

POINTING WITH PRIDE.

Senator Cullom Reviews the Record of Recent Republican Administrations.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Mr. Cullom today addressed the senate on the subject of the country's foreign relations.

He said that under these administrations more diplomatic relations had been brought to a successful conclusion than under any previous administration in the history of the United States.

The acquisition of the Hawaiian Islands, he said, was the first important achievement in the conduct of our foreign relations after McKinley became president.

"Under the beneficent administration of republican presidents the Union became consolidated into one nation, and in the recent crisis through which our own nation and the nations of the world have been passing, the party of Lincoln and Grant and Blaine and McKinley and Roosevelt is still faithful to duty and manifests the wisdom and statesmanship necessary to meet every emergency and wisely disposes of all questions with an eye single to the welfare of the people, the stability of the Union and the good of mankind."

Cookran Resolution Defeated.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Speaker Cannon today ruled that the Cookran resolution for an investigation of the Dalzell charges that Cookran had campaigned for McKinley for hire in 1896, was not a privileged matter.

President Will Press Button.

ST. LOUIS, April 27.—All arrangements have been perfected by the Postal Telegraph company for transmitting to St. Louis an electric current to be used by President Roosevelt at the White House to formally open the Louisiana Purchase exposition, April 30.

The key to be used by President Roosevelt to start the current on its western journey is of gold, and after it has been used by President Roosevelt it will be presented by the Postal Telegraph company to President D. R. Francis of the World's Fair.

Mormon Apostle a Polygamist.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—L. E. Abbott, sheriff of Davis county, Utah, was before the senate committee on privileges and elections today in the Smoot investigation.

"Two wives of Apostle Taylor," said Mr. Abbott "are Rhoda and Rosey Welton, who are about 23 or 24 years of age. It was reported two years ago that they had been married to Taylor. One was working for Nettie Woolley and the other for Nellie Todd, both as domestics."

Crow Bill is Approved.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—President Roosevelt today signed the bill providing for the opening of the Crow reservation. The president presented Mr. Dixon with the pen with which he affixed his name. The pen will be sent to the Commercial club of Billings.

Representative Dixon today introduced a bill to open the Blackfoot reservation along the same general provisions as his bill to open the Flathead, which was signed by the president on Saturday. Mr. Dixon's intention is to have the Blackfoot bill placed on the calendar so as to get early consideration on the convening of congress in December.

JAPS CROSS THE YALU.

Russian Authorities Say Advance of Enemy Was Not Contested.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 26.—The censors' committee decided not to give out the dispatches received today regarding the movements of the Japanese across the Yalu river.

The emperor has received a dispatch from the commander of the Vladivostok squadron confirming the reports of the sinking of a Japanese transport of 600 tons at Wonsun (Gensan). The object of the squadron's cruise is to destroy all transports traversing the Sea of Japan, show the Russian flag in Korean waters and impress the population advantageously; also to compel the Japanese to guard all their transport expeditions.

LONDON, April 27.—No further news from the seat of war has reached London, and there is no confirmation of the reported Japanese reverse on the Yalu. Stirring news, however, is hourly expected from the Yalu and Vladivostok.

The general opinion that Vice Admiral Togo is waiting for the Vladivostok squadron is confirmed by the Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspondent, who says there is no doubt that the Japanese are taking steps to cut off the retreat of the Vladivostok ships.

Canal Purchase is Completed.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The attorney general has received cablegrams from Messrs. Day and Russell, who went to Paris as his representatives to conduct the closing negotiations for the Panama canal property, to the effect that the deeds of the property, archives and all other papers and documents which will belong to the United States under the transfer, have already been turned over to them and that the purchase price of \$40,000,000 has been advanced to the canal company by a Paris syndicate of bankers.

Irrigation Experts at Tacoma.

TACOMA, April 27.—The state irrigation commission met to listen to an address by Professor Mead of Washington, D. C., chief of the irrigation investigation bureau of the United States department of agriculture. He dealt mainly upon the difficulties presented to irrigation work in the west.

War News via St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 27.—The general staff this evening said that one of the Japanese columns which attempted to cross the Yalu river at Turchen sustained severe losses, owing to the unexpected shelling by a Russian battery from the opposite bank, which destroyed the Japanese pontoons.

Disappointment prevails at St. Petersburg that no official dispatches giving details of the operations on the Yalu river have yet been made public. The press dispatches are so meager as to be a cloud rather than enlightening the people who are hourly awaiting news.

Illinois Towns Under Water.

BELLEVUE, Ill., April 27.—It is reported that Cahokia, Ill., a few miles south of here, is entirely under water. Most of the residents have left their homes to the mercy of the flood and all the schools in that section have been discontinued.

The Okaw river is out of its banks and twenty miles east of Bellevue thousands of acres of farm lands are inundated, and it is said that the crops are ruined. Many residents from the New Athens district have reached Bellevue, fleeing from the floods.

A Sympathetic Strike.

SPOKANE, April 26.—A special to the Chronicle from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, states that 75 men walked out of the Coeur d'Alene Lumber company's mill this morning. The company attempted to cut the wages of some of the employees who, it is claimed, were not earning their money. All the men except the office force walked out.

EDWIN ARNOLD'S WAY

How the British Author Helped a Young Writer.

INCIDENT OF HIS PEDAGOGUE DAYS

What the Author of "The Light of Asia" Did to Abolish the Use of the Stick at a Birmingham School—Story of His Marriage to a Japanese Lady—Tribute to His Daughter.

Although a newspaper man by profession the late Sir Edwin Arnold, author of "The Light of Asia" and other poems, declined to be interviewed by newspaper men when he was in New York. He was uniformly courteous to the fraternity and gracefully excused himself from talking about himself on the plea of modesty or lack of time.

"I cannot break through my inflexible rule about interviews," replied Sir Edwin, "but I cannot send you away empty handed. Here are a few verses I have just written. Make whatever use of them you please."

Thereupon the author of "The Light of Asia" handed his visitor a short manuscript poem on a religious subject which the "free lance" promptly sold to a religious weekly for \$50.

Many years ago Sir Edwin Arnold was plain Mr. Arnold, a pedagogue at King Edward's school, Birmingham, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. In those days there used to be placed on the master's desk an inkstand, a roll book and a stick. The story tells how the future poet and journalist abolished the stick. It was a sweltering day, and the subject of the lesson was "De Amicitia." With an inattentive pupil the master lost his temper. The stick descended, and he struck hard.

The culprit protested that it was the unprovoked assault of a next door neighbor which had caused his thoughts to stray. The next door neighbor confessed and the victim's assailant was chilled with remorse. Calling the boy out, he handed him the stick and ordered the boy to strike him, the master, imperatively commanded, the boy obeyed, and the stick was never more used thenceforward.

There are some romantic stories told concerning Sir Edwin Arnold's marriage to a Japanese lady. One of them is that he first met his wife in Yokohama in 1891, when he visited Japan with his daughter Edith, says the Boston Herald. One morning Miss Edith went to the British legation in great distress. She said that her father had gone crazy. He claimed to have married the pretty widow of Colonel Watanaba of the Japanese army, but as far as she could discover no ceremony had been performed, which shocked her European ideas greatly.

Minister Swift called on Arnold, who introduced him to his bride and explained that they had married by the easy Japanese method of drinking a cup of tea together. "It is the custom of the country, and will be as binding on me as would a pompous ceremony in a cathedral," said the poet, whereby his daughter and friends had to be satisfied. When Sir Edwin returned to England he found that his Japanese wife was recognized as such neither by the law nor society. It was frequently reported that he was about to marry her under the British law, but even his friends doubted if he would do this, as he declared that he would never bow to conventional prejudice.

A London friend sent me quite a pretty story about the daughter of Sir Edwin Arnold, says a writer in the Philadelphia Times. She was her father's secretary and his companion in most of his journeys round the world. During her stay in Japan her majesty's China squadron ships and the American Pacific fleet were in the harbor of Yokohama at the same time. Sir Edwin and his daughter entertained the admirals of both fleets at luncheon and in return were naturally invited on board the ships. The American fleet was first visited, and on leaving the gallant American admiral presented Miss Arnold with a beautiful bouquet, tied with ribbons of the ship, as a token of the respect of himself and his officers.

This American courtesy came to the ears of the English commander, and not to be outdone by his American brother, he presented Miss Arnold with a larger bouquet and doubled the number of ribbons. Then the American admiral sent Miss Arnold a few verses of his own composition. This was going a little further than the English officer was capable of, but he had some verses written to Miss Arnold and dispatched them to her three days afterward. The daughter then told her father, and she immediately found a third contestant. That same afternoon brought her another beautiful bouquet, and attached was a card bearing the following lines:

TO MY DAUGHTER. Oh, happy maid, whom two great fleets conspire To honor, blending rich melodious poesy. When admirals rhyme, the muse unstrings her lyre To bind in pride their Mayflowers and their roses. EDWIN ARNOLD.



Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thompson, of Lillydale, N.Y., Grand Worthy Wise Templar, and Member of W.C.T.U., tells how she recovered by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am one of the many of your grateful friends who have been cured through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and who can to-day thank you for the fine health I enjoy. When I was thirty-five years old, I suffered severe backache and frequent bearing-down pains in fact, I had womb trouble. I was very anxious to get well, and reading of the cures your Compound had made, I decided to try it. I took only six bottles, but it built me up and cured me entirely of my troubles. My family and relatives were naturally as gratified as I was. My niece had heart trouble and nervous prostration, and was considered incurable. She took your Vegetable Compound, and she became well and strong, and her home to her great joy and her husband's delight was blessed with a baby. I know of a number of others who have been cured of different kinds of female trouble, and am satisfied that your Compound is the best medicine for sick women."—MRS. ELIZABETH H. THOMPSON, Box 105, Lillydale, N.Y. \$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that George E. Barkley, of Fort Benton, Mont., has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 5729, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 25, township 20 north, range 10 east, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Mont., on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1904.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that George E. Barkley, of Fort Benton, Mont., has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 5730, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 25, township 20 north, range 10 east, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Mont., on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1904.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that Charles L. Clarke, of Helena, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 5637, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 22, township 22 north, range 10 east, before Maurice C. Price, U. S. Commissioner, at Bonora & Hamilton's store in Hill, Montana, on Thursday, the 12th day of May, 1904.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that Annie Edmondson, of Shelby, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert land claim No. 5725, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Lot 1, section 3, SE 1/4, NE 1/4, lot 2, section 4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, section 2, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 1, before Maurice C. Price, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Shelby, Montana, on Saturday, the 14th day of May, 1904.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Jeremiah Sullivan, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on Saturday, May 14, 1904, viz: Henry C. Wilkins, who made homestead entry No. 8017, for Lots 2, 3, 4, section 1, Lot 1, section 2, township 21 north, range 5 west.

Notice of Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Jeremiah Sullivan, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on Saturday, May 14, 1904, viz: Henry C. Wilkins, who made homestead entry No. 12,268, for the E 1/2 SW 1/4, section 29, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 18, township 22 north, range 10 east. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Daniel Sullivan, Robert L. Grilling, Carl J. Braven and William R. Bass, all of Shelby, Mont.

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Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof on his desert land claim No. 5724, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 25, township 20 north, range 10 east, before Maurice C. Price, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Mont., on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1904.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof on his desert land claim No. 5559, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 15, township 19 north, range 10 east, before Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office at Great Falls, Mont., on Thursday, the 20th day of May, 1904.

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Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that Isaac Postill, of Fort Benton, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 5707, for the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SE 1/4, section 17, NE 1/4, section 20, township 20 north, range 10 east, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Mont., on Wednesday, the 26th day of May, 1904.

Notice of Contest.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 14, 1904. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by John Bowen, contestant, against homestead entry No. 8893, made September 15, 1897, for SE 1/4, SE 1/4, section 1, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4, section 12, township 36 north, range 1 east, by Charles L. Daugherty, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Charles L. Daugherty has wholly alienated his tract of land and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months last past; that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the military or naval service of the United States in war time, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and produce evidence touching said contest, at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 25, 1904, before John McDowell, U. S. Commissioner, at Gold Butte, Montana, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 31, 1904, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Great Falls, Mont.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., April 12, 1904. Notice is hereby given that Bailey M. Boyd, of Knerville, Montana, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 5730, for the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, section 33, township 20 north, range 10 east, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Mont., on Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1904.

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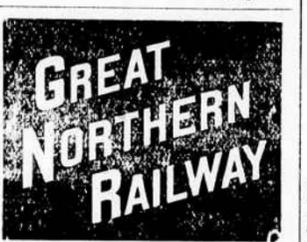
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