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P FIVE CENTS.

LEADS ALL NORTH CAROLINA DAILIES IN NEWS AND CIRCULATION.

TO CONTINUE THE WAR FOR FREEDOM

Aguinaldo so Informs the Junta at London

OUR EYES ON THE SULUS

HOW THE INHABITANTS' ALLEGIANCE CAN BE SECURED.

SPAIN RULED THESE ONLY NOMINALLY

An American Garrison Will Probably Replace the Spaniards at Zamboanga. A Part of Gen Lawton's Troops Capture Idefonso.

London, May 15.—The Filipino Junta here has received a message from Aguinaldo, via Hong Kong, saying the Filipino Government has decided to continue the war at all costs until independence is secured.

Washington, May 15.—It is expected at the War Department that General Otis will take steps at once to replace the Spanish garrison of Zamboanga with United States troops. This garrison was recently attacked by native troops, but they were repulsed. The indications are that a comparatively small force will suffice, provided that it is supported by one or two gunboats. The place is one of the greatest strategic importance, being the capital of the Island of Mindanao, the second largest in the Philippine group, and a good seaport.

The town is easily defensible with a small artillery force. The fact that the insurgents are in possession of rapid fire guns makes the situation at Zamboanga more serious, but it is not believed here that they have a large supply of the ammunition necessary to operate the weapons, which will consequently soon become useless to them.

Through unofficial agents, the Government here has been quietly making investigations into the state of affairs in the Sulu group, south of the Visayas Islands, with a view to determining whether by good arrangement the inhabitants cannot be brought into allegiance to the United States without insurrections. The natives are generally Mahomedans, and owe allegiance to a Sultan, whom the Spaniards have never been able to bring into more than nominal submission. He maintains a harem and lives in state, and it is probable that an annuity will have to be provided for him out of the revenues of the island after the United States takes possession.

It is learned that part of General Lawton's troops have captured Idefonso.

BLAME SENATOR TILLMAN.

Afro-Americans Approve a Report on the State of the Country.

New York, May 15.—The seventy-eighth session of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Conference for Eastern New York today unanimously approved the report of the committee on "the state of the country" which included the following:

"We deplore the sad and barbarous incident at Wilmington, N. C., which has blackened the fair name of the Old North State, and for which Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, is responsible. Not only does this incident, but others as hideous and barbarous, bring to our minds the burning of Sam Hose at the stake in Georgia, the barbarity of which could only be exceeded by the cannibals in uncivilized sections—a blot upon the pages of American history—the recent lynchings in Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama, the shooting of a number of colored prisoners in Georgia and the attempted lynching of a colored man in New York; strikes in the mining districts, denote the barbaric trend of the American people, all of which we condemn as unbecoming a great United States Government. Various plans have been advanced as solutions of these great wrongs and wanton violations of law. Many persons advocate recourse to arms, but your committee, after carefully studying the conditions, deprecate any such plan to the solution of this great problem. We would recommend that the best thing to be done is to demand protection from the law-making bodies, through the candidate who asks for the suffrage of the people."

COMPARED HIM TO A POODLE.

"Him" Being Kaiser, the Editor, Goes to Prison.

Berlin, May 15.—Herr Maximilian Harden, editor and publisher of the Zukunft, has begun to serve the six months' imprisonment to which he was sentenced on November 4th, last, after having been convicted of lese majeste, in comparing the Emperor to a poodle and on other charges.

SPORTING CLUB LICENSED.

New York, May 15.—The police board today granted a license to the Coney Island Sporting Club. The granting of the license will allow the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons fight to come off there.

OUR SAILORS KILLED IN SAMOA.

Admiral Kautz Makes a Report Concerning the Battle.

Washington, May 15.—Secretary Long today made public so much of a recent report from Admiral Kautz upon Samoan affairs as touches the killing of a number of American sailors by the Matafua adherents near Apia, on the first of April.

The report is an elaboration of the description of the affair which was called at the time by the Associated Press from Auckland. No mention is made at any point of the reported participation in the affray of the German, Hufnagel, the manager of the plantation where the fight occurred. It is known that the failure of the Colt gun to work properly was in a large measure the cause of the American and British defeat.

Admiral Kautz says the expedition was projected by Captain Sturdee, of the Porpoise. For several nights preceding, the sentries had been fired upon by the natives and it became necessary to drive the aggressors away. Admiral Kautz says that it was the opinion of all the officers who had the matter in charge that the force was ample to do the work without risk, especially as it was to move out along the beach and return the same way, under the protection of the guns of H. M. S. Royalist. It is safe to say, says the Admiral, that after Lieutenants Freeman and Lansdale had conferred together, they did what they deemed best under the circumstances and the disaster that followed could not be foreseen.

GEN. GOMEZ HAS ENOUGH

DISGUSTED WITH OPPOSITION, HE LEAVES PAYMENT TO BROCK.

This Officer Will Offer \$75 Each to the Troops Forfulfillment Will Follow Refusal to Take it.

Havana, May 15.—General Maximo Gomez today informed Governor General Brooke that he could no longer act as representative of the Cuban army in the distribution of the \$3,000,000 appropriated for the payment of the Cuban troops.

General Gomez added that he had arrived at this decision with great reluctance, and with the most friendly feelings toward Gen Brooke personally and officially, but he felt he could no longer represent the Cuban army because a cabal composed of many of the subordinate commanders existed to oppose, and if possible, defeat the plans for partitioning the money. He explained that former members of the Cuban Military Assembly, led by Maxia Rodriguez, Manuel Sanguinily, Juan Guaberto and other malcontents, had organized a majority of the officers against him apparently. Though he (Gomez) might persist and possibly carry the payment to a successful conclusion; he was disgusted and wished to wash his hands of the whole business. Therefore, he thought best to leave General Brooke free, as the latter could act with equal effectiveness.

It was then mutually agreed that General Gomez will issue a manifesto to the Cuban army tomorrow. After it has been issued General Brooke may make a declaration concerning the manner in which he will proceed. He is determined not to be trifled with. He has the rolls of the privates and non-commissioned officers who are willing to accept \$75 each, and this amount will be offered on the alternative of forcible disarmament.

The Society of Veterans of Independence, which is merely the old Military Assembly under a new name, held an inaugural meeting last night under the presidency of General Fernando Freyrede Andrade, who acted as president of the Assembly, at which meeting Generals Laceret, Cisneros, Gomez and Leyte Vidal and others were present. The proceedings were devoted to drawing up an agreement that is to be proposed at a meeting to be held this evening.

CUBAN SITUATION SERIOUS.

Washington, May 15.—High officials in the War Department were reluctant to discuss the Cuban situation this afternoon. The dispatch of the Associated Press was read with interest but did not cause much surprise among army officers who are well informed about the Cubans, especially those who are known as "soldiers of fortune," and who have been bitterly disappointed because the island was not turned over to them immediately after the Spanish surrender. There is an impression also that the intention of General Brooke to see that the \$3,000,000 are distributed among all the Cuban troops has caused disappointment among the many "Generals," and other high officers who were evidently expecting to secure a large share of the money.

The belief was expressed that the situation in Cuba is serious and that careful and diplomatic management will be needed.

CUBANS CALL IT NIGGARDLY.

Santiago de Cuba, May 15.—Considerable dissatisfaction is expressed here over the demand by the United States Government that the Cuban soldiers relinquish their arms before receiving their shares in the distribution of the \$3,000,000. La Independencia and other papers publish excited articles protesting against the acceptance of any such proposal. On all sides among the Cubans of Santiago violent expressions are heard regarding what is termed "the niggardly conduct of the Americans."

IRON AND STEEL OCTOPUS BORN

Incorporation of the Republic Steel Company.

CHICAGO HEADQUARTERS

CAPITAL OF THE TRUST FIFTY-FIVE MILLIONS.

SWALLOWS UP THIRTY-THREE CONCERNS

These Mills Have an Annual Output of One Million Tons of Bar Iron Used by the Farming Implement, Wagon and Car Builders.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 15.—The sale of the Lake Erie Iron Works today gave notice of the fact that another immense combination of iron and steel interests has been consummated. The Republic Steel Company has been incorporated under the laws of New Jersey with a capital of \$55,000,000, consisting of \$25,000,000 preferred and \$30,000,000 common stock.

The officers are: President—Randolph S. Warner, Columbia, Ohio.

First Vice President—Myron Wick, Youngstown, Ohio.

Second Vice President—George D. Wick, Youngstown, Ohio.

Third Vice President—James G. Caldwell, Birmingham, Ala.

Fourth Vice President—George M. Bard, Muncie, Ind.

Treasurer—John F. Taylor, Youngstown, Ohio.

Secretary—James Llewellyn, Chicago.

The general offices will be in Chicago. The mills in the combination will be operated as now, except that business will be done in the Chicago office, and the present superintendents will be retained.

The concerns in the new corporation number 33 in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Alabama. Among them are the Birmingham Rolling Mill Company, Birmingham, Ala., and the Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company, Birmingham, Ala.

These mills have an annual output of over 1,000,000 tons of merchant bar iron, the rolled product used by farming implement and wagon makers, carbuilders and other kindred industries. In addition to the rolling mill property there are six blast furnaces with an annual capacity of about 400,000 tons of pig iron.

Some of the by products of the combination will be spikes, bolts, splices, turn-buckles, skelp, and there will be some manufacture of steel plates and sheets. The iron ore properties are a very important part of the combination. The Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company of Birmingham, Ala., owns 25,600 acres of land, of which 14,700 are coal, 8,850 red and brown iron ore, 560 limestone and 1,750 of other character at the furnaces and coke plants near Thomas, Ala.

By these acquisitions the company will be largely independent of all other interests in the iron industry.

STILL ANOTHER TRUST.

Wrought Iron and Steel Tube Capitalized at \$65,000,000.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 15.—Officers of the Syracuse Tube Company in this city stated today that the National Tube Company, a consolidation of the principal mills in the United States making wrought iron and steel pipes and tubes, would probably be effected this week. It will have an annual tonnage of 1,000,000 tons of tubular goods, and will be capitalized at \$65,000,000. The local plant will be purchased outright by the new concern, but will be continued, it is believed, about as at present.

PROPOSED PEANUT TRUST.

An Extension of Option Secured Until June First.

Norfolk, Va., May 15.—For fully a year there has been talk of the formation of a trust to control the peanut trade in Virginia, and for some time options have been held upon nearly, if not all, the cleaning houses in the State. These options have been extended one or twice, and the last renewal expired today. Mr. Charles E. W. Smith, of New York, who has been promoting the deal in the city and has secured an extension of the options until June 1st. This was only accomplished after much difficulty as several of the dealers were tired of the suspense. The purchase price for the various plants and stocks of goods on hand will aggregate from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. The money man on the purchase side of the deal is said to be G. N. Morton, a capitalist of New York. The Virginia Peanut cleaning establishments are located in Norfolk, Smithfield, Suffolk, Petersburg, Wakefield and Franklin.

FOR TUBERCULOSIS ASYLUM.

Berlin, May 15.—Baron Heyl Zu Hirschstein, the National Liberal member of the Reichstag, has donated three million marks towards the Tuberculosis Asylum movement.

THE HOME FOR DEWEY SCHEME.

National Committee Meet—First Contribution Received.

Washington, May 15.—F. A. Vanderbilt, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Charles H. Allen, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Perry S. Heath, Assistant Postmaster General, Brigadier General Corbin and Ellis H. Roberts, Treasurer of the United States, who have been appointed a national committee to take charge of the funds with which to purchase a home for Admiral Dewey in Washington, had a meeting today in Mr. Vanderbilt's office.

The committee will be glad to serve any newspaper, organization or individual, wishing to make a contribution for the purpose in view. Treasurer Roberts is now prepared to receive contributions in any amount. A handsomely designed receipt will be gotten out immediately by the engravers at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and all contributions will receive such a receipt. A formal address to the public probably will be issued soon.

The first subscription to the fund, \$250 was received today from General Felix Agnus, of the Baltimore American, and he will receive receipt No. 1.

NO EXTRA SESSION LIKELY.

Washington, May 15.—A member who is in a position to know the views of the President on the subject, said today that the probabilities were against an extra session of Congress being called.

ROAST THEIR CHILDREN

A MOB OF NEGROES SEEK TO LYNCH THE MOTHER.

The Father Ran Away One of the Four Children so Badly Burned She Will Die.

Atlanta, Ga., May 15.—Winnie Roach, a mulatto woman, came near being lynched by a mob of incensed negroes tonight at the corner of Scofield and Hilliard streets. The crime with which she and her husband were charged was brutally burning their four children together with kerosene, with which their bodies had been wrapped. The man, Lawrence Roach ran away during the afternoon when he heard that his treatment of the children had been reported to the police. The woman had been away from home all day and did not know that her cruelty had been found out. She was in the house when the mob gathered and was in the act of applying more fire to one of the children when the crowd broke in. Telephone messages were sent to the police station by white people living in the neighborhood, who said they believed the woman was about to be burned by the crowd. A wagon load of officers was sent to the place.

One of the children had all the flesh burned from her legs in several places and will die. The other three are badly burned.

THE COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

England Will Be Officially Represented Here.

Philadelphia, May 15.—Great Britain will be officially represented at the International Commercial Congress to be held here in connection with next Fall's National Export Exposition. Formal notice of such was received today by the exposition authorities.

LABOR CONVENTION CALL.

Columbus, Ohio, May 15.—A call was issued today for a State labor convention, to be held in this city June 1st, for the "purpose of formulating a platform in accordance with the objects, views and interests of organizations of labor, the same to be presented to the State conventions of the dominant political parties for their ratification and embodiment in either or both of their State platforms, and for the purpose of uniting all classes in an effort to resist and defend their common interest against the encroachment of trusts, monopolies and other great combinations of wealth."

DAUNTLESS CASE DISMISSED.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 15.—The cases of the United States against the steamer Dauntless, for alleged filibustering, which were begun against the vessel nearly three years ago, were dismissed in the United States court today, on motion of the Government. This was done on an agreement that the claims of W. A. Bisbee, owner of the Dauntless, against C. R. Bisbee, formerly collector of customs in this city, and against W. F. Kilgore, commander of the Revenue Cutter Boutwell, for detaining the Dauntless on various occasions, should also be dismissed, which was done.

FUNERAL OF EX-GOV. FLOWER.

New York, May 15.—The funeral of former Governor Roosevelt P. Flower took place today in St. Thomas church, Fifty Third Street and Fifth avenue, of which he was vestryman. The church was not decorated and the program for the services was very simple. The Rev. Dr. John Wesley Brown, rector of the church, officiated, being assisted by the Rev. John Husk.

The pall bearers selected were: H. H. Porter, former Vice-President Levi P. Morton, J. Edward Simmons, Anthony N. Brady, John E. Born, Wm. A. Nash, H. M. Plagler, and Simon W. Rosendale.

WAR WITH PAWNEE BILL'S WILD WEST

The Show Violated Princeton's Unwritten Law.

LETS NO SHOW PARADE

PAWNEE BILL'S WILD WEST DEFIED THEM.

AND A PITCHED BATTLE FOLLOWED

As a Result One Man May Die and Several are Nursing Wounds. The Show is Boycotted by the People of Princeton.

Princeton, N. J., May 15.—Princeton students and Pawnee Bill's "Wild West" employes indulged in a pitched battle today, and continuous and serious rioting was prevented only by the presence of men with cool heads, and the action of President Patton, of Princeton University, later in the day in calling a mass meeting of all of the students.

For fifty years it has been an unwritten law of Princeton that no circus parade must pass through the streets. Every show proprietor in making his dates has always left Princeton from the list for it had been a matter of common knowledge that the students would enforce the unwritten law.

This morning Pawnee Bill's Wild West combination violated traditions and paraded. The result was the fiercest battle Princeton has seen in many years.

When posters were hung up a few days ago announcing the advent of Pawnee Bill it was at first considered a joke.

Finally when it became known that the management of the show was really in earnest the town authorities, fearing trouble, advised the circus men not to attempt a parade. This advice was unheeded.

As a result of today's fight one man is unconscious and may die, and a number of students and employes of the show are nursing wounds received in the fray.

That the show would be upset at night seemed a certainty until late this afternoon, when President Patton called a mass meeting of all the undergraduates and the faculty, and the result of the meeting indicates that the show will leave town unopposed, but it will have lost money; for word has been passed through the town that no one is to enter the tent and the townspeople who are in sympathy with the students are a unit in refusing to attend.

A LYNCHING EXPECTED.

Young Lady is Attacked in Her Room by a Negro.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 15.—The greatest excitement prevails at Dayton, Tenn., sixty miles above this city, and it is more than probable that a lynching will occur.

Miss Bettie Sparks, the pretty eighteen-year-old daughter of a well-to-do citizen of Rhea county, who is visiting the family of J. T. Dean, president of the Dayton Bank and Trust Company, retired at 11 o'clock last night, but was awakened this morning by some one on the bed. She sprang up in bed, when she was seized violently by the arms. She screamed, and a desperate fight in the dark followed. Miss Sparks finally broke away and ran to a door. Her screams frightened the negro, and he escaped from a window to a porch, from which he had entered the room.

Mr. Dean was aroused by the girl's cries and got in the yard in time to see the negro running at his best speed through the yard. Dean attempted to shoot the fleeing man, but his pistol failed to fire, and the negro escaped. Detective Phillips, of Chattanooga, and his bloodhounds were telegraphed for and were put upon the trail this morning. A large posse of citizens followed the dogs.

The young woman is prostrated, and she may die from fright.

SA'S HIS OBJECT WAS ROBBERY

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 15.—Jesse Harley, the negro boy who entered the room of a young white lady at Dayton has been captured by bloodhounds and confessed that his object was robbery.

Intense excitement prevailed for a while, but finally he was jailed in default of bond.

B. AND O'S. NEW BONDS.

Baltimore, Md., May 15.—Judges Goff and Morris, sitting in the United States Circuit Court, signed an order today authorizing the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to issue full-paid and non-assessable stocks and bonds for the purpose of retiring the old issues, as provided for in the plan of agreement decided upon by the re-organization managers.

MAKING CROOK A TRANSPORT.

Washington, May 15.—The steamer Crook is being converted at the port of New York into a regular transport for the transportation of troops between this country and the West Indies.

ON THE CHARGE OF SMUGGLING.

Four Men Arrested by Custom House Agents.

New York, May 15.—A number of special customs house agents today arrested four men on charge of smuggling, and confiscated a large quantity of phenacetine, salifonal, opium, ammonia and other valuable drugs. The capture was the result of carefully planned work on the part of the customs house authorities who have been investigating the work of the men arrested for months past.

The men arrested are Howard E. Wooten, proprietor of a cigar store at 1,329 Broadway; Wm. H. Commons, Francis J. Plasse and Paul S. Mahon, all of New York city.

TO STRENGTHEN DEFENCES.

Extensive Improvements to be Made at Sheridan's Point.

Washington, May 15.—Extensive improvements are to be made to the military post at Sheridan's Point, Va. The batteries at that point, together with those at Fort Washington, on the opposite side of the Potomac river, form the main defenses of the national capital from an attack by water. The Secretary of War has approved a recommendation of the Quartermaster General for an allotment of \$40,000 for the construction of suitable military buildings at Sheridan's Point, and it is expected that the work will begin immediately.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

STRONG EVIDENCE AGAINST TWO MEN IN DONGOLA CASE.

They are the Negroes Eljah Joyner and Cephas Langley. The Other Four Prisoners Were Discharged.

Greenville, N. C., May 15.—(Special.)—One of the largest crowds ever assembled in the court house of Pitt county was present today at the preliminary trial of the Dongola murder and arson case which was continued from last Monday. Detective L. Spondour, of Smith, West & Lyons' Detective Police Agency, Baltimore, worked 8 days on the case and developed some important testimony.

Six arrests were made in all, and the trial today was before a court of five magistrates and lasted from 10 o'clock until 6:30.

Nothing was found against four of the prisoners and they were discharged. The evidence was so conclusive against the other two, Eljah Joyner and Cephas Langley, both colored, that they were committed to jail for trial at the next term of the Superior court.

ROAD TO THE GOLD FIELDS.

Application for a Charter Will be Filed in a Day or Two.

Atlanta, Ga., May 15.—Application for a charter will be filed in the office of the Secretary of State in a day or two by the parties interested in the contemplated road that is to be built from Gainesville, Ga., via Dahhona, Ga., through the counties of Hall, Lumpkin, White, Union, Towns and Rabun to some connecting point with the Southern Railway in Tennessee.

The road is being built for the purpose of reaching the gold fields of North Georgia and the big marble and granite quarries in that section of the State.

It has been practically determined that the motive power for the new road is to be electricity which is to be generated in the northern part of the State by use of water power that runs through the mountains.

DR. BRIGGS IS ORDAINED.

Suspended by Presbyterians he Becomes an Episcopalian Priest.

New York, May 15.—In the pro-Catholic on Stanton street, this city, Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs, who was suspended for heresy by the Presbyterian assembly, became today a priest of the Protestant Episcopal church. He was ordained with Rev. Charles A. Suedeker, a former Methodist, and the ordination ceremonies were conducted by Bishop Potter.

THE PRESIDENT'S MOVEMENTS.

Hot Springs, Va., May 15.—President McKinley has practically promised to make a visit to St. Paul and Minneapolis this summer in connection with a Western trip.

The beautiful weather and Mrs. McKinley's improved health induced her to take a drive this morning. The President accompanied her.

RAFAEL ORTIZ SENTENCED.

Washington, May 15.—In the case of Rafael Ortiz, a native of Porto Rico, who was found guilty of the murder of Private John Burke, Company C, Forty-Seventh New York, at Causas, Porto Rico, on February 24th last, and whose sentence of death was commuted to imprisonment for life, the President has directed that he be confined in the Minnesota State prison at Stillwater.

SUSPECTED MURDERER CAUGHT

Atlanta, Ga., May 15.—Will Lucas, the negro suspected of the murder of farmer R. T. Davis on the Stone Mountain road near Decatur, Ga., last Friday, was captured in Atlanta tonight. He was taken to the police station and later sent to the county jail for safe keeping. Lucas denied his guilt.