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## THE VICTORY IS COMPLETE

The Indications That the Entire Republican State Ticket Is Elected Overwhelmingly.

## GEER LEADS THEM ALL

The Race Between Dunbar and Kincaid Is Close, But the Clatsop Man Is Considered Safe--Geer Is Elected By a Majority of Fully 5,000 Votes.

PORTLAND, June 8.—3:00 a. m.—The count of the election returns in the outlying counties of the state is proving slow. Complete returns have been received here from but one, Sherman, and the result there is a Republican land slide. The returns from Douglas county indicate the election of the fusion candidates by small majorities.

In Yamhill Republican majorities are assured for the entire state and county ticket with possibly one or two exceptions.

In Marion county also the Republicans have swept everything, with the exception of two or three county officers.

In Josephine fusion has apparently carried the day, as it has also done in Coos. Geer for governor is undoubtedly safe, with a majority of from five to six thousand.

Dunbar has probably polled a majority of the votes in the state, although several up-valley counties which are noted for being fusion strongholds have gone for Kincaid. The result of the contest for this office will probably be decided by the vote in Clatsop.

The other Republican candidates on the state ticket are probably all safe, although Geer will lead them all as regards the numerical strength of his majority.

Up to 3 o'clock 8700 votes on state senator had been reported at Republican headquarters. Simon's vote a little exceeded 3800 votes; Hume's vote was a little short of 3400, the remainder scattering. Simon's plurality up to that hour was 434, and constantly growing. It would appear that he has been elected by 5000 to 8000. About 6000 ballots are yet to be counted.

## SANTIAGO FORTS NOW IN RUINS

Warships of Captain Sampson's Fleet Riddle the Fortifications With Shot and Shell in Three Hours.

## SPANISH SHIPS FIRED UPON

Spanish Forces Attacked the American Expedition and a Pitched Battle Ensued in Which the Spaniards Were Defeated.

CAPE HAYTIEN, June 7.—Fighting before and in the vicinity of Santiago continued the greater part of yesterday from 7:45 a. m. until nearly 11. Ten warships maintained a steady and carefully directed fire against Morro castle and the batteries at Punta Gordo, So-

capa and Cinnomeres, in addition to bombarding the Spanish fleet in the harbor. The percentage of effective projectiles was very large.

It appears from the best information obtainable at this place from the cable station connecting with Santiago, that immense damage was inflicted on the enemy. The Spaniards admit that the bombardment by the American fleet was most destructive. About 1600 projectiles are said to have been fired by the Americans, and it seems the responsive fire from the Spanish forts and ships was scarcely felt at all.

The fortifications near the entrance to the harbor are described as being riddled with solid shot and shattered by the explosion of immense shells fired by the American battle-ships. The Spanish batteries are understood to have been virtually silenced and El Morro and the fortifications at Socapa and Punta Gorda are reported to have been demolished by three hours' unintermitted hammering of the fleet. The American attack is said to have been specially directed against Agudores, a small town a little to the east of the entrance to Santiago bay.

The idea of the American admiral, it appears, was to land troops there after reducing the defense of the place, and thence to make a close assault upon Santiago, which, in view of the present conditions of the fortifications, may be expected to yield very soon after the beginning of such an attack. A heavy cannonade was opened upon Agudores about midday yesterday.

The latest advices received from Spanish sources do not indicate the duration of the fire or whether the American

troops and siege guns were actually landed at Agudores, but from information obtainable, it cannot be doubted that the net result of Monday's fighting was extremely disastrous to the Spanish defenses.

It is also understood that the Cuban troops maintained throughout the greater part of yesterday an attack by land upon Santiago, and Spanish reports say the garrison lost heavily in killed and wounded.

The military commander of Santiago acknowledges the loss of six Spanish officers and many soldiers. He also admits severe loss of naval forces. The loss on the American side, Santiago reports say, is not known. The Spaniards acknowledge that a great deal of damage was inflicted on the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, and say Morro castle shows great gaping breaches in its walls.

Later in the day, it appears, a landing of American troops was effected near Daiquiri, some distance east of Agudores and near the railroad station connecting with Santiago. An engagement took place between an American force and a column of Spanish troops sent against the landing party. Accounts of the battle obtainable here being from Spanish sources do not set forth the result, and therefore it is inferred that the Americans were victorious.

There is a report current here that the first-class armored Spanish cruiser Maria Teresa was sunk by the fire of the American ships. It is said that only 500 American troops were landed at Daiquiri or possibly at Agudores, the two places being confused in reports reaching here. It seems to be admitted that the American soldiers were so accurate that the Spanish were compelled to flee from the fortifications they were defending.

## WENT THROUGH WITH A WHOOP

Republican State and Congressional Tickets Safe and With Votes to Spare. Majorities are Heavy.

PORTLAND, June 8.—Late election returns from the outside counties prove conclusively that the entire Republican state and congressional tickets have been elected, and that there will be a Republican majority of forty in the next legislature on joint ballot, thus assuring the election of an unopposed Republican United States senator.

Geer's majority for governor will, judging from present indications, be not less than 10,000, and it will not be surprising if it considerably exceeds that figure.

Dunbar, for secretary of state, has a plurality up to the present over Kincaid of over 5000. This figure may be to some extent reduced when complete returns are in, but a majority of not less than 4000 for the Clatsop man is assured.

For state superintendent of schools, Ackerman leads Lyman by over 5000. These figures will probably not be materially altered by subsequent returns.

All the other candidates on the state ticket are elected by heavy majorities.

Moody's majority in the second congressional district is fully 6000, and is likely to exceed that figure by several hundred.

In the first congressional district Tongue defeats Veatch by between 2000 and 3000.

## SPAIN'S EFFORTS ARE ALL FUTILE

Unable to Secure a Loan Abroad Once Again She Turns to the Bank of Spain for Funds.

NEW YORK, June 8.—A dispatch to the World from Madrid says:

All negotiations for a foreign loan have failed, and the minister of finance has arranged with the Bank of Spain for more funds to be guaranteed by a re-issuance of Portuguese loans. The bank will take from its gold cash in hand money to pay for government war stores and ammunition. War material is largely imported from France and Germany.

There are strong rumors again of an intrigue between the vatican and the Austrian court to bring about a concert of mediation this summer.

## MORE TRANSPORTS FOR MANILA

Many More Vessels for the Transportation of Troops to the Philippines Have Been Secured.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Assistant Meikeljohn has chartered the steamships Indiana, Morgan City and City of Para for the transportation of troops to the Philippines, and has closed a contract for the Victoria, Olympia and Arizona, of the North Pacific steamship line, and secured the privilege of acquiring the Tacoma and Columbia, if needed, all five on condition that they are given American register. He also has ordered pressed into service the Senator, Queen and City of Puebla, of the Pacific Steamship Company, if found satisfactory.

At Chickamauga Park.

CHICKAMAUGA, National Park, June 8.—The usual hard drills and maneuvers are employing the various regiments of General Brook's big volunteer army today. The temperature continues high. What the whole army is now praying for is a hard rain. The dust is increasing daily and unless the rain soon comes will become an almost unbearable nuisance. A movement is now on foot to have the president and such of his cabinet officers as can accompany him inspect a part of the army on the Fourth of July.

## VIZCAYA AND FUROR BADLY INJURED

Shells From Sampsons Warships Created Havoc Among Cervera's Vessels.

## SINKING OF THE REINA MERCEDES CONFIRMED

One Officer, Five Sailors and Twenty-Nine Marines Were Killed.

NEW YORK, June 8.—A special from Kingston, Jamaica, reports that the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya and the torpedo-boat destroyer Furor were badly damaged during the bombardment of Monday. A shell from the Brooklyn is said to have burst under the Vizcaya's port quarter, dismounting a gun, injuring the cruiser's rudder and wounding several sailors.

The Reina Mercedes Destroyed. MADRID, June 8.—The following semi-official report was published here today, purporting to give an account of the bombardment of Santiago by the American fleet on Monday last:

"The American navy under Sampson fiercely attacked Santiago, and a bloody encounter resulted. The Americans made three attacks on the Spanish marine and land batteries, which replied. As a consequence the Americans were repulsed with heavy losses, estimated at 1500 men. The American projectiles, however, sank the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, and one officer, five sailors and twenty-four marines on board were killed.

Spanish Losses at Santiago. MADRID, June 8.—A dispatch from Havana from Spanish sources says: "The Americans were again repulsed at the last bombardment of Santiago." According to official Spanish dispatches the exact losses of the Spaniards at Santiago, Monday, were as follows: Land forces, one officer killed and five officers wounded. Sea forces, one officer and twenty-four marines killed, and one officer and eleven sailors wounded.

Terror Again Reported Sunk. NEW YORK, June 8.—Several local papers publish dispatches from the West Indies stating that a Spanish torpedo-boat destroyer, supposed to be the Terror, was sunk on Monday near the mouth of Santiago harbor.

## THE OREGON A MODEL WARSHIP

Her Recent Celebrated Trip From San Francisco to Key West no Surprise to Her Constructors.

NEW YORK, June 8.—Irving M. Scott, the builder of the battleship Oregon, sailed for Europe on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. He goes to St. Petersburg, it is said, to seek contracts for warships from the Russian government. The builder of the Oregon arrived in this city May 30th, after spending several days in Washington. There he was overwhelmed with praise of the Oregon's achievement. President McKinley was among those who congratulated him.

"The Oregon represents the best type of battleship this country has yet built," said Mr. Scott. "It was desired to have something to fight with after the big guns in the turrets had been destroyed, hence eight guns in turrets forward and aft were introduced. The Royal Sovereign class, which England built, had 13-inch guns in barbettes forward and aft and ten six-inch rapid-fires, five on each side. Only four of these broadside guns were protected, and if it lost its big guns it would only have the six-inch ones to protect itself with.

It would make. It is not the first ship we have built that proved its ability to make such a trip and be in first-class condition on its arrival, ready for any duty assigned it. At the time of the naval review at Hampton Roads the San Francisco made a similar run and needed no repairs when it was over, as the engineer's report on file at Washington will show.

## READY FOR TARGET PRACTICE

Troops of Camp Merritt Will Shoot on the Presidio Ranges.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.—Preparatory to their departure for Manila the men of the Colorado and Pennsylvania regiments have been supplied with ammunition for target practice. All the troops now in camp will shoot over the Presidio ranges in turn, beginning tomorrow.

The Utah cavalry is armed with heavy trenchment knives, instead of sabers. The knives are about a foot long, and their blades are as wide as the base of a mason's trowel. They are very formidable weapons at close quarters. Contributions to the Red Cross now amount to \$40,530.