

# SLAVERY IS RIFE IN PHILIPPINES

## Borah Says Situation Demands Action by Congress.

### Warring Tribes Capture Enemies and Sell Women and Children—Peonage Common.

Washington, D. C.—At the first favorable opportunity, Senator Borah, of Idaho, will lay before the senate documentary proof of his charge that slavery and peonage exist, to a large degree, in the Philippine islands and, based on that evidence, he will ask congress so to legislate as to wipe out these two practices. Slavery and peonage in the Philippine islands are now prohibited under the terms of the Philippine government bill, passed by congress July 1, 1902, but that act provides no penalties and makes no provision for the enforcement of the law.

Some time ago the senate, on motion of Senator Borah, called upon the secretary of War to furnish any evidence in the files of his department as to the existence of slavery and peonage in the Philippines. The secretary's reply, written in the bureau of insular affairs, conveyed the impression that there was neither slavery nor peonage in the islands. Senator Borah has evidence that native children and women and occasionally men, are sold and held as slaves or peons, and in that condition are often brutally treated by their virtual owners. His chief reliance, however, is on a report written by Dean C. Worcester, secretary of the Philippines, April 30, which is replete with evidence substantiating the charges.

After citing innumerable cases, giving names, dates and particulars, Secretary Worcester concludes this report, saying:

"Negritos, Infugao, Manobos, Tagbanuas, Moros and Filipinos have been captured by armed men, who in order to obtain them, killed their parents or other natural defenders, and have subsequently been sold as chattels and compelled to render services for which they were not paid."

"Members of the above-mentioned tribes, as well as Christian Filipinos, have been kidnaped and subsequently sold, held and required to render services as above."

"Filipino slaves have been shipped to China. Filipino school children have been secretly enticed from their homes by false promises of education and remuneration and have been sold into slavery and peonage."

"While there has been much noise about slavery, there has been profound silence relative to peonage, which, in the Philippines, is by far the greater evil of the two, because of the large number of persons who suffer from its prevalence."

The report of Secretary Worcester shows that natives of the Philippine Islands are often sold for as little as \$1.50, American money, and the average price paid for slaves is only a few dollars, in rare cases a price of \$150 having been paid. In most instances the slaves are held as household servants, though some of the more comely women are handled as are the white slaves in more civilized countries.

One common method of obtaining slaves is to negotiate with Negritos, savages of low mentality, for as many slaves as may be desired. The Negritos make a raid on the town of some enemy, capture the children or women and turn them over to the slave-traders. These Negritos will take the children from their own people, if they want the cash, and commonly will get Negrito parents intoxicated with vino and buy their children from them while they are drunk. Other natives have been found selling their children to procure food for themselves, when they happen to be in particularly destitute circumstances.

San Francisco—Wednesday was the hottest day ever known in San Francisco, the mercury climbing to 105½ in the shade at 3 o'clock in Union Square, four and a half degrees above the highest previous mark, scored in 1904. By night the usual cool sea breezes were blowing again.

The city had no wind from the ocean, hence the heat was the same as in the interior valleys. Being without humidity, the heat caused no suffering among workers. Reports showed temperatures in San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys ranging from 105 to 110 degrees.

White Ribboners Score Hoppickers. Portland—Denouncing all Christians and W. C. T. U. workers who pick hops or work in the hop fields as untrue to the right standard, the delegates of the Multnomah County Women's Christian Temperance Union at their annual convention, unanimously adopted a resolution decrying the industry and those who aid its progress. The fact that beer is made from hops is the reason for the denunciation by women wearers of the white ribbon.

Bryan Warns Against Alcohol. Staunton, Va.—Secretary Bryan delivered a lecture Wednesday at the birthplace of President Wilson in which he lauded the chief executive. The chautauque tent was crowded. The secretary warned young men against alcohol, declared the world was steadily growing in morality, and touched on state politics.

## GENERAL OTIS GETS BOMB

Attempt Made On Life Of Los Angeles Times Publisher.

Los Angeles—For the second time within three years a bomb Wednesday placed in jeopardy the life of General Harrison Gray Otis, owner of the Los Angeles Times building, which was destroyed by dynamite, October 10, 1910. That he was not blown to pieces was probably due to the watchful eye of his Japanese servant, who received from the postman an infernal machine mailed in this city, and called his employer's attention to it.

The first infernal machine directed at the life of General Otis was found at his residence a few hours after his newspaper plant had been destroyed through the efforts of the McNamara conspirators.

The attempt on his life Wednesday was attributed by the general to agencies friendly to those for and whose conspiracy eventuated in the destruction of his newspaper plant and the killing of 20 men three years ago. But the police and postal authorities believed something might be developed from the theory that the Mexican question had an impelling part in it. General Otis is heavily interested in lands in the Mexican territory of Lower California, where two years ago Industrial Workers of the World joined the "direct action" element of Mexicans in an effort to establish a socialistic commonwealth.

A few weeks ago there was another outbreak caused, according to report, by the employment of Chinese in the places of Mexican laborers by ranchers in Lower California, but General Otis asserted at the time that none were employed by him.

## LANE MUST BE KEPT QUIET

"Any Little Indiscretion" May Be Serious for Secretary.

Berkeley, Cal.—The condition of Secretary of the Interior Lane was such Wednesday that his physicians saw fit to order his removal from the home of his brother, Dr. Frederic Lane, where he has been cared for since his collapse in Oakland September 3, to a quieter portion of the city. He was taken to the home of Assistant Secretary of the Interior Miller, who is a resident here. The Miller home, in North Berkeley, is remote from traffic noises of the business district.

Secretary Lane's physicians said that absolute rest in the Miller home for a period of at least two weeks is essential to warrant his recovery. He will be permitted to receive only members of his family and intimate friends and may not discuss any of the matters pertaining to his public duties.

"Any little indiscretion may bring about serious complications," one of the doctors said.

## BIG LINES RUSHING VESSELS

Plans for Using Panama Canal Are Rapidly Being Realized.

New York—In anticipation of the opening of the Panama Canal five steamship lines are rushing work on ships. Three of these companies—the Royal Mail, North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-American—have announced their intention of operating direct first-class passenger and freight steamers from Europe to the Pacific Coast via the canal.

In addition to inaugurating direct service from Southampton to the Pacific Coast by way of the West Indies and the Panama Canal, the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company has given orders for construction of five 20,000-ton fast passenger and freight steamers for service between New York and ports in Chile and Peru via the canal. The Austrian Lloyd will send passenger and freight vessels from Mediterranean points to the west coast of South America by the new sea route. It has completed arrangements with the Chilean government and is building four new steamers for the proposed service.

Expert Figures Given. New York—The arbitrators who will decide the wage dispute of the eastern railroads and the trainmen received statistics Tuesday indicating that the roads have increased the size and capacity of freight cars without increasing the cost of operation. The witness was Dr. Frank J. Warne of Pennsylvania. The employees will use his figures to argue that either train crews should have been increased or wages raised. Dr. Warne admitted that he had had no practical experience in railroading and that his testimony was based wholly upon statistics in which he claimed to be an expert.

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# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

General News of the Industrial and Educational Development and Progress of Rural Communities, Public Institutions, Etc.

## SHOULD INSPECT POTATOES

Moth Has Done Damage to California Crop This Year.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis.—Although the potato tuber moth has done a vast amount of damage to potato crops in some sections of California, it is not expected to invade the potato fields of Oregon for some time—perhaps not at all, if necessary precautions are taken to keep it out. This is the informal report made by Professor Wilson, head of the department of crop pests, Oregon Agricultural college, who has returned from California, where he made inquiries concerning the tuber moth situation. The hope that Oregon may escape this pest if proper caution is taken is based on observations made by George Compton, chief deputy state quarantine officer of California, to the effect that the insect has not appeared to thrive in northern latitudes, as will most likely occur prior to an invasion of Oregon.

"But this fact should not be depended upon to keep the tuber moth out of Oregon," says Professor Wilson. "It is not a native pest, but one that was introduced into California along with imported potatoes. It has spread most rapidly in southern California, but may appear farther north at any time, and as it is much easier to keep such pests out than to put them out after they are in and established, this new enemy should not be allowed to enter the state. If potatoes are shipped in from other states they should be inspected and if infected, they should be destroyed before they are taken from the car. The inspection may be made by county inspectors who operate under state laws."

## JACKSON PUPILS MAKE EXHIBIT

First School Fair Week Is Successful—Annual Event Assured.

Medford—The first school fair week in southern Oregon has been a good one. The weather has been ideal and there has been much interest on the part of the young exhibitors and their teachers and parents.

Two local fairs and the county fair for Jackson county have been held the past week. Rogue river and Phoenix held successful fairs and made a fine showing at the county fair. One little girl of less than 14 won a prize on 18 jars of canned fruit, no two of the same kind. There was good, ripe field corn, popcorn, sweetcorn, bread, dresses, aprons and some fine exhibits from the manual training department of the Medford schools.

There will be three more local fairs before the state fair and Jackson county will be ready to make a fine showing in the new industrial building at the state fair. Superintendent J. P. Wells, of Jacksonville, has the work of collecting and preparing the exhibit. In this work he will be assisted by one of his supervisors, Mr. Chase, who will go with the exhibit and have complete charge until it is returned to the owners in the county.

The exhibits will be assembled for the state fair. The schools are in session in Jackson county and teachers and children are interested in what they are going to show at the Salem fair.

Jackson county school fair will become an annual event in conjunction with the county fair.

## COOS LINE IS PARTLY OPEN

Trains Are Run on First Section of Willamette Pacific.

Eugene—Opening of the first section of the Willamette Pacific railway's line from Eugene to Coos Bay was marked Tuesday by a picnic at Noti, 20 miles west of Eugene, attended by upward of 2000 persons. Of these 800 went from Eugene and 400 from Springfield by special trains, and hundreds drove to Noti from the surrounding territory. Eugene and Springfield took bands, which played on the trains and at the picnic grounds.

Talks were made by County Judge H. W. Thompson, M. J. Duryea, manager of the Eugene commercial club; Jack Little, of Springfield, and M. Vernon Parsons.

All the talks related to the significance of the occasion marking the successful finishing of one link in a great undertaking.

Many of the visitors walked to the tunnel, two miles beyond the picnic grounds.

Road Tax Held Invalid. Ashland—Road District No. 1 in this section of Jackson county will be minus a two-mill additional road tax so far as the Southern Pacific and Weyerhaeuser corporations are concerned. This special tax was levied last December, and paid by property owners with exception as noted above. A ruling of the supreme court released the companies from paying this extra assessment. It was thought at first that such ruling would not apply in this particular case, but the decision has been confirmed. In the meantime it remains to be seen if other property owners will demand a refund of this tax.

## COAL VEINS FOUND ON RANCH

Florence.—Coal in promising amounts has been found in this vicinity this summer, and Frank Ferguson, of Alder Ridge, has opened a tunnel into a mountain on his place, about nine miles from Florence, in search of it. He has now reached a depth of 150 feet, finding three veins in that distance, and indications show another one quite near. Mr. Ferguson is an experienced miner and his opinion, as well as that of many others, is that there is a good supply of coal in the region. W. J. Butler, whose place is near that of Mr. Ferguson's, has also commenced work.

## NEW WATER LAW IS AIM

Measure to Deal With Interstate Problems Urged By Committee.

Salem—A special committee of engineers to prepare a national water law, dealing with interstate and navigable streams, and covering all uses of water, has just been appointed by the board of direction of the American Society of Civil Engineers, according to a letter received by State Engineer Lewis from Charles Warren Hunt, secretary of the society.

The committee is made up as follows: George G. Anderson, Denver, Col.; Charles W. Comstock, Denver, Col.; H. S. Ferguson, New York City; Clemens Henschel, New York City; Robert E. Horton, Albany, N. Y.; John H. Lewis, Salem, Or.; Charles D. Marx, Stanford University, Cal.; F. H. Newell, Washington, D. C.; and Gardner S. Williams, Ann Arbor, Mich. George F. Swain, president of the society, was authorized to designate the chairman of this committee.

The August proceedings of this society, just issued, shows that favorable action was taken upon a motion authorizing the appointment of such committee, which was presented by State Engineer Lewis of Oregon, at the society meeting, May 7.

This action is believed to be the direct result of a paper on "State and National Water Laws," presented by State Engineer Lewis before the annual convention of this society, held in Seattle last year, and a more detailed statement, occupying 40 pages in the monthly proceedings of the society for September, 1912. This paper has been discussed by 14 members in subsequent issues of the proceedings, and the full paper with discussions has recently been printed in pamphlet form by the society. It contains 122 pages.

The Dalles water power project and the Snake and Klamath River complications were cited, among others, as reasons why an interstate water board should be created by congress with power to handle those water matters which are beyond the jurisdiction of the state water boards.

The divided control in water matters between state and nation was urged as a reason why some further legislation was necessary in order to eliminate the present twilight zone of uncertain authority.

To promote immediate development, co-operation between the states and the nation was offered as the most logical policy to pursue for bringing about this result.

## BOOK COMPANY CONCEDES

Move of Superintendent Churchill to Wipe Out Discrimination.

Salem—Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill's fine detective action saved the school children of the state \$60,000, when the A. N. Palm Company, which has a contract to furnish a textbook entitled, "Palmer's Method of Business Writing," telegraphed him that the book would be sold to the children in this state for 16 cents, the same as in Chicago. The original price asked by the company was 25 cents. Mr. Churchill estimates that at least 80,000 children will use the book annually for the next six years.

When the school superintendent learned that the company sold a book entitled "Palmer's Writing Lessons for Primary Grades" for 5 cents less than was being asked for it here he telegraphed a protest and the price was reduced from 20 to 15 cents. Then it occurred to him that the price asked for the other book might be excessive, and he telegraphed Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of the schools of Chicago, what the price was there, and she answered, 16 cents. Mr. Churchill then made a demand upon the company.

## PRUNE DRYING WILL BEGIN

Eugene Fruit Association Expects to Handle 40 Cars Dried Product.

Eugene—Drying of prunes began at the Eugene Fruitgrowers' Association cannery on Monday, and 2400 tons of green fruit will be handled this season, making approximately 40 carloads of the dried product. The fruit is of good quality this year and none but the highest grade of fruit will be taken at the drier.

The cannery this week is closing the season's run on pears, which have been coming in at the rate of 20,000 pounds a day for the past two weeks. A total of at least 350,000 pounds will be reached before the end of the week.

The cannery has orders for canned pears and dried prunes that will virtually take up all of the crop and will net the growers of these two fruits approximately \$125,000. A car of mixed fruits was shipped to Butte, Mont., where earlier in the season another carload had gone.

## Pupils to Hold Contest

Creswell—Greater interest than ever before is being displayed in the school and grange fair, which is to be held here Friday and Saturday of next week. The grange is planning that its display here will be preliminary to the county fair at Eugene the following week.

A programme of addresses on subjects appropriate to the occasion has been arranged, and President Campbell, of the state university, and M. J. Duryea, manager of the Eugene Commercial Club, will be among the speakers. The Creswell band has been engaged to furnish the music.

## Gresham Fair Is Opened

Gresham—The seventh annual fair of Multnomah County at Gresham opened Monday and continued through the week. In stock, horses, cattle and poultry the directors and superintendents have been severely taxed to take care of entries. New stock quarters were built, but these were found inadequate.

# Woman Is As Old As She Looks

No woman wants to look old. Many in their effort to look youthful resort to the "beauty doctor's" prescriptions. Their mistake is that they visit the wrong department in the drug store. Beauty depends upon health. Worry, sleepless nights, headaches, pains, disorders, irregularities and weakness of a distinctly feminine character in a short time bring the dull eye, the "crow's foot," the haggard look, drooping shoulders, and the fading step.

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## Frenchwoman a Cave Dweller.

A woman of forty-five has been found living in a cave in the forest of Fontainebleau. Snakes and rats were her co-tenants. She subsisted on raw vegetables, and was clad in rags. She was reluctant to leave the cave.—Paris Cable to the New York Times.

## She Remembered.

Minnie, aged two years, asked her mother's permission to throw away some flowers, as they were dead, she said. Her mother corrected her and told her to say "withered," not "dead." The following day a military funeral was passing and the baby astonished everyone by saying: "Come here quick, mother; someone else has withered!"

## Mother's Way.

A friend of mine, a teacher, had just received a very handsome fan, and took it to the classroom for the edification of the children. Selecting one of the pupils, she asked what the lovely thing was. The child did not know. "What does your mother use to keep her cool in summer?" asked the teacher. "Beer," was the reply.

## Embarrassed Police Sergeant.

"She caressed me," was the blushing admission of a police sergeant at Tottenham, England, when a married woman was charged with obstructing the sergeant while he was taking her husband into custody, the woman flinging her arms round the officer's neck and crying, "Take me, too!"

## Cause for Worry.

Friend—"Why, Elvira, what's the matter?" Elvira—"Oh, I don't know, only I'm worried to death! I've had the same girl six weeks, and she doesn't talk about leaving yet!" Friend—"She doesn't?" Elvira—"No, not a word! She must be in love with my husband!"—London Opinion.

## Sick-Room Light.

If there are electric lights in the sick room they will generally be found too brilliant, hurting the eyes of the patient, and not every sick room has the electric lights that can be turned up or down. Make a little green silk bag and fasten it over the incandescent bulb and it will give a good but subdued and harmless light.

## When Her Memory Failed.

Mrs. Worldley—"If, as you say, your master kissed you against your will, why did you not cry 'Help'?" French Maid—"Ah, madame, zat eet ze vord of vich I could not sink at ze moment."—Puck.

## How Simply Awful.

"Just think!" said Mrs. Twickenbury, "those horrid women have been throwing bric-a-brac at the prima donna of England!"—Christian Register.

## Tired of Being Poor.

"Oxford undergraduate scholar, who is tired of being poor, wishes to be adopted by wealthy people."—London Times.

## Daily Thought.

Let friendship sweep gently to the heights; if it rush to it, it may soon run itself out of breath.—Thomas Fuller.

## Harrowing Thoughts.

Germs are bad, of course; but they could be worse. Suppose they sang at their work!

# Make Hair Grow Restore Color

Dandruff is a disease that does positive injury to the hair follicles and hair roots. EVERY DAY it is permitted to exist. Unless you can afford to be bald JUST A LITTLE LATER ON you cannot afford to neglect dandruff or falling hair for ANOTHER DAY. But don't use any hair tonic without KNOWING FOR YOURSELF just what it contains. The safest way is to either mix your own tonic or go to a druggist whom you know to be reliable and have him mix it for you. An absolutely safe and unquestionably the most efficacious formula you can possibly use is this very simple one: 6 ounces Bay Rum, 2 ounces Lavender de Compose, 4 drachm Menthol Crystals. Mix thoroughly, and after standing half an hour it is ready for use. If you choose, add 1 drachm of your favorite perfume. Apply night and morning, rubbing into the scalp with the finger-tips. Insist upon this exact formula, if you have your druggist mix it for you, and you will have a tonic that you can depend upon for quick and lasting results. It will not only rid your scalp of dandruff and stop your hair from falling, but it will cleanse and beautify the hair to a remarkable degree. It contains an ingredient that stimulates the growth of hair and which also is believed to stimulate the activity of the pigment-forming cells so as to partly or fully restore prematurely gray hair to its natural color without the use of any dye.

## Courage Not Needed.

The greater part of the courage that is needed in the world is not of an heroic kind. Courage may be displayed in every day life as well as in historic fields of action. There needs, for example, the common courage to be honest, the courage to resist temptation, the courage to speak the truth, the courage to be what we really are, and not to pretend to be what we are not, the courage to live honestly within our means.—Smiles.

## Wholesale Invitation.

There have been many innocent mistakes made by persons. Among them in one told of a certain clergyman who left a notice in his pulpit to be read by the preacher who exchanged with him. The minister neglected to denote carefully a private postscript, and the people were astonished to hear the stranger end by saying: "I will please come to dine with me at the parsonage after service."

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