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## LEADS ALL NORTH CAROLINA DAILIES IN NEWS AND CIRCULATION.

### FLOWERS ON THEIR FAR OFF GRAVES

#### Soldiers in the Philippines Observe Memorial Day.

### A WARSHIP'S GUNS BOOM

#### THE MONADNOCK IS BOMBARDING PARANQUE.

### INVOCATION BY CHAPLAIN OF POWERFUL

#### The Catholics Celebrate High Mass for the Dead at the Pao Cemetery. The Body of Captain George H. Tilley Sent to Iloilo.

Manila, May 30.—3:50 p. m.—Memorial Day was celebrated at Battery Knoll, where Scott's guns were planted against the Filipino trenches in the first day's fighting at Manila. Nearly three hundred soldiers are buried there on a bleak mound surrounded by rice fields, rough boards marking the graves, which are ranged in five unbroken rows. Beyond these are Spanish block houses and bamboo hedges which were mown by shells from the American guns.

The few soldiers who could be spared from the trenches came to Battery Knoll, dusty and bronzed, bearing flowers with which to strew their comrades' graves. A silk flag was placed above each mound. The day was as mild as a New England spring day, when, just before sunset, a few hundred Americans gathered in a circle around Battery Knoll, in blue and brown uniforms. Among the soldiers were groups of American ladies and brown-faced natives peering curiously at the unwonted spectacle from points near by. The guns of the monitor Monadnock, bombarding Paranaque, boomed a significant reminder of the nearness of war. Just as the Sixth artillery band began a dirge, the thunder of the Monadnock's guns ceased, while taps sounded from the bugle.

Col. Charles Denby, of the United States Philippine commission, presided at the exercises. He spoke briefly of the peculiar solemnity of the day to Manila. The chaplain of the British cruiser Powerful made an invocation. Chaplain Pierce, of the Twenty-third infantry, and Chaplain Cressey, of the Minnesota volunteers, delivered orations, and the soldiers sang appropriate hymns.

After taps had been sounded the soldiers took the flags from the graves to send to relatives of the dead.

Similar services were held over the dead in the Pao Cemetery this afternoon. Colonel Denby being the orator on this occasion.

The graves were decorated with a vast quantity of magnificent flowers. High mass for the dead of the Roman Catholic Communion was celebrated at the Pao Cemetery in the morning. Orations were delivered by Fathers McKinnon and McQuade and Chaplain Stevenson of the Idaho regiment, a Methodist and Peter McQueen, a Congregational clergyman of Boston.

Most of the business places of Manila were closed in observance of the day. The American and many foreign flags were displayed at half mast. The graves of the soldiers and sailors at Cavite and Iloilo were also decorated today.

### HOW TILLEY WAS SLAIN.

Washington, May 30.—The two following dispatches were received at the War Department today and give the first details of Captain Tilley's death on the Island of Negros that have been received since the first announcement of that fact in a message from Major Thompson to Chief Signal Officer General Greeley. The most important additional information is that Captain Tilley's body has been recovered and is buried at Iloilo and that General Smith is in possession of the town where the murder was committed. The dispatch from General Otis indicates that the Captain of the cable vessel and two other men were also victims of the ambush, but it does not make it clear whether they eventually escaped or whether they were killed and their bodies not recovered. The dispatches follow:

Iloilo, May 30th.

Adjutant General, Washington.

"Captain George H. Tilley, U. S. V., Signal Corps, was killed at Escalante, east coast Island of Negros by insurgents Saturday, May 27th, at eleven o'clock a. m., details not known; buried at Iloilo, May 30th.

(Signed) "VAN VELZAH."

"Manila, May 30th.

Adjutant General, Washington.

"Cable company's vessel placing cable between Iloilo and Cebu ran to Escalante, East coast of Negros to remove old cable connections; Captain Tilley, signal corps, accompanied and with Captain of vessel and three visited town, natives making friendly demonstrations. While there, ambushed; Captain and one man escaped to vessel in launch; Tilley and two men taking to water and not rescued; vessel then reported at Iloilo; General Smith informed, who immediately took 75 men and proceeded to Escalante. He reports this morning that body Captain Tilley found floating in river; marks of violence on

head; body sent to Iloilo; Smith remains at Escalante for the present.

(Signed) "OTIS."

### BODY ARRIVES AT ILOILO.

Manila, May 30.—7:50 p. m.—Brigadier General South, who was sent with a detachment of troops on board a gunboat in search of Captain Geo. H. Tilley, of the signal corps, reported missing at Escalante, on the Island of Negros, sent the body of Captain Tilley to Iloilo today, on board a launch. The body of Captain Tilley was buried later in the day, with suitable ceremony. The English captain joined with his comrades of the signal corps in arranging for the funeral and heaped wreaths of flowers upon the coffin of the dead soldier.

General South remains at Escalante with his soldiers to search for the missing men who were with Captain Tilley when he met his death.

### DEWEY'S HEALTH IMPROVES.

Hong Kong, May 30.—Since his arrival here on May 23rd on board his flagship, the United States cruiser Olympia, Admiral Dewey has improved in health, but he still refuses all invitations of a social nature. The Admiral has also relinquished all official duty on board the Olympia. The date of his departure for home is still uncertain, his intention being to remain here until he has thoroughly recuperated.

The programme for the Olympia's voyage to the United States has not been definitely decided upon. It has been determined, however, to make a stop at the Piraeus, from which port Admiral Dewey will go to Athens to pay his respects to King George of Greece.

### PLAGUE MAY DELAY DEWEY.

London, May 30.—The plague is likely to complicate the home coming of Admiral Dewey. Various governments have already declared severe quarantine regulations against all Egyptian Red Sea ports and Hong Kong, where the fresh cases and a number of deaths have nearly doubled in the past week, the new cases numbering 143 and the deaths 134. By the time Admiral Dewey arrives at the Mediterranean, his ship, if there are no cases aboard, will probably be regarded as immune and the inspectors will pass her without delay.

### DOCTORS AT ASHEVILLE

#### FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Address of Welcome by Hon. Locke Craig, Appointment of Committees Reception at Dr. Burroughs'.

Asheville, N. C., May 30.—(Special.)—The first session of the forty-sixth annual meeting of the Medical Society of North Carolina was held here today. Dr. L. J. Picot, Littleton, the President, presided. The address of welcome was by Hon. Locke Craig and the response by Dr. Benjamin K. Hays, Oxford. The president's message contained congratulations on the success of the society and several suggestions. The following committees were appointed:

Credentials—Drs. Fletcher, Asheville; H. S. Royster, Raleigh; C. M. Poole, Salisbury; Finance, Drs. A. G. Carr, Durham; H. H. Speight, Wrendale; T. S. McMillan, Hartford.

A paper on continued fevers in North Carolina was read by Dr. Benjamin K. Hays, Oxford, and was discussed by Dr. J. S. Regan, Weaver-ville. The Pittman prize of \$100 for the best work done in annual meeting was continued as a memorial to Dr. Pittman, deceased.

A big reception was given the delegates at Dr. Burroughs' tonight. They will be taken for a drive over the Vanderbilt estate tomorrow. Oakland Heights and freedom of the house and lunch after the drive. All lodges and clubs have extended privileges during the meeting.

### RICE PLANTERS COMBINE.

The Production of Rice to be Enormously Increased.

Savannah, Ga., May 30.—The rice planters owning plantations on the South Carolina side of the Savannah river meet here to-morrow to form a syndicate of \$1,000,000 including a \$400,000 bonded indebtedness. It is the purpose of the syndicate to construct a great levee of twenty miles or more along the river for the protection of crops from storms and freshets. This means a great increase in rice production. A Boston syndicate is ready to finance the scheme, taking bonds secured by mortgages on the plantations.

### VICTORIA'S CATARACT.

London, May 30.—Truth, in its issue today, says that Queen Victoria has decided to undergo an operation for cataract when Professor Hermann Pagenstecher, director of the Ophthalmic Hospital at Wiesbaden, thinks the proper time has arrived.

### DROPPED DEAD OF APOPLEXY.

Knoxville, Tenn., May 30.—Hon. G. L. Ross, former mayor of this city, dropped dead today of apoplexy. He was vice-president of the Mechanics' National Bank and President of the Chamber of Commerce.

General Porter, our Ambassador to France, and ex-President Harrison spoke at Paris yesterday, the occasion being the annual decoration by the Americans of the tomb of Lafayette in the cemetery of Picpus.

### MEMORIAL DAY, WHEELER SPEAKS

#### Gallant Ex-Confederate Addresses Grand Army Men.

### HE IS THE GUEST OF HONOR

#### AND BOSTON DELIGHTS TO HONOR HIM.

### TRIBUTE TO HEROES WHO FELL IN CUBA

#### General Joe Talks of the Reunited Country, and Urges Support of the Government.

### Memorial Day Exercises at Other Cities.

Boston, Mass., May 30.—For the first time an ex-officio of the Confederacy today delivered the Memorial Day exercises before a New England Grand Army Post. General Joseph Wheeler, the cavalry leader who led the boys in gray at the famous charge at Shiloh and, nearly 37 years later, beneath the Stars and Stripes, cheered on the volunteers at Santiago, was the orator and guest of honor at the Memorial Day services of Kinsley Post 113, G. A. R., at the Boston Theatre. The immense auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity.

The singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" by Comrade Myron M. Whitney and a chorus, and the presentation to the audience of its author, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, called forth a tremendous burst of applause. Rev. John Linsey Withrow offered prayer and addresses were delivered by Commander I. B. Goodrich of Post 113 and others.

President's Lincoln's address at Gettysburg was read by Comrade James D. Leatherby, and the post chaplain's address was made by Rev. E. A. Horton.

When General Wheeler arose to speak the applause was tumultuous, cheer upon cheer arose from thousands and it was nearly fifteen minutes before the General could make himself heard.

General Wheeler opened his speech with an eloquent tribute to the part played by Massachusetts in the history of the American commonwealth, whose soldiers had played conspicuous parts in all its wars and whose statesmen had ever been famous in the halls of Congress. He alluded to the prophecy of General Horace Binney Dargent, who 30 years ago, on Memorial Day in the city of Boston, predicted the day would come when this anniversary would be celebrated "after some day of glory when the sons of rebels and our sons shall have fallen side by side in some common cause of foreign war, as our sires and their sires fell side by side under the eye of the great rebel, the Virginian, Washington."

"Already," said General Wheeler, "the words of this prophecy have been fulfilled, for the warriors who fell side by side at La Guasimas, San Juan and El Cane, men from the North and South, among the same of your brave boys from the Second Massachusetts, were buried together in the great national cemetery at Arlington, while a brave Federal officer who took part in the great struggle of our civil war and now the Chief Executive of the nation, by his presence conferred honor upon their funeral obsequies."

Continuing, General Wheeler said: "The enjoyment of peace is a blessed boon to humanity, but the history of the world from its earliest period teaches that the only security for peace is to be always prepared and ready to engage in war. The nation whose people are ready to respond to a call to arms with men and resources for any emergency, is the one that shall most certainly be able to avoid the desolation and horrors of war. So long as the dominant spirit which controls any country is one of honor, chivalry, glory and patriotism, so long will that nation continue to achieve power and greatness. The spirit of true nobility taught by American mothers has made our country the pride and fear of the world."

Declaring that it was the duty of every American to uphold the President and his Cabinet when it has become thoroughly committed to a defined policy, General Wheeler said:

"Patriotic devotion can be exercised by volunteering to serve in the field, but it may also be most perfectly exerted in encouraging confidence among our people at home. Certainly no good and only evil can come from words and acts which tell rival nations that even a portion of our people, however few, are not in full sympathy with our government. What is worse, that any Americans actually do sympathize with our country's enemies. Such a course cannot fail to weaken confidence and embarrass the executive power. Those who insist that the power of the United States is so great that it must always triumph will admit that difficulties or obstacles created by some of our own people will have the effect of retarding at least in some degree the prompt and happy restoration to perfect and lasting peace.

"I am one of those who firmly believe that whatever is, is right, and

I cannot doubt but when conditions are thrust upon a country by a course of events following a well-judged and righteous act on the part of the people and the government the consequence could not be other than beneficial not only to the people of our own country, but to the world at large.

"There is one sentiment which should be impressed on every mind and instilled into every heart—'My country, may she always be right; but right or wrong, my country.'"

### AT THE TOMB OF GEN. GRANT.

New York, May 30.—The sarcophagus of General Grant in the tomb at Claremont was covered with flowers this afternoon after impressive ceremonies by U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., of Brooklyn, an address by Governor Roosevelt and a presidential salute of 21 guns fired from the United States cruiser Brooklyn, which lay in the Hudson just below the hill with her battle flags flying.

More than 10,000 persons witnessed the ceremony. A large stand had been erected on the east side of the tomb, covered with red, white and blue bunting and a flag draped over the railing. Above the stand on the columns of the side of the tomb were festoons of large flags. Here the ceremony was conducted.

Governor Roosevelt received an ovation when he arose to speak. He delivered an eulogy on General Grant. Of him he said: "Mercy and peace go hand in hand. If General Grant had shown mercy at Fort Donelson it would have meant years of destruction and desolation, and if he had not shown mercy at Vicksburg a breach of peace would have widened between us and our brethren which never could have closed."

Continuing, Governor Roosevelt said: "Here I stand in this beautiful spring weather in our own beloved country and State, with quiet peace prevailing, while in the Philippines, withering heat of the Philippines, fighting for the glorious flag with the same motive you Grand Army men fought with in 1864, are your sons and their hero comrades.

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### WANT GEN. JOE TO RUN

#### THINK THE LITTLE ALABAMA FIGHTER WOULD PROVE A HEALER.

Neither Republicans nor Populists Would Seriously Oppose Wheeler, Doubt as to His Wanting Governorship.

Birmingham, Ala., May 30.—The News today says: "With almost one accord the newspapers in General Joe Wheeler's Congressional district, have united on a call for him to enter the race for Governor and head the disruption that now exists in the Democratic party in Alabama. The call has been taken up by other papers in central and southern Alabama and it is said that Wheeler might be induced to enter the field if he is not sent to the Philippines. If he ran he would be named and elected beyond a doubt. Even the Populists and Republicans will scarcely oppose him. Wheeler's election as Governor would, it is believed, ensure him an eventual seat in the United States Senate."

The News expresses the opinion that General Wheeler will not accept the Governorship.

### TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The Duke and Duchess of Arcos have arrived at New York.

Major Marchand has arrived at Toulon, where he was greeted with immense enthusiasm.

Reports are reaching Richmond of severe storms in the Piedmont section and in the Valley of Virginia.

The Association of Surgeons of the Southern Railway closed its annual session at Richmond yesterday.

The Queen Regent of Spain has signed a decree appointing Marshal Martinez Campos to the Presidency of the Senate.

Confederate graves were decorated at Arlington yesterday at the same time and by the same hands that decorated the Union graves.

The winter wheat crop of Southern Russia has been completely destroyed by a protracted drought. The spring wheat crop is also in jeopardy from the same cause.

In paying the Cubans it becomes more evident day by day that the lists are badly padded, every man who ever served in the Cuban army, dead or alive, appearing on them.

### ONLY NINE CANDIDATES.

It is said that there are no less than nine candidates for the superintendency of the colored deaf, dumb and blind school here, a position now held by the Rev. Joseph Perry. The names of the candidates for the place are said to be as follows: Rev. A. B. Vincent, Raleigh; Rev. J. T. Gibbon, Method; C. N. Williams, Raleigh; L. B. Caphart, Raleigh; Rev. W. T. Woodward, Wilson; Rev. S. N. Vass, Raleigh; J. H. Williamson, Louisville; Rev. W. A. Pettit, Oxford and Rev. Joseph Perry, the present incumbent.

The only swell thing about some men is located directly under their hats.

### ANOTHER APPEAL FROM THE PRISON

#### Cruel Treatment of Pen's Inmates Charged.

### SOME DETAILS GIVEN

#### THE CASE OF THE DEFORMED NEGRO BEN DAVIS.

### DEFIANCE RESULTED IN PUNISHMENT

#### In a Letter to the Washington Star a Prisoner Declares U. S. Convict's Will Protect themselves if Government Will do Nothing for Them.

Washington, May 30.—One of the United States prisoners in the Raleigh, North Carolina penitentiary has written a letter to the Star charging cruel treatment of the inmates of that institution. The letter is written by a prisoner who is apparently well educated. He says: "I wish to call your attention again to the outrageous treatment we United States prisoners are receiving at the hands of the brutal State's officials. We have solicited aid from the Department of Justice, but have received no assistance. Yet Major Strong, of the Department, came here, examined the prisoners and found they had been brutally treated, and promised to do something for us. Yesterday a poor deformed prisoner was taken and struck twelve lashes on his bare back because he could not do a strong man's work. After he had been whipped he told the officers he was going to report the matter to the Attorney General. He was then taken and struck ten more blows, and when taken down was unable to stand up. He was then told by the warden that unless he did the work assigned to him he would be dealt with in a severer way, and that they were going to treat the prisoners as they pleased so long as the Government kept them here; that they need not expect assistance from the Department of Justice because they were not running the penitentiary. As a result of this inhuman treatment two prisoners who had been recently discharged, ran away from the day pit. Today they were shot at several times by the guards, but they were determined to leave this place of torture. They succeeded and have not been heard from. Now, if there is no assistance to come from the United States authorities, we are going to protect ourselves or die in the attempt."

The Federal convict referred to in the letter to the Star as having been recently whipped, is Ben Davis, a negro. Punished once some two weeks ago he refused to submit, but went to the shop and got a knife and a hoe and backed up in a corner, swearing he would kill the first man that came to him. He was finally overpowered and punished again.

One of the Federal convicts that escaped from the brick yard last Wednesday afternoon was caught that night with bloodhounds. The other, named McLaughlin from Alabama, was never overtaken. He was in for four years.

ONE CASE OF YELLOW FEVER. News of This First Case at New Orleans Causes no Excitement.

Jackson, Miss., May 30.—Advice having been received from President Southern, of the Louisiana State Board of Health, that one case of yellow fever had appeared in New Orleans, Dr. J. F. Hunter, Secretary of the Mississippi Board, sent Inspector Gant to New Orleans this afternoon with instructions to make a thorough inspection of the city. He will be joined there by Inspector Dunn tomorrow. Unless the situation becomes very serious, which is highly improbable, the Mississippi Board will not declare a quarantine against New Orleans. Public sentiment is decidedly opposed to such a step, and the news of the first case of the season produced no excitement.

### TEXAS QUARANTINES AT ONCE.

Houston, Texas, May 30.—State Health Officer Blunt today, on hearing of the case of yellow fever at New Orleans, placed quarantine guards and inspectors at all points of entrance to Texas by telegraph orders and has sent the following telegram to every railroad entering Texas from New Orleans:

"Do not sell tickets over your line from New Orleans to any Texas point. Do not bring any passengers or things from New Orleans either by express or freight into Texas until further orders."

### BIMETALLISTS TO MEET.

Louisville, Ky., May 30.—The opening session of the third annual convention of the League of Bimetallists of the Ohio Valley will be called to order at 2 o'clock tomorrow at Macaulay's Theatre by President Jas. P. Tarvin, of Kentucky.

Visitors and delegations to the convention have been coming into the city all day long and by noon tomorrow there will be such a gathering of advocates of the white metal as has never before been seen in Kentucky.

Satan is the father of lies and matrimony is the mother of excuses.

### PASSENGER TRAIN COLLIDE.

#### Nine People Injured. Two of Them Seriously.

Nashville, Tenn., May 30.—Nine people were injured, two of them seriously, in a head-end collision of local passenger trains on the Louisville and Nashville road 25 miles south of here at 6 o'clock this evening. Both engines and baggage cars were smashed, while engineers Burns and Shugart received serious internal injuries. Seven passengers were slightly hurt: W. H. Pickings, Chicago; J. E. Howard, Thompson Station, Tenn.; W. J. Sewell, Columbia, Tenn.; J. W. Lawrence, Burwood, Tenn.; J. M. Bowers, Macon, Ga.; Henry Coles and daughter, Nashville, Tenn.; W. F. Trogden, a candy drummer representing George Miller & Son, of Philadelphia, was hurt internally.

The trains came together on the main track half way between West Hepheth and Thompson Station, but who is at fault has not been determined.

### WHITE BRUTE NEARLY LYNCHED

Americus, Ga., May 30.—Judge Littlejohn granted an order this afternoon convening Dooley county Superior court in special session next Monday to try John Hannaway, a white man for attempted assault upon a school girl near Vienna yesterday.

The order was granted at the urgent request of prominent citizens of Dooley county, who came here today and by their efforts saved Hannaway from lynching at the hands of outraged citizens of Dooley county.

### FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

Athens, Ga., May 30.—John A. Benedict, cashier of the Exchange Bank and owner of the Athens Roller Cover Company, has been missing since last Tuesday. He went to Greenville, S. C., on business connected with the Roll Cover concern and on Tuesday morning left a hotel there to visit cotton mills at Spartanburg. His accounts at the bank have been found absolutely correct by experts. No reason can be assigned by family or friends, who fear he has met with an accident or foul play.

### A NEGRO CONVICT SHOT

#### THE MAN WAS ATTEMPTING TO MAKE HIS ESCAPE.

The Presidency of the A. & M. College Would Probably be Accepted by Dr. George B. Winston.

Winston, N. C., May 30.—(Special.)—Charles Alsbaugh, colored, a county convict, was shot yesterday afternoon and perhaps fatally wounded by Mr. Eugene Linville, one of the guard. The negro was attempting to make his escape from the camp. Two buck-shot went through his right lung, one lodged in his left lung and one went through his right arm. He was brought to the jail last evening.

One of the State's leading educators remarked to me last evening that he had no doubt that Dr. George T. Winston would accept the presidency of the A. and M. College. His reason for this belief was that on account of the climate in Texas Dr. Winston's family can live with him only a few months in the year.

Mr. G. W. Coan, a tobacco manufacturer of Martinsville, will close his business to accept the position of private secretary to the president of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, of this city. A meeting of the citizens of Forsyth county will be held in this city next Saturday at 11 o'clock to make permanent arrangements regarding the holding of the county fair in November. The board of directors of the Piedmont Pleasure Park Company will be present and offer these gentlemen the use of their grounds for the county fair to be held in connection with the horse show.

Misses Mamie and Bessie Gray, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Gray, left last evening for Europe. They will spend a few days in Baltimore, where they will be joined by friends and on June 3rd will sail from New York by the Mediterranean route for Italy.

The graded school commissioners will meet the latter part of the week to elect a superintendent and teachers for the white and colored schools. There are a number of applicants for places.

### TO LINK HANKOW AND CANTON.

Survey of Road Completed for an American Syndicate.

San Francisco, Cal., May 30.—W. B. Parsons, a civil engineer of New York, has arrived here from the Orient. He was sent to China by the Brierly Syndicate, which holds a concession for the construction and operation of a railroad to connect Hankow and Canton. He took with him a staff of engineers and surveyors, and is now on his way to New York to report to the syndicate that he has completed the survey, and that he favors the completion of the proposed work.

"When this road is built," said Mr. Parsons, "and the Belgians construct the road for which they have a concession, the heart of the Chinese Empire will be in close touch with Europe."

Forty people were injured yesterday in Chicago in a rear end collision between a Harlem race track special and a 48th Street train on the Lake Street elevated road. It is not believed that any of the injured will die, the most serious injuries so far reported being broken limbs.