

# TOO HOT TO HOLD

## General Warren Abandons Position Captured.

### THE FIRE OF BOERS WAS TOO FIERCE

Had Range of Hill and Used It to Advantage—London Plunged in Gloom—Otherwise Cheerful News Falls to Dispel Dark Forebodings.

A dispatch from London, dated January 27, at 4 a. m., says: Seven days of fighting have left the main Boer position intact, and General Buller's army 706 weaker, according to the official casualty lists, which seemingly do not include the Spion kop losses, as those last forwarded do not mention General Woodgate's wounding.

England is possessed with a depressing sense of failure, although not a word of criticism of her generals and soldiers is uttered. Not much effort is made to place a happy construction upon General Buller's bare eighteen words telling of the retirement from Spion kop, and there is an uneasy impression abroad that worse news is yet to come. At one of the military clubs tonight the statement passed from one member to another that the war office had received an unpleasant supplementary dispatch from General Buller, which was being held up for twelve hours.

Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, writes as follows of the Spion kop losses:

"This is a serious matter, and an attempt will not here be made to minimize it, for no greater wrong can be done to our people at home than to mislead them about the significance of the events of the war. The right way is to tell the truth as far as we know it."

The war office has just posted the following dispatch from General Buller, dated at Spearman's camp, Tuesday, January 25, noon.

"General Warren's garrison, I am sorry to say, I find this morning had in the night abandoned Spion kop."

Six officers and eighteen non-commissioned officers and men were killed. Twelve officers and 142 non-commissioned officers and men were wounded, and thirty-one men are missing.

It appears that the Boers had a better range on the British troops when they occupied the hill. Its capture was conspicuously easy. A galling fire was poured upon Warren's forces night and day. Being unable to advance further he temporarily withdrew to shield his troops from the hail of iron and lead which was reducing his command. His men fought gallantly throughout.

Another advance is being planned. Although England's nerves are severely tried, her nerve is absolutely unshaken, and probably nothing that can happen in South Africa will change in the slightest degree her intentions. She will continue to receive bad news, if it does come, with dignity, and will maintain her determination to win at last.

## SCHWAN'S ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Different Columns Move on Towns and Capture Them.

A part of General Schwann's column, consisting of six companies, with some artillery, drove a force of 500 insurgents from their entrenchments at San Diego, near San Pablo, last Sunday. The enemy, officially reported that they lost sixty-seven killed and many wounded. Our casualties were one killed and fourteen wounded, the injuries in most cases being slight.

Another battalion, while executing a flank movement, came upon a hundred other rebels in an entrenched position, and routed them, killing fifteen. The Americans had two wounded.

General Schwann moved against Majayjay, Laguna province, on Tuesday. He found its position almost impregnable, but, by lowering men down the steep river banks by ropes, flanked the enemy and drove them out. A part of his command proceeded to Santa Cruz, killing six insurgents.

General Wheeler and his daughter left Wednesday on the transport Warren for San Francisco, via Hong Kong and Guam.

## BRINGS INTERESTING SUIT

Claim that Goods Sent From Puerto Rico Are Not Dutiable.

A suit has been entered in court at Boston by the Amos-Pearson Tobacco company of Lowell, Mass., against the United States with a view of recovering duties paid upon tobacco imported from Puerto Rico, and it raises the very important question whether Puerto Rico is to be considered a part of the United States. The federal courts will in all probability be obliged to determine the issue. The company alleges that the duties imposed upon it were illegal on the ground that Puerto Rico is a part of the United States and that duties could not therefore be levied upon goods or articles sent from one part of the United States to another.

**Cheyenne Strike Settled.**  
The strike of the boiler makers and machinists in the Union Pacific shops at Cheyenne has been settled by the company granting the man 34 cents an hour. The men struck for 35 cents and were out a month, finally agreeing to return to work with the understanding that a settlement would be made.

**Cigarmakers Locked Out.**  
At Boston twelve hundred cigar makers were locked out as a result of a demand for an increase in the rate of certain kinds of handwork.

## OUR DEAD BROUGHT HOME

Members of the First Nebraska Now at San Francisco.

The transport Pekin has arrived at San Francisco bringing 159 bodies of soldiers who lost their lives in the Philippines. The names were taken from the coffins and ambulances took the caskets from the wharf to the Presidio, where the bodies will remain until ordered to burial grounds by relatives in the east. Among the dead fourteen states are represented.

The following are of the First Nebraska:

- Company A—Privates Frank S. Glover, George F. Hansen, Elmer B. Wampler, York, Neb.
- Company C—Private Frank Knouse, Beatrice; Earl W. Osterhaut, David City.
- Company E—Private Ira A. Giffin, Valparaiso.
- Company F—Private Arthur C. Sims; Madison; Horace L. Folke r. Western; William R. Philpot, Humboldt.
- Company G—Private Walter A. Hogue, Geneva.
- Company H—Private Albert H. Burd, Nelson.
- Company I—Privates Alfred J. Erisman, Bennet; Fred J. Pegler, Palmyra.
- Company D—Lieutenant Lester E. Sisson, Columbus, killed in action; Private Theodore H. Larson, Wahoo.
- Company L—Privates Fred Taylor, Omaha, died of typhoid; Ralph W. Kells, South Omaha, killed in action; Charles O. Ballinger, Omaha, killed in action.

## HUNG TO TELEGRAPH POLE

Colorado Mob Makes Short of a Murderous Convict.

News has just been received at Denver, Colo., of the capture of Reynolds and Wagner, the escaped convicts, and the subsequent escape of Wagner. Reynolds is the man charged with killing Night Captain Rooney of the Colorado penitentiary at Canon City, and Wagner is said to have held Rooney while Reynolds stabbed him.

Night Captain of Police Conner, at Florence, assisted by Policeman Powell made the capture on the bridge of the Florence and Cripple Creek railroad near Florence. When word was sent to Canon City of the capture a special train with several guards and a bloodhound were dispatched to the scene. In the meantime Captain Conners had started overland with Reynolds.

Immediately on receipt of the news at Canon City the fire bells began to ring and the town went out en masse.

Reynolds was taken from the officers when they reached Canon City and hanged to a telegraph pole just outside the penitentiary walls.

## VACANCIES IN UNIVERSITY

Ten Professors Resign by Request or Voluntarily at Cincinnati.

Last week President Ayers of the Cincinnati, O., university announced that vacancies in nine professorships at Cincinnati university had been declared, and the trustees sustained him at a subsequent meeting. All the assistants of these nine professors go with their chiefs. The only full professors not included in the edict were Myers of history, Brown of English and Benedict of philosophy and their assistants. Professor P. V. N. Myers has since resigned as professor of history, making the tenth vacancy in the regular chairs. Professor Myers was not asked to resign, but was urged to remain. In an open letter to the trustees he says he cannot remain under the circumstances, as it would compel his approval of what he terms "the professional assassination of those with whom he has been associated over nine years."

**Naval Bill Finds Favor.**  
The German Bundesrath adopted the naval bill. The measure provides for the doubling of the present number of battleships, and the construction of six large and seven small additional cruisers. The preamble anticipates that the scheme will be completed by 1916 at an annual increase of expenditures of 11,000,000 of marks, which sum is to be raised by loans without any fresh taxation.

**To Advance Price of Tires.**  
Official notice has been issued by the Diamond and Goodyear Rubber companies of Akron, O., of an agreement made with Theodore A. Dodge of New York, owner of patents on single tube bicycle tires. The agreement will result in an increase in the price of tires of about 50 per cent.

**Blizzard on in Michigan.**  
A blizzard has been raging at Marquette, Mich., with increasing violence. Nearly a foot of snow has fallen. The storm is reported to be general all over upper Michigan. Nearly a foot of snow is a blessing to lumbermen, who were on the point of breaking up camps on account of the extended thaw.

**Wrecked by Huge Boulder.**  
Traffic is tied up on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy by a wreck at Ferryville, Wis. An engine struck a large boulder, which rolled down from the bluff. Sixteen freight cars are piled up. No casualties.

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

General T. H. Stanton will be buried at Arlington cemetery with military honors.

Wm E. Francis of Peoria, Ill., committed suicide at Boston by taking cyanide of potassium.

Otto Miller, an Adams county farmer, is missing and foul play is suspected. A search has been instituted.

Almost the entire north side of the business portion of Main street in Arapahoe City, Ore., was destroyed by fire.

# IS ASSASSINATED

## State Senator Goebel Shot Down at Frankfort.

### BULLET FIRED FROM CAPITOL WINDOW

John Whittaker of Butler County, Arrested and Jailed Charged With the Shooting—Man Arrested Had Five Pistols on His Person.

A Frankfort, Ky., dispatch dated January 31, 2 a. m., says a physician from Senator Goebel's bedside says there has been no change in his condition for two hours, and that he is in a precarious condition. Other information from the senator's room is that should his wound prove fatal it will be between 6 and 6 o'clock this morning.

**Goebel Shot.**  
A Frankfort, Ky., dispatch of January 30, says: Senator Goebel was shot in front of the state capitol at 11:10 o'clock. The bullet was fired from a side window on the third floor of the executive building.

Five shots were fired, and one took effect in his left breast near the heart. The wounded man was carried away by his friends.

The third floor of the state house from where it is said the shots were fired is occupied by the insurance commissioners, register of lands and state custodian.

After the shooting Governor Taylor called out the state troops and stationed thirty-five men around the executive office as a guard.

John Whittaker, of Butler county, has been arrested and jailed, charged with the shooting. He had five pistols on his person when arrested.

Wednesday morning's advices say that Senator Goebel was wounded by a rifle ball of small calibre which struck him in the right side just below the armpit. The ball passed through the back part of the right lung, across the body on a diagonal line, passing out below the left shoulder blade.

Mr. Goebel was on his way to the senate chamber, in company with Colonel Jack Chinn and Warden Eph Lillard, the latter being a few feet in advance of the other two.

As the shot was heard Goebel gave a quick, involuntary exclamation of pain, and made an effort to draw his own revolver. His strength was not equal to the task, and he sank to the pavement. With great rapidity several more shots were fired, the bullets all striking the brick sidewalk close to where Goebel lay. None of them touched him, however.

Chinn had his arm about Goebel almost as soon as he touched the pavement. "Get help," said Chinn to Lillard, and turning to Goebel he asked: "Are you hurt, Goebel? Did they get you?"

"They have got me this time," said Goebel; "I guess they have killed me." In less than a minute a crowd of men was around Goebel and he was hastily carried to the office of Dr. E. E. Hume in the basement of the capitol hotel.

Here he was laid upon a sofa, while Dr. Hume made a hasty examination, pronouncing the wound to be of a nature that must cause death in a short time.

Goebel, who showed great fortitude and courage throughout, smiled weakly and feebly rolled his head from side to side in token of dissent from the opinion expressed by the physician.

## HAWAIIAN BILL COMPLETED

The Change Made as to the Qualifications of Voters.

The Hawaiian bill has been practically completed by the house committee on territories, and Chairman Knox, with a sub-committee, is preparing the draft for the revised bill, with the intention of presenting it to the house sometime this week. Several important changes have been made in the measure. The chief of these is the striking out of all property qualifications for electors for the senate. Another change eliminates the supervision given to the supreme court of Hawaii over elections in the senate and house and makes each house the judge of its own elections. The omission of the property qualification is in the interest of the natives.

**Des Moines is Dry.**  
Every saloon in Des Moines, Ia., is closed as a result of the supreme court decision. The saloon men agreed on this course as the only safe one. The board of supervisors met to canvass the new petition of consent, recently tried to take the place of the ministerial association and the anti-saloon league requested a postponement of ten days till they could prepare their showing of the insufficiency of the new petition. The time was granted and the saloons will remain closed meantime and until the petition is approved. The opposition claims it will prove the new petition worthless. Numerous forgeries of names are charged.

**Mission Still a Secret.**  
M. Bernert, the Belgian premier, whose presence here is supposed to have been connected with the boundary dispute between the Congo Free State and the contiguous German territories, has left Berlin without divulging the real purpose of his coming and diplomatic circles ignore it as carefully as newspapers.

**Snow Storms in France.**  
Heavy snow storms prevail throughout France, especially on the north and west coasts, where numbers of wrecks have occurred.

## ROBBERS SHOOT DETECTIVE

Man in a Fight When Their Hiding Place is Uncovered.

Learning that an attempt would be made to hold up Missouri Pacific train No. 8, east bound, at Holden, Mo., Superintendent D. Hardy of the M. P. railway organized a posse and went to Holden. The information given Superintendent Hardy was that the men were to board the train at Holden and on reaching Doran, eight miles east, the engine was to be detached and the express car rifled.

On reaching Holden the superintendent and posse learned where the suspected men were, and proceeded there. As Detective John Jackson opened the door he was shot in the head by one of the robbers, and was killed. One robber was wounded and the other escaped.

The captured man gave his name as Shores, and confessed to numerous robberies. It is believed he is the man who held up a Missouri Pacific passenger train on January 9, robbing the sleeping car passengers.

Bloodhounds are on the track of the escaped bandit, whose name is believed to be Bickering. He is the one who killed Jackson.

The proprietors of the resort where the men were criminals were arrested for harboring criminals.

## TRAIL DOWN TRAIN ROBBERS

Two Hole in the Wall Bandits Said to Have Been Killed.

A report has reached Cheyenne that posse of Union Pacific detectives, headed by Tom Horn, had run down two of the Hole-in-the-Wall and after a desperate fight killed both of them. One of the pursuing party was shot, but it is thought not seriously. It is known that the men separated in two gangs after leaving the railroad and the men trailed through the mountains so closely and afterwards escaped. It is supposed that they returned to the Hole-in-the-Wall when they thought the pursuit was over and the detectives have been watching the rendezvous since, till they got their men.

**Eighteen Days Overdue.**  
Owing to stress of weather, heavy gales and rough seas, nearly every liner due at the port of New York during the past few days has been or is reported from twenty-four hours to five days late. The Anchor liner Ethiopia and the Allen line steamer State of Nebraska, from Glasgow, are now sixteen and eighteen days overdue, respectively. The ships which have reached port report heavy winds and wild seas.

**Declare Him Not Guilty.**  
In the case of Former City Collector of Water Rates George Hofferkamp of Springfield, Ill., charged with embezzlement in the Sangamon circuit court, the defense objected to the testimony offered by the state, alleging that under the law it was inadmissible. After a two hours' argument Judge Creighton sustained the objection of the defense and instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

**E. J. Phelps Much Better.**  
The physician in attendance upon Edward J. Phelps, formerly minister to England, who is ill at his home in New Haven, Conn., with pneumonia, reported that Mr. Phelps had improved considerably. His condition is now considered more favorable than at any time during his illness. The physician added, however, that the danger point had not yet been passed.

**CONGRESSIONAL CHAT**  
The United States supreme court has taken a recess for three weeks.

President McKinley was fifty-seven years old Monday. Many called and extended congratulations.

Ex-Congressman Henriksen will be general traveling agent of the national democratic ways and means committee.

The senate adopted a resolution that Charles C. Bennett of New York be secretary of the senate, and Daniel M. Ransdell of Indiana be sergeant-at-arms.

The senate, in executive session, decided by a vote of 21 to 38 not to reconsider the vote by which the Samoan treaty was ratified. The treaty will stand as it is.

The comptroller of the currency has approved the selection of the Merchants National bank of Omaha as reserve agent for the First National bank of Seward, Neb.

Representative Briggs of New York has introduced a bill in the house giving the thanks of congress to Miss Helen Gould for patriotic services during the Spanish-American war.

Senator Clayton of Alabama has introduced a resolution that the United States troops be withdrawn from Cuba on July 4, 1900, and the government of Cuba be left to the Cuban people.

The secretary of the navy has received word from Admiral Schley, dated Puerto Riasco, January 28, stating that bubonic plague is reported to be epidemic at Rosario, and that the South Atlantic squadron will sail for Montevideo.

**Action on Brands.**  
The state marks and brands commission adjourned Saturday after having been in session since January 3. During that time the commission considered 1,675 brands, allowed 1,425, rejected 215 and passed by thirty until the next meeting, March 19. Those whose brands were rejected will be permitted to file substitute brands without paying an additional fee. The board holds that after January 31 applications need not include a certificate from a county clerk.

# EVIDENCE OF POISON

## Woman Dies Under Suspicious Circumstances.

### TOWN OF HARBINE HAS A SENSATION

The Coroner is Summoned and the Fact Brought Out That the Man Who Accompanied Her Was Not Her Husband.

The coroner and attorney of Jefferson county are holding an inquest at Harbine over the body of a young woman who died under mysterious circumstances. Three weeks ago the deceased, in company with a man purporting to be her husband, stopped at the residence of Paul Sandman, a farmer a mile east of town, where they have remained ever since. The man, at all appearances, was about sixty years old, while the woman was about thirty-five. The man pretended to be a physician, and did some practice in the neighborhood, although he was not registered according to law.

Last Saturday evening the woman took sick and died in about an hour with some symptoms of strychnine poisoning, although the man claimed it was heart trouble.

At the earnest solicitation of the Sandman family the man was induced to send a telegram to the dead woman's mother, who resides at Jewell Junction, Ia., whose name is Branham. Preparations were being made to ship the body away when suspicions were aroused and the coroner summoned. When the officer arrived he admitted that he had never married the woman and that he had only been traveling with her a month. The woman was in a delicate condition when she died. The man is a typical New Englander, and the woman was very attractive. Her mother has arrived from Iowa. The man gave his name as Demming, and claims to be on his way to Arkansas.

When the woman first died he claimed to have no strychnine in his medicine case, but a bottle of the drug was afterwards found.

## TRACE THE MILLER TEAM

Possible Clue to the Adams County Mystery.

A Hastings dispatch says: A possible solution of the disappearance of Otto Miller, who is thought to have been murdered, was had in a telegram from the marshal at Oradella, stating that a man left there with a team answering the description of Miller, and that he claimed to be going to Denver.

Two of Miller's brothers left for the west for the purpose of intercepting him.

**Seeks Damages for Assault.**  
John Penzenstady has begun suit in district court against Jacob Nickolas, foreman of the Fremont brewery, for \$10,900 damages for assault. The plaintiff claims that on December 17, 1899, the defendant attacked him and struck him on the head with an iron gas pipe, about three feet long and one and one-half inches in thickness. It is further said that by reason of this assault bones were broken in the side and back of the plaintiff's head, and that he was sick and incapacitated for work for a term of four weeks. The plaintiff is a discharged employe of the brewery.

**Wanted an Injunction.**  
Thomas Sloan of Pender was in Lincoln recently for the purpose of securing an injunction against John I. Rankin, a government allotting agent, who insists upon allotting the lands of the Omaha reservation as he desires, and as Mr. Sloan thinks without regard to the order of the court and the provisions of the statutes. Mr. Rankin has been in the service of the government for a long term of years.

**Verdict of Not Guilty.**  
For nearly one week the district court at West Point was taken up with the Carl Andre incest case. Both state and accused are ably represented and the prolonged fight came to a close last Saturday night, but Judge Graves, having gone to his home at Pender over Sunday, the verdict was not opened until Monday. The verdict was not guilty.

**Go to Enlist in Navy.**  
Louis Kloth and Herman Grekel left West Point for Chicago for the purpose of enlisting in the United States navy. Under the direction of the officers of the naval recruiting station at that place they took a preliminary examination and are reasonably certain of passing the final examination in Chicago.

**Surrenders Poor Farm Lease.**  
Owing to the mutual dissatisfaction between the lessee of the poor farm, Harry Dill, and the Cuming county board, Mr. Dill voluntarily surrendered his lease, which would have expired on March 1, 1902, to the board, at the same time surrendering the notes given, as rental, for that period.

**Attempted Suicide.**  
Ada Rollins and Ollie Reed, occupants of the Northwestern hotel, a resort in Hastings, attempted to commit suicide by taking carbolic acid. They will not die. They claim to have taken the stuff in a spirit of banter.

**Found Dead in Bed.**  
George Scott, a stranger, about forty years old, was found dead in his bed in an Omaha lodging house. Heart disease is thought to be the trouble. He seems to have no relatives or friends. The coroner took charge of the body.

## STAND UP FOR NEBRASKA

Mr. Bassett Quotes Figures That Will Make Every Citizen Proud.

R. C. Bassett of Gibbon, writing to a Lincoln paper, says: Much prominence has been given in the public press to reports made by Sec. Coburn of the Kansas state board of agriculture, showing the value of Kansas agricultural products, including live stock slaughtered and sold for slaughter for the year 1899 amounts to \$169,747,037.51.

Kansas has an area of 52,531,200 acres while the area of Nebraska is 48,187,200 acres. The "range" area in Nebraska comprises some 20,000,000 acres and in Kansas about 13,000,000, making about 40,000,000 acres of agricultural lands in Kansas and in Nebraska about 28,000,000 acres. From statistics published by Commissioner S. J. Kent of the Nebraska bureau of labor it appears that the surplus agricultural products and live stock products of Nebraska for the year 1898 amounted to \$187,302,312.52, being an increase over 1897 of more than \$16,000,000.

These statistics are not mere guesswork, but are copied from the books of railroad and other transportation companies and show that after the farmers of Nebraska have supplied their own wants in the matter of farm products, they have a surplus to sell amounting to \$187,000,000 a year.

According to assessors' returns for the year 1899 the number of live stock in the state is as follows:

	Number.	Approx. Value.
Horses and mules.....	603,069	\$26,007,930
Dairy cows.....	628,750	20,950,350
Other cattle.....	1,370,032	34,925,870
Sheep.....	381,302	1,008,840
Swine.....	1,829,178	10,860,360
Total.....	4,212,331	\$94,362,370

In crop production Nebraska ranks as follows: Corn third, oats fifth, wheat seventh.

In value of live stock: Horses fourth, milk cows eighth, other cattle fourth, swine sixth.

**Stand up for Nebraska!**

**Found Guilty.**  
Mrs. John D. Rich, the Chicago woman who was surrendered to Mexico to be tried for the murder of her husband in Juarez last May, was adjudged guilty by the Mexican court and sentenced to serve fourteen years in prison. Mrs. Rich's lawyers will appeal to the higher court at Chihuahua, and in the event the finding of the lower court is affirmed Governor Ahumada will be asked for a pardon. Money is required to prosecute the appeal and a subscription list has been opened by United States Marshal Hillebrand. Mrs. Rich will be imprisoned at Chihuahua.

**Sues City For Damages.**  
Andrew F. Noreen has begun a suit against the city of Fremont, together with Ed McMahon, for \$1,532.53, alleged damages occurring from a negligently constructed sewer ditch operated by the city. A claim for damages had been previously made to the city council. Mr. Noreen claims that the filthy water of the sewer ditch running east of town to the Rawhide creek overflowed his land last spring and did great damage to the crop. He also states that Ed McMahon cut a drainage ditch into the sewer ditch west of the lands of the plaintiff and caused the flow through the large excavation to be increased.

**Becomes Violently Insane.**  
Ed Barryn, a former restaurant keeper, became insane and was placed in the city jail at Hastings and his condition became so much worse that he was transferred to the county jail. His derangement is the result of inordinate use of alcoholic stimulants. He had a temporary attack of insanity last Easter and created considerable excitement by attacking several members of the Catholic church just as they were leaving after the morning service.

**Young Farmer Arrested.**  
Max Hendrickson, a young farmer living near Hooper, was arrested and brought into county court at Fremont on the complaint that he has been threatening to shoot Henry Harms, a neighbor. Harms claims the young man has become too free in the flourishing of a gun and his threats of personal violence too earnest. The prisoner waived examination and was bound over to district court in the sum of \$50 furnished by his father, John Hendrickson.

**Ordered to Bring Suit.**  
J. J. Everingham of Omaha, receiver for the Grain Growers' Mutual Hall association, has been instructed by Judge Dickenson to bring suit against such policy holders as he may deem advisable.

**A New Church.**  
The Church of the Immaculate Conception, Omaha, has filed articles of incorporation, providing for the erection of a church in Omaha to cost \$20,000. The incorporators are Bishop Richard Scannell, William Choka and Theobald Kalamaja.

**Residence Burns.**  
The house of C. H. Drummond, in the north part of Fairmont was totally destroyed by fire. The furniture was partly saved. The loss will aggregate \$2,500. Insurance on the building was \$800.

**Says He Has Been Swindled.**  
John Quate, a pioneer farmer living east of McCool Junction, claims that land sharks inveigled him into a pretended trade of his farm and stock for Missouri land. On his return from Missouri he found his cattle gone and had three persons whom he claims assisted in the land deal arrested, charging them with larceny. Quate is an unassuming, unsophisticated farmer, and does not believe that he signed a deed to his place.