

THE OREGON WILL TAKE PART

It is Expected That Moro Castle Will Be Reduced in Twenty-Four Hours.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The Oregon has been directed to make all possible speed towards Key West, and she is now expected to reach the rendezvous between Key West and Cuba in time to take part in the bombardment. It can be stated positively that the forts guarding the entrance to the harbor of Havana will not be shelled until everything is in readiness for a combined attack of the navy and military forces. When shelling does begin, it will probably be the most furious bombardment that ever occurred in the history of ancient or modern warfare.

The Iowa, Indiana, Oregon, Puritan and Terror together throw from their big guns twenty shots at a single discharge, averaging about a thousand pounds each. Should the entire fleet engage in the bombardment, which is highly probable, the total weight of the steel hurled against Moro castle will approximate something like 75,000 pounds at each time the batteries are discharged. American gunners have demonstrated their skillfulness, not alone in Manila, but at target practice, which is the great secret of their marksmanship.

There will be no repetition of the siege of Vicksburg, when hundreds of tons of mortar shells were thrown into that city without any apparent damage. Rifled cannon and steel shells have made modern gunnery far more deadly and destructive in its effect than was the case in the days of the old smooth bore; and the practice which the fleet has had along the Cuban coast shows clearly that at least seventy-five per cent of the shells used reached their destination. It is the belief of naval experts that Moro's guns can be silenced in twenty-four hours.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO LAND

The American Forces Repelled by the Spaniards in Attempting to Land Men and Ammunition in Cuba.

HAVANA, via Jamaica, May 12.—Four American vessels, which have taken a position off Cienfuegos on the south coast, opened a heavy fire on the town early this morning. A number of steam launches simultaneously left the ships' sides and were towing barges and landing men and arms. The Spanish troops hastened to the shore and assisted by the guns at the lighthouse and two pieces of artillery, drove off the invaders. Four Spaniards were wounded and the cable station was destroyed by the American fire. After the invaders withdrew they took a fresh position on the other side at the entrance to the bay and reopened fire. They later reattempted to land, towing the barges into a small river. The Spanish troops, however, again prevented their getting ashore. Altogether four Spaniards were wounded. The Americans must have sustained considerable loss. The fighting lasted for eight hours.

FORCES FOR THE PHILIPPINES

The American Forces Repelled By the Spanish While Attempting to Land an Expedition.

MADRID, May 11.—It is officially declared that a formidable expedition is being organized to expel Dewey from

the Philippine islands. General Correo, minister of war, has solemnly pledged himself to have 10,000 seasoned troops ready to embark for the Philippines at the end of the present week. They will be taken to their destination by seven transport ships, which will be convoyed by a powerful squadron of warships commanded by Admiral Camamara.

AMERICAN SHIP FIRED UPON

The Erastus Does Not Obey the Orders to Heave to, and a Patrol Boat Sends a Shot Through Her Bow.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 11.—The passenger steamer Erastus Corning, of the Starin line, was today fired upon and struck by a United States patrol boat while leaving New York harbor. The Corning arrived here seven hours late with thirty passengers. She was ordered to stop, and upon her refusal to heave to, a shot was sent crashing through her bow. For six hours the steamer was detained by the patrol boat, and thorough search was made of her cargo for contraband of war. Captain Robert Bishop protested; but the reply to his protests was a careful inspection of the manifest and cargo.

The Corning had proceeded but a short distance out of New York harbor, when the United States patrol boat bore down upon her. Captain Bishop did not at first know that he was the object of the patrol boat's approach, while a puff of smoke from the deck of the patrol was the first intimation that he was expected to heave to. Real excitement prevailed on board the steamer, and it amounted to a panic when the patrol fired a second time, and with a sharp crash the shot tore the steamer's bow. Then Captain Bishop heave to at once, and the patrol came alongside.

SAMPSON STORMS PUERTO RICO

Fortifications Crumbling Under Fire of the Heavy Guns.

CAPE HAITIEN, May 11.—The town is full of a story that Admiral Sampson is battering at the gates of San Juan de Puerto Rico. The story goes here that action began this afternoon and that the ancient fortifications were rapidly crumbling under the fire of the heavy guns. Havana had evidently heard the news also and was wildly excited over it, for all sorts of inquiries for information have been cabled here. No definite information can be had from Puerto Rico, which strengthens the idea here that something unusual is going on there.

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.

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.

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.

SENT TO THE BOTTOM

Spanish Torpedo-Boat Destroyer Blows Up in the Straits of Gibraltar.

LONDON, May 11.—A dispatch to the Globe from Gibraltar says a British steamer just arrived there reports officially that she passed a Spanish torpedo-boat destroyer yesterday which was guarding the strait. Shortly after the steamer passed her all the lights of the destroyer were suddenly extinguished a terrific explosion followed immediately and the destroyer disappeared. The disaster was apparently caused by an explosion of her boilers. It is believed all on board perished.

A RESOLUTION IS IMMINENT.

Popular Rising in Italy Cannot Long Be Delayed.

PARIS, May 11.—The correspondents in Rome of newspapers in this city all affirm that a revolution in Italy is imminent, and that a popular rising throughout the country will not be long delayed. The news causes great satisfaction here, where a republican Italy is regarded as a natural friend of France and as an enemy of the dreadnought.

ATTEMPT TO HOLD UP A STAGE, Highwaymen Three Times Shot the Driver.

REDDING, Cal., May 11.—Just at dawn an attempt was made to hold up the

stage running from Alturas to this place. When about three miles from town the driver, William Connory, became aware that some one was climbing on his stage from behind.

As the driver turned, the would-be robber fired point blank in his face, the bullet passing through his cheek, carrying away several teeth and a portion of the roof of his mouth. A hand-to-hand conflict ensued, the driver using his heavy whip, while the robber shot three or four times at his intended victim. A second bullet grazed Connory's face and a third burned his neck. The fourth bullet flew wide.

Connory finally succeeded in forcing the robber to the ground, and the stage horses dashed away, carrying the plucky driver out of harm's reach. He is in a precarious condition from his wounds.

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.

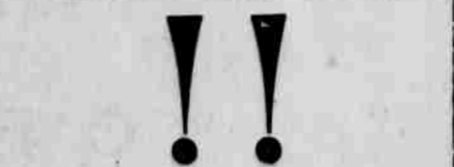
ISLANDS WILL BE INVADED

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



Beware of "cheap" baking powders. Alum makes good medicine but bad food. Ask your doctor.

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.

J. O. Hanthorn, president of the Columbia River Canneries Company at Astoria reported Tuesday night that salmon are running better. The first full day's work in the factory was done today, when about 15 tons of fish were packed in 1/2-pound tins. The fish are smaller than those caught at this time last year, but the quality is very fine. Mr. Hanthorn says there will hardly be an average pack this season. The pack of chinooks will be much lighter than last year, but the pack of bluebacks will be greater, as the run of that species is now better than it was at any time last season.

The directors of the Northwest Firemen's Association will meet at Pendleton next Sunday, to consider the advisability of indefinitely postponing the annual tournament, which has been advertised to be held at La Grande. The reason for the proposed postponement is that many members of the different hose teams have enlisted for the war.

At the East End Feed Yard.

Harper Bros., of the East End feed yard have a thoroughbred Jersey bull, which they will stand for the season at the feed yards. For terms apply to the above. apr12 1m

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at the courthouse in The Dalles, beginning Wednesday, May 11, 1898, at 1 p. m.

Dated this 2d day of May, 1898.
C. L. GILBERT, School Supt.,
Wasco County, Or.

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, no 9-2w

NOTICE.

Dog license must be renewed on or before May 12th. All dogs found running at large after May 12th without new tags, will be placed in the city pound. CHAS. F. LAUER, Marshal.

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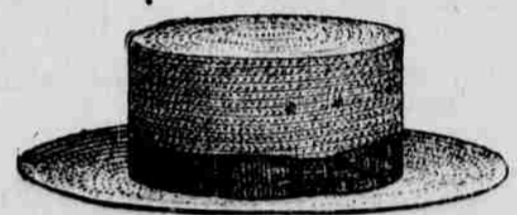
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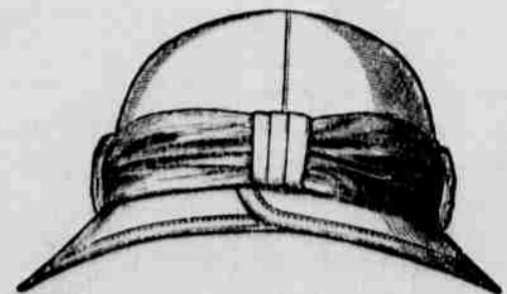


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