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THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Missionaries at Pekin have cabled a demand that Mark Twain retract charges made in a recent article.

The American Ice company has filed papers reducing its authorized capital stock from \$60,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

A seat on the New York stock exchange was sold for \$55,000, which is \$2,500 more than the highest price heretofore paid.

The steamer William L. Brown was launched from the yards of the Chicago Shipbuilding company at South Chicago. The vessel is 450 feet in length and cost \$300,000.

The Carnegie company has received an order from the Chilean government for 16,000 tons of standard steel rails for the roads of that country. The rails are to be delivered within two months.

Mrs. G. Braunchneider, who a week ago cut off her toes, ears and nose at Toledo with a pair of scissors, was adjudged insane and taken to the insane hospital. Her wounds are healing nicely.

George Willard, ex-congressman from the Third (Michigan) district, died at Battle Creek, aged 77 years, from a stroke of apoplexy. He was elected to congress in 1872 and served four years.

Mrs. A. S. Mallory the venerable widow of Stephen R. Mallory, secretary of the navy of the confederate states, and mother of United States Senator Stephen R. Mallory, died at Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. Kate Green of Coldwater, Mich., celebrated the one hundred and eleven anniversary of her birth. Mrs. Green is without doubt the oldest person in the state of Michigan. There is no question as to her age.

The dead bodies of John Favolona and his daughter Anne were discovered in their home at New Orleans. Both had been murdered by burglars. The burglars ransacked the premises and escaped without detection.

The Calcutta correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "Eight thousand persons died of the plague last week in Bengal alone, including Calcutta. While towns are being deserted. There is, however, no panic."

Joseph W. Dwyer died suddenly at Short Hills, N. J. Mr. Dwyer was for a number of years in the treasury department at Washington, D. C., filling the position of chief of one of the divisions in the third auditor's office.

The ministers of agriculture and foreign affairs at Paris are not aware of the convocation of a sugar bounty conference for the end of April, as reported by the London Morning Post, though the French foreign minister, M. Delcasse, thinks the news is probably true.

Charles H. Hasbrook, editor of the Denver Times, has received a letter from Mr. George H. Roberts, director of the mint at Washington, announcing that the suggestion of the Times for the establishment of a mint at Manila "is now under consideration for official action."

Benjamin Tillman, United States senator from South Carolina, addressed the Independent club at Buffalo, N. Y., on "State Control of the Liquor Traffic." He described the workings of the dispensary law in South Carolina and upheld it as the best system yet evolved for the control of the liquor traffic.

The California Canned Fruit association has cut the price of prunes for export one-half cent a pound.

The division of army and navy survivors in the pension bureau was abolished and the force combined with that of the record division.

The finance committee of the Richmond, Va., common council has agreed to report favorably on Mr. Carnegie's offer to contribute \$100,000 for a public library there, provided the city would appropriate \$10,000 a year for its support.

The hammer shop of the Schenectady, N. Y., locomotive works was burned to the ground.

H. Fernstrom, chief engineer of the St. Joseph & Grand Island railroad, has been appointed principal assistant engineer of the New York Central.

Nicholas Heeney, the 79-year-old boy who murdered Frank Johnson, a Pennsylvania tower railroad man about a month ago, was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Ohio state penitentiary. Heeney's parents live in Newark, N. J.

There is absolutely no trust in the report—published in the United States by a news agency—that the British have seized one or more islands adjoining Aden and belonging to Turkey. There is no Turkish island in existence adjoining Aden.

Oliver McMackin, aged 38 years, was shot and killed at New Albany, Ind., by his father-in-law, Thomas Smith, who is now in jail. They had been quarreling, and McMackin, who went there from Madison, Ind., assaulted Smith.

HE WILL WAR NO MORE

Aguinaldo Takes Oath of Allegiance to the United States.

HIS DISPOSITION IS STILL IN DOUBT

Will Be Kept Under Surveillance Until His Status Is Established—McArthur Wants Him for Loyalizing Remnant of The Insurgent Forces.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The war department today received information from General MacArthur that Aguinaldo has taken the oath of allegiance to the United States under the terms of amnesty offered by General MacArthur by direction of the president.

The dispatch conveying this information contained much more than was given to the public. The portion withheld related to the future disposition of Aguinaldo and made suggestions as to what the late chief of the insurrection might accomplish. No official statement could be obtained as to what finally would be done with the prisoner, but it was emphatically stated that he would be held for the present, but would be granted all possible immunity consistent with existing conditions. General MacArthur has hopes that a great deal may be accomplished through Aguinaldo. During the time he has been a prisoner he has made quite a favorable impression upon General MacArthur.

It has been suggested that under the terms of the notice of amnesty the prisoner should be set at liberty at once, but there is a provision in the amnesty proclamation which says that those who violated the laws of war are excepted from its terms. Whether or not General MacArthur has satisfied himself that Aguinaldo has not violated the law cannot be stated, as the prisoner would be permitted to take the oath pending an investigation of his past conduct. Aguinaldo having been the head of the insurrection, undoubtedly can be held until further investigation is made, or until the circumstances which surround the situation in the Philippines make it advisable to release him outright or otherwise dispose of him. These conditions and the general situation and Aguinaldo's return to them were the subject of General MacArthur's dispatch and are being considered by the authorities here who will have the final disposition of the matter.

The news of Aguinaldo's action was received with evident satisfaction by the war department and the opinion was expressed that good results would follow among those who have been still holding out against the United States.

The taking of the oath in itself is regarded as giving Aguinaldo a status of loyalty to the United States quite different from those still in arms. The department's instructions for the government of armies in the field recites as follows:

"The commander will throw the burden of war, as much as lies within his power, on the disloyal citizens of the revolted portion or province, and if he deems it appropriate, or if his government demands of him that every citizen shall, by an oath of allegiance, declare his fidelity to the legitimate government, he may expel, transfer, imprison, or fine the revolting citizens who refuse to take the oath, etc."

"Whether it is expedient to do so, and whether reliance can be placed upon such oath, the commander or his government has the right to decide."

In the present case General MacArthur has considered it expedient to have Aguinaldo take this oath and apparently has held that reliance can be placed upon the oath.

May Be Governor April 16.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 2.—After a conference with Lieutenant Governor Savage tonight Governor Dietrich authorized the following statement: "The time for making the change in the governor's office may be determined by the lieutenant governor. We have had an understanding and I have assured Mr. Savage that he may take the office any time after April 15."

Votes by the Governor.

LINCOLN, April 2.—Governor Dietrich today prepared a veto for the legislative appropriations for salaries of the supreme court commissioners and stenographers, deputy state librarian, deputy supreme court reporter and all officers of the court with the exception of the clerk and two bailiffs, who are left the constitutional salary basis.

Buffalo Bill Opens Season.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Buffalo Bill's Wild West opened its season in New York tonight at Madison Square Garden. In addition to the usual presentation of scenes in the far west and Indian and cowboy life there were a number of new features, including a representation of saving life from a stranded vessel by means of the breeches buoy, and the appearance of detachments of the Canadian contingent.

AGUINALDO IS SWORN IN.

Takes Oath of Allegiance to the United States Government.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Secretary Root has just made public the following cablegram, received at the War department this morning at 8 o'clock: "MANILA. — Adjutant General, Washington: Since arrival at Manila Aguinaldo has been at Malacanan, investigating conditions in archipelago. He has relied almost entirely upon the instructive advice of Chief Justice Arellano. As a result today he subscribed and swore to the declaration on page 11 of my annual report, "MACARTHUR."

The oath referred to is as follows: "I hereby renounce all allegiance to any and all so-called revolutionary governments in the Philippine islands and recognize and accept the supreme authority of the United States of America. I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the government; that I will at all times regard myself as a faithful and law-abiding citizen of the said island, and will not, either directly or indirectly, hold correspondence with or give intelligence to an enemy of the United States, nor will I abet, harbor or protect such enemy; that I impose upon myself these voluntary obligations without any mental reservations or purpose of evasion, so help me God."

Four asterisks in the cablegram mark a passage withheld from publication, about which the officials will say nothing now.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY SHOT

Wounded in a St. Louis Election Row by a Bullet Meant For Another.

ST. LOUIS, April 3.—It is just reported that United States District Attorney Rosier was shot in the arm at a polling place near Vandeventer and Manchester avenue. A row was in progress and Mr. Rosier received a shot that was intended for another. The wound is not serious.

While Mr. Rosier was standing at the polls in the Twenty-fifth ward, John Banks, one of a crowd of twenty or more negroes, attempted to vote. His vote was challenged by Mr. Rosier who said the negro had already voted elsewhere. He requested the police officer there to arrest Banks. This was done, and while the officer was telephoning for the patrol wagon, the crowd of negroes surrounded him and his prisoner whom they rescued. Between forty and fifty shots were fired by the negroes, more with the purpose of intimidation than to hit anybody. After the negroes had escaped, it was found that Mr. Rosier had stopped one of the balls. His wound is not serious, however.

HARRISON REMAINS MAYOR.

Chicago Re-Elects Him, But Cuts His Plurality to 28,375.

CHICAGO, April 3.—Carter H. Harrison has been re-elected mayor of Chicago for the second time and will next week commence his third term as the chief executive of the city. His official plurality over Judge Elbridge Haney, the republican nominee, is 28,375. The total vote of the city is: Harrison, 156,962; Haney, 128,695.

In the last mayoralty election the vote was: Harrison, democrat, 148,496; Carter, republican, 107,437; Harrison's plurality, 41,059. In the presidential campaign last fall the city vote for president was: McKinley, 184,788; Bryan, 177,165; McKinley's plurality, 7,621.

Out of the thirty-five wards of the city Harrison today carried twenty-six and Haney nine. The city wards were redistributed after the presidential election and the regular majorities in some of the wards were turned squarely around from what they have always been.

FORTS ARE TO BE DISMANTLED.

Foreign Generals Unanimous on the Proposition.

PEKIN, April 3.—Regarding the destruction of the forts the generals are practically agreed that those at Taku, Shan Hai Kuan and Tien Tsin must at least be rendered useless, while the north fort at the entrance of the river Taku must be destroyed entirely on account of the fact that ever since it was built it has caused lower water on the bar, having diverted the course of the stream. The merchants have frequently complained to the consuls, but no government has liked to ask China to destroy a fort at the entrance to an important river. This, however, can now be done as a matter of military necessity, and will give foreign merchants intense satisfaction as in consequence of its being done the river will in a short time again be navigable as far as Tien Tsin.

Trains Reach McDonald.

M'DONALD, Kan., April 3.—A Burlington train arrived at McDonald tonight at 7:25, the first train here since March 23. The snowplow is digging east from Bird City, Kan., through a drift three and a half miles long. The drifts will be cleared by 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. There were eight days' mail, express and merchandise on the train for McDonald. Snow on the range is two to three feet deep. Hard weather prevails.

SEEK TO ALARM CUBANS

Enemies of the Platt Amendment Give a Menacing Interpretation.

ISLANDERS WILL NOT BE FOOLED

Demand that Delegates to Constitutional Convention Accept Proposition and Relieve Business Suspense—The Situation in General.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Senator Proctor of Vermont has just returned from Cuba, where he has been making observations concerning the condition of the islands. The senator said he found a disposition among many leading Cubans to accept the terms of the Platt amendment as the most satisfactory solution of the relation between the United States and Cuba. There are some fire-eaters, the senator says, who assert that rather than accept any interference by the United States they will "take to the woods." This is Cuban for going to war. Senator Proctor says, however, that a great many people in the country districts, those who have been at war for many years, declare that they have had enough of the "woods."

There is a disposition on the part of some of the Cubans, he says, to place a strained interpretation on the Platt amendment, and they are trying to convince the Cubans, that the United States intends to do them great injustice. According to Senator Proctor, they are not making very much headway, especially, he says, as the delegates to the convention are now hearing their constituents, the larger proportion of whom are anxious for the settlement of all political relations with the United States, and urge the delegates to accept the offers of this government. Senator Proctor, speaking generally of conditions in Cuba, says that the business situation is much improved. American capital is now being invested and this has been especially marked during the past three months. Various enterprises are on foot, there is employment for nearly everybody, and the quiet and peace that has come to the people is appreciated.

COMMITTEE REPORT TABLED.

Cuban Committee Still Avoids Action on Platt Amendment.

HAVANA, April 2.—A secret session of the Cuban constitutional convention was held today and attended by twenty-five delegates. Among the absentees were Giberger, Senor Qullas and General Sanguilly, strong supporters of the Platt amendment.

The first matter considered was a resolution from the Planners' association urging the convention to accept the amendment, with the proviso that the United States should make a reduction of 50 per cent on the duties on Cuban products, or at least make a preference in their favor over similar products from other countries. The resolution was tabled without discussion.

The majority report of the committee on relations, signed by Senors Gomez, Silva and Villoundas, was read, but after a discussion, which showed that a majority of the delegates were opposed to it, a resolution to lay it on the table was carried. A similar disposition was made of reports from Senors De Quesada, Tamayo, Nunez and Giberger.

A motion by Senator Montezugo to appoint a commission to go to Washington was defeated by a vote of 13 to 12. It was finally decided to hold a public session of the convention tomorrow, when an attempt will probably be made to reconsider the action on the Montezugo resolution.

Cuts Rubber Still Lower.

BOSTON, April 2.—The United States Rubber company today announced a further reduction in its price list of 5 per cent. The annual price list is made public. In comparison with the price list of April 1, 1900, it shows a total reduction of 28 per cent, as cuts amounting to 23 per cent were previously made from the 1900 list. The above reduction in prices applies to all goods in the hands of jobbers.

Attempt to Kill the Carr.

LONDON, April 2.—A dispatch to the Morning Leader from Kiev says it is reported that an officer of the household attempted to assassinate the czar. He fired at his majesty and missed. He then shot and killed himself.

Ready to Rescue the Emperor.

LONDON, April 2.—The correspondent of the Globe at Shanghai says he understands that the Yang Tse viceroys and Yuan Shi Kai (the military governor of Shan Tung) are prepared to dispatch 100,000 troops to Sian Fu to rescue the emperor from the hands of the reactionaries and escort him to Peking, if a little pressure and promise of moral support is forthcoming from the powers interested in the open door.

RUSSIA THREATENS CHINA.

Notice Says China Must Sign the Manchurian Treaty Without Further Delay.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Information has reached here to the effect that the Russian government, being seriously perturbed by the course of China in not signing the Manchurian treaty largely because of the protest made by the several powers, has conveyed a distinct and unmistakable indication to China that if this course is persisted in there may be an interruption of diplomatic relations between Russia and China and a termination of the present intercourse between them. This is little short of an ultimatum that China must sign of take the consequences of a termination of its friendly relations with Russia.

To what extent the United States will take cognizance of Russia's disposition to enforce the signing of the agreement has not yet been made apparent. It appears to be the policy of the Chinese authorities to consider this as a subject which concerns the powers quite as much as it does China. The matter has become further complicated by reports reaching Washington that the Chinese authorities themselves are divided on the course to be pursued by some of the most influential, including Li Hung Chang, urging that acquiescence be given to the Russian proposals, while others insist on rejecting the agreement. The attitude of Li Hung Chang is accounted for by his well known friendliness for Russian interests. In this case, however, there appears to be arrayed against him the strong influence of the southern viceroys, Chan Chi Tung and Liu Kun Yi, who oppose the signing of the treaty. Reports thus far received show the agreement has not been signed.

BUFFALO HAS ITS TROUBLES.

Old Question of Sundry Opening of Exposition Up Again.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 2.—Vice President Roosevelt has accepted an invitation to take part in the dedication of the Pan-American exposition, which will not take place until May 20, although the exposition will be formally opened on May 1, as heretofore announced.

A mass meeting attended by about 1,000 persons was held at the Delaware Avenue Baptist church last night, at which resolutions were adopted against opening the Pan-American exposition on Sunday. There was read a letter from Secretary Cortelyou, in reply to one to President McKinley on the subject. It contained an extract from a letter from John H. Brigham, president of the government board, as follows: "It has been the invariable rule of the government board not to open the government building on Sunday. It will be safe to inform persons interested that this rule will not be departed from at the Buffalo exposition."

President Bart to Testify.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The industrial commission announced the names of those who will testify before the commission during the hearings this month. The following transportation witnesses have been arranged for: A. S. Randall, chairman of committee on government ownership and control of telegraphs, of the International Typographical union; and H. G. Burt, president Union Pacific railroad company.

Killed by Irene Miller.

WEATHERFORD, Okl., April 2.—Andrew Morris, coach-cleaner for the Choctaw & Gulf railroad at this place, was shot and instantly killed by Miss Irene Miller at the latter's residence here at 9 o'clock this morning. The ball entered near the nose and penetrated the brain. The girl when arrested claimed the shooting was accidental. A coroner's jury was summoned to view the body and take testimony.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of the redemption shows: Available cash balances, \$158,443,521; gold, \$98,046,643.

Thirty Thousand Idle.

LONDON, April 2.—Reports received at a mass meeting of the Lanarkshire colliery handlers at Hamilton show that 30,000 miners were idle in Scotland owing to the strike for an eight-hour day.

Actor Hopelessly Insane.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Doctors Stewart, Wilman and Fitch today made an examination of Maurice Barrymore, now a patient in Bellevue hospital. The actor has passed a quiet night, sleeping the deep sleep of utter exhaustion. At the conclusion of the examination Dr. Stewart announced that the patient was hopelessly insane. It was also given out that tomorrow morning he will be taken to Rivercrest asylum, Astoria.

CHARGED AS KIDNAPER

However He Will Not Show His Hand Until Trial Is Called.

CASE WILL COME UP APRIL 22D

An Extra Fireman Meets Death at North Platte—Mrs. Knox of Richard Attempts Suicide—Other Matters of More or Less Interest in Nebraska.

OMAHA, Neb., April 1.—James Callahan, now in the county jail, charged with being one of the kidnapers of Edward A. Cudahy, Jr., will not show his hand until his trial is called in the district court, the date of which has been agreed upon and set for April 22.

When Callahan was arraigned before Judge Vinsonhaler a few days ago, he stood mute and a plea of not guilty was entered by the court.

County Attorney Shields for the state and Attorneys Haller and Macfarland for the defendant, got together and by an agreement it was decided that when the case is called Callahan will waive examination. It was also agreed that the case will be called for a hearing in the district court on the morning of April 22.

Callahan is still seeking bonds for his release and hopes to get out of jail within the next few days.

It has been agreed that the complaint charging Callahan with robbing Cudahy of \$25,000 will be the first one to be tried.

Mrs. Knox Tries Suicide.

RICHLAND, Neb., April 1.—Mrs. Lillie Knox, wife of J. L. Knox of this place, attempted suicide by shooting herself at the home of Hulm Galbraith, two and one-half miles south of this place. The act was committed with a 32-caliber revolver, the ball passing between the heart and the lungs and will probably prove fatal.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox had been residents of this place for two years and always seemed to live happily together until about two months ago, when Mrs. Knox said she was going to retire and went to her room. She bundled up part of her wearing apparel and divided their savings, leaving Mr. Knox's share on the dresser with a note saying she had left him, and took her departure through the window. Since that time she has been making her home at Mr. Galbraith's.

Fireman Killed.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., April 1.—Troy E. Goddard, an extra fireman, who came here from Hastings to work August 1, 1900, was killed Saturday. He took the place of the regular fireman, Lewis, who laid off, and went east on an extra with Engineer Wood White. When they were near Coyote the train broke into three pieces and while the trainmen were getting the train in on a side track Goddard went forward to flag No. 3. His signal was answered by Engineer Whitlock of No. 3. Why Goddard did not get out of the way of the engine is not known. He was struck, probably by the pilot, and instantly killed.

Boys to Remain at Manila.

HASTINGS, Neb., April 1.—Theodore Knapp, Frank Fountain and Edward Barnhouse, three Hastings boys who have been in the Philippines with the Thirty-second United States volunteer regiment, have decided to remain in that country. They have been mustered out and will soon engage in business. Theodore Knapp has taken the management of a large drug store at Manila.

Free Rural Delivery.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Additional rural delivery service will be established at York, York county, April 1. It will embrace an area of thirty-two square miles, with a population of 1,575. William M. Allen and Lee S. Carey have been appointed carriers.

To Be City of First Class.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 1.—Governor Dietrich has issued a proclamation declaring Beatrice a city of the first class. The proclamation was issued at the request of Mayor Jackson, who certified to the population as shown by the census of 1900.

Southwestern Teachers' Normal.

TRENTON, Neb., April 1.—Teachers from Hayes, Chase, Dundy and Hitchcock counties are planning to attend the summer normal school of southwestern Nebraska at Wauwata June 3 to 20.

Gets Verdict Against Woodmen.

HARTINGTON, Neb., April 1.—District court adjourned last week. There will be an adjourned term June 13 to clean up a number of equity cases. One of the most important cases disposed of at this term was that of Helen Hamilton against the Woodmen Accident association. A verdict was given Helen Hamilton for \$2,023.42. The defendants intend to carry the case to the supreme court.