

AWAIT NEWS OF NAVAL CONFLICT

ST. PETERSBURG ON EDGE OF EXPECTATION

LAND BATTLE ALSO IMMINENT

Rumored Request of Rojstvensky to Be Relieved Discredited and Nebogatoff's Squadron Believed in Good Condition

By Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, May 18.—With a suspicious stoppage of dispatches from Manchuria and a strong possibility that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky has cut his last communications with home and set forth on the final stage of his journey to his goal, whether that be Togo or Vladivostok, keen interest is manifested in naval and military circles here as to the twofold field of war.

Through the admiralty, which has been completely silent since the advent of Rojstvensky in the Chinese sea, publishes no dispatches, the conviction grows that the united squadrons, as indicated by the Associated Press on May 15, departed from the Annam coast immediately after their junction, and naval officials are anxiously expecting news of the first skirmishes between scouts of the hostile fleets.

Capt. Clado confirmed the statement of the Associated Press that the vessels of both squadrons are equipped with apparatus for cleaning their bottoms at sea. He said it was entirely possible for Vice Admiral Nebogatoff to have put the last finishing touches to the vessels of his division during the mysterious interval when they were lost to sight before passing the straits of Malacca.

ASKS FOR RECOUNT IN WATSONVILLE ELECTION

Defeated Candidate for Mayor Follows Example Previously Set by Successful Rival

By Associated Press. SANTA CRUZ, May 17.—Following the example set by Mayor Trafton at election two years ago, when Watsonville's present mayor filed a contest against the election of ex-Mayor R. P. Quinn, which was eventually decided by the supreme court in Trafton's favor, Quinn, who was defeated by Trafton by eight votes in last week's election for mayor, filed another contest in the superior court today, claiming illegal ballots were counted to elect Trafton, and asking a recount.

PAYMENT IS POSTPONED Mrs. Kiser Cannot Draw Her Pension for Twelve Years

By Associated Press. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 17.—Mrs. David Kiser of this city has been granted a pension of \$8 per month, but will not begin to draw it until twelve years from date. The unusual ruling is due to the fact that she drew a pension for twelve years on the presumption that her husband, David Kiser, was dead. He recently died here after being brought home sick from a Denver hospital.

RACE OVER SEA FOR KAISER'S CUP

Utowana and Valhalla Pocketed

As the vessels crowded together at the windward end of the starting line, each captain anxious to secure the weather position, the schooners in the lead crowded the Utowana and Valhalla so badly that they were unable to cross the line without a collision.

Almost at the flash of the starting gun the Alisa and Hildegarde went across the line, with the yawl slightly in the lead and in the windward position. Crowding close behind them came the Atlantic, Endymion, Hamburg, Thistle, Utowana and Valhalla in that order.

Hardly in time to prevent a collision the fleet made an opening for them, and they went through them and swung into line. Warning whistles and signal flags recalled them, but not until they had gone more than half a mile on their course were they able to get clear of the fleet and return and recross the line.

In the meantime the little schooner Fleur de Lis, on which Miss Candace Slimson, the owner's daughter, was a passenger, slipped across the line and quickly overtook the Thistle. All the leaders got away within a minute of the starting gun at 12:15, but the Fleur de Lis crossed at 12:27; Sunbeam, 12:30; Apache, 12:35; Utowana, 12:57 and Valhalla at 1:25. The latter was in irons in tacking at the line and thus was badly delayed.

Atlantic Takes the Lead

Among the leaders the yawl Alisa clung to the windward position, and quickly drew away from the Hildegarde. The long, lean three master Atlantic, with Captain Barr at the helm, went aft and slipped by them both like a keen greyhound, and at her stern clung the German, Hamburg, which in the first five minutes had almost overhauled the Alisa and dropped the Endymion astern of her. It was evident that the German was hot after the flying leader more than a quarter of a mile ahead and that Captain Barr was wasting not a moment in securing the position in which he has so often placed American craft—the lead. It was to be a royal battle between the Yankee by adoption and the Teuton, with Lemuel Miller of the Alisa, and the Gloucester fishing skipper, Captain Borden of the Fleur de Lis each eager for the lead and wise in ways to get it.

Strung out the long fleet faded into the dim horizon and was gone.

MORE DEVELOPMENTS IN NOEL FAMILY FEUD

Millionaire Husband's Attorney Seizes Surrey and Brings Suit for Sundry Personal Articles

By Associated Press. SANTA CRUZ, May 17.—There were more sensational developments in the troubles between Millionaire Noel and his wife today. Mr. Noel's attorney went to the house on Noel heights this morning and secured a survey which Noel claims as his own. He also brought suit in the superior court for the possession of some books, guns, a typewriter and other personal property which Mrs. Noel is said to hold.

FIRST TRAINLOAD OF CATTLE FOR THE EAST

California Makes Initial Shipment of Steers to the Chicago Stockyards

By Associated Press. BAKERSFIELD, May 17.—Today the first train load of cattle ever shipped from California to the Chicago stockyards left this city, the consignor being the Kern County Land Company. The steers went by fast freight and the train will be hurried through to the stockyards in five days.

END OF STRIKE IS DRAWING NEAR

FINISH WILL PROBABLY COME WITHIN 48 HOURS

WILL CONFER THIS MORNING

Teamsters' Joint Council and a Committee Representing the Team Owners' Association to Hold Meeting

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, May 17.—It is highly probable that the next 48 hours will see the end of the Teamsters' strike in Chicago.

Although none of the labor leaders will so acknowledge, it is generally understood tonight that the program for calling off the strike has already been arranged. Tomorrow morning by 9 o'clock a meeting will be held between the teamsters' joint council and a committee representing the Team Owners' association. It will be made plain to the teamsters that the business interests of the team owners will be rendered imperative that the boycott be lifted. It will then be agreed by the team owners to make deliveries to boycotted houses with union drivers being submitted to arbitration. This arbitration is to concern only the Team Owners' association and the teamsters, the members of the Employers' association being in no manner interested in it in an official sense.

Will End Strike

This will end the strike entirely with the exception of the strike against Montgomery Ward & Company, and it is not expected aggressive measures will be adopted by either side, the trouble in this direction being allowed to die out gradually.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor was very active today in all efforts made toward settling the strike. He conferred with members of the Teamowners' association, held conferences with the teamsters and had an extended talk with Mayor Dunne.

He refused to state the results of his day's work, but expressed himself as being confident that the strike would be adjusted within a short time. The manner of the settlement he declined to discuss, but it is said he was in favor of almost any plan that would bring about an honorable adjustment.

Little if any opposition was made today by the strikers and their friends to the making of deliveries by non-union drivers. In fact, the streets had almost assumed their normal condition, and there was little to indicate that a strike of large proportions was in progress.

Schoolboys Punished

The authorities have taken hold of the strike fever in the public schools of a firm hand, and this afternoon Judge Mack of the juvenile court sentenced one boy to be imprisoned at the John Worth school, which is a branch of the house of correction, and two at the Parental school, while a third was released on probation.

When Judge Mack passed sentence the lads in an outburst of crying appealed for mercy. Their parents also wept and pleaded with the judge for another chance for the prisoners. The judge, however, remained fixed in his determination. He replied to the parents:

"These school strikes must stop. They have got to stop, and they will stop right away. It is time these boys learned there is such a thing as law and that those who break laws must suffer. The sentences will stand."

Six warrants were sworn out today for the parents of young strikers in the Harrison school district, and they will be arraigned in court tomorrow morning.

PANAMA STARTS NAVY

Makes Modest Beginning by Buying \$30,000 Steam Yacht

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, May 17.—Representatives of the Panama republic have formally dedicated their navy at a ship yard in South Brooklyn. The force afloat consists of the steam yacht Orienta, commanded by Captain T. T. Lovelace, formerly of Kansas City. The yacht was recently purchased from a New York man for \$30,000 and has been thoroughly overhauled preparatory to taking up the duty of guarding the eastern coast of the isthmus.

INDICTED SENATOR RELEASED ON BOND

Judge Lawlor Approves Sureties Who Offer Bail for Appearance of Frank French

By Associated Press. SACRAMENTO, May 17.—Frank French, one of the expelled senators indicted by the grand jury for hooding at the last session of the legislature, was released by Superior Judge J. W. Hughes at noon today on a bail bond. The sureties are Mary E. French, wife of the expelled senator; Edward Short, Michael Loftins and Elizabeth J. Whittaker, who qualified in the sum of \$5000. They are the same sureties presented yesterday, when Judge Hughes denied bail for the reason that the bond was not drawn in accordance with the statute. The defect in this particular was remedied, and Judge Hughes signed the order for French's release.

The bond was approved by Superior Judge William P. Lawlor of San Francisco, who indorsed it in writing with the statement that the sureties were all right and that he would accept the bond.

BAPTIST CONVENTION MARKED BY TRAGEDY

President of Indian University Suddenly Expires on the Platform at St. Louis

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, May 17.—Just as the Baptist convention was about to adjourn today, Rev. Dr. Cushing, president of the Baptist University, Rangoon, India, while occupying a seat upon the rostrum, fell dying on the floor. While waiting for the arrival of an ambulance a prayer was offered for Dr. Cushing, the delegates standing with bowed heads.

Before the arrival of medical assistance Dr. Cushing died. The organization of a permanent body, to be known as the general convention of Baptists of North America, was perfected today.

THROWN FROM AUTOMOBILE

Treasury Law Clerk Has Bad Luck With Western Machines

By Associated Press. GOLDFIELD, May 17.—Charles A. Kram, law clerk in the treasury department at Washington, D. C., was thrown from the automobile stage on the road from Goldfield to Tonopah this morning and received a compound fracture of the collarbone and other injuries. This is his second automobile accident this month. In Denver, two weeks ago, his chauffeur drove his machine into City Park lake, Mr. Kram jumping just in time to save himself.

J. G. Sweeney, attorney general of the state of Nevada, arrived at Goldfield today, after a walk of twenty-seven miles because of an automobile breakdown between Bullfrog and Goldfield.

RECEIVE THEIR DEGREES

Commencement Exercises at Berkeley Witnessed by Ten Thousand People

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, May 17.—Ten thousand people from various parts of the state gathered at the Greek theater of the state university at Berkeley today to witness the commencement exercises. Three hundred and sixty-nine graduates received diplomas and degrees.

UNITED BRETHREN ELECT THEIR BOARD OF BISHOPS

Plan of Union With the Methodist Protestant and Congregational Churches to Be Debated

By Associated Press. TOPEKA, Kas., May 17.—The United Brethren general conference this afternoon elected a board of five bishops. The old members re-elected were: Dr. G. M. Matthews, Chicago; J. R. Mills, Annapolis, Pa.

WANTS PRISONERS REMOVED

Russian Cruiser Lena Has No Accommodations for Them

By Associated Press. VALLEJO, May 17.—Commander A. Ginter, in command of the Russian auxiliary cruiser Lena, has requested that all court-martial prisoners on the Lena be confined in the naval prison at Mare Island, as there is no accommodation on the Lena for them. The Russian government proposes to pay for the subsistence of the Lena's prisoners, who will be under the direct control of the United States authorities.

AMERICAN BANK AT MANILA IS CLOSED

MANILA, May 18.—On the order of Governor General Wright the American bank has been closed and placed in charge of the insular auditor. No financial statement has been issued. The reason given for the closing of the bank is the protection of the depositors.

Like a Heat Cure

One of the well known characters in the villages at the far end of Long Island is Frank Dumont, who can frequently be seen lounging at the railroad stations during the summer, making or renewing acquaintances as best he can with the wealthy country place holders. Numerous little gratuities of a quarter or half dollar result that all court-martial prisoners on the Lena be confined in the naval prison at Mare Island, as there is no accommodation on the Lena for them.

'PARSIFAL' MUSIC AT MAY FESTIVAL

BAND, SOLOISTS AND CHORUS DELIGHT AUDIENCE

ARTISTIC MATINEE PROGRAM

Third Day Performances of Innes' Organization Prove the Conductor's Versatile Genius

Two programs of a quality seldom presented by a band were heard yesterday by the audiences that attended the May festival. In some respects the matinee program was the most artistic of the week, for it struck a high note and maintained it. The effect of the Liszt-Rubinstein numbers was not marred by popular encore "pieces." From beginning to end the afternoon concert was representative of the best that can be produced by a band of the most perfect organization.

Innes was at his best at both concerts and from an educational point of view—if for no other consideration—it is a pity Temple auditorium was not crowded afternoon and evening. The attendance was far behind what it should have been, but the size of the audience apparently had no effect upon the enthusiasm of the sixty men who played as if each was an artist of the first rank. The two most remarkable of the Liszt numbers were the seldom played "First Hungarian Rhapsody" and "Les Preludes." These were orchestral in their interpretation. They were played with superb dignity, dramatic warmth and marvelous tone shadings. The other two Liszt selections were the "Second Hungarian Rhapsody" and the "Polonaise No. 2." The "Paraphrase of the Melody in F" were the two principal Rubinstein numbers. The overture was magnificently played and the familiar "Melody in F" was given with a delicacy that stirred the audience to most insistent demands for encores.

Mrs. Partridge and Mr. Archambault were heard in solos. Paul England, the London baritone, had been advertised on the program but he was unable to appear and the baritone who accompanies the band acted as substitute.

"Parsifal" by the Band "Parsifal" did not prove to be a drawing attraction in the evening. The audience was only slightly larger than that of Tuesday night but it was much more demonstrative. The Wagner numbers were reserved for the second part. The overture to the "Merry Wives of Windsor" opened the concert. With intervening encores, "Traumerl" and "Pizzicati," the Strauss concert valse followed. One of the encores, the two-step march, "Prince Charming," by Innes, was received with applause that must have delighted the composer.

Kryl, the cornetist, again earned numerous recalls. The "Carnival of Venice" fantasy caused him to respond to an encore by playing "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," in which his lowest notes struck the bottom of the sea.

The "Parsifal" music was a revelation event to those who had heard the Conred Opera company, for the band brought out all the beauties of the professional march of the Knights of the Holy Grail, the chorus of flower maidens and the temptation of Parsifal. Mr. Archambault, who sang the "Lament of Amfortas," strengthened the good impression he has made. His big voice, with its beautiful middle tones and its splendid range, was heard to good advantage. Mr. Fritz N. Huttman's interpretation of the "Parsifal" music afforded the first good opportunity for this singer to be heard. He has a pure tenor voice, full and rich in tone. He was well received last evening. In the solo where Kundry tempts Parsifal, Mrs. Partridge's voice was adequate to the demands of the music although her interpretation was lacking in dramatic fire.

The festival chorus did its best work in the Parsifal music. Again, much of the volume of sound was lost, but the voices showed most intelligent training by Prof. Jahn.

Attractions for Today

The programs for today are as follows: AFTERNOON. (Commencing at 2:30 o'clock.) French-Russian Chorus; Archambault, baritone; Mr. Bohumir Kryl, cornet; "Lohengrin" Festival Overture—"Robespierre"; Gillet, two descriptive short pieces; (a) "The Rustle Mill"; (b) "Near the Bell"; (c) "New Song" from Faust; Thomas, Prelude, "Mignon"; Russian-Glinka-Overture, "Life for the Czar"; "Carnival" Fantasy; (a) "The Russian Regiment, N. G. C. Company A, Capt. Andrews J. Cook, Jr., commanding; First Lieut. Orton C. Holden; Second Lieut. Bert S. Demmitt; Gen. Robert Wankowski, Major S. M. Saitmarsh, Lieut. Truman Cole, Capt. Don G. Fisher, Capt. J. McKenna; file and drum corps etc.; naval militia, California Engineer Division, Lieut. H. Woodbine, commanding; G. A. R. posts commanded by William Sheek, officer of the day; Bartlett-Loson post, No. 8, commanding, W. W. Dorward; Stanton post, No. 15, commander, N. C. Whinn; Keneaw post, commander, Stevens, "John Doe"; (b) "The Soldier"; "Narcissus"—Nevin; "The Gondolier"—Nevin; overture, "William Tell"—Rossini; Intermission.

'Americana' Night

The management of "Americana" night with Innes' band at Temple auditorium wish to announce to the military participants in this spectacle the rules covering the entrance to the pavilion, as follows: All members of the choruses will be admitted by card through annex from Olive street and pass directly to the stage.

AMUSEMENTS

MASON OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT AND REMAINDER OF WEEK WITH SATURDAY MATINEE Mr. Frank L. Perley presents Margaret Anglin Tonight-Zira SUPPORTED BY MR. FRANK WORTHINGTON Saturday matinee last time—ZIRA. Tomorrow night, last time—THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY. Saturday night—THE LADY PARAMOUNT. Seat sale now on. Prices—50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50. TELS. 76.

MASON OPERA HOUSE FOUR NIGHTS—MAY 22, 23, 24, 25—FOUR NIGHTS—MR. AL LODGE PRESENTS Barney Bernard The Financier Seats on sale Today at 9 a. m. Prices—50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50. TELS. 76.

ORPHEUM SPRING STREET, Between Second and Third Both Phones 1447. Modern Vaudeville MAY VOKES & CO. in "A Model Maid"; BIONDELLI AND WEST in "The Lost Boy"; KLEIN, OTT BROS. AND NICHOLSON, Singers, "Society"; WILLIAM TOMPKINS, Topical Talks; JACK NORWORTH, Monologist; LOUISE DRESSER, Comedienne; ORPHEUM MOTION PICTURES, Last Week of the Versatile Artist, LYDIA YEAMANS ARTS.

TEMPLE AUDITORIUM HAZARD'S PAVILION THE MUSICAL EVENT OF THE YEAR—L. E. BEHTMER. Two Little Sailor Boys :-: One of the most popular melodramas of the age. Next week, "Fast Life in New York." Matinees Sunday, Tuesday, Saturday, 10c and 25c. Evenings, 10c, 25c, 50c.

BELASCO THEATER BELASCO, MAYER & CO. Proprietors. Phones: Main 3350; Home 267. Tonight—Matinee Today Her Majesty A delightful romantic play, full of charm, comedy and compelling dramatic power. NEXT WEEK—Clyde Fitch's Triumphant Comedy, "THE GIRL AND THE JUDGE."

MOROSCO'S BURBANK THEATER SIXTH AND MAIN "Get the Burbank Habit and see the best in town." TONIGHT! All week—Matinee Saturday—The Burbank Stock Company :: New England Folks :: Positively the most enjoyable show in town tonight! Ask anybody. Matinee every Sunday and Saturday, 10c and 25c, no higher. Evenings 10c, 25c, 50c. Next Week—"THE IMPERIAL HIGHWAY," by Harry D. Cottrell. Order now.

ANGELUS THEATER 321-323 South Main street; second building north of Belasco Theater. Commencing Monday, May 15—High Class Continuous Vaudeville Show—New Faces. New Acts, everything new, bright and up-to-date. THE BEST VENTILATED THEATER IN THE CITY. Evenings, 7:30 to 11 p. m. Matinee daily at 2:30 p. m. Admission 10c; a few reserved seats at 20c. Matinee, 10c. Children, 5c.

FISCHER'S THEATER E. A. FISCHER, Prop. HARRY JAMES, Director. FIRST STREET, Between Spring and Main Sts. Burlesque—Vaudeville—A Dollar Show for One-Tenth the Price Matinee Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Prices—10 and 20 cents.

CHUTES GRAND OPEN AIR CONCERTS BY DONATELLI'S ITALIAN BAND. ADMISSION 10c. NOTE—WATCH FOR THE \$1000.00 ATTRACTION SUNDAY! BASEBALL—CHUTES PARK PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Tacoma vs. Los Angeles Today and every day this week, including Sunday. Ladies free Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Games called week days 3 o'clock; Sundays, 2:30. Admission 25 cents. Grand stand 50 cents. Tickets on sale at Morley's Billiard Parlor, 262 South Main st.

Operated for the People Primarily our lines are operated to serve the public—the people who live on the lines and the people who use them for sightseeing. For the latter we have Two Tours of Special Interest 9:40 a. m.—Observation car to San Gabriel Mission, the Ostrich Farm, Baldwin's Ranch, etc. 10:00 a. m.—To the Sea Shore, Long Beach, Alamitos Bay, Huntington Beach. Either trip costs \$1.00.

The Pacific Electric Railway All Cars From Sixth and Main Olive street and pass directly to the stage.

GENERAL PORTER GIVEN OVATION (Continued from Page One.) of lasting friendship between the two republics. Foreign Minister Delcasse was enthusiastically received and paid a stirring tribute to the United States and to Gen. Porter. The minister closed with proposing the health of President Roosevelt, which was drunk standing and amid cheers and strains of "The Star Spangled Banner" and the "Marseillaise" the banquet closed.

SANTA BARBARA MAY HAVE WOMEN'S COLLEGE Funds Provided by Eastern Philanthropists, and Chamber of Commerce Asked to Donate Land By Associated Press. SANTA BARBARA, May 17.—Editor Moody of Out West appeared before a meeting of the directors of the chamber of commerce tonight and placed before it a proposition to establish a women's college in or near this city.

Moody explained that fifty acres of land would be necessary and intimated that, if citizens of Santa Barbara could donate the tract, the college would be erected here. The income of funds to be donated by eastern philanthropists will, it is said, amount to half a million dollars.

The matter is now in the hands of a special committee of the chamber of commerce. CORBIN CABLES NEWS OF CAMPAIGN AGAINST MOROS No Report Received From Gen. Wood, Telegraph Not Having Been Working for Weeks By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, May 17.—The following cablegram has been received at the war department from Gen. Corbin, dated at Manila today, relative to Gen. Wood's campaign against the Moros:

"Have as yet no official details of fight in Jolo. Medical officer furnished chief surgeon of the division the list of killed and wounded and is all information we have. "No report has been received from Gen. Wood. Will forward as soon as received. The cable south to Jolo and Zamboanga has not been working for several weeks. Cable ship is constantly at work and will doubtless have it restored very soon. "Following are casualties of engagements on Island of Jolo, May 2, 3, 4 and 5: Killed—Henry Balbach, Dan Burke, Troop M, Fourteenth cavalry; Everett C. Fowler, Troop L, Fourteenth cavalry; Louis Williams, John Kelly, Company K, Seventeenth infantry. There were about twenty wounded. "Everything you want you will find in the classified page, a modern encyclopedia. One cent a word.