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GEN. POOLE IS ON AGAIN,
OFF AGAIN, GONE AGAIN

Additional Chapters to the Military Muddle at Bismarck—Situation Has Assumed an Opera Bouffe Attitude and People Are Laughing Over Affair.

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 12.—Adjutant General Poole was again in charge of his office for twelve hours from midnight last night till noon today.

Governor Burke again ordered out the troops and this time the door to the adjutant general's office was forcibly broken open.

Colonel Poole has been enjoined from taking charge of the office.

The foregoing are some of the new developments in the row at the state capital over the adjutant generalship.

Secured an Injunction.

Last night about 9 o'clock Adjutant General Poole applied to Judge Winchester and secured a temporary injunction against Colonel Poole to restrain the latter from attempting to assume charge of the office. The papers were made returnable Monday and were served on Colonel Poole who announced he would make no effort to disobey the order till the hearing Monday.

Poole Took Charge.

About midnight last night General Poole donned his uniform, and war paint and sallied forth to the capital, where he took charge of his office. He remained there till noon today and went down town for luncheon.

His Arrest Ordered.

During his absence Governor Burke

issued two orders, one that Poole should be placed under arrest, another calling out a detail of soldiers to again "capture" the adjutant general's office. The troops went to the capital and broke in the door.

Poole awaited arrest down town and immediately after his arrest he planned to institute habeas corpus proceedings, after which he would again go to the capitol and take charge of the office.

Records Down Town.

Poole has all the records of his office down town, and there is nothing in the office except the supplies. Poole has issued an order to Colonel Allen of Lisbon, chief of supplies, forbidding him to issue anything under Poole's order.

Proposed Stipulation.

Last week Poole and his attorneys agreed on a stipulation to permit any officer in the national guard—other than Hildreth of Fargo, N. D.—to assume charge of the adjutant general's office pending a determination of the matter in the supreme court.

Governor Burke was at first inclined to agree to this proposition but later consulted Attorney General Miller and concluded to take the radical action of the past two days.

The military muddle is keeping the people at the capital interested and new developments are anticipated.

One Hundred Miners Killed
in Lick Mine Explosion Today

Second Disaster Occurs at the Lick Mine—Death List May Be Much Larger as There Were From 280 to 300 Men at Work in the Mine at the Time of the Explosion.

Bluefield, W. Va., Jan. 12.—As the result of another explosion at the Lick branch mine at Switchback, about twenty miles from here, between fifty and 100 miners were killed at 2:30 this morning. This number may be largely increased as from 280 to 300 miners were at work at the time and it had not been ascertained, shortly before noon, how many had survived.

Bluefield, W. Va., Jan. 12.—At 1 o'clock this afternoon the rescue party had not been able to enter the mine on account of the intense heat. The mine officers refuse to give an estimate of the number that may have met death at the pit mouth and it is now believed that more than 100 have perished. Fresh air is being forced into the shaft by way of a fan which was not damaged.

In spite of this, however, soon after work was begun the explosion occurred with a dead list that will probably far exceed that of the December explosion. The mine is the property of the Pocahontas Consolidated Coal and Iron Co., and is situated in the Tug river district, a territory that, until the December explosion, had been unusually free from gas.

Supposed Model Mine.

Bluefield, W. Va., Jan. 12.—On Dec. 28 last an explosion occurred in this mine, which up to that time had been regarded as the model mine of the United States.

On that occasion the cause of the explosion was not ascertained and the death list reached fifty. The last body in connection with that explosion was brought to the surface only last Friday, after which the state mine inspector declared that the mine was again safe and that work could be resumed. The majority of the miners who were engaged to resume the work at the mine were Americans with a few foreigners and some colored workers as laborers.

It was stated that the mine was examined early today before the new shift went to work and that it was reported to be safe.

KILLS WIFE,
SHOTS SELF,
CUTS THROAT

Horrible Double Tragedy at Oxford, Ohio

Murderer and Suicide Gets to Nearby Town

Oxford, O., Jan. 12.—Mrs. Millie Donnelly was murdered in her home here last night, having been shot through the head. On a table in the room where the body lay was found a note signed by Frank Donnelly, the woman's husband, in which he wished his wife goodbye, and asked that his body be sent to his sister at Shelbyville, Ind.

Murdered Gets to Hamilton.

Hamilton, Ohio, Jan. 12.—Frank Donnelly walked into the office of J. D. Marshall today with his throat slashed and his wrists bleeding and with three pistol wounds in his head. The man could scarcely whisper his name and he was at once taken to the hospital, where it is expected that he cannot live.

ALEX. M'KENZIE
IS MUCH BETTER

St. Paul, Jan. 12.—Alex. McKenzie of North Dakota, is still seriously ill at the Merchants hotel in St. Paul, where he has been under the care of a trained nurse for several weeks. His condition is now reported considerably improved although he is still inaccessible to visitors. Mr. McKenzie's trouble is a serious affection of the throat, which will take a long time to cure.

Peking, Jan. 12.—The diplomatic corps has made a strong representation to the Chinese government concerning the board of communications, having urged the full control of the Peking telegraph office which the Chinese government in 1901 agreed should be under foreign superintendence.

WAR TO THE
BITTER END

Tawney Says Country Will Be Shocked at Disclosures

MONEY PUT TO WRONG USE

DISCLOSURES TO BE MADE IN THE NEAR FUTURE SAYS MINNESOTA REPRESENTATIVE—ROOSEVELT READY TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Taking courage from the big vote by which the resolution rebuking the president was adopted, congress at each end of the capitol intends to carry forward its war on the White House during the remaining weeks of this administration. Chairman Tawney, of the appropriations committee, is out with a brilliant interview, purporting to show that there has been a gross perversion on the part of the government officials in expending the funds appropriated by congress. He says:

The country will be surprised to learn how some of the money appropriated by congress has been expended.

While no officer at the head of any department will talk for publication, it is strongly intimated today that, before the congressional investigation ends, there will be such a turning of tables that not only will the country be surprised but shocked. It is not determined yet whether or not volunteer evidence will be heard by the secret service, but it is a safe prediction to venture that such testimony will be offered. If not accepted, this testimony, in the form of proven assertions, may come out any way.

At the White House there are indications that the president is all ready and more than willing to strike off a balance sheet showing approximately, at least, just how much crime, graft, fraud and how many violations of law have been run down during the past half dozen years. A full record, it is said, will show that whatever has been expended in getting at the bottom of well-laid schemes of conspiracy, has been well used. In other words, there have been results in the large amount of fines recovered and in parties sentenced to imprisonment.

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Use of Private Detectives in Brownsville Affair
Revolting, Shocking, Atrocious, Says ForakerFARMERS
SECRETIVE

Failure to Give Crop Returns Is Handicap

GILBREATH URGES CHANGE

COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE SAYS FARMERS MAKE A MISTAKE IN THEIR EFFORTS TO CONCEAL THEIR CROP STATISTICS.

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 12.—The question of securing farm statistics receives considerable attention in the tenth biennial report of Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor W. C. Gilbreath. In the past considerable difficulty has been experienced in the matter of securing correct information with reference to the crops produced each year, and in speaking of this matter, Commissioner Gilbreath, in his report, says:

"Much care has been exercised in an effort to obtain accuracy in statistics, but the results are not entirely satisfactory. It is, however, the best that can be accomplished under the present system of gathering them; the assessors are required by law to carefully finish up their books before returning them to the county auditors. These latter officials seldom have time to go over the assessor's work just when their books are turned in, and as a result discrepancies frequently creep into the county auditors' reports to this office. In many instances considerable correspondence has been exchanged with auditors of various counties with a view to ascertaining the cause of irregularities, and they invariably have attributed the source of all discrepancies to the assessors, who have failed to turn in sufficient and accurate data. Assessors' reports in many instances that these inaccuracies are due to the farmers' unwillingness to supply sufficient information."

Farmers, apparently have conceived the idea that by giving a full and complete statement to the assessors of all grain and stock raised by them will have a depressing effect upon the market and tend to lessen the price of

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Roosevelt and Taft Both Grilled on Floor of Senate Today By Foraker—Makes Some of Strongest Accusations Ever Heard on Floor of Chamber.

CHARGES ILLEGAL DIVERSION OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY TEDDY

"FRAUDULENT IMPERSONATION, LYING, DECEIT, TREACHERY, LIQUOR AND INTOXICATION COUPLED WITH PROMISES OF IMMUNITY, AND HOPE OF REWARD, HAVE BEEN RESORTED TO TO SECURE THE TESTIMONY SOUGHT FOR IN THIS AFFAIR," SAYS FORAKER—LARGE CROWD FROM HOUSE PRESENT TO HEAR THE ARRAIGNMENT.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Illegal diversion of public funds by President Roosevelt and William H. Taft while secretary of war, to pay for the investigation by private detectives into the Brownsville affair, was charged by Senator Joseph Benson Foraker of Ohio, in the senate today, in his speech replying to the statements of Herbert J. Browne, of this city, and William G. Baldwin, of Roanoke, Va., who were employed by the secretary of war to secure evidence of the guilt of negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry, United States army, in shooting up Brownsville on the night of Aug. 13-14, 1906. The government use of the private detectives was characterized by Mr. Foraker as "atrocious, shocking and revolting."

This charge of illegally diverting \$15,000 from the war fund of \$3,000,000 appropriated by the deficiency act of March 3, 1899, was made by Mr. Foraker in concluding his remarks, which consisted of a very careful consideration of certain legal phases of the Brownsville affair, and the reading of a number of affidavits by soldiers whose testimony and "confessions," Mr. Foraker alleged, he had secured to unravel the mystery of the identity of the men who did the shooting, and these affidavits denied with great particularity nearly every statement of importance made by the detectives.

Speaking of the \$3,000,000 war fund of 1899, appropriated as an emergency fund, to meet unforeseen contingencies constantly arising, to be expended at the discretion of the president, Mr. Foraker said:

Use Spanish War Fund.

"It will probably be surprising information to the appropriation committee, as it will be to most senators, that this appropriation, made ten years ago

at the close of the Spanish-American war, to enable the president to meet emergency army contingencies such as were then arising in connection with our military establishment, should have been construed to be a permanent appropriation, and that there is still a large unexpended balance out of which payments of the character now under consideration are being made."

Use of Detectives Atrocious.

Speaking of the use of private detectives in investigating the Brownsville affair, Mr. Foraker declared that "it is impossible to find language which will so fittingly characterize such a procedure as this detective business has become from its inception down to the monstrous stages it has reached. It is atrocious, revolting, shocking to every sense of fairness, justice and even common decency."

Mr. Foraker reviewed the statements made by the president in his messages to congress on the Brownsville affair. "It will be noted," he said, "that the guilt of these soldiers, as charged by the president, was, according to the president, 'conclusively' established by the testimony first submitted. He took occasion to repeat this in his first message over and over again. Why he should so often repeat it is inexplicable except upon the theory that he is, after all, like all other men, and that, notwithstanding all he had said, he had some doubt about the sufficiency of the testimony upon which he had acted; for, if he had no doubt, there could have been no necessity for such 'unusual repetition' of the statement of that fact. It would at least appear to the ordinary mind that after the weakness and insufficiency of this testimony was pointed out, he recognized the necessity for strengthening his case, and thereupon dispatched Mr. Purdy and Major Blockson to Brownsville to secure the evidence reported by them."

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INVITES A
FULL PROBE

Senator Tillman Wants to Be "Convicted or Cleared"

MAY GET SPECIAL COMMITTEE

MUCH INTEREST IS MANIFESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF THE AFFAIR—SPECIAL "SECRET SERVICE" COMMITTEE HAS NOT AGREED TO INVESTIGATE.

Washington D. C., Jan. 12.—Much interest was manifested by senators today in the procedure that will be adopted to dispose of the charges made by the president against Senator Tillman in relation to his attempted purchase of timber lands in Oregon. Tillman insists that he shall be "convicted or cleared" of the president's charge of wrong doing.

The special secret service investigating committee, consisting of Senators Gallinger, Hemenway and Clay, has not agreed to enter upon the additional task of passing judgment upon Senator Tillman and it may prove desirable to have a special committee for that purpose.

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GUILLOTINE
IS REVIVED

For First Time in Years France Sees Death Penalty

4 DESPERADOES BEHEADED

LARGE CROWD WITNESSES EXECUTION OF FOUR MURDERERS WHO HAVE A RECORD OF LONG LIST OF CRIMES—MURDERED FOUR MEN.

Bethune, Pas De Calais, France, Jan. 12.—The first infliction of capital punishment in France for a number of years past were witnessed in this town yesterday when four murderers were decapitated by the guillotine. The executions were performed and took place in the presence of a large crowd of people. The record of crime against the four men was a long one. Working together they were members of a band that terrorized northern France and southern Belgium for several years. The specific acts for which the men were executed were the murder of Abel Pollet and his brother and two other men named respectively Canut and Ferru.

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