

MARCH TO RICHMOND

ARMY OFFICERS START A TRIP TO STUDY WARFARE.

Entire Expedition Under Command of Col. R. K. Evans, of General Staff—Virginia's Capital Will Be Reached About May 16.

A thirty-day march to be made by army officers over the battle grounds of Virginia to study problems of warfare was begun Sunday when a long line of horses and troopers equipped with all the fixtures of the field left Washington, D. C., for Virginia under command of Maj. Eben Swift, of the general staff, on the way to Fredericksburg, Va., where the column will be met by thirty officers on May 7.

The entire march will be under command of Col. R. K. Evans, of the general staff, assistant to Gen. Witherspoon, acting chief of staff. The officers and troopers will reach Richmond about May 16 and after skirmishes over many battle fields within a radius of 100 miles will start on their return journey, reaching Fort Meyer about June 3.

The column which left Fort Meyer Sunday made a striking appearance. Eight large wagons filled with officers' baggage was in the van and about 100 horses and troopers were in line. Camp was pitched at Acotink, Va., as in regular field service and the usual army regulations observed. At least two days will be spent at Fredericksburg in a study of the route of Grant's army. Lieut. William W. Overton will have charge of the various camps and will have supervision of the supplies.

FISHERIES DISPUTE SETTLED

American and Canadian Commissioners Reach Agreement.

The draft of the uniform fisheries regulations governing the boundary waters between Canada and the United States under the terms of the treaty as passed last spring and prepared during the last six months by the two commissioners, Prof. E. E. Prince, Dominion fisheries commissioner, and President David Starr Jordan, of Leland Stanford university, representing the United States, has been received in Ottawa from Palo Alto, Cal., where the commissioners have just completed their work.

The result will be the observance by the United States and Canadian fishermen of the regulations contended for by Canada in the treaty waters from the Atlantic to the Pacific. These waters include the area of the water at the mouth of the St. Croix river, the St. John river where it forms the boundary between Maine and New Brunswick, Lake Champlain, Lake Memphramagog, the great lakes and Cornwall westward and the waters of Juan de Fuca strait and Puget sound.

Under the regulations as now agreed upon the United States protection staff, with headquarters at Washington, which will correspond to the Canadian fisheries protection service, with headquarters at Ottawa.

These two services will co-operate in enforcing the uniform regulations in all waters covered by the treaty.

MAKING FAST TIME.

American Armored Cruisers 1,500 Miles from Gibraltar.

The American armored cruiser squadron, composed of the North Carolina and Montana, which left Guantanamo, Cuba, April 23, under orders from the navy department to hurry to Alexandretta, Turkey, to protect Americans there during the present disorders, was 1,150 miles west of Gibraltar Sunday night, according to a cablegram.

Editor Loses His Life.

As the result of the explosion in the film room of the Crescent Nickelodeon at Peoria, resulting in plunging the entire front of the theater into flames, William F. Robinson, city editor of the Peoria Star and manager of the playhouse, is dead.

To Fight Rate Law.

"As far as we are concerned the 2 1/2-cent fare in Missouri is settled. The fight in Nebraska is the next one we will have," said B. L. Winchell, president of the Rock Island railway system, Thursday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$6.25. Top hogs, \$7.15.

World Wide Regatta.

Zambesi river above the Victoria falls is to be the scene of a great international regatta managed by the British South Africa company, in June, 1910. It is expected that the crews from all the racing centers of the world will participate.

Dr. Manuel Amador Dead.

Dr. Manuel Amador, first president of the republic of Panama, died Sunday afternoon after a lingering illness. He was 75 years old.

DEAD IN DIXIE LAND.

Havoc Wrought in South by Terrific Winds.

Dispatches gathered throughout the states by the Associated Press indicate that from fifty to seventy-five people met sudden death in the great wind that caused havoc throughout the south. The number of injured is probably threefold the list of killed, and it probably will be several days before a complete list can be gathered. While the storm, which reached the south from the upper Mississippi valley early Friday, left its scar on Mississippi, Arkansas, Kentucky, Alabama, Missouri and more remote states, Tennessee perhaps suffered the most severely.

Mississippi's most disastrous point was Horn Lake, where six met death. Arkansas reports a total of twelve dead, with likelihood that it will be added to as the inaccessible wire points are picked up. Alabama has four dead near Hartsell. Kentucky escaped with much property damage, but no deaths, while Missouri has several killed at Somerville and Golden. Georgia lost two when a boat capsized in the Atlantic.

In Arkansas the towns which lay in the swath of the recent tornado at Brinkley suffered most. They were West Marion, Weakley and Vicinage. In Crawford county ninety persons were reported to have been injured. This is the country about Fort Smith. Monmouth Springs reported eight dead.

Careful estimates indicate that at least fifty people were killed in Tennessee, while the money loss will not fall short of \$1,000,000. At Franklin and in Hillsboro there was loss of life. The latter town is said to be practically destroyed, while at Centerville and adjoining villages the damage is reported to be very heavy, both in lives and property. Near Pulaski the death list reached twelve and many were injured.

In the vicinity of Chattanooga wires were blown down and the movement of trains greatly hampered. The hurricane followed the Cumberland valley, wrecking small towns and destroying farm houses. At Ebenezer eighteen houses were blown down.

IS CRIME OF BLACK HAND.

Eight Die in Incendiary Fire in New York.

Eight persons, five of them children, were burned to death and fourteen others were injured in an incendiary fire in a five-story tenement house at 37 Spring street, New York City occupied by twenty families, early Friday. The blaze followed a demand by members of the Black Hand society for the payment of \$1,000 blackmail. It spread through the building with startling rapidity, as the hallways were soaked with kerosene oil by the blackmailers.

In a panic which followed the alarm the tenants fought their way down the fire escapes or jumped from the windows, while babies were thrown from windows into the arms of policemen on the sidewalk.

Six of the injured, three of them children, are not expected to recover. Jacob Bruck, the proprietor of the grocery store on the main floor of the building, received on April 18 a letter reading: "We demand \$1,000 or death. Bring it in Mott street. Petrosino is dead, but the Black Hand lives."

On Monday last Bruck received another letter written in a similar strain. He turned both letters over to the police.

TRIPLE LYNCHING IN TEXAS.

Three Negroes Accused of Killing a Deputy Sheriff Hanged.

A mob lynched three negroes early Friday at Marshall, Tex. The negroes had killed a deputy sheriff.

The militia, which had been guarding the jail for three days, was relieved at midnight and the citizens immediately formed a mob, taking the authorities by surprise. The mob entered the county jail, secured the negroes—Creole Mose, Pie Hill and Matt Chase—and promptly strung them up.

Mose, Hill and Chase were charged with firing upon and killing Deputy Sheriff Mark Huffman and wounding Constable Alex Cargill a few days ago for raiding a crap game. No arrests have been made.

Held for Big Robbery.

Kenneth Williams, a young man, who was arrested while carrying a valise containing \$3,000 worth of diamonds, is being held in San Francisco on suspicion of being connected in some way with the robbery of the Lundy jewelry store at that place a year ago, when safe crackers escaped with jewels valued at \$48,000.

Race War in a Texas Town.

Advices reached here from Waterman Friday stating that a race war has broken out between the employes of twosamlwillthere. Two persons are reported killed and six wounded. Waterman is on the Texas and Gulf railroad.

585 Saloons Close.

Friday night 585 saloons and ten breweries in nineteen counties of Michigan which voted dry at the last election closed their doors. Thirty of the eighty-three counties in the state are now dry.

New Trial for Miss Webb.

Miss Alice Webb, of Chicago, former manufacturer, convicted on a charge of passing worthless checks, was Friday granted a new trial.

STORMS DO DAMAGE.

Buildings Are Wrecked and Death Left in Wake.

An electrical storm, accompanied by a gale of wind that approached the fury of a cyclone, burst upon Chicago at 6:15 o'clock Thursday night, bringing death to at least five persons and cutting the city off from direct outside communication for nearly two hours. The center of the storm was on the south side of the city. Here one laborer was killed and nine more were injured when the roof of the Grand Crossing Tack company's plant was blown off.

A cottage at Seventy-ninth street and Ellis avenue was blown down by the wind and it was reported to the police that two men were killed and a woman and a child injured.

Telephone and telegraph wires were cut down on all sides of the city. It was the most complete prostration of wire service in twelve years. The Western Union reported that all its wires were cut off as though by a flash of lightning. Communication with the east was established slowly and by circuitous routes. The Postal Telegraph company at 7 o'clock had the only wire in the city to New York. Traffic was impeded on surface and elevated lines and suburban lines were delayed. Two inches of rain fell here and in neighboring cities. Many persons were injured by flying boards and knocked down by street cars and wagons.

Mrs. Matilda Johnson was standing in the front door of her residence on Ellis avenue watching the effects of the storm when the wind took the roof from her house and the building collapsed. She was dug out by the police badly injured.

Miss Eleanor Richardson, a 17-year-old girl, was trying to hold an umbrella over her head while crossing north Clark street when she was struck by a street car and fatally injured.

Twenty-five houses were blown down or damaged by the storm in Blue Island, a southwestern suburb. For more than a mile along the main street there the roofs were torn off or windows broken.

More than fifty houses were unroofed in Grand Crossing.

At Peoria, Ill., the wind unroofed the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy freight house, damaged the union depot to the amount of several hundred dollars, blew several box cars from the track in the railroad yards, demolished three flagmen's shanties, in one of which John Corcoran, a switchman, was severely injured and caused much damage to shipping on the Illinois river.

On the farms surrounding Peoria thousands of dollars' damage was done to orchards and property.

MAIL TRAIN HELD UP.

Robbers Work on Northern Pacific While Posses Form.

Northern Pacific Train No. 3 was held up at 10:30 o'clock Thursday night three miles east of Hauser Junction, Idaho, by two highwaymen.

The robbers cut the engine and one mail car from the train, shot twice at the fireman, ordering him from the engine, and put a revolver to Engineer Whittlesey's head and compelled him to send the engine ahead. The other bandit took the place of the fireman, and as they passed through Hauser he was throwing coal into the firebox in an experienced manner. This, together with the fact that there were no markers on the rear of the train and the engine crew disregarded signals revealed to the operator that it was a holdup, and he notified the dispatcher in Spokane to that effect.

Officials at Spokane and Rathdrum were notified, and while the mail car was being robbed between Trent and Yardley posses were forming on either side of the bandits to overhaul them.

The engine and mail car ran by the signals at Trent, ten miles east of Spokane, and had not appeared at Yardley at midnight.

Shots That Killed Cockrill.

John Smith, in the trial of John Abner, at Jackson, Ky., charged with the assassination of James Cockrill, testified Thursday that he, Abner and Curt Jett fired the shots from the court house window which killed Cockrill. Smith recently was granted immunity.

Will Be Put to Death.

Henry Blankford and Monroe Smith, negroes, of Lake Charles, La., have been found guilty of murdering Rene Reed, a prominent citizen. Reed on March 13, was shot down and robbed of a considerable sum of money. The verdict carries the death penalty with it.

Bond Brokers Indicted.

W. Q. Hayse and his son, Harry Hayse, of the firm of Wm. J. Hayse & Son, bond brokers of Cleveland, O., were indicted by the county grand jury Thursday on the charge of embezzling \$227,000 worth of bonds of the Cincinnati, Blount and Chicago Railway company.

Three Women Drown.

While bathing in the Little Wichita river near Henrietta, Tex., Thursday, Mrs. E. E. Lebus, Miss Katherine Weaver and Miss Mazelle Ellis were caught in a strong undertow, swept into a deep hole and drowned. Half a dozen girls stood helpless unable to render any assistance.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

BOOST OF RIVER RATE.

Former Sioux City Man in Opposition to Advance in Rates.

E. J. McVann, former commissioner of the Sioux City Commercial club, has assumed his new duties as manager of a traffic bureau of the Commercial club of Omaha and left for Chicago to make his first move in an effort which is to be made by Omaha to resist the gradual advance of freight rates in Missouri river territory.

The first case to be fought is one of importance to every city on the Missouri river. It is an advance in coal rates from the Mississippi river to the Missouri river, the only apparent reason being the desire of western railroads to take advantage of the fact that roads east of the Mississippi river cut the rates some time ago and thus far have not restored them. The western roads have given notice they will increase the rates west of the river 3 cents more per ton than the eastern roads cut off, making the advance on the western rate 20 cents per ton on Illinois coal.

This move on the part of the railroads disturbs the whole railroad rate fabric on coal shipments in territory west of the Mississippi river and is believed to be the entering wedge for another general advance in coal, lumber and building material rates.

For twenty years the rate from East St. Louis to Omaha, Kansas City and St. Joseph has been \$1.80. This plus rate from the mines to East St. Louis made the Missouri river rate on soft coal. The roads hauling coal to East St. Louis charged 57 cents from one group of mines and 42 cents from the other. One day they cut off 17 cents from the river 25 and 42 cents per ton respectively. Then the western roads gave notice of the advance in rates from the Mississippi to the Missouri of 20 cents.

In explaining the advance, a railroad official gave this set of figures to Mr. McVann: "The coal dealers buy the Illinois coal for \$1.05 per ton at the mines, pay \$2.05 per ton to bring it to the Missouri river, it costs them 40 cents per ton to put it into their bins and 40 cents more to deliver it in a city. That makes \$3.90. They charge the consumer \$6 and \$8.50 per ton. They make \$2.10 to \$2.60 per ton on the coal and we are going down in their pockets and take some of the profits."

In his new position Mr. McVann will be the central figure in the hearings before the supreme court on the famous Missouri river rate case, as well as before the interstate commerce commission in the Denver rate case which will resist railroads in making general advances into western territory. His salary is \$6,600 per annum.

BUNCO MEN BOUND OVER.

Pair Who Fleeced Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Andy Potts and Charles Osborne, the two men arrested in Omaha on the charge of obtaining \$250 from Harry Dressler, of Springfield, Neb., by the old express bill confidence game, were arraigned in justice court at Fremont Thursday morning on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. They pleaded not guilty, waived preliminary examination and in default of bail, which was fixed at \$5,000, were committed to the county jail for trial at the next term of the district court, which meets May 17.

They have employed attorneys from Omaha and will try to put up a strong defense. Neither will talk. The amount of bail was a surprise, especially to Potts who was evidently looking for a bond which he could give. Dressler was present in court, as it was thought they might demand a hearing. He was obliged to give up his right to file on a homestead in the Rosebud agency country and went back home. The officers are of the opinion that they have a strong case against the men and that they are about the slickest pair of confidence men that have ever operated in this vicinity.

Wants Interpretation of Law.

Brownings, King & Co., of Omaha, has written to Secretary of State Junkin for an opinion on the law enacted by the late legislature regarding the flat tax on the capital stock of corporations. The firm informed the secretary of state that it did business in many states and had an immense capital stock if it were all totaled, but by no means is all of its capital stock invested in Nebraska or used in Nebraska. It desired to know whether it would have to pay the tax on the capital stock used in Nebraska or on its entire capitalization. The question was referred to the attorney general.

Mothers' Day May 9.

Nebraskans will again be called upon to observe "Mother's Day." Secretary Mayne, of the Young Men's Christian association, called on the governor and asked that he issue a proclamation calling upon the people to observe the day. It is probable the governor will set aside May 9 in a proclamation to be issued later.

No Money to Teachers.

State Auditor Barton has issued no warrants for the April salary of the teachers of the Peru normal school. Until the authority of the new board is tested in the supreme court, the auditor will not issue any warrants on the board's vouchers.

Horse Thief Captured.

Frank Baxter, near Decatur, had a horse stolen Sunday night, of which the sheriff was notified Monday, and he at once took up the clew. He traced it to Walthill, where the horse was sold by a half breed Indian named Perry, who hiked for Omaha, but returned Wednesday, when he was taken by the officers and lodged in jail at Tokamah that evening. The half breed is a graduate of the Carlisle Indian school and apparently is a bright fellow.

OMAHA MEN BUY LAND.

Secure Much Land in Wyoming and North Dakota.

No more Pattens will be kings of the wheat pit and controllers of the bread supply, if Omaha men who are buying land in North Dakota and the dry farming regions of Montana, break the land and plant wheat.

Almost sixty sections of land in Billings county, North Dakota, and Dawson county, Montana, have passed into the hands of Omahans. It is land with sufficient rainfall to grow wheat by any farming method and land that will produce a bumper crop when handled by the dry farming irrigation ditches in Montana. The North Dakota land is in the Little Missouri country, which has demonstrated its worth as wheat land.

G. W. Holdrege, general manager of the Burlington Railroad company, is the largest holder of Montana land in Omaha.

H. H. Baldrige is one of the largest individual owners of North Dakota lands.

Green, Breckenridge & Matters have secured 17,000 acres of the North Dakota lands west of the Missouri river, in the country where Theodore Roosevelt once ranged.

Some of the owners plan to cut the land up into 160-acre farms and offer it for sale, but most of those who own the land have it for an investment and will not go into the real estate business.

STATE COMMITTEE MEETS.

Republicans in Conference at Lincoln on Donohoe Act.

After several hours of deliberation the members of the republican state central committee Tuesday night appointed a committee of five to investigate the provisions of the Donohoe act and take action regarding the placing of a ticket in the field next fall. The bill passed by the last session of the legislature attempts to amend the primary law. By its terms partisan candidates can not be named for the supreme judgeship owing to the postponement of the primaries. So the three places must be filled by choosing between the candidates by petition. More than a dozen republicans are already in the race. The committee may devise a republican primary to eliminate a number of the party candidates and concentrate the vote. It will be impossible to place the party designation on the ballot, however.

TROOPS AT ASHLAND RANGE.

Four Companies Encamped and Modern Camp Equipment Installed.

Troops from Fort Crook have been arriving at the government rifle range near Ashland almost every day during the last week. Altogether four companies are in practice at the camp, which is pronounced ideal for its purpose. The range covers some four miles along both sides of the Platte river above the Burlington's bridge. Automatic electrical markers, telephone service and complete camp equipment have been installed. Rifle practice will continue until early summer, when in July the National Guard will hold a brigade encampment and rifle practice. Arrangements are also going forward for securing the Omaha high school cadet and state university encampments at Ashland this year.

ITALIANS KEPT MOVING.

Band of Citizens Drive Them Out of Town of Krider.

A number of men from Wymore, assisted by farmers in the neighborhood of the town of Krider, attacked the Italians driven from Wymore Sunday morning and routed them out of their place of refuge. No one was injured, but the foreigners were badly frightened. The railroad company has taken them to Dewese, in Clay county. Sheriff Trude is said to have advised such action, believing their presence in Gage county might provoke further disorders. Wymore is quiet and the law will be allowed to take its course in the case of Bertrud, the slayer of the Public boy. Notice has been given, however, that no more Italians can come to Wymore.

OPIMUM DEN RAIDED.

Omaha Police Capture a Couple of Confidence Men.

During a raid on an opium den in Omaha the police arrested two men who gave the names of "Andy" Potts and Charles Osborne and are believed to be the bunco men who beat W. Dressler out of \$250 earlier in the day at Fremont. They induced Dressler, who was en route to Dallas, S. D., to take up a homestead, to advance money on a bad check and then decamped. They were well supplied with money when taken into custody.

Surveying Drainage Canal.

The government surveying party, engaged in the preliminary survey for the drainage canal through Salt Creek valley, began work during the last week. The survey will extend from the mouth of Salt creek below Ashland.

Injures Foot with Pitchfork.

Little Ethel Patton, of Huntley, is suffering with a severe wound, the result of sticking a pitchfork in her foot.

Jury Accuses Bertuka.

The coroner's jury, investigating the shooting of Clyde Preuhs at Wymore, returned a verdict that the boy came to his death by a bullet wilfully fired from a .33-caliber revolver in the hands of Ferreno Bertuka.

Aged Man Hangs Himself.

Peter Konnagell, 70 years of age and for twenty-six years a resident of Millard, committed suicide Monday by hanging himself in a barn in the rear of Fred Marode's hotel and saloon.

GOEBEL CASE ENDED; PARDONS FOR EXILES

Former Governor Taylor and Secretary Finley Freed of All Charges.

BUT FEW INDICTMENTS REMAIN

Only Those Who Turned State's Evidence and Youtsey, Now in Prison, Under Cloud.

Governor A. E. Wilson has issued pardons for every one—except those who turned state's evidence—charged with conspiracy in connection with the assassination of Senator William Goebel nine years ago. Later, it is understood, the indictments against those who admitted part in the alleged conspiracy will be dismissed, leaving Henry E. Youtsey, now serving a life sentence in the state penitentiary, as the only person to suffer for the murder of Goebel.

It is Governor Wilson's opinion that there was no conspiracy. He asserts that he believes that Youtsey committed the murder unassisted and alone.

Thus ends the last chapter in the Kentucky assassination, which attracted world-wide attention when it happened. Goebel was recognized as one of the most capable lawyers of Kentucky, and previous to the Democratic state convention in 1890 had gained the position of State Senator. He was nominated in that convention as candidate for Governor. William S. Taylor was the Republican nominee.

Following the election, which showed that Taylor had received a majority of about 3,500 of the face of the returns, Goebel and his associates on the regular Democratic ticket filed contests. During the progress of the hearing before the Legislature in the gubernatorial contest hundreds of mountaineers were imported to Frankfort, it was charged, by Taylor, Finley and others. The state capital, as the contest progressed, was overrun with partisans from out in the state of both factions, and bitterness increased with the progress of the contest.

Slain in Front of Capitol.

The assassination of Senator Goebel in front of the state house on Jan. 30, the shot being fired, as afterward conceded in various trials, from the office of Caleb Powers, the Secretary of State, and adjoining the reception room of the executive offices. It was proved that Powers had gone to Louisville that day to arrange for the bringing to Frankfort of more men and that the key to his office had been secured by Henry Youtsey, then private secretary to Governor Taylor.

For days following the shooting the capital was in charge of troops called out by Governor Taylor. The Democratic majority in the Legislature declared Senator Goebel Governor, and he was sworn in practically on his deathbed. He died on Feb. 3, 1900.

Warrants charging Powers and several others with complicity in the assassination were taken out soon after the tragedy. Governor Taylor was not formally accused of connection with it until the return of an indictment by the grand jury in April, 1900.

Prominent Men Indicted.

Among the more prominent men indicted were former Governor William S. Taylor, former Secretary of State Caleb Powers, his brother, John Powers; Charles Finley, another former Secretary of State; William Cuiton, James B. Howard and Youtsey.

Caleb Powers and James B. Howard were pardoned two months ago. Friday Governor Wilson lifted the hand of the law from former Governor Taylor and former Secretary Finley, who have been fugitives in Indiana for the last nine years; John Powers, who is believed to be in Honduras; Holland Whittaker of Butler County, John Davis of Louisville and Zach Steele of Bell County, who did not flee from the state.

Those whom the Governor did not pardon are Wharton Golden of Knox County, now said to be in Colorado; Frank Cecil of Bell County, now working as a railroad detective in St. Louis, and William H. Coulton of Owens County, who is said to have died out West several years ago. It was reported soon after the murder that he died in Kentucky, but later reports were to the effect that he was out West.

BUSINESS MAN SLAIN BY GIRL.

Nashville Woman Tells Police She Was Deceived by Victim.

Isaac S. Morse, a well-known young business man of Nashville, Tenn., was shot and almost instantly killed by Gertrude Douglas in the office of the American Dry Cleaning Company. The young woman escaped, but was arrested an hour later in the office of the doctor. At police headquarters the Douglas girl said: "Ike Morse has deceived me and he has been going with me for nine years. He couldn't throw me over and live."

Director Conried Dead.

Heinrich Conried died at 2:30 Monday morning. His end was peaceful. Mr. Conried, who was former director of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York and who previous to that had managed the German Theater, was stricken with an apoplectic stroke a few days ago in Meran, Tyrol, from which he never recovered consciousness.