positions. Nebraska, Pennsylvania and Utah troops now taking transports and the Sixth infantry has been sent to Negros to relieve the Californians. These troops are in good physical condition, sickness among troops has increased lately, due mostly to arduous service and climatic influences. Nothing alarming. Of the 13 per cent of the command reported sick, nearly 6 per cent is in the general hospital, of whom 3 per cent have typhoid and 17 malarial fevers; 25 per cent have various ailments, 14 of which is due to wound injuries. Many officers and men who served in Cuba become sick with recurrence of Cuban fever and regular regiments lately received are inadequately officered.

KANSANS IN BAD WAY.

Only Four Hundred and Fifty Able to Perform Duty.

KANSAS CITY, June 27.—A special cablegram to the Star from Manila, via Hong Kong, June 25, says: "Captain Clarke, Captain Watson, Lieutenant Ball and 200 sick or wounded from the Twentieth Kansas regiment have been sent home. Only 450 men are still doing duty. These are on the firing line. The other members of the regiment are relieved from duty on account of sickness. The Kansas regiment's normal strength is about 1,200 men. With 200 sick on the way home and 450 on the firing line, 550 are left among those 'unfit for duty.'"

MANILA, June 27.—The Montana and Kansas volunteers are returning from San Fernando and the Twelfth and Ninth regulars will replace them.

DES MOINES, June 27.—State Treasurer Herriott, who is greatly interested in Osborne W. Deignan, Iowa's hero of the Merimac, said regarding the dispatch sent out from Elkhorn, Wis., that the dispatch was evidently a misstatement and a mis-quotation of Deignan, who left here only a few days ago. He is now on his way to Annapolis, in fact, and Mr. Herriott says he left with the intention of entering the preparatory school. His financial condition is known and no one may fear but this matter will be taken care of. His friends have reached an agreement on this score and a full understanding exists. Mr. Herriott is confident that Deignan was misquoted. Iowa will see that the young man goes through the academy if he so desires.

NEW MINISTRY UPHOLD.

Cabinet Formed by Waldeck-Rousseau Sustained.

HAS A MAJORITY OF TWENTY-SIX.

Scenes of Intense Excitement Mark the Proceedings—Both the Senate and Chamber of Deputies Uphold the Hand of President Loubet.

PARIS, June 27.—The debate in the chamber was exceedingly stormy yesterday, Marquis de Gallifet being the center of attack. The revolutionary socialists maintained a running fire of shouts of "vive la commune," "assassin" and the like. The alliance between M. Millerand and General de Gallifet was dubbed "incestuous." The latter sat perfectly unconcerned and the former wrote letters throughout the afternoon. Waldeck-Rousseau alone appeared in any way discouraged or nervous. The chamber, by a vote of 263 to 237, and the senate, 187 to 25, approved the declaration of the government. The radical and revisionist papers severely criticize M. Meline and his followers and declare that they consider the cabinet's victory, though gained with difficulty, complete. They add that the chamber of deputies and the senate have given the ministry a majority sufficient to enable them to complete their work, if they remain united.

Tags Returns to Port.

BREST, France, June 27.—The French first class cruiser which put to sea Sunday evening, the belief being that she was going to meet the Sfax, having Captain Dreyfus on board, returned here last evening. Some sailors of the Tags who landed later said she had not met the Sfax. She encountered a fog and released her carrier pigeons about 12 leagues out at sea, after which she returned to port.

GENERAL STRIKE AVERTED.

Chicago Packers Offer to Pay Wage Scale of 1893.

CHICAGO, June 27.—Despite the action of the packing firms in granting a general increase of 25 cents a day to unskilled laborers, the difficulties threatened by the recent strike are still imminent. The skilled laborers have made a demand for an advance in the wage schedule. Armour & Co.'s killing room was deserted yesterday, 700 employes having walked out. Many of the firms refused to buy hogs. Swift & Co., Nelson Morris & Co., and Lipton & Co. did not buy and as a result most of the skilled laborers were idle. Last night the packers practically offered to pay the scale of wages existing in 1893 and this is practically the same as the men have been asking. The packers refuse to make any statement, although they do not deny that they are willing to pay the old scale. If they do this there is small probability of a general strike.

Important Insurance Decision.

KANSAS CITY, June 27.—Federal Judge Phillips in a decision yesterday in the case of Rosa B. Jarman against the Knights Templar and Masons' Life Indemnity company, holds, first, that under the statute governing assessment insurance companies it was no defense against the payment of the policy that the insured committed suicide unless it was shown that he contemplated suicide at the time he was insured, and, second, that changes in the rules of the company made after the policy was taken out would not affect the payment of the policy. Lawyers have estimated that this ruling will cost assessment companies at once about \$500,000.

Harper Withdraws from Chautauqua.

CHICAGO, June 27.—Dr. William R. Harper, president of the University of Chicago, has ended his long connection with Chautauqua, back of the announcement of the famous educator's retirement as the head of the Chautauqua collegiate department is a battle of denominations. Methodists who have regarded the Chautauqua enterprise as a monument to Methodism believe they have baffled John D. Rockefeller and others, who they claimed were attempting to make the Chautauqua movement an auxiliary to the University of Chicago.

Will Not Interfere With Through Trains.

DES MOINES, June 27.—The Iowa railroad commissioners yesterday decided that they could not interfere with the operation of through trains coming into this state from others and going clear across its borders. The citizens of Aplington asked that the Illinois Central flyer be stopped at their town. The board holds that it cannot interfere with the operation of through fast trains and that the people of Aplington will have to obtain relief from the road, if at all.

Ballington Booth Favors Expansion.

LINCOLN, June 27.—Commander Ballington Booth of the Volunteers of America in an address here last night declared himself in favor of expansion and the policy of the government. He said the war with Spain was righteous and the people of the territory acquired by the United States would in time appreciate the change. In conclusion he said: "We are not afraid of expansion; not afraid of acquiring territory, provided that simultaneously with the torch of liberty we carry the bible."

THE FRIDAY CLUB PICNICS.

The Friday Club held its annual picnic at the Boynton residence on Friday afternoon. The weather was just right for an out door affair and the beautiful lawn presented a lively picture. There were more than sixty people included in the groupe picture taken by Prof. W. C. VanNess. The club ladies had invited their husbands and friends and had provided most bounteously for their entertainment. The ladies spent the afternoon awaiting the arrival of the men who came about six o'clock. The supper was something long to be remembered for its excellence and completeness, and showed that while the ladies may have a literary turn of mind they have not forgotten how to cook. After supper, drop the handkerchief, a cake walk and other intellectual diversions made the evening pass most pleasantly.

The Philadelphia Press very neatly accounts for the milk in the incomprehensible cocoanut presented by H. O. Havemeyer to the Industrial commission, by showing that the 216 of a cent, or a little over one-fifth of a cent per pound, which the sugar trust has been losing on its transactions on sugar under the Dingley as compared with the Wilson tariff, amounts on the 3,000,000,000 pounds of sugar handled by the trust, to the very neat sum of \$6,580,000. "This," says the Press, "is two-thirds of the dividends paid by the sugar trust and one-third the profits." In other words, but for the tariff which Mr. Havemeyer denounces as "the mother of trusts," his monopoly would have swept \$6,580,000 on the nation's "sweetmeats."

The county auditor gives us some interesting figures taken from the report to be sent the executive council of the state. From Jan. 1, 1898 to Jan. 1, 1899, the highest price paid per acre for farm lands in 80 acre tracts or over was \$60.00, the lowest price \$16.25 and the average price \$30.17. The averaged assessed value is a trifle higher or \$31.62. During the year 22,259 acres changed hands and the total consideration was \$671,673.00. The total taxable value of the county is \$5,303,744.00 as against \$5,528,919.00 the year before. The following are some of the average assessed valuation of live stock:

Heflers, one year old.....	\$ 16 78
Heflers, two years old.....	24 4
Cows.....	29 27
Steers, one year old.....	23 89
Steers, two years old.....	33 72
Steers, three years old.....	34 90
Bulls.....	34 68
Horses, one year old.....	21 50
Horses, two years old.....	29 70
Horses, three years old.....	40 46
Stallions.....	174 64
Mules.....	38 70
Swine, over six months old.....	4 40
Sheep.....	3 96

There are in the county 14,417 head of feeding cattle, 70,784 head of hogs and 10,458 horses.

COLLEGE REGATTA RESULTS

Pennsylvania Four and Cornell Freshmen the Winners.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 27.—The four-oared race over the two-mile course yesterday was won by Pennsylvania. Time, 11:12. Cornell was second. Time, 11:14 1/2. The freshmen eight-oared race between Pennsylvania, Columbia and Cornell over the two-mile course was won by Cornell. Time, 9:55. Columbia was second, one and one-quarter boat lengths behind. Time, 10:00. Pennsylvania, third, three and one-quarter boat lengths behind Columbia. Time, 10:10.

The races were witnessed by a larger crowd of spectators than had been expected. The observation train of 40 cars was thinly peopled, although eight or ten cars were packed tight with college partisans who had secured cars for themselves.

More Mob Violence at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, June 27.—There was a serious outbreak of violence on a car manned by nonunion men at South Brooklyn, just outside the city, last night. A crowd of 20 or more men boarded the car. They had previously placed a plank across the track. When the motorman alighted to remove the obstruction the crowd pelted him with eggs and stones and finally chased him half a mile. He was seriously injured and the mob desisted only when he begged for mercy. The conductor was treated similarly, then the crowd broke all the windows.

Fitz and McCoy to Meet.

DENVER, June 27.—Kid McCoy gave a sparring exhibition at the Tabor opera house last night and it was announced from the stage that Fitzsimmons had agreed to fight McCoy in September next. Two clubs have already made bids for the fight, the Colorado Athletic association of Denver and the Westchester club of New York. Manager Floto of the former has offered a purse of \$20,000 for the meeting. McCoy has expressed a preference for Denver.

Church Notes.

BAPTIST.

Next Thursday will occur the regular covenant meeting of the church. All members are requested to be present. Rev. Bateson and wife returned from Cascade, Iowa, on Saturday night, where they have been at the bedside of their friend, Rev. Hill, who is very low and not expected to live. We are all glad to have them with us again.

Miss Lillie Plimpton has returned to her home for a visit and was at church Sunday, where she was given a warm welcome by her many friends. Miss Plimpton has been engaged in christian work in Utah for some years past, and along the line of her experience will deliver an address at the regular service next Sabbath evening.

FRESHYTERIAN.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet this Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. H. A. Cook. It is anticipated that the pipe organ will soon be ready for use, as it is now being tuned by Prof. Ricker of Omaha. Capt. A. R. O'Brien of Le Mars, the Presbyterian missionary for Sioux City, visited Rev. Martyn the past week, also Rev. Pinkerton and wife of Vail. Communion services will be held on next Sabbath morning at 10:30. The pastor and elders will meet in the chapel at 10 o'clock to receive members and for baptism service.

The services on the Sabbath were largely attended. The pastor preached on "The Vision of God." The choir rendered a new responsive chant, and Mrs. Rev. Hamilton sang a beautiful solo as an addition to the service of song.

METHODIST.

E. W. Pierce led the Epworth League Sunday evening. U. G. Johnson will be the general leader for July. The delegates to the Epworth League convention at Duaplax will give their report to the League next Sunday evening. All the Leaguers are requested to be present promptly at 7 o'clock. Rev. D. Austin occupied the pulpit Sunday morning and preached a most helpful sermon on "The Character of Aaron." He was greeted by a large congregation and many old friends who were glad to hear him preach. Mr. Austin for three years was pastor of this charge, and is now living in Jefferson.

The Children's Day program given by members of the Sunday school was one of the best ever rendered by the school. The evening service was devoted to this exercise and the people by their attendance and interest appreciated greatly the services. The subject "Peace or War, Young America's Verdict," was timely, and the recitations and songs were new and up-to-date in every particular.

In view of our approaching national holiday the pastor has arranged a song service for next Sunday evening, subject—"The Influence of Songs in War Times." This promises to be a patriotic service of great interest and profit and all are cordially invited. The choir has been strengthened by new additions and will lead in the song service. Prof. Chas. E. Shelton, city superintendent of schools, Burlington, Iowa, has been chosen President of Simpson college, Indianola, Iowa. President-elect Shelton has served at his post in Burlington for six years with growing success. He was graduated just 20 years ago from Iowa Wesleyan University, and is 40 years of age. Soon after graduation he and his wife joined the teaching force of Bishop Wm. Taylor in South America, remaining in that work for two years. On their return he taught in Shenandoah, Iowa Normal School and also in Lincoln, Nebraska. He is a Methodist local preacher, a pleasing platform speaker, and an expert educational leader. Rev. P. V. D. Vedder, our pastor at Clarinda, has been selected by the Board of Trustees as financial agent of the college.

We understand a wedding will take place at the Presbyterian church to-morrow evening at which time Rev. L. C. McEwen of Charter Oak and Miss Lillian McWilliams of Denison will be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony. The groom is the talented pastor of the Presbyterian church at Charter Oak, and much beloved by his congregation. The bride to be is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David McWilliams, and a very estimable lady. For a number of years she has taught in the Oak schools and well known as a teacher of ability. The Review wishes the young couple much happiness.

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