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NEWS OF THE STATES

Gathered From Hills, Valleys and Plains of the Union.

Boiled Down As It Comes From the Wires for Information of Busy Readers.

Wednesday, November 28

Rear Admiral Frederick G. McNair died from apoplexy at Washington. He was ranking rear admiral of the navy and the officer next in line to Admiral Dewey.

Sixty modern railway carriages are being exported from the United States to New Zealand.

The shorts caught in Phillips' corn corner at Chicago settled at 50 cents. Phillips' profits were \$300,000.

McKinley's Utah majority is officially announced as 2140.

The sale of Standard Oil shares in the open market aggregated 157 shares at \$750, a new high record for the stock.

Official vote of Wisconsin shows 106-581 republican plurality.

Thursday, November 29

Two dozen smallpox cases were discovered at New York.

Four or five hundred men and boys crowded on the roof of the Pacific Glass Works at San Francisco to witness a football game. The roof fell from the weight, precipitating many upon the fiery furnaces below. About 25 were killed and roasted and three times as many injured.

Geo. Griffiths, for 13 years clerk of the Cincinnati school board, died. He was found \$100,000 short.

Boers captured 400 British at Dewetsdorp.

Robert Winstel, assistant bookkeeper of the wrecked German National Bank at Newport, Ky., was arrested, charged with being an accomplice of Frank Brown, who was short \$196,000. Brown has not been apprehended.

Friday, November 30

Six men, one a negro and two Italians, were drowned at Spokane. They were part of a bridge gang of 18 crossing the river on a ferry barge which was swamped by a floating log. The others had narrow escapes.

Mrs. Emma Van Liewah, wife of a wealthy banker at Vanwert, Ohio, was sent to prison for ten years. She threw vitriol in the face of Miss Alice Hammel, from the effects of which the girl died.

December options on wheat at Chicago dropped to 69 1/2.

Saturday, December 1

Thousands participated in the funeral rites over the remains of the late Senator Davis of Minnesota.

The old prison walls at Nashville, Tenn., fell and killed four convicts. Several others were injured.

Resolutions were reported by the committee to the Galveston Harbor convention today to the effect that the nation and state should join in the restoration of the port of Galveston.

The house committee on rivers and harbors continued work on the river and harbor bill. The discussion of the various items is proceeding upon the theory that the bill is to aggregate in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000. Only a few of the items have been definitely decided upon. It is not probable that the bill will be completed for two weeks.

The vote of Texas was 110,000 short of that of four years ago, yet Bryan received the comforting plurality of 146,259. Donnelly carried 21,160 votes.

Senator Stewart of Nevada has had his name placed on the republican caucus list. He has been a silver party man for the last eight years.

The United States mint executed during November 12,355,000 coins, valued at \$2,254,458.14. Of this \$116,338.14 was gold for the government of Costa Rica. The rest was in American silver, nickel and copper. The value of silver coins was \$1,908,000 and of base metal \$230,120.

A San Francisco dispatch says: The price of salt to the trade will jump from 95 cents to \$2 a bag. The Federal Salt company has acquired complete control of the salt industry in Alameda county and of the entire output west of the Rocky mountains. Negotiations have been carried on quietly for several weeks.

Sunday, December 2

At Mitchell, South Dakota, the jury in the case of Editor McBride, who sued 40 citizens for \$20,000 damages for the destruction of his newspaper plant nearly five years ago, has returned a verdict awarding McBride \$700 damages. Of the 40 defendants at least 10 were released from the judgment. The plant was destroyed by citizens who were offended by articles that appeared in the newspaper.

Ex-Governor Joseph McClure of Missouri, aged 88, died of hemorrhage of the stomach. He was elected governor of Missouri as a republican in 1886 and served one term. He served in congress from 1892 to 1898.

Lumbering operations in Minnesota are practically at a standstill on account of the warm weather, and unless there is a change at once lumbermen will be heavy losers this winter. None of the swamps are frozen over as yet. Loggers are being paid the highest wages in years.

Perry Kincaid of Auburn, Wash., aged 18, was cut to pieces by a train near Comstock, Oregon. He was riding the brakes and fell off.

Monday, December 3

Standard Oil certificates made a sensational advance today, selling at \$810, an advance of 30 points for the day. The company's capital of \$100,000,000 now has a market value of over \$800,000,000. The stock is the second highest priced industrial in the country. The rise in the price of Standard Oil this year has been phenomenal. Last January it sold at \$475. The middle of October it had reached the \$600,000,000 mark. A gain of over \$200,000,000 has been reached since then, with at least 100 points advance during the last

fortnight. John D. Rockefeller is said to own 43 per cent of the stock.

Five railroad employees were instantly killed and 12 people injured by the explosion of a boiler house of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad at Chicago. Four of the injured are hurt so badly that they may die.

In the senate the work of the short session of the fifty-sixth congress was successfully launched.

As officially reported, Bryan's plurality in Colorado is cut down to 29,803.

Gen. W. L. White, the defaulting national guardsman of Michigan, was sentenced to ten years in prison. Gov. Fingree pardoned him.

Tuesday, December 4

Representative Sphaerth of Colorado has led off in a movement to obtain government aid in the settlement of arid lands. His bill is now in the hands of the committee on public lands. It directs the geological survey to make surveys of at least four reservoir sites and ditches therefrom in each of the arid states, which are designated as Washington, Idaho, California, Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota. The bill appropriates \$13,000,000 to carry out the project. Upon completion of each irrigation project the lands under it are to be subject to homestead entry at \$20 per acre, in tracts of not over 80 acres. When the major part of such lands are entered upon the management of the reservoir systems is to be turned over to the homesteaders, who shall handle them in accordance with the irrigation laws of the state in which situated.

The report of the isthmian canal commission, submitted by the president to congress, gives as the unanimous conclusion of that body that "the most practicable and feasible route for an isthmian canal under the control, management and ownership of the United States is that known as the Nicaraguan route." The commission estimates the cost of this route at \$200,540,000. The estimate is much in excess of any heretofore made, and is due to increased dimensions and other features not considered.

December wheat at Chicago 71 1/2. Portland, cash, 54; Tacoma, 53 1/2.

By an explosion of chemicals, the use of which was for spectacular effect in the initiatory rites of the Improved Order of Red Men, at Beverly, Mass., Ira T. Crockett was killed and W. F. Rogers badly burned. The explosion was in the ante-room.

BELIEVES NOME IS RICH.

Optimistic Report of a Government Expert.

Washington, Nov. 26.—"Despite all evil reports to the contrary the Cape Nome gold fields are the most wonderfully rich placer diggings known today." That is the verdict of Dr. Caleb Whitehead, the special commissioner who was sent by the United States government to Alaska, to examine the gold deposits of the Seward peninsula. He has just returned to Washington, and is now engaged upon the compilation of his official report. It will be the most important document on Cape Nome ever made public, from a scientific view point. It will be accepted as final by the United States in basing estimates of future productions of gold.

Dr. Whitehead is the assayer to the American mint bureau. He is recognized all over the world as a metallurgist of the highest class. As an indication of his professional reputation it may be necessary only to recall the fact that he was recently offered, and refused, \$20,000 a year to join the Turkish government as metallurgical adviser.

It can be seen therefore that the judgment of Dr. Whitehead on the Cape Nome district, formed after a summer spent on the ground, is of the highest value.

EMPEROR TURNED HIM DOWN.

William of Germany Refused to Receive Oom Paul

Berlin, Dec. 2.—Mr. Kruger has abandoned his proposed visit to Berlin, owing to the receipt of an official intimation that the Emperor William regrets that, in consequence of previous arrangements, he will be unable to receive him. The Boer statesman will therefore proceed direct from Cologne for Holland. He telegraphed to this effect this afternoon.

The Cologne Gazette, in an inspired communication says: "Mr. Kruger's visit is not agreeable to Germany, his aim being to obtain intervention in South Africa. It would be a grave political mistake, it would be even a great crime, to allow him to entertain even a spark of hope that Germany will render him any practical support."

This declaration is accompanied with reproaches, Mr. Kruger being charged with "having encouraged a useless guerilla warfare and having disregarded Germany's advice when he might have still followed it."

The press generally strikes the same note.

Many Smallpox Cases

Winona, Minn., Dec. 2.—There are 400 cases of smallpox in the city and to prevent its spread the board of health closed two public schools and ordered the street car company to stop its cars at the boundary of the infected district.

Thousand Bolomen Surrender.

Manila, Dec. 2.—One thousand more bolomen have surrendered to Captain Green of the Thirty-third infantry at Vigan, island of Luzon. This makes a total of 2600 Filipinos who have surrendered within a few days.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at The Elk Drug Store, P. J. Stone, Propr. Every bottle guaranteed.

ROBBED AT PORTLAND

Thieves Held Up a Force of Clerks in a Mill Office.

Got Away With \$4727 of the Pay of Employees—No Captures Made.

Portland, Dec. 5.—Six masked men held up the office of the Western Lumber company this evening, secured \$4727 and escaped in the darkness. The robbery occurred at 6 o'clock, when dozens of men were in the vicinity of the mill, which is located on Front street, opposite Seventeenth north. Four of the highwaymen guarded the two entrances to the office, while the other two entered with drawn revolvers and ordered the four clerks in the office to hold up their hands. The money was in envelopes ready to be paid out to the mill hands, this being the regular weekly payday. One robber quickly threw the money into a sack while the other kept the millmen covered with two revolvers. They backed out of the office, locked the doors and the six men made their escape before the alarm could be given. The police station was immediately notified, and a number of officers were detailed on the case.

CANAL TREATY SIGNED.

Agreement Entered Into With Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Secretary Hay this morning, for the government of the United States, and Senor Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, for his own government, signed a treaty whereby the latter government concedes to the government of the United States the necessary right and privileges within her territory for the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

This action is taken in anticipation of congressional action upon the pending Nicaragua canal bill and the Hay-Manuelito treaty. Pending the submission of the treaty to the senate, which body must ratify the agreement, its terms will not be made public. It is understood, however, that generally Nicaragua grants to the United States government the exclusive right to construct and operate a canal between the Atlantic and Pacific across Nicaragua, including the free use of the San Juan river and of Lake Nicaragua, as part of the water course.

Nicaragua is also to be granted the right to build a canal, which body must ratify the agreement, its terms will not be made public. It is understood, however, that generally Nicaragua grants to the United States government the exclusive right to construct and operate a canal between the Atlantic and Pacific across Nicaragua, including the free use of the San Juan river and of Lake Nicaragua, as part of the water course. Nicaragua is also to be granted the right to build a canal, which body must ratify the agreement, its terms will not be made public. It is understood, however, that generally Nicaragua grants to the United States government the exclusive right to construct and operate a canal between the Atlantic and Pacific across Nicaragua, including the free use of the San Juan river and of Lake Nicaragua, as part of the water course.

The state department already has entered into an arrangement on similar terms with the republic of Costa Rica. This was because Costa Rica has established a claim to the right bank of the San Juan river, which must of necessity, form about a third of the length of the canal, should the Nicaragua route be selected and be constructed on the lines which will be suggested by the Walker commission.

An understanding also has been arrived at with the United States of Colombia covering the same rights and privileges for the Panama route as are conveyed by the Nicaragua and Costa Rica in the case of the Nicaragua route. So the state department has cleared the way for such action as congress may care to take in the case of either of the canal routes which has been found feasible.

HOW THE YOSEMITE WENT DOWN.

Driven On a Reef and Then Blown Out to Sea.

New York, Nov. 28.—Advice have been received from Manila that the island of Guam was visited by a terrible typhoon November 13, which wrecked hundreds of houses, among them the headquarters of General Schroeder.

The towns of Indrajau and Terraforo were swept away and it is estimated that hundreds of the native population in various parts of the island met their deaths. The coconut crops were rendered absolutely worthless and the vegetation of the island was killed by salt water. The storm came up in the forenoon and swept across the island with amazing rapidity.

The United States auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, which was anchored adjacent to the collier Justin, dragged her anchor, and was driven against 150 yards from the reef, her bows being crushed in. A launch with a crew of five men had previously left the ship to endeavor to find a safe anchorage for the vessel, the indications being that the anchors would not hold where she was. The men were not seen after they left the ship, and it is practically certain that the heavy sea which the storm kicked up swamped the launch. The bodies of Coxswain Swanson and Seaman George Anhel were recovered after the typhoon subsided.

The storm veered around after the Yosemite grounded and she was driven off and carried onto the Somayay Cliffs, where her rudder and propeller were broken. Boatswain Sweeney and 12 of the crew volunteered to take a lifeline ashore. A boat was lowered for this purpose, but it was swamped by a big sea that swept over it. All its occupants were carried away from the boat, but they miraculously succeeded in reaching the land after an hour's struggle with the waves.

Meanwhile, the atmosphere had become of inky blackness and the Yosemite, which had again been blown off the land, was drifting helplessly before the gale which was blowing at the rate of 100 miles an hour.

All hope of saving the cruiser was abandoned and the officers and crew prepared for the death they thought was surely staring them in the face. A majority of the boats had either been smashed or carried out off the davits and those that were left could not accommodate half the crew, even if it had been possible for them to live in the

enormous seas that were by this time running. A sea anchor had been put out and this held the Yosemite up in the teeth of the storm and prevented her from falling off into the trough of the sea. She rode to this anchor and drifted rapidly until 6 o'clock in the evening, when the weather cleared.

The cruiser was then 60 miles north and 40 miles west of Guam. She had labored so heavily that she had sprung a leak and all hands, including her commander, Lieutenant Brief, and an engineer, worked heroically in trying to clear her of the water that was pouring into and rapidly filling the forward compartments. After the violence of the storm had subsided an effort was made to start the engines. They were finally got to work and the Yosemite, with her damaged propeller, struggled landward at the rate of two knots an hour.

The water kept filling in the hold and the ship was gradually sinking. At 1:30 p. m., November 15, the Justin, which had started in search of the Yosemite, picked her up and attempted to tow her back to Guam. Two hawsers were broken and it was then decided that it was impossible to take her into port. The cruiser was then scuttled, after which she was abandoned, all hands going aboard the Justin. The Yosemite sank bow first at 3 o'clock and the Justin stood away for Guam. Paymaster Ballard saved \$68,000, Mexican money, from the sinking ship.

The Yosemite was first commissioned April 13, 1898. She had been station-ship at the Island of Guam since the days of the Spanish war. She is a 16-knot converted cruiser, of 6179 tons displacement, and is provided with a main battery of 10 five-inch rapid-fire guns and a secondary battery of six-pounders and Colt rifles. Her measurements are 291 feet in length, by 48 feet extreme breadth. She has a mean draught of 20 feet, 1 inch. Just before the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, the vessel was purchased by the navy department, fitted as an auxiliary cruiser, and rendered effective service as one of the patrol fleet, being manned in part by the Michigan naval militia. It is said that her anchorage at Guam was off the harbor of San Luis d'Apra, and that, owing to her low draught, she was obliged to stay six miles off shore. The harbor is a particularly dangerous one owing to the existence of a rocky shoal in the middle and a particularly crooked channel.

HORRIBLE DOUBLE MURDER.

Aged Man and Wife Treacherously Killed at Castle Rock.

Castle Rock, Nov. 29.—A horrible double murder took place about two and a half miles west of this place last night. The victims were Cornelius Knapp and his wife. No trace has yet been found of the murderer. The crime was most deliberate and diabolical and the motive is supposed to have been robbery.

Mr. and Mrs. Knapp were sitting at their evening meal when suddenly a shot rang out and Mrs. Knapp received the greater part of a charge of buckshot fired through the window at close range, killing her instantly. A stray shot also struck Mr. Knapp, severing the carotid artery. He was bleeding severely but was able to make his way into an adjoining room and open the door. As he did so the murderer finished his work by emptying the contents of the other barrel of the gun into the the unfortunate man's breast and he died instantly.

The murder was evidently premeditated, because the assassin chose his position so that his two victims were in the direct line of fire at the first shot. From the appearance of the house it is ascertained that the murderer also made a complete search of the premises with what result is not at present known.

The only theory advanced as a motive is that Mr. Knapp was a few days ago trying to negotiate a large loan. The party or parties to the crime thought that he had been successful and took this means of securing the money.

Mr. Knapp and his wife were well-known here. They were pioneers of the place, and lived at the homestead where they met their death for over eighteen years. The authorities are making every effort to locate the assassin.

Arrested for the Murder.

Kalama, Wash., Dec. 1.—Martin Stiekles, a fisherman living near Catlin, was arrested by Sheriff Kirby today and brought to this city tonight, charged with the killing of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Knapp, the aged Castle Rock couple, who were murdered Wednesday while eating supper. The evidence against the man is not known. The accused is about 30 years old, and is considered a "tough" man.

THE TELEPHONE.

It Will Replace the Telegraph For the N. P. Railroad.

St. Paul, Nov. 30.—The Northern Pacific railroad has decided to substitute the telephone for the present telegraph system of the road and will build and equip long distance and divisional telephone lines to take the place of the telegraph wherever it is deemed practicable. The officials of the road believe that most of the telegraphing that is now done in connection with the business of the traffic department, can be as well, if not better performed by telephone.

The plan is to place each station on a division in direct communication with the division headquarters and the various division headquarters are to be connected with the general office by long distance lines. In this way much necessary information of importance to the traffic and operating departments which on account of the limitations of the telegraph system, must now be sent by mail, can in the future be telephoned at once. The advantage of this system is obvious.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and influenza during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thos. Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the gripe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of the gripe to result in pneumonia." For sale by all druggists.

U. S. Commissioner, Colfax, Wash.