



An Associated Press dispatch from Madison, Wis., follows: "Professor A. D. Conover, vice president of the state board of control, which has charge of the state charitable and penal institutions, approves the recommendation to be made by a special committee of the legislature that the chronic insane and hopelessly feeble-minded persons of the state be sterilized. 'While it might seem somewhat inhuman to persons who have not given the subject much thought, it is the best solution of the problem that I know of,' he said. 'It is better to sterilize these unfortunates than to confine them during practically their entire life in an asylum.' It is understood that the superintendents of the two state hospitals for the insane and the state home for the feeble-minded also approve the proposition. The practice is said to be secretly carried on at a reformatory institution in Indiana and at many asylums throughout the country."

A St. Petersburg telegram says: "The court-martial which has been trying Rear Admiral Nebogatoff and seventy-eight officers of his squadron for surrendering to the Japanese at the battle of the Sea of Japan on May 28, 1905, handed in its decisions tonight. Vice Admiral Nebogatoff, Commander Ichino of the coast defense iron-clad ship General Admiral Apraine; Rear Admiral Gregorieff of the coast defense ship, Admiral Seniavin and Lieutenant Smirnov, who succeeded to the command of the battleship Nicolai I. were sentenced to death, but in view of the extenuating circumstances and the long and otherwise blameless careers of these officers, the court will petition to the emperor to commute their sentences to ten years' imprisonment in a fortress. Four other officers are sentenced to short terms of imprisonment in a fortress, while the remainder are acquitted of the charges brought against them."

General Count Alexis P. Ignatieff was shot and killed at St. Petersburg December 22.

The Nebraska Government Ownership League was organized at Omaha December 28. The officers are M. F. Harrington, O'Neill, president; Harry C. Brome, Omaha, vice president; Edgar Howard, Columbus, secretary; W. H. Green, Creighton, treasurer. It is a non-partisan organization.

The Omaha World-Herald says: "The editors of Kansas hold their annual convention at Topeka, January 21. The Santa Fe has notified the newspaper men that it will issue complimentary passes to each attendant. It also states that they will be complimentary and not charged to any advertising account. Omaha railroad officials look upon this move as throwing defiance in the face of the interstate commerce commission, contending that it is a direct violation of the new rate law."

An Associated Press dispatch from San Francisco says: "Resolutions denouncing President Roosevelt's message to congress on the Japanese situation in San Francisco, resenting his interference in the domestic affairs of the state, expressing want of confidence in Secretary Metcalf and declaring his report to the president on the Japanese school question as being 'utterly unworthy of credence in any particular,' and containing 'numerous misstatements,' were adopted at a mass meeting held this afternoon at Walton's pavilion under the auspices of the Japanese and Korean Exclusion league. About 2,500 people were in attendance. O. A. Tviemoe, president of the league and secretary of the state building trades council, acted as chairman. Among the speakers who discussed the situation were: Mayor Schmitz, Police Commissioner W. R. Hagerty, who is also president of the San Francisco labor council; P. H. McCarthy, president of the building trades council; Walter McArthur, editor of the Coast Seamen's Journal, and other prominent labor leaders. Mayor Schmitz said he was 'willing to lay down his life by the side of his fellowmen in fighting the Japanese hordes.' He said that it was a question of self preservation for the merchant and business man as well as for the laborer, and declared that the Japanese were more of a menace than the Chinese. If naturalized, as proposed by President Roosevelt, he said they would come to California in such numbers that they would not only soon control the state by their votes, but would make inroads into the prosperity of the country. Walter MacArthur said that the 'people of California will defend their rights against the assumption of these latter day federalists,' and declared that the issue of state rights raised by the president's message has superseded the issue of the segregation of the Japanese children. The other speakers addressed the meeting along similar lines, defending state rights and characterized the president's attitude as 'meddling in the affairs of this state.'"

Joseph E. Dust, a St. Louis newsboy, slipped and fell on the streets while selling papers and died as a result of the injuries received. Mr. Dust was ninety-one years of age and was one of the best known figures in St. Louis.

Alexander J. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Philadelphia.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of New York, December 28, follows: "The grand jury, which has been investigating the New York Life Insurance company, today returned indictments charging forgery in the third degree against George W. Perkins, formerly vice president of the company, and a member of J. P. Morgan & Co., and Charles S. Fairchild, formerly secretary of the treasury, president of the New York Security and Trust company and a member of the finance committee of the insurance company. Mr. Perkins was in court when the indictments were announced. He entered a plea of not guilty, and gave bond in the sum of \$10,000, his sureties being J. Pierpont Morgan, jr., and Cleveland H. Dodge." Mr. Fairchild is in Europe. The jury made a statement to the effect that the defendants derived no personal profit from the acts done. But "the evidence conclusively shows that a large pe-

cuniary benefit was derived by the policyholders as a consequence of these acts."

WASHINGTON NEWS

A Washington dispatch to the Houston, Texas, Post says: "The season of peace on earth and good will toward all men will be spent largely by the president and Senator Foraker in laying up trouble for each other when consideration of the Brownsville affair comes up after the holidays. Whether the senate will order an investigation is becoming a question, for it is now realized that it would consume much time, when there are many other matters, such as the big fortifications bill, pressing for attention in the remaining two months of the session. Some of the southern senators, Senator Blackburn for instance, want to stand by the president and drop the investigation lest continued agitation revive sectional and race issues in congress."

Commissioner of Immigration Sargent says that thousands of Japanese are entering the United States through Hawaii.

The supreme court of the United States in the case of Sheriff Shipp and twenty-six others of Chattanooga, charged with contempt of court in lynching a negro named Johnson after the court had taken cognizance of the case, decided adversely to the defendant in the preliminary questions involved. In handing down the opinion, Justice Holmes announced that the preliminaries disposed of, the court

would proceed with the prosecution. He did not say when the next step would be taken.

Dispatches from Manila say that it has been generally reported there that President Roosevelt intends visiting the Philippines during the summer of 1907.

President Roosevelt has sent to congress a special message urging reform in the land laws.

President Roosevelt wired E. H. Harriman urging that he use his authority with the California Development company to have repaired the break in the Colorado river. Harriman replied that he had no authority over the California Development company, but said the Southern Pacific would do the work, trusting the government to reimburse it. The president replied that he was "delighted."

A PLEA OUT OF COURT

Crossing from Folkstone to Boulogne the other day on a seat that was more rough than pleasant were two well known members of the legal profession, a judge and a barrister. The latter was suffering silently but sorely when the judge happened to drop against him as he leaned disconsolately over the taffrail.

"H'm! You don't seem quite at home here," remarked his lordship. "Can I do anything for you?"

"Yes," gasped the seasick lawyer, "I wish you would overrule this motion."—London Tattler.

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