

Official Paper Sherman County

Where is ex-governor Holcomb? We hav'nt heard of him since he gave up his job.

6,000 more troops are now on their way to reinforce Gen Otis, in the Philippines. If Aguinaldo wants a job he had better do as Gomez did last week and get under the wing of Uncle Sam.

The Filipino Junta at Hong Kong, are kept busy manufacturing news for the outside world these days. They should have a submarine cable connected with the mouth of some of our U. S. senators

Aguinaldo fears that if the U. S. continues control of the Philippines that gold collar he ordered will not be of much value only as a heirloom.

The longer these senatorial fights continue the more it occurs to the people that we should elect U. S. senators by popular vote. There might not be so much wealth in our "House of Lords" but there would be as many statesmen.

Business failures in the U. S. are gradually dropping lower in number and in January 1899 marked 20 per cent lower than in January 1898, and 58 per cent lower than in January 1897. The increased trade of the U. S. is startling Europe and is fast making this a creditor nation. The Dingley bill, or as the Democrats called it a Chinese wall, is proving a record breaker in the way of getting in foreign wealth.

The president struck the key note in General Gomez's case when he sent Commissioner Porter as an envoy to reason with the old man, and at the same time had General Brooks invite him to Havana to assist in the work of reconstruction. The old patriot at once discovered that the president's offer was a very liberal one, and was satisfactory to him, although he had refused it with scorn before he was asked to accept an official position.

W. J. Bryan says the peace treaty should be ratified at once and the disposition of the Philippines attended to afterwards. Billy is right. He is too much of an American to wish to belittle this government in the eyes of the world by rejecting the treaty, but issues are mighty scarce with his party, and of course he wishes to preserve one for 1900. So he would postpone annexation of the islands to do service in the next presidential campaign. But from present indications it will be a larger rag baby than free silver was.

In the legislative contest between Iseral and Benjamin which resulted in the seating of Iseral though Benjamin had taken his seat by the authority of a certificate of election issued to him by a populist clerk, it was ascertained by the investigating committee that Iseral had over 50 majority in his district, and this finding was concurred in by the populist members of the committee that investigated the case. Such reform carries with it mighty little force when it comes to issuing election certificates.

President McKinley has determined to end the unsatisfactory state of affairs that has existed for some time in regard to the army beef by instituting a formal inquiry in the matter and endeavor to place the responsibility where it belongs. This inquiry will place Gen. Miles just where the country wants him to be placed. It will give him a chance to substantiate his charges made through newspaper interviews, or be himself held responsible for them. If Miles was right he should have laid the evidence before the proper tribunals, and if he has just been shooting off his mouth a court martial will deal out justice to him.

Fighting in the Philippines.

Insurgents Attack Out-posts at Manila but are bravely defeated.

SEVERAL NEBRASKA BOYS KILLED.

PEACE TREATY RATIFIED BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

The insurgents of the Philippines suddenly attacked the Americans last Saturday night at about 8:30 and with the exceptions of a brief lull, kept up the fighting until 1 o'clock Sunday. The American loss is reported to be about 40 killed and 45 wounded. Seven Nebraska boys are reported among the number killed.

Dispatches from Hong Kong and Manila tell of a terrible slaughter of the enemy. One report from Manila says that careful estimates place the Filipino losses at 2000 dead, 3,500 wounded and 5,000 taken prisoners.

A Hong Kong dispatch says: "the rebel forces have been driven back ten miles and that their losses are estimated at 1,900 killed.

During the engagement with the land forces the United States war ships under orders of Admiral Dewey shelled a train loaded with insurgents and most effectually shelled the entire line of rebel trenches.

A force of Filipinos concentrated in Paco Church where they made a stand in the upper stories. In the face of a terrific fusillade the church was entered by the Americans, saturated with coal oil and set on fire. As the rebels emerged from the burning structure they were either picked off or taken prisoners.

The attack is thought to be premeditated on the part of the insurgent leaders. For some days Senator Agoncillo with other Filipinos, who formed a junta have been at Washington and is charged with having communicated with Aguinaldo, informing him of the date upon which the senate would vote upon the peace treaty measure. The fact is now pretty well established that this information was designed as a signal for hostilities, the Filipinos hoping thereby to influence the vote of the U. S. senate against the treaty.

It had the opposite effect, however, as after the news of the attack and its awful consequences had been received at Washington, two or three of the senators who were to vote against the measure voted for it, and thus it was ratified by the necessary two thirds majority with but a single vote to spare. The vote on the treaty stands: Yeas 57, Nays 27. Both senators Allen and Thurston from Nebraska are found in the yea column.

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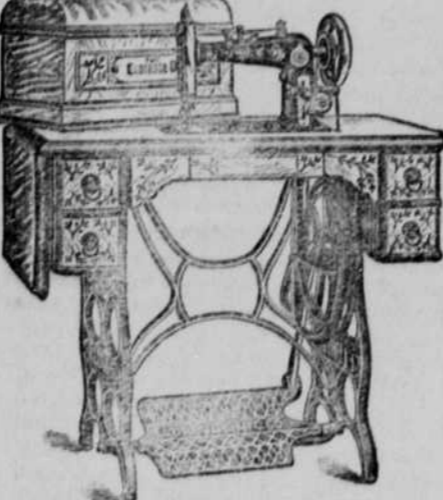
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