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Messages from the Fleet Are Mostly in Cipher and On Official Business.

REUTERDAHL A PASSENGER.

Artist Whose Criticisms Started Naval Inquiry Refuses to Talk to Reporters.

Contractors Busy With Supplies for the Battleships—Two Carloads of Sausage Will Be Part of Menu.

San Diego, Cal., March 14.—Wireless messages this morning from Magdalenita bay state that the warship Buffalo, which was practically the only United States vessel at the bay when the battleship fleet arrived, is prepared to leave and will leave tonight or early tomorrow and will be in San Diego on Tuesday. The Buffalo is in command of Capt. Charles Poff, and it was understood that she would remain at Magdalenita for the purpose of handling targets for the fleet practice. This work will have to be done by the navy tug Fortuna. The reason for the trip of the Buffalo is not made apparent by the dispatch.

SOUTH DAKOTA TO LEAVE.

The South Dakota is to leave here within a few days for Santa Barbara, for a visit. She will return to San Diego, and Capt. Poff states that he intends to bring her inside for a 10-day stay. She will be the largest war vessel that ever came over the bar, being 4,000 tons larger than the Charleston. The California, which arrived last evening, will sail north with the Tennessee and Washington early in the week and will stop first at San Pedro. The coming of the Culgoza, has started the contractors, who are under contract to furnish supplies and though they are not bound to deliver until the 17th, they will rush their stuff aboard as early as possible. Nearly 200 of the fresh meat will be taken including two carloads of sausages now on the way from the east.

REUTERDAHL A PASSENGER.

Henry T. Reuterdahl, the well known correspondent, whose criticism of the construction of the battleships of the United States navy has created such a storm of discussion and investigation, was on board the Culgoza as a passenger from California. Mr. Reuterdahl is on his way to the fleet on his long cruise, having obtained special permission from the navy department to do so. He remained in the city only a few hours and left for the fleet. He declined to discuss naval matters and his criticisms, but it is understood he will attend the investigation in Washington.

CRUISER'S PAY STOLEN.

Paymaster's Safe Looted of \$3,800 in Gold by Someone Aboard Ship.

San Francisco, Cal., March 13.—The United States cruiser, the Albatross, returning this morning from target practice at Magdalena bay, brought word of a daring robbery on board during the night. The robbery, which was the first of its kind in the navy, resulted in the loss of \$3,800 in gold was taken from the paymaster's room by some person doing duty on the cruiser. Although the robbery was committed several days ago, no clue to the guilty parties has yet been unearthed, or any portion of the gold recovered.

MANILA GETTING BUSY.

Americans and Filipinos Make Preparations to Entertain Fleet.

Manila, March 14.—Preparations have already begun for the reception and entertainment of the officers and crews of the American battleship fleet at the city. The formation of a large reception committee made up of Americans and Filipinos will be undertaken immediately. Officials here expect that a large squadron will be left at this point as the decision of Congress to make Manila a naval station will require the presence of a big fleet.

ALIA USES RAZOR TRYING TO ESCAPE

Denver, March 14.—An attempt was made about 8:30 o'clock today by Giuseppe Alia, the condemned murderer of Father Leo Heinrichs, to escape from the county jail, where he has been under guard day and night. He made use of a razor blade with which he slashed the neck of a "strutty" who was cleaning his cell, and then made a dash to get away. The "strutty" despite his cut, rushed after him and plucked him, and he was quickly overpowered, with the help of Deputy Warden Carpen.

AMERICAN SHIPS SURPRISE FRANCE

They Thought Our Navy a "Bluff" But Now They Sit Up To Notice.

PLANS ROUT SKEPTICISM.

Continuation of Voyage Around the World Breaks Down Every Conviction Frenchmen Held.

Paris, March 14.—News of the decision to send the American battleship fleet back to the Atlantic coast by way of Australia and the Suez canal is received here as a crowning revelation of the efficiency of the American navy. The statement that the cruise is to be extended in this manner has opened the eyes of the French public which had been led to believe that the American navy was a good deal of a "bluff"; that the cruise around South America would demonstrate the incapacity of the vessels, and that if it was accomplished the ships would be ready for the scrap heap. Even in French naval circles the belief was that the long voyage would develop structural weaknesses in the vessels themselves, or at least serious breakdowns in the engine rooms.

ASTONISHES FRENCHMEN.

In view of these opinions, the announcement that the fleet arrived at Magdalena bay ahead of her schedule, ready for target practice and in better condition than when it sailed from Hampton Roads, December 1, has created all the more astonishment. Many French officers now frankly say the impressive demonstration given by the American fleet, of its ability to keep at sea, raises the American navy to an equality with that of Great Britain, and that if the return journey is as successful as the trip around South America has been, the American fleet will have demonstrated that she has no superior in the world.

SIT UP TO NOTICE.

The French minister of marine, M. Thomson, is so impressed with the result of this cruise that he is instructing Lieut. Commander De Blaquiere, the French naval attaché at Washington, to proceed to San Francisco and send in a full report of the condition of the ships and the lessons of the cruise. The lack of boiler accidents during the voyage already has called out criticism of the contrast furnished by the French navy where trouble in the engine room is constant, and M. Thomson has been interpreted as to why the government does not use the American type of boiler which is now being manufactured in France.

A SAILOR'S STORY.

A salient feature of the cruise which is attracting attention here is the success obtained from the American system of employing line officers in the engine rooms. This procedure up to the present time has been regarded with much skepticism in French naval circles.

SHE CANNOT SPEAK HERE

Chief of Police Tom Pitt Draws the Line at Emma Goldman, Anarchist.

Chief of Police Tom Pitt stated emphatically this morning that if Emma Goldman, the anarchist, is contemplating a visit to this city for the purpose of lecturing here, comes, she will not be permitted to speak. Chief Pitt did not care to discuss the matter, but simply stated: "If Emma Goldman comes here she will not be allowed to make a public address, and if she expects to make a speech here she will be disappointed, for we will not permit it."

This statement was made following the receipt of the following Associated Press dispatch:

Portland, Or., March 14.—It is announced that Emma Goldman will spend three months on the Pacific coast, beginning next month. She will deliver lectures and enter into debates in Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Goldfield and Salt Lake and other cities.

NOW FOR A RIDING CLUB.

Equestrians Issue Call to Meet for a Preliminary Canter.

There is a movement on foot to organize a riding club in this city, with such good riders at the back of it as John Q. Critchlow, George Wood, A. H. Birrell, B. F. Redman, Tom McCoy, H. W. Hartley, and others. An effort will be made to bring in all the local horsemen possible. Equestrians are asked to be at the Commercial club at 10 a. m., tomorrow, with their steeds, and if they can be in the country, and to talk up the proposition.

GIRLS ARE SAVED BY NERVE OF A YOUTH

New York, March 4.—One hundred girl employees of the candy factory of Arthur Essing at 352 Pearl street were at work today on the fourth and fifth floors when fire was discovered in the bottom of the elevator shaft, preventing their exit by the stairways. While some of the male employees fought the fire, Henry Coch, the elevator boy, ran his elevator to the top floor and said to the girls in the most calm manner he could assume: "There is a fire in the basement. May be you had better let me take you down."

Reassured by his coolness, the girls were saved from panic and Coch took five elevator loads of them to the first floor before the flames reached such a height in the elevator well that he was compelled to abandon the car. On his last trip the fire burst into the car and burned his hands. The girls were not taken out by each coach to the roof and the fire escaped and reached the ground in safety. The fire consumed tons of candy and the firemen were hampered by the dense smoke from it and by the bursting of five lengths of hose under high pressure. Traffic on the Second avenue elevated road was stopped and the firemen fought the fire from that structure. The factory, a five story building, was practically destroyed.

ALL SUPERSTITION DEFIED BY LOVERS

Conrad-Stuart Ceremony Performed Under Unusual Surroundings.

EVERY FRIEND PROTESTS

On Hoodo Day They Walk Under Ladder, Break Mirrors and Are Wed Under Open Umbrella.

Chicago, March 14.—Friday, the 13th, had no terrors for Maisie Katherine Stuart and Louis Allan Conrad as a bride and groom. They made up their minds in the afternoon to have the knot tied, and in the evening they were husband and wife. The relatives of both objected strenuously, and so the pair eloped.

Superstition was defied at every hand in the romance. The first objection was the day of the wedding, but it was overruled immediately by the bride. Then an attempt was made to find Judge McEwen to perform the ceremony. After a two hours' search he was found at a dinner at the Thirteenth club in a downtown restaurant. On entering the room where the dinner was in progress, the couple had walk beneath a ladder. Salt was spilled over the floor and mirrors were shattered on the walls. The first course was just being served when the couple appeared. The officials of the club induced them to have the ceremony performed in the room.

BRITISH SHIP SILVIA ASHORE AMONG REEFS

Woods Hole, Mass., March 14.—The British steamer Silvia, which left New York yesterday with passengers and freight for Halifax, N. S., and St. John, N. F., is ashore on the Sow and Pigs reef, off Cuttyhunk. Her compartments are full of water. The Silvia ran upon the ledge at 4:30 o'clock this morning during a thick fog. Before striking she picked up two shipwrecked crews, but whether they were from schooners or barges could not be learned.

REGISTERED MAIL FOUND.

The life saving crew from the Cuttyhunk station, went to the Silvia as soon as she was discovered on the ledge and up to 10:20 a. m., had not returned.

NIGHT RIDERS SET FIRE TO BARN IN KENTUCKY

Versailles, Ky., March 14.—Three barns in Woodford county, and one just across the line in Scott county, were burned today by a party of masked men. The men were on horseback and in buggies, the party numbering not more than 50.

RIVER CRAFT IN FOG.

Ashland, Ky., March 14.—The towboat Boaz, from Pittsburg for Cincinnati, with a number of coal boats and a crew of 25 men in a fog early today at Catlettsburg, struck an exposed pier. It is reported that several barges were sunk. A deckhand who escaped says he saw several men in the water and had believed that at least five had been drowned.

FASTS FOR THIRTY DAYS.

Etta Grove of Chicago Says She Will Not Eat Until Hungry.

Long Beach, Cal., March 13.—Miss Etta Priscilla Grove, the Chicago school teacher who will tonight complete the fast of 30 days, issued a statement as an experiment in behalf of her invalid sister, is being urged to end her remarkable period of abstinence by friends. She professes to have noticed signs of deterioration in her health during the past few days. Miss Grove has steadily rejected this advice, declaring that as long as she does not feel hungry she believes it inadvisable for her to partake of food.

BLACK BRUTE RECEIVES STIFF LIFE SENTENCE

Chicago, March 14.—Imprisonment for life was the verdict of the jury yesterday that tried Howard Steele, colored, convicted of attacking Mabel Miller, 17 years old, near her home last December. Steele was identified by the girl. She said that he struck her and left her unconscious in the snow. A neighbor passing found her and took her home. The jury agreed after a few minutes' deliberation. Steele protested that he was innocent.

MARK A. HANNA WEDS GIRL HE MET DANCING

Bridgeport, Mass., March 14.—Mark A. Hanna, son of Daniel H. Hanna, and grandson of the late Marcus A. Hanna, and who is a freshman in the Sheffield Scientific school at Yale university, was married to Miss Adele Pratt of Elmira, N. Y., last evening, by Justice of the Peace Hull.

JAPAN AND CHINA REACH AGREEMENT

Dowager Will Pay for Cargo and Demurrage and Release Ship.

MIKADO WILL BE STRICT.

Nippon Will Enforce Stringent Regulations Regarding Traffic in Arms and Ammunition.

Peking, March 14.—The negotiations looking to a settlement of the difficulty between China and Japan growing out of the seizure by China of the Japanese steamer Tatsu Maru are making favorable progress. The Chinese foreign board today approved the draft of a document in which China accepts the proposals made by Japan yesterday. China will pay Japan 21,400 yen (about \$10,700) and retain the arms that form the cargo of the Tatsu Maru and she will pay also about 10,000 taels demurrage on the steamer. It is expected that the Tatsu Maru will be released March 16.

In addition, Japan agrees to adopt and enforce strict regulations to prevent future traffic in arms and ammunition from Japan into China, but she refuses to limit the territory of Manchuria in this limitation. China will soon take up negotiations with Russia regarding the contraband traffic at Manchukuo.

POSSES AFTER BANDITS.

Corvettville, Kan., March 14.—Several posses are today searching in the Osage hills, across the line in Oklahoma from here, for three bandits who late yesterday robbed the Tiro State bank at Tiro, Kan., and escaped after a fight. The prospects of the men being captured appear slim, in the fight City Marshal Lee of Wann, Oklahoma, was shot in the hand and the horses of two of the pursuers were shot from under them.

SAMOA WANTS NO CHANGE OF PLAN

Probable Change to Civil Government Not Looked Upon With Favor.

NATIVES ARE SATISFIED.

Until They Are Familiar With Methods in Use in the United States They Want Policy Continued.

San Francisco, March 14.—Advice from Tutuila, Samoa, of Feb. 5, state that the Samoans anticipate with some anxiety the establishment of a civil form of government. It is the desire of the chiefs to maintain the present system of government, and hearing that application is being made to Congress to establish civil government they are about to present a petition to the president praying that no change be made at the present time. After stating present conditions in Samoa, the petitioners ask, "That the system of administration of the islands, which was introduced upon the annexation to the United States, be continued until such time as a majority of the Samoans can understand and realize the system of government in vogue in the United States of America."

ARE WELL SATISFIED.

The natives are well satisfied with the conduct and attitude from time to time been at the head of the islands' affairs. The present form of government has always had the full confidence of the people, and they have readily submitted to all regulations or orders. The United States gunboat Annapolis, Governor Moore, commanding, arrived here from Tahiti on the morning of Jan. 18, with a case of measles on board. The vessel was quarantined for 14 days. Lieut. P. Dugan acted as governor during the absence of Governor Moore.

CHANCE FOR RECOVERY.

Condition of the Negro Target of Yesterday's Shooting Slightly Improved.

"Book" Staten, the colored man who was shot by Jerry Chorn, also colored, during a row in a Commercial street gambling house and saloon Thursday night, is reported to be improving. The wounded man is at St. Mark's hospital and word to that institution this morning that the negro's condition was favorable and there is a chance for his recovery.

REV. HINDMAN DEAD.

Parkville, Mo., March 14.—Rev. David H. Hindman died here yesterday, aged 81 years. He went to California from Pennsylvania in 49. He served through the civil war with the Union army. At the close of the war he entered the Pennsylvania in 49. He served through synods of Missouri, Iowa and Kansas.

MINERWORKERS IN SESSION.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 14.—The convention of the United Mine Workers of America held a brief session this morning and adjourned until Monday. The scale committee, which has issued an invitation to the operators of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania to meet the miners of the central competitive districts in Indianapolis, March 24, to consider a wage scale.

FIRE IN MCADOO TUNNEL.

New York, March 14.—A small fire in the underground tunnel of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad today created considerable excitement for a time among the miners of the tunnel. The fire was caused by a gas lamp and was extinguished after causing damage to the extent of about \$400. The fire resulted from crossed electric wires.

STARTLING STORY FROM YOUNG GIRL

Five Students of St. Paul School End Careers by Committing Suicide.

MAN'S BASENESS BLAMED.

Three Victims of False Friendships—Sixth Child is Found Before Her Attempt Was Successful.

New York, March 14.—A startling story of how five young girls who came to New York from St. Paul little more than a year ago died each by her own hand, was told today by 17-year-old Helen Baxter after she had made a vain effort to end her own life. Helen said she came to New York to make their way in the world after receiving a course of training in a business school in the Minnesota city. She turned on the gas in her room last night but was found this morning in time for her life to be saved. When asked why she had tried to end her life, the girl asked the audience to listen to the story of the friends who had crowded around, by her story of the fate of her friends.

HER FRIENDS ALL DEAD.

"Why should I not be allowed to die?" she asked. "My five friends who left St. Paul with me a year ago, after we left school, have all committed suicide. I want to die as they did and join them."

TWO OTHER MEN.

The next to go in the same manner, according to Helen's story, was one of the girls who had fallen a victim to a man's friendship. With three of her number dead, the three that remained worried constantly and when hard times came and employment was hard to find, two of the three voluntarily followed their friends to the grave. That left Helen alone. Then a man came into her life. The man was represented to her as immensely wealthy, she said, and for a time she was happy. Then he suddenly sailed for Europe. She had nothing more to live for after that, she said, and decided to join her friends in death. Helen said her father is dead but her mother still lives in St. Paul. She refused to give her mother's address. When it was found that the girl would never be taken to a police station and locked up charged with having attempted suicide.

CLAIMS TO BE SHRINER.

The circular mentioned as having been issued by the Shriner of Baltimore is an interesting document as it deals in detail with Lee and his methods. It reads: "An impostor, short in stature, smooth face, quick movement, and a rapid and plausible talker; claims to be a member of the Mohammed temple, Peoria, Ill."

HOW LEE WORKED.

How Lee worked is decidedly interesting. The circular reads: "A careful examination of the signature of Lee in type-writer account of the estate Margaret H. Russell. The check was returned marked 'No Funds'."

IS A SMOOTH ONE.

"The man is pronounced a fraud and has been working the Pacific coast from Seattle to Los Angeles and thence to New Orleans. Noble C. F. Hitchcock of Mohammed Temple says the fellow was never a member of Mohammed Temple and must have forged his 1908 card. The man also claimed to belong to the United States navy and appeared fully conversant with China, the latitudes of Panama and spoke about the differences in the Masonic work he had witnessed during his travels. He was supposed to have left Baltimore about the 23rd of January as a man of his description was seen on the Norfolk boat about the same time on route to Newport News, who was surrounded by an eager crowd of Masons, who were listening to his descriptions of Masonic work as done in China and elsewhere. Kindly remember he is glib of tongue and a well paid agent."

COMMITTEES NAMED.

G. A. R. and Commercial Club Select Representatives.

PUMPS NOT NEEDED.

The level of the great lake is 2.5 feet above the zero mark, which is the highest point reached since July 1 last. From now on the rise will be clear gain. Utah lake level is 8.10 of a foot above compromise point, but because of the speed of the water over the dam the rise is now slower as compared with the rapidity of the rise a year ago at this time. There is no obstruction now to the outward flow of the lake, at the mouth, as the canal companies have waived their right to keep a 22-inch plank across the outlet, and the pumps will not be operated.

H. L. RUSSELL HAS BEEN ARRESTED

Traveling Salesman Who Buncoed Salt Lakers Now Doing Time in Alabama.

CASHED WORTHLESS CHECKS

Worked Denver and Baltimore With Smooth Game, as Well as Pacific Coast—In Jail for Year.

There are a number of persons in this city who will be interested in learning that H. Lee Russell has been arrested in Mobile, Alabama, and by this time is serving a sentence of one year and one day.

SAME GAME IN DENVER.

After staying here a few days Lee went to Denver and cashed a number of checks—all for \$47.50. From Denver he went to Baltimore, where he was captured. In answer to a letter from one of the men Lee "buncoed" here J. H. Webb, solicitor of Mobile county.

"Your letter concerning H. Lee Russell has been handed me. Russell denies ever having been in Salt Lake, but he is quite sure he is not telling the truth. Enclosed herewith find a circular sent out by the Shriners of Baltimore, with reproduction of a check passed there, which, you will observe, is signed by Lee. The man was identical with the one passed on you, and is also like the one passed here except the latter was for a larger amount."

In continuing, the letter explains that Lee was permitted to plead guilty to getting money under false pretenses and take a year and a day. It is explained, further, the Salt Lakers can have Lee brought here upon the expiration of his term—about ten months—if they desire. Just what is to be done is not said, but it is a result of the letter that Lee is now in jail.

VICTIM OF DRINK.

But little could be learned about Elms. He was a German and had been in Salt Lake about a year. He was employed at the Royal and at Franklin's as a pot washer. He was discharged from the latter place four days ago because of his habit of getting drunk. After losing his job he began drinking more and more. Early this morning he went to a Third South street saloon and begged for a drink. This was denied him and, after hanging about for awhile he went to his room and hung himself. The landlady was a severe case of the room for letters, etc., but found nothing to indicate whether or not the man had any relatives in this country. In his trousers pocket was a five cent piece. The remains will probably be buried by the county unless word is received from relatives, if he has any, or friends.

BRAWL IN SALOON.

Collins Found Guilty of Conduct Unbecoming a Gentleman and Scholar.

The case of Frank McGuire and Ed Collins, charged with battery upon the person of H. T. Burke, proprietor of the Bridgeman's Home saloon, 104-6 west First South street, came to an end this morning in Judge Diehl's court. McGuire was found not guilty and discharged, while Collins was found guilty and will be sentenced on Monday afternoon.

BOY INTERRUPTS BURGLARS AT WORK

At 5:30 o'clock this morning two desperate burglars made an attempt to burglarize Elison's jewelry store in the Templeton building. In all probability they would have been successful in their unlawful efforts had it not been for Harry Smith, a youth who carries papers. Young Smith, who lives at 243 west First South street, entered the building at the time mentioned and saw the two men at work on the door leading into the jewelry store. The boy made a dash for the door, thinking to call an officer before the men could get away, but one of the fellows started after him and struck him a blow on the shoulder with a "jimmy." The young man was not badly hurt and managed to get away and give the alarm. The burglars became frightened and rushed down the street and disappeared. The police were notified and were soon on the scene, but were unable to find any trace of the two men.

GERMAN ENDS HIS LIFE BY HANGING

Robert Ellits Commits Suicide at His Lodgings on West Fourth South Street.

SUSPENDED BY SUSPENDERS.

Remains Discovered by His Landlady, Who Notifies the Police—Body Cut Down.

Man Had Been Discharged from Two Jobs Lately, and Had Taken to Heavy Drinking.

Robert Ellits, aged about 40 years, a German, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself. The cause for the act is attributed to loss of his job and dependency brought on by heavy drinking. The method used by Ellits in ending his life was rather unique.

He lived in a shanty at the rear of 134 west Fourth South street. Over the door was a large horse shoe, nailed there presumably for the purpose of bringing good luck. Ellits made a noose from his suspenders and placed it around his neck. Then climbing on a box or chair he tied the other end of the suspenders to the horse shoe, kicked the support from under him and dangled at the end of the improvised rope.

DISCOVERED BY NEIGHBOR.

He was discovered by Mrs. Trumbull, who lives in the front part of the house. She quickly notified the police and Sergeant Johnston and Officers Carlson, Lyon, Golding and Moore hurried to the place in the patrol wagon. The body was hanging in front of the door and it was almost impossible to open the same because of the weight against it. Mrs. Trumbull called at the place this morning for the purpose of collecting rent due from Ellits. She knew he was in because she saw him stagger into the place this morning. After knocking at the door for some time, she tried to open it, but was able to push it back only a short distance. She discovered the body and notified the police.

LIFE WAS EXTINCT.

When the officers entered the room the body was quivering and it was believed that the man was still alive. They worked over him for a few moments, but all to no purpose as life was extinct. Justice Dana T. Smith was notified and after viewing the remains ordered the same sent to Hall's undertaking parlors. No inquest will be held as the case was clearly one of suicide.

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