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## AMERICA'S GREAT NEED

Secretary Hitchcock Declares Irrigation of Paramount Importance.

## HE RECOMMENDS EARLY ACTION

Conservation of Water Supply and Reclamation of Arid Lands Are the Vital Want of the United States—Our Other Interests.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—The annual report of Secretary Ethan Allen Hitchcock of the Interior department was made public today. It endorses the conclusions submitted by Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones regarding the present Indian educational system. The secretary says:

"The management of the Indian service in the field and in the schools, while satisfactory under existing conditions, is not deemed to be the best for the welfare of the Indians and different methods will hereafter be adopted. This policy, as hereinafter indicated, contemplates requiring the working by Indian allottees able to do so of a fair portion of lands allotted them and the contributing by their industry to their own support of all not entirely disqualified by actual disability, physical or otherwise; the discontinuance of the issue of rations to those known and determined to be able to support themselves and the extension to the latter of every possible aid for their well-being and encouragement; the inauguration of industrial training in all schools where not now established, so that such Indians of both sexes may be taught the trades or industries adapted to their circumstances."

The income of the various Indian tribes from all sources during the year aggregated \$5,338,880, a falling off of \$260,952, mostly due to the expiration of treaty obligations. In the future full leasing privileges will be confined to those whose disability or inability actually disqualifies them from working more than a small part of their allotments, those conditions to be clearly shown; all other allottees to be required to work at least forty acres of their allotment.

On the question of reclamation of the arid region the secretary says: "The investigations which have been carried on demonstrate that there is no one question now before the people of the United States of greater importance than the conservation of the water supply and the reclamation of the arid lands of the west and their settlement by men who will actually build homes and create communities."

It is recommended that construction at once be begun as follows: The San Carlos storage reservoir, reclaiming 100,000 acres or more of public land at an estimated cost of \$1,040,000; reservoirs in the Sierra Nevada in California, for reclaiming desert lands in Nevada, the division of St. Mary river into the headwaters of Milk river in Montana. An appropriation of \$20,000 is asked to carry on the hydrographic work of the geological survey.

The report says that the act of June 3, 1887, known as the timber and stone act, if not repealed or radically amended, will result ultimately in the complete destruction of the timber on the unappropriated and unreserved public lands. The time has arrived, according to the secretary, when reservoirs must be built and managed as a part of a national system of water conservation. They cannot be successful if maintained, however, without a thorough system of forest protection. The introduction of practical forestry on the forest reserves has now begun.

The general policy as announced in an outline memorandum to the commissioner of the land office is that additional forest reserves with boundaries drawn to liberate the small amount of scrip should be created during this winter, the good will of residents in the reserves should be gained, forest fires guarded against and the resources of the reserves should be made available for the conservative use of the people.

## Mrs. Doie Critically Ill.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—The body of little Emmeline Dale, whose death caused the arrest of her mother on a charge of murder, was today placed in the receiving vault of a cemetery. It will remain there until County Physician Converse issues a permit for its burial. This will not take place before the chemical and microscopic examination of the stomach has been completed by Dr. Schultz of Cornell college and Dr. E. E. Smith of New York.

## TROOPS CAPTURE A FORT.

Captain Lawton Succeeds in Taking a Stronghold on a Cliff.

MANILA, P. I., Nov. 25.—Captain Edward P. Lawton's company of the Nineteenth infantry has attacked and captured an insurgent fort on Bohol island, south of Cebu, in the Vizayan group.

This fort was surrounded on all sides by a precipice and the only entrance to the higher ground was guarded by a stockade with a line of entrenchments behind it. Captain Lawton sent Sergeant McMahon and twenty men to climb the precipice and attack the fort in the rear. Sergeant McMahon's party accomplished their task after three hours' climbing through the thick undergrowth of brush and vines that covered the almost perpendicular cliff. They took the enemy by surprise and drove them from the fort. As the insurgents escaped they had to pass the remainder of Captain Lawton's company at a distance of 150 yards. There the enemy suffered terrible losses.

The insurgents defended themselves with both cannon and rifles. The cannon were captured, the smaller ones were removed while the larger ones were buried. Captain Lawton, in his regular report, makes special mention for bravery of Sergeants List and McMahon.

## MORTON ON THE GROUT BILL

Nebraskan Is to Discuss This Measure Before Live Stock Congress.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—The committee in charge of the arrangements for the fifth annual convention of the National Live Stock association, which convenes in a four days' session here December 3, makes public the program. Secretary Wilson will make an address and take part in the discussions. Dr. Salmon of the bureau of animal industry will also have a prominent part in the program. Hon. L. G. Powers, chief statistician of the census office, will be present and announce for the first time the result of the live stock census in 1900. Hon. C. A. Prouty of the Interstate Commerce commission will talk on amendments to the interstate commerce law. The Grout bill will be discussed by Hon. J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska. The program provides for the discussion of a number of important measures which the association may advocate before congress.

## TO FORM CENTRAL UNIONS

New Organization Contemplated by Federated Unions.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—It was announced at a recent meeting of the Federated union that a new body of central unions in the building trades has been formed which will take the place of the board of walking delegates and the Building Trades' council. The new central body will represent a membership of 65,000 in the building trades. It will have all of the building trades' unions among its affiliated trades' unions in its organization and it is said strikes will not be ordered until every honorable means of settlement has been exhausted. A motion was carried to call on all unions in the new body to affiliate themselves with the Central Federated union.

## PARK ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

Government Has Purchased Land East of Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Nov. 25.—During his recent visit here General Wood bought for the government the principal portion of the San Juan battlefield, including San Juan Hill, the site of the block house and the bloody bend. The tract comprises 200 acres and cost \$15,000. It will be considered a United States reservation and the government intends to lay out a beautiful park on the old battlefield.

## Leading Citizens Indicted.

MODENA, Utah, Nov. 25.—The grand jury of Lincoln, Nev., which convened at Pocolche last Thursday, has returned indictments against seven of the leading citizens of Payson, who, it is alleged, participated in the stringing up of George Ellis, colored, in an effort to make him confess to numerous thefts that had taken place in that vicinity during the last few weeks. All of the men indicted are now in jail, with the exception of Superintendent Gayford of the Horseshoe Mining company, Postmaster DeFries and H. H. Cooper, who were released on bonds. The trial jury has already been summoned and the case will come up before District Judge Talbot tomorrow.

## MIDNIGHT SUN ORDER

It Was Formed to Overthrow British Rule in Yukon.

## THE PLOT HATCHED CUNNINGLY

Conspirators Had Planned to Take Dawson and Hold It For Several Months—Next Move Was to Loot the City and Pillage Property.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 23.—The Times prints the following from Victoria, B. C.:

There was an organized conspiracy to seize Dawson, secure the barracks of the Northwest mounted police with their arms and ammunition, loot the banks and pillage the property of the rich northern gold fields. These facts are confirmed.

James Seeley, formerly of this city, now head of the secret service of the Northwest mounted police, who is in this city, says that not only was there a conspiracy to overthrow Canadian rule in the Yukon and loot Dawson, but the scheme hatched by the conspirators was a very feasible one and had its existence not been discovered by the secret service of the Yukon and nipped in the bud, the conspirators could have accomplished their purpose and after taking Dawson could have held that place and the Yukon for six weeks or two months and by then they would be overwhelmed and each man of the raiders would be a fugitive from the avengers.

The conspiracy was born at Dawson and had a branch at Skagway, but no existence in any other point to the south of Skagway, although efforts were made to secure the assistance of pro-Boer sympathizers in Seattle and other points in the United States. It was at Dawson that the plot was made last summer. Several Americans who had drifted to Dawson got together and formed an organization which was called the Order of the Midnight Sun. A number of others were gathered in and the order grew until there were several hundred adherents in September when the members of the secret service in the Yukon became aware of its existence.

## WORK DONE IN IOWA CITIES

Statistics of Capital Invested and Output Produced Are Given.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The statistics of manufacturing and mechanical industries of Iowa show the following for the state: Capital, \$102,733,103; establishments, 14,819; products, \$164,617,877, involving an outlay of \$4,486,117 for salaries of officials, etc., \$23,931,680 for wages, \$7,988,767 for rent, taxes and other miscellaneous expenses and \$101,070,357 for materials used.

The capital invested is an increase of over 32 per cent for the decade. Value of products increased over 31 per cent. The capital and value of products for the leading cities separately reported follow: Burlington, capital, \$5,235,624, products, \$5,334,196; Cedar Rapids, capital \$6,256,801, products \$12,715,897; Clinton, capital \$4,537,200, products \$6,939,473; Council Bluffs, capital \$1,176,408, products \$2,596,830; Davenport, capital \$10,774,707, products \$11,573,670; Des Moines, capital \$7,911,764, products \$10,488,189; Dubuque, capital \$8,117,358, products \$10,952,204; Sioux City, capital \$5,691,644, products \$15,469,702.

## FAIR PLAY FOR IGLESIAS

Assurance that Labor Delegates' Rights Will Be Respected.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Governor Hunt of Porto Rico and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, had a talk with the president today about the case of Santiago Iglesias, the representative of the American Federation of Labor recently arrested on his arrival at San Juan on the charge of conspiring to raise wages. Mr. Gompers says he will stand by Iglesias, as the charge of the conspiracy to raise wages is the only one against him. Both Governor Hunt and the president assured Mr. Gompers that Iglesias would have a fair trial and that all his rights would be protected.

## Savings Grow Cheap.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—A movement is on foot among the savings banks of this city to reduce their rate of interest to depositors after January 1 from 4 to 3 1/2 per cent per annum. Individual banks have been forced from time to time to drop to the lower rate, but never before has simultaneous action by all the 4 per cent banks been seriously contemplated.

## JUMPS INTO BLAST FURNACE

Unidentified Man Takes This Method of Committing Suicide.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 22.—A few minutes after midnight an unidentified man threw himself headlong into one of the furnaces at Schoenberg's mills, Fourteenth and Acton streets. Almost his entire body was roasted beyond identification, his left foot being the only part not disfigured. A few moments before midnight the man was seen to enter the mill yards and stand at the foot of the hoisting car which carries ore, coke and other supplies for the furnace. The moment that a warning was sounded for the cage to ascend with its burden three workmen saw the suicide jump on the platform and stand within a few feet of them. They were confused and did not know what to think of him, as no one but employees is allowed on these cages. When the top of the furnace was reached, nearly 100 feet from the level, a workman determined to order him away. The huge crib was opened to allow the car of coke to roll into the furnace and the bell was lifted, throwing a terrific heat from the fiery substance underneath. The workman had not time to open his mouth when the man threw himself headlong into the furnace. Quick as a flash Workman Lee saw the action and dropped the bell, but all too late. The man was buried head and shoulders in the flames.

## TWENTY-TWO WERE KILLED.

Estimate of Losses of Life Placed on Disaster at Telluride, Col.

TELLURIDE, Colo., Nov. 22.—The developments today in the Smuggler-Union mine disaster have not served to remove the doubt as to the number of victims and at a late hour tonight it seems unlikely that the exact number will be known for several hours. As yet the list remains the same as last night, twenty-two dead and one in a precarious condition from inhaling the deadly gas and smoke drawn into the mine from the burning buildings about the mouth of the bullion tunnel.

It is possible that a search of the ninth level, which is still in part inaccessible, will reveal the bodies of several other victims, but a party headed by Superintendent Edgar Collins this afternoon went through all the other portions of the mine and found no more dead bodies. The unexplored portion of the ninth level is about 400 feet in length. It will not be safe to enter this part of the drift until tomorrow morning, and perhaps later.

## IN FAVOR OF THE NATIONAL LAW

Do Not Like Bankruptcy Legislation by the Different States.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The National Association of Referees in Bankruptcy has about completed its investigation to learn the sentiment of business men throughout the country regarding changes desired in the national bankruptcy laws. No report can be published until the results have been turned over to the judiciary committee of the house of representatives. It was at the request of Hon. George W. Ray of this committee that the investigation was undertaken. According to the Journal of Commerce many local business men say, however, that there is no doubt that the report will indicate a sentiment in favor of national as against state legislation, and, if so, amendments to the present law in accordance with the bill prepared by Mr. Ray.

## MCKINLEY AT BROTHER'S TOMB

Brother of Dead President Visits Cemetery at Canton.

CANTON, O., Nov. 22.—Abner McKinley, brother of the late president, was here today. During the day he accompanied Mrs. McKinley on a short drive, which included a visit to the cemetery. Acting on the advice of her physicians, Mrs. McKinley has ceased to enter the vault, but Mr. McKinley went inside today. The casket is almost entirely concealed by flowers, which are received from time to time. Mr. McKinley went to Cleveland this evening to visit his sisters, Mrs. Duncan and Helen McKinley.

## Fourteen Governors Will Attend.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 22.—According to advices received by General Manager Skinner of the International Live Stock exposition which is to be held at the Union Stock yards here week after next, at least fourteen governors of states holding large live stock interests will attend the exposition.

## WANTS TO BE HEARD

Aguinaldo, the Filipino, Asks Permission to Address Congress.

## MARINES SCALE A LOFTY CLIFF

Admiral Rogers Offers Congratulations to Waller's Command Upon the Capture of Rebel Stronghold—Another Victory for Federal Arms.

MANILA, Nov. 21.—Aguinaldo has written General Chaffee asking the latter's permission to go before congress and express the desires of the Philippine people. Aguinaldo further requests to be accompanied by eight friends, whom he designates, four of whom are prisoners at Guam, while the others are prominent in Manila.

Sixto Lopez, who has been in the United States and Europe in the interest of the insurgents and who is now at Hong Kong, has written to Governor Taft, asking to be exempted from taking the oath of allegiance to the United States on his arrival at Manila, alleging that this action might injure his labors in behalf of peace.

A fund is being raised by the federal party in Manila for the purpose of attempting to prevent the execution of the Filipino general, Isidoro Torres, who surrendered to the American authorities in the early part of this year and who was later tried on charges of having violated the rules of warfare and sentenced to death. Several congressmen will be asked to exert their influence in favor of General Torres.

Major L. T. W. Waller of the marines has rendered to Rear Admiral Rogers a full and detailed account of the attack on November 7 by the men of his command on the rebel stronghold at Sojotolong. Three insurgent camps were destroyed, forty bamboo cannons were captured and much rice and other stores destroyed.

The rebels' stronghold was almost impregnable. The trails leading to it were lined with poisoned spears sticking from the ground and were filled with hidden pitfalls. Major Waller's command attacked the enemy unexpectedly.

To do this they had to scale a cliff 200 feet high. This they climbed, barefooted, over bamboo ladders. At the top they found boulders piled ready to precipitate upon an attacking party.

Major Waller says he was personally not present at the action. He praises Captain David D. Porter and Captain Hiram I. Pearce for their splendid work and says too much praise cannot be given the marines themselves, whose behavior he characterizes as brilliant in every respect.

## WILL TRY KRAUSE IN LONDON

Ex-Governor of Johannesburg Will Not Be Extradited.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—When Dr. Krause, the former governor of Johannesburg, who was arrested on September 2 on the charge of high treason and inciting to murder, was brought up on remand at Bow street for the thirteenth time, the treasury reporter withdrew the application for the prisoner's extradition to South Africa and asked to have Dr. Krause committed to the Old Bailey on charges of high treason and incitement to murder. The treasury officials consider there is ample justification to try Dr. Krause here on the charge of inciting Mr. Cornelius Broekmans (the former public prosecutor of Johannesburg, who was executed September 30) to murder Douglas Foster, an English lawyer attached to Lord Roberts' staff, who was very active against the Boers. Witnesses were called to support the charges.

Dr. Krause was remanded for a fortnight in £4,000 bail.

## Will Go to Philippines.

OMAHA, Nov. 21.—Capt. Thomas Swobe, who was recently reappointed to the United States army, with the rank of captain and quartermaster, expects soon to leave on a government transport, of which he will have charge, for the Philippines, by way of the Suez canal.

## Brokenbrough Falls Dead.

CHEYENNE, Nov. 21.—John B. Brokenbrough of Baltimore, special agent for the general land office, who has been investigating the illegal fencing of government lands and timber depredations in this state the last year, fell dead in his room in Evanston.

## THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations From South Omaha and Kansas City.

SOUTH OMAHA.  
Cattle—There was a heavy run of cattle for this time of the week, but still buyers took hold with considerable life and the better grades changed hands freely at prices that compared favorably with those of yesterday. The proportion of corn-fed steers was rather small, and as packers were all anxious for supplies the market ruled active and strong on anything at all desirable. The big end of the receipts consisted of cows and heifers. In view of the liberal run all the week buyers attempted to pound the market a little and succeeded in taking off 5c or 10c on all but the very best grades. Veal calves and stags sold about steady, but bulls in some cases were a little lower. There was a good demand for the better grades of stockers and feeders, and there was no noticeable change in the prices paid. The common kinds were neglected. Very few western range steers good enough for killers arrived. The few that were offered sold at good, strong prices. All but the best range cows could have been quoted 50 to 10c lower and the market none too active.

Hogs—Receipts of hogs continued very liberal, which makes the supply for the four days this week the heaviest in some time past. The market, however, opened early at an advance of 50 to 10c over yesterday's general market. Packers all had liberal orders, and as a result trade was very active and the market gained in strength. The first sales were mostly at \$5.75 and \$5.90, but after the first round or so the popular price became \$5.80, and then \$5.80 and \$5.82 1/2, and finally \$5.82 1/2 and \$5.90. The choicest bunches sold mostly from \$5.85 to \$6.00.

Sheep—These quotations are given: Choice yearlings, \$3.20 to \$3.50; fair to good yearlings, \$3.15 to \$3.30; choice wethers, \$3.20 to \$3.40; fair to good wethers, \$2.90 to \$3.20; choice ewes, \$2.75 to \$3.00; fair to good ewes, \$2.60 to \$2.80; common ewes, \$1.90 to \$2.20; choice spring lambs, \$1.60 to \$1.80; fair to good spring lambs, \$1.50 to \$1.70; feeder wethers, \$3.00 to \$3.25; feeder lambs, \$3.25 to \$3.50.

## KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—Beef steers, 50 to 10c higher; export cattle, steady to strong; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$5.00 to \$5.15; fat to good, \$4.50 to \$5.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$3.25; western fat steers, \$4.50 to \$5.00; western range steers, \$3.50 to \$4.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; native cows, \$1.50 to \$2.00; native cows, \$2.50 to \$3.00; heifers, \$2.50 to \$3.00; calves, \$1.50 to \$2.00; pigs, \$3.00 to \$3.50.

Hogs—Market 50 to 10c higher; top, \$6.00; bulk of sales, \$5.50 to \$6.00; heavy, \$5.50 to \$6.00; mixed packers, \$5.75 to \$6.00; light, \$5.25 to \$5.75; pigs, \$4.00 to \$4.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Market steady; native lambs, \$4.50 to \$5.00; western lambs, \$4.00 to \$4.50; native wethers, \$3.25 to \$3.50; western wethers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; yearlings, \$3.00 to \$3.50; ewes, \$2.50 to \$3.25; culls and feeders, \$1.50 to \$2.25.

## MCKINLEY MEMORIAL STATEMENT

Money From Canton Project Will Be Given to Washington Association.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 23.—The executive committee of the McKinley National Monument association, after a lengthy session, at the office of Senator Hanna, issued a statement which says in part: "At a meeting of the executive committee of the McKinley National Memorial association held today, the secretary, Mr. Ryerson Ritchie, submitted reports from many states of the union showing gratifying progress and that the appeal to the people to provide funds for a memorial at Canton is meeting with very general and hearty response. A plan for future work was outlined and the same will be pushed vigorously to completion. Reports received indicate that auxiliary organizations have already been perfected in nearly all states of the union.

"Should more funds be subscribed than are necessary for erecting a memorial compatible with the dignity and simplicity of the late president's life and character, any surplus will be devoted to a national memorial at Washington.

"A letter from Secretary Gage, treasurer of the Washington Arch association, to Senator Hanna, was laid before the committee, but the questions involved in the communication were referred to the board of trustees at their meeting to be held at Washington, December 7, when it is hoped that any possible differences may be adjusted. It was the sentiment of the members of the committee present that provision for a suitable memorial at Canton was the first duty to be performed.

"This purpose is believed to be in accordance with the wishes of the family and personal friends of the president. A reply to Secretary Gage's letter, embodying the above sentiments, was forwarded to him."

## Koreans Must Stand Aside.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23.—There is danger that the United States legation at Peking will be evicted by the Koreans. Already the United States government possesses a considerable tract of ground in Peking in the general legation compound. This is partly inclosed. The fund of \$40,000 appropriated by congress for the acquisition of a permanent legation building will have to be increased.