

PUBLICITY ABOUT THE NAVY

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No Reason for Concealing Anything
From Them So Long as Military
Secrets Are Kept Inviolable.

Magdalena Bay, April 2.—(Via San Diego, April 7.)—Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas, temporarily in command of the Atlantic fleet since the departure of Admiral Evans, is busily engaged in getting the multitudinous affairs of the fleet in hand.

"I shall not remove permanently to the Connecticut," said Admiral Thomas tonight. "I shall take with me on what I shall require for a few weeks, maintaining my quarters on the Minnesota. In case I should wish to come back to them, it is Admiral Evans' intention to retain the fleet as long as he is able to do so."

Admiral Thomas made rather an unusual pronouncement regarding publicity affecting the fleet. "It always has been my belief," he said, "that the public is entitled to know everything concerning the navy that is consistent with its welfare. There are, of course, many matters of a technical nature which must be kept secret from foreign powers, but these are usually of a kind in which the country would not be interested in particular, anyway."

"I shall welcome any effort to acquaint the public more thoroughly with this fleet." The French steamer *Malte* of the Charques Reunis line of Havre which ran into the bay Sunday for a glimpse of the fleet, unwittingly came in contact with the Mexican authorities, and just escaped having its 1600 port dues, before departure was permitted. Several San Francisco persons of prominence were on board the *Malte*, bound for southern Mexican ports, and Agent McNear of the steamship company had her put to afford his passengers a look at the battleships. Monday, a luncheon was given on board the *Malte* in honor of Gov. Sangre de Lower Cali-

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ifornia, and which was attended by several naval officers, including members of Admiral Thomas' personal staff, Messrs. Goodfellow, Rott and Nash of San Francisco, and several other civilians.

Agent McNear sent the pursuer of the steamer ashore where he was detained by the collector of the port. After many conferences, the Mexican officials fixed the port dues of the *Malte* at \$400, and it was decided to pay them, but the port officer finally relented and remitted the sum.

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MEXICANS IMPRISONED

Said to Have Been Held as Witnesses
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Attorney Alexander.

Phoenix, Ariz., April 7.—Augustin Pina, superior consul in Arizona for Mexico, has received a petition signed by C. O. Bustamante and A. A. Vorseley of Tucson in behalf of Jose S. Serria, Jose M. Lopez, Jesus D. Martinez, Jose Ruiz and Esteban Quintana, five Mexicans who are alleged to have been unlawfully held in jail in Tucson since September, 1907, at the instance of United States Dist. Atty. Alexander and who have been denied interviews with friends or consuls, also by the order of Alexander.

The petition says that in July, 1907, 30 Mexicans were brought to Arizona by the agent for the Duquesne Mining company. After working six days all were imprisoned by the immigration officers presumably for violation of the contract labor law. They were given a hearing on Sept. 4, and all were deported except the five held ostensibly as witnesses in a suit to be brought against the Duquesne Mining company.

It is alleged that they never have been called upon to testify in any case. It is said that no compensation has been given or offered and that no communication has been allowed, and hardships have been worked on the families of the men in Mexico.

RAILROAD CORPORATIONS

Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion Issues Special Report
On Their Centralization.

RELATIONS TO ONE ANOTHER

Securities Outstanding in the Hands of
The Public Are About
\$7,800,000,000.

Washington, April 7.—A special report just issued by the Interstate commerce commission gives a practical illustration of the manner in which railway corporations, once independent, have developed into highly centralized systems. The report is the result of an investigation made in connection with the establishment of a uniform system of accounts for railways which the commission is empowered to prescribe. One of its principal purposes was to compile information that could be used in determining the proper form of a standard balance sheet.

Exhaustive statistical tables issued in connection with the report show the relationship of railroads to one another. The relationship of various holding companies to the railways of the country also is very clearly brought out. One of the principal uses of the report will be to furnish information, heretofore unobtainable, to the public, Congress, courts and interstate commerce commission.

It makes public for the first time the amount of securities outstanding in the hands of the public. The statistical tabulation shows that out of over \$18,000,000,000 of outstanding securities, \$5,500,000,000 is held by railway corporations, leaving in the hands of the public about \$3,300,000,000 of funded debt and \$4,700,000,000 of stocks. It includes a table of miscellaneous holdings of railway companies in other securities than those of railways.

CAPTAIN F. W. COLE'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

San Francisco, April 6.—Capt. Frederick W. Cole's resignation from the United States army has been accepted. A telegram to that effect was received today by Gen. Funston from the war department. Capt. Cole is already released from his official routine duties. Beyond the fact that he says he is leaving to give his attention to pressing private business, Capt. Cole will not discuss the situation.

CHINA REJECTS PROPOSALS.

Made by Japan for Reciprocity Postal
Arrangement in Manchuria.

Peking, April 7.—The Chinese foreign board has rejected the proposals made by Japan with regard to a reciprocity postal arrangement in Manchuria on the ground that such an arrangement would contravene China's sovereign rights. Japan presented a plan which sought to have China recognize in its postal routes the telegraph stations outside of the railroad zones. The government council also has instructed the department of posts to be governed by the Sino-Japanese convention of 1903 authorizing that only Chinese mails be carried on imperial railways.

Sir Robert Hart, director general of Chinese customs to whom Japan also submitted a statement regarding the postal service and embodying certain requests, has extended to the Japanese postal privileges on the Chinese northern railroad the interest of comity. This practically brings to an end negotiations between the two countries on this matter.

DISPUTES WITH CANADA.

British Foreign Office Receives Drafts
Of Treaties for Their Settlement.

London, April 7.—The foreign office recently received drafts of treaties having as the object the settlement of questions pending between the United States and Canada. These treaties were considered satisfactory except as to a few minor points which were referred back to Ottawa and it was fully expected that a complete agreement was about to be reached. But the news cabled from the United States, of which the foreign office has unofficial advice, that a deadlock exists over the disposition of the power from Niagara Falls, came as a surprise to the officials. Negotiations for the submission of the Atlantic fisheries dispute to arbitration have not advanced to any great extent. Newfoundland has been slow in replying to the points which have been referred to that government and in addition Great Britain does not find it easy to reconcile the views of Newfoundland and the Dominion of Canada in preparing the case. Already there is talk of the necessity of renewing the *modus vivendi*.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

San Francisco, April 7.—Mrs. W. Hayes of this city was burned to death in a fire which destroyed her home at 2835 Clay street late last night. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp which was accidentally overturned by her husband. He was also fatally burned. A man who was boarding in the house was also badly burned. G. R. Brown got a fractured skull.

ATTY.-GEN. JACKSON'S CASE.

Albany, N. Y., April 7.—The "conflict of testimony" which the New York grand jury discovered in the statements of Frank White, who was receiver of the Hamilton bank of New York, and Atty.-Gen. Jackson was read to the legislature yesterday and ordered printed.

Mr. White averred that Mr. Jackson had suggested that White's fee of \$12,000 as receiver of the Hamilton bank was a large one and that half of it should "go to the other man."

This was flatly contradicted by Atty.-Gen. Jackson, who "the other man" was not disclosed as Mr. White says the proposition made him so angry that he forgot to ask.

FOR ILLEGAL FENCING.

Bank Director Murphy of Helena to be
Placed on Trial for It.

Helena, Mont., April 7.—John T. Murphy, a bank director and prominent citizen of Helena, will today be placed on trial for the alleged illegal fencing of 59,000 acres of the public domain. Mr. Murphy's trial comes only after repeated efforts of friends to quash the case during his absence at a winter resort in Florida.

D. W. STEVENS' BODY ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON

Washington, April 7.—The body of Durian White Stevens, late adviser to the Korean council, who recently

was assassinated by a Korean fanatic in San Francisco, arrived here last night. At the Union station to meet the funeral party were Baron Takahira, the Japanese ambassador, and the entire embassy staff. Accompanying the body were Mrs. Joseph I. Porter, a sister; Miss Kate Stevens, and Mr. Oyama, chancellor of the Japanese consul-general at San Francisco. By direction of his government and in deference to the wishes of the relatives of Mr. Stevens, Baron Takahira has assumed direction of the funeral and has announced that the services will be held at St. John's Episcopal church on Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock.

The honorary pallbearers will be Secy. of State Root, Admiral Frederick Rogers, Admiral Wm. S. Cowles, James R. Morse, New York; Gen. Jas. H. Willard, Washington, D.C.; Senator John Kean, Representative Theodore R. Burton; former secretary of state, John W. Foster; Samuel S. Howland, New York; former governor of Minnesota, Wm. R. Marrian; Charles H. Poor and Representative Longworth.

The active pallbearers will be Francis B. Loring, Gen. Joseph P. Sanger, Woodbury Blair, Richard Maddox, Alexander F. Magruder, Commander Taniguchi, Commander Ide, Maj. Tanaka, Mr. Nigai and Mr. Yoshida.

BURGLAR SCARE.

There was a burglar alarm from the residence of A. C. Ellis, Jr., 807 Second avenue last night, caused by a light being seen in one of the rooms. It was known that the family was away from home and when a neighbor saw the light the house was surrounded to prevent the escape of the burglar. John Kean, Representative Theodore R. Burton; former secretary of state, John W. Foster; Samuel S. Howland, New York; former governor of Minnesota, Wm. R. Marrian; Charles H. Poor and Representative Longworth.

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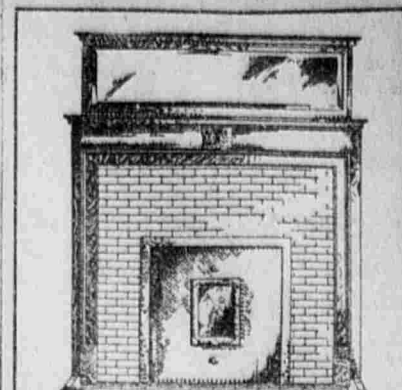
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