

CHANDLER ON THE "OPEN DOOR" POLICY.

CONGRESS WILL ENACT TARIFF LEGISLATION AFTER SPAIN IS PAID FROM INDEMNITIES UNDER THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Senator William E. Chandler, of New Hampshire, in an interview with a Washington correspondent of the Tribune, had this to say about the scope and meaning of the "open door" tariff policy which may be put in effect temporarily in the Philippines.

"The phrase in its present application is somewhat misleading. I have heard it contended that if we inaugurate this policy foreign nations who are in closer proximity to the Philippines than the United States will have great advantage over us in the matter of trade. Now, as a matter of fact, this policy will not continue for any great length of time.

"The Philippines are not in a position to permanently tariff laws for the Philippines; that is a congressional function and must be exercised exclusively by congress when the islands have reached their normal peace conditions. The president in the execution of his duties has only the right to demand that Spain evacuate the islands and turn them over to the United States. Then he sets up a military government until such time as congress may act. It rests with congress to establish a permanent scheme of commercial relations and tariff administration for the acquisition.

"After Spain has left the islands the military branch of the government takes charge. Then comes the 'open door' policy. The tariff rates are prescribed by the military government which shall apply not only to European nations, but to the United States. We are in a position on earth is given an advantage. The object is solely to raise enough revenue to pay off the \$20,000,000 to Spain. That money will come from revenue derived from England, France, Germany, America, in fact every nation of the world.

"We will want to raise the \$20,000,000 to pay to Spain, and instead of being to our disadvantage it will be to our benefit if these nations can increase their trade to the Philippines for the time being, thus increasing the customs receipts.

"The 'open door' policy will prevail only as long as it is necessary to raise the \$20,000,000 which is agreed to pay Spain. After this money is raised, it will be time for congress to act. It will enact such tariff legislation as it deems proper. If it is decided to annex the islands, then customs duties will be prescribed which will not give any foreign nation advantage over us in the matter of trade.

"We all have free and unrestricted intercourse with the islands, while foreign nations will be obliged to pay duties on the products that they import. Hence it can be seen that the 'open door' policy is only a temporary measure, and instead of being to our disadvantage, will rebound to our benefit.

"If congress decides to grant the Philippines their independence then they will probably be obliged to pay us \$20,000,000 which we are to give Spain. I find that the main objection to the annexation of the Philippines comes from people who have all along been opposed to the independence of Cuba. They are disappointed in the fact that Cuba has been freed, and in line with their views on this subject they are opposed to the annexation of the Philippines by the United States. The cry of 'imperialism' is a misplaced one, and is not only misunderstood, but entirely unwarranted."

HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE NOT IMPROVED.

MUCH ILLNESS YET PREVAILS AT HAVANA—Sanitation Must Be Improved Before American Troops Enter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine hospital service, has received a report from Dr. W. F. Brunner, the United States military inspector at Havana, covering the week ending November 24, which shows little or no improvement in the health conditions in that city in spite of the efforts now being made to prepare it for the American army of occupation.

In the week there were 40 deaths, giving an annual death rate of 114.9 per 1000, most of them being due to the filthy condition of the city and the lack of good food. Yellow fever, malarial fever, and pertussis fever are credited with causing respectively 42, 64 and 9 deaths, 49 are attributed to enteritis, 25 to dysentery, 11 to starvation, 9 to pneumonia, and 30 to tuberculosis. Of the four cases of yellow fever two were among the Spanish troops in military hospitals and the others among civilians. Dr. Brunner thinks there are less than 60 cases in the city. The report continues:

"I am at a loss to understand why the enormous death rate continues. The weather conditions favor a decrease in the death rate, and while the city is filthy and dirty in the extreme, I cannot see that the native population should be unusually affected by such conditions of affairs. There are some facts which tend to substantiate this. The weather conditions favor a decrease in the death rate, and while the city is filthy and dirty in the extreme, I cannot see that the native population should be unusually affected by such conditions of affairs. There are some facts which tend to substantiate this.

"Some attempts have been made to clean the city, but they were not made intelligently and were not effective. Fire engines have been used for flushing the sewers, but as they merely pumped the water down the sewer, allowing it to drain into sewers, little good was accomplished. The work could have been made more effective by pumping into each one of the manholes, or catch basins, beginning at the head of the sewer and pumping to the outlet. An abortive attempt has been made to sweep some of the streets by means of wicker tied together.

"The methods were as ludicrous as they were futile. The excreta of hundreds of homeless people and hundreds of those who have homes live the sidewalks of the city, and the indifference shown to these conditions is remarkable, even when the character of the population is considered. It is to be hoped that the city will be mechanically clean before the American troops are allowed to enter."

WAR SHIPS WILL BE ASSEMBLED FOR DUTY. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THEY WILL BE BROUGHT TOGETHER AT HAMPTON ROADS AND ASSIGNED STATIONS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: It is the general understanding in naval circles that a Gulf squadron will be formed. The European will be re-established, and three ships will be assigned to duty in the south Atlantic waters.

EXTENSION OF TIME WILL NOT BE GRANTED. CONCESSIONS GRANTED THE MARITIME CANAL COMPANY WILL NOT BE EXTENDED BY THE NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The Times says: At the request of President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, a personal friend of his has issued a statement presenting the status of the proposed Nicaraguan canal from the Nicaraguan standpoint.

CREDITORS CANNOT RECOVER. PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Judge Gilbert, of the United States circuit court, today decided that the statute of limitation had expired as to the directors of the Portland Savings bank, and that the directors cannot recover from them. Suit was brought by a depositor against the directors to recover the amount of his deposit.

Saves Work and Worry. Neglect should never be laid at the door of a housewife. It may be she works harder than her neighbor, but doesn't go about it in just the right way. Her neighbor uses Gold Star Washing Powder.

Victor Rost, Watchmaker and Jeweler. English and Swiss Watches a Specialty. All repairing done by myself. Music Boxes repaired. Marine Chronometers Rated and Repaired.

THE LOBBY. Seventh and Astor Streets, Astoria. SHASTA MINERAL WATER, PEPPER, NOBLE, KICKORY AND SHAW'S MALT WHISKIES. ALL OTHER LIQUORS, WINES, BEER AND CIGARS Served Day and Night. AUGUST KRATZ, Manager.

NO SHAM SALE! Having determined to move our business back to the city of Portland we hereby offer our entire stock of Ladies' and Gents' underwear, Embroideries, Lace, Notions, Toys and Oriental Fancy Goods, everything to be sold below cost. Chas. Kan & Co. 367 Commercial St.

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