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Will Cost Dewey a Boom.

The abandonment of his Southern trip has deprived Admiral Dewey of witnessing the launching of the Dewey presidential boom in the South.

Plans had been quietly made by some of the leaders to spring the boom at an opportune time, and in the great enthusiasm which would have surrounded the progress of the admiral in this section it was expected that Dewey could be put forward as the man to beat Bryan and McKinley, as far as the South's part in the contest goes.

In this movement were the anti-Bryan Democrats and the Palmer and Buckner gold Democrats, who have been looking for a candidate other than the Nebraskan. It is said that half a dozen leading Democratic papers in the South which have opposed Bryan were ready to declare for Dewey on the occasion of his visit here, and it is a fact that some of the men most active in trying to get Dewey here are anti-Aryan Democrats. They are visibly chagrined now that the admiral has refused to come, and they frankly admit that Dewey has lost a fine chance of making himself popular in the South. The opponents of Bryan have looked to Dewey as the best means of getting out of a bad situation politically, and there is no doubt but that the Dewey boom was ready for explosion, some of the speeches on that line having already been prepared.

The city of Atlanta spent several thousand dollars preparing welcome signs and flags and bunting in the admiral's honor, and it was expected 100,000 people would come here to see him. Hereafter the admiral will not be nearly so strong in Georgia.

Transvaal a Fortress.

Philadelphia, Oct. 24.—Edwin Vandusen Paul, who is delegated to represent President Kruger at the International Commercial Congress will not take further part in the proceedings. He left today for Chicago, whence he goes to transact other business of the Transvaal government. Mr. Paul intended to have read a paper before the congress, but the state of affairs in South Africa called him to other duties. Before leaving for the West he said, speaking of the war.

"The news thus far received from South Africa would rather favor the British side of the conflict, but it would be well for Americans to remember that nine out of ten dispatches received from the seat of the war comes from British sources. I do not believe that the boys have been repulsed as badly as the press dispatches have stated. I realize as well as any one that Great Britain has a tremendous power, and had she to deal with a small nation like the Transvaal located within reach of the guns of her ships, there would be a speedy ending of the war; but the Transvaal is a gigantic fortress in itself. The Boers are determined to maintain their independence; they are willing to sacrifice all and the fight will be a bloody one from the very start.

How Howard Died.

Manila, Oct. 24.—Details of the killing of Captain Howard Saturday show that he was sitting on the bow of the gunboat when Arayat, insurgents concealed in bushes on the river bank fired a volley. The Oceania replied with a magazine gun. Howard was shot in the right breast, the bullet severing an artery. He staggered to the wheel, saying: "Whatever happens keep the launch going." He expired shortly after. Two other members of the crew were wounded and a native deck hand was killed. The remainder of the crew kept the boat going and fought all the way to Cabiao.

Howard's body will be placed in a transport bound for San Francisco tomorrow.

Captains Dudley and Chase, with cavalry, scouted as far as Santa Rosa today, where they located 600 insurgents under command of General Podillio, formerly captain in the Spanish army.

Girl Played Spy.

New York, Oct. 24.—Rosa Paretta, eight years old, who was shot by her brother Charles, eleven years old, while the two were playing at soldiers at the home of their parents on Fountain Avenue, near New Lots Avenue, Brooklyn, died in the Brooklyn Hospital. The boy, who disappeared after the accident, surrendered himself to the police at the Miller avenue station today.

The two children had been playing that the girl was a captured Filipino spy, who was condemned to death, and after pronouncing sentence, the brother had grasped his father's gun and, pointing it at his sister, had pulled the trigger. The gun happened to be loaded with buckshot, and the little girl fell to the floor, terribly wounded. The brother says he did not know the gun was loaded. At the Gates Avenue Police Court the boy was held on the charge of homicide.

Lawton's Movement.

Manila, Oct. 25.—Heavy rain increased the depth of water in the Pampanga River to such an extent that the launches and the canoes bearing supplies were able to reach San Isidro today. This is the place which General Lawton intends to use as a base of supplies for the expedition to Parac Work is being pushed forward rapidly. A corporal, photographer and signal man have been missing since General Young's recent fight. An escaped Spanish prisoner says there are four American prisoners with Pio Del Pilar at Penaranda.

Blanco's 400 Macabes are returning from the Ladrones. It is believed they are desirous of entering the American army and completing a regiment of Macabebes.

A battalion of the Twentieth infantry and a detachment of the Sixth artillery escorted the body to Captain Guy Howard to the transport Belgian King today. Many officers took part in the funeral exercises.

Yellow Fever Epidemic.

Jackson, Miss., October 23.—Eight new cases of yellow fever are reported in Jackson tonight. This makes a total of eighteen cases now under treatment. The patients are well scattered over the city and the state board of health issued a statement tonight practically declaring the disease epidemic. The statement further says that owing to the lateness of the season it is not likely that the infection will spread if introduced at another place, but suggests that other towns in the state stake such quarantine action as they deem proper. One of the new patients is a state convict named Chittington. This is the first time in history that yellow fever has appeared in the penitentiary. Fortunately only a dozen or so of convicts are within the walls. Dr. Haralson, inspector of the state board, reports three cases at For. eighteen miles north of here. Many of the citizens are leaving.

Oil Trust and Leather Trust.

New York, Oct. 25.—It was reported and generally credited in Wall street today that Standard Oil capitalists had acquired a controlling interest in the United States Leather Company, and that 200,000 shares of the common stock had been transferred this week on the books of the company to the name of John D. Rockefeller.

An officer of the company refused to confirm or deny these statements. Certain tanning companies, of which stock the leather company is a large holder, own large tracts of Pennsylvania land, which as Wall street reports had it today, have been found to be oil-bearing land. This was given on the street as the reason of the Rockefeller investment.

Crowds to See Brumby.

Atlanta, Oct. 25.—Fully thirty thousand visitors are in town to greet Lieutenant Brumby, the public reception to whom begins tomorrow. Tonight Brumby was the guest of the Capitol City Club. Governor Candler, Mayor Woodward and several Congressmen spoke during the evening, and to them Brumby responded fittingly.

The Dispensary Scandal.

Columbia, S. C., October 25.—Judge Aldrich in the circuit court today ruled that the state board of liquor control must exhibit to that court records on which the commissioner, J. B. Douthit, was discharged without a hearing. The commissioner can be discharged for cause only, and Douthit demands a trial by the board. His leading attorney, Colonel George Johnstone, was very caustic in his arraignment of the board.

The scandal grows apace. Mr. D. A. G. Ouzts, the discharged clerk, has disgorged a lot of information of a sensational character, accusing the ex-chairman of the board, J. D. Hazelden, with being influenced by wholesale whiskey houses, and with receiving at his home quantities of liquor, a menace to the morality of the youth of the neighborhood. Captain John Black slipping clerk, has accused Ouzts of being a spy, a chief and a scoundrel.

The little family fuss in "the great moral institution" is disgusting.

As the state board does all of its buying behind closed doors, the public is led to infer that whiskey houses which use undue influence get the largest orders. The amount of liquor business last year exceeded \$1,500,000.

The police provisions of the dispensary law are grafted upon constitutional provisions of no sale by the drink, no drinking on the premises, no sales at night, etc., but the method of purchasing, which admits of corruption and bribery, is but a statute. The legislature will in January have an investigation, and may probably do away with the state dispensary, lettering each county buy its own liquor.

There is extreme bitterness between the factions of the board and their friends—the development of several years' friction. Epithets and abuse have been applied in public print, but there has been no personal violence attempted.

Castro as an Orator.

Caracas, Oct. 24.—General Cipriano Castro, the revolutionary leader, that last night delivered a ringing speech to the people. He mentioned how he started on the Columbian frontier with only sixty companions. He recalled his victories which created the party called the Liberal Roster in Institutions. His address was greeted with frantic applause.

The day was observed everywhere. Flags were displayed on all buildings and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed.

General Hernandez, who was put in prison by President Andrade for heading revolutionary force and who told his men to join Castro, was liberated and escorted to the Yellow House, the official home of the president. General Hernandez, who is the leader of the nationalists, states that he will cooperate with General Castro for the salvation of the country.

Suspended by the Commons.

London, October 23.—During the course of the day's proceedings, while the house was discussing the report of the supplementary estimates, Patrick O'Brien, Parnellite member for Kilkenny City, declared that the hands of the British secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberlain, were as much stained with blood as those of any murderer who ever mounted the scaffold.

The speaker, William Court Gully, called upon Mr. O'Brien to withdraw his remark, but he refused to do so, whereupon the house by a vote of 316 to 26 resolved to suspend him and he left the house remarking: "You had better bring up another army corps unless you want it somewhere else."

Dewey Owns a House.

Washington, Oct. 25.—By a deed of conveyance handed to him today by the former owner of the property, Admiral Dewey came into legal possession of the house at No. 1747 Rhode Island avenue, presented by contributors to the Dewey Home Fund. Treasurer Roberts received a contribution of \$1,000 today from anonymous donor in Brooklyn. The contribution was accepted and will be applied to the purchase of additional furniture for the Dewey house.

Claiming the Earth.

London, Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the Telegram, dated De Aar, October 23, says the Transvaal is issuing a proclamation declaring the district northward of Vaal River, including Bechuanaland, to be "Boer territory. The Orange Free State is taking similar action regarding Griqualand and the area between Vaal River and the Orange River.

General Cronje, who has been twice repulsed at Mafeking, is said to be advancing on Kimberley, commanding men and stores and munitions. He has left a small command investing Mafeking. Free State Boers are moving westward for the purpose of joining Cronje in his attack on Kimberley.

A dispatch rider who reached Orange River Monday from Kimberley, said the Boers were three miles from Kimberley, but were afraid to attack the town. They were awaiting Cronje. There are no Boers south of Belmont, which is twenty miles north of Orange River.

Defeats in Natal are taking all the fight from the Boers. They will not attack the British though they may defend a few positions. It is believed here that the heaviest fighting is over, except for a battle near Pretoria.

From the foregoing dispatch it is apparent that the district of the Free State lays claim to the diamond district including Kimberley.

The correspondent of the Times, referring to the slaughter at Elandslaagie last Saturday, says:

"Glence was as sanguinary an engagement as this in every respect, but though the price was high the defeat was absolutely crushing."

Canada's Contingent.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—Much enthusiasm was manifested this afternoon upon the departure of 350 volunteers to help Great Britain fight the Boers. At the armories purses of gold and sterling silver match safes, inscribed with the motto, "What we have we'll hold," referring, of course, to the empire, were presented to the soldiers. Expensive field glasses were given to the officers. A committee of citizens arranged for life insurance for the men. The South Africa contingent then paraded the principal streets, accompanied by four volunteer corps with brass bands. The men left in a special train for Quebec, where they will embark for Cape Town.

STATE NEWS.

The Kinston Free Press says: Between 600 and 700 children are registered in the several schools in Kinston.

Judge Purnell is quoted as saying there is an astonishing increase in the matter of illicit distilling. There is no increase in the Western district. In the Eastern district there are now 400 cases against Moonshiners on the docket.—News-Observer.

The safe in the tobacco warehouse of Kennedy & Baker, at LaGrange, was robbed of six hundred dollars Monday. The safe was unlocked, the money being in a drawer in the safe and locked. The robbery took place during a sale. A strange negro man was seen to leave the building about the time the robbery is supposed to have occurred. The same negro purchased a ticket to Goldsboro and from the description it is thought he bought a ticket from that place to Warsaw.—Raleigh Post.

The Durham Herald says: Henry Taylor, a colored man who lives in East Durham is the champion red pepper raiser. From a few rows of the fiery pods he has sold to date \$18,52 worth and still has enough left to bring him several more dollars.

ELM CITY ITEMS.

October 25th, 1899.

Mr. J. T. Sharp, of Raleigh, was here Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Claude Barnes, of Wilson, was in town Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Pridgen returned Thurs-

day from a visit to Raleigh and Durham.

Mr. John Taylor, of Baltimore, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Dr. J. E. Brothers and little Miss Fessie returned last week from Oxford.

Dr. E. D. Barnes, of Rocky Mount, was in town Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Annie Thomas has returned from a visit to Greenville.

Miss Mildred McCaleb arrived Saturday and went out to Dr. W. P. Mercer's.

Misses Lenoir Cook and May Mercer returned Saturday from a several days visit to Raleigh.

Misses Martha Grimmer and Maude Cheers left Wednesday for a visit to Wilson.

Mrs. Annie Elam of Wilson on her returned from Greenville stopped over here Wednesday with her cousin, Mrs. Theo. B. Winstead.

Dr. E. G. Moore returned Thursday from New York where he has been taking a special course in surgery.

Mr. Sid J. Carter, of Rocky Mount, has been visiting friends here for several days.

Mrs. W. T. Doles, Miss Lula Cheers and Mr. and Mrs. Theo. B. Winstead went over to Wilson Wednesday night.

Mr. Henry Vaughn, of Burlington who has been here visiting his daughter Mrs. J. T. Watson left Thursday.

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LUCAMA LETTER.

I will write a short letter about our town and county.

Our town has four dry goods and grocery stores, one millinery store, two saloons, one restaurant, one blacksmith and wood shop.

We regret to hear that Mr. S. H. Scott has left our place. He has sold out to his partner, Mr. Sidney Hays, and is going to his farm.

We also regret to hear of Miss Mamie Davis' illness. She has been sick for three weeks with typhoid fever. We hope to see her out soon.

Dr. Crocker says there is lots of sickness at this time in and around our town.

There is one more thing that Lucama has, and that is a good school. It is conducted by Mr. E. G. Barnes and wife.

Mr. L. F. Lucas' residence will soon be completed.

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Finch Mill Items.

October 24th, 1899.

Editors Times:

There is not anything of any importance this week, except there was another burial here to-day—it being the infant of Mr. R. H. Boswell.

The writer, with many of his friends and neighbors, attended the Primitive Baptist Association at Upper Black Creek last Sunday, where we heard the discourse of some very able ministers and saw a large concourse of people.

At night this neighborhood is alive with the voice of the corn huskers.

Mr. Finch has torn down the old work house and saw shelter that stood between the bridge and mill house, and will, as soon as the work can be done, erect a new building that will be much larger and better equipped.

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Health Conference.

Next Wednesday, November 1st, the State Board of Health will convene here in a Health Conference. Matters of special value, relative to home sanitation, will be discussed and it is hoped that all the ladies and gentlemen in the city will attend. The session lasts only one day, morning and night, at the court house.