

I. B. WRIGHT TO SUCCEED JULIUS KRUTTSCHNITT AS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC

SAN FRANCISCO IS CHOSEN BY KNIGHTS TEMPLARS AS PLACE FOR NEXT CONCLAVE

Election of Officers and a Magnificent Ball Are the Closing Features of the Twenty-Eighth Grand Encampment.

VENEZUELAN TROOPS NOT SUCCESSFUL

Castro Will Not Have Time to Invade Colombia.

Insurgents More Victorious Than Censored Telegrams Set Forth.

Ecuador Withdraws From the Combination of Powers Seeking Overthrow of a Neighboring Republic.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W. WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Mail advices from South America show that the conditions in Venezuela are worse than the censored press dispatches would indicate.

Ecuador will not support President Castro. This was made plain by the news from two sources to-day. Acting Secretary of State Adee received a letter from the American Legation at Quito, saying that there was considerable unrest and some disturbances in Ecuador growing out of the political excitement incident to the approaching Presidential election.

Minister Silva also had letters to-day describing the situation in Venezuela. His correspondents say that no reliance can be placed on the censored telegrams and that there are uprisings against Castro all over the country, and the situation is very critical.

When S. M. Felton takes his post as president of the company his right hand man and chief operative official will be Colonel "Jack" Wright. Old railroad officials are enthusiastic over the news of the honors that are to be heaped on Wright and say that he as general manager will achieve a splendid success.

With the news of Wright's future appointment the policy that S. M. Felton will pursue is very evident. Instead of drawing out of politics as Hays endeavored to do, he will still keep the gigantic corporation in the political field, and who better can smooth out the rough edges and calm the stormy seas in the Legislative sessions than Colonel "Jack" Wright? He will be the political representative of the Southern Pacific with headquarters in San Francisco.

Colonel Wright is a clever operative official as well as possessing other qualifications. As superintendent at Sacramento he won great success, and the late Collis P. Huntington looked upon him as a conscientious and energetic official and one who kept the territory under his jurisdiction under a high state of efficiency.

Kruttschmitt's Retirement. The retirement of Manager Julius Kruttschmitt is certainly a demonstration of the fact that the most radical changes will occur in the Southern Pacific Company. Only a short time ago Kruttschmitt was the man who forced Wright's resignation. Manager Kruttschmitt was fortunate in being one of the first to establish himself with President Hays when he arrived here to take charge of the Southern Pacific. Kruttschmitt traveled all over the road with Hays and practically showed him the workings of the vast transportation company. In this way they were thrown in each other's company a great deal and Kruttschmitt did not let an opportunity slip "to make hay while the sun shone," and to impress his own ideas of railroad policy.

Kruttschmitt has been consistently opposed to the interference of the railroad in politics, and accordingly gave President Hays the advice that the Southern Pacific could just as well get along out of politics as in it. His arguments were so persuasive that Hays decided to take this step. No sooner had Hays announced that the Southern Pacific was out of politics for all time than Kruttschmitt used this as a weapon over Wright's head, for whom he had a bitter enmity.

SPANISH SOLDIERS RESIST ENGLISH MAN-OF-WARSMEN Drive Away a Landing Party but Are Finally Overpowered by a Display of Strength.

MADRID, Aug. 29.—While the British fleet in Spanish waters was maneuvering to-day a torpedo which had been launched stranded on the shore in front of La Linea. A party of man-of-war-men was sent to recover it, but were prevented from doing so by a detachment of Spanish carbiniers. The landing party was strongly reinforced from the fleet, overpowered the carbiniers and took the torpedo.

UNDER NEW REGIME FORMER SACRAMENTO SUPERINTENDENT WILL BE GIVEN FULL SWAY

Appointment of Markham Over Shepard in Freight Department Causes Great Comment Around the Big Yellow Building.

J. B. WRIGHT, who retired recently from the position of superintendent of the Sacramento division of the Southern Pacific, is to be shortly taken back in the employ of the company and is to succeed Julius Kruttschmitt as general manager of the road.

At the time of Colonel "Jack" Wright's forced retirement three months ago it was then stated that Wright was given to understand that his retirement would be only temporary. It was then also announced in the columns of this paper that when Wright returned to duty he would either



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JULIUS KRUTTSCHNITT

J. B. WRIGHT

C. H. MARKHAM PHOTO BY MOORE

MEN WHO FIGURE PROMINENTLY IN THE LATEST UPHEAVAL IN SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY AFFAIRS AND WHO ARE WIDELY KNOWN IN THE RAILROAD WORLD OF THE WEST.

the division superintendent's arrival in this city from Sacramento there was a tropical interview. Kruttschmitt informed Wright that he must keep out of politics or leave the company. Wright answered that he would still mingle in politics whenever he considered that it was advantageous to the company. Kruttschmitt then called for Wright's resignation, which was promptly handed in.

Wright's resignation came like a cloud-burst over the serene sky and railroad officials trembled with fear, thinking that they might all be removed one by one. But, as was announced in The Call at that time, Wright was given to understand that he would not be long idle, and results now prove that he is much benefited by the step he made.

Wright also made a favorable impression with the Harriman syndicate in the graceful way in which he accepted his retirement. After he resigned his position he displayed no anger—in fact, he was always ready with advice and showed as much interest in the welfare of the company as when he was in the employ of the Southern Pacific.

What Julius Kruttschmitt will do when he retires with Hays is a matter of conjecture. He is comparatively a rich man and may probably take an active interest in some of the smaller railroads in which much of his capital is invested.

Markham Relative of Stubbs. The announcement that C. H. Markham is to come from Portland, Or., and fill the position of assistant freight traffic manager of the Southern Pacific and take offices on the third floor of the big yellow building is a surprise to local railroad officials.

"What is the matter with local Freight Agent Shepard?" "Why did he not get the job?" is the way that the news was received here. Some claim that Stubbs in his appointment of Markham showed undue favoritism. They say that Markham is a relative of Stubbs through marriage, and that he is on this account pushed ahead to the detriment of others.



Officers followed. Sir Knight Stoddard, the new grand master, was given an enthusiastic reception by Texas Templars to-night.

The break up of the conclave began early to-day and became marked after the grand ball. By to-morrow most of the Knights and their ladies will have left, either for their homes or places of interest. It is estimated that 50,000 people were present.

Receptions and excursions on the river were features of the evening's entertainments.

Grand Master Stoddard appointed the following officers: Grand standard bearer, Arthur C. MacArthur, Troy, N. Y.



GRAND COMMANDER OF THE KNIGHTS TEMPLARS' GRAND ENCAMPMENT.

Grand sword bearer, C. C. Vogt, Louisville.

Grand warden, Robert Strong, New Orleans, to succeed Harper M. Oranhood, Denver, Colo.

Grand captain of the guard, Charles E. Rosebrough, Little Rock, Ark.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 29.—After electing officers and selecting San Francisco as the place of meeting on the first Tuesday in September, 1904, the twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of Knights Templars, which has been in progress here since Tuesday, to-day adjourned to the date set. The festivities came to a climax with a magnificent ball held to-night at the horse show building.

interest centered in the fight for the junior grand wardenship, for which there were fifteen candidates. The office was much desired, as it means that eventually the holder of it will become the head of the Templars' organization.

The showing of the Washington man was a surprise to many. On the first ballot he received 135 votes, 141 being necessary to a choice. It became practically certain that the next ballot would elect John A. Garrow of Detroit. Mayo led on the first ballot, but lost steadily thereafter, and the office went to the Detroit on the fifth ballot. W. Wales Lines of Connecticut was re-elected grand treasurer, practically without opposition.

In the contest for the grand recorder-ship W. H. Mayo of St. Louis, who held the office for six years, was pitted against John A. Garrow of Detroit. Mayo led on the first ballot, but lost steadily thereafter, and the office went to the Detroit on the fifth ballot. W. Wales Lines of Connecticut was re-elected grand treasurer, practically without opposition.

This City the Only Bidder. When the elections were over the committee on time and place of next meeting reported. San Francisco was the only bidder and carried off the honor without a struggle. The installation of the new of-

SHERIFF IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LYNCHING OF NEGROES

Adjutant General Cameron of Missouri Reports on the Pierce City Trouble.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Aug. 29.—Adjutant General Cameron, in a report to Governor Dockery on the recent Pierce City race war, issued to-day, holds Sheriff Manlove of Lawrence County responsible for the lynching of the three innocent negroes. Adjutant General Cameron, who was sent to Pierce City to investigate the affair, says in his report:

"Will Godfrey and Carter had been suspected and the Sheriff and his posse went out to arrest them, but for some cause did not see fit to do so. Monday afternoon the excitement at Pierce City was intense and threats of lynching certain negroes thought to be implicated in the murder of Miss Wilde were made openly. Under this excitement the Sheriff saw fit to leave for his home at Mount Vernon. It is generally believed in Pierce City that had Sheriff Manlove remained there during Monday, when the excitement ran high and threats of lynching were openly made and asked the aid of the militia, the trouble and loss of life would have been averted."

Killed in a Railroad Accident. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 29.—In an accident on the Southern Railroad at Fireworks Station, four miles from East St. Louis, to-day Frank Haeefe, chief car inspector of the road, was killed, Elmore Drumm, fireman, fatally injured and Scott Mulconery, engineer, seriously injured.

SANTA FE PURCHASES THE KANSAS SOUTHWESTERN

Will Operate Line to Prevent Opposition to Proposed Road From Arkansas City.

WICHITA, Kans., Aug. 29.—It is stated here on reliable authority that the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway has purchased the Kansas Southwestern Railway, which runs from Arkansas City to Astoria, Kans., a distance of sixty miles. It is said that the Santa Fe desires the line to prevent opposition to its proposed road from Arkansas City in a southeastern direction to Fort Smith, Ark. The deal is said to have been made at a meeting in President Ripley's office in Chicago. The Kansas Southwestern was built in 1887 and was subsequently operated by the St. Louis and San Francisco road. Five years ago the "Frisco" abandoned the line and it went into the hands of a receiver. It is said that the recent owners of the Southwestern had just completed plans to extend the line in the direction of Fort Smith when the deal with the Santa Fe was consummated.

KURDS WILL CONTINUE TO MASSACRE ARMENIANS

European Pressure Brought to Bear on the Sultan Will Alone Stop the Bloody Work. LONDON, Aug. 29.—The Daily Mail publishes to-day an article written by All Nour Bey, former Turkish Consul in Rotterdam, declaring that the massacre of Armenians by Kurds, which has just commenced, is a part of a regular system of extermination. He says: "The number of Armenians killed will depend upon the outcry raised in Europe and the pressure brought to bear upon the Sultan. The same horrible process will be repeated year by year until all are killed."

ARCTIC EXPLORING PARTY LANDS AT CAMP ZEIGLER

The Weather Conditions Are Favorable for an Early Advance of the Expedition. CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Aug. 29.—The steamer Frithjof arrived at Hammerfest to-day and reports that she successfully landed the Baldwin-Zeigler Arctic expedition at Camp Zeigler, in latitude 80.24 north and longitude 55 east, on Alger Island. All the members of the expedition were in good health. The dogs and ponies were in excellent condition after their month's voyage. The Frithjof left Camp Zeigler August 23. The weather conditions were favorable for an advance of the expedition. Baldwin intended to start northward August 24 by what is called the interchannel route, across Markham Sound and between Austria Island and the British Channel.

HERBARIUM AT NATIONAL MUSEUM BADLY NEGLECTED

DENVER, Aug. 29.—The various sections of the American Association for the Advancement of Science held meetings to-day at which papers were read and discussed. In the botanical section Professor L. M. Underwood read a paper on the desirability of establishing a laboratory for botanical research in Porto Rico, in connection with the agricultural experimental station to be established by the Federal Government there. Resolutions embodying the idea of the paper were adopted. Dr. C. E. Bessey of Lincoln, Neb., called attention to the fact that the National Herbarium at the National Museum, Washington, is badly neglected, having insufficient room for the careful classification of the hundreds of rare specimens that have been collected. A committee consisting of Professor W. Trelease of St. Louis, Dr. Britton of New York and Professor Robinson of Harvard was appointed to investigate the matter and report at next year's meeting.