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## ATTACK WAR OFFICE.

### Officials Charged With Being Unprepared for War.

## STRANGE SILENCE AT THE FRONT

### London Confused by Rumors and Disquieted by Suspense—General French Shells Colesberg and Returns to Camp. Boers Have Larger Force Than Buller.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The attack upon the war office has been renewed in several quarters. It is declared here that when Churchill, the correspondent, first arrived at Natal he had maps of the northern portion of Cape Colony, procured from foreign sources, better than any possessed by the British generals there and loaned them to the commanders. Newspapers say that experts in the war office here are operating with a large scale map of northern Natal printed upon 70 sheets, which was borrowed from the German war office, after the situation about Glencoe and Ladysmith became so critical.

### Boers Outnumber the British.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—General Buller's latest authentic word as to what he and his 30,000 men are doing was wired from Springfield. Striving to think out the unknown, London is confused by surmise and rumor and disquieted by suspense. Spencer Wilkinson, the lucid military expert of the Morning Post, asserts that the Boer force in northern Natal is larger than General Buller's and Sir George White's together, so that the Boers are able to leave a force around Ladysmith larger than that within the town and yet to oppose General Buller with a force superior to his own.

Reports from the Boer camps indicate that the circle of investment has been drawn closer by the occupation of some hills nearer the town, thus liberating reinforcements to oppose General Buller. The yeomanry recruits are disturbed by the fact that they are able to get only one and one-half companies out of upward of 1,000 applicants in the metropolitan districts. All the other applicants fall short of the requirements. Among the minor perplexities of the war office is a strike among the military tailors which causes delay in uniforming the recruits.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Daily Mail publishes the following from a correspondent at Le Creusot, France: "After two days' inquiry I do not hesitate to say that the Schneider company is not only working night and day in the manufacture of ammunitions and guns for the Boers, but it has packed ready to ship six large guns. The foreman told me that ere long 30 additional guns would be shipped to the Boers."

### British Advancing Toward Ladysmith.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Standard gives prominence to the following dispatch, dated Jan. 13, from Durban: "A man who has just arrived here from Springfield says that a British column, proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith, has crossed the Little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the Big Tugela, and a howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches. He says 270 wagons loaded with commissariat stores for Ladysmith had left Frere and it was expected the column would join hands with General White Monday evening."

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 13.—There is good reason to believe that the statement that Sir Charles Warren, with 11,000 men has gone toward Weenen, is correct, and we may expect important news shortly. Reports have been received here that dysentery is very rife in Ladysmith. Everything is phenomenally quiet at Sterkstroom.

### London Stock Broker Mobbed.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A disgraceful scene occurred on the stock exchange.

When Maurice Herzfelder, of the big stock brokerage firm of Kahn & Herzfelder, appeared on the exchange he was mobbed, knocked down and kicked because, as alleged, he had refused to keep open the place of a clerk employed by him who had volunteered for service in South Africa. Mr. Herzfelder was so ill-used that he fainted and when he recovered he was again maltreated. Finally he was rescued from his assailants.

### All Burghers Ordered to Front.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Lourenzo Marquez says: President Kruger has issued a proclamation ordering all burghers to the front. The Volkstem, the Transvaal official organ, suggests that at the moment the British cross the border the gold industry should be irrevocably destroyed.

### Dispatch from Lord Roberts.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The war office has published the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Cape Town, Jan. 15: "French reports that a reconnaissance Sunday shelled the Colesberg road bridge. No casualties. Returned today. Methuen and Gatacre no change."

### Rumor Buller Loses Again.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 16.—An Antwerp paper pretends to have received a cipher telegram from Pretoria, dated Jan. 13, announcing the defeat of General Buller's army at Springfield on that day. The report is discredited.

### Marlborough to Sail Saturday.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The duke of Marlborough, who volunteered for service in South Africa, will sail for Cape Town Saturday next.

### Fail to Settle Rate Trouble.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Representatives of the Chicago-St. Louis-Missouri river lines met here yesterday to consider the disturbing rate-cutting on colliers fares from St. Paul to north Pacific coast points. The meeting adjourned without taking decisive action.

### Iowa Sanitary Commission.

DES MOINES, Jan. 11.—Fifty leading stockmen, veterinarians and surgeons, in convention, organized the Iowa Sanitary commission, its objects being to take steps to eradicate tuberculosis in domestic animals. The first effort will be to educate the public on the subject and secure needed legislation. The officers elected are: President, J. A. Scriggs, Keokuk; secretary, Dr. G. A. Johnson of Sioux City.

### Boys Des Moines Distillery.

DES MOINES, Jan. 16.—The American Malt and Malting company of New York City succeeds the American Spirits Manufacturing company in the ownership of the old distillery property in this city. No spirits have been made here since the prohibition law went into effect, several years ago, but the property has been operated for malting purposes for some years and will so continue until the law is changed to permit the manufacture of spirits. The consideration was about \$500,000.

### Discussing the Judgeship.

DES MOINES, Jan. 16.—Politicians have spent the legislative recess discussing the probable appointment of a successor to the late Judge Woolson on the federal bench, which is expected soon. There has been a story current that the Gear people have made discoveries which led to the conclusion that Judge Townner did not remain true to them during the late senatorial fight and so he will not get the appointment, which has until now been conceded to him. The candidacies of Judge Smith of Council Bluffs and Judge Davis of Keokuk are being put in the lead, with chances between the two about equal.

### Another Line to Des Moines.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Jan. 13.—The surveying party of the Des Moines, Iowa Falls and Northern railroad has again started south from here, running another line to Des Moines. The intention is to strike the towns of Hubbard, Zearing, McCallsburg, Colo and Cambridge. A line will also be run north from Nevada to this city on a route west of the old line and tapping a rich agricultural territory. The Duluth and New Orleans, a rival corporation, has already run a line from Des Moines to Osage, practically covering the same territory as the Des Moines road. There is much speculation as to which road will eventually build the line, which is considered by some as a link in the Port Arthur route and by others as an extension of the Illinois Central.

### WANT SALOONS BANISHED.

Iowa Anti-Saloon League in Favor of Temperance Legislation.

DES MOINES, Jan. 13.—The Iowa Anti-Saloon league convention adopted a resolution favoring the "passage of a law at the present session of the legislature which shall prohibit the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors within five miles of any of the state institutions of learning; and we further favor such other temperance legislation as can be passed from year to year until Iowa is restored to that happy state in which the saloon shall again be an outlaw." The committee on resolutions declare in favor of better enforcement of the temperance laws as they now exist and in opposition to local option and the mulct law.

## LIVE STOCK MEETING.

### National Convention Opens at Fort Worth, Tex.

## FIVE THOUSAND ARE PRESENT.

### Most Important Gathering of Cattlemen Ever Held in the Southwest—Kansas City in the Lead for Next Meeting Place. Rate Question to Come Up.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 16.—The convention of the National Live Stock association, which meets here today, is expected to be the most important gathering of cattlemen ever held in the southwest. The city is rapidly filling up with delegates and visitors and a fair estimate places the number on hand at 5,000.

The convention will be asked to pass a resolution requesting congress to empower the interstate commerce commission to correct and establish rates on all shipments of cattle. The fight for the next convention will be a lively one. Chicago, Salt Lake and Kansas City are avowed candidates, with odds seemingly in favor of the latter place.

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### Wreck is Still a Mystery.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 16.—The latest advices destroy many theories concerning the wreck in St. Mary's bay and render it more mysterious than ever. Owing to the continuance of turbulent seas it is impossible to land boats. The bodies and wreckage are still visible, the latter increasing as the ship breaks up. The cruiser Fiona is still at the wreck. An attempt will be made to effect a landing in Sculpin cove, where there are two bodies and almost an entire boat. It seems highly probable that the name of the vessel will be learned today.

### Another Line for Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Another railroad is heading toward Chicago from the southwest. Surveyors are said to be in the field locating a line between Quincy and this city. The road is to be a continuation of the present Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern, known as the old Quincy route. The system extends from Quincy to Omaha and from Quincy to Kansas City. It is said that the project is in the interest of the Pittsburg and Gulf system and it will be built to afford a through line between the Gulf of Mexico and Chicago.

### New Travelers' Organization.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—The International Federation of Commercial Travelers' organizations was organized at a meeting of the secretaries of a dozen different commercial travelers' organizations in the United States. The officers elected for the new organization are: President, F. E. Haley, Des Moines; vice president, Edward Everett, Utica; secretary-treasurer, A. L. Sheetz, Omaha. Over 70,000 policy holders were represented at the meeting.

### Fatal Shooting Affray.

H. RESORNE, I. T., Jan. 16.—A street duel occurred in this city between Vernon Abbott (white) and Stephen Jones (negro), which resulted in the death of Jones and the wounding of Abbott. The trouble dates back several days, when Jones attacked Joe Abbott, a brother of Vernon, and beat him unmercifully. The men went armed with Winchester and when they met began firing almost immediately.

### May Dismiss Heresy Charges.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—After Dr. McGiffert has been heard, the presbytery sitting as a court, may dismiss the charges. Whatever action they may take may be appealed to the higher courts of the church. It was said last night that Dr. Birch by insisting on his charges had offended many of his supporters in the presbytery and that his clerkship might be taken away from him at the annual meeting.

### Secretary Gage Sends \$10.

TOLEDO, Jan. 16.—Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, has sent \$10 to help defray the funeral expenses of Weadon W. Gage, who died here penniless last week, and who claimed to be a first cousin of the cabinet officer. Correspondence revealed that the claimed relationship did not exist, but Secretary Gage contributed "on account of the similarity of names."

### Beaten by Union Men.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Three non-union men employed at Bent's piano factory were set upon by a number of locked-out piano workers yesterday and severely bruised. The union men become so demonstrative later that it was necessary to place a picket of policemen around the factory.

## TILT IN THE SENATE.

### Pettigrew and Wolcott Lock Horns Over Philippines.

## GEAR'S RETURN IS WELCOMED.

### Receipts Warm Congratulations From Iowans at Washington Upon His Renomination—Gayle of Kentucky Sworn in as Congressman to Succeed Settle.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Spirited debate on the Philippine question occupied the attention of the senate for nearly three hours yesterday. Mr. Berry first addressed the senate in support of the resolutions recently introduced by Mr. Bacon regarding the disposition of the Philippines. He was followed by Mr. Pettigrew in support of his resolution of inquiry. Mr. Pettigrew was very bitter in his attacks upon the administration. Those who deny freedom to others, he said, cannot long retain it for themselves. Such a policy would be the destruction of the republic. He entered upon a sharp attack on the treaty made by the Americans with the sultan of Sulu, charging that polygamy and slavery were not only indorsed, but maintained by the United States through the treaty with the sultan. He declared that the Republican party was going out of power as the champion of slavery and a repudiator of the Declaration of Independence.

Mr. Wolcott replied to Mr. Pettigrew, scathingly arraigning the South Dakota senator for the attitude he had assumed on the Philippine question. He declared his belief that if Aginaldo himself occupied the seat in the senate occupied by Mr. Pettigrew, representing the people of South Dakota, who had sent their sons as soldiers to the Philippines, he would be too patriotic, too devoted to the interests of the country to assume the attitude assumed by the present South Dakota senator. Mr. Wolcott also referred to the speech recently delivered by Mr. Beveridge, sharply criticizing it for the spirit of greed which seemed to animate the senator in making such a deliverance.

At the conclusion of the Philippine discussion, Mr. Rawlins made an elaborate argument to the senate in opposition to the proposed financial legislation. Senator Gear of Iowa was warmly congratulated by Iowans upon his unanimous renomination for the senate. The congratulations were accompanied by a large basket of American Beauty roses, which were placed on Gear's desk.

### Gayle Sworn In as Congressman.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Yesterday's session of the house was devoted to consideration of District of Columbia business. Representative June W. Gayle of Kentucky was sworn in and Mr. Cannon reported the urgent deficiency bill with a notice that he would ask that it be taken up today.

## DECIDE AGAINST BOLLN.

### Application for Writ of Error Denied by United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—In the United States supreme court Justice Brown rendered an opinion in the case of Henry Bolln against the state of Nebraska on application made by Bolln for a writ of error to the Nebraska supreme court in the matter of the conviction of Bolln, former city treasurer of Omaha, for the embezzlement of over \$100,000. The opinion refused Bolln's application, affirming the opinion of the state court and affirming the constitutionality of the Nebraska law providing for proceeding in criminal cases upon information processes.

### Future Division of Alaska.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The senate committee on territories considered a bill creating three judicial districts for Alaska. A number of Alaska men were present with the committee. They were asked if there was any sentiment in favor of dividing the territory at Mount St. Elias, making the southeastern portion the territory of Seward. The reply was that the people believed such a division would be necessary at some future time.

### Sustain Kansas Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The United States supreme court decided the case of S. H. H. Clark and others, receivers of the Union Pacific Railroad company, against the city of Kansas City, Kan. The case involved the constitutionality of the Kansas law authorizing cities to extend their borders so as to include some lands and not others. The opinion rendered sustained the law, affirming, the opinion of the supreme court of Kansas.

### Seven Cases of Plague at Honolulu.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Surgeon General Wyman received a brief dispatch last night from Dr. Carmichael, in charge at Honolulu, concerning the plague there. It is dated Jan. 9 and covers the period from Jan. 1, since which time seven cases of the plague have been reported.

### Governor McLaurin Critically Ill.

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 16.—Governor McLaurin, who has been ill of pneumonia for four days, is in a critical condition and his physicians admitted today that his recovery is doubtful.

## THAYER DECIDES FOR REESE

### Member of United Mine Workers' Executive Board Not in Contempt of Court.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—Judge Thayer of the United States court of appeals, at Topeka, rendered a decision in the case of John P. Reese, a member of the United Mine Workers of America, for contempt of court, ordering his release. The contention of Reese that the injunction under which he was imprisoned for addressing striking miners at Fort Scott, did not apply to him, was upheld by Judge Thayer.

Judge Thayer rules that while a court may punish for any act that might be construed as an objection to the execution of the laws, it has no right to impose a penalty where independent or individual rights are involved. It was contended by counsel for the defense that as the injunction did not include any save those who were citizens of Kansas, he could not be held amenable to it. It was chiefly on this point of non-jurisdiction that the case was submitted.

### Testimony in Molineux Case.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—In the trial of Roland B. Molineux for the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams, the prosecution yesterday introduced testimony to show a motive for the poisoning of Henry C. Barnett by Molineux. While Molineux is not on trial for the poisoning of Barnett it is exceedingly important for the prosecution to connect the prisoner with Barnett's death as showing Molineux's character, his letter writing habits and his use of cyanide of mercury to kill those he hated. The testimony reflected seriously on the good name of Mrs. Molineux, but her husband listened unmoved.

### Wedding Party Poisoned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Nearly a hundred guests, who assembled at 569 Canal street to witness the wedding of Morris Pollock and Annie Schan, were poisoned during a dinner which followed the wedding ceremony. In less than half an hour after dinner, nearly every one in the hall were in a helpless condition. What article of food contained the poison no one has yet been able to learn, but the most popular belief is that it was the chicken, which had been prepared in a copper kettle. So far no deaths have been reported, but many are seriously ill, including the bride and groom.

### Convicted of First Degree Murder.

FORT SCOTT, Kan., Jan. 16.—The trial of Ed and George Silboe, charged with murdering and robbing Leopold Ellinger, a young German, near this city in October last, took place here yesterday. The prisoners discharged their attorneys in open court and refused to plead. A jury was called and the trial proceeded from start to finish and in reply to many inquiries as to whether or not they desired to examine witnesses, they answered in the negative. They were found guilty of murder in the first degree.

### Only Two Witnesses Examined.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 16.—The contest boards, sitting in the contests for governor and lieutenant governor, got down to work yesterday. Most of the day was taken up with sparring between the attorneys over legal technicalities and last night, when adjournment was taken, only two witnesses had been examined. The proceedings were conducted with the utmost courtesy. The spectators evinced a feeling of partisanship by applauding on several occasions when their respective sides happened to make a hit.

### Jealousy Causes a Murder.

BOZEMAN, Mont., Jan. 16.—At Belgrade, 12 miles west of here, Frank Rogers, a merchant, shot and killed his landlady, Mrs. Eta Davis, and then killed himself. Jealousy and drink caused the deed.

The condition of Frederick G. Bonfile of the Denver Post, who was shot by Attorney W. W. Anderson, has improved considerably. His partner, H. H. Tammen, whom Anderson also shot, is believed to be practically out of danger.

### Dismiss the Quarantine Case.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The supreme court dismissed the suit of the state of Louisiana against the state of Texas health officer, involving the right of the latter state to quarantine so rigorously against the former as was done during the recent prevalence of yellow fever in New Orleans. Justice Fuller handed down the opinion of the court, holding that no direct issue between the states is presented in the controversy.

### Olive Crop a Failure.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Consul Skinner at Marseilles reports to the state department that the olive crop in Italy, France and Spain is practically a failure and will hardly reach 30 per cent of the average. The failure has been caused by a fly and the consul says the people make no effort to counteract the pest.

### Elopers Dodge Bullets.

PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 16.—Tom Condon, a cowboy from the Sioux range, was married here yesterday to Miss Lillie Wilson. The parents of the young lady were decidedly opposed to the match and when Condon and the girl started from the ranch in a buggy the father sent after them a half dozen Winchester shots.

## IOWA HAPPENINGS.

### Death of Alderman Wheeler.

CLINTON, Ia., Jan. 15.—A. T. Wheeler, for 30 years an attorney of Clinton county, alderman from the Sixth ward, and a prominent Democrat, died yesterday of paralysis, aged about 75 years.

### Sioux City Business Block Burns.

IOWA CITY, Jan. 15.—Fire yesterday destroyed a business block, entailing a loss estimated at \$60,000. The firms burned are: Price, Kiehl & Co., jewelry; Mrs. J. W. S. Horne, dry goods; George W. Leners, grocer.

### Library for Ottumwa.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 15.—Andrew Carnegie will probably endow Ottumwa with a \$50,000 library building. The only restricting proviso is that the city vote \$5,000 annual tax to maintain the institution. The city council has tacitly agreed to pass an ordinance to this effect.

### Two Wives Claim Body.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 15.—The remains of Dr. Gustave Mahe, whose body two wives claimed, was buried yesterday by wife No. 2. Although wife No. 1 in San Francisco demanded custody of the remains, local officials decided to issue a burial permit to wife No. 2, and she had charge of the ceremonies. More sensational developments are expected.

### Iowa Bottlers' Association.

DES MOINES, Jan. 11.—The Iowa Bottlers' association held its annual convention yesterday, with about 100 present. It was decided to ask no change in Iowa at present, although more liberal laws are desired. The officers elected are: President, M. Ingverson, Clinton; vice president, Charles Ostrander, Atlantic; secretary and treasurer, Fred Harbach, Des Moines.

### Death of Editor Camp.

DES MOINES, Jan. 15.—J. N. Camp died at his home here yesterday, aged 63 years. He was appointed consul to Kingston, Jamaica, in 1861, and collector of internal revenue at Galveston in 1870 and in 1883 was supervisor general of customs in Texas. From 1890 to 1893 he was editorial writer on the Iowa Homestead in this city, and for two years later was editor of the Des Moines Daily News.

### Drake Increases Donation.

DES MOINES, Jan. 13.—Ex-Governor F. M. Drake of Centerville, Ia., for whom Drake university of Des Moines is named, yesterday increased his donations to that institution \$32,500, which will be used in making immediate necessary improvements. He said he hoped to see the university have an endowment of \$1,000,000, and expected to furnish at least one-fourth of that sum.

### Protests Against Delay.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The Kolnische Zeitung, in the course of a severe article protesting against the needless delay in searching the Bundesrath's cargo, which is engendering bad feeling in Germany against England. It declares that the British authorities have been led on by a false scent and warns England that if she desires to preserve Germany's friendship she will do well to pay more attention to German opinion than has been hitherto thought necessary.

### Would Ostracise Trust Magnates.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—Colonel W. J. Bryan and Professor Hadley of Yale university were interviewed yesterday relative to the latter's proposal to ostracise trust magnates. Both are agreed on the idea that social recognition should be denied to any man engaged in a trust or another business enterprise inimical to the public welfare and that the public mind should be educated to see those evils that exist in the trust system.

### Floods in Rivers Receding.

SPOKANE, Jan. 16.—The floods in the Potlach and Clearwater rivers are receding. The wires to Kendrick and Juliaetta are down, hence meager information comes from there, but enough to show that no further damage has been done. Lewiston has mail for the first time in three days. All traveling in that vicinity is by wagons. Trains are everywhere tied up in the valleys on account of damage to the roadbeds.

### Japanese to Train Chinese.

PEKIN, Jan. 16.—A significant sign of the part Japan hopes to play in the future in China is that the Japanese government has definitely decided to establish a military academy at Pekin to educate Chinese under Japanese officers. It is said that China is favorably disposed toward this proposition.

## TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Frank Patterson and Solly Smith fought 24 rounds to a draw in New York Monday night.

An epidemic of grip has seized Barcelona and the mortality has increased. Half the population is bedfast.

A strike of rod mill workers at the plants of the American Steel and Wire company was inaugurated Monday.

Commissioner Keller of New York City has invited W. J. Bryan to dine with him and 50 prominent Democrats.

Fritz Plank, the famous Bayreuth Wagnerian singer, who recently fell 80 feet in the Royal theater at Karlsruhe, has died as a result of the injuries.

A temporary injunction restraining the mayor and city clerk from selling the Toledo natural gas plant for \$238,000, was granted by Judge Pratt Monday.

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