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## OF THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES

Thrills the House With Burning Eloquence and Unanswerable Logic.

### THE ARMY POST HIS TEXT

Cannon's Change of Words Declared a Mere Subterfuge to Gain His Point.

WE ARE CONTINUING WORK SPAIN BEGAN

What an Anomaly We Have in Government. Republican Colonial and Manarchical Rule All Under the Same Constitution.

(Special to News and Observer.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.-Today E. W. Pou spoke in opposition to an amendment to the Appropriation bill appropriating \$500,000 to establish an army post at Manila, The talented young member from the Fourth District was in good voice and he held the undivided attention of the House. Twice during his speech he was liberally applauded by his Democratic colleagues, and at the close there was great applause on the Democratic side While this was a short speech it showed that Mr. Pou is moving to the front. Few members have a more impressive manner of speaking. With his great ability and untiring energy he will soon come to the front in the House.

Mr. Pou said: "The wording of the amendment offered by the distinguished chairman of the appropriations committee induces me to submit a few remarks before debate

shall conclude. "If I believed that the appropriation of \$500,000 provided for by that amendment was necessary for the shelter and protection of the officers and enlisted men in our army in the Philippines, I would support it if every other man in this chamber voted against it, but I do not believe the appropriation is necessary for the purpose. It appears to me to be a mere subterfuge, an effort to accomplish something by indirection which gentlemen fear to attempt in the direct and usual way. How utterly perverted are all the purposes of the war anyway! In what strange sea are we drifting? How unnatural everything appears!

"When war was declared, fr one I was for it. Under the same circumstances I would be for it again. Spain was murdering a people struggling for liberty, just a few miles from our shores. Our great republic had witnessed this until forbearance made us almost guilty, and when our battleship was blown up in Havana harbor, as I believe by Spanish agencies, the people of my State felt it was our duty to avenge the outrage and my district offered up the first young life as a sacrifice upon his country's altar. We fought in the righteous cause of liberty, and God gave us the victory Did anyone then believe that when Cuba was freed we would use our soldiers and our ships to subjugate a people struggling for liberty. The best shelter, the best protection we can give to our officers and enlisted men is to bring them away from scenes of disease and crime and deat hback to their own American

homes. (Applause on Democratic side). "During the year 1900, Mr. Chairman, there were 66,882 men in our army in the Pacific Islands. There were more cases of sickness in our hospitals than there were men, that is to say, that upon an average every soldier in the service was sick once, and 10,547 were sick twice. Of course many were not sick at all while others were admitted to the hospitals several times. The report of the surgeon general of the army shows that during the year 1900 the number of admissions to the sick report in our army of 66,882 soldiers in the Pacific Islands reached the enormous total of 77,429. How many of these died I do not know that 397 American lives were sacrificed during that year upon the field of battle in the Philippine Islands. And for what cause?

"I will give you the answer out of the mouth of the greatest statesman of the Republican party, who but recently has declared that we are engaged in the 'un-holy work of crushing a republic.' Statistics for the year 1901 have not been given us, but when they are they will furnish additional evidence of the stupid blunder we have made in attempting to take over the Philippines as a part of our republic. Accurate figures are not given us showing the number of lives taken by our soldiers. If they were the conscience of the republic would revolt and demand that the war be ended. Gentlement seem to forget the principles that a nation can do wrong as well as an individual, that a nation can commit crime even as an individual can, commit crime. The responsibility of a continuance of tihs wretched state of affairs rests upon each gentleman in this chamber, and he cannot escape it if he would.
"And what an anomaly in government

all under the constitution of

States. The President is as

over the Philippines as the Crar is over tured.

absolute

(By the Associated Press.) Petersburg. Va., Jan. 23.-Herbert Jones, a desperate negro, formerly from North Carolina attempted Monday : to kill his wife, Rosa Jee United ployed at the Albamarie He The desperado bas ro

these islands in the interest of trade, and yet the other day we saw the majority in this chamber pass a bill protecting our infant American industries against competition in the Philippines. How long shall the war last? Soon four years will have passed. How long will it take 66,-999 men to completely subdue eight

purposes of the war been perverted! We are simply continuing what Spain was too weak to accomplish in the Phil ippines, while at home we see slandered persecuted and humiliated the great admiral who gave the stroke which detroyed the Spanish fleet, and which ought to have ended the war." (Great applause on Democratic side).

Mrs. Simmons is improving very satsfactory at Walter's Park Sanitarium, Pa. It is hoped that she will soon be able to join Senator Simmons here.

Several of the North Carolina delegaion are attending the President's reception tonight,

Senator Allen K. Smit hand Editor Lassiter, of Smithfield, are here. Miss Margaret French, of Lumberton, is also visiting the capital city.

It is said that Roscoe C. Mitchell, of Graham, will be appointed consul to Turks Island, West Indies, ina few days. Today's Star says the appointment has been agreed upon.

Mr. Lawrence Holt, a prosperous mill owner of Alamance county, is interested in the Chinese exclusion legislation. He opposes anything that would tend to injure our trade with China. Speaking of the cotton goods industry, he says:

"Our mills are not prospering as they did prior to the troubles in China, Ever since then the industry has been in rather a languishing state, though of late there are some indications of reviving activity. This country is deeply interested in keeping the Chinese markets. With undestricted trade between the two two countries we will never know what a glut of production is over here.

'Chinese can absorb the output of all the cotton factories in the world. The Philippines are worth something, of sized orders from Manila; but that trade torious battle off Santiago. is insignificant in comparison with the commerce that we should maintain with the Chinese Empire. Any policy that short sighted and will work to the injury of the United States."

his constituents in the new Tenth district shall not lack for garden seed this spring. He has sent out 88 mail bags expects the seed to bring forth a large crop of Republican votes.

Zach T. Garrett, wife of the postmaster at Henderson, and Mr. James Amos. ex-county commissioner of Vance countv. are here. Mr. Garrett wants to keep the Henderson postoffice and Mr. Amos would like something "equally as good." Both are members of the Populist State Executive Committee and are here in conference with Senator Pritchard "to advance the interests of the Populist party' as a wit said last night.

Congressman Kluttz has introduced a bill designed to remedy the arbitrary assessments in revenue cases, where small distilleries are seized, and the owners compelled to pay excessive amounts to get their difficulties compromised. Senator Pritchard has introduced a bill

to appropriate \$5,000 for Moore's Creek

### THEIR CHIEF UPHEL

### Committee to Investigate the Charge Against President Mitchell Report.

(By the Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Jan. 23 .- The committee appointed by the United Mine-Workers' Convention to investigate the charges made by Miss Mollie Meredith against tence upon Commandant Scheepers had President Mitchell and Secretary Wilson presented a report today indorsing in every particular the action of its efficers faithfulness of the officers, declaring that able men could to protect the organizabe preferred in the proper manner and the guilty parties properly punished.

adopted, there were loud cries for Mitchof the platform and said:

There is very little that my feelings will permit me to say. A great wrong has been done Mr. Wilson and myself. It has been repaired as far as you can repair it, but it has not been wholly repaired. From one end of the country to the other your fellow craftsmen have heard the report that charges have been preferred against your national officers. Many who have heard the accusations, believe them to be true. I thank you for the unanimous vote showing your

confidence and trust. At the close of his speech the cheering was almost deafening. Then there were calls for Secretary Wilson who responded

### Tried to Kill His Wife.

# A VOTE OF THANKS

"Again I say how utterly have the high Senator Mason Introduces a restrict our production. Joint Resolution.

GOES TO COMMITTEE

Execution of Scheepers Characterized as Assassination.

THE GENEVA CONVENTION VIOLATED

Teller Usas Strong Language in Speaking of the Matter. Consideration of the Department of Commerce Bill is Resumed.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 23.-An effort was made in the Senate today by Mr. Mason, Illinois, to obtain consideration for joint resoltion which he introduced extending the thanks of Congress to Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley "for his brave and able conduct while in command of the American fleet at the vic torious battle of Santiago." The effort, however, was not successful. On motion of Mr. Hale the resolution was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. Mason's resolution follows: "That the thanks of Congress be hereby tendered to Admiral Winfield Scott Schley for his brave and able conduct while in course, and I have filled several good command of the American fleet at the vic-

"That a sword be presented to him by States; and the sum of \$10,000 or so much postponed until tomorrow. tends to deprive us of that traffic is thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated for the purpose of this resolution out of any money in the Congressman Moody is resolved that Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

"That the Secretary of the Navy shall memorating the battle of Santiago and full, containing 15,000 packages going to distribute the same to the officers and mittee, on the ground 15,000 people in his district. The Major men under command of Schley during said was irregular, but the measures was battle of Santiago."

Mr. Mason said the resolution was in the case of Admiral Dewey.

"I think we would better let this resolution go over," suggested Mr. Hale, fairs. "This matter involved is in controversy. It ought to go to a committee.

"I do not see that it is necessary," said Mr. Mason, "that the resolution should go to a committee. It is a statement of a historical fact which has been passed upon by the American people. Under the rules it can be read a second time and passed."

When the resolution was read a second time Mr. Hale moved that it be referred to the Committee on Naval Af-

To this motion Mr. Mason objected urging that the facts being known of all men every Senator knew precisely how he would vote upon it.

referred to the Committee on Naval

resolution providing for the intervention of the United States Government in behalf of Commandant Scheepers of the Boer army. He explained that he had Philippines, Mr. Gaines, Tenn., who had introduced the resolution because his attention had been directed to what seemed to be a violation of Articles 1 and 5 nothing to stop slavery because of the of the Geneva convention.

Since introducing the resolution, however, he said, he had been informed by the Associated Press that the death sen-

been executed last Saturday. "It is said," continued Mr. Teller. "that the resolution might be offensive in the Pearce matter expressing every to the Government of Great Britain; but confidence in the honer, integrity and if the Geneva Convention to which both the United States and Great Britain were the national officers did all that honor- parties means anything, it means that we should intervene in such a case as tion and its funds at the time Mr. Pearce this. If this man was captured as stated, was removed, condemning the statements while lying in a hospital, Great Britain, of Miss Meredith as liable to damage in putting him to death, is guilty of a the organization irreparably, and assert, vile assassination. It was the business ing that if any persons know that officers of this Government to have ascertained are derelict in their duty charges should the facts regarding this case and to have protested against this execution. we so pusillanimous, so afraid of offend-After the report had been unanimously ing the susceptibilities of Great Britain as to have refrained from doing our duty ell. The president stepped to the front in a case where humanity was about to be violated?"

Mr. Teller referred to what he said was Great Britain's efforts to destroy two struggling republics and asserted that if the truth had been told by British official reports more Boers had been "slaughtered" during the past year than had been admitted by Great Britain to have been in arms in the whole of South Africa.

Mr. Teller, in view of the execution of Commandant Scheepers asked that the resolution be postponed indefinitely. It was so ordered.

Consideration of the Department of Commerce Bill was resumed. The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. Pettus, Ala., providing that the Department of Labor be not transferred to the pendert Refiners today advanced all proposed new department. Mr. Pettus grades of refined sugar ten points. made a brief argument in support of his amendment, to which Senator Nelson re-

Mr. Bacen (Ga.), strongly supported ttus' amendment, and urged that absence some very good reginst the transfer of the ish 7716.

ment ought to be heeded.

Mr. Hanna (Ohio), said the object of the new department was to enable the government to give more detailed attention to the great industrial interests of the country, in the course of its tre-

L endous development. Mr. Harna said that the time had come when we must expand our commerce or

At this point he was interrupted by Mr. Hale (Me.), who said that the United States already had captured all the foreign trade worth having. And he inquired of Mr. Hanna whether he did not realize that as being a fact.

"I do not," promptly replied Mr. Han-"Then the Senator and I disagree,"

said Mr. Hale. "We do," retorted Mr. Hanna.

"The record of what has been accomplished by the Dingley law," continued Mr. Hale, "is to me the most amazing record ever exhibited to the world in the absorption of foreign trade. We have absorbed foreign trade in the great countries that are competitors of ours. We have not wasted our energies in a dream of what is called Oriental trade. We do not need additional markets."

Mr. Hanna replied that the United States had not conquered the markets of Furope and the markets of the world were yet an unexplored field for us. Mr. Hale then offered an amendment

transferring to the new department the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Pending action upon this and other amendments which had been offered, Messrs, Elkins, Cockrell, Money, Martin, Spooner, Hale. Hoar, McCumber, and Clay discussed various suggestions for

After an executive session the Senate adjourned until Monday.

### URGENT DEFICIENCY BILL.

#### The Vote Deferred Until Today. Pay of Rural Carriers Increased.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23 .- The consideration of the Urgent Deficiency Bill which has been under debate in the House since Monday was completed today, but owing to lateness of the hour the Secretary of the Navy of the United the vote on the passage of the bill was

A successful effort was made to inrease the pay of rural free delivery away and soon after a man and two wocarriers from \$500 to \$600 per annum. Mr. Hill, Conn., made the motion to increase the appropriation for this purpose. cause to be struck bronze medals, com- It was resisted by Mr. Cannon and Mr. Loud, chairman of the Postoffice Comthat the method

adopted 109-78. Mr. Cummings, N. Y., explained his practically identical with that adopted action of yesterday on the Philippines army post. He closed by saying that his party started right on the subject but ended miserably. He said he voted as he did as a Democrat-as a Tammany chairman of the Committee on Naval Af- Hall Democrat, and was proud of it and added:

> "There is no politics in a question where the lives of American soldiers are

> Mr. Kahn, Cala., who visited the Philippines last summer, said that if the minority knew of the sufferings of the soldiers in the Philippines because of the lack of quarters, there would not have been a vote against the Cannon amend-

ment yesterday. Mr. Pierce, Tenn., said that if such was the case the President and officers of the army were responsible as they had absolute authority in the Philippines.

Mr. Cannon in speaking of the Manila post said he was sorry that he could not By a viva voce vote the resolution was satisfy the other side, adding:

"We have got the Philippines and we have never parted with an acre of Mr. Teller, Colorado, called up his ground. While the heathen rage we go marching on."

The discussion in the House turned upon slavery in the Jolo group in the visited the Philippines, said the United States officers told him they could do treaty between the United States and the

Sultan. Mr. Moody, Mass, said the United States authorities had never given countenance to slavery in the Philippines. Mr. Mercer, Neb., who visited the is-

lands said slavery was decreasing. Mr. Cochran, Mo., declared that many of the slaves were Christians owned by

Mohammedans. An amendment was adopted to the bill providing \$30,000 for incidental expenses of committees to attend the funeral of

### Thos. Rollins Again.

(Special to News and Observer.)

President McKinley.

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 23 .- Thos. Rollins has broken out in a fresh place. Some time ago he was jailed on a charge of larceny. He set fire to the jail, and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at Raleigh. Upon the representation that the man had consumption. Governor Aycock pardoned him about a month ago, and he came back to his old haunts once more. Night before last three houses were broken into, and vesterday Rollins was up before Mayor Patterson on a charge of burglary and also for stealing a chain from a colored jew-He was held on four indictments and bound over to the Criminal court in

### Sugar Advanced Ten Points.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 23 .- The American Sugar Refining Company and the Inde-

### Norfolk Peanut Market.

By the Associated Press. ered by Samuel Gom- old stock and machaes 215; new he American Federa- 3 1-8; strictly prime 3; prime 3%;

## STARTLES ST.LOUIS

Man Found Dying in a Turkish Bath House.

### BLOODY SLEDGE HAMMER

Diamond Ring and Pin Are Found in the Cellar.

THE BATH HOUSE ATTENDANT ARRESTED

#### He Tells of Two Women Who Came to See the Man Who Was Later Discovered in a Dying Condition. His Skull Fractured.

(By the Associated Press.)

St. Louis, Jan. 23 .- A. Dean Cooper, Treasurer of the Graham Paper Company, died here today as the result of injuries sustained in a mysterious manner, while in the Vista Turkish Bath establishment at 3518 Franklin Avenue last night. William A. Strother, the colored man in charge of the bath house, who tells con-

flicting stories about the affair, is under arrest and a diamond ring worth \$1,500 and a valuable pin belonging to Mr. Cooper, have been recovered from their hiding place in the cellar of the bath Mr. Cooper's injury consisted of a frac

tured skull. A sledge hammer covered with blood was found in the cellar and taken possession of by the police. Strother made a statement to the police to the effect that about midnight a boy brought Mr. Cooper a note, which he refused to answer. The boy went

men entered. When he returned from the cellar, where he had gone to fix the fires. Strother says he found Cooper on the couch unconscious. Strother later told the police that the wo women who had called to see Mr. Cooper, came in a carriage, He said that he had admitted them to the cooling room and had returned to the basement.

departed. Strother also said that two colored women-Josie Houston and Florence Banks, had visited him in the basement

He does not know, he said, when they

earlier last night. Erastus Fountain, janitor of the ista block, says that the two women were in Strother's company at 9:30 oclock when he made his last visit to the premises. The police say that there is no other evidence than Strother's statement to prove thee visit of two womn and a man to the bath house.

A few minutes after midnight Theo son of A. Dean Cooper answered the door bell at the family residence 3713 Washington Boulevard.

Strother was at the door. "Your father has been hurt," said the

young negro to young Cooper. "He's over at the bath house now.' Without stopping to question the man closely Cooper hurried to the Vista block. In the cooling room of the bath house, on a cot in the middle of the long compartment, he found his father covered by a sheet. Doctors were immediately called and the poice notified. The latter made an investigation and discovered the bloodstained hammer. Young Cooper told the police that the ring usually

made another search, finding the ring and pin in the cellar. Strother stoutly maintains his innocence. Fountain, the anitor, was taken to the police station, but was released after telling about the presence of the to colored women in the bath house when he left. The women were arrested

and closely questioned by the police. "Tod" Cooper stated to the police that his father had practically closed a deal for the sale of the bath house property, which he owned and the transfer was to have been made today. Mr. Cooper was considered one of the wealthiest men in

### Mr. Keith Talks About His Job.

(Wilmington Messenger.)

Speaking of his appointment. Mr. Keith said he felt safe after Colonel A. H. Slocomb, of Fayetteville, was out of tre rac . He said Colonel Slocomb was eliminated as a probability when he (Mr. Keith) and ex-Senator Marion Butler called on President Roosevelt and got him to rule that the appointee must be a Wilmington man. Then he had only formidable opponent and that was Mr. D. L. Gore until ex-Governor Russell came into the field. He says he had a hard fight and felt that he owed his appointment to the strong endorsemen which the business men of Wilmington gave him for the place.

Mr. Keith says there were eleven or twelve aspirants for the collectorship. mong them some supposed Democrats in Wilmington who wrote some fishy letters to Washington to get the job. There were several aspirants outside of Wilmington, one being from Hickory, N. C.

### To Change Inauguration Day.

(By the Associated Press.) Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 28.-Governor Cand.

and every person in the United States has been asked to serve. Governor Candler's preference is for April 30.

### DENIED THE USE OF THE MAILS.

#### Advertisements by the One Cent Car Fare Company Barred.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 23 .- "The One Cent Car Fare Company" organized here yesterdday is denied the use of the mails or advertising purposes and newspapers printing notices of the company are likewise excluded. The organization was started by a local cigar store and its methods were on the "endless chain" style, the lucky purchasers getting 25 ear tickets for 25 cents, three of his friends getting a coupon each, which entitled them to sell three other coupons as originally sold. It was designed as purely a Vocal affair, but the Federal laws were so constred as to debar the company's advertising matter from the

Interest continues to increase in the coultry and pet stock fair to be held here February 4th to 7th. The railroads and express companies offer special inrucements to exhibitors.

A gentleman remarked to your correspondent today that at Bladenboro there were over 300,000 cross ties awaiting shipment. Timber receipts at the port of Wil-

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mington the past two weeks have been

very heavy, and the prices have remained

very satisfactory.

\* at Washington today.

Copenhagen, Jan. 23 .- Authority to 4 sign the Danish West Indies treaty was cabled to the Danish Minister \*

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NOTHING IN THE REPORT.

Story of an \$18,000 Robbery at Wilson Said to be All Smoke

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 2.-The police ere are on the lookcut for a white man. who is alleged to have stolen \$13 000 from a Miss Barnes, of Wilson, N. C. Asked regarding the matter today Chief Furlong stated that no publication had yet been made of the robbery and as his communication with the authorities at Wilson was of an entirely confidential nature, he would not like to make public the information. It is understood that a reward of \$1,000 has been offered.

On receipt of the above report the News and Observer wired an inquiry to its special correspondent at Wilson, and within an hour received the following re-

"Wilson, N. C., Jan. 23 .- Absolutely nothing in report. Exaggerated story by a lewd woman."

### TO SUCCEED SEWELL

### dore Cooper, known as "Tod" Cooper, John F. Dryden Chosen by New Jersey Republicans For Senator.

(By the Associated Press.) Trenton, N. J., Jan. 23 .- The Republican caucus to select a candidate for United States Senator to be supported during the present sesion of the Legislature to succeed the late General Sewell. selected on the 19th ballot John F. Dryden, of Newark, President of the Prudention Insurance Company, Mr. Dryden on the 19th ballot received exactly the

necesary 32 votes. worn by his father was missing and they His principal rivals in the contest were State Senator Stokes, of Cumberland, county and former United States Attorney General Joe W. Griggs. Congressman Gardner, ex-Sheriff David Baird, of Cemden, and Barker Gummers, of Mercer, were also in the field. On the first ballot Mr. Dryden received 19 votes, Mr. Griggs 15. Mr. Stokes 11, Mr. Gardner 5, Mr. Gummers 7. During the first dozen ballots the votes of Messrs. Gardner, Baird and Gummers fluctuated a good deal, while the vote of Mr. Griggs remained stationary and that of Mr. Dryden increased to 24, and that of Mr. Stokes went up and down as the supporters of the other three South Jersey candidates voted either for him or their own party favorite.

### Telegraphic Briefs.

In the Reichstag yesterday Count Von Buelow, the Imperial Chancellor, spoke of the friendly relations existing between Germany and America, and his words were greeted with cheers.

An affray occurred at Belleville, Texas, resterday which resulted in the death of three men, the fatal wounding of one and slight wounding of three others. It was a factional fight between the Odom and Pennington families.

The American liner Philadelphia, which sailed for England yesterday, had among her passengers William Marconi, the young Italian electrician, who is deeloping wireless telegraphy and Richard Croker, politician. Marconi is going abroad to perfect arrangements for his trans-Atlantic experiments. Mr. Croker, who recently resigned leadership of Tammany, is going to Wantage to rest.

The International Sugar Conference at Brussels is practically certain to end in a disagreement between the powers con-Norfolk, Va., and 28.-Pennus dull; ler accepted an invitation to be a mem- cerned therein, with the result that her of the committee to change the date France and Great Britain will take agof Presidential inaugurations. The af- gressive steps against the Austrian and tair Is in charge of the Board of Cona- Germany bounty systems.