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SAN FRANCISCO'S NOISY WELCOME.

As the transports Newport and Ohio entered the Harbor the Home-Coming Volunteers cheered from Decks and Rigging—Taken to Quarantine Station.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—The United States transports Newport and Ohio, bearing the Oregon volunteer regiment from Manila, arrived here last night. The vessels were sighted early in the afternoon and soon the shrieking of steam whistles, the clanging of bells and the firing of cannon announced that the first batch of returning volunteers from Manila were nearing the shores of California. Within a few minutes the streets were thronged with people wending their way to the docks and to the heights overlooking the bay, intent on catching a glimpse of the transports as they steamed up the harbor, under the escort of a score of vessels which had been made ready for the arrival of the steamers.

The reception committees boarded tugboats and Governor Irwin headed the committee. On one boat were the harbor commissioners, the officials of the national guard of California and Governor Geer of Oregon and his staff. On another a band and Mayor Phelan and invited guests. The revenue cutter Golden Gate, bearing federal officials, was soon under way and she was joined by the federal health authorities' boat from Wrangell island. Then there were boats at the disposal of the Red Cross and other societies and many chartered by private persons.

As the transports slowly steamed up the harbor the soldiers gathered in excited groups on deck and some climbed into the rigging where they shouted and cheered like mad. The band on the tug boat played patriotic airs and the screaming of many steam whistles created pandemonium. The health officials boarded the vessels, which changed their course toward the quarantine stations where the doctors will make a thorough examination of the men. It is yet undecided whether the Oregon volunteers will be allowed to land in San Francisco before returning to their Oregon homes.

RUSH WORK ON A CRUISER.

A Guatemalan Outbreak May Require the Philadelphia's Presence.

NEW YORK, July 13.—A special from Washington to the World says: Orders to rush repairs on the cruiser Philadelphia and fit her for sea as quickly as possible were sent yesterday to Admiral Kautz, at San Francisco. The board of survey, which usually determines whether repairs shall be made, was dispensed with to save time, and it is also understood that expense is not to be considered.

The navy department officials will not say where the cruiser is going, but it is believed that an outbreak in Guatemala is feared and that the warship is ordered there to protect American interests.

Have No Faith in Lee's Story.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 13.—Officers of the penitentiary think that there is no truth in the letter written by one James Lee, in which he asserts that he knew Albert Gates in Arizona in 1894. Lee says that Gates did not want to let his people know where he was because he liked the wild life of a miner. He asserts also that Gates went under the name of George Dorsey, but for what reason he does not know. While, he says, Gates told him his life, he made no mention about what became of his property while traveling in Missouri, where he was supposed to have been killed.

First Regiment Reception Abandoned.

OMAHA, July 13.—The committee in charge of the reception to the First regiment has decided to abandon the plan of holding a demonstration in the name of the state and for the entire regiment, and to leave to each town the task of entertaining its own company. The consideration leading the committee to the decision was the receipt of letters indicating the light in which many people of the outside towns regarded the movement.

Murder and Suicide at Stanton.

STANTON, Neb., July 13.—Frank Tepley, a well-to-do Bohemian farmer, 10 miles from here, yesterday killed his wife with a carpenter's hammer and then committed suicide by taking poison. He objected to his wife visiting a disinherited daughter and son-in-law.

Cannon Waives Examination.

SALT LAKE, July 13.—Angus M. Cannon, president of the Salt Lake State of Zion, who was recently arrested on the charge of polygamy, appeared before a justice of the peace yesterday and waived examination. He refused to say anything about the case.

Former Senator Gorman Ill.

MAGNOLIA, Mass., July 13.—Former Senator Arthur P. Gorman is ill at the Hesperus hotel and his wife and two daughters are at his bedside. His condition is not considered serious. He suffers from exhaustion, or a relapse of the grip.

A New Church for Ames, Ia.

AMES, Ia., July 13.—The contract for the new Congregational church has been let to J. F. Atkinson & Co. of Marshalltown and Webster City in the face of strong competition by eastern firms. The building will be completed by Nov. 1 next for \$8,223.

Probable Murder at Iowa City.

IOWA CITY, Ia., July 13.—John Meyers, a German laboring man residing in this city has been found dead and there are evidences that the man was murdered.

The Gallinger Hearing Concludes With Much Bitterness.

CHANDLER ACCUSED OF UNTRUTH.

Several Warm Disputes Between Senators. Gallinger's Colleague Threatens the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission With Removal.

CONCORD, N. H., July 13.—The hearing before the United States civil service commission on charges of the violation of the law on political assessment by United States Senator Jacob H. Gallinger, is practically concluded. The final session proved most sensational. Not only did Senator Gallinger accuse his colleague, Senator Chandler, of speaking an untruth, but he offered to back up his statement outside the committee room.

Previous to this incident Senator Chandler became involved in a warm dispute with Chairman Mark S. Brewer of the commission and not only accused him of partiality, but threatened to ask for his removal.

The author of the assessment circular, William S. Thayer, did not testify before the commission, and it is the impression that no further evidence will be taken. The commission has received a communication from Mr. Thayer in which he stated that he prepared the circular on his own responsibility, but that Senator Gallinger knew of its being sent to federal officeholders. The hearings both yesterday and today have been marked by bitterness on the part of the senators toward each other.

PORTER DID NOT APPEAR.

The Lincoln Investigators May Summon Him For Contempt.

LINCOLN, July 13.—The senate investigating committee yesterday issued a summons for Secretary of State Porter to appear and give testimony on the alleged fraudulent count of ballots in 1897. He failed to appear and a summons for contempt may be issued. Mr. Porter questions the committee's jurisdiction.

Edward Simon, the state house janitor, said one reason he aided in the conspiracy to count in the two Populist judges was that he had been promised, if seated, they would decide in his favor a case in the supreme court in which he was interested.

F. O. Hedlund, formerly deputy state auditor, a member of the recount commission, said that as soon as he had positive knowledge of fraud being committed in the recount he exposed the matter. He corroborated part of Simon's testimony.

Nebraska's Harvest In Progress.

LINCOLN, July 13.—The past week has been an excellent one for the growth of vegetation in all parts of the state. Winter wheat has ripened rapidly and harvesting has commenced. The quality is everywhere good, but the acreage is small and the yield per acre is also small. Oats have made rapid progress. Some damage is reported by lodging, rust and hail, but it is small and the crop promises to be a large one. Spring wheat is looking well and corn has continued to grow rapidly, and taken as a whole continues in exceptionally good condition.

A Crap Shooter's Ready Pistol.

OMAHA, July 13.—The refusal of a colored man to allow a game of craps in his back yard was the cause of two attempts at murder Wednesday evening. John Walker, the negro to whom the crap playing privilege was denied, fired five shots at Thad Lockley, the proprietor of the premises, one of the bullets taking effect in the left forearm. Half an hour later he tried to avoid arrest by shooting the policeman who overtook him on a bicycle, failing because the chamber of his revolver was empty when he snapped the trigger.

Murder and Arson at Richmond, Mo.

RICHMOND, Mo., July 13.—The residence of Thomas Graves, eight miles southwest of Richmond, burned last night, and Mr. Graves and his sister, Lucy, perished in the flames. It was not known that the building had been burned until late in the afternoon, when a neighbor visited the place. Graves was considered a miser, and it was supposed that he had considerable gold hidden on the premises, and it is the general belief that the two were murdered and the bodies and building burned to hide the crime.

John Lynch's Son and Heir Found.

WATERLOO, Ia., July 13.—John Lynch, an iron moulder of this city, claims to be one of the heirs of the estate of William Lynch, the centenarian of Kenosha, Wis., who died last Saturday leaving \$50,000 to his son and daughter. The report of William Lynch's death contained the statement that the son had disappeared about 24 years ago. John Lynch says he left his home at Kenosha 24 years ago and has never been back. He will at once communicate with his sister.

Another Gigantic Iron Combination.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Consolidation of the wrought steel, iron and tube industries of America has been effected by the consolidation purchasers. The new company will be known as the National Tube company. It is the largest of the kind in the world and is third in rank as a steel and iron corporation. It is exceeded by only the Krupp and Carnegie interests.

Swallowed a Tobacco Tag.

ST. LOUIS, July 13.—A large tobacco tag has been removed from the throat of 1-year-old Gertrude Henning. She swallowed it 11 days ago and suffered intense pain until it was dislodged by a physician. The child was playing on the floor, when she saw a tobacco tag and put it in her mouth.

AFTERNOONS OFF

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FOR WHEELER'S SEAT.

The General's Departure for Manila Reopens Agitation.

HIS RESIGNATION IS REQUESTED.

Alabama's Administration Journal Publishes an Inspired Article on the Situation—Wheeler Reiterates He Intends to Retain His Seat.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 13.—Since Joseph Wheeler has been ordered to the Philippines a renewal of the discussion about declaring his seat in congress vacant has been begun.

Last winter when General Wheeler was in Cuba, Attorney General Fitts rendered an opinion for the governor to the effect that General Wheeler, by accepting a command in the army, had vacated his seat and it was within the power of the governor to order an election to fill the vacancy. Commenting on the sentiment then and now the Montgomery Journal, which is looked upon as the organ of the state administration, says:

Then there was some sympathy for the cause in which General Wheeler was engaged, a foreign war was in progress and the country was in a flame of patriotic fervor and enthusiasm over the contest, but there is no such sentiment today as that which then swept over the country and the people are in a more practical mood and are inclined to look at things in a more practical way. There are many people who would particularly approve the act if the governor were to order an election in the Eighth district to elect a congressman, and the governor will no doubt be urged to take some action in the premises.

CHICAGO, July 13.—General Joseph Wheeler passed through Chicago yesterday bound for the Philippines. Miss Annie Wheeler, the general's daughter, accompanies him to Manila. She goes out as a Red Cross nurse, without pay, and intends to remain so long as health permits or her services are needed.

General Wheeler reiterated his statement that he would not give up his seat in congress. "That was settled," he said, "but it will probably have to be settled at the next congress. At the last session a majority of the Democrats and many Republicans voted for me, and I hope they will do it again."

ALGER SAYS HE WILL STAY.

He Will Not Retire This Year, but Cannot Forecast the Future.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Secretary Alger has made to a representative of the Associated Press his first personal statement concerning the reports that he is about to resign from the cabinet. When asked as to the truth of the rumors the secretary said:

"What do you mean, exactly?" "I mean to ask whether or not the stories that you are to retire from the cabinet in the near future are true?" "There is nothing in these reports but air," replied the secretary. "I shall not retire this year, certainly, and cannot say as to the future. My private business and the state of my health will govern my future course."

"These constant assaults and repeated baseless reports are, of course, very annoying to me and extremely distressing to my family, but I have never retired under fire and I do not propose to do so now. Nothing I have ever heard of or known of has been so cruel as the attacks upon me. If my critics can point to me one thing in my official career that I have done that I ought not to have done, or that I have not done that I should have done, I shall be very glad to surrender my present official duties."

Webb City Zinc Mines Open.

WEBB CITY, Mo., July 12.—The embargo laid on the mines two weeks ago by the Zinc association was raised at midnight Monday, and now everything is in operation.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R. HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS.

IN JULY, AUGUST SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER.

SOUTH!

The Illinois Central will run Home-seekers' Excursions to points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroads from all their stations west of and including Alden and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches on July 17th and 31st, August 14th, September 4th and 18th, and October 2d and 16th, and from all points east of and including Williams ONE DAY LATER than the dates named.

The new "Southern Home-Seekers' Guide" describes in detail the agricultural advantages, the soil and products at all points south of the Ohio River on the lines of the above mentioned roads. For a copy address the undersigned. For information concerning Railroad Lands in the fertile Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi address E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner I. C. R. R., at Chicago.

WEST!

Home-Seekers' Excursion tickets will be sold from stations in Iowa east of and including Cedar Falls, and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches, July 18th, August 1st and 15th, September 5th and 19th, and October 3d and 17th, to points on the Illinois Central Railroad to which the one way rate is \$7.00 or over, in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa to points west of Ackley inclusive, except points west of LeMars.

Home-Seekers' Excursions to Points On Other Lines of Railroads.

The Illinois Central will also sell on the third Tuesdays in July, August, September and October, Home-Seekers' Excursion Tickets to points on foreign lines of railroads in many of the Western, Southwestern and Southern states. For rates, routes, etc., inquire of your nearest Illinois Central Ticket Agent. All Home-Seekers' Excursion Ticket are sold at a rate of

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for the round trip. Tickets limited to 21 days for return. J. F. MERRY.

A. G. P. A., Ill. Cent. R. R. Dubuque, Iowa.

Jones Planning the Campaign.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The Post says: "Senator Jones of Arkansas will not resign his position as chairman of the Democratic national committee. This can be stated authoritatively once for all. Two letters were received from him in this city yesterday, in which he not only makes clear his intention of remaining at the head of the committee, but outlines work upon which he intends to engage as soon as he returns to the United States. It is not known whether Senator Jones will send a letter to be read at the meeting of the national committee in Chicago next week, but if he does not the members of the committee will be made acquainted with the contents of the letters which have already been received here."

Grade System for Iowa Convicts.

DES MOINES, July 13.—The state board of control of Iowa has determined to inaugurate the grade system in the state penitentiaries. Estimates are being made now for the goods for the different uniforms. The grade system contemplates the classification of the convicts with reference to their behavior while in the prisons.