

# SCHURMAN ON FATE OF FILIPINOS

## President McKinley's Envoy Writes an Article.

### He Asserts the Future Is an Open Question.

Dr. Schurman, president of Cornell University, a Republican and chairman of the commission sent by the late President McKinley to the Philippines, in an article in Gunton's Magazine for April says:

The future of the Philippines is an open question. The American people have never passed upon the ultimate destiny of the archipelago. By the terms of the treaty of Paris, the Congress of the United States was required to determine the civil rights and political status of the inhabitants; but this obligation Congress has not as yet discharged. Our sovereignty over the archipelago is unimpeachable in the forum of international law, but neither our acceptance or sovereignty from Spain nor our assertion of it by force in the face of native opposition requires us to retain that sovereignty or forbids us to delegate it to the Filipinos themselves. We are free to stay in the archipelago or to withdraw from it; to incorporate it into the United States of America or to set it up as a sister republic in Asia; to grant independence to the inhabitants or to retain them in forcible subjection.

**OUR HANDS ARE FREE.**

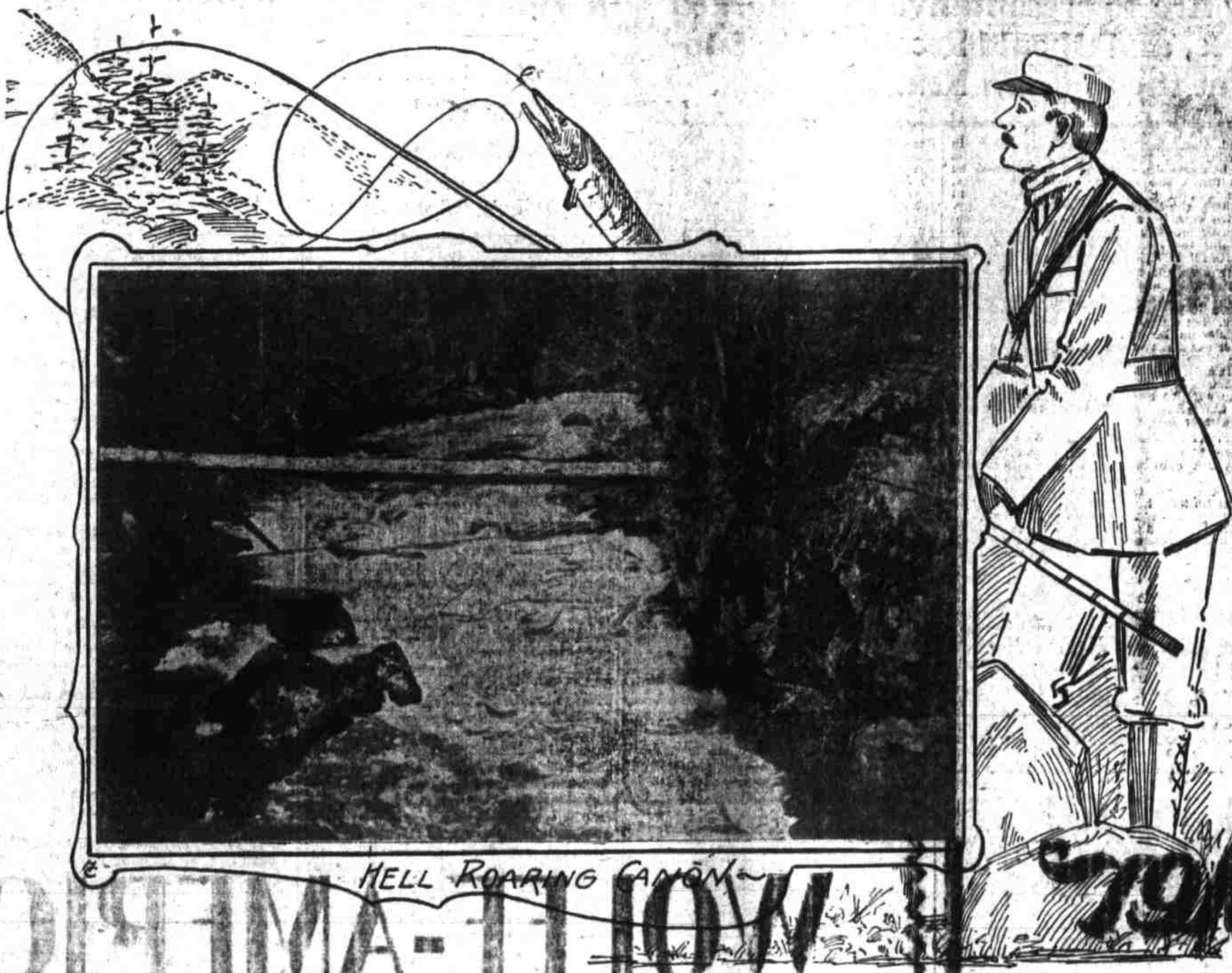
That our hands are absolutely free in the Philippines, that we stand uncommitted to any particular policy for the future, is a fact of cardinal importance, which, however, some people are apt to forget or at any rate to ignore. I recommend this class of somnolent thinkers to turn to the party platform on which Mr. McKinley and Mr. Roosevelt were elected in 1900. Is there any Jingolism there? Not a vestige of it. The key note of the Philippine plank of that platform is the conception of "responsibility" with which it begins. Here is the passage in its entirety:

"In accepting by the treaty of Paris the just responsibility of our victories in the Spanish War, the President and the Senate won the undoubted approval of the American people. No other course was possible than to destroy Spain's sovereignty throughout the West Indies and in the Philippine Islands. That course created our responsibility before the world, and with the unorganized population whom our intervention had freed from Spain, to provide for the maintenance of law and order, and for the establishment of good government, and for the performance of international obligations. Our authority could not be less than our responsibility, and, whatever sovereign rights were extended it became the high duty of the Government to maintain its authority, to put down armed insurrection, and to confer the blessings of liberty and civilization upon all the rescued peoples. The largest measure of self-government consistent with their welfare and our duties shall be secured to them by law."

### NATION NOT COMMITTED.

This duty carried us to the Philippines and duty governs our conduct in the Philippines. Nay, duty is to determine our stay; for, as the measure of home rule which the Filipinos are to enjoy is to be limited only by their welfare and our duties, we might withdraw our sovereignty as soon as the Filipinos are capable of undertaking the obligations imposed upon us by the title of sovereignty. There is, therefore, nothing in the National platform of the Republican party, on which Mr. McKinley and Mr. Roosevelt stood and were elected, to warrant any Republican in indulging in flings at anti-imperialism or in assertions to the effect that we must hold the Philippines forever, even though the natives desire, and are fit for independence. I repeat, the future of the Philippines is an open question. And I will add that, as anti-imperialist Republicans are no less true to the Republican platform of 1900, so in the future they will be at least as helpful as pro-colonial and Jingol Republican in aiding us to reach a wise solution of our Philippine perplexities."

## Where Live Trout Fight the Sportsman.



White Salmon River, through Hell Roaring Canyon, is an ideal place for fishing and is known to anglers as one spot where the fish "are not out of their places." The stream is not easily access-

ible through the canyon on account of the high walls on either side, which average 150 feet in height. Their tops are rugged, the rock being of a basaltic formation which easily breaks.

The river is at its roughest and wildest at this point, huge rocks and whirlpools making it picturesque and terrific in force. Not a better place for fishing could the sportsman desire; fine salmon

and mountain trout being abundant. Every year it is made a resort by anglers and is of especial interest now, as it is located along the road to be taken by the Missamas on their trip to Mount Adams.

## POPULAR SCHOOL IN WALLA WALLA

(Journal Special Service.) WALLA WALLA, May 31.—Miss Boyer, the principal, and Miss Whipple, head of the English department of Saint Paul's school for girls in Walla Walla, Washington, have just returned from an extended trip through the Inland Empire. The principal high schools and academies have been visited, and the results of the

and moderate rainfall during the school months of the year insure a good climate for study. The principal is known as a woman of rare social experience, of tact and good judgment. Her faculty has received the best of university and private school training. The success of that music department is especially commended-upon. While Saint Paul's is the most



investigation embodied in a report to be submitted to the Universities of Washington and California, respectively and throughout the region visited, Saint Paul's school has begun to attract the attention of parents and educators. Its location in Walla Walla is favorable, where altitude, moderate temperature

expensive school for girls in the Northwest, the applications often exceed the accommodations, for it is not Miss Boyer's policy to make her school a large one. It is interesting to note that Mrs. Charles Dennison, the recently elected president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, is one of the "referencés" of the school.

the doctrine could not show that money had changed hands in the games. This seems to have been an essential point as the court dismissed the gambler on the inability of the prosecution to show proof.

## SHE CAUGHT PIKE

(Journal Special Service.) OWENSBORO, Ky., May 31.—A judgment for \$200 for representing that he was an unmarried man and marrying her was rendered in the McLean Circuit court in favor of Laura Chenoweth against John T. Pike. Some time ago Ben Morehead, at Channah, using an old almanac and representing to the mother of the girl that he had authority from the county judge to perform a marriage, married Pike to the girl. Pike was already a married man with several children. The Chenoweth girl then sued Pike for \$200.

## BAD HUSBAND LOOKS DAGGERS

(Journal Special Service.) DENVER, May 31.—An injunction has been issued by Judge Carpenter in the District Court restraining Herman K. Becker, a ranchman residing near Elbert, Colo., from disposing of his property pending the issue of a divorce suit filed by Missouli Becker. In her complaint Mrs. Becker alleges cruelty. The specific acts of cruelty set forth consist entirely of the use of harsh language. She avers that he frequently "looks daggers" at her. The couple was married in Kiowa, Elbert County, February 19, 1900.

**Park School.** Memorial Day exercises were held Thursday afternoon. The Assembly Hall was very prettily decorated with bunting, flags, ivy and flowers. Everything went off as was planned until four seats broke down. Many visitors were present.

The program consisted of the drills, recitations, songs and short addresses delivered by a number of G. A. R. and Spanish-American veterans.

**J. C. Bayer.** No. 58 on the official ballot is a good number to vote for for Representative in the State Legislature. J. C. Bayer has been there before.

## AMONG THE WHEELMEN

In spite of threatening and rainy day Thursday, Fred Merrill conducted one of the largest bicycle parades ever held in the city. Fourteen truckloads of new wheels of the latest make, altogether 400 bicycles, were paraded up and down the streets, headed by the Marine brass band. The start was made from the Union depot, from which place the stock had just arrived from the manufacturer in the East. Mr. Merrill led the pageant in one of his handsome automobiles, and four other horseless carriages followed in his wake.

Next Sunday the Federated Trades of this city will give an excursion to Salem. The excursion has offered a number of prizes for bicycle races and several of Portland's crack riders will compete for the honors.

Wheelmen expect that the late rains will lay the track at Salem in good shape for fast work.

The Portland-Oregon City path is said to be in poor condition. In places the grass is so high on the track that it is hard work to get through it. The Clackamas County end is in the worst condition, starting beyond Milwaukie and continuing to Oregon City. This side is one of the worst in the county of Oregon, and wheelmen are anxious to see the path repaired. The commissioners of Multnomah and Clackamas Counties built the path jointly several years ago, but since that time they have been allowed to gradually break up and the brush and grasses have taken places projects out now after the manner of an abandoned trail.

The run to Oregon City was made Decoration Day by S. H. Bratnard, Andy Fritz, Mr. Fowler, Bob Blodgett, Ed Lee and E. McKenzie.

Andy Fritz, a Portland bicycle repairman, designed and constructed a motor-cycle in 1900 that has shown remarkable endurance, considering the usage it has received, and is capable yet of giving any of the imported cycles a hard run. The motor is located lower on the frame

of the wheel than usually, which gives an easier balance than if it were higher up the leather washer belt saves friction on the motor and on the rear wheel. It weighs 84 pounds and develops a speed of 10 miles an hour.

McCracken, the warehouse man, has just received from the East a finely modeled motor-cycle, the "Marsh."

The Base Line bicycle path is in good condition. Yesterday two small boys started out late in the day, went to the Sandy bridge, a distance of nearly 15 miles, and returned in good season. The track is level and uninjured by the rains, and but few spots need to be touched up.

Frank Falsetti is said to have beaten "Sadie" Jackson in a hot bicycle race at Vancouver yesterday. Those who happened to be present say the contest was one of unusual excitement. The finish was close.

## THIS IS GOOD ADVICE STILL

Mr. W. B. Ayers is a man of a good deal of discrimination at odd times. He is for the Matthewa ticket now, but two years ago he got up a ticket of his own, which we are able to reproduce today in facsimile over his genuine signature. It will be noticed that Mr. Ayers' ticket contains the name Chamberlain and Inman. This shows that party regularly is not a permanent part of the ticket, but is subject to periods of liberation. However, Mr. Ayer's advice, when he was himself a Citizen and opposed to the regular nominees, though two years old, has lost none of its original and excellent flavor, and to his admonition: "Please vote the following numbers, Chamberlain and Inman, and ask your friends to do the same." We answer, "Thank you; we will be pleased to do so."

No 159. On the official ballot—that means George J. Cameron for Municipal Judge. It's the first name under that heading. Won't you help to make him first when the votes are counted?

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## A RAIN OF SNAKES

(Journal Special Service.) CARSVILLE, W. Va., May 31.—One of the most peculiar features of the terrific electrical storm which raged over this section recently was the fall of snakes from the lowering clouds while the storm was in the midst of its fury. The reptiles fairly covered the streets during the water-fall, and for an hour after they were to be seen crawling around in a half-stunned condition. They measured from 10 to 15 inches and resembled the garter snake type, except that most of them had rings of white about their necks.

## DAWSON GAMBLERS WIN.

(Journal Special Service.) VANCOUVER, B. C., May 31.—In late advices received here from Dawson it is stated that the gamblers of the Northern center have defeated the Police Court in defending a prosecution, and are now running full blast. The gamblers had submitted to the decrees of the Dawson police for several weeks, but after a consultation decided to chance matters in court. They opened their respective houses, and as expected were raided. When the case came to trial, the attorneys for the gamblers contended that

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