DOCTOR BREAKS EGG IN OFFICER'S FACE

Navy Supply Ship Glacier's Surgeon Made Acrobatic by Vessel's Antics

Big Craft in the Clutch of Gale Pitches and Rolls and Ward Room Suffers

The rear guard of the Pacific squadron was brought up yesterday by the "beefboat" Glacier, the supply ship, which accompanied the cruisers on their tour of the Pacific. The Glacier, Captain Lorenz, was eight days on the way from Honolulu. Almost at the end of the voyage a northeast gale was encountered. The Glacier was light, and rolled and jumped, pitched and tossed like a bubble in a hurricane. Some big seas were shipped, and more or less damage was done about the decks. C. Taylor, a coal passer, was thrown down No. 3 hatch and badly bruised.

It was in the ward room that the ferocity of the gale was really appreciated. The ship developed a 52 per cent roll, and shifted from a port to starboard list in the twinkling of an eye. It was this sudden shifting that caused all the trouble. The surgeon was in the act of breaking an egg when his side of the table went up in the air. The medico shot out of his seat and slid across the table. He broke the egg, not in his plate, but against the face of a brother officer, who was hanging, face up, on the lee side of the table.

The next roll threw the executive officer into the bookcase. He shattered the glass, but escaped being cut by it. When the storm was over there was hardly enough crockery left to serve a meal, and if occasion had arisen for a toast to the president at least half the mess would have had to drink out of the bottle, as the mortality among the glasses amounted almost to a total loss.

Chief Boarding Officer Charles A. Stephens visited all the ships yesterday with a force of customs inspectors to examine the dutiable purchases made in the Orient by the officers and men. The $100 exemption accorded to travelers was extended to the bluejackets and their officers and, although nearly every man in the fleet had brought home souvenirs of the far east, the $100 more than covered most cases, and Uncle Sam collected little duty. The officers of the ships made the work of the inspectors easy. When they went on board every man had his purchases spread out on deck, and the inspection of all the baggage in the fleet occupied less than four hours.

The navy on the Pacific is doing away with Japanese and Chinese mess attendants as rapidly as possible. The orientals are being replaced with Filipinos, who, with a little training, are said to be more satisfactory than the Japanese and almost as good as the Chinese. The little brown brothers are very proud of their naval uniforms. The mess servant has always been a problem in the navy. The officers believe that the use of Filipinos is the solution.

The Denver and Iroquois went up to Mare island yesterday. The Galveston will sail this week for Bremerton. The big cruisers will remain here far about two weeks, and visitors will be received on board every afternoon.

New Mother for Fleet

The mosquito fleet on this shore of the Pacific is at last going to have a real mother. In the past any old "beef boat" or other auxiliary that happened to be handy has been assigned to the duty of playing mother to the small blacks. The supply steamer Iris is now in the parent business at San Diego. The navy department has decided that the little fellows are entitled to something better than a makeshift mother, and the old cruiser Boston, now out of commission at Bremerton, is being surveyed preparatory to conversion into a first class mother boat.

Some time ago officers on duty with the various flotillas were invited to tell the navy department what in their opinion were the qualifications of a good mother boat. With these recommendations before it the bureau of construction has drawn up plans for the first scientifically arranged mother ship that the United States navy has ever owned.

Work will be begun on the Boston right away. The board that surveys the Galveston before that cruiser goes out of commission has been ordered to survey the Boston, and as soon as their report has been received the work of conversion will be started.

The Boston is a third class cruiser of 3,000 tons displacement and was built in 1883 by John Roach & Sons at Chester, Pa.

Smallpox on Cruiser

SEATTLE, Feb. 15.—The United States cruiser Washington, with five cases of smallpox among the crew, arrived at Diamond point quarantine station, Port Townsend, this morning from Honolulu, and the cruiser Tennessee entered the straits. The Washington pushed ahead on account of the sickness on board. Both cruisers are to be docked at Bremerton navy yard and then sail for Buenos Aires.

Before the Washington left Honolulu Daniel J. Thompson, a coal passer on the vessel, died of smallpox and his body was cremated.

The Washington landed her five smallpox patients at the Port Townsend quarantine station. The cruiser will probably be permitted to proceed to Bremerton after undergoing fumigation.

The cable ship Burnside was ordered today from Tacoma to the Diamond head quarantine station, two Filipinos of the crew having been taken with varioloid. The outbreak is believed to be due to the action of the city officials of Juneau, Alaska, who recently, by force of arms, prevented the landing of a smallpox patient in the Alaska city, necessitating a special trip to Port Townsend to land the sailor and exposing the other members of the crew to infection.

The Burnside will be disinfected and released after it lands its sick man.

Battleship Formally Delivered

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 15.—The battleship Delaware, the first of the American type of Dreadnoughts to be completed, was formally delivered to the government upon its arrival at the Norfolk navy yard at 2 p. m. today from the yards of its builders, the Newport News ship building and drydock company. The Delaware will be placed in commission at this yard in the early spring.

Cruisers to Be Remodeled

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

VALLEJO, Feb. 15.—The cruisers Charleston and Denver arrived at Mare island today, where they will be placed in ordinary for several months and during that time will be entirely rebuilt, and when finished will be up to date men of war. The crews of the two vessels will be transferred to the Pacific fleet, which is due in this city in a few days. The vessels will undergo extensive repairs.

FOREIGN

Bombardment Drives Rebels From Matagalpa
Colonel Roosevelt Seeks to Avoid Ostentation
Nationalists Will Not Oppose the Budget

MADRIZ TROOPS REOCCUPY TOWN

General Chamorro Is Reported to Have Broken With the Insurgent Leader

MANAGUA, Feb. 15.—The forces of President Madriz again have taken possession of Matagalpa, which on February 10 was occupied by General Chamorro, insurgent leader.

The bombardment of the city, which began Sunday night, after notification had been given to the noncombatants to withdraw, was abandoned for some hours, but was renewed yesterday. The government forces had heavy guns on the hills, but the insurgents were without means to reply at long range. Chamorro, therefore, deemed it advisable retreat, under cover of darkness, and evacuated Matagalpa early this morning.

Generals Lara, Chavarria, Martinez and Rivas, each of whom commanded sections of the government troops, reoccupied the city at noon. Chamorro did not escape any too soon, as he was nearly surrounded by the government forces, which had been brought up as quickly as the condition of the country would permit in the last few days.

It is reported that General Chamorro has broken away from General Estrada and proclaimed himself president. Overtures have been made to President Madriz by Chamorro through the medium of American Consular Agent W. A. Desavigny at Matagalpa, for the re-establishment of peace. Chamorro's offer, embodied in a letter, is in the hands of Vice Consul Caldera, and President Madriz has been only unofficially informed of the proposal, but he has given his answer, which is that the unconditional surrender and imprisonment of Chamorro are the only terms acceptable.

Lieutenant Commander Symington, U. S. N., and Lieutenant Price of the marines are proceeding to Matagalpa to watch the operations.

It is said that Rear Admiral Kimball has dispatched Lieutenant Commander Symington to offer mediation to the belligerents, but with instructions to do nothing arbitrary.

DR. COOK AND WIFE REMAIN IN SECLUSION

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 15.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook and his wife, who are still at the Hotel Oddo, refused to receive visitors today and Doctor Cook declined to grant an interview.

Among the passengers on the steamer from Valdivia was a Belgian engineer named Rysselberghe, who claimed to have recognized Doctor Cook immediately, both having been on the steamer Belgica, which carried the Belgian antarctic expedition in 1897-1899.

He sent his card to Doctor Cook, but he refused to receive it, declaring that he did not know the Belgian.

SEVEN GRAIN FIRM FAILURES ANNOUNCED

HAMBURG, Feb. 15.—The failure of seven grain firms in the provinces of Schleswig-Holstein and Hannover was announced in the produce exchange today. The failures were due in part to speculative engagements in soda nitrate and partly to short selling of barley.

TWO CONVICTED OF BETRAYING TERRORIST

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 15.—Rosenberg, a student, and Barit have been convicted by a revolutionary court of having betrayed the late Gregory Gershunin, the terrorist.

COMES AS PLAIN MAN OF LEARNING

Former President, Expected in Paris, April 14, Will Be Showered With Honors

PARIS, Feb. 15.—M. Liard, vice rector of the University of Paris, has been officially advised that Theodore Roosevelt will reach Paris about April 14 and that the length of his stay probably will not exceed three or four days.

The French government is anxious to receive the former president of the United States with the highest honors. French society is prepared to lionize him; literary and scientific bodies desire to entertain him, and the American colony would like to give a grand banquet in his honor.

But Roosevelt has discreetly allowed it to be understood that he desires to avoid any appearance of ostentation, and that he will preserve, so far as possible, merely the role of a man of learning, in which capacity he accepted the invitation to lecture at the Sorbonne. This invitation was extended through Ambassador Jusserand when Roosevelt still occupied the White House.

Roosevelt's return to Paris, therefore, will be devoid of the spectacular features that characterized Grant's visit at the time of his tour around the world. Roosevelt's wishes will be carried out in the main, but the government declined to forego the honor of entertaining him and the former president has accepted the invitation of President Fallieres to be his guest at Elysee palace.

A large reception will be held in the grand salon of the university, at which the lecturer will meet a brilliant assemblage of French savants, including "the forty immortals." On April 16 Roosevelt will be received in solemn audience by the institute, of which he is a member in virtue of his recent election as an associate of the Academy of Political and Moral Sciences.

Wife Goes to Meet Him

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and her daughter, Miss Ethel, sailed today on the Hamburg-American line steamer Hamburg for Naples, en route to Khartum, where on March 14 they will meet Colonel Roosevelt and return with him to Europe on his way back to the United States from his African hunting trip.

Colonel Roosevelt will reach the United States between June 1 and June 15.

Alderman Johnson today introduced a resolution in the board of aldermen setting apart the day on which former President Roosevelt arrives in this city as a day of rejoicing for his safe return. The resolution also asks that the governor designate the day as a state holiday. The resolution was referred to the committee on rules.

Loeb Arranging Reception

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—At the request of President Taft, Collector Loeb of New York has taken upon himself the arrangement for the reception of Colonel Roosevelt when he returns to New York, about the middle of June. The president desires that all inquiries concerning this function be addressed to Loeb, who will keep him advised of the progress made.

West Wants First Greeting

DENVER, Feb. 15.—F. G. Bonfils and George Creel of the Denver Post and Kansas City Post left Denver today for Khartum, where they expect to meet former President Roosevelt on his way home from a year's hunt. After reports from scores of chambers of commerce and civic bodies in the west, they will urge the former president to return to his native land by way of the Pacific coast.

IRISH MEMBERS MAY BE NEUTRAL

Leaders Hold Conference With Chancellor Lloyd-George; Parliament Opens

LONDON, Feb. 15.—John E. Redmond, accompanied by John Dillon and T. P. O'Connor, visited Chancellor Lloyd-George after the cabinet council today and discussed the attitude of the nationalists toward the budget. It is understood that Redmond gave the chancellor assurances that the general body of Irish members would make no deliberate attempt to embarrass the government, whatever might be the ministers' decision as to the order of dealing with the budget and the veto questions.

This probably means that, even if Premier Asquith finds himself unable to satisfy Redmond completely regarding the lords' vote, the nationalists will remain neutral and abstain from voting on the budget, which would then be carried by a small majority.

WILL PROMISE CONCESSIONS

It is believed, however, that the premier will satisfy the Irish leader on this point, and that a promise will be made to give some concessions to Ireland in the next budget which will justify the nationalists in supporting the government.

It is reported that the king's speech to parliament will be one of the shortest on record, and that it will deal with little except the veto question.

Suffragettes have sent an open letter to Premier Asquith promising to abstain from militant tactics until the government has had a fair opportunity of stating its intentions, but demanding an explicit declaration that the government will undertake woman's suffrage legislation.

Lord Rosebery, addressing a political banquet tonight, declared himself in favor of settling the fiscal controversy on which the country appears to be equally divided by reference to a royal commission.

The third parliament of King Edward assembled this afternoon. The ceremony was of the simplest character, all the royal pageantry connected with the state opening being postponed to February 21, and the interim devoted to the swearing in of members and the clearing away, if possible, of the difficulties confronting the government.

SOLUTION DIFFICULT

Not for many years has such intense interest attached to the opening of the legislature, and seldom have the problems involving the success or failure of the government threatened to be so difficult of solution, even to the most capable members of parliament.

The result of the recent elections is so confused that even the stanchest press supporters of the government admit that proof that the government will have a majority to act drastically upon the dominant issues can be established only after the house of commons has settled down to work and the nationalists and laborites show their hands in the course of the debate upon the speech from the throne.

FRENCH OFFICERS AND NATIVES MASSACRED

Heavy Losses Are Suffered in Ambuscade

PARIS, Feb. 15.—A dispatch received by M. Trouillet, minister of colonies, from the governor of Dakar, Senegal, says that a French detachment has suffered heavy losses through an ambuscade in the Ouadai region. Five French officers and 110 native soldiers were massacred.

MAY BE MARTYRS TO LOVE FOR IRISH

Employes of Naval Office Violate Law to Give Retiring Colonel Silver Cup

The silver loving cup that the 13 civil service clerks of the customs naval office presented to Colonel John P. Irish is likely to prove a far greater test of affection than planned. Under the plain terms of the law each of the contributors lays himself open to summary dismissal from the service.

General George Stone was installed naval officer of the port at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Ceremonies opened with the presentation of the loving cup to the retiring Colonel Irish. The colonel thanked his clerks with a choked voice and moist eyelids and then fervently wished the general good luck and happy days. Not to be outdone, the general hoped the colonel would bask into an idyllic old age on the ranch. Special Deputy Collector Billy Hamilton administered the oath of office, and the general was soon left alone to administer his new duties as naval officer.

NO DOUBT ABOUT LAW

It happens that section 1784 of the Revised Statutes of the United States reads:

"No officer, clerk or employe in the employ of the United States government shall at any time solicit contributions from other officers, clerks or employes in the government service for a gift or present to those in a superior official position. Nor shall any officer, clerk or employe make any gift or present to any official superior. Every person who violates this section shall be summarily discharged."

The silver loving cup, which besides being of handsome design stands a foot and a half high and holds half a peck, was bought while the colonel was still in office. Its inscription was engraved and everything connected with its history, except the actual presentation, took place before General Stone assumed his new duties. It is even said about the custom house that the colonel had more than an inkling of what was going on.

GENERAL STONE GUARDED

General Stone was rather guarded in his remarks over the affair. The rosy events of the morning put the whole third floor in a good humor for the day, and the general seemed disinclined to stir up any unpleasantness.

"I knew it was wrong," said the general, "but it happened before I came into office and it was not for me then to interfere. There is no doubt that the clerks acted innocently. They thought, perhaps, that the presentation and not the soliciting and giving was what counted in the law. I am sure they acted innocently. About two years ago the same thing was tried when John T. Dare retired from the appraiser's. Dare sat on it. Yes, it's too bad, but I am certain this is due to ignorance."

Collector Stratton, who 10 years ago nipped in the bud a similar honor at the retirement of Surveyor Spear, frankly admitted yesterday that the language of the statute is so plain as to leave no doubt, but said the case is up to General Stone.

IRISH REFUSES TO TALK

When the news was carried to him, Colonel Irish was as badly agitated as if he had found himself wearing a necktie. He declined to talk.

A time honored precedent was upset yesterday in the appearance of the naval officer at 9 a. m. It is customary for the officer to wander in about noon and then wander out. The office itself is a survival of the days when England put naval officers over the custom offices of the thirteen colonies to see that the home government was not cheated. For reasons best known to politics the position has survived as a general supervising department, checking accounts. Colonel Irish has been drawing down $5,000 a year very handily since early in Cleveland's second term, continuing by reason of his gold campaigning done in behalf of McKinley. Although there had for years been constant rumors of his retirement, only General Stone was able to make good.

WOODMEN HONOR THE MEMORY OF LINCOLN

Members of William L. Temple Camp Entertain

William L. Temple camp No. 761 of the Woodmen of the World entertained a large number at its last meeting in the log cabin of the Woodmen of the World in Market street in observance of the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

The interior of the cabin was patriotically decorated with flags and bunting. There was an address by T. F. Bonner, commander of the camp; an address on "Woodcraft" by Peter F. Gilroy, head organizer of the Pacific jurisdiction, and a program of musical and literary numbers presented by an orchestra composed exclusively of members of the family of Past Consul Commander McCann and vocal selections by R. C. Post, F. Quast, Miss Fauth, H. Lewis McCann, Miss M. A. McCann, Miss Nellie Gee and W. Belcher.

In addition to the program there was a presentation to the camp by Consul Commander Burgess of California camp of a set of elaborate jewels for the use of the camp officers.

The affair was under the direction of a special committee composed of Lawrance Vincent, Leo de Cardona, Edward Van Buskirk, W. C. Pidge, Jacob Orwitz and Everett S. Harding.

EAST AND WEST MEET AT FEAST

Good Fellowship and Harmony Reign at Luncheon to Visiting Capitalists

A feeling of goodfellowship and harmony between the east and the west was the dominant spirit at the luncheon given the visiting bankers and capitalists of Pittsburg and St. Louis by the trustees of the chamber of commerce at the St. Francis hotel yesterday afternoon.

William L. Gerstle, president of the chamber, presided at the luncheon and acted as toastmaster. In a few appropriate remarks he stated that the luncheon was given out of recognition and appreciation of the investments made by the eastern men in California. Homer S. King and R. B. Hale followed the toastmaster, both reviewing the work already accomplished toward the Panama-Pacific international exposition, and outlining as much as possible their plans for the future.

H. C. Scott of St. Louis, a member of the visiting party, spoke in the highest terms of admiration of the rehabilitation of San Francisco, predicting a great future for the city and state, especially in view of the opening of the Panama canal in the near future.

George L. Edwards, St. Louis, ended the luncheon with the proposal of a toast to the chamber of commerce, the city of San Francisco and the state of California. The host responded with a toast to the success of the Sacramento Valley irrigation company, which project has the backing of the visiting capitalists to the amount of $20,000,000.

The visiting financiers were the guests of the Southern Pacific railroad company all day yesterday, except for the time taken up by the luncheon. In the morning they took an automobile sightseeing trip around the city, following breakfast at the Cliff house, and during the afternoon viewed the water line of the city from one of the railroad company's tugs.

Those present at the luncheon were:

W. M. Alexander	George H. Luchsinger
J. G. Ammunn	James K. Lynch
Alden Anderson	L. L. McLelland
John Barneson	A. B. McCaughey
F. A. Batturs	J. A. McGregor
J. Baul	C. K. McIntosh
A. E. Boynton	Gavin McNab
Frank L. Brown	James McNab
C. A. Caldwell	Philip I. Manson
Charles Campbell	Albert Meyer
D. K. Catlin	Charles C. Moore
W. K. Cole	C. W. Moore
W. H. Crocker	James K. Moffitt
Charles J. Deering	C. F. Michaels
C. M. Elliot	C. F. Moulton
Mortimer Fleishhacker	Henry D. Nichols
William L. Gerstle	G. W. Peltier
J. O'B. Gunn	C. P. Pettus
R. B. Hale	Cyrus Pierce
W. B. Hammond	E. J. Parker
J. B. Henkle	Henry Rosenfeld
W. H. High	Andrea Sbarboro
C. F. Hunt	Henry T. Scott
A. G. Irwin	W. R. Scott
Rufus P. Jennings	Leon Sloss
H. A. Jones	H. C. Scott
William J. Jones	L. A. Schlafly
A. C. Kains	E. W. Stark
A. G. D. Kerrell	E. J. Tobin
Homer S. King	B. G. Tognazzi
E. R. Lilienthal	George Tourny
C. M. Lindthal	Clinton E. Worden

MASKED ROBBERS HOLD UP STREETCAR CREW

Take Conductor's Coin at Point of Revolver

While Frank Pleasants, conductor, and Edward Boyle, motorman, of a car of the Sutter and Jackson street line, were sitting inside the car at the terminus, Jackson street and Presidio avenue, shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday morning two masked men boarded the car and covering them with revolvers ordered them to throw up their hands. They complied and one of the footpads took $21.50 from Pleasants.

Burglars broke into the Fashion hair store at 890 Van Ness avenue Monday night and stole hair switches and other articles of the value of $75.60. Robert Johnson's room at 715 Howard street was entered and clothing valued at $110 stolen. Albert Blumenthal's residence at 1529 Taylor street was entered and valuable jewelry stolen. A thief stole Lieutenant Harry Pfeil's evening dress coat, tuxedo coat and vest and silver watch from his quarters at the Presidio.

George Moxley was arrested yesterday by Policeman A. B. Thomson on a charge of burglary for breaking into the residence of George Lane, 207 Birch avenue.

The police have been asked by Mrs. M. A. Burns of Eureka to locate the thief who stole from her apartments in the Charlevoix, 1190 Pine street, a satchel containing $500 in gold, a diamond sunburst pin, scaraba stickpin, marquise ring with rubies and diamonds and veil pin set with sapphires. She did not miss her loss until she reached Eureka.

CONVICTED FOR FIGHT AT THE FERRY DEPOT

Joseph Neil, an athletic instructor, was taking his mother and sister to the ferry on their way to Los Angeles Monday and when he tried to pass into the waiting room Gate Keeper Moore asked him for his ticket. Neil shoved him aside and walked in. Moore informed Special Officers King and Paredolle and there was a lively mixup. Neil was arrested on a charge of disturbing the peace. He was convicted and will be sentenced this morning.

CLERK CHARGED WITH FRAUD—Alonzo McCready, a clerk, was arrested yesterday for obtaining money by false pretenses. On February 1 McCready engaged William McAvoy of Angel Island to go to Bopes springs to work. They were to leave that night, but McCready missed the last train and borrowed $14.50 from McAvoy, agreeing to meet him at the depot next morning, which he failed to do. McAvoy went to the springs, but found that McCready was not known there.

PROSECUTION WEAK AT HAYS HEARING

Judge Intimates That Charges Against Banker Are Not Proved

The preliminary hearing of W. C. Hays, charged with violating the banking laws by overdrawing his account with the State commercial and savings bank while a director of the bank, was concluded before Police Judge Shortall yesterday, and the judge reserved his decision until Friday morning, at the same time confessing that it would take a Philadelphia lawyer to make head or tail of the apparent confusion arising from the testimony of the witnesses for the prosecution.

S. P. Young, a bank examiner, reiterated his assertion that on July 9 Hays had only $88.23 to his credit with the State bank and drew a check for $1,200, while at the same time two checks, one for $1,000 and the other for $250, had not been charged up. In cross examination he admitted that the check for $1,200 had been debited to the Union State bank with the other checks for $1,000 and $250.

When asked by the judge to explain if he so desired the position assumed by the defendant, Attorney Jordan said that the State bank had taken over the individual accounts of the Union bank, of which Hays was practically the sole stock holder, for a stipulated sum and had given credit for deposits. July 9 there was a sum to the credit of Hays with the State bank, the checks for $2,450 having been debited to the Union bank. He read from the minutes of the State bank that the bank had taken over the assets and assumed the liabilities of the Union bank and had agreed to pay for the safe deposit vaults and other fixtures and for the lease. The Union bank, therefore, of which Hays was the sole stock holder, was a creditor of the State bank to a considerable amount, and that was why the checks had been debited to the Union bank. If there had been any violation of the banking laws it was merely a technical one.

The judge thought that the prosecution had failed to prove any of the material allegations in the complaint, but said he would reserve his decision.

STORIES OF SHOOTING PROVE CONTRADICTORY

Young Man Who Wounded His Friend Has Poor Memory

Archibald Reimers, who shot his friend, Harry Gottung of 3142 Sixteenth street, in the neck Monday afternoon while they were sawing wood in the yard of Reimers' residence, 135 Collingwood street, tells different stories of the affair and at times his mind seems to be a blank. His friends told the police yesterday that since he fell and struck his head, when he was 9 years of age, his memory has at times been defective. Gottung, who is in a critical condition, repeats his statement that the discharge of the weapon was accidental.

The police were notified yesterday of a shooting affray that occurred in a barber shop at Fourth and Mission streets Monday afternoon. The victim is E. C. Mitchell, who lives at 1227 Capitol avenue, Ingleside. Mitchell said yesterday that he and another barber were fooling with a loaded revolver, when the weapon exploded and the bullet entered Mitchell's chest. His finger, he said, got caught in the trigger. Mitchell went home, but paid no attention to the wound till yesterday morning, when Dr. John Hickey was summoned. The wound is not dangerous.

EPISCOPAL CHURCHES HOLD UNITED SERVICES

The Episcopal churches of the city will hold united services each Wednesday evening during Lent and the first will take place tomorrow evening at St. Paul's church in California street near Fillmore.

Fifty or 60 singers from the united choirs will render the music and about a dozen clergymen will be in the chancel.

Bishop Nichols will preside at the service and Dr. Fletcher Cook, assistant at Trinity church, will preach on "Christ, the Light of the World."

AFFIX TRIBUTES ON THE MAINE'S WRECK

War Veterans and Daughters of Revolution Observe Anniversary of Disaster

HAVANA, Feb. 15.—The twelfth anniversary of the destruction of the battleship Maine was observed in Havana harbor today with more elaborate ceremony than any previous anniversary.

A fleet of tugboats and yachts bearing members of the newly organized Havana camp, United Spanish war veterans, Daughters of the American revolution, members of the American legation and consular officers, many members of the American club, representatives of the Cuban government and hundreds of tourists and American residents visited the wreck.

A bronze commemorative tablet from the Daughters of the American revolution, a floral medallion from the Spanish war veterans, a wreath from President Gomez and many other floral tributes were affixed to the wreck.

Several speeches were made, and in all the earnest wish was expressed that before the next anniversary the wreck would be removed and the dead within its hulk laid in American soil.

Sigsbee Speaks of Disaster

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Veterans of two wars "remembered the Maine" at Arlington national cemetery today, where lie buried 160 of the battleship's dead. Rear Admiral Sigsbee, who commanded the warship on February 15, 1898, was one of the speakers.

"The burden of the Maine rests on me heavily—all the more heavily with advancing years—and in ways known only to myself," said the admiral. "To Father Chadwick and to myself came saddening evidences of widespread misery consequent on its awful destruction."

Among floral tributes were two large wreaths sent by President Taft and another on behalf of the Cuban minister and his staff.

DISTINGUISHED ENGLISH WOMEN COME ON LINER

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Lady Sibyl Grey, daughter of Earl Grey, governor general of Canada, arrived in New York today on the liner Baltic, accompanied by Lady Aileen Roberts, daughter of Field Marshal Lord Roberts. This is the first visit of Lady Aileen Roberts to New York. She will be the guest of Lady Grey in Canada.

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GERMAN-CANADIAN TARIFF WAR ENDS

Dominion Signs Agreement Placing Empire on Equality With United States

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The end of Canada's six year tariff war with Germany came unexpectedly today with the signing at Ottawa of a commercial agreement between the two countries.

Under the terms of the agreement Canada will remove the "surtax" which has been levied against German goods and will permit such goods to come in under the "general" tariff. In return Germany admits to its "conventional" or minimum tariff a list of Canadian exports that embraces many of the important products of the dominion.

While this agreement with Germany is the outcome of the Franco-Canadian trade treaty, Germany was not admitted to the privileges obtained by France and the other favored nations.

The agreement signed today places Germany upon the same footing in Canadian markets as that enjoyed by the United States and gives no special concessions not enjoyed by American products in these markets.

The next step, as admitted by members of the government, will be toward a trade treaty with Germany upon lines similar to the Franco-Canadian treaty. This will not come at once, but the Canadian government expects it to follow in the future.

The Canadian surtax, which has been applied to German imports amounts to one-third of the duty and the removal of this penalty will make a great change in German trade with the dominion.

Telegraphic Brevities

LIBRARY DEDICATED—Denver, Feb. 15.—Denver's new public library was dedicated tonight. The library cost more than $300,000, of which Andrew Carnegie contributed $200,000.

FATAL RAILROAD COLLISION—Columbus, O., Feb. 15.—An engineer was killed and 50 persons injured, seven seriously, today in a head-on collision between a Hocking Valley passenger train and a pay train near Nelsonville.

BOY KILLED AS BURGLAR—Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 15.—Edward Bowman, 11 years old, was shot by Mrs. W. H. Pierson last night and died today. The lad ran up to put a valentine on the porch and was taken for a burglar, the woman shooting through the door.

DECIDES FOR DEFENSE—Columbus, O., Feb. 15.—The supreme court today in the case of G. O. Lamprecht and Harry E. Hayes, bond brokers of Cleveland, convicted for fraud in brokers' transactions, sustained the motion for leave to file in the supreme court.

ELECTRIC CAR INJURES CONDUCTOR—Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 15.—While running at high speed today an electric car on the local system was derailed and overturned through the dropping of its motor case to the ground. Conductor Ira Steloraker was badly injured.

BRIBERY FUND WAS USED AT ALBANY

New York State Senator Admits Bridge Company Corrupted Legislators

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 15.—That the American bridge company raised a corruption fund in 1902, 1903 and 1905 was testified to today in the legislative bribery investigation, when State Senator Benn Conger was cross examined.

Plans were laid for wider investigation to follow the present inquiry into charges of Senator Conger that Senator Jothan P. Allds took a $1,000 bribe from an agent of the American bridge company.

Conger admitted the bridge company in 1905 turned their legislative bribery fund over to the Groton bridge company, in which the witness and his brother, Frank, were interested. A grim smile flashed across his harassed face as he volunteered this information relative to the purpose of the fund:

"There was a contribution to the state chairman of the republican state organization in 1902."

Investigate Bindery Graft

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 15.—The legislative graft investigating committee put Expert Accountant F. E. Brews at work today to investigate the dealing of former State Printer Mark Slater with D. W. Dinsmore of Chicago, who formerly represented a bindery firm in Chicago. Dinsmore is now working for himself. It was admitted today that the transactions with the Chicago firm aggregate about $25,000. This report will be made when the committee meets again Friday.

Slater has not yet been located, even his wife saying that she does not know where he is.

Resume Paving Inquiry

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 15.—The grand jury today resumed its investigation of street paving contracts with several city officials as witnesses and a large number of documents as evidence. The beginning of the inquiry last Friday resulted in the indictment of two contractors on charges of violating the state laws forbidding combinations in restraint of competition and trade.

NEW BANK FOR WILLOWS—Washington, Feb. 15.—The comptroller of the currency today approved the application of B. H. Burton, Milton French, F. H. Green, T. Harrington and A. Hocheimer to organize the First National bank of Willows, Cal., with a capital of $75,000.

WILL HONOR HUGHES—Philadelphia, Feb. 15. The University of Pennsylvania announced today that at the annual exercises on Washington's birthday the degree of doctor of laws will be conferred on Governor Hughes of New York. Governor Hughes will deliver the university day oration.

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