

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Senator Bailey of Texas saw the president in the interest of Major Luther H. Hare of the regular army, who is a candidate for a brigadier generalship.

Frank W. Hackett, assistant secretary of the navy, will retire shortly from that office. He will be succeeded by Judge Charles H. Darling of Bennington, Vt.

It is reported in Teheran, says a dispatch to the London Daily Mail from the Persian capital, that Great Britain has declared a protectorate over Kewit.

Phillip A. Stewart of Colorado Springs, with whom President Roosevelt hunted in Colorado last summer, is a guest at the White House for several days.

F. E. Rittmann, auditor of the war department, has issued a special circular relating to bounties to soldiers for services in the recent Spanish-American war.

Ex-Governor Hogg of Texas says that about a year ago he stopped at Beaumont between trains and made a deal in oil lands there which netted him \$1,000,000.

General Corbin in his annual report suggests some radical changes in the service. He wants a war college, servants for officials and a cable direct to the Philippines.

A special dispatch from Capetown says that, owing to the restrictions of martial law, the pro-Boer South African News has been obliged to suspend publication.

The North German Gazette, semi-official, declares that the reports circulated to the effect that Germany will shortly issue a loan in the United States are unfounded.

At Narragansett Park, R. I., Henri Fournier of Paris attempted to establish a new world's record of ten miles. He went three miles in 2:27, when rain stopped him.

The epidemic of typhus at Gelsonkirchen is spreading. Forty new cases have been officially reported. Prof. Koch has gone there to investigate for the government.

The American Transvaal league of Chicago is planning a mass meeting to be held in the auditorium in that city and has asked Bourke Cockran to be the principal orator.

Mrs. Root, the wife of the secretary of war, and her children have arrived at Washington and expect to be joined next week by the secretary, who is still away on his vacation.

Millie Cooper, assistant to the postmaster of Manson, Ia., attempted suicide by jumping from the middle of the Illinois Central railroad bridge into the Des Moines river.

The arrival of Charles Hartzell, the newly appointed secretary of Porto Rico, is anxiously awaited. Governor Hunt intends to make several tours in the island, but will not start until Hartzell arrives.

The comptroller of the currency is in receipt of a telegram from the president of the National bank of Boycotown, Pa., that the bank has closed its doors on account of the disappearance of the cashier.

The annual report of Captain Meridith, the director of the bureau of engraving and printing, shows that the aggregate number of sheets delivered during 1900 was 116,909,423, while for 1901 there were 121,558,291.

Both branches of the city council at Philadelphia unanimously passed a joint resolution authorizing the taking of Liberty bell to Charleston exposition, where it will be an attraction in the Philadelphia building.

Rev. Charles C. Creagan, secretary of the American board, announced that a Mr. Ingram of Eau Claire, Wis., had offered to be one of ten to pay the \$50,000 required to complete the ransom fund for Miss Stone.

A special from Winnipeg says that Nicholas Daven, a veteran journalist and former member of parliament, shot himself dead in his room in the Clarendon hotel. He had been prominent in politics in the northwest for twenty years and was the author of several books and plays.

S. E. Maxwell, traveling representative of a St. Louis newspaper, died in Mobile.

The gunboat General Alva has been placed at the disposal of Governor Taft in the Philippines by the navy department.

All records for the collection of taxes in New York City have been broken, \$15,000,000 being paid into the city treasury the first day.

The president has appointed Frank W. Swanton postmaster at Nome, Alaska.

In Northampton, England, turbulent scenes occurred. Hundreds of employed shoemakers, incited by socialists, stormed the workhouse, demanding relief from the distress caused by the paralysis of trade attributed to American competition.

CZOLGOSZ'S TIME SHORT

Assassin to Be Executed October 28 or Following Day.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE IN SECRET

State Superintendent of Prisons and Warden Meade Select Twenty-Six Witnesses From Among Twelve Hundred Who Want to See the Electrocutation.

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 22.—Warden Meade of Auburn prison spent several hours yesterday in conference with Superintendent of State Prisons Cornelius V. Collins arranging the details for carrying out the sentence of death imposed on Leon F. Czolgosz, the murderer of President McKinley.

They went carefully over the 1,200 requests which have been received for invitations to the electrocution. There will be but twenty-six witnesses admitted. The prison physician will be assisted in the autopsy by Dr. Carlos McDonald, former president of the state commission of lunacy and one of the greatest experts on insanity in the country. There will also be a number of other physicians in attendance when the final mandate of the law is carried out.

Superintendent Collins is silent as to whom he will invite, but it is learned that the sheriff of Erie county will receive an invitation. Because of the small attendance that can be had under the statute there will be but a limited number of representatives of the press present.

The details for the execution have been practically completed and while the prison authorities guard with great secrecy all facts, it is believed that the execution will take place before 6 o'clock on the morning of October 28, or, if everything cannot be gotten ready on that day, at a similar hour on October 29. The work of selecting the jury to sign the death warrant of the murderer has been completed, but their names are withheld from publication. They will not be known until the morning of the electrocution.

INTERNAL REVENUE IS LESS

September Statement of Collections Shows a Falling Off.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 22.—The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue issued by the commissioner of internal revenue shows that the total receipts for September, 1901, were \$21,604,447, a decrease as compared with September, 1900, of \$1,849,336.

The receipts from the several sources of revenue are given as follows: Spirits, \$9,402,002; increase, \$697,973. Tobacco, \$4,350,097; decrease, \$920,034. Oleomargarine, \$203,766; increase, \$15,884. Special taxes not elsewhere enumerated, \$97,423; increase, \$13,153. Miscellaneous, \$1,649,673; decrease, \$1,438,209.

For the three months ending September 30, 1901, the total receipts show a falling off of \$4,417,052 from the figures of the corresponding period of last year.

NO OFFER FOR BURLINGTON

Officials Deny Story that Union Pacific Wants Control.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—The Evening Post says: "A statement published yesterday morning that an offer had been made by the Union Pacific interests to take over a half interest in the Burlington railway, and that this offer had been rejected, was declared to be incorrect. It was admitted, however, that the story had this much foundation: That a suggestion has been made in the current conference over Northern Pacific control for a division of the Burlington. This proposal, however, originated with Mr. Hill and was one of many suggestions which had not been long discussed.

They Want to Be Annexed. HAVANA, Oct. 22.—A petition asking that Cuba be annexed to the United States is being circulated among Cuban business men and every effort is being centered upon annexation, as business men generally, it is alleged, believe that the reciprocity movement will amount to nothing. A meeting has been arranged for Wednesday next at which, although held under the guise of reciprocity, it is said to be the first gun in the campaign for annexation will be fired by Cuba's orators, Senors Davenport and Lanusa and the Marquis de Montoro.

Discredited Story of Dewet's Death. THE HAGUE, Oct. 22.—The former residents of the Transvaal who are now in the city entirely discredit the rumors of the death of General Dewet emanating from Durban, Natal.

Two Men Convicted of Murder. HAVANA, Oct. 21.—Two men convicted of murder will be executed by the garrote next Wednesday. These will be the first executions since the occupation of the island by the United States.

ROB THE CHICAGO POSTOFFICE

Burglars Drill Into Stamp Vault from Underneath the Building.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—A sensational robbery which netted the perpetrators \$74,610 in stamps was discovered here yesterday morning when the wholesale stamp department of the post office was opened for business.

A rapid investigation developed the fact that the burglars had crawled under the flooring for about 300 feet, bored a hole in the bottom of the vault, secured the stamps and escaped, carrying their booty in a wagon.

The work of forcing an entrance to the vault had evidently been going forward with much patience for many days. It is believed, however, that the intention of the thieves had been to enter the cashier's vault, in which there was \$35,000 in money and stamps valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars. The bottom of the vault is of steel, half an inch thick. In this ninety-seven holes were bored until a space eighteen inches square—just enough to allow the entrance of a man's body—had been so weakened that it was possible to take out the whole plate with little difficulty. A dry goods box stood over the hole thus made and concealed the work of the robbers while it was in progress. When discovered the finger marks of one of the burglars were still discernible on the dust of the box, which he had pushed to one side.

So carefully had the job been planned that men working in other parts of the building had not the slightest inkling of the daring robbery being worked almost under their noses.

SOLDIERS SPECULATE IN OATS

Hold Out Feed on the Horses and Sell to the Livestockman.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 22.—A special to the Dispatch from Miles City, Mont., says: What appears to be a systematic embezzlement of government supplies, which has been going on for some time has at last been detected by Captain Short and Lieutenant Foy at Fort Keogh. The stuff appropriated was oats, intended for horses and daily held back by each horse. Foy and Short found a soldier driving to town at 12 o'clock Saturday night with thirty-two sacks of oats. The driver at first whipped his mule team off into the sagebrush in an effort to escape, but was easily overtaken and said he was taking the oats to Althen's barn. He was sent to the post under guard, while Foy and Short took the oats to the barn, disguising their officers' uniforms. The men at the barn told them where to unload and when they had done so they had the men arrested.

HAVE HOPES FOR MISS STONE

Pressure Brought to Bear on Both Turkey and Bulgaria.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—There has been no report since Saturday at the state department from Turkey or Bulgaria touching Miss Stone's case. The officials are, however, by no means discouraged and are still confident that they will succeed in saving her life, but whether by diplomacy or fear is not clear. It is gathered that the friendship of the Russian government has much to do with the confidence of the officials here. That government has responded in a most cordial spirit to the appeal of the state department, which, unable itself from geographical and political reasons to exert pressure upon the government of Bulgaria, has been pleased to avail itself of the powerful influence of Russia on that government. The Turkish government has for its part responded in the same spirit to the appeal of the United States.

Delegates Are Introduced. MEXICO CITY, Oct. 22.—The meeting of the delegates to the Pan-American congress yesterday afternoon was purely informal and its chief aim was to make the delegates acquainted with one another. Hon. Ignacio Marciel, minister of foreign relations, was present and mingled among the delegates. Refreshments were served.

Electrical Discovery. ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 22.—A member of the faculty of Moscow Imperial Technical school recently discovered that a microphone attached to an electric arc lamp by wire will transmit sound through the medium of another electric lamp.

Congressman Hull Recovering. DES MOINES, Oct. 22.—Physicians report that the condition of Congressman Hull is somewhat better, but it will be several weeks before he will be able to get out.

Wait for Some One to Shoot. COLON, Colombia, Oct. 22.—The anxious and prolonged uncertainty regarding the date upon which the insurgents will probably attack the city of Panama still exists, resulting in a wearisome tension productive of disastrous results to the commerce of the isthmus. The recent doubling of import duties on all goods and of the liquor taxes will not be likely, it is thought, to result in a proportionate increase of revenue.

THE WORK GOES SLOW

Admiral Bowles Calls Attention to Lack of Progress in Construction.

DELAY CAUSED BY STEEL STRIKE

No Fireproof Wood Found Entirely Satisfactory to the Bureau—More Naval Construction Wanted—Naval Yards Limited by Dry Docks.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The annual report of Admiral Bowles, chief of the bureau of construction and repairs, calls attention to the slow progress in the construction of the ships made in the last year, owing to strikes and delays of delivery of armor and steel forgings. He points out that under the present system for the purchase of armor the responsibility for delays emanating from this source rests with the government and renders it liable to suits for damage by the ship contractors. The construction bureau, he says, has made considerable progress toward the standardization of ship fittings, which, he says, will reduce the original cost of ships of the navy and decrease the expense of their maintenance. He touches upon the tests of fireproofed wood conducted by his bureau and says that while the products of the two processes submitted both possess desirable qualities, neither wholly commends itself to adoption by the navy.

Admiral Bowles strongly recommends that the floating dry dock at Havana, recently purchased from the Spanish government, be sent to the site of the new naval station at Olongapo, Philippine islands, as soon as the repairs on it are completed. It is essential, he says, for the efficiency of the navy on the Asiatic station, both from a strategical and economical point, that the government should be in possession of a dry dock in the Philippines at the earliest possible moment. He says the dock just purchased can be placed in condition for use of vessels up to 10,000 tons displacement within the limit of the sum appropriated by congress for its acquisition.

Admiral Bowles earnestly recommends an increase in the number of naval constructors, which is now limited by law to forty. This number, he says, is entirely inadequate to the present needs of the service and he urges that the limit of the corps be increased by congress to sixty. He says the efficiency of the navy yards throughout the country is largely limited by the lack of dry docks and modern buildings for the equipment of the yards. The navy yards, however, continue to present a fruitful field for the application of modern engineering to their mechanical equipment as well as modern methods of organization to the scheme of administration, which, if properly applied, should result in greater efficiency in the conduct of the work and greater economy in the expense, which is now out of proportion to the work done.

Admiral Bowles says the construction bureau has been taxed to its utmost by the work of designing new vessels and supervising vessels now building, and that these conditions have been aggravated by a lack of such navy department buildings available for the technical and clerical staffs of the bureau. He reports a lack of draftsmen of the requisite qualifications and expresses a desire to obtain for the bureau more graduates of technical schools.

Fire Consuming Hay Fields. LA CROSSE, Wis., Oct. 21.—Late this afternoon fire was discovered in the hay fields which surround this city. The flames are now burning everything before them and the firemen are powerless owing to the fire being outside the city limits and beyond water service. It is believed the fire was started by tramps. Upon these lands are stacked thousands of tons of hay. Although the loss cannot be estimated at present it is thought it will be enormous.

Leaderink Resigns. SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Oct. 21.—(Via Gaiveston)—J. Leaderink, secretary of the United States legation, has resigned his position and will soon leave for the United States.

Augusta De Forest Dead. NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Augusta de Forest, the well known actress who played leading roles with Alexander Salvini, John McCullough and Edwin Booth, died at her home in this city.

Would Build Reservoir. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Oct. 21.—President George J. Gould of the Northern Pacific, with officers of that road and the Denver & Rio Grande, left here by special train over the latter road for Denver tonight. During the afternoon the Parker City branch was inspected and tonight the special tied up at Springville. Tomorrow the Tintic mining district will be visited then the San Pete valley branch will be inspected thoroughly.

WILL PLANT A MCKINLEY OAK

Special Ceremony for Occasion of Roosevelt's Visit.

FARMINGTON, Conn., Oct. 21.—Arrangements for the visit of President Roosevelt to this town next Tuesday include the dedication of a tree which is to be planted on the village green by the townspeople and named the McKinley oak. There will be a reception in the afternoon to the young women of a boarding school and 100 other invited guests. The purpose of the president's coming is to visit his sister, the wife of Commander W. S. Cowles, U. S. N. He is expected to arrive here at 1:15 p. m., Tuesday, by a special train and will be accompanied by Senators Hawley and Platt, Commander Cowles, Secretary Cortelyou and Theodore Bingham.

Preparations for police protection have been made at the request of Washington, officials, twenty constables having been detailed for special duty on that day.

On Wednesday morning at 8:10 o'clock the president will leave for New Haven to attend the Yale bi-centennial exercises.

GRAND ARMY APPOINTMENTS

Torrence Gives List of Officers to Serve Until Next Encampment.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 21.—Commander-in-Chief Eli Torrence of the Grand Army of the Republic gave out these appointments: Judge advocate general, Henry M. Duffield, Detroit; chief of staff, Major Noel Blakeman, Moubt Vernon, N. Y. These persons have been named as members of the executive committee of the national council of administration and with the commander-in-chief, his adjutant general and quartermaster general, will decide upon the time and place of holding the next national encampment: William Armstrong, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edgar Allen, Richmond, Va.; Thomas G. Sample, Alleghany, Pa.; S. C. Jones, Centerville, Ia.; Loren W. Collins, St. Cloud, Minn.; Thomas W. Scott, Fairfield, Ill.; Frank M. Skerrott, St. Louis.

DEATH SENTENCE APPROVED

Private Wines is to Hang for His Crime in Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—President Roosevelt has approved the death sentence imposed in the case of Private William Wines, Company I, Twenty-fourth (colored) infantry, found guilty of murder in Pangasinan, P. I., and sentenced to be hanged. The president directs that the sentence be duly carried into execution at a time and place to be designated by the commanding general of the Department of Northern Luzon. In the case of Private Michael H. Robinson, Company F, Twenty-fifth (colored) infantry, convicted of desertion and sentenced to be hanged, the president has commuted the sentence to dishonorable discharge with forfeiture of all pay and confinement at hard labor for life.

Brigands Keep Out of Sight. CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 21.—The United States legation in Constantinople is still without definite news from either the Rev. Dr. C. H. Haskell, or the Rev. J. W. Baird of the Congregational mission at Samkova, Bulgaria, who have been endeavoring to get in touch with the abductors of Miss Ellen M. Stone, the missionary; and Mme. Tsilka her companion, with a view of arranging as to the ransom demanded by the brigands. Mr. Baird who was at Djumbalo, has returned to Samakov, indicating his failure to get in touch with the brigands from the Turkish side.

On the Commerce of Cuba. WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—A comparative statement of the commerce of the island of Cuba for the ten months ended April 30, 1901 and 1900, has been prepared in the division of insular affairs of the war department. It shows that the total value of merchandise imported during the ten months ended April 30, 1901, was \$54,412,262, against \$59,925,339 for the same period of 1900.

Cape Colony in Rebellion. LONDON, Oct. 21.—Mr. Kruger has received a message from General Schalk-Burgher that the greater part of Cape Colony is in rebellion, says a dispatch from Brussels to the Daily Mail, and that the Boers have armed 15,000 Afrikaners in the past three months.

Glad White is to Return. BERLIN, Oct. 20.—The news received here that Andrew D. White, the United States ambassador, returns to Berlin in November to stay has caused great satisfaction in Berlin.

Canadians Try Surprising. PRETORIA, Oct. 21.—A force of Canadian scouts surprised a Boer laager near Balmoral. The Boers fled after a short fight. The Canadians had two killed and an officer and two men wounded.

NINTH AGAIN A VICTIM

Bolomen Attack Detachment of Same Regiment that Suffered at Samar.

TEN INFANTRYMEN ARE KILLED

Comrades Come Just in Time to Prevent Further Slaughter—One Hundred Natives Are Killed Before They Can Escape After Attack.

MANILA, Oct. 19.—Five hundred bolomen attacked a detachment of forty-six men of the Ninth infantry at Bangajon, on the Gandara river, island of Samar, today, killing ten and wounding six. The remainder of the company arrived on the scene in time to prevent further slaughter and routed the enemy, killing over 100 of them. It is believed that the enemy only retired for reinforcements. As soon as the news was received at Cebologan the gunboats were dispatched, General Smith going in person to the scene.

The War department officials were somewhat dismayed at the press report of the new setback on the island of Samar.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The following brief cablegram from General Chaffee reporting the fight of the Ninth infantry in Samar Wednesday was received at the War department this afternoon:

MANILA, Oct. 19.—Corbin, Adjutant General, Washington: Forty-six men, Company E, Ninth infantry, under First Lieutenant George W. Wallace, in field, lower Candara, Samar, was attacked by 400 bolomen October 16. Our loss, ten killed, six wounded; names not received. Eighty-one of the enemy left dead on the field. Enemy beaten off.

The Ninth infantry, which suffered there, was the same organization that engaged in the latest fight at Bangajon, though in this case the company attacked it not known.

An inspection of the dispositions made of the troops on the island of Samar shows that before the Balangiga fight there were no less than thirty-eight separate posts. These were so disposed that supplies could be conveyed to the troops by water. General Hughes has left Samar and gone to the island of Cebu to recuperate, which accounts for the assumption of the command on Samar by General Smith. General Hughes was worn out and suffered from the effects of a severe fall received while chasing insurrectionists in the mountains of Samar.

NATIVE HAWAIIANS DYING OFF

In Addition to Decreasing in Numbers Will Not Work on Plantations.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Henry E. Cooper, territorial secretary and for several months prior to his departure for the United States acting governor of Hawaii, has discussed with Secretary of Agriculture Wilson the conditions in the territory. One of the main aims of Mr. Cooper's trip here is to acquaint the administration with the actual situation in Hawaii. In his conference with Secretary Wilson he emphasized the seriousness of the labor problem. The natives are dying off rapidly, the mortality being in the neighborhood of forty deaths to the thousand, and foreign laborers are getting out of the country much more rapidly than they are coming in. The encouragement of Chinese labor, said he, is regarded as the most promising solution and the territorial government is anxious that large numbers of laborers shall come in from China. The sugar cane crop that should have been harvested at the beginning of July, he said, is not yet off the field and will not be harvested before next month. The natives generally will not work. The coffee industry is languishing and many things that should be raised there have to be bought outside the islands.

Secretary Wilson informed Mr. Cooper of a report from the superintendent of the agricultural station in Honolulu showing, among other things, that it costs \$26 an acre to fertilize the cane crop in Hawaii and pointed out that the farm wage which has to be paid to farm laborers, viz., \$40 a month, including board, which is approximately \$10 more than in this country.

Made Master of the Rolls. LONDON, Oct. 19.—Sir Richard Henn Collins, lord justice of appeal, has been appointed master of the rolls, in succession to Sir Archibald Smith, who has resigned on account of ill health.

Court Martial Ordered. WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 19.—Secretary Long has approved the recommendations of the court of inquiry in the case of Colonel Robert L. Meade, United States marine corps, and will order a court martial to try Colonel Meade on charges of intoxication while on duty, of giving false testimony, and of violating the regulations in failing to respond to charges preferred against him by Colonel Denny and Lieutenant Colonel Launchelmer.