



POOR UNCLE SAM. How Happy I'd Be With Either, Were T'other Dear Charmer Away.

REBELS MUST BE SUBDUED

Drastic Measures Adopted by Gen. Bell.

RECONCENTRATION ONE

Stringent Orders Relating to Batangas Province.

LENIENCY PROVES INEFFECTIVE

Wealthy and Influential Classes and Priests the Ones Chiefly Aimed At.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Having failed, after two years' strife, in subduing the insurrection in Batangas province, which has just south of Manila and having satisfied himself that lenient treatment of the insurgents is productive of no good results, General J. Franklin Bell, the military commander in that province, has determined on the enforcement of the war in the most vigorous and determined fashion, involving reconcentration in a modified form, the application of martial law in all directions and the unsparring pursuit and punishment of the natives who act as spies and traitors to the United States.

All this appears from a long report to the war department just published. The reconcentration order is dated at Batangas, Dec. 8 last. It provides for the establishment of a zone around the garisons, into which the friendly inhabitants are to be required to come under penalty of confiscation and destruction of their property.

This is said to be necessary to prevent the collection of forced contributions from the inhabitants by the insurgents. The military officers are allowed to fix the price of necessities of life, and it is promised that the people may return as soon as peaceful conditions are established.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMANDERS.

This order is followed by a long circular by General Bell to his station commanders, commenting on existing conditions and giving them advice how to proceed. It says that he shares in the general conviction that the insurrection continues because a greater part of the people, especially the wealthiest ones, do not really want peace. He says it is regrettable that the innocent must suffer with the guilty, but it is better that 5000 to the greatest number can be brought about by putting a prompt end to the insurrection. Therefore he directs the application of General Order No. 100 in force during the civil war in the United States, which practically regards an insurgent as a guerrilla, and outside the pale of civilization, and subject to the death penalty, wherever such insurgent does not engage continuously in the war and observe all the rules of war.

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NEW RATES ON CAR-LOTS

Big Changes Made by Classification Committee.

ALL SHIPPERS ARE HIT

Retailers and Small Shippers Are Likely to Complain.

CAR-LOT MINIMUMS ARE RAISED

They Must Buy in Larger Quantities to Get the Benefit of Low Rate.

The western classification committee, representing all of the railroads west of Chicago, has, after a ten days' session, made about 300 changes in the western freight classification which will become effective April 1. A large number of the alterations relate to the minimum weight of carloads. In this respect the meeting just closed is perhaps the most important to western shippers ever held. For the first time in western railroading the size and capacity of the car becomes a factor in computing the minimum weight for carload merchandise. The committee reduced the minimum weight required on many kinds of merchandise, but in the general readjustment the tendency was largely toward requiring shippers to ship more goods in order to take advantage of the carload rate.

As a result of the action of this committee, western railroads are to adopt a standard car in computing all carload minimum weights. The measurements are 36 feet long, 8 1/2 feet wide, and 8 feet high. The marked capacity on these cars is 30,000 pounds. Minimum car load weights have heretofore been based on much smaller cars, running from 30 to 33 feet in length, with a marked capacity of from 30,000 to 40,000 pounds. The rapid increase in the number of large cars, the consequent disappearance of those of smaller capacity, the necessity of utilizing the capacity of the cars to the fullest extent in order to avoid danger of a shortage, together with the fact that the cost of the modern car is double that of the old pattern, have in the minds of traffic men, constituted good reasons for increasing the minimum required to take advantage of the carload rate.

THE NEW MINIMUM.

The following table gives the percentage of increase or deduction to apply on minimum car load weights above or under the requirements of the 30-foot car: For thirty-four-foot, 65 per cent of the thirty-foot car minimum. Over 34 feet, and including 35 feet, 97 1/2 per cent of the 30-foot car minimum. 37 and 38 feet, 100 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. 39 and 40 feet, 25 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. 41 and 42 feet, 40 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. 43 and 44 feet, 55 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. 45 and 46 feet, 65 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. 49 and 50 feet, 80 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car. Over 50 feet, 150 per cent over minimum of 30-foot car.

Machinery Rates Unchanged.

Beyond the application of this new rule in carload minimums, the minimum on agricultural machinery in which the people of the northwest are much interested, remains unchanged from the old weight of 20,000 pounds. After April 1 the shipper of a 20,000-pound carload of agricultural implements will use a 36-foot car. If he requires a 40-foot car a 25,000 minimum will be required. The proposition to raise the standard minimum on agricultural implements from 20,000 to 22,000 pounds failed.

Many of the changes in minimum weights in light and bulky articles, such as brooms, broom corn, fanning mills and baskets, in which class of merchandise there were many reductions, increases from 24,000 to 30,000 were numerous in iron and steel products and heavy building material. Few changes were made in the classification of goods in less than carload.

The manufacturers, as a rule, will have no complaint to make on this change. It will fall most heavily on the retailer and small buyers, who will be forced to buy more goods in order to secure the car load rate.

NAVAL BATTLE IN PANAMA HARBOR

Revolutionary Fleet Trying to Force a Landing—Shots Exchanged With Government Ships.

Governor of Panama Killed—Land Forts Join the Fire on the Revolutionary Vessels.

Five Vessels Sunk.

Colombia, Jan. 20.—A naval battle which began at 6 o'clock this morning is in progress in the harbor of Panama. The revolutionary fleet consists of the steamers Padilla, Darien and Gaifan. They are trying to force a landing off Saona. The government ships are the Chilean line steamer Lautaro; the Pacific steam navigation company's steamer Chicuito and the Panama Canal company's steamer Boyaca. The first named steamer was seized by General Alban and the other steamers have been chartered by the Colombian government.

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ANTI-TRUST MEN INSIST

Return to the Attack on Attorney General Knox.

"ANSWER OUR LETTER"

Would Have Him Declare Himself as to the Trusts.

ENFORCING AN ALLEGED PROMISE

Anti-Trust League Officers May Furnish Democratic Campaign Material.

Washington, Jan. 20.—To-day or tomorrow officers of the National Anti-Trust League will write Attorney General Knox, calling his attention to the fact that he has not yet complied with their request for the prosecution of certain trusts and asking him to answer the letter written him Nov. 25 on that subject.

At the time of the receipt of that letter, Mr. Knox said he had no objection to letting the anti-trust people know what his intentions were regarding trust prosecutions.

He will now be asked to state those intentions. Should he fail to reply to the letter, it is the plan of the anti-trust officials to take the matter up with certain senators who promised at the time of Knox's confirmation that they would try to hold him to his alleged promise to prosecute the steel trust. The Northern Securities company figures in the case now and will be referred to in the letter to be sent to Mr. Knox to-morrow. Should the democrats in the senate take the matter up, it will be with the purpose of embarrassing trusts as an issue in the next campaign.

TAX REDUCTION

Republicans of Ways and Means Committee Going About It.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The republican members of the ways and means committee held a private meeting this afternoon to consider what should be done toward reducing the war revenue taxes. This is the first formal step taken to map out a line of action. The sentiment among republican members of the committee is said to be quite general in favor of a reduction.

The committee will not be bound to report the Babcock bill, even if there should be a demand for a report by a house caucus. The caucus, however, will be important as showing how the house republican sentiment stands on this matter. In my judgment the committee will carefully consider the bill. There is so much sentiment in the country in favor of the principle behind it that the committee cannot escape paying the bill proper attention. It will be called up by Babcock, who belongs to the committee, whenever he is ready.

CLAPP AND PURDY "I don't know anything about a recommendation or agreement on the district attorneyship," said Senator Clapp to-day, when asked about the statement that he and Senator Nelson had agreed upon M. D. Purdy for attorney and C. C. Haupt of Ferguson Falls for assistant. "When I get ready to recommend I will recommend Purdy's term does not expire until May, and that is quite a way off."

The senator refused to discuss the case further because he wasn't ready to take action.

CHIPPewa Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock the Minnesota delegation will caucus in the room on the question of what shall be done with the request from northern Min-

PRISONERS DIG A TUNNEL

Eleven Desperate Men Escape from McNeil's Island Near Tacoma.

Crawled Forty Feet Through an Air Chamber and Scaled Walls.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 20.—Eleven of the most desperate prisoners in the United States penitentiary on McNeil's island made their escape between 1 and 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The character of the men implicated makes it doubtful whether they will be retaken without loss of life. The men at large are W. D. Snyder, sent up from Idaho for robbery; James Campbell, Nome, pickpocket; Thomas Morton, Nome, burglar; Frank Alsworth, Nome, larceny; Mike Williams, Spokane, counterfeiter; Harley Davis, Nome, Alaska, Frank Moran, true name; Ed O'Neil, Spokane, counterfeiter; James Moriarty, Spokane, counterfeiter; J. P. Stewart, Idaho, counterfeiter; Bruce Kenwright, Nome, manslaughter; James Carroll, Alaska, murder.

STOOD BY US

Official Announcement Regarding England's Course in the Spanish War.

London, Jan. 20.—In the house of commons to-day Lord Cranbora, under secretary for foreign affairs, replying to Henry Norman (liberal), said that before the Spanish-American war the British government agreed to join in a note to the president of the United States expressing the hope that further negotiations would result in a peaceful settlement; but the government declined to associate itself with subsequent proposals which seemed to be open to the objection of putting pressure on the government of the United States.

CASH FOR PRINCE

Appropriation to Entertain the German Emperor's Brother.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Discussing the urgent deficiency bill in the house to-day, Mr. Cannon said the emergency appropriation of \$40,000 for the state department was for the entertainment of Prince Henry of Germany. He said it was proper for so great a nation to provide entertainment for the representatives of a great people beyond the sea, which "had given us so much of our bone and brain."

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HAIR AND PAINT IT'S A LOTTERY

Indian Commissioner Throws a Different Light Upon His Order.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones has issued a circular letter to Indian agents designed to correct a somewhat general misunderstanding of a letter he recently issued to agents directing the modification or discontinuance of a savage Indian custom. He says the government mainly directs that agents cut off all privileges from returning students who, after coming back from Carlisle Indian school and similar institutions, paint their faces, indulge in barbaric dances and feasts and wear long hair like the old Indians. He says that tact, judgment and perseverance should be used and that agents should begin gradually and work steadily until the end in view is accomplished. It is not expected nor intended that agents shall be so precipitate as to give the Indians any just cause for revolt.

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