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VOLUNTEER GENERALS DISCHARGED

The President Reduces the Official List.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON UNSELFISH

Showing in His Request to Withdraw His Name From the List of Rewards for Gallantry.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—By direction of the president the order has been issued mustering out a large number of staff officers of the volunteer army. The officers named will relieve their aides and order them to join their regiments. Brigadier General McKibben will proceed to Columbus barracks, Ohio, and assume command of that post. Other officers, exclusively of the volunteer army, will proceed to their homes, while those of the permanent establishment will join their regiments.

It should be explained that the reduction in the list of general officers made by today's order is not sufficient in itself to meet the demands of the existing law. There must be a further cut, in fact, the list of major generals and brigadier generals remaining must be reduced by ten altogether, in order to bring the list down to nineteen, permitted by the strength of the regular army. In effecting this reduction it is the intention to reduce some of the major generals to the rank of brigadier generals instead of mustering them out of the service. Also in the case of some of the brigadier generals yet to be dropped, it will doubtless be found that, instead of being mustered out of the United States service entirely, some of the officers, who hold lower positions in the regular army, will return to their former regimental and staff places.

The major generals who retain their volunteer commissions at present are Wade, Shafter, Otis, Wilson, Fitzhugh Lee, Wheeler, Batts, Young, Lawton, Chaffee, Anderson, MacArthur, and Ludlow. The brigadier generals remaining are Frank, Williston, Carpenter (L. H.), Davis, Kehwan, Hall, Hashbrouck, Sanger, Kline, Gilmore, Ernest, Wheaton, King, Grant, H. G. Otis, Andrews, Hughes, Colby, Wood, Ewers, Overthins, Reeves and Combs.

It is not contemplated to make any more changes in the volunteer army generals and staff officers at present. Under the law the officers mustered out today must be retained until the proclamation of peace is issued, so most of the discharges take the date of May 12.

Sampson is Unselfish.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Secretary Long has received a letter from Rear Admiral Sampson, in which the admiral, after referring to the allegations that the list of officers, recommended for promotion for gallantry off Santiago, had failed of confirmation, because it included his name, asked the secretary to immediately re-appoint these officers, omitting his own name.

Secretary Long will not accept the suggestion made by Rear Admiral Sampson in his letter, and make recess appointments of officers who had failed of confirmation at the last session of congress. The matter will be allowed to remain just as it stands until the next congress meets, and then all of the nominations will be sent in precisely as they stood at the end of the last session.

Ratification of the Peace Treaty.

MADRID, March 14.—Correspondence says the cabinet has advised the queen regent to ratify the treaty of peace with the United States immediately without awaiting the re-assembling of the cortes.

Dewey May Come Soon.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Admiral Dewey will be in Washington on May 20, if the plans of a committee of prominent citizens here do not fail. An imposing delegation will wait upon the secretary of the navy and ask him to authorize the

admiral to accept an invitation from the City of Washington during the festival to be held here during the latter part of May.

Secretary Long will refer the request to the president at Thomasville, and if he gives it his approval, Admiral Dewey will no doubt accept and be here in time.

ENEMY LOSES VERY HEAVILY

Rebel Avenue of Communication North and South Is Now Closed by a Cordon of American Troops.

MANILA, March 14.—6:30 p. m.—Brigadier-General Wheaton's column advanced today beyond Pasig to the shore of Laguna de Bay, sweeping everything before it. The enemy made a running fight and suffered severe loss.

The rebels' avenue of communication north and south is now closed, the American cordon stretching over a mile from the river to the lake. The rebels are in force at Pateros and Taguig.

Two of yesterday's wounded, Private Stewart, of the Twentieth infantry, and Private Munson, of Twenty-second infantry, are dead.

Otis Reports the Results.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—The following cablegram from Otis was received at the war department today:

Manila, March 14.—Until yesterday the field operations here since the capture of Calocan had been of a minor nature, consisting of driving back small bands of insurgents with a considerable loss to the latter.

Yesterday General Wheaton, with the Twentieth and Twenty-second infantry, Oregon and Washington troops, a section of the Sixth artillery and a squadron of the Fourth cavalry, attacked a large force of the enemy, drove them back and took the line of the Pasig river, which he now holds.

Two improvised gunboats in the lake have captured considerable property. The insurgent loss was heavy. Our own killed and wounded aggregates thirty-five, mostly slightly wounded. The insurgents made no determined stand.

Otis.

WARSHIPS IN CONSTRUCTION

The Statement of Chief Naval Constructor Hickborn.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Rear Admiral Hickborn, chief naval constructor, in his statement of work accomplished on the vessels now building for the navy, shows that there are now actually under construction, or already contracted for, fifty-one vessels of various types, ranging from battleships to torpedo boats.

The Maine, Missouri and Ohio had not been started on the date of the report. The sheathed cruiser Albany, purchased in England on the stocks, is advanced eighty per cent toward completion. Of the torpedo boats, the Dahlgren, at Bath, Me., stands ninety-four per cent, and the Fox, Wolf & Zwickler's completed; the Craven at Bath, at ninety per cent, and the others range all the way down to nothing.

The submarine boat Plunger stands at eighty-five per cent, and two tug, the Pennacook and the Watucket, at New York and Mare island, respectively at ninety-five per cent.

The Population Growing.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 13.—Work on Davidson's sawmill continues. Nineteen men have arrived from La Crosse, and twenty more will come this week. Their families will follow as soon as houses can be secured to accommodate them.

Pope is Ill Again.

LONDON, March 14.—A special dispatch from Rome announces that the pope has suffered a renewal of fainting fits, but it is added that his physicians do not regard his condition as serious.

He Footed the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton Druggists. 4

FILIPINOS SUFFER A BAD DEFEAT

Three Thousand Moved Down on the Towns and Were Driven Out.

REBELS LOSSES VERY HEAVY

Four Hundred Rebel Prisoners Were Taken, of Whom the Washington Regiment Captured Three Hundred and Fifty.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The following dispatch from General Otis has been received:

"Manila, March 15.—Three thousand insurgents moved down last night to the towns of Pasig and Pateros on the shore of Laguna de Bay, fringing Wheaton's troops on the Pasig river line. By heavy fighting Wheaton has dislodged and driven them back, taking 400 prisoners and inflicting heavy losses in killed and wounded. He reports his losses only moderate. He now occupies these towns with sufficient force to hold them. Otis."

MANILA, March 15, 4:45 p. m.—General Wheaton, commanding the United States flying column, attacked and defeated a force of 3000 Filipinos at Pasig this afternoon, inflicting heavy loss upon them. The Americans captured 350 Filipinos. Many bodies of rebels killed in the engagement are floating down the river. The American loss was slight.

6:55 p. m.—Private Fornoff, of the Twentieth infantry was killed today. Private Newman of the Twentieth infantry and Privates Carroll, Marshall, Coombs and Rogers, of the Twenty-Second infantry were wounded.

About 350 Filipinos surrendered at the town of Taguig to the Washington volunteers, and 175 Filipinos were captured at Pasig by the Twentieth infantry. Our troops found 106 dead Filipinos and 100 new graves near Pasig. The prisoners were unarmed, and therefore it is presumed they executed their threats of throwing their arms into the river.

LONDON, March 16.—The Evening News this afternoon publishes the following from Manila: General Wheaton has completely routed the Filipinos, and has occupied Pasig, Taguig and Pateros. Several hundred of the enemy were killed and as many were captured. General Otis says this the greatest victory since February 5th. The Americans will now press toward Aguinaldo's headquarters.

Among the casualty list are found the following names:

Second Oregon—Company B, Private Walter Ervin, foot (moderate).

First Washington—Company E, Private Van Buekirk, killed.

Second Oregon—Wounded—Company D, Private Alfred O. Carden, chest (severe); Company F, W. D. B. Dodson, slightly; Company E, Charles J. Olson, foot (severe).

SHEEP OF KLIKITAT

There Will Not Be a Wether for Sale This Spring.

GOLDENDALE, March 14.—"Jaek" Lee, a typical sheepherder, who has been a trusty shepherd over Klickitat flocks for nearly twenty years arrived in Goldendale last evening from the Horse Heaven ranges. The veteran sheepherder says there will not be a wether for sale this year from Klickitat flocks, east of Rock creek. He says that the buyers gathered in all the marketable wethers in that section last fall. He says sheep went through the winter in good shape, but the feeding period was

longer than he ever knew in Klickitat. The 2000 head under his care were given daily about two tons of rye hay with a half-ton of barley. The older sheep were given the most attention as to the grain feed. And it was only up to last week he killed on an average of one coyote a day. Further he says it is one of the most aggravating scenes he ever witnessed to see a number of coyotes skulking about watching a band of starving horses, and the instant one would get down and could not get up, a coyote would quickly have the helpless animal's blood flowing from the jugular vein, and in a few hours the dead animal would be utterly devoured. The old herder has great feeling for the poor, starving horses, and says he dispatched a number of the devils that were pursuing the horses.

BACK FROM THE NORTH

Louis Nobel Tells of Conditions at the Lakes Beyond Skagway.

OREGON CITY, March 13.—Louis Nobel returned last night from the lakes beyond Skagway, in Alaska, where he was carrying on a freighting business. The recent extreme cold weather, with the thermometer fifty degrees below zero, and the unsettled conditions caused by the strict enforcement of the Canadian alien mining laws in the Atlin district, and the railroad strike on the line being constructed from Skagway to the lakes, caused him to return home for awhile. Mr. Nobel stated that the alien laws are strictly enforced in the Atlin district, and none but Canadians are permitted to work there. He also states that business is in an unsettled condition in that part of Alaska on account of 1500 railroad laborers quitting work when a cut in wages was announced on March 1. The men were working during the extreme cold weather, suffering frozen extremities, etc., for thirty-five cents per hour.

Tension is Severe.

HAVANA, March 15.—The report of the resignation of Civil Governor Mora is untrue. A certain nervous tension and uneasy restlessness, especially during the evening, is noticeable in the vicinity of Central Park, where they congregate and talk politics. The police do not allow groups to assemble, and are dispersing them. Another Gomez manifestation has been planned for this afternoon, and it is said that the Cuban officers will organize a manifestation in favor of the Cuban military assembly, which, if it takes place, will probably lead to a clash between the opposing factions. In fact, some people declare such a conflict cannot be avoided.

General Gomez conferred with General Brooke from about noon today.

The Junta Patriótica dissolved, passing resolutions of adherence to Gomez.

Drought is Broken.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—The drought which has threatened the loss of millions of dollars to the state has been broken by a rain storm which promises to continue for several days. Nearly an inch has already been distributed over the Sacramento valley. Reports show that both grain and fruit crops are in excellent condition throughout the big valley.

Only a trace of rain has fallen in the southern coast counties but there, as elsewhere, indications point to a big rain storm, where it is needed more than in any other part of the state.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—It has been raining here steadily for the past 24 hours, and the storm has become general throughout the state.

That Throbbing Headache

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How to Prevent Pneumonia.

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MAY DISSOLVE CUBAN ASSEMBLY

Brooks Instructed to Treat With Gomez as Representing the Cubans.

TROUBLE FEARED AT HAVANA

Supporters of Gomez and the Assembly Have Each Arranged for Demonstrations to be Given and a Clash Seems Unavoidable.

CHICAGO, March 15.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: Discretionary authority has been given to Major-General Brooke, governor-general of Cuba, to dissolve the Cuban assembly. From the tone of General Brooke's dispatches, officials expect that he will immediately avail himself of the authority invested in him.

Such action will be the first interference of the government of the United States with the persons styling themselves the representatives of the Cuban people, and if it occurs it will be entirely due to the illegal and unjustifiable acts of those persons.

Furthermore, Gen. Brooke will recognize General Gomez as the representative of the Cuban people until such time as the national assembly of Cuba shall be organized. He will be consulted on all points relative to the welfare of Cuba, and General Brooke will continue to show him the deference due his position as the recognized leader of the Cubans.

REBELS LOST A HUNDRED MEN

Americans Lost Two Men Killed and Twelve Wounded—Otis Reports a Change for the Better in Conditions at Many of the Islands.

MANILA, March 16.—5:55 p. m.—The first battalion of the Twentieth infantry regiment has advanced from Pasig, clearing the country to Cainta, a well-defended village of 700 inhabitants, five miles northwest of the foothills.

The troops first encountered the rebel outpost in the dense jungle on the bank of the river. The enemy was dislodged after half an hour's fighting. The Americans advanced in splendid manner, under heavy fire, until they were ready to volley the rebels from the trenches. The latter had a great advantage, and dropped a number of our men. The Americans charged across the rice fields, making four advances on the enemy, who numbered 1000 men, 500 of whom were entrenched, and in the face of a cross fire.

Our troops carried the town after four hours of fighting and burned the outskirts, the rebels firing from the windows and keeping up a running fire in the streets. The Americans then withdrew to obtain more ammunition.

The rebels lost about 100 men and the American loss was two killed and twelve wounded.

Satisfactory Progress.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The following from Otis was received at the war department today:

Manila, March 16.—Reports from Ho-

to indicate an improvement and less activity on the part of the insurgents. Reports from Negros are most encouraging. The inhabitants are enthusiastic. Quiet prevails throughout the island, and Colonel Smith is directing affairs in framing the internal government.

Cebu is quiet. Business is progressing under United States protection.

Reports from Samar and Leyte indicate the desire of the inhabitants for United States troops. These islands will be occupied.

The insurgents' control is confined to Luzon, and the occupation of the Pasig river line with control of Laguna de Bay.

GREAT NORTH-ERN WRECKS

Three in Twelve Hours in Eastern Washington—A Conductor Loses His Life.

SPokane, March 15.—Frank R. Pellett, a Great Northern freight conductor, was killed early this morning at Adrian, twenty miles west of Spokane. He was on the caboose, into which a light locomotive crashed. The caboose was crushed to pieces, and two cars were derailed. Conductor Pellett leaves a widow and two children. The remains will be shipped to Willmar, Minn.

In the twelve hours preceding this accident two other wrecks occurred on the Great Northern. A west bound passenger train collided with a rotary near the switchback. The baggage-car and smoker telescoped, but nobody was hurt. Early Tuesday evening a freight train crossing the switchback broke in two and two cars were derailed.

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EDITOR JOSEPH MEDILL DEAD

Veteran Editor and Proprietor of the Chicago Tribune Expired at San Antonio, Tex., This Morning.

CHICAGO, March 16.—Word was received here today from San Antonio, Tex., that Joseph Medill, proprietor of the Chicago Tribune, died there early this morning.

(Joseph Medill was born in New Brunswick, Canada, April 6, 1823. He went to Ohio when a boy and worked on his father's farm until he was 21 years old. He afterwards studied law and began practice at New Philadelphia, O. He was owner of a free soil and whig newspaper in Cleveland, O. He bought an interest in the Chicago Tribune in 1855, of which he became editor. In 1870 he was a member of the Illinois constitutional convention. He was appointed a member of the first civil service commission by President Grant in the same year was elected mayor of Chicago.)

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