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JEROME GOES UP IN SMOKE

Business Portion Again in Ashes.

THE LOSS OVER \$450,000.

Over Three Hundred Buildings Consumed in Less than an Hour by the Fierce Flames.

Jerome, Ariz., May 20.—(Special to THE ORB): This town was visited again by a third conflagration that left the business portion of the city in ashes. The fire started in the Leland Hotel and in spite of the efforts of the firemen it quickly spread and the main street was soon a blazing furnace. Many new buildings, which were about finished were completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$450,000.

Later—the fire spread rapidly until three hundred buildings had been destroyed. From the Leland Hotel the fire spread north two squares, destroying the Leland Hotel, Scott & Moore's livery stable and ten dwellings, stopping within ten feet of the Reporter office, west of the Leland business section, where a number of hotels, restaurants and saloons were located. The St. Elmo, Elite, Arizona, Miners, Exchange, Fritz's Place, Fashion, Annex, Redlight, Senate, Conner's and Boff & Matteux, all saloons, were destroyed within twenty-five minutes. The estimated loss is \$450,000. Twelve Chinese restaurants and at least seventy five small buildings in what is known as the Mexican and Chinese quarters were destroyed. The fire alarm was given by the big whistle at the United Verde Copper company and five hundred men were sent down to fight the flames. The four story brick building belonging to T. F. Miller Co. was saved with slight damage. The Hotel Conner, a two story brick completed in the last fortnight, was completely destroyed. The cost of this building was \$37,000, insurance \$14,500. Dr. E. T. Cody, whose office was in the Leland, was the first to hear the cry of a child in the hotel and hastening there found the fire had started in a bed. He attempted to smother the flames with the bed clothing and was burned about the head and face, but no serious results are expected.

Manila May 19.—Seven insurgent commissioners sent by Aguinaldo to seek terms of peace are now en route to Manila from Isidro. Two of the commissioners were in San Isidro when Lawson captured the town and the others fled northward to join Aguinaldo. The two surrendered to the Americans and they say the Filipinos want peace at any terms.

It is reported that two of the Filipino peace commissioners en route to Manila have been captured by General Lana, who is opposed to any overtures for peace.

A great many plots of different sections of the territory, in which available government lands lie, are being applied for at the United States land office at Tucson.

Word from Canyon del Oro, Pima county, to the effect that development work on several groups of mines in that gold district continues to be most encouraging.

The sword carried by Buckley O'Neil during the late war, is now in the possession of J. W. Wilson, who says that when he has had it for a time, he will make a presentation of it to the Historical Society of Arizona.

Report is that there has been a big strike of rich ore in shaft No. 6 of the Congress group of mines. This strike is in a claim west of the old workings, which was purchased by the company about two years ago.

The United States land office has received a plat of township 12 north, range 26 east, which was surveyed last June by Philip Conner. The township will be opened for entry on June 20. This tract is situated a few miles northeast of Willcox, Cochise county, and contains, principally, good agricultural lands. It is near the line of the railroad.

TWO PRIVATES.

At Calumpit, Mr. Arthur's lines
Were ranged along the river,
Beyond whose tide the foe alert,
From jungle and from cave,
Sent hail of shot among our men
To gait and vex them ever.

From early dawn to where morn is
Laying
Glim viaged men here stand wait-
[ing]

Chafing though the battle's raging,
Hell's missiles around them beating;
The stubborn river bars their passage
And still enjoins the soldier's message.

When up comes gallant Funston—
Loyal Kansas' valiant son; quoth he:
Charge we must, and drive them from
Their strong hold on the other side!
His flaming soul the torch applied
To a sturdy volunteers—battle tried.

Two flesh Kansas! the colonel cried—
Who'll take this rope across the tide?
Long live the men of that command,
For of the man, two were chosen—
Brave Herve Rich, brave Win. Tell,
Ye live in men we love so well.

Two "privates" they, the tempered
[edg]

Of that heroic living wedge.
The called rope lay at their feet:
Take it, make fast on the other side!
Was the command that did them
[greet]

Unsung heroes, the living sacrifice.

Into the swift flowing waters
They plunge, undaunted, brave
[heart];

God speed! may a comrade utter.

The foe espies, and with Mausers
[starts]

A rain of death, that churms the flood,
They're safe—or the other side they
[stood].

Only "privates," only herbes; manly
[men];

Sterling examples of a sturdy race.

In the Pantheon of our country
We'll enshrine you, now and ever,
Roted in a "privates" testimonials
Hecker and Adams living are.

Here's then to the "private," soldier-
[man].

Who fended the river at Calumpit,
And op'd the way when the "Pinos
[ran]

Leaving their trench to men of girt,
No nobler deed in classic lore
Find we recorded on Parthenon's door.

The valor of the living, 'tis a wreath
Crowning the grave of the noble dead,
Sail or soldier do now bequeath
A legacy of deeds which to glory led.

A'miral adout! Commander o' land!
The tribute is just; take the "private"
[man's] hand.

Bisbee, A. T., May 20, '99.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

In order to find anything like a counterpart of the notable gathering of prominent diplomats now in The Hague for the disarmament conference, it is necessary to turn back the pages of history to the famous Congress, and even on that occasion the participants were not nearly so numerous as now, though they were of greater prominence in international politics.

With but one or two trifling exceptions every government of Europe, together with the United States, is represented by the distinguished statesmen, scholars and diplomats who have been pouring into The Hague during the past week.

Prominent among those in attendance before the conference may be mentioned the following:

Andrew D. White, United States ambassador to Germany; Stanford Newell, United States ambassador to the Netherlands; Captain William Crozier, Captain A. T. Mahn, President Seth Low of Columbia university, comprising the American delegation; Minister Pannofate, H. Howard, Admiral Sir John Fischer, and Major General Sir John Ardah, representing England; Baron de Stahl and F. de Martens, representing Russia; Count von Munster, Professor von Stengel and Professor Zorn, representing Germany; Leon Bourgeois and M. de Stroom-Hes, representing France; Count Walerheim, representing Austria; Marquis Visconti Venosta, represents Italy.

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The record shows that during the past week there was not a single death in Tucson.

FOREWARNED IS FORARMED.

Professor Barron delivered a lecture in Chicago a short time ago to an audience of 1000 people on the subject of "American Imperialism." It is needless to say that the lecture or address, in terminology with righteous wrath, the whole brutal, bloody program which in the name and with the might of the American people, is even yet in progress in the Philippine islands. It is well worth saying, however that the thrilling responses which his sentiments evoked from the great audience of common people showed that there is a feeling in the country, and a strong one, which resents the usurpation that has turned a war professedly disinterested into a sanguinary carnival of conquest.

One point that Professor Barron made in his anti-imperial speech should be everywhere repeated and at all times emphasized. He warned the common people that if they calmly allow this great crime in the Philippines to be consummated, their turn will come. This is not too certain. It is not the Philippines alone who are pillaged by the imperialists to be incapable of self-government. From the same sources it is proclaimed with increasing boldness that the American common people are likewise incapable, and that their suffrage should be restricted. Let the fundamental principle of American government be successfully ignored by American imperialists in the Philippines, and the time will surely come when they will ignore it at home. The multiplication by four of the standing army, which, as Admiral Dewey says of himself as a naval officer, will at all times be the obedient agent of the party in power, is a preparatory step in that direction. It is not easy to believe that this government could ever be transformed into a military despotism. But let us consider the startling revolution in our whole national character and opinion that favoring events have produced in one short year, and be warned in time—The Public.

WHERE THE BLAME LIES.

Responsibility for the present culpability for the fostering of these monopolies and encroachments upon the business life of the country rest entirely upon the republican party. The special privilege policy of that party has given impetus and impetus to growth to a few which within fifteen months entered every avenue of profit and is fast sapping the competitive energies of trade with the suffocating force of capitalized billions.

Mr. Dooley, a Missourian and a democrat, fixed this responsibility upon the republican party when, during the debate on the Dingley bill, he offered an amendment exempting from duty all articles in the dutiable list which could be shown to the satisfaction of the secretary of the treasury to have been made the subject of control and monopoly by a trust. His amendment was rejected by a vote of 150 yeas and 100 nays, but it is a record as favoring robbery of the American people by the trusts.

The people of the United States are awakening to a sense of the enormity of the political evils which have grown out of the trusts. They know where the blame lies and will if they be true to their dearest interests, thrust from power the political organization that has surrendered the industrial and transportation agencies of this country into the hands of unscrupulous, pitiless and aggressive corporate wealth—Republicans.

It is beginning to be more than suspected that the American losses in the Philippine Islands have been minimized in the reports sent out by the war department, while those of the Filipinos have been correspondingly magnified. Foreign newspapers state positively that this has been done, and only upon this hypothesis can one understand the giving out by the department of the fragmentary dispatches which are being continually delivered to the press with blanks, gaps and omissions, and the censoring of all the news sent from Manila. What other reason can exist for a censorship? The people might cry even louder than they are doing for a cessation of the butchery, if they really knew how many of our own soldiers are paying with their lives the forfeit of attempting to fasten a foreign yoke upon an unwilling people.—Ex.

Says the Los Angeles Herald: It would be an interesting outcome of the recent sentiment if the same reporter that told us that the year should begin "For president, William Jennings Bryan" for vice-president, Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont. These distinguished demagogues would fit quite well upon the standard platform of the party. We all know Colonel Bryan's views on national questions, but Mr. Belmont's expression of belief in a close and democratic alliance with the trusts, institute income and inheritance tax, give us public ownership of franchises in the hands of railroad and electric companies etc., and initiative and referendum. In addition to these points in Mr. Belmont's creed, he will "unhesitatingly support free silver, if to it should be made the platform sentiment of 1897."

An Epidemic of Whooping Cough.—Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease, having severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for cough and asthma several times in the time and found it relieve the cough and effected a complete cure.—J. J. R. CUMMINS, Proprietor Newwood House, Newwood, N. Y. This remedy for sale by all druggists.

Don't think you can cure that slight attack of dyspepsia by dieting or that it will cure itself. Kofol Dyspepsia Cure will cure it; it "digests what you eat" and restores the digestive organs to health. Copper Queen Mining Co.

TELEGRAPHIC SPARKLETS.

Interesting News Items Colled from Late Dispatches.

Emporia, Kansas, has a smallpox scare.

Fushing, Long Island, has a lady cab driver. The new woman is here.

The Skagway chamber of commerce has invited President McKinley to visit that section this summer.

O. H. Truman, a Burr Oak, Kansas, minister, has challenged W. J. Bryan to debate the "expansion" question.

During excavations for a sewer in East Cleveland, Ohio, a few days ago, a promising vein of coal was uncovered.

George D. Scott, a manager for John D. Rockefeller, killed himself at Tarrytown, New York, on Monday. Temporary insanity is alleged.

H. M. Price, a notorious Texas cattle thief, has been captured in Montana and taken back to Montague county, Texas, for trial.

A movement is on foot by which a fund will be raised by subscription to erect a handsome mansion in Washington City, to be given to Admiral Dewey.

The recent rumors of Major Marchand's death were unfounded. The gallant Major has been going about his business, never suspecting that he had been murdered.

A big silver story comes from Crown Point, Indiana. It is alleged that on a farm near Deep River an one vein ten feet wide and three feet thick has been discovered which carries sixty per cent silver.

Train robber Keeton is still in jail at Juarez, but will be jerked out in a day or two for steps to extradite him have already been taken and are progressing favorably. He will probably be landed in El Paso inside of a week.

John Albert, the only survivor of the massacre at Taso, N. M., in 1876, died recently at Walsenburg, N. M., at the advanced age of 93 years. Almost his whole life was spent in the west and he was well known as a pioneer.

A general revolt against the French has taken place on the ivory coast of Africa. The rebels secured magazine rifles in Liberia and in a recent battle the French lost three officers and twenty Senegalese. Several hundred of the enemy were reported killed.

Southern Heroes.

The young officers in the navy who were appointed from the south distinguished themselves during the war with Spain and in the Philippines where an opportunity was offered to show coolness and courage, and quite a number of them won deserved promotion among whom were Lieutenants Anderson, Blue and Hobson. A letter received by a naval officer in Washington from an old shipmate now attached to one of the vessels of Dewey's fleet at Manila, tells a thrilling story of a young officer who held an entire regiment of the enemy at bay while 125 of his companions were pursued by an overwhelming force of Filipinos and at last were enabled to enter their boats and seek safety.

This gallant young man who fell pierced through the body by five bullets is Emory Winslip, an assistant engineer in the navy. He is a native of Georgia and was graduated three years ago from the naval academy. It is years that during a reconnaissance by a party of men from the cruiser Bennington at Malohab, Winslip was sent ashore in charge of the steam cutter conveying three open boats containing a large landing party and with two men was left to keep watch over the boats.

The landing party foolishly advanced from the shore without throwing out scouts or exercising the usual precautions and was surprised and set upon by an overwhelming force of natives, who compelled the Americans to hastily retreat in order toward the shore, pursued by the yelling hordes. Winslip realized at once the situation and understanding the revolving cannon of the steam launch immediately began to play it upon the advancing natives. He was fired at by a whole battalion of the enemy, but unflinchingly he kept his eye on the sight bar and his finger on the trigger and maintained a deadly fire until thirty Filipinos had fallen dead and the Americans were in their boats. Then young Winslip fell back with five bullets in his body. It is believed that he will recover. Commander Tausig said that but for Winslip it is clear none of the party would have escaped.—Ex.

If you have piles, cure them. No use undergoing horrible operations that simply remove the results of the disease without disturbing the disease itself. Place your confidence in DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It never failed to cure others; it will not fail to cure you. Copper Queen Mining Co.

THE "COPPER QUEEN" STORE.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR AGAIN!

Heretofore, owing to lack of room, muslin undergarments have been denied the attention due them in a progressive store in this era of ready-to-wear garments. With ample room for the display, showing and selling, we are now endeavoring to atone for past remissness by special efforts.

Cheap undergarments, cheaply made and of cheap material and trimmings are unsatisfactory, most of all to the purchaser.

Here are little prices, quality considered, on some underwear in the store but a few days:

- Drawers of cambric, deep umbrellas, trimmed with embroidery... 50c.
- Drawers of good quality cambric, deep ruffle, with three tucks and embroidery... 50c.
- Drawers of superior cambric, umbrellas ruffles, trimmed with fine embroidery... 75c.
- Chemise of good muslin, perfectly plain, the goodness being in the material, corded edge... 50c.
- Chemise with yoke of clustered tucks and inserting, trimmed with embroidery... 75c.
- Chinese, Empire style, wide inserting and embroidery... 75c.
- Chemise of fine cambric, edged with neat embroidery run through with narrow pink and blue silk ribbon... 75c.
- Gowns, Empire style, trimmed with insertion, neck and sleeves with embroidery... \$1.00.
- Gowns of fine cambric, V shaped neck, trimmed with embroidery, yokes of tucks and inserting... \$1.25.
- Gowns, V shaped neck, trimmed with hemstitched effect ruffle, tucked yoke... \$1.00.
- Gowns of fine cambric, pointed yoke of clustered tucks and inserting, embroidery trimmed... \$1.50.

MENS' CLOTHING.

Of course, we sell ready-to-wear clothing, and it's satisfactory, well fitting clothing, too. Perhaps you are not aware, however, of the extent of our "made-to-order" business. We've probably 2000 samples of suits and trousers, ranging from—surely a wide range of choice. Within fifteen days from the time we take your measure, the suit will be ready for delivery. Above all, the fit is guaranteed. You take no risks whatever.

Trousers to order from \$4.00 up

Suits to order from \$14.00 up

NECKWEAR FOR MEN.

Made by Rufus Waterhouse. This is sufficient assurance of the quality and correctness of shapes. Whether your neckwear taste is quiet or gay, we've neckwear to suit it.

Tecks, puffs and four-in-hands, 75c.

Club ties and band bows... 50c.

SHIRT WAISTS.

Choosing is easy now. You've but to find your size and dozens and dozens of waists are before you to pick from. With every style new and right, you can't very well choose poorly.

From 75c to \$3.00 are the prices.

"MOTHERS' FRIEND" WAISTS.

And rightly named they are, too. With the buttons securely riveted to a belt at the waist, as long as the waist lasts there'll be no sewing on of buttons. The boys will appreciate the feature, as well, or almost so, as the mothers.

In preserks of Linvras cloth; white, light and dark colors; small, large or separate collars; handkerchiefs or unlaundered... 50c to 85c.

For those who are satisfied with the ordinary waists, we have some made of calico, pleated back and front, for as little as... 25c.

Sailor blouses, 65c each; Fauntleroy waists, 85c each.

All we're told of in this advertisement is to be found on our new second floor, where the selling of goods is done on a scale of up-to-dateness entirely new to Bisbee, or even the territory. The scene of the alterations is now transferred to the first floor. In a week or two its confusion and the noise will be but a memory. Then a pleasing atmosphere of newness and progressiveness will pervade the whole store.

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