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RICANS seem to be capturing hing in sight in Luzon, and y know what failure or defeat

I. BRYAN, it is stated, has given nces that if elected president he tain a protective duty on wool. s had a change of heart on the uestion.

RETARY OF WAR ROOT has anced that he will not be a candifor the vice presidency. He feels he can better serve his country in ar department.

IGHAM ROBERTS is still waiting he committee to report. It deems principals involved of sufficient ortance to take all the time necry for their consideration.

OER sympathizers of Toledo, O., in ass meeting, passed resolutions of pathy for that people and sent ies of the same to President Mcley and prominent members of gress.

THE Boys' History class should re ive the encouragement it deserves. e boys are doing excellent work. is class and the Senior Boys' Hisry class, if THE NEWS is not mis ken, are the only organizations in e city for the young people, having r their object general information d culture.

A BEATRICE lumber dealer stated to he Express a day or two ago that rade in his line had been admirable hroughout the year '99, and that the ndications for a heavy trade this year re excellent. Estimates are already eing made for some admirable buildngs, and there is no reason to doubt hat in the spring there will be a reat amount of building going on. Beatrice is now experiencing the solid growth that beats a boom, and she will compare favorably with any western town in the matter of substantial progress.—Beatrice Daily Express.

It is refreshing to read such items as the above. The present indications are that Plattsmouth will do as much building this year as most any other city in the state of its size.

THE PHILIPPINE QUESTION.

Reading the debete between Senators Beveridge and Hoar one is led to inquire what the real objections to the retention of the Philippine archipelago are on the part of those criticising the administration of President McKinley. We must remember that it is not a question of the acquisition of those islands, but the proposition must be, if the United States is wrong in acquiring them, shall we surrender them? And this brings the statesman face to face with very serious propositions, full of peril to the nation; surrounded with difficulties which should make the "peace-at-any-price" statesman hesitate before "putting his foot in it."

But what of the debate? On the one side, Senator Beveridge visited the Philippine archipeligo; inspected the immediate surroundings of all parties; the hospitals; the troops; went among the insurrectionists; heard their side of the difficulty from their most intelligent leaders; investigated the claims of Aguinaldo and his followers; looked into the immediate casus belli; ascertained for himself who was to blame for the overt act by which blood was shed and war precipitated; made a study of the resources of the islands; the climate; the intelligence of the people and their fitness for enlightened government; the advantages to the United States, from a commercial standpoint, to retain those islands; the possibilities of our future as a commercial nation in the far east.

On the other side, Senator Hoar, during the same period, visited Europe; undoubtedly met and consulted the emissaries of Aguinaldo; sat in councils of the Anti-Expansion club at Boston and from such standpoint assails, not only the administration of President McKinley, but the gallant army and navy which is upholding our cause in the far-away east.

Who is right in this controversy? Which of these statesmen, uttered sentiments recently in the senate, will meet the calm, considerate judgment of the American people. The man who puts the proposition, surrounded with all the facts and circumstances of the case, or the man who places it on sentimental and false grounds?

The Philippine possessions, every intelligent person will admit, are the accident of the war. At the outbreak no one dreamed of those far off islands becoming involved in the Spanish-American war over Cuba. But those islands did become involved on a beautiful May morning and they are with us now; and, we have with them, the strongest assembled naval fleet and the best and most gallant army in the world.

The democratic "barn-stomers" of the Bryan school attempt to present an anti-expansion issue over the acquisition of these islands, but seem to overlook the fact that it was their class of statesmen and politicians which howled for the war, demanded haste when President McKinley and his administration were not ready, and, in a measure, forced the country into war before it was prepared for it. That these anti-expansionists, as a rule, were the people who "loosed the dogs of war" and when the "dogs" accidentally pounced down upon the Philippine rabbit, they should at least, be modest in their criticisms. The condition, arising out of this accident, is a physical practical one, not a theory of expansion or anti-expansion. The country must face this condition, and Senator Hoar should discuss it as it is.

Senator Hoar asks, Where does Spain get the right to cede the Philippine islands to the United States? "Where did the United States get the right to buy and sell people like sheep"? If the charge implied in this latter interrogatory, were true, where would Mr. Bryan and his co-adjutor, Senator Allen, stand? The one resigned his position at the front and rushed to Washington to advise the other to vote for the ratification of a treaty for the "sale of people like sheep." Both of them "accessories before the fact," as the criminal lawyer would say.

Where would the long line of illustrious democratic statesmen be? Those who "turned the dogs of war loose" and those who helped appropriate the rabbit after it was caught and participated in the purchase of "people like sheep."

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INTERESTING COUNTY CULLINGS.

Clippings From County Exchanges Dished up for "News" Readers.

From the Louisville Courier.

Johnnie Murphy was at Plattsmouth and Omaha Monday.

Mrs. Arthur Murphy went to Omaha Friday morning via Plattsmouth.

Plattsmouth is to have a new opera house. Plattsmouth needs one bad enough.

Attorney A. M Russell of Weeping Water was in town Monday morning enroute to Plattsmouth.

Joseph Goldschmidt, state organizer of the Imperial Mystic Legion, was up from Plattsmouth Wednesday and met the Louisville castle.

Mayor F. M. Richey came up from Plattsmouth Thursday evening to visit with his son, Charles. His little grandson. Norman Dickson, accompanied him.

County Attorney Root was in town Tuesday morning and favored the Courier office with a pleasant call. He was on his way home from Avoca, where he had been investigating the case wherein the Missouri Pacific station agent of that town is charged with criminally assaulting one Miss Parker, an account of which was published in last week's Courier. Mr. Root found a rather mixed state of affairs, and when here had not fully decided as to whether he would have the agent rearrested or not.

No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s Drug Store. 2

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GLEANINGS.

What is a consumer's league?" The question was asked by a bright little woman and answered something like this by a gentleman who evidently was not quite sure what the questioner's motive was in asking: "Oh, it is some sort of an organization among the women which they imagine will help some other woman."

The Church Standard, published at Philadelphia, some time since had the following to say of this league, which may be of interest to readers of THE NEWS:

"A consumers' league is one of the ways which women have adopted for helping each other. Every thinking woman interested in the wellbeing of her self-supporting sisters would prefer to do her shopping at stores whose proprietors are considerate of the health and comfort of their employes. It is not practicable for each to find out for herself—only a few, who happen to have special facilities for gaining such information, can make a list of proprietors they know to be just and kind to their female employes, and then find opportunity for publishing such a list. Such a step does not imply antagonism toward employers; on the contrary, we can succeed only in co-operation with them.

"In Philadelphia, our 'conditions of a fair house' are on the advice and with the entire approval of the employers who have thus far consented to give us the endorsement of their names. The 'conditions of a fair house' are as follows: A fair house is one in which ten hours (with not less than three-quarters of an hour for luncheon) constitutes the working day, and in which a general half-holiday is given on one day of each week during at least two summer months; one in which a vacation of not less than a week is given, with pay, during the summer season; one in which overtime is compensated for; one in which the work, the lunch and the toilet rooms are apart from each other and conform in all respects to the present sanitary laws; one in which seats are provided to the number of one for every three females employed, and such employes permitted to use them, at reasonable times, to such an extent as may be requisite for their health; one in which fidelity and length of service meet with the consideration which is their due; one in which wages are paid by the week; one in which fines, if imposed, are paid into a fund for the benefit of employes."

One advantage of such an association is our own education as shoppers. It is we, not the merchants, who keep the girls so late getting home in the evenings, by doing what, with a little self-denial or system on our part, could be done as well in the daytime. It is we, not the merchants, who make it necessary, to keep nearly all stores open until 10 o'clock, and later, for a fortnight before Christmas.

One thing a consumers' league can do is to bring about, in unobtrusive ways, an understanding between employers, whose desires is to be liberal in their methods, but who cannot afford, in these times of close competition, to forego the business advantages retained by the others "I would make shorter hours if the rest would," said several proprietors in Boston to the visiting ladies. "They will if you will," said the ladies to each of the merchants. And they all did, to the satisfaction of everybody concerned.

The first consumers' league was founded in New York city in 1889 during an agitation carried on by the working women's society for the improvement of the condition of women and girls employed in retail stores. The factory act of the state did not touch these establishments at that time and their condition was deplorable. In answer to the communications of the league, containing a list of fair conditions, only five stores were found to be eligible to a place on the white list among the many retail houses in the great city, but in 1896 thirty-one of the leading stores in the city were found on the list.

To the Public.

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FIRST OPEN MEETING.

Mason Wheeler Lectures Before the Boy's History Class.

He Gives the Class a Most Interesting and Instructive Talk On Ships In General—Regular Meeting of the Ciceronian Debating Club of the High School.

The Junior Boys' History class held its first open meeting at White's hall Saturday evening. The boys were so fortunate as to secure Mason Wheeler of Lincoln, a boy thirteen years of age, as their "star" for the evening program.

This boy has built a model of the battleship Illinois and this miniature ship he brought with him. It is pretty safe to say that it was the object of envy of every boy who saw this beautiful piece of workmanship.

The program opened with a duet, "Oh, That We Two Were Maying," which was charmingly rendered by Misses Vallery and Patterson. The president of the class, Vallery White, then called the meeting to order and the secretary, Fred Waugh, read the report of the last meeting. This was followed by the report of Treasurer George Unruh. The members of the executive board won not a little praise in giving their reports, reading so distinctly that not a word was lost. A motion was made by one of the members that the regular business be postponed until the next meeting. The motion carried.

Miss Lansing then favored the audience with a solo, which was well received.

The president, in a very neat little speech, spoke of the work of the class, as outlined in their year-book, and the object of the organization. He said, in part: "We intend to be upright, honest boys; courteous to our parents, to our teachers and to all whom we meet." At the close of his address, the president introduced the speaker of the evening, Mason Wheeler, who, for thirty-five minutes, gave a most instructive talk on ships in general, closing with a brief description of the model he had made—telling the name and use of every part with a clearness which would have done credit to a sea captain. It is something unusual for a boy living in an inland town, one who has never had a glimpse of old ocean, to take such an interest in shipbuilding. When one takes into consideration the fact that this boy for two months put in his spare time on this model, his example, as well as his boat, is worthy of emulation. Surely everyone who heard this talk must have thought it was a generous thing for the speaker to come to Plattsmouth and give not only the members this class, but the fathers and mothers as well, such a treat. At the close of this most excellent address the speaker was applauded in such a way as to leave no doubt of the appreciation of the audience.

Miss Vallery sang a solo, "The Ring," in a clear, sweet voice, with Miss Lansing as accompanist.

The president then asked Mrs. Travis to say a word in behalf of the public library. In a short talk Mrs. Travis told of the needs, as well as the hopes, of the library board. The citizens who were present and heard her plea for this organization, must have felt moved to do something toward helping on the good work which means so much to the boys and girls of this city.

Frank Morgan made a motion that a vote of thanks be tendered Mason Wheeler for his able address. The audience, as well as the class, heartily said "Aye."

Hilt Wescott gave a piano solo and the audience demanded a second number. Mr. Wescott kindly responded. The program was finished, but many of the boys crowded about their guest to say "thank you" and not a few of the fathers and mothers shook hands with Mason Wheeler and expressed their pleasure at hearing, as well as meeting, him.

The members of the class feel very thankful to the musicians and to Mrs. Travis for the assistance rendered in their first program.

The amount realized from the entertainment will be about $8, which the boys will donate toward the new library building.

MEETING OF THE DEBATING CLUB.

A Large Number of New Members Enrolled at This Meeting.

The second weekly meeting of the Ciceronian Debating society was held Saturday evening in the A. O. U. W. parlors. The meeting was called to order by President Willie Ramsey. Secretary Loretta Clark read her report of the last meeting, which was adopted. Upon motion Mr. A. L. Tidd was placed in the chair.

The old constitution being lost, the same committee which drafted it were requested to draft a new one and report this meeting. The committee being ready to report, the constitution was read by Thomas Murphy, chairman. A motion was made to adopt the same as a whole and carried by twenty-two to seventeen.

The membership is limited to the high school room and pupils who have left school within three years.

The following were enrolled: Misses Minta Mauzy, Claire Coleman, Violet Newell, Alice Sullivan, Mabel Eaton, Loretta Clark, Jessie Robertson, Belle Martin, Sarah Ramsey and Messrs. Lloyd Wilson, George Clark, Earle Clark, Don Despain, Tom Murphy, Robert White, Leo Pepperberg, Willie Ramsey, Arthur Dutton, Carl Humphrey, Noel Rawls, Joey Rawls, Wade Windham, Jamie Windham, James Mauzy, Mark Melvin, Glen Smith, Max Chapman, Earle Travis, James Hall, Charlie Guthmann, Glen Phebus, Boyd Hedrick, Halsey Duke, Ed Kunsmann, Willie Carlson, Charlie Carlson, Will Robertson.

The next meeting will be held this evening at the same place at 7:30 to elect the other officers.

Successful Beyond Expectation.

The entertainment given by Professor Edmund Leischke's zither class at the Turner hall Sunday evening was largely attended. A program, consisting of vocal and instrumental selections, was much enjoyed, but a majority of the audince would have been even more pleased had there been an addition chair or two in the hall.

All the special features, which included piano, zither and vocal music, and a pleasant dance at the close, were highly enjoyed, Messers. Ottnat, Ebinger and Koch materially adding to the entertainment with their comic singing and were vigorously applauded by the audience. Taken as a whole the entertainment was first-class and Professor Leischke has added new laurels to his ability as fully understanding how to please the music-loving public.

The pupils assisting him in the program were: Elsie Streitweiser, Christiana Soennischen, Katie Heinrich, Phine Droege, Annie Wichman, Tillie Plaeger, Matilda Soennichsen, Marie Sanders, Marie Timmes, John Burmeister, May Kunsman, Ella and Sophia Sattler; Annie Budig and Minnie Herren.

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