

BRIGHT PAGE IN WORLD'S HISTORY

President Roosevelt Thus Designates America's Policy Toward Philippines.

TAFT MAKES HIS REPORT

McKinley's Wish Has Been Followed in Preparing Filipinos for Popular Self-Government - Time for Home Rule Not Ripe.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Nine years after the battle of Manila Bay, Secretary Taft records the results of the American occupation of the archipelago and forecasts the future of the Philippines in an exhaustive report transmitted to Congress by the President, with a letter written by the Chief Executive, commending the highest terms the Secretary's conclusions.

Prepare for Home Rule.

Shrilly stated, the National policy is to govern the Philippine Islands for the benefit and welfare and uplifting of the people of the islands and gradually to extend to them, as they shall show themselves fit to exercise it, a greater and greater measure of popular self-government.

Independence When Prepared.

Another logical deduction from the main proposition is that when the Filipino people as a whole show themselves reasonably fit to conduct a popular self-government, maintaining law and order, and observing the protective of the laws and civil rights to rich and poor, and desire complete independence of the United States, they shall be given it.

Encourage Sugar Industry.

There are two features of the report of Secretary Taft, on his observations while recently in the Philippines, which are of unusual interest to the Pacific Coast, and two recommendations which are very important to that part of the United States, especially to the larger ports.

That legislation be adopted by Congress permitting the products of the Philippine Islands to the markets of the United States, with such reasonable limitations as may remove fear of interference with the commerce and interests in the United States. The coastwise laws of the United States be made permanently inapplicable to the trade between the ports of the islands and the ports of the United States.

The tobacco industry needs a careful cultivation which, under present conditions, it is very difficult to secure. The carelessness with which the plant is grown and the defective character of the leaves is such as

to make the manufacturers of cigars and tobacco in Manila despair of using the Philippine product without the addition of the wrappers either from Sumatra or the United States.

All that a friend of the Philippines can hope for is that the sugar and tobacco industries shall regard their former reasonably prosperous condition. The development of the islands must be in another direction. The question of labor and capital both must always seriously hamper the growth of sugar production.

Will Not Injure Industry.

No confident am I that the development, which the sugar and tobacco interests of the United States fear in the Philippines from an admission of those products free to the United States, will not ensue to the injury of those industries. It would not subject to a limitation on the amount of sugar and tobacco in its various forms, manufactured and manufactured in the Philippines, the limitation being such a reasonable amount as would admittedly not affect the price of those commodities in the United States or lead to a great exploitation of the sugar and tobacco interests in the islands.

Take up the proposed extension of the coastwise laws to the Philippines, and restricting the trade between this country and the islands to purely American vessels, the Secretary says:

I think this a very short-sighted policy. Today the trade between the United States and the islands, export and import, is about 17 per cent of the total. The proportion of the total export trade from the Philippines to the United States is growing and is certain to grow more rapidly in the future, especially if proper legislation is adopted in respect to sugar and tobacco. Now a coastwise trading law will exclude altogether the use of foreign bottoms between the ports of the United States and the islands. There is very grave doubt whether there are enough United States vessels to handle the trade between the islands and the United States.

In the criticisms upon the Government's Philippine policy to be found in the columns of the press, the most common complaint is that the coastwise trading laws of the United States apply to the islands of the Philippines. The truth is that the restrictions upon shipping between ports in the Philippines apply to the islands of the United States, and Congress has made no provision of limitation in respect to the islands of the Philippines as liberal as possible.

CASES COME TO TRIAL

First of Pennsylvania Capitol Grant Suits to Be Heard.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 26.—The first of the 27 criminal suits against ex-state officers, contractors and others connected with the building and furnishing of the new Capitol of Pennsylvania, will be brought to trial in the Dauphin County Court tomorrow before Judge Kunkel. The defendants in the suits listed for trial are Joseph Huston and Contractor John Sanderford, both of Harrisburg, ex-General William P. Snyder, Spring City; ex-State Treasurer William L. Matthews, of Media, and James M. Schumacher, Johnstown, superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings.

The defendants are charged with conspiracy to cheat and defraud the state out of \$350,000 by falsifying bids and measurements of certain furnishings supplied by Sanderford under his "per foot" and "per pound" contract with the Board of Grounds and Buildings. The prosecution has selected five cases against these defendants to be tried first.

Committed to the Asylum.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Mary Keniston, a Halsey girl who drank carbonic acid with suicidal intent, and a few weeks ago, was committed to the State Insane Asylum from Linn County yesterday. She imagines she is constantly being pursued and while working as a domestic in Portland she conceived the idea that the Portland police were shadowing her, so she decided to kill herself.

Honey's Lecture. Francis J. Honey will speak on "Grant versus Good Government" at the First Congregational Church Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

CLEAN UP TOWN TO GREET FLEET

San Francisco Is Making Big Preparations for Lavish Entertainment.

WAR ON RATS GOING ON

Determined Extermination of Rodents—Art Institute Honored by Paris Scholarship—Stanford University Loaning Money.

BY P. A. SINSHREIMER. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—San Francisco will make extraordinary preparations during the next three months to "tidy up" before the arrival of the fleet. Work on the downtown streets will be pressed in order that the appearance of freshness rather than dilapidation.

While the supervisors are busy engaged on this problem, the special committee, of which James D. Phelan is chairman, entrusted with arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors, has already organized and made plans in a general way. The first donation to the fund of \$100,000 which is to be raised was made by a local Chinese merchant, who accompanied his check for \$100 with a note expressing appreciation of the protection afforded by the Stars and Stripes.

TEMPORARY TRUCE SIGNED BY LEADERS OF SOCIETIES.

Orders From Embassy Threaten Drastic Measures if Fighting Is Not Stopped.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Leaders of the fighting tongues which have been terrorizing Chinatown for the last two weeks must settle their differences quickly or be punished by the Chinese government. Such was the edict received today by the local Consul-General from the Chinese Embassy at Washington.

The Consul-General had notified the leaders of the Spring Tongue, the Hop Sing and the Bing Kung. The ultimatum from Washington is to the effect that unless peace is made, the leaders of the tongues will be handed over to the police or driven from the country, and if this fails, punishment will be meted out to their families and relatives in China.

At a conference held this afternoon between representatives of the two tongues and the Chinese Six Companies a partial truce was effected. The meeting was held at the residence of the Consul-General. The Chinese Six Companies are angry and threaten to turn over all of the tong leaders to the police unless they consent to make peace within the next few days. Business has suffered in the Chinese quarter since the recent war was declared and the merchants have taken it upon themselves to settle the strike.

Reports by the plague experts show that the disease has been almost entirely eliminated from the city, but the plague against the presence of new vigor. There have been no new cases for more than two weeks. Only two cases are now under treatment. Despite these encouraging features, the force of men in the employ of the health board is to be increased and the distribution of poison to be continued on a larger scale.

All this is to be done as a precautionary measure. The theory held by Dr. Rupert Blue, the Federal expert in charge of the situation, is that the contagion is carried on the rat to the human being by the flea. In the Winter months the fleas vanish, to reappear with the Spring and Summer. An examination of the rats showed that one-half of one per cent were infected. The examination at the present time shows that one one-half per cent are infected. Dr. Blue believes that vigorous measures should be adopted at the present time in order to exterminate the rats before Spring comes. Already 500,000 rodents have been killed, a force of 30 men having been maintained for this purpose. The work is being carried on at a monthly cost of \$45,000.

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Stanford University and the University of California have opened with a larger attendance than ever before in their history. At Stanford are 1700 students and 3000 at the State University. An innovation at Berkeley consisted of a series of lectures on current history. All topics of National and international significance will be touched on by the lecturers.

The young women at the State University have defeated decisively the attempt of the men students to disfranchise them. In fact 92 of the young men voted with the co-eds, while only two co-eds were disloyal to their sex. The sum of \$100,000 has been loaned by the trustees of Stanford University on buildings in San Francisco. These loans have been put out at 7 per cent. Several more millions will be similarly invested by the trustees. The money already placed has gone to the Alaska Commercial Company and to the Boyd estate. The Alaska company is erecting there an artistic 12-story building on California and Sansome streets. The Boyd estate is soon to erect a large structure.

NEW YORK BANK FAILS

(Continued From First Page.) have shrunk still further, and today amount to about \$2,500,000.

The bank, which had been known as the biggest of the Morse string of financial institutions, underwent a reorganization in October. All rights of Curtis was succeeded by W. F. Havemeyer as president, the former becoming vice-president, in place of C. W. Morse, who retired from the institution. On January 14 there was a further reorganization, Mr. Curtis being dropped from the vice-presidency and from the board of directors.

MONEY POURS INTO RESERVES

Clearing-House Certificates Being Rapidly Redeemed. NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The feature

of the financial situation last week was the continued rush of funds back into the reserve deposit of the banks. This was perceptible in the foreign money centers as well as here, and was effective in forcing down the official discount rates of the Bank of England, the Bank of France and the Imperial Bank of Germany, and the open market rates in all markets.

Notwithstanding the actual existence of conditions indicating this heavy concentration of funds, there is no lack of evidence of hope in early improvement. The increasing abundance of money resources is looked to as effecting help to this revival. The doubtful element on the side of the money situation is suggested by the disposition of large corporations to report to the public with short-term obligations, on which also the interest rate is kept high, notwithstanding the material reduction of rates on ordinary loans.

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The Hop Sing tongues demand immunity from the Bing Kung men before they will agree to peace. They are endeavoring to make a document granting immunity to all the men now under arrest on suspicion of having killed Bing Kung men. They also demand that several grievances now being complained of be remedied.

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ITALIAN KING INTERESTED

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ROME, Jan. 26.—King Victor Emmanuel today again received Baron Takahira, the Japanese minister, who leaves here February 1 for the United States. The King displayed great interest in the Japanese-American relations and asked several questions fully into the questions that have arisen between the two governments, particularly with regard to emigration of the Japanese to America.

MARION FRUITGROWERS ELECT

Meetings of Instruction of Various Phases to Be Held.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The Marion County Horticultural Society held its annual meeting yesterday and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, L. M. Gilbert; first vice-president, J. R. Shepard; second vice-president, A. M. Lafollette; third vice-president, D. W. Matthews; secretary, E. C. Armstrong. A number of interesting addresses were delivered by local fruitgrowers, among them J. R. Shep-

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Clearance Sale Specials on Sheets and Pillowcases

A chance for housewives to lay in a goodly supply of the best grades of bedding to be had, at prices decidedly less than regular. Ready-made Sheets and Pillow Cases, Sheeted by the yard and one of the best-known Muslins on the market included in this special sale.

10,000 Yards on Sale Special Price Manday, Yard 10c. HEMSTITCHED SHEETS \$1.10. BEST HEMMED SHEETS 80c.

Best quality Hemstitched Sheets, in three sizes, priced as follows: Size 81x99 inches, regularly worth \$1.10, each, today's price... \$1.20. Size 90x99 inches, regularly worth \$1.40, each, today's price... \$1.30. Size 90x108 ins., regularly worth \$1.50, each, today's price... \$1.30.

Tailored Suits 1/2 Even'g Gowns 1/2. A sale in our Suit Department of such unusual proportions, such exceptional values, that no smart or careful dresser in Portland can afford to miss it.



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MAY OWN ITS WATER PLANT. Grants Pass Contemplating Buying Rogue River Company.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—A mass meeting of citizens, presided over by Mayor Smith, was held at the Courthouse for purpose of learning the sentiments of the taxpayers regarding the purchase of the Rogue River Water-Company's plant. City Attorney C. H. Clements made the

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SLEEP IS NATURE'S REPLENISHING PERIOD, WHEN THE ENERGY USED BY THE BRAIN, MUSCLES AND ORGANS IS RENEWED.

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