

MOVE-MENTS DO NOT MOVE

Looks Like All This Anti-Third and Fourth Term Business Was in the Aid of the Sucker Fishing.

WHAT'S THE USE? STACKED; SO C. G. LEE FIGURES IT

Things Will Be Doing When Mr. Duncan Pulls the String—Mr. McKee up Against the Real Thing.

Students of local political conditions have arrived, largely by a process of elimination, at the well nigh unanimous conclusion that certain movements have very perceptibly flattened out during the past 48 hours.

The Case of Maj. Rollins. Has Major Rollins ever encountered any serious opposition to a fourth term appointment? A number of Democrats, men of prominence in the community, do not hesitate to say they were told, when asked to sign a petition for Mr. Roland, that such a paper was not to be used by Mr. Roland as an applicant for the postoffice, but as an applicant, perhaps, for "something equally as good."

Mr. Lee Brings Report. Charles G. Lee, the custodian of what has been regarded as the Roland postoffice boom, recently returned from the scene of supposed conflict at the national capital.

At the present writing there would seem to be little chance for Mr. McKee to black the boards. If the rumor of a Rollins-Roland working agreement is well founded, Mr. McKee has existed only in the fancy of well meaning, but relatively unacquainted friends.

WALTER LONSDALE DISTRUSTS COOK

Man Who Served Alleged Explorer as Secretary Gives to Press Interesting Statement.

Copenhagen, Jan. 15.—Walter Lonsdale is the most recent of the former associates of Dr. Frederick A. Cook to claim to distrust the man whose claim to the discovery of the north pole has been rejected.

EXCITEMENT ON COTTON MARKET

Business Was Transacted on a Tremendous Scale Today Following Yesterday's Developments.

EUROPEAN SPOT INTERESTS AND LOCAL SHORTS BUYERS

Statement is Issued by Eugene Scales, Bull Leader, Who Tells Why He Sold.

New York, Jan. 15.—The cotton market had a very excited opening today, with business on a tremendous scale following the sensational developments of yesterday.

The First Buyers. European large spot interests and local shorts were enormous buyers at the start, but there was also extremely heavy liquidation by scattering interests, who had held their cotton over yesterday's break, but whose confidence had been destroyed by the collapse of the bull leadership.

Large commission houses which were credited in the street with having handled most of the business of the big bull leader, Eugene Scales, whose attempted May corner and other spectacular operations in the cotton market culminated in his sensational liquidation of yesterday, issued a statement today as follows:

"The selling by Mr. Scales yesterday is a sacrifice on his part for the benefit of his friends, as he was a target of the concentrated fire from the bears, and felt there was no use standing to be shot at, and having the market depressed on his friends, when by selling he could relieve the situation."

It was stated that no less than 200,000 bales of long cotton were thrown over on early advance, but it was all absorbed by shorts and fresh buyers on reaction to 14.4 for May, and the market closed steady at an advance of from 64 to 78 points from the closing figures of last night on active months.

GAVIN HEARS FROM MR. T. ROOSEVELT

In Darkest Africa He Is Wondering Whether Jeffries Can Get Back into Form.

Buffalo, Jan. 15.—Theodore Roosevelt's love of a fighter and a good fight has not changed by his African trip, as a letter from him received by "Tony" Gavin, former "Rough Rider," testifies.

WANTS GOVERNMENT VESSELS TO STOP AT CHARLESTON

Tillman Takes Up with President Matter Reported on Adversely by War Department.

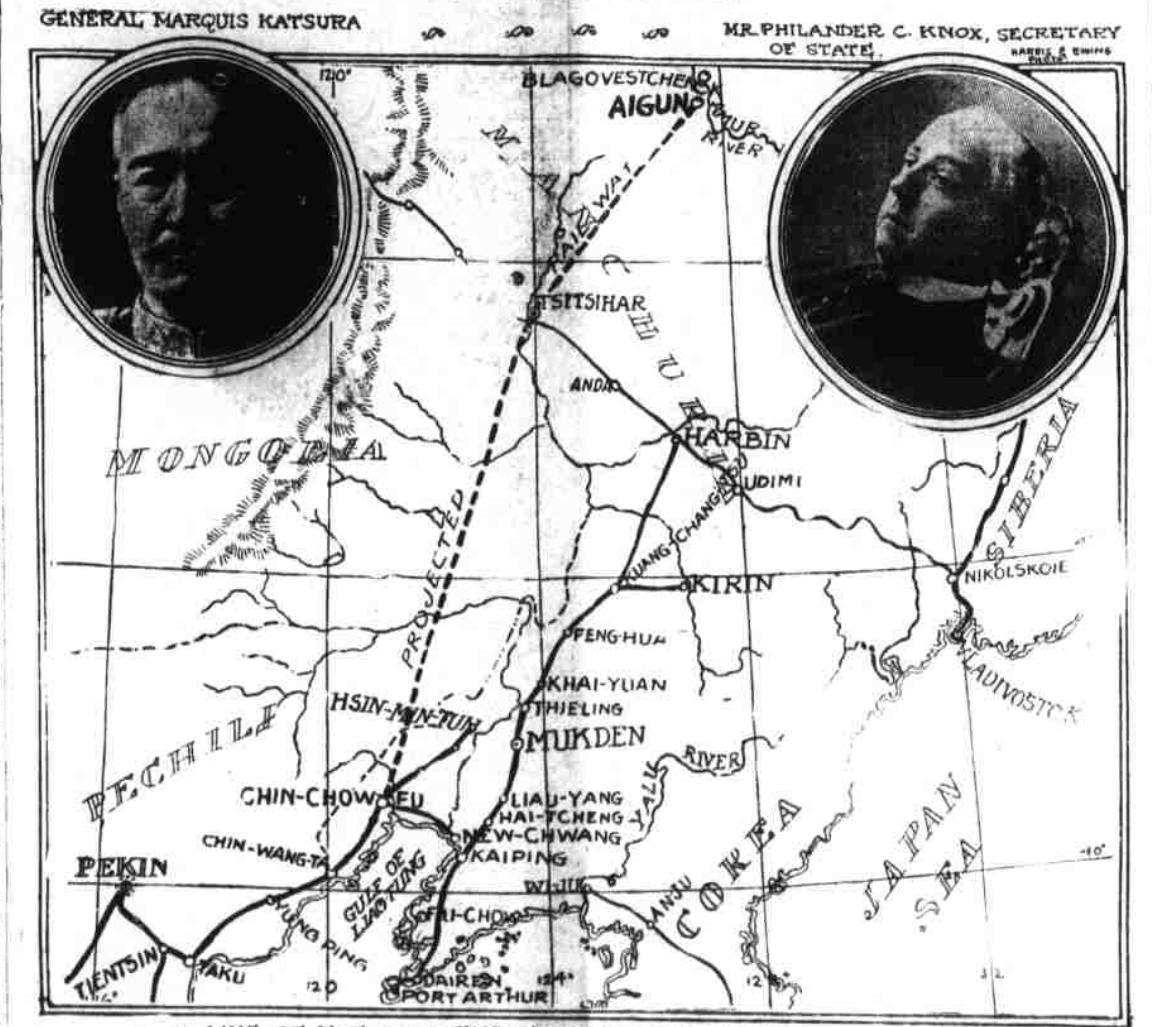
Washington, Jan. 15.—Senator Tillman of South Carolina took up with President Taft this morning the question of having the government steamers between New York and the Isthmus of Panama stop each way at Charleston, to discharge mail and take on passengers.

Richard Olney in Hospital.

Boston, Jan. 15.—Richard Olney, who was secretary of state in Cleveland's cabinet, is a patient at a hospital here, suffering from an abdominal ailment, but his condition is not serious.

Forty or Fifty Million Dollars For Chin-chow-fu-Aigun Road

Agreement as to Accepting American Loan Is Approved by the Throne, Construction to Be by British Contractors—Secretary Knox's Proposition Endorsed by Shanghai Times—Japan's Co-Operation May Be Secured.



Negotiations at Peking over the projected Chin-chow-fu-Aigun railway have reached the stage of agreement upon the road principles, which have the approval of the throne. These contemplate a loan by an American syndicate of between 40 and 50 million dollars for the line of 750 miles.

THEIR WEAPONS ARE SHEATHED

Regulars and Insurgents May Conclude to Take a Pull at the Pipe of Peace.

Washington, Jan. 15.—With tomahawks and scolding knives sheathed, the braves of the republican party in the house of representatives will soon gather for a pow wow.

MERGER OF TELEGRAPH COMPANIES IS DENIED

Keenest Competition Will Continue, Declares President of Postal Company.

New York, Jan. 15.—Vice President Charles C. Adams of the Postal Telegraph company today vigorously denied that there was a plan on foot to merge the various telegraph interests.

A Negress Makes Merry At Society Masked Ball

St. Louis, Jan. 15.—An unidentified negress made merry last night as a guest at the society masked ball at the Century Boat club.

SUPPOSED PAUPER LEAVES \$100,000

Also Instructions That Doubts of Death Future Presidents Will Be Inaugurated in March Winds and Snow as per Custom.

Pittsburg, Jan. 15.—"Thrust a dagger through my heart three times to make sure I am dead. Let my body lie ten days, cremate it then and bury the ashes."

IS MR. MIDDLETON ALSO A DEMOCRAT?

Well Known Florida Man Will Be Appointed Police Judge of District of Columbia.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Arthur E. H. Middleton, a native of Pennsylvania, Florida, and descendant of an old and distinguished southern family, will be appointed police judge for the District of Columbia, according to announcement made at the White House.

ARE WIDE AWAKE, SAYS MR. CLARK

The Minority Leader of House Returns to Capital and Spreads Broadcast Cheering Predictions.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Champ Clark, minority leader of the house, returned to the capital today after a ten days' speech-making tour in Missouri and the middle west.

HOUSE RECOMMITS THE RESOLUTION

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Washington, Jan. 15.—The house has voted to recommit the resolution providing for a change in the date of the presidential inaugurations.

READY FOR CRETA EXPEDITION

Berlin, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to the Cologne Gazette from Constantinople says the Turkish government is holding 12,000 troops in readiness to be sent to Crete.

THE WEATHER

Forecast until 8 p. m., Sunday, for Asheville and vicinity: Fair weather, with little change in temperature, tonight and Sunday.

STATEHOOD BILL LIKELY TO PASS

It Is Believed This Session of Congress Will Take in Arizona and New Mexico.

The Gazette-News Bureau, Room 46, Post Building, Washington, Jan. 15. Now that the committee on territories of the house have reported a bill providing for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico to statehood, hope has revived that that bill will pass at this session.

The population of the two territories is nearly half a million each, each having more than four times the population of Nevada, which has been a state 46 years.

Both Arizona and New Mexico are now represented in congress by republican delegates. The republican delegate was elected in Arizona in 1908 by a plurality of 708 votes in a total of 26,356 votes.

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GRANT ISSUES A SORT OF DEFINITIVE

He Says if Anybody Is Looking for a Suit in the Courts He Can Get It.

IN MARCH SERVED NOTICE ON MRS. REED, HE SAYS

Has not as Yet Seen the President About Biltmore Office, but Will Do so "at the Proper Time."

The Gazette-News Bureau, Room 46 Post Building, Washington, Jan. 15. Representative John G. Grant said of the Biltmore postoffice case today:

"I notified Mrs. Reed that I would ask for her removal on the charge of bribery if she did not get out. This was in March, after a delegation representing her had tried to go over my head to Senator Overman and other parties. She begged me to give her six months instead of three. I informed her that if she would get out, not desiring a row with a woman, I would grant her request, provided she lived up to her agreement.

Following this conversation she remained in office six months after her commission expired.

Grant said he had not been to see the president or the postmaster general with reference to Mrs. Reed's charges, "but," he added, "I will go at the proper time with the goods."

"I am not trying this case through the democratic press of the state," continued the congressman, "but before the departments, and if they want a suit in the courts they can get it."

Washington, Jan. 15.—Champ Clark, minority leader of the house, returned to the capital today after a ten days' speech-making tour in Missouri and the middle west.

Clark spread cheering predictions of sweeping democratic victory in the congressional elections this fall, and a democratic house of representatives, Clark said he found a thriving spirit of democracy in Ohio and Missouri, and other places where he visited.

"In Missouri the party is unanimous once more, and we are going to wipe the republicans off the map there," said the leader.

"In Ohio I attended a democratic banquet, which was the greatest banquet I ever saw. Democrats are wide awake all along the line. The papers of the country have been full of 'insurgent' news from Washington and the fight here has provoked much comment. Dissatisfaction with Republican rule was never so widespread as now, and the next house of representatives will be democratic as sure as anything in the world."

LOYD-GEORGE TALKS OF SINKING VESSELS

Defiant Words Hurlled at the Germans, in Winding up His Campaign.

London, Jan. 15.—David Lloyd-George, in closing his parliamentary campaign with a speech at Grimsby this afternoon, referred to the invincibility of the British navy and declared:

"If a German fleet in a moment of madness ever attacked Great Britain, it would be at the bottom of the German ocean in a very few hours."

HAS THREE LIVING WIVES AND IS ONLY 35 YEARS OLD

Epperly, Arrested in Terre Haute for Bigamy, Confesses and Gives Names.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 15.—Harry Epperly, arrested here yesterday, admits that he has three wives, Charles Kennedy Epperly, Emma Decker Epperly, and Bessie Duhar Epperly. Epperly is 35 years old. The police have taken him to Anderson to answer charges.