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INAUGURATION IN GORGEOUS STYLE

Plans for the Great Event Practically Complete.

ILLUMINATION OF THE COURT OF HONOR IS TO BE A SPECIAL FEATURE

Washington, March 2.—The preparations for the inauguration of President McKinley next Monday are practically completed. Washington expects the biggest crowd she has seen in many years. Pennsylvania avenue will be illuminated during three nights, the fourth, fifth and sixth of March, as rarely before, and a special feature will be made of that part extending from Fifteenth street to Seventeenth street on the north front of the white house grounds. This section has been designated as the "court of honor" and many special features of illuminations will be introduced.

The circular drive in front of the executive mansion is included in this grand scheme of illumination and a large force of workmen has been engaged for two weeks or more in the erection of pillars of classic shape at frequent intervals along this drive. From these pillars novel effects in electric illumination will be displayed and it is expected that the court of honor will surpass in beauty anything of the kind ever before attempted in this country, and certainly in Washington. The inauguration program is as follows:

MONDAY, MARCH 4.

11 a. m.—Gathering of high government officials, diplomats and special invited guests in the United States senate chamber.

11:50 a. m.—Inauguration of Theodore Roosevelt of New York, as vice-president of the United States. Ceremonies in the senate, attended by the president and a distinguished company.

12 noon—President McKinley takes oath of office in the presence of the assembled multitude. Delivers inaugural address.

7:30 p. m.—Illumination of the court from the capital up Pennsylvania avenue.

7:30 p. m.—Illumination of the court of honor in front of the white house.

7:45 p. m.—Display of aerial fireworks from Washington monument grounds.

8:00 p. m.—Doors of pension office open for reception of guests of the inaugural ball.

9:00 p. m.—Inaugural ball opened by President McKinley.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5.

10:20 a. m.—Dedicator concert, pension office, in honor of the United States army. Marine band.

2:00 p. m.—Dedicator concert, pension office, in honor of the United States navy. Marine band.

8:00 p. m.—Dedicator concert, pension office, in honor of the states of the union. Marine band.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.

2:00 p. m.—Dedicator concert, pension office, in honor of the congress of the United States. Marine band.

8:00 p. m.—Dedicator concert, pension office, in honor of the vice president and speaker of the house of representatives. Marine band and grand chorus of 500.

The oath of office will be administered to President McKinley by Chief Justice Fuller, in front of the main entrance to the capitol, where a stand for this purpose has been constructed. Gen. Francis V. Greene will head the parade as grand marshal. President McKinley will follow, escorted by Troop A of Ohio. The body of the parade is divided into two grand divisions, military and civic, and will be a notable pageant in many respects.

The streets of the capital today began to show the effects of the rapidly increasing number of people who fill the streets of the city for inauguration day. Trains into Washington began to arrive today in from two to five sections. It is too soon yet to make a definite prediction as to the total number of visitors, but the arrangements for public comfort are in excellent shape, and there is no doubt as to the capacity of Washington to adequately house as many as shall arrive.

ABANDONED STEAMER.

THE BEACH IS STREWN WITH FRUIT FOR MILES.

London, March 2.—The British steamer Indiana from Venice January 19 for London was sighted off Worthing yesterday in a sinking condition. A strong sea was running; and a lifeboat which was sent out failed to discover any signs of life on the steamer.

Hopes are entertained that her crew are aboard some other vessel. The beach is strewn with fruit for miles.

The German steamer Washington from Rotterdam for New York, which was making for Dover was driven ashore at Norfolk during a gale and had a narrow escape from going on the rocks. Her bows had been stove in collision.

BASKET BALL.

The basket ball game between the A. L. I. and Y. M. C. A. teams has been postponed another week—to Wednesday, March 13. New seats have been placed around the armory, much better than before. The second team of the Blue Ridge Rifles and A. L. I. will play the third game of their series Friday evening.

SMUGGLING CHINAMEN.

Plattsburg, N. Y., March 2.—Special Inspector Guild of Champlain, N. Y., made an important capture when he arrested Jule Coure of Rousses Point, N. Y., driving eight Chinamen across the boundary line of Canada into the United States near Champlain.

FOUR TRAINMEN KILLED IN A SOUTHERN WRECK

FREIGHTS COLLIDE NEAR LENOIR, TENN., WHILE GOING AT HIGH SPEED.

Knoxville, March 2.—A disastrous freight wreck, resulting from a collision, occurred west of Lenoir City at an early hour this morning. Both trains were through freights and running at a high rate of speed.

Four trainmen were killed, three fatally wounded and several seriously injured. Not a member of either crew escaped unhurt. The dead are: C. F. MADDON, engineer. J. M. STEPHENSON, fireman. THOMAS COLBERT, colored brakeman.

A brakeman, name not known. It is stated that the trains first had orders to pass at Lenoir City and later received orders to pass at Loudon. The wreck is said to be due to the eastbound train failing to run under the second order and expecting to meet the westbound at Lenoir City. All morning passenger trains were delayed until this afternoon.

INDEPENDENT PHONES.

MOVEMENT TO COMBINE ALL IN THIS COUNTRY.

York, Pa., March 2.—A movement has been inaugurated in this city, having in view the organization under one management of all the independent telephone lines in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. A committee of officials of the various lines has been appointed to work out the basis on which the different companies will be admitted to the new organization.

The new company will be capitalized at \$27,000,000 and its promoters contemplate that it will ultimately embrace under one management all the lines in the United States.

NOMINATIONS.

LIST SENT TO SENATE BY THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, March 2.—The president has sent the following nominations to the senate:

W. Theodore Reall, register of the land office at Leadville, Col.; John T. Ingram, Daniel Arms and George L. Wales, all of Montana, to be mineral land commissioners in Montana.

To be assistant paymasters in the navy—Frederick G. Pyne of New Jersey, Frederick P. Colby of New York, Edward E. Goodhue of Massachusetts, and William R. Brown of Pennsylvania.

To be civil engineer in the navy—Reuben E. Bakenhus of Illinois.

FOG AND SLICK TRACK.

CAUSE OF WRECK ON CLOVER LEAF RAILROAD.

Marion, Ind., March 2.—Foggy weather and a slippery track caused a rear end freight collision on the Clover Leaf railroad at Michaels, three miles west of this city yesterday morning. Engine No. 55 pulling the second section of No. 40 was smashed into a pile of scrap iron and the caboose and five refrigerator cars of the first section were completely demolished.

Engineer Rufus Jauman of engine 55, was probably fatally scalded and George R. Harper, fireman of the same engine, sustained bruises and possibly internal injuries. The track was blocked for several hours.

WITH TWO SATCHELS.

THE ROOSEVELT FAMILY START FOR WASHINGTON.

New York, March 2.—Vice President Roosevelt, his wife and six children left Oyster Bay this morning for Washington. The baggage of the family was limited to one large and one small satchel. Colonel Roosevelt looked the picture of health.

In this city the Roosevelt family were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robinson. At the capital they will be entertained by Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. Cowles. Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Cowles are sisters of Colonel Roosevelt.

HANGING TO A TREE.

BODY OF NEGRO WHO KILLED A WHITE MINER.

Camden, Mo., March 2.—Dewey Smith, a negro miner, who yesterday shot and killed Chester Stanley, a white miner, at Mine No. 4, four miles south of Richmond, Mo., was captured late last night and taken back to the scene of his crime.

Today his body was found hanging to a tree close to the railroad tracks.

THE SURF AT HAVANA.

Havana, March 2.—The American yacht Surf, from New York via Savannah and Miami, Fla., has arrived here. The Surf, with her owner, C. K. G. Billings of Chicago, and a party of friends, sailed from New York February 22 for a cruise in Cuban waters.

BRAZILIAN TRADE COMBINE.

Liverpool, March 2.—Shipping circles here are interested in the reports of an extensive combination of the steamship lines interested in the Brazilian trade, with a capital of \$1,000,000. The Booth Steamship company has already acquired the Red Cross line.

SPRING ELECTION.

Voting is a great privilege. So is smoking Ko-We-Ba and Benjamin Franklin cigars. You can get them of Wells, 14 Patton Ave. 1t

CONGRESS MAKES AN EARLY START

The House Soon Gets Into a State of Worry.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS BRINGS IN ABSENTEES IN ORDER TO GET A QUORUM.

Washington, March 2.—The house reconvened at 9 o'clock this morning after the recess taken last night. It had been agreed that two hours be devoted to unanimous consent legislation.

Owing to the unusually early hour of meeting the hall was almost empty when the speaker dropped the gavel, but the fact that members were to have an opportunity to pass bills by consent was a great inducement and within a few minutes they began arriving, each with a bill in his hand.

After bills had been passed to amend the Chinese exclusion act; to authorize the striking of medals for Spanish war heroes; to authorize the deposit of moneys collected from customs in authorized government depositories, and to authorize the appointment of Thomas Lewis to the navy, objection was made to action on all the bills by unanimous consent.

There were many appeals not to block proceedings, but the objection stood. The speaker had refused recognition.

The speaker then recognized Mr. Sperry of Connecticut, to move the passage under a suspension of the rules of the senate bill to prohibit the sale of firearms, opium and intoxicating liquors in certain islands of the Pacific.

Mr. Bailey demanded a second and then brought matters to a complete standstill by making the point of no quorum.

A call of the house was ordered, and the sergeant-at-arms was instructed to bring in absentees. It was 10:20 before enough members were brought in to make a quorum.

Mr. Sperry proceeded to explain that the bill was designed to prevent the sale by Americans of firearms and intoxicants to aborigines.

Mr. Bailey declared that the men behind the pending bill were not entirely sincere in trying to protect the savages from the baneful influences of intoxicating liquors, and proceeded to discuss the situation in the Philippines.

The bill was defeated, 117 to 79. It was 1:10 when the roll call was completed and the result announced. As the regular hour for meeting, 11 o'clock, had been reached, the house could not adjourn, so executive day, Friday, was continued. As the house will not adjourn again until the sine die adjournment at noon Monday there will be no Saturday in the house proceedings.

Mr. Mercer of Nebraska moved the passage, under suspension of rules, of the omnibus public building bill.

IN THE SENATE.

It was a weary senate that convened this morning to begin the proceedings of the last legislative day of the fifty-sixth congress. The senators were red-eyed and tired looking and showed the effect of the heavy strain of the past week. Many of the older senators exhibited less evidence of hard work and loss of sleep than some of their younger colleagues.

The galleries were thronged with people who are here to attend the inauguration ceremonies.

Senator Chandler presented to the senate a protest from Henry R. Knapp of Helena, Mont., against the seating of Wm. A. Clark of Montana. Knapp claims to act in behalf of the labor party of Montana, which party united with the Democrats in the election of the Clark state ticket and in the election of Clark by the Legislature.

He says Clark's managers agreed to secure state legislation in the interest of labor, but failed to do so. He also claims that Clark expended to exceed \$200,000 in the campaign.

INSANE SOLDIERS.

NINE BROUGHT HOME ON THE TRANSPORT MEADE.

San Francisco, March 2.—The soldiers and civilians aboard the transport Meade from Manila numbered 824. Twenty-four men have been deported from the Philippines by the military authorities. Most of the men are discharged soldiers.

Private Carl C. Rucker of Troop L, Third cavalry, died at sea. There were nine insane, 98 sick and 11 dead.

Brigadier General Freeman is among the cabin passengers.

UNLIMITED STORAGE.

RAILWAY AND STEAMSHIP MEN ABOLISH IT.

Norfolk, Va., March 2.—Railway and steamship men at a meeting here unanimously decided to abolish unlimited free storage of freight of all character after March 31, 1901, and all freight on hand thereafter will be subjected to the storage regulations adopted.

This action applies to the entire state of Virginia and puts in force the rules and practices similar to those in force in North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and Georgia. Heretofore merchandise has been stored for indefinite periods free of charge in the local warehouses of the railway and steamship lines of this port.

DEATH AT A FIRE.

Gas City, Ind., March 2.—Fire this morning destroyed the pottery works owned and operated by D. C. Cox. One man was killed and three others were so badly injured that they will probably die.

FIXING GAME DATES FOR SOUTHERN LEAGUE

PRESIDENT KENT THINKS THE SEASON WILL BE ONE OF EIGHTEEN WEEKS.

Memphis, March 2.—This morning the schedule committee of the Southern Baseball association met to arrange playing dates and dates for Sunday games. The committee formulated schedules which will be completed at the afternoon session.

The distribution of umpires and unsigned players will be settled then, as well as the question of equipment and uniforms.

This meeting is the most important the Southern league will hold this season and many things of vital importance will be discussed.

President Kent is of the opinion that the season will be one of 18 weeks.

DECIDEDLY EASY.

TIME TO SPARE ON VARIOUS BIG MEASURES.

Washington, March 2.—The house expects on appropriation bills regarded the situation as decidedly easy today and said there would be time to spare on the various big measures. With the Indian, army and agricultural bills sent to the president the only ones remaining to give uneasiness are the river and harbor, naval, postoffice and sundry civil.

The river and harbor conferees are meeting informally and are well along in their work although the conferees had not been appointed early in the day. The naval conferees are still deadlocked. The subjects are too small to endanger a bill of this importance. The postoffice conferees have finished the bill, but the points of difference are also too small to endanger the bill, the chief open questions being as to inquiries on government telegraph and telephone system and on free delivery for small cities.

The sundry civil conference is dealing with some important differences, including the expositions at St. Louis, Charleston and Buffalo, and a memorial bridge over the Potomac river, but no fears are entertained of protracted differences.

HOT SPRINGS WEDDING.

REV. HAROLD TURNER AND MRS. M. L. SHAW.

Hot Springs, N. C., March 2.—[Special.]—Rev. Harold Turner of Winston, N. C., will be quietly married this evening to Mrs. M. L. Shaw of this place. Mr. and Mrs. Turner will leave on the 9 o'clock p. m. train for Asheville and points south, after which they will return to Winston, where Mr. Turner is pastor of the Burkhead M. E. church, south.

Hot Springs was his last charge, which place he held three years. The people of Hot Springs, and the members of the Methodist church especially, unite in wishing them God-speed.

ANOTHER COAL DEAL.

FOUR COLLIERIES AND THREE WASHERIES INCLUDED.

Scranton, Pa., March 2.—Another big anthracite coal deal has been consummated by the purchase by the Delaware & Hudson company of the Ladlin, Langcliffe, Greenwood and Brooks coal companies. The papers were signed in New York.

Four collieries and three washeries are included in the deal and the consideration is \$1,500,000. The total output of the collieries is 650,000 tons per year. Seventeen hundred men are employed. The purchased companies were owned by Rees G. Brooks, T. H. Dale and W. J. Lewis.

NABBED BURGLARS.

ONE INSTANTLY KILLED BY CLAYVILLE CONSTABLE.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 2.—At Clayville, Pa., 20 miles east of here, Town Constable John Neely shot and killed one burglar and captured another with the aid of a posse, after a desperate fight.

The burglars robbed half a dozen houses. One attacked the constable with an iron bar and the other shot at him. Neely drew his revolver and shot and killed one instantly. The other fled, but was captured later. Neely was badly hurt in the fight.

INTERESTING QUESTION.

Madison, Wis., March 2.—It has just been discovered that a strip of land of 250,000 acres along the boundary line between Wisconsin and Michigan lies in neither state. The question has arisen as to whether or not official acts, such as marriages and land transfers, in that strip are valid, and the matter will probably be laid before the Wisconsin legislature.

ROASTED COFFEE UP.

New York, March 2.—The price of roasted coffee has been advanced one-half a cent per pound to 10 1/2 net by the Woolson Spice company which is controlled by the American Sugar Refining company interests. This brings the price up to a level with the Arabica, the first time that this has been so in two years.

RECOVERY DOUBTFUL.

Will Wilkinson, who was wounded at Marshall recently and is at the Sisters of Charity hospital, has become very much worse. He is very ill today and his recovery is very doubtful.

A new lot of extension tables at Mrs. L. A. Johnson's, 43 Patton avenue.

SURRENDER TALK AGAIN PLENTIFUL

But Nothing Known Positively About Botha.

THE GENERAL WANTS TO KNOW HIS STATUS AFTER THE WAR IS OVER.

New York, March 2.—With regard to General Botha the cables keep singularly silent, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. It is rumored that in the negotiations with Lord Kitchener he has been anxious to know what would be his status when the war was over, and this is said to have caused some delay in announcing the result of the pourparlers.

Kruger's petition is even said to have been under discussion. The war office, however, maintained silence and nothing is known positively, although surrender rumors are again plentiful.

The advances in South African securities of all kinds have been steady and uninterrupted, says the correspondent, being caused by reports that General Botha has surrendered and that the military situation has greatly improved.

Close observers of the scenes in the mining exchange assert that there is no speculative movement, but merely a better feeling among investors in England and on the continent, so that shares are in greater demand and prices are gradually going upward. Orders have come in from France, Germany, Canada and elsewhere, and there is evidence that the South African investors are convinced that the end of the war is close and that a speedy revival of the mining industry may be expected.

The day and the hour when the surrender occurred have been mentioned with such precision that it is suspected that negotiations for the submission of the Boer general have been in progress and that the time and place have been agreed upon.

South Africans in London have contended for weeks that Botha was only holding out on a point of honor, and would abandon the hopeless conflict whenever DeWet was captured. DeWet's own plight could hardly be worse. Only a small portion of the remnant of his force has crossed the Orange river and his own passage with Steyn is contradicted.

A Herald dispatch from London says: "For several days the papers have been full of discussion of whether the opportunity for such surrender was not thrown away after the fall of Pretoria, but the public care little or nothing about the controversy. Everybody is sick of the war and especially of the rehabilitating of ancient history. Even General DeWet's puzzling movements are scarcely interesting while the stalwart hundredth time that he has been cornered excited little more than derision.

The announcement of Botha's surrender caused just a ripple of excitement. But although the event caused a semblance of a rush on the stock exchange to buy kaffirs, it quickly subsided when it was seen that the public was holding aloof for official confirmation.

OVERDUE STEAMERS.

M'DONALD AND KHORASAN ADDED TO THE LIST.

San Francisco, March 2.—The American steamship John McDonald and the British ship, Khorasan have been added to the list of vessels overdue at this port. The former is now 168 days out from Baltimore for San Francisco, and 20 per cent. is being paid to reinsure her. The Khorasan is 210 days out from Tampa for Yokohama, and 15 per cent. is being paid on her.

The new company will be capitalized 90 per cent., while the Ardnamurchan, 88 days from Fraser river for Liverpool, is held at 75 per cent. The Henry Hackfield, 200 days out from Philadelphia for Nagasaki, is at 15 per cent. The Andrada is uninsured, having been given up as lost.

POPE'S BIRTHDAY.

NINETY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY TO BE CELEBRATED.

New York, March 2.—The pope will celebrate his 91st birthday, says a Rome dispatch to the World. Dr. Mazzoni said: "His holiness is in marvellous health. He shows no sign of diminishing vigor—a miraculous thing in a man of his age."

It is said that the pope had a narrow escape from a serious accident while celebrating mass on Wednesday, through the accidental falling of a heavy brass candlestick which had been insecurely placed on the altar.

POLITICAL PERSECUTION.

CAUSE OF THE SUICIDE OF HON. HOPE POLHILL.

Macon, March 2.—Hon. Hope Polhill, solicitor-general, killed himself last night in his office at the court house. He was discovered at 5 o'clock this morning with a bullet through his brain and all the gas turned on.

The cause assigned for the suicide is unmerciful persecution by his political enemies.

It is said that numerous bitter attacks have been made on Polhill and they preyed on his mind until he was driven to desperation.

Let the echoes bound to a joyful sound, of the values in candy being handed round by the 5 and 10 cent store. Half pound taffy 10 cents. 1t