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Fixing Affairs in the Philippines.

The work of liberating captured Filipino insurgents which has just begun is a matter of great political significance. Gen. MacArthur is sending 1000 Filipino prisoners to their homes as a recognition of the work which Aguinaldo has done in his proclamation to his countrymen to accept American sovereignty. Another batch of 1000 insurgent prisoners will be set free at once on account of the surrender of Tinio, the biggest man among the insurgents except Aguinaldo himself. Not many insurgents are now left under arms. There are several thousand of them detained by the Americans, but these will all be set free to signalize that the rebellion has come to an end. The rainy season has almost arrived but this circumstance has no longer any military importance in the Philippines, for the insurrection in the archipelago has at last been brought to an end. The American authorities in the islands, therefore, are pursuing a wise course in liberating all the late insurgents who have been held as prisoners.

It is a circumstance of the highest moment that many of the recent insurgents want to enlist in the American army in order to proceed against the outlaws which are rendering life and property unsafe in several places in the islands. There have been bandits in the Philippines since the early days of the Spanish occupation, but Spain was never really able or willing to make any headway against them. As a consequence there are islands in the archipelago which were never explored by Spaniards, and it is belived that some of the islands in the group have never yet found a place on any map. Spains authority in the archipelago did not extend far beyond the coast of most of the islands, and in some of them her sovereignty never was acknowledged. What Spain failed to do in the centuries in which the Philippines were her possessions the United States is likely to accomplish within a year or two, and that is to stamp out all the piracy and the general thievery and disorder which has been existing in some parts of the Philippine archipelago ever since the beginning of the historic perion several centuries ago.

The Flax Outlook.

In various sections of the country has come, at times, the cheering cry "Cotton is king," "Corn is king," as one or another of these great staples took such a rise in the market as would bring prosperity and plenty to the locality where the crop was grown. In the great reservation country just now the word is "Flax is king." Last year's success in flax growing has led to the sowing of a great crop in the fertile soil of the reservation, and just at this juncture, when favorable weather increases daily the prospects for a record breaking crop, comes the favorable market quotations. Flax is advancing in price and from present indications will bring something over the dollar mark for the farmer who has been fortunate enough to follow up last year's lead and grow flax for profit.

The Clearwater country is fortunate not only in the quantity but in the quality as well. Tests made last season show that the Clearwater flax is richer in oil than the flax of any other section of the west. It will, therefore, always claim a top-notch price upon the markets. With flax growing for seed upon the boom, flax growing for the fiber will probably be taken up. Oil mills and mills for the manufacture of bi-products are allied industries which capital can take up successfully with the growth of flax culture.

Labor and Industrial Concentration.

It is claimed for industrial concentration that it was made necessary to preserve that "stable equilibrium" of economic power that must be maintained among the various factors that share in the distribution of wealth. But, from a broad social standpoint, there is no justification for the concentration of capital unless the resulting benefits extend to the community in general, which means chiefly the wage earners, because more than three quarters of the population is in the wage, or salary receiving class. This sharing with the community of the advantages of combination comes through several channels. Of course the most important are lower prices, higher wages, shorter hours and improved working conditions of the laborers.

The lower prices come about either through the normal force of competition or as a result of the profit-making superiority of a large market over a small one. But the higher wages depend chiefly, and at bottom almost entirely, upon the pressure that can be exerted by the workers, the success with which they can insist upon increased renumeration to maintain higher standards of living along with the enlarging production of wealth. This ability to compel a just distribution of wealth is even more a matter of organization among the laborers than ability to produce cheaply is a matter of organization among capitalists. Therefore, if those who are wasting their time and strength in denouncing "trusts" as a great menace to the American workingmen would exert themselves to encourge, advise and secure rcognition for organized labor they would really do something practical for economic justice, industrial peace and stability.

The panic in Wall street did not cause a ripple in the general business situation of the country. Prosperity is too firmly established to be overturned by a little flurry among the bulls and bears.

The only spring in many parts of Idaho is the spring the climate makes from winter to midsummer.

About the Crop.

News from Salem, Oregon, says so far as can be learned hop contracting is comparatively light this season. While there are many contracts out that have not been recorded, it is estimated by hopmen that not more than 5 per cent of the crop has been contracted in the usual manner. Some of the large growers, who are also dealers, have placed their crops for this year at prices that are not known. Probably 90 per cent of this year's crop is still in control of the growers. Some of the present crop has been contracted at 11 cents,

The sugar beet growers throughout the northwest are happy over the completion of seeding. The acreage is larger than any previous year.

The Montpelier Examiner is trying to boom the wool market. The price is down to panic day prices. Buyers are scarce at 8 cents as against 18 cents, reached a year or two ago.

Gardens are in good condition. The rains early in the week and the warm days worked wonders for vegetables. Strawberries and all kinds of garden truck are coming in at a rapid rate. Berries retail at 20 cents, 5 cents higher than in Spokane.

The grain crops throughout the entire district present a hopeful aspect; there is not a discouraging feature to report.

Maud.

If you think there is nothing in a name just look at this. The name Maud is usually given to girls with yellow hair, a face full of freckles and a hobby for gardening. It also attracts the dreamy poet. It acts upon a young man as a sheet of tanglefoot to the pesky house fly. But of all mean things done and said against Maud, here is the worst:

Come into the garden, Maud,
For the soft and mushy slug
Is chewing the peas, and beneath the trees
Creeps the yellow potato bug.

The aphis is on the leaf,
And the tender shoots of green
Bring great delight to each parasite
That man has ever seen.

Come into the garden, Maud,
Ere yet it is too late;
Bring some kerosene and some Paris green
And corrosive sublimate.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, land office at Lewiston, Idaho, April 11, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on May 25, 1901, viz:

JAMES C. NORTH,

of Morrow, Idaho, for the s e qr s e qr sec 4, and e ½ n e qr n e qr s e qr sec 9 tp 32 n r 2 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Bertram W. Teft, of Morrow, Idaho.
William S. Smith, " " "
John Lemons, " " "
William Hendrickson, " " "

J. B. West, Register.

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BERTRAM W. TEFFT,

of Morrow, Idaho, for the lots 1, 2, 3, sec 4, tp 32, and lots 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, 32, s ne 33 tp 33 n r 2 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

James C. North, of Morrow, Idaho.
Matt Regan, " " "
John Lemons, " " "
William S. Smith, " " "

J. B. West, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Lewiston, Idaho, April 3, 1901

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on May 21, 1901, viz:

HENRY P. CRAWFORD,

of Lapwai, for the lots 9, 10, sec 27 tp 35, n r 4 w, B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Charles C. Miles, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Robert Andres " " "
Harvey Malone, " " "
John Moran, " " "

J. B. West, Register.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Timber land act June 3, 1878.

United States Land Office, Lewiston, Idaho, March 21st, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory" as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM PROVOST,

of Forest, county of Nez Perce, state of Idaho, has this day filed at this office his sworn statement No. ——, for the purchase of the n e qr n w qr of section No. 34, in township No. 33 n, range No. 3 w, B. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Lewiston, Idaho, on Saturday, the 1st day of June 1901. He names as witnesses:

John Provost, of Forest, Idaho.
Oscar Soderman, " " "
Hans Holes, " " "
John X. Nelson, " " "

Any and all persons claiming adversly the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the 1st day of June, 1901.

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Lewiston, Idaho, May 15, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on June 8, 1901, viz:

BENJAMIN E. WILSON,

of Lapwai, Idaho, for the w ½ s w qr s e qr e ½ w qr w ½ s w qr n w qr sec 29, tp 36 n r 3 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon an cultivation of said land, viz:

Marion Rich, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Jesse Rich, " " "
Edward G. Williams, " " "
William Palmer, " " "

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, land office at Lewiston, Idaho, April, 16, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on June 1, 1901, viz:

SAMUEL D. GADDY,

of Lapwai, Idaho, for the s e qr sec 22 tp 35 n r 3 w B. m.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Samuel H. Holt, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Henry McClure, " " "
Stephen M. Sanders " " "
Cale Booth " " "

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, land office at Lewiston, Idaho, April 16, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on June 1. 1901, viz:

SAMUEL H. HOLT,

for the s w qr s w qr sec 5 n ½, n w qr n w qr n e qr sec 8 tp 34 n r 3 w B. m.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Samuel D. Gaddy, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Henry McClure, " " "
Stephen M. Sanders, " " "
Cale Booth " " "

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land office at Lewiston, Idaho, April 16, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on June 8, 1901, viz:

WILLIAM F. WOOD,

of Lewiston, Idaho for the lots 31, 32 sec 21 and lots 1, 2 13, 14, 15, 16, sec 28 tp 35 n r 4 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Henry Crawford, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Alfred J. Sutler, " " "
Albertus Morne, " " "
John Gamble, " Lewiston, "

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, land office at Lewiston, Idaho, April 16, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on June 1, 1901, viz:

CALE BOOTH,

of Lapwai, Idaho, for the lots 22, 23, 32, 34 sec 31 tp 35 n, lots 3, 4, 5 sec 6 tp 34 n r 3 w B. m.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Samuel D. Gaddy, of Lapwai, Idaho.
Samuel H. Holt, " " "
Henry McClure, " " "
Stephen M. Sanders " " "

J. B WEST Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States land office, Lewiston, Idaho, March 13, 1901.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in his office by Dow C. Gribble, contestant, against Andrew Carlin, entry No. 5467, made November 13, 1899, for lots 9, 10, sec 4, t 35 n. r 1. W B M., by Andrew Carlin, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Andrew Carlin entryman aforesaid, has wholly abandoned said tract of land for more than six months last past and next prior to date hereof. That he never established a residence upon said land. That he has entirely failed and neglected to comply with the requirements of the homestead law, in the matter of settlement, residence and cultivation of the same. Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on June 4, 1901, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Lewiston, Idaho.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed March 21, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

CHARLES H. GARBY, Receiver.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, United States land office, Lewiston, Idaho, April 12, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on May 28, 1901, viz:

CHARLES E. MORRIS,

of Summit, Idaho for the e ½ s e qr seqr s w qr s e qr s w qr sec 5 tp 36 n r 2 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Mason Morris, of Summit, Idaho.
Joseph Harr, " " "
John E. Berry, " " "
Dudley E. Tribble, of Myrtle, Idaho

J. B. WEST, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, United States land office, Lewiston, Idaho, April, 6, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Lewiston, Idaho, on May 18, 1901, viz:

FRANCIS M. SAVAGE,

of Lenore, for the lot 7, and s w qr s e qr sec 35 tp 37 n r 2 w B. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Samuel S. Gilbert, of Lenore, Idaho.
Walter W. Gilbert, " " "
Frank Gilbert, " " "
Ben Bennett, " " "

J. B. West, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States land office, Lewiston, Idaho, May 8, 1901.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Thomas Decourcy contestant, against Stephen Besek, entry No. 2656, made November 17, 1901, for the s ½ n e ¼, n w ¼ n e ¼, n e ¼ n w ¼ section 14, tp 36, n r 5 w, B. m., by Stephen Besek contestee, in which is is alleged that said Stephen Besek has wholly abandoned said tract and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months from the date hereof, also that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as by law required or at all. said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a, m., on July 12, 1901, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Lewiston, Idaho.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed May 4th, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication

CHAS. H GARBY, Receiver.

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