

FRENCH FLAG AGAIN WAVES OVER EMBASSY

Diplomatic Relations Formally Renewed Between France and Turkey.

ADMIRAL GAILLARD'S SQUADRON.

The Ships Are Bound For the Island of Syria—Miss Stone, in Another Letter, Tells of the Hardships She and Her Companion Have to Endure—Postal Tricks of the Brigands to Conceal Their Whereabouts.

Constantinople, (By Cable).—The French flag waves above the French Embassy in Constantinople, for the first time since August 26.

M. Bapst, councillor at the embassy, has called upon the Ottoman minister of foreign affairs, Tewfik Pasha, thus formally renewing the diplomatic relations between France and Turkey.

The destination of the vessels of Admiral Caillaud's squadron, which left the Island of Mitylene is the Island of Syria.

The battleships Charlemagne and Gaulois and the armored cruiser Amiral Pothuan, however, will go first to Phocaea (about 30 miles northwest of Smyrna) to coal, afterward rejoining the squadron.

Letter From Miss Stone.

Sofia, Bulgaria, (By Cable).—From another letter that has been received from Miss Ellen M. Stone, the abducted American missionary, it appears that she is enduring trials of her hard experience with fortitude, forgetting herself in her anxiety for her companion, Mme. Tsiska. Miss Stone does not dare to complain of the treatment to which they are subjected, but she finds the confinement irksome and the weather extremely trying.

The tone of the latest letter received from her is hopeful. The brigands, by dating the letters in places in Macedonia and delaying their delivery, seek to create the appearance of being far distant.

The Bulgarian government continues to interfere in the negotiations, with the object of forcing the transference of them across the frontier.

FIRST MCKINLEY MONUMENT.

Unveiled at Tower, Minnesota, With Impressive Ceremonies.

Duluth, Minn., (Special).—In the presence of several thousand people, assembled from the mining towns of northern Minnesota, the first McKinley monument in the United States was unveiled and dedicated at Tower, seventy miles north of Duluth, Sunday. Gov. S. R. Van Sant and members of his staff, a number of State officials and other citizens from various parts of the State were present. Gov. Van Sant was among the speakers, and he paid a high compliment to the patriotism, reverence and sympathy of the sturdy mining people who subscribed the money.

Men of all parties and creeds joined in the exercises. The singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee" by the audience was one of the most impressive features of the day.

The monument is a simple shaft, 18 feet high, standing on a pedestal of concrete and iron ore, and cost \$12,000.

BOERS DYING BY HUNDREDS.

English Newspaper Shows Up the Horrible Work of the Government in Africa.

London, (By Cable).—The Daily News exhaustively surveys the concentration camps in South Africa, with the following conclusion:

The truth is that the death rate in the camps is comparatively worse than anything Africa or Asia can show. There is nothing to match it even in the mortality figures of the Indian famines, where cholera and other epidemics have to be contented with.

Statistics are produced in proof of this assertion. The government's advertisement for teachers for the camp children, setting forth that "the term of employment will be one year certain" is prominently displayed as evidence that the authorities have no intention of ending the wholesale destruction of human life.

The Daily News urges all humane men not to wait for official reports, but to insist "on the camps being broken up and the people distributed among their friends."

Preferred Death to Disgrace.

Louisville, Ky., (Special).—William Simpson, a salesman in the wholesale grocery house of Zinsmeister Brothers, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid when confronted with an alleged shortage of \$1,000. He said that two friends living at New Albany, Ind., his home, would make good the shortage, and while a member of the firm was telephoning to New Albany, Simpson took the poison, dying in 15 minutes.

"McKinley Order of Nurses."

Boston, Mass., (Special).—The nurses of Boston will submit to Governor Crane, chairman of the State Commission on McKinley Memorial, a unique plan to devote the fund to establishing the "McKinley Order of Nurses." The idea is to make the McKinley order in this country what the Victoria Order of Nurses is in England.

Killed the Girl He Loved.

Elizabethtown, Tenn., (Special).—Frank Kidwell, aged 23 years, shot and killed his sweetheart, Ada Thompson, aged 16 years, and then committed suicide. The cause for the tragedy is said to be the refusal of the girl's father to allow Kidwell to visit his daughter and her declaration to marry him.

Bank Robbers Active.

Chatham, Ill., (Special).—The Bank of Chatham was robbed of \$1,500 by burglars, who blew the safe. The robbers escaped on a handcar, which they abandoned after going to miles, and all trace of them is lost. Congressman R. F. Caldwell is almost the exclusive owner of the bank.

Two Children Die in Flames.

Quincy, Ill., (Special).—The farm house of D. B. Miller, twelve miles from here was destroyed by fire and two children perished.

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

Domestic.

Morgan Harrington and Robert Taylor were attacked near Fayette, Miss., by Walter Bailey, Frank Peoples and another man whose name is unknown. Knives were used. Harrington was killed and Taylor mortally wounded.

The police of Atlanta, Ga., arrested J. H. Alexander, a colored employee of the United States Government, on the charge of stealing \$4,700 from the satchel of Major Stevens, the army paymaster.

Miss Kate Ness, after a hearing in York, Pa., was held in default of \$1,500 bail on the charge of shooting Contractor Horace C. Eppler.

Four girls and a man were injured by the explosion of a cylinder in the Liberty Chemical Company Building, in Philadelphia.

Early Ferguson, colored, who escaped from the county jail at Salem, Va., was brought back with a rope tied around his neck.

Mrs. Mary Hearn, of Buena Vista, Va., was burned to death, fire being communicated to her clothes from a lamp.

The charred remains of Thomas Dabney, colored, were found in the ruins of the Habliston Building, in Richmond, Virginia.

Dr. Charles M. Smith, who belonged to a prominent family of Winchester, Va., died at his home, in Franklin, La. Columbia University authorities deny that a chair in that institution has been offered to Minister Wu.

Three out of five of the convicts who escaped from the stockade near Leavenworth, Kan., were killed and the other two wounded in a fight with a posse. The five men had taken refuge in a barn.

A secret inquest into the deaths of Mrs. Mary E. Gibb and Mrs. Annie Gordon, alleged to have died of poison administered by Jane Toppa, was begun by the coroner at Buzzards Bay, Mass.

Governor Hunt, of Porto Rico, reports that the sugar and coffee crops are now attending the schools, and 200,000 are unable to obtain tuition.

James Callahan was found not guilty of perjury, thus being acquitted practically the second time of complicity in the Cudahy kidnaping.

Mrs. Archibald S. White, wife of the president of the National Salt Company, slipped on her bathroom floor and fractured her skull.

Viola Bender, aged 15 years, who in a rage, took strychnine near Martinsburg, W. Va., and died from its effects. The Ellis Glenn case has been carried to the Supreme Court of the United States.

John D. Sarninghausen, a German editor, died at Fort Wayne, Ind., aged 82 years.

Adolph F. Kraus, the sculptor, died at the Danvers (Mass.) Insane Hospital. The battle-ship Illinois will be sent to Algiers to test the new steel dry-dock.

Admiral Schley has accepted an invitation to go to Nashville in January. Ambarck Bendavid, an acrobat, was killed by a train at Chester, Pa.

Oil has been found in Smyth county, Virginia.

Fire in Bradford, Pa., caused a loss of \$150,000.

The police arrested in St. Louis Laura Bullion and a man named Longbaugh, who are believed to have participated in the express robbery on the Great Northern Railroad near Wagner, Mont.

Fifteen thousand acres of coal lands in Hancock county, West Virginia, and in Green township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, were sold to the United States Steel Corporation at \$25 an acre.

Melvin Weisental, 15 years old, was shot and fatally wounded in Hanover, Pa., by his cousin, Harry Miller, who did not know the gun was loaded.

Telephone companies of Southern Pennsylvania have been united into a corporation, to be known as the Cumberland Valley Telephone Company.

Foreign.

General Uribe-Urbe, commanding the Colombian rebels, says there is no international war between Venezuela and Colombia, but a struggle between the Liberal and the Conservative parties of both countries. He is willing, he says, to accept the protection of the United States at the isthmus.

Sir Harry Johnston, in an address to the Royal Geographical Society, in London, upon his explorations in Uganda, said that, as a result of his study of the pigmies, he had concluded that they have no special language.

The administrative council of the arbitration tribunal will meet at The Hague November 20 to decide on the Boers' appeal against the ruling that the South African war is not subject to the court's consideration.

The British South African Compensation Company rejected the claim of the Frenchman, Martin, who wanted £20,000 for alleged deportation from South Africa.

Dr. Deutzer, the premier of Denmark, says that the Danish West Indies have not yet been sold to the United States, although negotiations are progressing.

Earthquake shocks continue in Armenia, and the people are living in tents.

United States Consul General Dickinson, in reply to Miss Stone's letter, has urged the brigands to still further reduce their demands and accept the amount subscribed, as the United States government will not contribute to the ransom.

The French government announces that the Sultan of Turkey has yielded to all demands, and it is expected that in two or three days Admiral Caillaud will cease to occupy the ports of the island of Mitylene.

The Liberal forces have captured the town of Tumaco, about 500 miles south of Panama. They took 400 soldiers, prisoners and captured five or six cannon.

Yuan Shi Kai, the present viceroy of Shan Tung, has been appointed to succeed Li Hung Chang as viceroy of Chi Li.

Financial.

The Burlington has hauled 500,000 pounds of wool out of South Dakota this season.

Bullion amounting to \$11,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England for shipment to South America.

The Commercial Pacific Cable Company has increased its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$3,000,000.

The Argentine wheat exports for season are 29,295,000 bushels, as against 70,705,000 bushels last year; corn, 37,671,000 bushels, as against 23,305,000 bushels.

TO DISPROVE KOCH'S THEORY

A Trained Nurse Becomes a Martyr to Science.

GERMS WERE TAKEN FROM A COW.

The Animal First Given Tuberculosis and Miss King is Inoculated With Infection From It—If Dr. Barney's Statements Are True, the Health Authorities Say He Is Liable to Criminal Prosecution.

New York (Special).—Dr. George D. Barney, who has confirmed the report that he inoculated a young woman with germs taken from a tuberculous cow, expecting to prove by the development of positive symptoms in his subject the falsity of Professor Koch's theory that bovine tuberculosis is not communicable to human beings, denied that there was imminent danger to the patient in his experiment.

Miss Emma H. King, a trained nurse, who offered herself for the demonstration, has formally absolved him from all possible blame should the opposite prove to be the case. Had the subject yielded herself voluntarily it is probable that the Brooklyn department of the Board of Health would have proceeded against Dr. Barney, but it was declared that the official's hands are tied.

"While, of course, there is no gainsaying the fact that a certain danger is attached to the subject," said Dr. Barney at his residence, in Brooklyn, "it must be remembered that the mere appearance of positive tuberculosis symptoms is all that is necessary to demonstrate the incorrectness of Prof. Koch's theory."

"In other words, as soon as the indications of a tuberculosis condition manifest themselves the subject will be put under treatment, and, as she is unusually healthy and possessed of a splendid constitution, there is no reason to suppose she will not be restored to her normal condition."

For several years Dr. Barney has limited his practice to diseases of the chest, and has, he says, met with gratifying results in the treatment of tuberculosis in its earlier stages. It is that fact, he says, which emboldened him to make the experiment. He is confident that his treatment will be efficacious in immediately curing Miss King, should the expected developments take place, but should her case become aggravated he admits he would be as powerless to handle it as would any other physician who believes that well-advanced consumption is incurable.

Miss King is carefully following the physician's orders, pending a result from the experiment. Beyond a general caution regarding her diet and her outdoor exercise, however, she has not been restricted. Her condition is examined twice a day. Miss King is perhaps 28 years old, with a trim figure. She is well educated and vivacious in manner. She lives with her family in Manhattan Borough.

WALLER WINS HARD FIGHT.

Carries a Samar Stronghold After a Long Struggle—Two Americans Killed.

Manila, (By Cable).—Advices from Catagan, capital of Samar Island, report that Major Littleton W. T. Waller attacked a force of natives occupying a strong position at Sojton, two 3-inch guns being used to shell their stronghold.

Throughout the first day the natives held the place, but on the second day Major Waller renewed the attack, and after a desperate engagement carried the position. Privates George Lynch and E. A. Klonan, of the attacking force and 26 Filipinos were killed. Major Waller destroyed 70 houses.

General Smith has issued orders forbidding the purchase of hemp in the Island of Leyte. All the ports in Leyte are closed and traffic is forbidden where it cannot be supervised by the military.

BANK ROBBERS IN THE WEST.

In One Place They Miss \$25,000, in Another They Take \$5,000.

Darien, Wis., (Special).—Robbers made an attempt to loot the Farmers' State Bank here, but were foiled by an overcharge of nitroglycerin.

The vault was wrecked and the front of the building blown out. In the vault was \$5,000 in cash and \$20,000 in negotiable securities, but the robbers were frightened off without securing any plunder and drove away in a buggy.

Scotland, S. D., (Special).—The Bank of Scotland was robbed of \$5,000. The safe was blown and its contents carried away. The explosion aroused residents, who hurried to the building, just in time to see the robbers making their escape on horses.

\$5,000 for a Shorthorn Cow.

Chicago, Ill., (Special).—Ciely, a shorthorn cow, recently of the Queen Victoria herd in England, was sold here for \$5,000 to J. J. Robbins & Sons, of Horace, Ind. The animal cost Queen Victoria \$4,000 a few years ago. Twenty other cows and bulls realized an average price of \$1,320. These are record figures for shorthorn cattle for the past 25 years. The sales were made by W. B. Platt, of Hamilton, Ont., who recently imported the herd from England.

Steam Fitters' Horrible Fate.

Kansas City, Mo., (Special).—Two steamfitters were killed and two others seriously injured by the blowing out of a valve in the water pumping apparatus at the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger packing plant in Armourdale, Kan. Nothing could be done to rescue the men until the flow of steam had exhausted itself. The injured men are in a serious condition.

Wonderful Leap by a Horse.

Chicago, (Special).—At the Horse Show here in the Coliseum the high jumper Hetherbloom, a bay gelding, 6 years old and 16 hands high, owned by Howard Willetts, of White Plains, N. Y., broke the world's indoor record for jumping horses. Hetherbloom cleared the bar at 7 feet 4 1/2 inches. The previous record was made by Rosebery, who made a jump of 7 feet 3 1/2 inches in competition with Filemaker in this city several years ago.

NAVY'S GROWTH.

Rear Admiral Bradford Presents Some Interesting Facts in His Report.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—A striking illustration of the growth of the American Navy is presented in the single statement in the annual report of Rear-Admiral R. B. Bradford, Chief of the Equipment Bureau of the Navy, that he spent \$2,273,111 last fiscal year for 324,108 tons of coal at an average of \$7.01 per ton.

The report says that this was nearly 95,713 more tons of coal than were used during the preceding fiscal year. Ten years ago the coal consumption was 73,000 tons per annum. The domestic coal costs \$6.20 per ton, and the foreign coal, of which there were used 105,066 tons, cost \$8.50 per ton.

Admiral Bradford has scattered American coal all over the world wherever suitable storage could be found. He has placed 12,000 tons at Yokohama and 5,000 tons at Pichilingue, Mexico, and he has sent large quantities to Guam and to the Philippines. He carried 9,000 tons by water from the Atlantic coast to Mare Island, California, where it came into competition with English Cardiff coal. They have averaged the same in cost, viz., \$9.20 per ton, but at present, owing to the scarcity of American freight vessels, the best Cardiff coal is considerably cheaper at Mare Island. It is recommended that two large steam 10,000-ton colliers be built to keep depots supplied in time of peace and to accompany the fleets in time of war.

Summarizing the work accomplished during the year the report takes up Cavite and says that the bureau is about to open bids for a 45,000-ton coaling station there. Efforts have been made to obtain a site for a coaling station at Cebu, but thus far without success. Coaling stations have been located at Port Isabella, Bassalin Island, and at Polloc, Mindanao. A complete station has been established at Yokohama, Japan, and it is now fully stocked with coal. The same station is true at Pichilingue, Mexico, where, through the courtesy of the Mexican Government, coal and colliers of the United States have been admitted to the station without port or customs of any kind.

EARL LI ANGERED BY RUSSIA.

A Violent Dispute Caused the Aged Viceroy's Death.

Pekin, (By Cable).—A violent dispute with M. Paul Lesar, Russian minister to China, over the Manchurian Treaty appears to have been the immediate cause of the death of Li Hung Chang.

The diplomatic events preceding this tragic climax have enabled Japan for a moment to frustrate the designs of Russia. A fortnight ago the Japanese Legation secured a reliable outline of the terms of the treaty, and thereupon demanded that the Chinese plenipotentiaries officially lay before them the text, basing the demand upon the allegation that Japanese interests were involved in any change of the status of Manchuria.

The Chinese plenipotentiaries refused to comply with this demand. Thereupon the Japanese government from Tokio communicated with the Southern viceroys and induced them to use their influence with the Empress Dowager against the treaty. In the meantime the Empress Dowager instructed Li Hung Chang to communicate the treaty, after certain modifications, to the ministers of the powers, and if they did not object to sign the same.

Li Hung Chang visited M. Lesar and explained to him the instructions. The Russian Minister strongly objected to revealing the text of the treaty to the ministers of the other powers, and a stormy interview ensued. Li Hung Chang went home in a violent passion and had a hemorrhage, which the doctors attribute to the overexertion of a weakened system.

GREAT YARDS FOR PITTSBURG.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company, It is Said, Will Spend Millions.

Pittsburg, (Special).—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has in contemplation new yards for freight handling, which will be the largest in the country.

Agents of the company have been taking options on property from Thirteenth to Twenty-third streets, between Liberty and Penn avenues, for the purpose, and it is nearly certain that the blocks will soon be acquired and the yards established. For real estate alone the cost of this improvement will be between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000. This amount, added to the cost of the other improvements—a new union station, elevated tracks, etc.—made by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in this city recently, will make the total \$10,000,000.

The Maccabees Defalcation.

Port Huron, Mich., (Special).—It develops that if Charles D. Thompson, ex-supreme finance keeper of the Supreme Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, who embezzled \$60,000 from the order, is prosecuted, the Maccabee officials will have to take the initiative. By the terms of Thompson's bond with the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Baltimore, which was in force when most of the money was stolen, the organization must apply for the warrant in the event of a defalcation and prosecute, with the assistance of the bonding company. Supreme Councillor D. D. Aitkin has all the necessary papers in his hands, and Thompson's arrest is expected soon.

Thieving Postal Employee.

St. Louis, Mo., (Special).—Samuel Selig, foreman of the city distributing department of the St. Louis postoffice, was arrested, charged with stealing letters. It is stated that 50 letters, some containing money orders, were found on his person.

Conflict at an End.

Constantinople, (By Cable).—M. Bapst, councillor of the French Embassy, has received a satisfactory communication from the Porte regarding the remainder of the French demands. The conflict between France and Turkey may, therefore, be regarded as ended.

To Prohibit Divorces.

Atlanta, Ga., (Special).—A bill has been introduced in the lower house of the legislature prohibiting divorces in Georgia.

USED THE SHERIFF AS A SHIELD

Escaped Convicts in Kansas Capture Their Pursuer.

POSSE WERE FINALLY ELUDED.

Arms Seized by Men Trying to Gain Liberty—Farmer Wooster Wounded—Fruitless Effort to Regain Custody of Two Prisoners Who Had Been Confined at Fort Leavenworth—Mrs. Wooster Fainted During Excitement.

Topeka, Kan., (Special).—Sheriff Cook and Deputy Sheriff Williams, of Shawnee county, were captured at Pauline, five miles from Topeka, by two escaped convicts from the Fort Leavenworth Military Prison and held prisoners for several hours in the farmhouse of a man named Wooster.

The convicts escaped through a line of police sent from Topeka to reinforce the Sheriff. Both were slightly wounded. Wooster was badly wounded by one of them. Mrs. Wooster tried to fire on the convicts, but Sheriff Cook and Deputy Williams were held before the convicts as a shield to make their escape.

At 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon several farm boys living near Pauline learned that the convicts were in the neighborhood. Hastily forming a posse armed with target rifles, pistols and clubs they went in search. Neither of the convicts was armed, and they were unable to make a stand. Later Sheriff Cook and Deputy Williams arrived. Coming upon the convicts both officers fired, wounding the men, but not disabling them.

The convicts then fled through a small opening in the timber and ran into the house of Farmer Wooster. Sheriff Cook telephoned to Topeka for assistance and then took up the chase. Thinking the convicts had run around the house, Cook darted through the open door, intending to surprise them at the rear door. But instead of this the convicts had gone into the house and the officer almost fell into their arms.

Sheriff Cook was ordered to give up his gun, which he did. Deputy Williams by this time had reached the house and entered without knowing what had happened inside, and he, too, was made captive by the convicts.

One of the convicts told Sheriff Cook that he would be killed if he made the slightest move looking toward their capture. In the meantime the policemen on the outside had surrounded the building, but were afraid to make the move lest Cook and Williams would suffer.

Then after exacting a promise from the Sheriff that he would not permit any of the officers outside to fire on them they started for the open. As they left the house the frightened farmer, his wife and the submissive Sheriff before them, the convicts passed between a cordon of police who easily could have captured them and started for the railroad track. The Sheriff in turn had exacted a promise from the police that they would not molest the convicts, and they did not.

After covering a considerable distance down the track the convicts suddenly disappeared through a hedge fence, bidding the officers a mocking farewell.

CHARLESTON'S GREAT FAIR.

Many Exhibitors and Exhibits Already on the Grounds.

Charleston, S. C., (Special).—Exhibitors and concessionaires are coming to Charleston in large numbers, and during the last few days 100 carloads of exhibits have arrived here for the exposition.

Mr. S. C. Meador, president of the New York State Commission, and four other members and employees of the commission reached Charleston Sunday by the steamer Comanche, and Monday 12 members of the advisory board of the architect-in-chief, Mr. Gilbert, will arrive from New York.

The New York commission has come to inspect the New York State Building, and Mr. Gilbert's board to advise with the architect as to the last few finishing touches on the work he has done.

Mr. Huston, architect of the Philadelphia Building, is here also to receive the building from the contractor. It is ready for the Liberty Bell, which will shelter during the exposition. More than 2,000 men are now employed on the exposition grounds, and the Midway city is going up as if by magic. The housing committee of the woman's department has already secured more than 10,000 lodgings for exposition visitors in private families and boarding houses.

INDIAN RELICS TO ORDER.

Missouri Farmer Indicted, Charged With Misusing the Mails.

St. Louis, Mo., (Special).—The Federal grand jury indicted Daniel Levering, a Green county farmer, on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Levering's scheme was a novel one, and his alleged victims were mostly professors of colleges throughout the country, and collectors. Bogus Indian relics of every description—axes, pipes, images and various other curiosities—were produced before the jury by witnesses, who said Levering had told them that he dug them out of mounds thousands of years old, where they had been placed by Indians. Levering's alleged victims purchased large numbers of these "relics," paying large prices for them.

Robbers Dynamite a Bank.

Campbellsburg, Ind., (Special).—A gang of robbers wrecked the Bank of Campbellsburg with nitroglycerine. The noise aroused the citizens, and before the robbers could reach the money in the safe armed citizens drove them from the building. Fifty shots were fired by the citizens, but apparently without effect. The fire was not returned. The robbers escaped.

Fatally Hurt in Football.

Cincinnati, Ohio, (Special).—Two football players were probably fatally hurt in games here. In the game between the University of Cincinnati and the Hanover (Ind.) College, James Kirkpatrick, left halfback of the University of Cincinnati, while making a tackle, had his spine injured and is reported to be in a very serious condition. Louis Runck was also carried off the field during the game between the Newport Xavier College and the Newport High School. Runck was left tackle of the Xavier team and was seriously injured.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Mr. Root Has His Troubles.

Secretary Root is very much perplexed in preparing his annual report on account of the delay in receiving the report of the Philippine Commission.

The commission's report, together with a special envoy sent to the Philippines to report on the banking and currency conditions of the island, left Manila on the transport Sheridan. Two weeks ago the Sheridan broke down in Japan and the Warren was ordered to bring her passengers and important mail. A few days ago the Warren broke down, and the Hancock has just sailed from Manila to take her place.

These accidents will prevent the report of the Philippine Commission, as well as the report of the special representative on currency, from reaching Secretary Root in time to be used in his annual report. Meanwhile he is using such information as has already been prepared in the Bureau of Insular Affairs, but it is likely that a supplemental report will be made by the Secretary, covering the Philippines and based upon the commission's report.

Great Change at West Point.

Secretary Root has just issued an order changing the regulations relative to admission to West Point so that the Academic Board may accept candidates who are graduates of high schools or students of colleges and universities without requiring them to pass the mental examination prescribed by the Department.

The important paragraph added is: "The Academic Board will consider, and may accept, in lieu of the regular mental entrance examination the properly attested examination papers of an appointee who receives his appointment to a public competitive examination, or the properly attested certificate of graduation from a public high school in which the course of study covers the range of subjects heretofore prescribed for candidates, or a properly attested certificate that the candidate is a regular student of any incorporated college or university."