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NATIVES ARE BOLD

FILIPINOS GOT WHAT THEY WERE LOOKING FOR.

SOLDIERS LIKE GEN. CHAFFEE

Order of General Smith Necessary to Make the Tagals Know That They Were Up Against the Real Thing.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 14.—George C. Boardman, formerly of the Nineteenth infantry, continued his testimony before the senate Philippine committee yesterday. He said that the natives in Batanga, where he was stationed, became very bold and threatening after the Balingiga massacre, and intimated that the troops would be served likewise.

It needed an order such as General Smith gave, to make the natives realize that the United States meant business. He said the men in the Philippines knew that war was hell, and "the boys were going to give the Filipinos hell," while it lasted. He said the troops grew morose and dissatisfied in the Philippines.

They were not given proper food, and he exhibited two cans of food which he received, which, he said, was unfit to eat. He said the soldiers did not like Governor Taft, but did like General Chaffee.

When the committee adjourned, several members decided to sample the canned salmon and condensed food submitted by the witness with a view to ascertaining whether it is good or bad.

Kills Jap With His Fist.

(New York Cor. Chicago Tribune.)

The battleship Indiana of the North Atlantic squadron arrived at the Brooklyn navy yard today after a cruise of some months in West Indian waters. The warship proceeded to the harbor upon arrival in port. The vessel will remain there for several weeks undergoing overhauling, and will then take out a crew of apprentices on a training cruise.

While the ship was lying in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, on Washington's birthday Komagi Makmoto, a Japanese cook, was killed in a row with Master-at-Arms James Douglas. Makmoto had spilled grease on the gun deck. Douglas ordered him to clean it, but the Japanese did not go about the job quick enough to suit him and Douglas became angry. Hot words were exchanged between the two men and then, it is alleged, Douglas struck Makmoto with his fist on the jaw. The force of the blow was such, it is said, as to drive the jawbone of the Japanese up into his brain. He fell on the deck dead. Douglas was placed in irons and was later tried by court-martial on board the battleship Alabama on a charge of "involuntary manslaughter." He was convicted and sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

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MUCH MONEY IN IT ANSELMO AT WORK

NOTHING RISKED, NOTHING GAINED IN MINING. THREE-COMPARTMENT SHAFT BEING SUNK ON IT

IS A LEGITIMATE BUSINESS TO BE SENT DOWN 1,000 FEET

Nothing Offers Better Returns—No One Can Tell How a Prospect Will Pan Out Until It Is Developed. Strike of Lumber Yard Teamsters Prevents the Sinking Crew From Getting Material—Gold and Silver.

Throughout this western country one can scarcely put his finger down without touching a person who is interested in some way in the mining industry, says the Salt Lake Mining Review. Because of this fact we would not say that the West has an attack of the mining fever, for this is not the case. As a general rule, the actions of nearly every person are actuated by their pocket books, and their best thoughts and energies are directed to industries in which the most money is to be made. One may call it a "fever," but we term it an exercise of good judgment after careful and painstaking deliberation. With a daily example before us, therefore, of fortunes made in legitimate mining operation, it is no wonder that the rank and file of western people are willing to embark in mining enterprises of acknowledged merit offered so freely on every hand, and the successes recorded in so many instances, without doubt, have a stimulating effect upon those conversant with the history of mining throughout this inter-mountain region. Shorn of all its undesirable features and reduced to a safe and legitimate basis, the mining industry today offers opportunities and avenues for investment that cannot be duplicated by any other business or pursuit, and for the reason that more big money is made in mining than in any other occupation.

After an illness covering a period of several years, the Anselmo mine, located near Missoula, Guich, has been started up again, and in all likelihood it will be developed on a pretty large scale. John A. Cannon has the property under lease and bond and has placed Perle Dalmas in charge of the work of development. There is an old shaft 200 feet deep on the claim, but Mr. Cannon is of the opinion that it will be easier and cheaper to sink a new one than it will be to attempt to enlarge the old one and put it in shape for business. The new shaft has already reached a depth of 20 feet and it is the intention to sink it 1,000 feet. It is a three-compartment and will be sunk on the pitch of the vein.

The first snag in the work, however, has been struck, but whether it will interfere with the work of development to any great extent remains to be demonstrated. The sinking crew is now ready to begin timbering, but on account of the strike of the lumberyard drivers they have been unable to get material. The length of time they will have to wait for it depends entirely on the duration of the strike.

Was Once a Producer. The Anselmo was at one time a heavy producer of silver ore. It is claimed that several men who have worked it under lease at various times have made good money out of it. That was when silver was worth twice as much as it is now. Since the fall in the price of the white metal not much attention has been paid to the ground, but Mr. Cannon, believing that the vein could yet be made to pay even at the present price of silver, secured a lease and bond on the various interests.

The vein of the Anselmo is between 20 and 30 feet wide, and it is claimed that recent assays of some rock extracted near the surface gave returns of 54 ounces in silver and \$78 in gold.

SHRINKAGE IN SURPLUS.

Treasury Officials Fear for Financial Showing Next Year. (Chicago Record.)

The treasury department officials in Washington fear that the repeal of the war revenue taxes may necessitate a big cut in expenditures. The act in itself means a deduction in the income of the treasury during the next fiscal year of \$75,000,000. The surplus last month was not so great as was expected, and it is constantly decreasing. The repeal was made on the belief of financial experts in congress that the surplus for this fiscal year would run anywhere from \$90,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Assuming that the receipts in the next fiscal year from all sources would equal those of the present fiscal year, and that the expenditures would not increase, the idea was general that there would be a balance in the treasury at the close of the next fiscal year of from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000. Neither Secretary Shaw nor former Secretary Gage approved of so deep a cut in the revenues, believing that the margin between the annual receipts and men in almost every condition in life are willing to make a venture in some line of mining operations, whether it be in the location and development of a claim, the purchase of mining property, the formation of a company for the exploitation of virgin ground, or the purchase of mining stock.

the expenditures would be too small to be comfortable.

Surplus Less Than Expected.

The month of April shows a surplus of only \$4,416,127, when a much larger surplus was expected. For the 10 months of the fiscal year the receipts have been \$46,218,269 and the expenditures \$398,424,999, a surplus of \$65,593,270. There are just two more months for operation in this fiscal year.

Should May and June show surpluses very little above that of April the total surplus for the year would be only \$75,000,000. This would make a neck-and-neck race during the year between receipts and expenditures.

The main reliance hereafter must be the income from customs. In the months of the present year the total receipts from this source have been \$211,029,570. For the same period of the last year the receipts were \$199,355,553, not an extraordinary increase by any means. A falling off in exports, a depression in business would affect these receipts. Internal revenue will be the next main account, and that ought not to decrease except by the falling off from the disappearance of the war revenue taxes.

Shaw Takes Precautions.

Secretary Shaw personally expresses no uneasiness. He is taking the precaution, however, to conserve his means. He recently announced that he would grant to national bank depositories this month about \$5,000,000 to \$4,000,000 of government money, and that after this month he will put out no more government money until he ascertains something about the operations of the receipt and expense account during the next fiscal year.

National bank depositories throughout the country now hold \$122,376,257 of government money, but about \$5,500,000 of this stands to the credit of the disbursing officers of the government. To the credit of the treasurer of the United States there are \$115,857,132. In the treasury vaults there is a balance available of about \$68,811,460. Secretary Shaw believes that \$65,000,000 is sufficient in the treasury itself to meet the necessities of business.

Banks Rushing Bond Sales.

There is an enormous demand from national banks to become depositories. They find that it pays better than issuing circulation of their own. The organizers of new national banks is about all that has kept the real circulation anywhere near the usual amount. The banks have found it advantageous to withdraw their bonds, deposited as security for circulation, retire the circulation and sell the bonds.

The high prices have been a temptation. Secretary Shaw realized this when he came in and made a threat that he would not allow deposits of money with banks that were retiring circulation.

ROYAL PING-PONGERS.

The Princess of Wales Would Substitute It for War. (New York Commercial.)

The German emperor has got the ping-pong fever somewhat severely. He devotes an hour every day after dinner to this popular pastime. His brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, is also very enthusiastic over the game, but he is certainly not such a skillful player as the emperor. It is said that the Kaiser strongly advised Prince Henry not to go in for ping-pong during his visit to the United States.

"Remember," said the emperor, half in earnest, half in jest, "that you are my brother and my representative. If you play ping-pong you will lose, and Germany's prestige in the great country you are about to visit would be considerably damaged."

The Princess of Wales has recently taken to ping-pong, and plays a very fair game indeed. "Do you know," said her royal highness a short time ago to her husband, the prince, "I have a very happy idea? Why should we not do away with these horrid wars? If there is a dispute between two countries, why should the people resort to ping-pong when there is ping-pong? Let the ruler of one country meet the ruler of the other at ping-pong—the loser of the game must give way; and then, you see, all disputes are amicably settled, and there is no shedding of blood."

The Prince of Wales laughed, and answered: "I'm afraid your idea is hardly a practical one. As for there being 'no shedding of blood' in a game of ping-pong, that all depends on the temper of the players."

So popular and universal has become this game of ping-pong that it has got as far as Persia, and the oriental court at Teheran has gone in for it in quite a mad manner. The shah, however, will have none of it. His majesty sometime ago expressed a wish to learn the sport, and it was therefore not only explained to him thoroughly, but many games were played by experts to show the shah how amusing and fascinating the game of ping-pong could be. His oriental majesty watched the players silently and attentively, with little interest, however. When all was over, and the frantic efforts of the players to please had ceased his majesty said quietly: "When you have done that nonsense, I should like you to show me ping-pong."

INHERITS MILLIONS.

And the Poor Pole Will Live Near Vanderbilt at Baltimore.

(Asheville (N.C.) Cor. Chicago Chronicle.) George Vanderbilt's estate, Baltimore, is to have a rival among the show places at this resort. Sergius Minkiewicz, a day laborer, with his wife, has fallen heir to a fortune of \$2,000,000 in Germany. Minkiewicz (who is commonly known around town as "Monkey Wrench") promptly raised \$200 by giving a mortgage of \$10,000 of his prospective wealth and immediately left for the old country to prove his title to the inheritance. Before he left he secured an option on one of the most beautiful tracts of land in the suburbs of Asheville. It includes several thousand acres and runs out in the neighborhood of the famous Switzerland dairy, to which George Vanderbilt tried hard to buy before he purchased the Baltimore estate. Minkiewicz intends to make a miniature Baltimore of his estate. The family game to this country from Poland several years ago. They have always been in wretchedly poor circumstances, and when one of the six children fell ill a few days ago the physician for the town's main charity mission, was called in.

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