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Heavy Rains.

SPARTA, Wis., June 12.—Much damage was done by the heavy rainstorm tonight. Crops were damaged and many head of live stock drowned.

VICLA, Wis., June 12.—One of the heaviest rain and windstorms in many years occurred here and almost the entire Kickapoo valley is inundated. A cloudburst occurred on Bear creek, ten miles northeast of here, and the entire fertile valley was swept by a raging torrent.

ELROY, Wis., June 12.—Heavy rain has caused the Harborage river to overflow and the flats for miles are flooded. The Milwaukee river in Wisconsin was washed out and trains are delayed. The Northwestern tracks are washed out.

LA CROSSE, Wis., June 12.—Reports continue to come in of serious damage to property done by last night's storm. No trains are running in or out of this city on account of washouts. Water continues to rise in the La Crosse, Black and Mississippi rivers at the rate of two inches an hour.

ST. PAUL, June 12.—A Mankato, Minn., special to the Journal says last night's storm was the most severe ever known there. Damage and crops were swept away on all the water courses, including a dyke stone arch bridge built to protect South Winona. The entire south side is under water and many families have been carried out on rafts. A large steel bridge over the Minnesota creek was carried away. Every street in the city was flooded above the curbing and many families were driven out.

The Mississippi has risen a foot and a half since yesterday morning and all wires are down. It is reported that the Milwaukee steel bridge at Minnesota City has gone down and great damage done. All grain on the lowlands is a total loss. Several horses and cattle were drowned and the railroads report many washouts.

Heavy Rain at La Crosse.

MILWAUKEE, June 12.—A Journal special from La Crosse, Wis., says: The worst rain storm in seventeen years swept over this section last night and today. Nearly five inches of rain fell. It came down in sheets, doing great damage to railroad property. All railway communication except on the Chicago, Burlington & Northern and the southern Minnesota division of the Milwaukee line is cut off. Fifty families in north La Crosse were compelled to leave their homes in boats and the water is still rising. Over 100 head of live stock were drowned.

Tornado Threatens Minneapolis. MINNEAPOLIS, June 12.—One of the most severe storms that ever passed over Minneapolis prevailed here between 5 and 7 o'clock tonight. For fully an hour midnight darkness fell over the city and the sky was all the appearance of a tornado. There was very little wind, however, but an immense volume of water fell, the gauge showing 2.34 inches. So far as learned little damage was done, other than the floating of pavements and flooding of basements resulted. The storm came from the south.

PRACTICE WITH THE BIG GUNS

Additional Allowance Made to the Men Manning Coast Defenses.

NEW YORK, June 12.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: With a view to increasing the efficiency of the artillerymen manning the batteries protecting the shores of the United States instructions have been given by the War department for additional practice with the great guns.

Each battery of heavy artillery is authorized, beginning July 1, to fire freely, in addition to its present allowance, ten rounds of eight-inch ammunition and five rounds of ten-inch ammunition. The ammunition expended under previous orders limited the rounds to fifteen for the three-inch breech-loading rifle, ten for the eight-inch muzzle-loading converted rifle, three each for the eight-inch breech-loading rifle, ten-inch breech-loading rifle and the twelve-inch smoothbore and eight for the fifteen-inch smoothbore.

The departure of Brigadier General Schwan for the Philippines will mean the dissolution of the board which recommended the rewards given to officers and enlisted men who performed gallant service during the war with Spain. Recommendations for awarding brevets, medals of honor and certificates of merit to officers and men for service against the Filipinos are being received. Before the war it was customary to refer such recommendations to the major general commanding, but this matter was taken from General Miles and placed in charge of the board which recommended the awards to General Miles is being discussed.

Old Resident of Pierre. PIERRE, S. D., June 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Joseph La Roche, one of the old residents of this part of South Dakota, died at Fort Pierre yesterday. The remains have been taken to his old home, about 200 miles down the river, for interment.

DEATH RECORD.

Noted Scotch Divine. LONDON, June 12.—The Rev. William Gordon Blaikie, D. D., LL.D., professor of theology, Free church, Edinburgh, and former president of the Free-Presbyterian alliance, died at North Berwick, Scotland, early Sunday morning.

Building Permits. The following building permits have been issued by the city building inspector: James E. North, 3121 South Twenty-ninth avenue, repairs, \$100; C. Turner, Thirty-second avenue and Fairmount street, frame dwelling, \$2,500; William Rochford, South Twenty-ninth street, brick flat, \$10,000.

Russian Admiral Visits New York. NEW YORK, June 12.—Admiral Ivanhoffs of the Russian navy reached this city today on board the steamer La Touraine. He is on private business and will return to Russia via San Francisco and the Pacific.

DIES AT THE POST OF DUTY

Captain Nichols of Monitor Monadnock Voluntarily Sacrifices His Life.

PAYS THE PENALTY FOR HIS FORTITUDE

Just Before His Death the Brave Officer Has the Gratification of Realizing the Fulfillment of His Desires.

MANILA, June 12.—3 p. m.—The funeral of Captain Henry Nichols, the commander of the United States double-turreted monitor Monadnock, who died from sunstroke on Saturday, took place at Cavite yesterday with appropriate naval ceremonies. The officers of the fleet were present and the flags on all the vessels were half-masted. The sudden death of Captain Nichols was particularly sad because it occurred just at the moment when the result for which he had hoped and worked for months was about to be realized, namely, the capture of Paranaque and its occupation by the American forces. The Monadnock had been lying off Paranaque for two months past, under fire from the rebels almost daily. The heat here has been intense and the officers and men of the Monadnock suffered greatly. The commander-in-chief offered to retire the Monadnock from this trying duty and replace it by another ship, but Captain Nichols preferred to remain, declaring that he did not want to leave his post until Paranaque fell and the coast from there to Cavite was cleared of rebels. The heat on Saturday was most severe and the monitor was engaged all day in shelling the trenches at Paranaque and the rebels fleeing south through Las Pinas, and also in watching the American troops closing in upon the town. Captain Nichols was overcome by the heat at noon and retired to his cabin, where he received frequent reports of the operations and gave directions for several hours. He became much worse at 3 o'clock, lost consciousness and expired at 5 in the afternoon. Several hours before his death he expressed gratification at the way events were progressing, remarking to an officer: "We have got the rebels there at last."

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DEATH REPORT FROM MANILA Men Succumb to Wounds and Disease in the Hospitals in the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—General Otis has notified the War department of the following deaths since his last weekly report from Manila in action May 20: CARL A. CARLSON, private, Company H, Twenty-second infantry, June 5.

MELVIN P. DALRYMPLE, private, Company G, Fourth cavalry, June 8.

ROBERT E. MILES, private, Company C, Fourth cavalry, June 8.

PATRICK BRANIGAN, private, Company C, Fourth cavalry, June 9.

CLIFFORD H. BOWSER, first sergeant, Company K, First Colorado, typhoid fever, June 2.

JOHN A. SEXTON, private, Company M, First Montana; meningitis.

GEORGE A. KING, private, Company L, Seventeenth infantry; cholera nostras.

FRANK L. GARRISON, Company I, Seventeenth infantry; dysentery.

RALPH A. ODELL, private, Company A, Second Oregon; intercurrent colitis, June 4.

OSCAR A. FINNIGAR, private, Battery A, Utah artillery; drowned.

J. J. CHOE, private, Company G, Second Oregon.

General Otis reports the following additional casualties: Killed: First Washington.

Private CARL M. THORGENSEN, June 6.

First North Dakota. Private JOHN H. KILLIAN, June 3.

Thirtieth Minnesota. Private THOMAS HEALY, Company M, June 10.

Wounded: Second Oregon. Private Ezra Kritz, Company H, wrist, slight, June 3.

Charles Doughty, Company H, hand, slight. Clayton M. Ransom, Company L, head, slight.

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First Idaho. Private Hugh Hutchinson, buttock, severe.

First Colorado. Lieutenant Colonel Cassius M. Moses, forearm, moderate, June 10.

Sergeant George M. Lasehell, Company B, moderate.

Private Bert E. Young, patella, moderate. Private Francis J. Henry, arm, severe.

Private Asa Morrill, Company D, cheek, severe.

Private Thomas Rylott, Company D, thigh, slight.

land, Hilo, Bacolor and at Cebu are supplied with subsistence stores from the depot commissary in Honolulu. Fresh beef for troops is shipped direct from the cold storage vessel, the Duke of Sutherland. Troops at Cebu are subsisted on native beef, which costs from 15 to 20 cents Mexican. The Indians are stationed at Hilo as a cold storage plant and from it the troops at that point are supplied.

OREGON MEN SAIL FOR HOME

First of the Volunteers Go on Board Ship for the Return Journey.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—General Otis reports that the Oregon regiment, with a signal company, will leave today for San Francisco.

Though General Otis' dispatch stated the Oregon troops would leave for San Francisco, the War department officials are of the opinion that the first meeting of the board will be held in Manila. With this idea, General Corbin has telegraphed General Otis that the Oregon troops are to go to Portland.

AIDING RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

General Otis Doing All He Can to Assist the Spanish.

MADRID, June 12.—The Spanish minister at Washington, the duke of Arcos, cables that the United States government admits its obligations and is proceeding to secure the liberation of the Spanish prisoners in the Philippine islands, according to the terms of the peace treaty, and while so doing grants Spain the privilege of independent action in the same work, including ransoming the prisoners. The minister adds that instructions have been cabled to General Otis to assist the Spanish committee in the disembarking.

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DEMOCRATS HEDGE ON SILVER

Many National Committee Men Give it a Minor Place in Platform.

INCLINED TO MAKE TRUSTS THE ISSUE

Chicago Paper Collects a Series of Interviews on the Subject—Nebraska Sticks to the Fallen Idol.

CHICAGO, June 12.—The Times-Herald has been asking members of the democratic national committee whether they should give silver's battle cry in 1900—whether "free silver" or "down with the trusts," or both.

Today the Times-Herald publishes the answers of those that have been received. While only one of the replies of these democratic leaders, the representative for Maine, the home state of Bryan's running mate in 1896, says "Drop free silver," they are all but unanimous in giving the trust question a prominence it never had in the platform of their own or any other party.

With one exception, all who speak freely suggest that some other issue will divide the stage equally with free silver.

Some say "imperialism" or "imperialism" will be one of the prominent issues. Others—a few—frankly emphasize the trust question as the big thing. Still others speak for a new tariff cry.

One committee man says flatly: "The issues of 1896 should be the issues of 1900." This one is Alexander Troup of Connecticut. Half a dozen of the committee men are either noncommittal or refuse to be quoted.

The are: George W. Williams, Massachusetts; D. J. Campau, Michigan; D. B. H. Smalley, Vermont; Frank Campbell, New York; T. O'Brien, Minnesota; J. G. Dudley, Texas.

A statement from Thomas Gahan, national committee man for Illinois, cannot be obtained here. He is in the city and cannot be reached by telegraph. His attitude is, however, pretty well known. The committee men who say free silver must have first place in the platform, although generously combined with the questions of trust and imperialism, are in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Arkansas and Indian territory, which latter does not vote for president.

All the others either put the trust question first or lay much stress upon issues produced by the Spanish war.

OMAHANS IN LOS ANGELES

Former Residents of the Gate City Enjoying Life in Southern California.

LOS ANGELES, June 10.—(Correspondence of the Bee.)—It is very flattering to the pride of an Omahan to learn how many former residents of the "Gate City" are here, what share they have had in aiding the wonderful growth of this beautiful city and the progress of the Epworth league, they are spending the sunset of life. They are enjoying a veritable golden sunset in this land of fruit and flowers.

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ENGLAND PREPARES FOR WAR

Latest News from the Transvaal of a More Pacific Nature.

LONDON, June 12.—Commander-in-Chief Lord Wolcott has been busy for several days and evenings at the war office preparing for possible eventualities in South Africa. The effective lists of the first-class reserve have been prepared and transportation for the first Army corps has been provisionally arranged. The officers on furlough have been warned to hold themselves in readiness to return to their regiments. The general trend of news, however, is more pacific.

NO LAWN FOR THE LEAGUERS

Methodist Young People Are Denied Privilege of Meeting on Capitol Grounds.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 12.—Serious trouble is threatened between the local general committee in charge of the International Epworth league convention that is to meet in this city in a few weeks and the state officials and custodian of the state capitol. It is estimated that more than 50,000 people will attend the convention from the United States. The local committee went before the legislature and secured permission to stretch a tent in the capitol grounds and would not permit the tent to be pitched there, as it would ruin the grounds and shade trees. Chairman Lash of the committee took umbrage at this, declaring that the legislature had given the committee authority to use the grounds and that the state officials were acting in bad faith. He announced that the tent would be pitched as at first contemplated. Tonight Custodian Vest said that an attempt was made to pitch the tent on the capitol grounds and he would protect the state house grounds at all hazards. The upshot of the fight came this evening in the call for a conference tomorrow at the Commercial club of the parties interested. Chairman Lash tonight said that unless the committee were guaranteed a desirable site for the tent the Epworth league convention would be called off and sent to some other city.

At this time both sides seem determined not to give up, but a compromise may be reached tomorrow.

NURSE GIRL WILL CONFESS

Woman Who Kidnaped Employer's Child Will Give Evidence for the State.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Belle Anderson today turned state's evidence, and on the stand will tell all about the kidnaping and become a state's witness. The state attorney sent for the girl and in the presence of her lawyer, a deputy sheriff and Assistant District Attorney Le Barbier she made a full confession. It is said to have been practically the same as that made by her in New Jersey. Through this confession the lawyer hopes to obtain clemency for the woman. He says she is a weak-minded and easily influenced girl, and is dying from consumption.

NEGROES HOLD DUNNELLON

Mayor of Florida Town Appeals to Governor to Send Militia to His Aid.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., June 12.—Four telegrams were received at the executive office today from the mayor of Dunnellon, a small mining town near Ocala, Fla., asking that troops be sent there at once. The negroes were reported armed and in possession of the town. Governor Bloxham is away and Secretary Ordham did not order out the militia.

Low Rates from the Coast.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 12.—The Santa Fe Railway company today announced a joint rate with the Southern Pacific company for the convention of the Epworth league and Christian Endeavorers. The rate from California points for sixty days' limit return trips to the Christian Endeavor convention in Detroit, July 3 to 10, will be \$81. To the Epworth league convention in Indianapolis in July the rate will be \$76 for sixty days' limit round trip.