

EXPANSION is in future the policy of our country, and only towards fear and oppose it.—President James Buchanan in 1861.

# The Philipsburg Mail.

NO political party can abrogate our treaty of peace with Spain, or absolve us from its solemn engagements.—President Wm. McKinley in 1900.

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## RENEW ACTIVITY

Lord Roberts Reports Numerous Recent Brushes With Boers.

## HIS RETURN IS POSTPONED

Area of Nine Acres Burned Over and Millions of Feet of Lumber Destroyed Fire at Detroit.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—Lord Roberts reports from Pretoria under date of Oct. 15, as follows: "French started from Makhadob towards Heidelberg to clear a part of the country not yet visited by our troops.

"Mahon, commanding the mounted troops, successfully engaged the enemy on Oct. 13, but our losses were severe, 2 officers and 8 men being killed, and 3 officers and 25 men wounded.

## COMMUNICATION CUT.

Boer Activity Causes a Postponement of Lord Roberts' Departure. LONDON, Oct. 17.—The Durban correspondent of The Standard says: "Railway communication north of Standerton has been suspended since Thursday. There are persistent rumors of Boer attacks on the railway. Considerable uneasiness is caused by the postponement of Lord Roberts' departure."

The mayor of Liverpool has received a dispatch from Lord Roberts stating that he will be unable to attend to receive the freedom the city before next January.

Commenting upon the activity of the Boers and the statement from Cape Town that Lord Roberts has postponed his home-coming, The Standard says: "There are certain indications pointing to the conclusion that unexpected conditions have arisen which Lord Roberts deems grave enough to demand his presence for some time to come. All the facts show that it is impossible yet to denude south Africa of any substantial portion of the large army now engaged in dominating a sulen and recalcitrant population."

The editorial finally calls for the severest measures against irreconcilable Boers, "prompt and ruthless punishment for every insurgent burgher caught in delicto."

The editorial concludes with the statement that "the imperial government has the country's mandate and need not be afraid to act vigorously."

Searched for Kruger's Gold. LONDON, Oct. 17.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Lourenco Marques says that the American bark Fred P. Litchfield went ashore there from her moorings during Saturday night's gale and was searched in consequence of a suspicion that she was carrying Mr. Kruger's gold to the amount of £1,500,000. The Portuguese found nothing on board the bark.

Blame Their Leaders for Defeat. BERLIN, Oct. 17.—The Berliner Tageblatt publishes a letter from Makhadob which concludes thus: "Not superior numbers nor the greater military capacity of the British, but treason, folly and puffed impotency among our leaders caused our ruin."

## INDIANA SAFE FOR MCKINLEY.

Hoosier State Is Taken From Doubtful Column—Is Safely Republican. Chicago, Oct. 18.—Indiana has been taken out of the doubtful column by the republican national committee officers. Official announcement was made that the Hoosier state is sure to go for McKinley.

Advises received at national republican headquarters were responsible for the announcement. According to Vice Chairman Henry C. Payne, the polls taken in every precinct of the state, together with verifications of a later date indicate that McKinley's majority will be larger than it was in 1896.

If such proves true, Indiana will break its own record for alternating between the parties at presidential elections.

"We have regarded Indiana as a doubtful state until now," announced Mr. Payne, "but for the first time in the campaign I am ready to put it into the republican column. There is no longer any doubt in my mind that it will go republican. The result of the polls we have taken and verified have just been received and they show conclusively that McKinley will get a safe majority. The figures show a present majority larger than the majority of 1896.

"We have already received a confirmation of recent polls taken in Kentucky, showing a 10,000 republican majority in that state. Advises fresh from Maryland show that a reaction against Bryan has taken place there and that the chances for republican success have been greatly increased thereby.

"I don't suppose I should announce this," continued Mr. Payne, "but everything looks so bright for us I am taking no risk. The poll of Kansas, only recently perfected and verified, shows a majority of 24,000 or 25,000 for McKinley. We have also had advices from Utah, which indicate a considerable improvement in republican chances out there."

## THEY LOSE ANOTHER STATE.

Democrats Give Up All Hope of Carrying Washington. Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 17.—The democrats have given up all hope of carrying the state of Washington for Bryan. At the state headquarters the claim is still made that they will carry the state, but it grows less confident in tone daily.

The national committee simultaneously discontinued its efforts for the success of the Bryan electors and have concentrated all of their energies upon the state ticket.

The paramount issue of expansion which has all along been made so much of by the party in the east has not been put forward in this state as a reason why voters should support Bryan.

Hon. Charles S. Voorhees is the only speaker of note who makes any importance of the "imperialism" issue and the committee has discovered that his campaign is doing the party more harm than good, and he has been called off the stump in this state on pretense of his being greatly needed in Montana.

Another evidence that the state has been abandoned by the national committee is the fact that James Hamilton Lewis is not to be allowed to return to this state again before the close of the campaign, but is to be kept in the east, where there is a possibility he may aid in influencing voters in some doubtful state. So far as can be learned the national committee will not send a single speaker to this state between now and the day of election.

To be on the safe side, Register! It matters not whether you registered two years ago, Register and be sure that you are entitled to a vote this year.

## OSHKOSH ABLAZE

Fire in the Wisconsin Town Causes a Heavy Loss.

## WILL SURELY REACH \$300,000

McMahon's Mounted Troops Suffer Severe Losses in a Fight on October 13.

## Other Telegraphic News.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Oct. 17.—Fire broke out in the saw mill district during the day and in three hours it destroyed nearly \$300,000 worth of property, mostly lumber stock. The fire spread over an area of nine acres, the district burned being between Black Hawk, Oseola, Pearl streets and the river. The Diamond Match company is the heaviest loser, its loss being placed at \$175,000. The company had between \$500,000 and 6,000,000 feet of match splint lumber, valued at from \$25 to \$35 per 1,000. This was nearly all destroyed.

The fire started in the dressed lumber shed of the Holister-Ames company and spread with remarkable rapidity through out the lumber yard. The Holister-Ames company places its loss at \$83,000.

Change of Wind Aids Firemen. In the same block as the Diamond Match company, the Chalmers Sons' Foundry company suffered a loss of between \$15,000 and \$20,000, their wood pattern shops and several small store buildings in which were stored finished ice machines and shingle machines being destroyed. The wind blew strong from the west and would have taken the entire plant, but at a critical time the wind changed and blew in another direction so that the foundry proper was saved. The saw mill of the Holister-Ames Lumber company was saved, being across the street from the yard.

Assistance was asked of the fire departments of Fond du Lac, Neenan, Menasha and Appleton, but before any outside engines appeared the orders were countermanded as it was believed the city department could meet all requirements necessary.

## FATAL FIRE AT DETROIT.

Employees of a Shoe Factory Compelled to Jump Several Stories. DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 17.—An explosion of rubber cement in the basement of a 4-story building at 15 Jefferson avenue, occupied by Wittich Sons company, manufacturers of shoes, at 115 p. m., resulted in a fire which cost the life of one man and injured eight persons, four of whom were girls.

The fire spread with such rapidity that the employees were compelled to jump from the upper stories. John Ineson, who was killed, jumped from a third story window and struck a sign on the front of the building, breaking it loose and carrying down several others who had crawled out on the window ledge to which the sign was fastened.

## BIG FIRE IN PORT LIMON.

Business Section of Costa Rican City is Totally Destroyed. PANAMA, Colombia, Oct. 17.—Dispatches from Costa Rica tell of the almost total destruction by fire of Port Limon, the principal port of the republic. The business section of the city is entirely wiped out. The fire started on Saturday night and very soon got beyond control. Building after building and block after block were swept by the flames, and in a short time more than \$2,000,000 worth of property was burned up. Port Limon was in a flourishing condition and the commission interests of the city have been very large.

## DUE TO ILL HEALTH.

Thomas F. Lane, Son-in-Law of Senator Blackburn, Commits Suicide. WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—Thomas F. Lane, son-in-law of Senator Blackburn, committed suicide at his home here. Mr. Lane entered the house about 11 p. m. and shot himself in the presence of his little daughter while his wife was resting on a couch in an adjoining room. Death was almost instantaneous. Mr. Lane was the American representative of the London ordnance firm of Vickers' Sons & Maxim. He was well to do, prominently connected and a familiar figure in Washington society. It is said that he was driven to the act by brooding over his ill health. He was told some time ago that he had Bright's disease and he allowed the matter to prey on his mind.

## Yontsey's Trial Proceeding.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Oct. 17.—Henry S. Yontsey, on trial charged with being a principal in the shooting of Governor Goebel, is still unable to enter the courtroom. Lying on his bed, he was drawn to the door of the jury room, in plain view of those in the courtroom, and the trial proceeded.

## REPUBLICANS, REGISTER!

## BYRAN MONEY IS HARD TO FIND.

All Kinds of Odds Given, But They All Go Against.

New York, Oct. 17.—Byran money is so hard to find in Wall street that several small bets have been made at four to one. The prevailing odds for several weeks have been three to one, and Mr. Croker, who staked on Bryan at one to two and one-half, is quoted as saying that the market has been rigged.

The four to one betting was in small amounts. When the better offers such odds as that on a presidential election no must feel certain of winning. The largest bet at that rate reported is \$400 to \$500. Brokerage firms and individuals in Wall street, who have large amounts of cash which they have been commissioning to place on McKinley, are desisting of doing so for the time being. Failing to get bets on the general result, offers are made at odds on the scales the democratic politicians say Bryan will carry.

At the New York cash exchange these offers have been under \$50,000 to \$200,000 that McKinley will carry. No betting \$50,000 to \$75,000 on Maryland and Illinois. Edward Wasserman did a lot of hustling to try and get \$100,000 against \$10,000 that McKinley would carry Illinois, but he was unsuccessful. An offer was made on the floor of the stock exchange of \$100 to \$800 that McKinley would carry Maryland, but not one wanted the short end of it. On the curb a dozen of \$500 to \$1000 on McKinley were made, four went begging along with a \$100 to \$200 offer. No large bets have been made so far. No known bets are in favor of national campaigns. These bets of McKinley money in sight at the hotels and sporting resorts but a search was made which would not amount Bryan money enough to lower the odds on McKinley.

## LEARY IS AN EXPANSIONIST.

Says Loyal Americans Should Stand by the Administration.

New York, Oct. 17.—Captain Richard P. Leary, U. S. N., formerly governor of Guam, our little island possession in the Pacific, arrived today aboard the American liner St. Paul from Southampton. He was at first reluctant to be interviewed. An intimation that he was not a believer in "expansion" stirred his soul and he declared before gentle explosives that he was for holding everything the army and navy had acquired. "Are you an expansionist?" a reporter asked. "If expansion means standing by the government, I am an expansionist," he retorted. "The Philippines are ours. I'll stand by the government till the last damned rebel is conquered. There should be no parleying while the rebellion lasts. I would not entertain a proposition for peace until every Filipino had laid down his arms. "It is a shame that our government should be hampered by persons in high positions, whose talk only encourages rebellion. They are traitors. If I had my way I would hang every damned one of them."

## All Ill Omen.

Even the elements from upon fusion in this county. For the second time the boodle banner has been blown down. The first time the gentle breezes simply blew it down, but having been again hoisted in the same place the winds became enraged and yesterday it was torn into shreds and nothing but the rope to which it was attached remained. A few tattered pieces of canvass indicated that something had been there. This seems a bad omen and foreshadows gloomy results for the boodle crowd.

## Quick Returns.

The Independent Order of Foresters yesterday delivered to Mrs. John Neumeyer a check for \$2,000, this being the amount of insurance carried by her late husband in that organization. The promptness with which this claim was paid speaks well for the Foresters and recommends that order to all who desire to protect their families.

## Marriage Echoes.

Born—In Philipsburg, Montana, on Monday, October 8, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. George D. Weaver, a son.

Born—Near Philipsburg, Montana, on Monday, October 8, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. John J. McDonald, a son.