

FORCES REDUCED

STATEMENT ISSUED BY SECRETARY ROOT.

NEED OF MILITARY COLLEGES

Secretary Discusses Their Desirability—Every Effort Will Be Made to Give Officers Advantage of Schools to Be Established.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—Secretary Root, before leaving Washington issued the following:

With the reduction of the Philippine force and the withdrawal from Cuba, the army is called upon to resume its most important work in time of peace, the work of perfecting itself in military science and skill and of promoting the preparation of the United States against future wars.

Since the declaration of war with Spain in April, 1898, there have been appointed in the line of the army 1,542 lieutenants in addition to 276 appointed from the military academy.

The abandonment of the military schools for commissioned officers, which followed the employment of the entire army in active military operations, has left these 1,542 lieutenants substantially without means of acquiring a systematic military education.

Every effort will be made by the war college board, which has general supervision and charge of the whole system, to bring its advantages to the new officers of army as speedily as possible, and to organize officers' schools at all the considerable posts without delay.

The newly appointed officers should realize that there is much to be learned, and that the way to qualify themselves for the high and independent command for which they should all hope is by constant study of the reasons of military action and the materials and conditions and difficulties with which military commanders have to deal.

The remains of Mr. Mackay have been embalmed and placed in a metallic coffin, which is now resting in the music room of the Mackay residence, surrounded by flowers, which have been sent in great profusion.

Phelan Sends a contribution. LONDON, July 23.—Mayor Phelan of San Francisco has sent John Redmond, chairman of the Irish parliamentary party, £500 as a contribution to the nationalist fund.

Haunted by Bloody Crimes. HELENA, Mont., July 23.—The body of W. C. Craft, who was wanted for the murder of a fellow sheep herder at Lewiston, has been found in the northern part of Fergus county.

At Clayton, Miss., William Odey, a negro, was tied to a tree and burned. He had assaulted a young woman named Virginia Tucker, pulling her from a buggy with sufficient force to break both her legs.

Secretary Knox of the Iowa Society of the Philippines received notice that the railroads would grant a rate of one and a third fare for the round trip for the reunion of the national society in Council Bluffs in August.

NEBRASKA

Encouraging Conditions. Nebraska, July 22.—The Service of the bulletin for the 1902: The last week cool and wet. Temperature has averaged low the normal in the low 5 degrees below.

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BROWN IN THE ELBE.

Steamer Loaded with Passengers Cut in Two by Tug. SOUTH OMAHA, July 22.—The steamship Hamburg, with 185 passengers aboard, was cut in two and the tug Hansa on the River Elbe as it ascended about fifty miles were drowned. Thirteen bodies already have been recovered.

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THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

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THE RECORD OF A MARRYING PARSON.

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TAFT BIDS POPE FAREWELL.

Philadelphia Governor and Party Admitted to Vatican. ROME, July 22.—The pope received Governor Taft and the members of his party in farewell audience at noon yesterday.

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ENDS CAREER ON GALLOWS.

Reckless Son of Respectable Illinois Parents Hanged in Canada. TORONTO, July 19.—Fred Lee Rice was hanged here yesterday for the murder of Constable William Boyd on June 4, 1901.

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LAKE OKOBOJI.

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