

MILLION DOLLAR CONFLAGRATION AT MANILA DESTROYS COMMERCIAL CENTER

Twentieth Infantry Called to Assistance of Fire Fighters

Only Heroic Action Saved Destruction of the Entire Capital

(By Associated Press.)
MANILA, P. I., Nov. 2.—The Chinese district was swept by fire today with a loss of more than \$1,000,000. At noon the fire threatened to destroy the commercial center of the city and the Twentieth Infantry, General Funston in charge, was called out to assist the fire fighters. The work of the soldiers saved the day and the fire was under control early in the afternoon.

WILL SUSPEND HOSTILITIES WHEN THRONE AND REVOLUTIONISTS ARE DISCUSSING ATTAINMENT OF PEACE

Government's Plans are Working Rapidly to End Strife

New Premier, Yuan Shi Kai, Ordered to Return at Once to Peking

(By Associated Press.)
PEKIN, Nov. 2.—The German legation today received a message from the vicinity of Hankow stating that the imperial forces are now burning the native city of Hankow. The message confirms yesterday's report that the imperial troops massacred men, women and children during the several days fighting.

PEKIN, Nov. 2.—The government's plans for bringing about peace moved forward rapidly today with the throne and national assembly working together. The throne ordered Yuan Shi Kai, the new premier, to return immediately to Peking and simultaneously the national assembly, in its official capacity, telegraphed General Yuan Heng, leader of the revolutionists, requesting him to suspend hostilities pending a result of the endeavor to settle the differences of all parties.

CHAMP CLARK AGAIN URGES ANNEXATION

Hurls Defy at Those who Might Seem to Oppose Taking Over Canada

Utters Radical Statement that He Could Carry Every State in the Nation

(By Associated Press.)
FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 2.—"Ninety-ninths of the people of this country favor the annexation of Canada," declared Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives, today. "And I don't care who hears me say it." Beginning with a speech here this morning, Speaker Clark was scheduled to make addresses in 21 towns in the Third Nebraska district in the interest of Dan V. Stevens, Democratic candidate for congress, to succeed the late Representative James P. Latta. "I am willing," said Mr. Clark, "to make this proposition: You let me run for president on a platform calling for the annexation of Canada in so far as this country can accomplish that end, and let President Taft run against an opposing annexation, and I will carry every state in the nation."

RODGERS GOING SOME.

(By Associated Press.)
PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 2.—Aviator Rodgers who left Maricopa at 9:50 this morning, arrived here at 10:30, making the distance of 45 miles at the rate of a mile a minute.

FIRST SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE IS FATALLY ILL

Norman J. Colman of St. Louis Stricken With Apoplexy Aboard Train

Physicians do Not Expect That He will be Able to Recover Health

(By Associated Press.)
LEXINGTON JUNCTION, Mo., Nov. 2.—Norman J. Colman of St. Louis, first secretary of agriculture of the United States, was taken from a west-bound Wabash train this morning after having suffered a stroke of apoplexy, which it is believed may prove fatal. Colman is 84 years old. He is under the care of physicians at a local hotel. He will be taken to his home late today.

CENTENARIAN DIES PUFFING ON CIGARETTE

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—"Give me a cigarette. God has been good to me and allotted a long life. Let me die smoking." Puffing a cigarette and smiling at the deathbed attendants, Abraham Isaacs, 106 years old, died here today. Isaacs entered the hospital when 85 years old, having \$2,000 for a life beath.

KYRLE BELLEW DIES IN UTAH

(By Associated Press.)
SALT LAKE, Utah, Nov. 2.—Kyrle Bellew, the actor, died here today of pneumonia. The body will be sent to New York.

WOMAN'S FATE LIES WITH JURY

(By Associated Press.)
OPELOUSAS, La., November 2.—The fate of Mrs. Zezrunge McGee, charged with the murder of Allen Thurman Garland, a Tulane university student, was given to the jury at 11:40 a. m., following a brief charge of Judge Pavy.

JEALOUSY MAY HAVE FURNISHED MURDER MOTIVE

Minnesotan Named as Beneficiary in Chicago Patrolman's Will

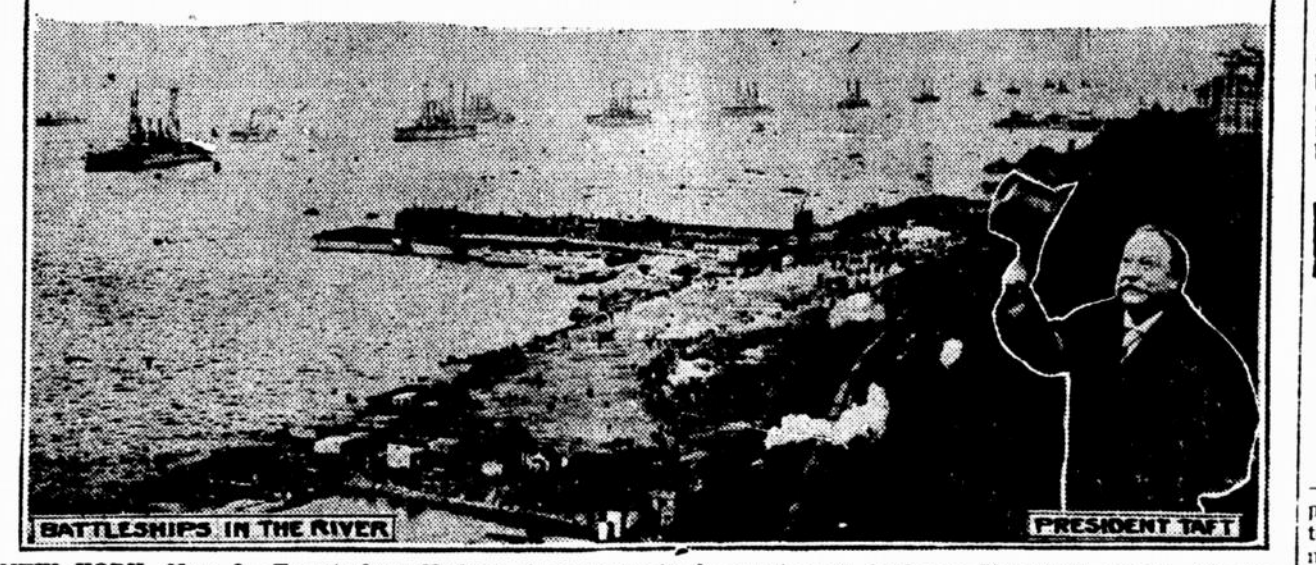
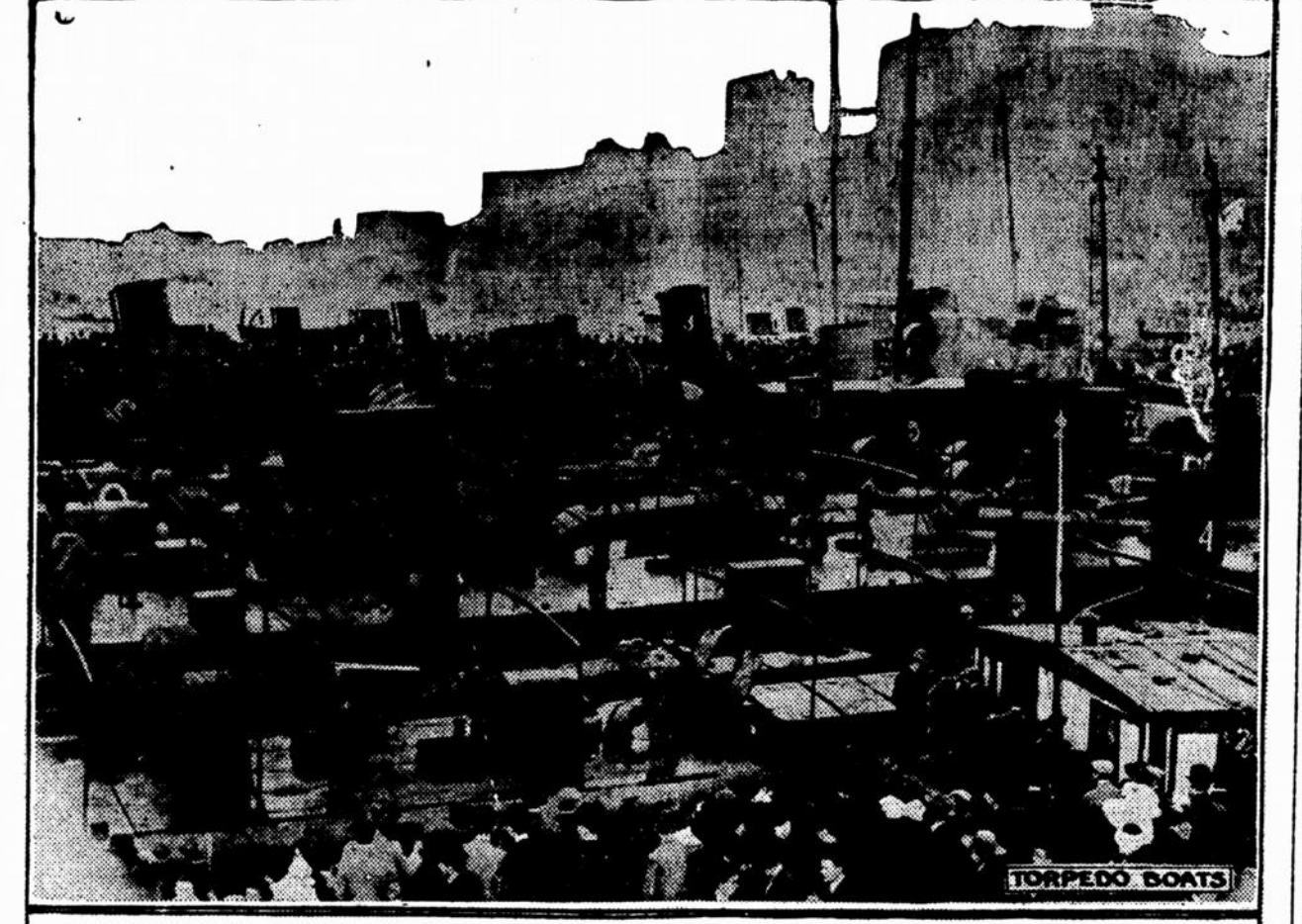
Woman With Whom Dead Man Boarded is Now Under Surveillance

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—A possibility that jealousy might have played a part in the death of Arthur Bissonette, a Chicago policeman, today proved a new fact for the investigation being conducted by the coroner and police departments. The filing of the patrolman's will shatters the belief that Mrs. Louise Vermilya, under police surveillance in connection with Bissonette's death, and with whom Bissonette boarded, was engaged to the officer. The will showed Miss Lydia Rivard, daughter of a farmer at Marshall, Minn., to be the fiancée and chief beneficiary. Although Mrs. Vermilya is named in the document as a witness, she declared she knew nothing of it. Whether action will be taken against the woman depends on the report of the toxicologists who are examining Bissonette's viscera.

MISS FLANNERY MARRIED.

Daughter of Pioneer Bismarck Attorney Wedded in Minneapolis.
The older residents of the state capital will be interested to learn of the recent marriage of Miss Margaret Flannery which occurred in Minneapolis. Miss Flannery is the daughter of George P. Flannery, one of the noted attorneys of Bismarck in the pioneer days.

President Taft Reviews the Greatest Fleet Ever Assembled Under Old Glory



NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Twenty-four battleships, two armored cruisers, two cruisers, 22 destroyers, 16 torpedo boats, eight submarines and enough vessels of other classes to bring the total up to 102 are assembled in the Hudson river to await the coming of President Taft, who reviewed the fleet Thursday, November 2. The president, aboard the Mayflower, steamed along the fleet from West Fifty-seventh street to West One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street. He then went down to Tompkinsville, off Staten Island, where he took a position and reviewed the vessels as they steamed out to sea after their visit to the nation's metropolis.

JOSEPH PULITZER'S BODY TO BE BURIED IN NEW YORK



(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—The body of Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York World and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, will be brought from Charleston, S. C., where he died on board his yacht Liberty, for burial in Woodlawn cemetery. Mr. Pulitzer was 64 years old and had been in fair health until a sudden attack of heart disease caused his death. He had been blind for 22 years, but remained actively in charge of his newspaper properties, which will hereafter be managed by his sons, Ralph and Joseph, Jr. The picture is from a painting by John S. Sargent.

WENT TO MINOT

Miss Sema Thompson, who has been employed a stenographer in the offices of Mr. T. R. Mookler, departed Thursday evening for Minot, where she has accepted a position as court reporter. Her former position in this city has been filled by Miss Florence McGillis.

PICTURE OF UNSURPASSED BEAUTY GREET'S NATION'S CHIEF AT REVIEW OF NAVY

FIRST WINTRY BLASTS SWEEP OVER THE EAST

Chicagoans Shiver When the Thermometer Drops Below Freezing Point

Expected Weather will Moderate in the Western States Today

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—The first real touch of winter struck the middle west today, the thermometer dropping below the freezing point. In many places considerable snow fell. The minimum degree here was 23, while points through Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois maintained about the same figure. The weather will begin to moderate in the west tomorrow, according to the local weather forecast.

BUY AT HOME

Should Bismarck people spend their money at home? Read the answer on page six today.

Taft Witnesses Most Notable Naval Pageant in History of Country

Every Class of Fighting Ship Known in Navy in Line of Review

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, N. Y., November 2.—From the bridge of the Mayflower, where Theodore Roosevelt had stood to bid good speed to the departing, and joyous welcome to the homecoming battleship fleet that circled the globe three years ago, President Taft today reviewed the most notable assemblage of warships in the history of the American navy. From the standpoint of fighting power, the number of ships in line, and spectacular setting, the review presented a marine picture of unsurpassed beauty and impressiveness. In three long columns, stretching as far as the eye could see up the Hudson river the grim grey ships, 99 in all, had awaited the president's coming. In his honor they were dressed from stem to stern in fluttering flags as if attempting for this gala occasion to conceal the muzzles of the death dealing guns. There were 24 battleships in line, representing every type of that class of fighting vessel in the navy from the Indiana, Massachusetts and Iowa, of special war fame, down to the last word in completed super-dreadnaughts, the majestic Florida, which today lifted the voice of her guns in their first salute. Armored cruisers, scout cruisers, destroyers, torpedo boats and auxiliaries made up the grand total. New York, which has been "navy mad" for nearly a week, turned out by hundreds of thousands to witness the review. The day was favored by perfect weather. The mobilization and review of the fleet at this time was simply a demonstration of the preparedness of the American navy for any emergency. President Taft materially altered his travel plans to come to New York at this time to witness the pageant. He expected to leave for Hot Springs, Va., late this afternoon.

GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATES WHEAT CORNER

Cases May be Prepared and Submitted to Various Grand Juries

Armour Grain Company May be Prevented from Disposing of Receipts

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., November 2.—An alleged corner of wheat, centered at Chicago and extending to Minneapolis, Duluth, Buffalo and Baltimore, by which it is declared sixty per cent of the country's wheat supply is controlled, has been under investigation by agents of the department of justice some time and results may be presented to the respective grand juries within a few days. To insure the necessary evidence the government, it is said, is about to ask the grand jury at Chicago to prevent the Armour Grain Co., of that city, through which it is alleged those who control the corner operate, from transferring or disposing of warehouse receipts.

CHICAGO, Ill., November 2.—United States District Attorney James H. Wilkerson today threatened contempt proceedings against any one found to have been responsible for the reports originating in the east that the federal grand jury would investigate board of trade conditions. "The making of disclosures with reference to grand jury proceedings is contempt of court," he said. "The business of this office will be conducted on that principle, and the courts will be called upon to enforce it in this district, no matter who may be involved."

BRYAN BOOSTS FOR TAGGART

(By Associated Press.)
KANSAS CITY, Kan., November 2.—Hundreds of democrats from all parts of Kansas came to Kansas City today to hear W. J. Bryan speak tonight in the interests of Joseph Taggart of Kansas City, Kan., candidate for congress in the second Kansas district. This is the final week of the campaign. A special election will be held Tuesday.

ARMED FORCE IS NECESSARY TO BACK UP TREATY

Former President Comments on Situation in China and Tripoli

Bad Turkey a Fleet of Any Size Italy Would Not Have Declared War

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, November 2.—The war between Italy and Turkey proves the utter inefficiency of paper treaties when they are unbacked by force, according to an article by Theodore Roosevelt, on "Arbitration, pretense and reality," in the current number of the Outlook. Mr. Roosevelt, who thinks "the real friends of peace in this country ought to be able to profit by the events that happened in China and in the Mediterranean during these fall months, since the arbitration treaty was considered in the senate." Mr. Roosevelt says, "The complete absence of militarism in China and the Chinese effort to rely purely on pacific measures in dealing with all foreign powers within the last few decades, have had but the smallest effect in saving it from tyrannical government, and the most far reaching economic misery at home, and moreover, has had the effect of depriving it of the means of keeping order within its boundaries. As for the war between Italy and Turkey," continues Mr. Roosevelt, "I am not now concerned with its ethical justification. Personally I believe it is in the interest of humanity that Tripoli should fall under European control. But this is not the point," says the former president. "The point is that this war proves the utter insufficiency of paper treaties when they are unbacked by force. The utter folly of those who believe that these paper treaties accomplish any useful purpose in the present stage of the world's development when there is no force behind them." Mr. Roosevelt says, "Turkey has all the protection it is possible to give her by these paper treaties, and yet all these treaties thus guaranteeing her against disarmament are not worth as much as a single gun-boat of the smallest size the minute that it becomes worth while for any serious opponent to attack her. If Turkey had a fleet as strong as her army no man of any sense believes that the war would have occurred."