

GENERAL GOMEZ DIES AT HAVANA

LED CUBAN REVOLUTIONISTS TO FREEDOM

HIS CAREER WAS NOTABLE

Once General in Spanish Army, His Sympathies Were Enlisted for the Oppressed, and He Freed Them

Special to The Herald. HAVANA, June 17.—General Maximó Gomez died at 6 o'clock this evening.

General Gomez was born at Bani, Santo Domingo, in 1836. He began his military career as a cavalry officer in the Spanish army in Santo Domingo and distinguished himself in the war with Hayti.

When Cuba threatened to throw off the Spanish yoke Gomez went to Santiago, Cuba, still an officer serving the king of Spain. There his sympathies for the Cuban people were first enlisted. One day, enraged at the cruelties of the Spanish general, he struck him in the face and left the army for good.

In 1868 Gomez joined the Cuban patriot army and fought through its ten years of war. From 1873 to 1878 he was commander-in-chief. In 1878 Gomez made terms of peace with Gen. Campos and returned to Domingo.

In 1895, when the last Cuban revolution began, he returned to lead the Cuban army, winning many battles. After independence Gomez served as inspector general of the rural guards and commander-in-chief of the Cuban militia. In 1903 the Cuban congress voted him \$50,000 for services during the war, and on June 12 last he was voted \$100,000 more.

NORTH CAROLINA FARMER VICTIMIZED IN NEW YORK

FALLS PREY TO REAL ESTATE AGENT AND THIEF

Finds That He Has Been Swindled Over Farm, and, on Going to Court to Recover His Deposit, Is Relieved of Wallet Containing \$460

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, June 17.—A sad experience with city sharpers has come into the life of Charles M. Brower, a truck farmer hailing from Hickory, N. C. Just now he is at a loss as to how to get back home, having been relieved of all his funds.

Some weeks ago Brower received a letter offering him a farm in New Jersey, near this city. The price was small and he sent on \$25 to bind the bargain. Donning his best clothes he then set out for New York to inspect the farm. In his wallet were five \$100 bills. Upon arriving Brower met the real estate agent and visited the New Jersey farm with him. The land was nothing but a swamp and, in a rage, the man demanded that his \$25 be returned. The real estate agent laughed at him, but Brower had heard of District Attorney Jerome and to him he went. An investigation was made, with the result that a warrant was issued for the real estate dealer.

The old farmer was waiting about the criminal court building to see his prisoner when he began to cogitate over the expense of living in New York, and, unmindful of the passing pedestrians, sat down on the stairs to figure up what he had spent and to count his money. There was still a balance of \$460 in the wallet.

"How did I spend that \$40?" he asked himself, and, placing the wallet beside his papers on the steps, Brower began to figure up what had become of the money. A thief saw the wallet and a skillful kick sent it down the steps without the old man noticing it. Wallet and thief were soon far away.

"Got to be careful with the rest," said Brower, as he reached for the wallet. Then he saw there was none. His shouts attracted everyone in the courthouse, but to no purpose. Detectives were called, but they have no hope of recovering Brower's savings.

SAYS THAT MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP WILL PAY

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, June 17.—A street car system, owned and operated by the city of Chicago as a competitor of the companies that now control the traction situation in this city, can be made a profitable investment, according to a statement made by Mayor Dunne today. After an inspection of the north and west side lines, during which it was found that over 100 miles of tracks will be available for a municipal system, Mayor Dunne expressed himself as satisfied that city ownership may be made successful and that it is possible to operate at a profit a system in rivalry with the companies now in control of the surface lines.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland, traction expert, and C. S. Darrow, special counsel on traction matters for the city of Chicago, accompanied Mayor Dunne on the tour of inspection.

GEN. MAXIMO GOMEZ



GREAT DIVERSION CANAL IS OPENED

VAST TRACT OF LAND TO BE RECLAIMED

PEOPLE OF RENO CELEBRATE

Today's Event Signals Completion of First Project Under Irrigation Law—House and Senate Committee Present

By Associated Press. RENO, Nev., June 17.—The first great step in the reclamation of the arid west through irrigation was celebrated near Reno today where water to irrigate ultimately two hundred thousand acres was turned into a great diversion canal to the Carson river.

It is just three years ago today since the passage of the irrigation act and the celebration signaled the completion of the first project under that law. The joint committees of the house and senate on irrigation and a great company of people from California and Nevada witnessed the ceremonies. It is believed that 50,000 acres of land will be placed under irrigation this coming year and that by next season the first payment will be returned to the reclamation fund. The object of the work on the present national government land is to provide homes for seekers. The size of the homestead is limited to 160 acres. Already there has been a rapid settlement in newly irrigated districts and new homes of the settlers are popping up all along the line.

"There have been three great measures to develop the west," said Senator F. T. Dubois of Idaho today. "The first was the act permitting the great railroads to cross the plains to the Pacific. The second was the homestead act, and the third, which is in my opinion the most important of all, is the reclamation act. It will provide homes in fertile country for millions of settlers."

The Truckee-Carson project demonstrated the ability of the government to carry out undertakings for the public good which are too great for any individual enterprise. The canals are substantially and permanently built. The massive headgates are of concrete. "Reclamation and building of the great west has begun," said Senator Newlands. "The government has achieved a triumph in successfully devoting itself to this magnificent internal improvement."

Senator Newlands delivered an address at the opening of the canal.

CLIMAX REACHED IN SPECTACULAR BATTLE

UNITED FLEET CONCENTRATES FIRE ON FORTS

Strategy and Maneuvering for Position Entirely Abandoned in Order That Full Opportunity May Be Given for Working Ships' Guns

By Associated Press. FORT MONROE, Md., June 17.—The last part of the game between the army and navy ended at noon today and eclipsed all engagements of the week in every feature of the spectacular possible in sham battle. The fleet under Admiral Dickins, headed by his flagship Texas, sailed in single column close inshore past every gun of Fort Monroe. Every ship was in action at the same time and every gun of the fifteen ships was being served to the limit of rapidity.

On the one side was Fort Monroe as a target and on the other Fort Wool. With equal energy and rapidity the forts replied. While the squadron was one that would be impossible in war, it depicted a scene which left nothing to the imagination in the realization of the magnificence of battle. Strategy and play for position and favorable conditions were abandoned in order that the inspiration of battle might be attained by the men behind the guns. The ships proceeded up Hampton Roads after congratulations had been exchanged between Admiral Dickins and Gen. Wade.

RUSSIAN PRESS AGAIN WARLIKE

WILL OPPOSE ACCEPTANCE OF HUMILIATING TERMS

CONSIDERS AMERICA HOSTILE

Vladivostok Prepared to Stand Prolonged Siege—Armistice Arrangements as Yet Only in Preliminary Stage

By Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, June 17.—The note of the foreign office announcing that the negotiations for the meeting of the Russian and Japanese plenipotentiaries were proceeding rapidly was printed without comment in the morning papers, but the press of all shades of opinion is discussing Japan's probable terms and declares with practical unanimity for a continuation of the war rather than the acceptance of humiliating conditions. In this the newspapers are upheld by public opinion, which is veering around to support of the war policy if Japan's terms prove too hard. Only the Nasha Zeln advises Russia that she need not balk at the payment of an indemnity, the cession of the island of Sakhalin, the renunciation of her right to Japanese warships in far eastern waters or the surrender of Vladivostok, but the paper holds that Russia must retain northern Manchuria and the Vladivostok railroad.

While the Bourse Gazette draws a gloomy picture of Russia's relations with France, Great Britain, Germany and Austria, the Novoe Vremya and the reactionary Svet reiterate that Russia's chief enemies in the far east are not the Japanese, but the British and Americans on account of their commercial rivalry, while the Svet objects to Washington as the place of meeting for the plenipotentiaries, declaring that the atmosphere there is unfriendly, and asserting that Russia's representatives will be subjected to prejudicial influences in the capital of their enemy's ally.

Glad Alexis Has Retired. All the papers comment on the retirement of Grand Duke Alexis from the office of high admiral, and a general feeling of relief is manifested at the fact that the present naval regime is ended.

The foreign office says that talk of arranging an armistice has not passed the preliminary stage.

A dispatch from Vladivostok states that the news of the peace negotiations has produced a painful impression there, the fortress being in condition to stand a long siege. The correspondent asserts that it will take a whole army to begin the siege and many months to capture the place, while the spirit of the garrison is such that many soldiers, tiring of the prospects of inactivity, have run away and joined the army in the field.

GIVES FINAL CONSENT

Russia Inclined Momentarily to Object to Washington

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, June 17.—While in all official quarters extreme reserve is manifested as to the status of the peace negotiations, it is learned that, subsequent to the designation of Washington as the seat of the conference between the plenipotentiaries of Russia and Japan, some exchanges were had between the United States and Russia looking, on the part of Russia, to a reopening of the question of the place of conference.

The official version is that the request reached Washington yesterday in a cablegram from Ambassador Meyer and that an answer was immediately sent to Russia showing the impossibility of a reconsideration.

An authoritative statement was made at the Russian embassy late tonight that Washington was acceptable to Russia and would remain so.

Extending Their Lines

By Associated Press. GUNSHU PASS, Manchuria, June 17.—Although all is generally quiet at the front and the Japanese are retiring somewhat southward, it is reported that they are steadily extending their lines eastward. There is no indication of the commencement of a general engagement.

Kuropatkin Opposes Peace

By Associated Press. MOSCOW, June 17.—Gen. Kuropatkin has telegraphed to a marshal of nobility at Moscow expressing his regret at the peace agitation among the zemstvos and municipalities in view of what he considers the complete certainty of victory by the Russian army.

So Japanese Prisoners Say

By Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, June 17.—Gen. Linevich, in a dispatch to the emperor dated June 15, says that the Russian force in the valley of the Tsin river, which was reported yesterday as having advanced to the village of Van-loungow and pushed back the Japanese advance posts, captured several Japanese dragons. The latter reported that provisions and cartridges were lacking among the Japanese troops and

EIGHTEEN LIVES LOST IN WRECK

PASSENGER TRAIN CRASHES INTO FREIGHT

TWENTY PERSONS INJURED

Disaster Occurs on the Western Maryland Railroad—All Fatalities Are Among Members of the Train Crew

By Associated Press. BALTIMORE, June 17.—Eighteen persons are known to have been killed and a score more injured tonight in a train wreck on the Western Maryland railroad about a quarter of a mile from Patabisco, a small station between Westminster and Flincksburg.

Passenger train No. 5, westbound, was running at a very high rate of speed when at the point named it crashed into a double header freight, running east.

All of the three engines were reduced to scrap iron, two express and baggage cars smashed and a number of the freight cars splintered.

The passenger coaches sustained little injury, and almost without exception their occupants escaped with nothing worse than a bad shaking up.

The fatalities occurred among the crews of the engines and to workmen employed by the railroad. The workmen were on their way to their homes in small towns along western Maryland to spend Sunday. Not being regular passengers, they had boarded the baggage car and engine. Those in the baggage cars were badly mangled and the crews of all three engines were killed outright.

Those known to be killed are: GEORGE C. COVELLA of Hagerstown, engineer of the passenger train. JOHN ST. LEGER, fireman of the passenger train.

—SHOEMAKER of Hagerstown, fireman.

—WHITE, Hagerstown, engineer of one of the freight engines.

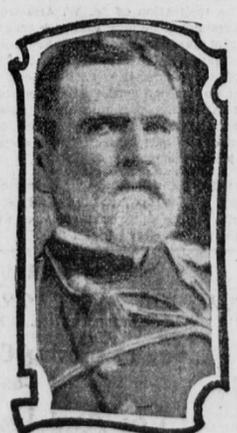
—JOHN CROUSE of Tarrytown, engineer of one of the freight engines.

—DERR, conductor of freight train.

The following workmen: JAMES JOHNSON. CHARLES KELLEY. WILLIAM SWEENEY. M'CLELLAND SWEENEY. FRANK SWEENEY. HARRY SWEENEY. CHARLES MILLER, all of Thurmont.

GUY LYNN, Middleburg, and one unknown man.

BATES WILL BE CHIEF OF STAFF

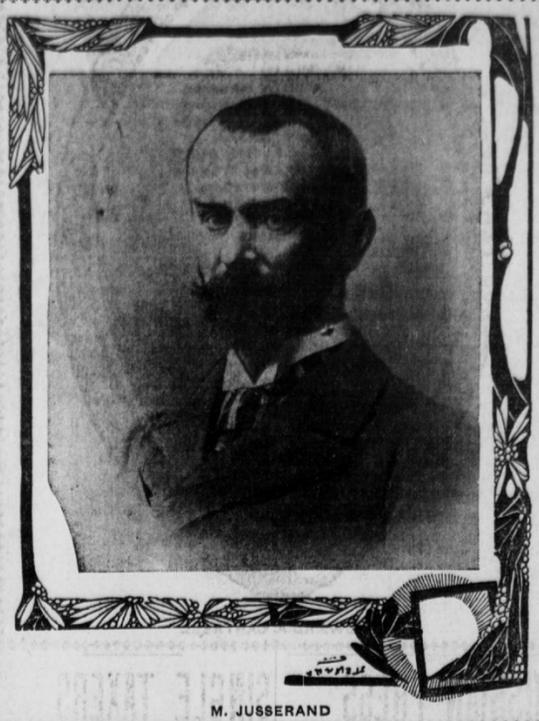


GEN. JOHN C. BATES

He Will Succeed Corbin, Who Is to Take Chaffee's Place, but Who Retires Shortly After.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, June 17.—An official announcement was made at the war department today that Maj. Gen. John C. Bates and Maj. Gen. Corbin would successively serve as chief of staff with the rank of lieutenant general after the retirement of Gen. Chaffee next April. Gen. Corbin becomes of retiring age in September, 1906, and Gen. Bates in August, 1906, but the present plan contemplates that Gen. Bates, who will be the immediate successor to Gen. Chaffee, will be retired in advance of the regular time in order that he and Gen. Corbin, who will succeed him at the head of the army, may divide the time between the retirement of Gen. Chaffee and the date of Gen. Corbin's retirement equally.

FRENCH AMBASSADOR TAKES HOPEFUL VIEW



M. JUSSERAND

TOLD ROOSEVELT HE WAS 'FRESH'

OLD LADY MISTOOK HIM FOR MASHER

HE HELPED HER ON TRAIN

President Relates Amusing Story of His Experience While on Recent Visit in Virginia

Special to The Herald. RICHMOND, Va., June 17.—President Roosevelt tells with evident enjoyment of the setback he received from a woman of Albemarle, who had never seen the president and only recognized in the slouch-hatted individual, a bold young man who was essaying the role of a masher. It was on the occasion of Roosevelt's visit to the home recently bought by Mrs. Roosevelt in Albemarle. He got off the Southern railway train at Reed Hill and was shaking hands with the crew when a woman came along and started to climb on the coach.

The president was by her side in a moment and his strong right hand speedily assisted her to the platform, then he grasped her hand and gave it a shake, the woman all the while eyeing him suspiciously and attempting to break away. Finally she succeeded. She then turned loose the vials of her wrath on Roosevelt's astonished head, saying: "Young man, I don't care who you are and I don't care either, but I want to say that you are the freshest that ever struck her."

The president was evidently much amused.

AMERICAN LABORERS CANNOT BE DEPORTED

TORONTO, Ont., June 17.—Judge Anglin gave out his decision in the case of the two American railway employees, arrested for alleged violation of the Allen labor act. The judge declares the act is ultra vires, and that consequently the order of the Dominion government for the deportation of these men cannot be enforced.

CLAIRVOYANT CHARGED WITH JEWELRY THEFT

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17.—Madame Reginald Ruff, alias Von Heck, a clairvoyant and psychologist, was arrested here today charged with the theft of jewelry, valued at several thousand dollars, from Mrs. Clara C. Sterns of Oakland, Cal. The woman left Oakland for Portland on April 15.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PEOPLE IN NEW YORK

Special to The Herald. NEW YORK, June 17.—The following Southern Californians were registered at the leading hotels here during the week: From Los Angeles—J. C. Banister, F. Stanwood, H. Richardson, J. Dyott, F. V. Cason, J. J. Westcott, Jr., D. F. Reynolds, C. R. Corbin, T. S. Rowan, T. Beegins, A. Davidson, C. H. Howland, V. N. Guercio and E. H. Grasty, Jr. Santa Barbara—G. M. Given and M. Worthington. San Diego—A. Marston, W. W. Whitney, J. H. Elseffer and G. W. Lewis.

OFFICIALS GET QUEER NOTICE

ARE WARNED OF IMPENDING SIEGE OF WARSAW

GENERAL ALARM PREVAILS

Bands of Ruffians Organized for Pillage and Numbers of People Ready to Leave at Moment's Notice

By Associated Press. WARSAW, June 17.—A mysterious confidential document, received by all the higher Russian officials of Warsaw, has caused a sensation. The officials are directed to report to General Boyalubow, chief of the commissariat department here, as to where they wish to go to in the event of the "siege of Warsaw," how many members of their families they will take with them, and what railroad they propose to travel on.

There is much speculation as to what significance is attachable to the word "siege" and everyone is at a loss to understand the reasons actuating the circular, but it is known that bands of ruffians have been organized with the view of pillaging the homes of rich citizens and the police have warned the Russian officials to send their families away as a measure of safety. Numbers of people are depositing their valuables in the banks and are securing passports in readiness to leave at short notice.

Danger From Returning Soldiers

By Associated Press. LONDON, June 17.—A Russian resident in London, who is closely allied with the revolutionary movement, said to the Associated Press today that Russia had much to fear from the return of prisoners now confined in Japan. These prisoners, he said, have been regularly supplied with revolutionary literature from societies in New York, London and Berlin, and also with all news detrimental to the government of Russia, as well as literature comparing the free governments of other countries with that of the motherland. As Russian soldiers are susceptible he predicted that every prisoner on his return to Russia would have revolutionary tendencies.

Final Test Approved

ST. PETERSBURG, June 17.—It is officially announced that the council of ministers has approved the final test of the first 25 paragraphs of the Bouligan commission statement for the formation of a representative assembly, styled in the official announcement "a legislative and consultative institution."

COMPTRROLLER REPORTS ON CALIFORNIA BANKS

Exclusive of Los Angeles and San Francisco Resources Are \$46,491,881 and Deposits \$39,887,736

Special to The Herald. WASHINGTON, June 17.—The condition of the national banks of California, outside of Los Angeles and San Francisco, at the close of business May 29, is reported by the comptroller of currency to be: Loans and discounts, \$24,263,442; gold coin reserve, \$2,423,640; legal tender notes, \$2,971,953. Total resources, \$46,491,881. Surplus fund, \$2,011,843. Individual deposits, \$39,887,736.

ENGLAND MAY BE DRAWN IN

NEW PHASE OF THE FRANCO-GERMAN DISPUTE

JUSSERAND TALKS HOPEFULLY

Expresses Confidence That the Difficulty Will Be Settled in a Manner Satisfactory to All Interested

Special Cable to The Herald. LONDON, June 17.—It is probable that the crisis which Germany is forcing upon the nations will soon assume a new phase. Every move thus far made has been aimed by the kaiser at France, although chiefly designed to damage British interests.

The government of England has not the slightest desire to shelter itself behind its more exposed neighbor. There is every reason to believe Lansdowne, minister of foreign affairs, will soon take measures to make his position clear and the issue direct. The policy Germany is pursuing toward France, if directed against England, could have but one result. The British government is by no means unwilling to put the genuineness of the German aggression to a test and the opportunity to do so is likely to arise in the near future.

This was clearly indicated in Lansdowne's message to the French government yesterday when he said Great Britain was prepared to support both the letter and spirit of the Morocco agreement. It is understood that France, replying to Germany's demand for an international conference on Morocco, will consent with a proviso that no existing agreement to which France is a party shall be interfered with. This answer, of course, is equivalent to a declaration that the Anglo-French-Spanish compact must stand.

Germany's Position

Germany cannot accept it without abandoning her chief contention. If France under further pressure on Monday gives way completely the issue will then come directly between Germany and Great Britain.

Widespread interest has been attracted by the statement of Germany's case against France by Prince Donnersmark, the German confidential envoy to France, printed in the Paris Gaulois today. It says the prince first of all pointed out the irritation felt by the German emperor and the people at France's repudiating the efforts of

THE DAYS NEWS

FORECAST Southern California: Fair Sunday, with fog in the morning; light southwest wind. Maximum temperature in Los Angeles yesterday, 69 degrees; in Mexico, 57 degrees.

PART I

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PART IV

Magazine section.

EASTERN

Eighteen lives lost and twenty persons injured in railway accident in Maryland. Steamboat and another man killed in Chicago strike. Mayor Dunne claims lines can be run by city in successful competition with existing companies.

COAST

Car of Valencia oranges from Highland sells for \$100. Great irrigation canal opened at Reno, Nevada, amid general rejoicing. Goldfield recovering from shock of recent bank failure.

LOCAL

Citizens of the Sixth ward may invoke recall in Houghton case. Dawson-Cline fistic encounter to be settled in police court. Mr. Huntington talks of freight carrying. Governor Toole of Montana visits Los Angeles. Late Col. Black, well known turfman, leaves large fortune. Francis Murphy rapidly recovering. Angelenos take their hats off to Salt Lakers. Officials raid road house near Toluca. Roumanian uses American flag to protect his domicile. Superintendent of schools granted leave of absence. Promoters of new Temple auditorium strike snag and work is held up for present. Editors delayed until Tuesday. Los Angeles day to be epoch in history of Portland fair. New general manager of Santa Fe formerly of this city. Exclusion law blocking trade.