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First Arms for the Insurgents

United States Transport Sails Well Armed and Equipped—Dorst in Command.

TAMPA, May 11.—The United States transport Gussie sailed from here late yesterday afternoon with a party of Cubans, 7000 rifles, 250,000 rounds of ammunition, 80 pack mules and two companies of the First infantry under Captain Dorst, for the Cubans. The insurgents have been notified to meet them at a certain point on the coast. The Gussie is armed with Maxim rapid-fire guns to repel any attack. Similar expeditions will be made under Dorst until one million rounds of ammunition has been landed.

TRIED TO ENTRAP DEWEY'S WARSHIPS

Spanish Priests and Nuns at Cavite Repay the Kindness of the American Commander with Treachery.

HONG KONG, May 10.—A fresh example of Spanish treachery seems to have come to light. It is said here that priests and Sisters of Charity of Cavite hospital, in a procession, bearing crosses, etc., petitioned Admiral Dewey not to massacre the sick and wounded, which naturally he did not do. The Spaniards, it is asserted, thereupon thanked the Americans for their humanity, and repaid them by informing them of a narrow channel which they said was not mined, while the broad channel, they explained, was fully mined. Investigation of the part of the Americans revealed the contrary to be the case, and the mines were blown up by the sailors of the American fleet.

Admiral Montejó is reported to have been killed by the populace after having escaped from Cavite. It is asserted here that Admiral Dewey finds the insurgents at the Philippines growing dangerous. He cannot control them, nor can he enable the Spaniards to do so. Massacres are said to have occurred outside Manila, the insurgents killing Spanish women and children.

FORCED TO KISS THE FLAG

A Foreigner Who Aired His Views Too Freely is Brought to Grief.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—A man named Rothermel, who was one of the members of the Percy Edward's expedition to the Manless Isles of the South Sea, was forced to kiss the American colors in a restaurant at 239 O'Farrell street last night. He had expressed his disgust and contempt for America and a stranger who sat near struck him in the face. A row ensued and the crowd compelled Rothermel to kneel down and kiss the American flag under the penalty of being severely thrashed. He complied with their wishes immediately.

SPANISH SPY'S FATE IS SEALED

George Downing, the Spanish Spy, is to Suffer the Death Penalty.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—George Downing—alias Henry Rawlins—the Spanish spy, who was arrested a few days ago by Chief John Wilkie, of the secret service, is in the custody of the military authorities. Chief Wilkie says that his conviction is certain. He will be hanged, instead of shot, as was stated at the time of his capture.

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THE PHILIPPINE REBELS RECKLESS

Their Utter Disregard for the Spaniards Caused the Massacre—Sixty or Seventy Captured and Shot.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—The recent dealing with the Spanish officials, in which their leaders have received large sums as peace offerings, have made the Philippine rebels reckless. Mail advices received show that the recent massacre of insurgents at Manila was due to their own fool-hardiness in holding a meeting right in the Spanish stronghold. Another evidence of their disregard for Spanish soldiers is shown in the fact that all rebels wore conspicuous badges indicating their allegiance to the insurgent cause. There were about 150 men at the meeting, which was held in a house in the Calle de Camba. A civil guard opened fire upon the rebels, and at the same time burst open the doors of the house. The rebels offered a stout resistance with long knives and axes, but the volleys of the guard soon settled the matter, eleven rebels being killed, eight of the guards wounded, two of whom have since died. Subsequently sixty or seventy persons were captured and shot without a moment's notice.

From declarations of prisoners it appears that the rebels were sent into Manila to set fire to the town in several places, and during the panic 400 rebels, who were in San Maletto hills, were to swoop down on the city and capture it.

REBELS CANNOT BE RESTRAINED

Proclamation Issued By the Rebel Chief Calling Upon All Insurgents to Obey Dewey's Orders.

NEW YORK, May 11.—A copyrighted dispatch to the Evening World, dated Hong Kong, today says:

The Philippines rebel chief, General Aguinaldo, has issued a proclamation ordering the insurgents of Manila to obey the orders of Commodore Dewey and United States Consul Williams. Killing still goes on in the outlying districts, where the natives are revenging themselves on priests and local Spanish authorities in spite of the proclamation.

Wealthy Philippine families who are leaving Hong Kong for Manila daily appear before consul Wildman here and ask to be allowed to take the oath of allegiance to the United States. The powerful Cortes family insisted on having their prayers for citizenship telegraphed to President McKinley, and offer their places in Manila for the accommodation of the American officers.

NO MONEY TO BUY SUPPLIES

Provisions and Especially Wheat are Scarce at Madrid.

MADRID, May 10.—The government intends to insist that the cortes sit continuously until war measures are adopted. The minister of finance has declared that until credits are voted it is impossible to meet the demands for ammunition and provisions for Cuba, Porto Rico, the Balearic islands and Canary islands, or obtain a necessary stock of coal.

Bianco has cabled an urgent request for considerable supplies of provisions, which the government cannot dispatch until the cortes votes the measures. The authorities are greatly concerned about provisions. It is estimated that the stock of wheat will be consumed inside of a month in Madrid, and measures are being taken to purchase wheat abroad.

The broad riots at Alicante which began yesterday, continued all night, woman taking a prominent part in the work of destruction. The rioters paraded the streets demanding cheaper bread and other necessities of life. A strong force of gendarmes was sent to the scene and a charge was made upon the mob which was temporarily dispersed. The rioters reformed and attacked and burned all the bonded warehouses, after possessing themselves of the wheat in store.

A CHANGE IN WAR PROGRAM

The Volunteers From Six More States West of the Mississippi to Be Mobilized at San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Measures were decided upon by the president and the army officials today indicating that the government attaches unexpected importance to operations in the Philippines. An order has been issued directing that all the troops from six additional states west of the Mississippi, which were intended for mobilization at Chickamauga and Washington, be placed in readiness to move as soon as possible to San Francisco. It was decided to make General Merritt military governor of the Philippines.

A new phase is given to the naval situation on account of the reported re-appearance of the Spanish fleet on the other side of the Atlantic, and has led army administration to prepare for the shifting of the principal scene of action on to the Philippines.

It has been thought unsafe to leave the naval force and 5,000 troops at Manila without a possibility of sending reinforcements quickly. The fear that Spain might send a powerful fleet against Dewey has caused the extra mobilization of the Pacific force of 10,000 in addition to the first relief force.

Merritt will receive instructions tomorrow and start immediately for San Francisco.

ISLANDS WILL BE INVADED

General Merritt Will Rank as Brigadier General and Lead the Invasion of the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The president has appointed General Weyley Merritt, of the United States regular army, to command the volunteers from the Pacific coast. General Merritt will rank as brigadier-general and will lead an infantry invasion against the Philippines. He has been appointed governor-general of the islands and as soon as possible will establish his position at Manila. He has been ordered to report at San Francisco at once and to assume full control of the volunteers as soon as possible.

According to the plans of the president and the war department General Merritt will thus have charge of fully 10,000 troops.

The quota of California volunteers is now complete. Two battalions were mustered into the service and marched to the Presidio this afternoon. A company of heavy artillery went into temporary quarters at Fontana warehouse near Fort Mason this morning and there is now not a blue coat to be seen in the city proper.

A FEUD ENDS SERIOUSLY

Melvin Green Shot and Killed at Bingham Springs.

PENDLETON, May 12.—Melvin Green, a young man 27 years of age, was shot by Sam Maffey at Bingham Springs at 11:45 last night. The shooting was the result of a feud of fourteen years standing, caused by Green filing upon some land which Maffey had squatted upon. Three shots were fired—one after Green was dead. Maffey will surrender to the sheriff upon the latter's approval. Green is the son of Hess Green the well known stock man and pioneer living on Birch creek, eight miles from Pendleton, and was unmarried.

Maffey is 55 years old, and for a long time has been a resident of the Grande Ronde valley. He lives about six miles from Gibbon station, is a married man and has six children.

STRAYED. From the Chinese garden on Mill creek, one roan horse, 5 years old, branded P on right shoulder. Said horse was purchased on April 27th from B. T. Colling. The party finding and returning said horse will be suitably rewarded. WING HONG HAI & HONG. m9-2w

Sampson Begins Operations

Complete Reduction of San Juan de Porto Rico is Now Predicted.

Sr. THOMAS, Danish West Indies, May 12.—Brief dispatches received here state that ships under Sampson this morning began the bombardment of the fortifications at San Juan de Porto Rico. The big guns of the iron-clads Indiana and Iowa and monitors are said to have caused immense damage and to have quickly silenced the shore batteries. The battleships and monitors were in the van, the cruisers remaining some distance back of the first line. Despite the terrific storm of shells and steel projectiles the Spaniards fought with great persistence until many of their largest guns were hurled from their positions. Last advices state that the bombardment is still being continued with unabated fury while the fire from ashore was but disultory. The early and complete reduction of the fortifications is predicted.

SAN JUAN BOMBARDED

Nine American Warships Reduce the Fortifications at San Juan de Porto Rico in Short Order.

PORS AU PRINCE, May 12.—Nine American warships began the bombardment of the San Juan fortifications today. The squadron arrived before daylight. The battleships Iowa and Indiana opened fire, their first shots striking Morro fort. The guns on the latter were quickly silenced, though they fired a number of heavy shells at the fleet. Morro fleet was torn to pieces by the heavy fire. None of the American ships were hit. The fire from the defence was surprisingly feeble.

There was a general panic among the people when the firing began, and thousands fled from the city in terror.

The city is now at the mercy of the American fleet, which, however has not fired a shot into it and will not do so. Admiral Sampson will endeavor to capture the cable station in order to communicate with his government. It is understood that he has demanded the surrender of the place.

All the foreign consuls have fled from the city. The cruiser Yale has captured a Spanish steamer with a valuable cargo aboard.

GRIM TERROR REIGNS.

Insurgents and Sympathizers are Being Cast into Prison.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, May 12.—Senora Martin, wife of the chief of police of Ponce, has been cast into prison because she was suspected of being in sympathy with the insurgents and Cubans. Two hundred other patriots have been arrested and executions are of frequent occurrence in San Juan. It is reported that over 300 persons have already been shot by the orders of Captain General Nunez. Many families have fled to the interior and to the insurgents camps for safety.

PORTLAND'S POSTAL INCREASE

Ranks Second in Fifty Cities in Increase of Business.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The statement as given out by the postoffice department shows that the postal receipts of Portland aggregate \$16,406 for the month of April and as \$12,934 in April of last year. This is an increase of \$3,472, or 26.6 per cent. Portland now ranks second in per centage in increase in fifty cities.



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ROUGH RIDERS STILL RECRUITING

Latest Acquisitions to Roosevelt's Regiment are 350 Cowboys and 39 Society Swells.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., May 11.—Three hundred and fifty cowboys from New Mexico and thirty-nine society leaders from New York are the latest acquisitions to Roosevelt's riders. Among the men from the East are Craig Wadsworth, one of the best polo players in America; Basil Ricketts, a son of the late General Ricketts, who has served a two years' apprenticeship on a Colorado cattle ranch; Hamilton Fish, Jr., another noted polo player; Horace Devreux, of Colorado Springs, and the Princeton football team; William Tiffany, of New York, a social favorite and leader of cotillions, but who can boast of a long experience of western ranch and range life; Kenneth Robinson, of the Knickerbocker Club; Reginald Ronalds, halfback in the Yale football team, and Hollister, the Harvard sprinter.

There will be about 50 of the college and clubmen in all, but their wealth and influence will secure them no special consideration in the regiment. One of them may get a lieutenant's command and two or three are likely to be made non-commissioned officers, but the rest will serve as troopers on a perfect equality with the rest of the men.

Italian Workmen in Switzerland are Aroused.

BERNE, Switzerland, May 10.—News of an uprising in Milan has greatly excited the Italian workmen who abound in Switzerland. At Lausanne this morning thousands of Italian workmen paraded the streets carrying a red flag draped in crepe. The outbreak of Milan seems to have been fully organized. One of the leaders here exhibited a telegram announcing:

"The revolution is triumphant in Turin. The city has been burned. The men who took part in the demonstration appear to have plenty of money. Many Italians have started for the north of Italy in response to a circular bearing the words 'To the frontier, let us start for Italy.'"

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