

NO EXTRA SESSION.

Congress Not to Be Called This Summer.

PRESIDENT AND CABINET DECIDE.

Recent Insular Decisions Do Not Affect the Status of the Philippines—Civil Government Under Military Rule Soon.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The president and members of the cabinet have decided, after a full discussion of the question, that an extra session of congress to consider the Philippine question will be unnecessary.

After the meeting of the cabinet the following official announcement was made:

"The president has determined that existing conditions do not require or warrant calling congress together during the present summer or making any change in the policy hitherto pursued and announced in regard to the Philippine Islands."

The principal point upon which the cabinet reached a decision that an extra session of congress is not necessary to enable the president to put in operation a civil government in the Philippines is that the supreme court decisions do not affect the president's military power in the islands under his authority as commander in chief of the army.

It is not proposed by the administration to abandon the idea of putting into operation a civil form of government and promulgating a revised Philippine tariff. The plan now under contemplation is to inaugurate a civil government just as soon as possible under the president's military power. This will mean that while there will be a civil administration in the islands they will continue under military control until congress has passed laws making a complete change of government with a civil head.

The question of promulgating a new tariff in the Philippines is not changed by this decision, as the new tariff, which is merely a revision of the old one, will be announced when approved by the secretary of war, and the duties will be collected by officers appointed for that purpose by the president under his military power.

The supreme court decisions as viewed by the administration settles, first, that the Foraker act is constitutional; second, that the collection of duties on Porto Rican products between the time of the cession of the island of Porto Rico and the passage of the Foraker act is illegal and must be refunded. These are held to be the main essential points of the decisions. Nothing in them is construed to apply to the tariff situation as between the United States and the Philippines. The conclusions of the cabinet are not based on any knowledge as to the prospective Philippine decision of the supreme court, though it is declared there is little apprehension as to the findings of that decision. If the present system is upset in that decision, which is now anticipated, there will be little difficulty, it is believed, in refunding the amounts meantime collected under protest.

A Big Diamond. NEW YORK, June 1.—A diamond so big that its like has never been seen by the dealers in this country and so costly that a syndicate had to be formed to purchase it is now lying in the big safe of Stern Bros. & Co., in Nassau street, "a king's ransom in a 5 cent wooden box." It is destined to the Pan-American exposition, where its christening will occur. It is the largest diamond of its kind in the world and is of a rare canary color. This big diamond is nearly twice as large as the famous Kohinoor, which belongs to the British crown. It weighs 207 3/4 carats. The stone was found a year ago in Kimberley, South Africa, and in its rough state weighed 600 carats. The Kohinoor weighs as now cut 106 carats. And it is so rare that its present owners have not yet announced its value, except that it could not be bought for considerably more than \$100,000.

An Honest Man Wanted. CHICAGO, June 3.—Mrs. Nancy B. Irving, a book publisher, has started out to emulate Diogenes in her search for an honest man. She believes it is an impossibility to live a strictly honest business or professional life under the present conditions of society. To prove the point Mrs. Irving offers to deposit \$1,000 in a Chicago bank, which will be paid to the first business or professional man who can prove conclusively that he has carried on his work for a month without lying. She is anxious to prove the point because of a book she has in view.

First Agnostic Marriage. CINCINNATI, June 3.—The first agnostic marriage in this country occurred here yesterday and formed the closing feature of the agnostic Sunday school that has been established here. The contracting parties were Frederick Federle and Miss Martha Seaman. Justice Alexander Roebing performed the legal part of the ceremony, after which both parties made their pledges, including one not to resist divorce proceedings.

Bridge Jumper Killed. NEW YORK, June 5.—Holding an American flag in either hand, Robert G. Bidwell, a writer, jumped last evening from the Brooklyn bridge. He was instantly killed. The man had prepared himself for the jump. Around his waist was an air life preserver, and he had padded his back and stomach with heavy towels.

Missing Son Heard From. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., June 4.—Mr. and Mrs. George Alden, the parents of Louis Alden, the boy who disappeared from his home in this city five years ago, have received a letter from their missing son dated in Australia. The boy states that he has been sick and would like to come home. His parents had long mourned him as dead.

Gold Bonds For \$3,000,000. NEW YORK, June 4.—Comptroller Coler announces that he will have advertisements inserted in The City Record within a few days for a bond sale of \$3,000,000 of 3 1/2 per cent gold certificates maturing in 1941. The bonds will be for the rapid transit, street openings and new parks.

General Booth a Mason. NEW YORK, June 5.—General Bashington Booth of the Volunteers of America was last night initiated into the mysteries of Masonry in the lodge at Montclair, N. J.

GAMES AT BUFFALO.

In the Intercollegiate Contests Cornell Leads.

A SLIGHT REVERSE.

Boers Overpower British Garrison at Jamestown.

VLAKFONTEIN FIGHT WAS DESPERATE

Boer Attack So Sudden That Fifty British Fell at the First Volley.

Battery Lost Guns, but Recovered Them.

LONDON, June 5.—The war office publishes the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, June 4:

"Jamestown, Cape Colony, surrendered to Kitchener's command on the morning of June 2 after four hours' fighting. The town guard and loyal volunteers were overpowered before our pursuing columns could come up.

"Our casualties were three killed and two wounded. The Boer loss is said to have been greater. "The stores were looted, but the garrison was released.

"Have placed General French in charge of the operations in Cape Colony." Details received regarding the fighting at Vlakfontein show that it was one of the most desperate engagements of the war. General Dixon's column was traversing the district and establishing posts when it was attacked by 1,200 Boers under Commandant Kemp. The Boers were so close that 50 British fell at the first volley.

The yeomanry held the position, protecting the guns until they were nearly decimated, and then, finding it impossible to save the guns, the artillerymen shot the gun horses to prevent the Boers moving the guns.

The column quickly recovered from the shock of the unexpected attack. The Derbyshires charged with bayonets and, after a short desperate fight, drove off the Boers and recovered the guns. The Derbyshires and yeomanry both lost very heavily.

It is asserted that while the Boers had temporary possession of the guns they shot two artillerymen in cold blood for refusing to work them against their own comrades.

The appointment of General French, who has been recruiting his health in Cape Town, to command the operations in Cape Colony indicates that Lord Kitchener attaches considerable importance to the invasion.

FIVE MEN HANGED. A Mob in California Seizes Petty Thieves.

RIBBER, Cal., June 1.—Details have been received here of the lynching of five men at Lookout, Modoc county. The lynched were Calvin Hall, 72 years of age; his three half-brother sons, Frank, James and Martin, aged respectively 26, 19 and 16, and R. D. Yantis, aged 27.

As reported here the men lynched had been suspected of petty stealing for some time. Last Saturday they were arrested for stealing barb wire, pieces of harness and some hay forks. A search warrant was issued, and harness and forks were found in the homes of Hall and Yantis, who were taken into custody and brought to Lookout, where they were being held awaiting examination and trial. Sunday and for several days following other searches were instituted, and halters, dishes and table linen which had been taken from clotheslines were found hidden on the premises of the suspected parties.

Burglars Break For Liberty. TORONTO, June 5.—Frank Rutledge, Fred Rice and Frank Jones, three alleged bank burglars extradited from Chicago and on trial here for robbery of a private bank at Aurora, were being transferred from the courtroom to the jail last night in a cab, in which were Police Officers Boyd and Stewart. The three prisoners were handcuffed together. When the rig was approaching the jail, an unknown person threw three loaded revolvers into the cab. Jones grabbed one of the pistols and shot Officer Boyd, who died in a few minutes. Officer Stewart opened fire on Jones, shooting him in the arm and groin. The prisoners then leaped from the cab and, boarding a passing street car, ordered the motorman to proceed faster. The latter removed the arm of the motor and struck Rutledge over the head, while the conductor threw off the trolley pole from the wire, bringing the car to a standstill. The men were then overpowered. Jones is in the hospital and will lose his arm if he recovers.

Medical Men in Session. ST. PAUL, June 5.—Fifteen hundred physicians occupied seats in the Metropolitan Opera House when the convention of the American Medical association was called to order yesterday. Interest centered in the discussion of the report on reorganization which followed the reports of officers, trustees and the executive committee. Dr. Simmons, secretary of the association, presented a report showing that the association now had a membership of 106,000, an increase of over 1,500 in the past year.

Fatal Railway Wreck. ATLANTA, June 5.—A switch engine of the Southern railway struck an incoming passenger train from Macon yesterday near the Southern shops and overturned several coaches. Three passengers were killed and 10 injured. Both locomotives were moving rapidly. The switch engine skidded along the side of the train, knocking the coaches over as it struck them. The collision, coming without a sound of warning, took the passengers by surprise, and they had no means of protecting themselves.

A Fat Railway Job. SAN FRANCISCO, June 3.—The Call says that J. C. Stubbs, traffic manager of the Southern Pacific, who is now in New York, has been offered the position of commissioner of the transcontinental roads by eastern railway magnates. The commissioner will represent the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Southern Pacific and Union Pacific. The salary will be \$50,000 a year.

Big Increase of Stock. ALBANY, June 5.—A certificate of increase of capital stock of the American Telephone and Telegraph company from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000 has been filed with the secretary of state. The amount of stock of the company actually issued is \$94,237,500.

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THE MARKETS. BLOOMSBURG MARKETS. CORRECTED WEEKLY. RETAIL PRICES. Butter, per pound, 20; Eggs, per dozen, 14; Lard, per pound, 11; Ham, per pound, 13; Pork (whole), per pound, 13 1/2; Beef (quarter), per pound, 10; Wheat, per bushel, 6 to 8; Oats, do, 40; Rye, do, 40; Wheat, per bbl., \$4.00 to 4.40; Hay, per ton, 16 00; Potatoes, per bushel, 75; Turnips, do, 20; Onions, do, 1 40; Sweet potatoes, per peck, 35; Tallow, per pound, 05; Shoulder, do, 11; Side meat, do, 09; Vinegar, per qt., 05; Dried apples, per pound, 05; Dried cherries, pitted, per pound, 12; Raspberries, per pound, 12; Cow hides, do, 3 1/2; Steer, do, do, 05; Calf skin, do, do, 75; Sheep pelts, do, do, 80; Shelled corn, per bushel, 65; Corn meal, cwt., 1 50; Bran, cwt., 1 10; Chop, cwt., 1 15; Middlings, cwt., 1 15; Chickens, per pound, new, 1 10; do, do, old, 10; Turkeys, do, 2 1/2; Geese, do, 2 1/2; Ducks, do, 08.

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