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ISLE OF PINES DECLARES INDEPENDENCE OF CUBA

Government Organized as a Territory of the United States.

WILL IGNORE CUBA

Delegates to Be Sent to Bring Matter Before Congress.

NO OFFICIAL INFORMATION OF DECISION RECEIVED AT CUBAN LEGATION--STATUS OF ISLE OF PINES TO BE DETERMINED BY CONGRESS--PALMA NOT ADVISED.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 15.—A Herald dispatch from Havana today brought the information that the inhabitants of the Isle of Pines have declared their independence of Cuba and organized a government as a territory of the United States. Delegates to congress will be sent to Washington to bring the question at issue before congress. The Cuban authorities will be ignored. Mass meetings under the name of territorial conventions were held and officials appointed to fill positions not appointive by President Roosevelt. The convention divided the island into five districts and ordered elections held to select members of the legislature which will convene next week.

CUBAN LEGATION HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED

Washington, Nov. 15.—Nothing is known of the secession of the Isle of Pines at the Cuban legation here, beyond what the newspapers report. By the terms of the protocol, which ended the Spanish-American war, and the treaty of Paris, it is provided that Spain shall relinquish sovereignty over Cuba and cede to the United States Porto Rico and other islands under Spanish sovereignty. The courts have decided that the determination of the status of the Isle of Pines matter is to be determined by the president and congress.

PRESIDENT PALMA REFUSES TO TALK

Havana, Nov. 15.—President Palma said today that he had no definite information of the action of the Isle of Pines and was unwilling to discuss the matter until officially informed.

BUGGY AND STREET CAR HAVE COLLISION

A buggy owned by H. Baars and driven by Leonard Craig, colored, and a street car coming east on Gregory street, collided at the corner of Barcelona and Gregory streets last night. The buggy was damaged to some extent, but the horse escaped injury, and the driver had a narrow escape, being thrown. It was stated, some distance from the vehicle in which he was seated.

DECLINE IN COTTON IS ONLY TEMPORARY

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 15.—Walter Clark, President of the Mississippi Division of the Southern Cotton Association, gives out the following: "I hope the people of Mississippi will not be disturbed by the decline in the cotton market in the last few days. This decline has been brought about by the bear raids and the reaching of stop-loss orders. The weak long interest has been eliminated, and while the markets may hang round present prices for several days, it must, in the near future advance materially. "Press to your cotton, and do not sell a bale at present prices. The spot market is entirely in your hands, and you have only to demand your price and you will get it. "WALTER CLARK."

TESTIMONIAL FOR THE NEW U. S. S. MISSISSIPPI

Vicksburg, Miss., Nov. 15.—The Vicksburg Board of Trade, at a meeting this afternoon, endorsed the movement for the purchase of some suitable testimonial by the people of Mississippi for the battleship named after the state. A committee was selected to begin at once collecting of a fund to be sent to Governor Vancaman. The same committee will also take up the matter of ascertaining from the Secretary of the Navy at what time the gunboat Vicksburg will be in Southern waters in order that a long-delayed testimonial can be placed on that vessel.

VLADIVOSTOCK MUTINY QUELLED BY COSSACKS

ORDER HAS BEEN PARTIALLY RESTORED IN RUSSIA'S FAR EAST. ERN STRONGHOLD—ENTIRE CHINESE QUARTER AND MUCH OTHER PROPERTY DESTROYED—NO AMERICANS SUFFERED.

By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.—Advices from Vladivostok late this afternoon indicate that the mutiny of soldiers and sailors has been quelled and order partially restored. American Consul Greener at Vladivostok, wires that a thousand Cossacks have been brought to quell the riots and are now patrolling the streets. Local merchants are taking measures for the protection of their property. Two thousand soldiers have started for home. The entire Chinese quarter and much other property was destroyed.

IMPERIAL DOMAINS TO BE GIVEN TO PEASANTS

St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.—The Associated Press is informed from a high source that a ukase will be issued to right whereby a large portion of the imperial domains, which covers almost one third of European Russia and which is at present the property of the emperor and grand dukes, will be given to the peasants.

OFFICERS HAVE NO CLUE TO MYSTERY

Still in the Dark Regarding Parties Who Buried Baby on West Cervantes Street.

Although both city and county officers have been investigating the case of the unknown child found buried on West Cervantes street, they have so far been unable to secure a clue, and are now as much in the dark as the day the body was accidentally discovered.

That the infant came to its death from unnatural causes has been established, and it is also believed to be of white parentage, but with these exceptions nothing of a definite nature has been learned. Those who buried the infant in the street evidently did so at night, but the officers think that in their hurry to conceal it they neglected to place it far enough underneath the earth to prevent the odor from attracting the dogs which unearthed it.

LABOR SAVING MACHINE IS HERE

Electric Stamping Machine is Now in Operation at Local Postoffice.

A labor saving device in the shape of an electric stamping machine, has been received and is in operation at the local postoffice. It was placed in operation last night for the first time, and the test was perfectly satisfactory. Numerous persons, who were not aware of the fact that the machine has been received, and who went for their mail stopped for a few moments upon hearing the peculiar noise issuing from the interior, and many of the clerks congregated inside the office to see the machine in operation. The installation of the machine will save much time and enable the clerks to distribute mail much faster, as they will now not be compelled to stamp the incoming and outgoing letters by hand.

CHARGED WITH BEING IMPLICATED IN LYNCHING

Hattiesburg, Miss., Nov. 15.—D. B. Holmes, R. H. Holmes, A. T. Rowe and Albert F. James, white men were today arrested on indictments returned by the Grand Jury charging them with complicity in the lynching of Kid George and Ed Brook, negroes. The men were not placed in jail, but are held under guard in the Holmes residence. Habeas corpus proceedings for their release will be begun before the Chancellor.

OFFICERS DETAILED FOR THE MERIWETHER TRIAL

Midshipman Said to Be Responsible for Death of Branch, at Naval Academy, to Be Tried by Full Courtmartial.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 15.—Official announcement has been made at the Navy Department of the detail for the court martial to try Midshipman Minor Meriwether, Jr., on charges growing out of his recent fight with Midshipman Branch at the Naval Academy. The department has taken the maximum, thirteen, for the trial because of its importance, and has placed three rear admirals on the court. The detail is as follows:

Rear Admiral Francis M. Ramsey, retired, president; Rear Admiral Alex M. McCormick, retired; Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker, retired; Commodore Robert L. Phythian, retired; Capt. Richard Vainwright; Capt. Samuel P. Comly; Commanders Sidney A. Stanton and Bradley A. Fiske; Lieutenant Commanders George R. Clark and John E. Craven; Lieutenants Morton P. Jackson, Ridley McLeay and Edward T. Constein, and Judge Advocate Adolph Marx.

Yale Students Stranded on Barren Taunton Rock

By Associated Press. New Haven, Nov. 15.—Three Yale students, whose names are not known, are stranded on Taunton rock, a small rock about a mile off the Branford shore. On account of a severe storm on the sound, it is impossible to reach them.

The men have been there since an early hour this morning, having started out at that time on a cruising trip. A terrific windstorm has them captive. At every high tide the rock is nearly submerged, and the waves were seen to beat over them at high water today as they perched on top of the rock.

Eight Miners Killed By Explosion in Mine Shaft

By Associated Press. Monongahela City, Pa., Nov. 15.—In an explosion this evening in a new shaft of the Brazell Coal Company, eight miners were killed and three badly injured. The dead are lying in the depths of the shaft, which is badly choked with

debris and fast filling with water. Mine Inspector Louell with a band of volunteer rescuers is doing all in his power to reach the victims, all of whom, with one exception, are English speaking men. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Ultimatum Delivered to Sublime Porte by Powers

By Associated Press. London, Nov. 15.—It was ascertained at the foreign office this afternoon that ambassadors of the powers at Constantinople today presented a joint ultimatum to the Porte. The ultimatum, in addition to the financial control of Macedonia, demands a two year extension of the term of office of Austrian and Russian civil agents and

officers of the European gendarmes. The Porte has been given 24 hours in which to reply. A refusal is expected, and consequently all the powers except Germany, which will not participate, are preparing to despatch two vessels to Piraeus rendezvous in the course of the coming week. An Austrian admiral will command the International fleet.

HARRIMAN GIVES THE LIE TO HYDE

BOARD OF SAFETY IN LENGTHY SESSION

Trial of Officer Long Kept Members Until Nearly Midnight.

The regular session of the Board of Public Safety was held last night, commencing shortly before 8 o'clock and concluding a little before midnight. Those present were Mayor Bliss, Messrs. McLaughley, Oliver and White, Mr. McLaughley presiding as chairman.

There was but little business transacted most of the time being consumed in the trial of two officers. The first case to be called was that of Officer Simmons, who was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer. He was given a suspension of thirty days, to date from time of suspension by the marshal and consequently went on duty last night, having been suspended some time since.

The trial of this officer consumed only a short time, but that of Mounted Officer Long was different. The defendant was charged with three offenses to which he pleaded not guilty. He was represented by Judge Landrum, and every point was contested. One of the witnesses for the city seemed disinclined to testify, and for a few minutes it seemed as though he would be ordered placed in the dungeon by the board.

Shortly before midnight and after Judge Landrum, for the defendant, had concluded his argument, the board went into executive session to consider the case. The announcement was afterwards made that the officer had been dismissed from the service.

Marshal Schuch submitted his report for the month of October. This covered the work of the department for that month. It was not read, however, owing to the lateness of the hour. It was as follows: Number of arrests 360; discharged 69, guilty, 263, sent to criminal court 9, sentence suspended 15, continued 4. Fines and costs assessed amounted to \$1,478, of which \$1,019 was collected.

Explicitly Denies Statements Made by Letter to Investigating Committee.

HYDE CAME TO HIM

And Asked Influence to Get Diplomatic Appointment.

DENIED SUGGESTING SETTLEMENT OF EX-GOVERNOR ODELL'S SUIT—EXPLAINED REASON FOR DESIRING ONLY INDIVIDUAL SIGNATURES TO \$50,000,000 UNION PACIFIC POOL.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 15.—E. H. Harriman, chairman of the board of directors of the Union Pacific railroad, former member of the board of directors of the Equitable Life and former friend of James Hazen Hyde, against whom the latter charged acts of an unfriendly nature in his testimony yesterday, was one of the chief witnesses before the insurance investigation committee today.

Upon Mr. Hyde's testimony relative to the settlement of the Odell suit being read to him, Mr. Harriman denied that he had suggested to Mr. Hyde any danger of the repeal of the charter of the Mercantile Trust Company, directly or indirectly, and stated that Mr. Hyde came to him and asked him to use his influence with Mr. Odell toward a settlement of the suit.

Contrary to Mr. Hyde's statement, Mr. Harriman said Mr. Hyde came to him about a year ago and asked him to use his influence, to have him appointed ambassador to France. Mr. Harriman said he would speak to President Roosevelt when he saw him, but added that he did not recommend Mr. Hyde for the post.

Mr. Harriman explained that he wanted Mr. Hyde's individual signature to the syndicate agreement of the fifty million dollar Union Pacific pool, because no syndicate wants a corporation as a member. He justified this because it was difficult to guard confidence when more than one individual represented the same interest.

Mr. Harriman said the Frick report was never mentioned in the Union Pacific deal specifically but included it under the general statement that Mr. Hyde had committed the society in unwarrantable transactions without the knowledge of the committee. Mr. Harriman thought it perfectly proper for the Equitable to buy Union Pacific under an agreement to hold it for five years. He did not know it was Mr. Hyde's money, personally, in this deal and always supposed it was that of the Equitable. Witnesses denied that he had requested that the executive committee be not informed of this deal and when Mr. Hyde's testimony on this point was read to him he replied that he did not remember.

Mr. Hyde was recalled to the stand and reiterated his former statements, saying he had no change to make in the testimony given.

BROWARD OPENS THE STATE FAIR

Tampa, Nov. 15.—The great Florida State Fair opened at Tampa today with a record-breaking attendance in spite of which everybody was well taken care of, owing to the systematic work carried on by the Bureau of Information. No trouble will be experienced in this regard through the Fair.

Governor Broward conducted the opening exercises, assisted by many of the prominent men of Florida and other states.

The features of the day were two grand parades in the morning, and a grand reception and banquet to newspaper editors and legislators of Florida, held at the famous Tampa Bay Hotel.

Over thirty counties are represented by exhibits at the Fair, a larger number of than have ever been represented at a southern state fair before.

KILLED HIS BROTHER INSTEAD OF BURGLAR

Booneville, Ark., Nov. 15.—Walter Quinn, a young man, was shot and killed by his brother, Thomas Quinn, who mistook him for a burglar this morning at the residence of their father, D. N. Quinn. Walter reached home late and rapped on his brother's window for admission. Awakening suddenly, the brother, thinking of burglars, seized his shot gun and fired through the window, killing the young man.

CHRIS. CONNERS TO BE BURIED SUNDAY

Body of Pensacolian, Which Arrived Here Some Weeks Ago, to Be Interred.

The remains of Chris. Connors, who died in Germany about a month since, will be placed at rest Sunday afternoon. For several weeks the remains have been at the undertaking parlors of Frank R. Pou, where many friends called to take a last look at the familiar features of the captain.

Captain Connors was a native of Germany, but had been in Pensacola for a lengthy period. Some months since he decided to make a trip to Germany, expecting to recover his failing health, but there died, and the body was sent to Pensacola for interment.

The pall bearers will be W. H. Hutchinson, Albert Riera, Jas. Wilkins, Jacob Kryger, J. Geo. White, and Thos. C. Watson. They will meet at the undertaking parlors at 1:30 p. m., on Sunday and proceed from there to Christ church, where the services will be conducted. The interment will be in St. Michael's cemetery.

ENJOYABLE BALL GIVEN BY CONDUCTORS AND MOTORMEN

An enjoyable social event occurred last night, when the Conductors and Motormen of the Street Railway gave a ball in their hall on West Government street.

The affair was largely attended and proved a deserved success. The music was excellent and the young people who attended will not soon forget the excellent manner in which the event was conducted. In order to accommodate those who attended cars were kept waiting for them until 12 o'clock.



No. 1.—EVER NOTICE HOW EVERLASTINGLY THE OLD MAN WILL JUMP ON A NEW IDEA WITH BOTH FEET AND—
No. 2.—HOW IN A FEW YEARS HE WILL ACCEPT THE SAME IDEA AND THINK NO ONE BUT AN OLD FOGY WOULD HAVE REJECTED IT?