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Rough Riders Threw Away Their Blankets and Dashed on the Enemy.

LOCATION OF THE ARMIES

Much Greater Than Had Been Estimated, but Will Be Kept Separated.

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TWO BATTLES OCCURRED

OFF JURAGUA, June 23, by the Associated Press dispatch boat to Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 24, noon (Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press).—A copy of a newspaper published in Santiago de Cuba, called La Bandera Espanola, (the Spanish Flag), on June 1 contained in its columns not a single reference to the blockade or to the war, but calmly discusses plans for "planting electric lights on the plaza, church affairs, and other matters of town gossip, and alleged cable news from Manila reporting the sailing of the big Spanish ships for Havana and the capture of the insurgent chief Hernandez; also "absolute news from Washington," says that yellow fever had broken out in the blockading fleet and that 40 deaths have already occurred. The only real information contained in the paper was a dispatch from Havana saying that General Arolas had seized all the food in the markets there and would sell it to the inhabitants at reasonable prices to prevent the squeezing of the population.

THE GREAT MANILA ARMY

Eighth Army Corps Organized by Merritt Includes Entire Philippine Force to Relieve Admiral Dewey.

General Young With the Regulars and Colonel Wood With the Rough Riders Met Overwhelming Forces.

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THE HOT FIGHT IN DETAIL

packs, and frequent rests were necessary. The trail was so narrow for the greater part of the way that the men had to proceed in single file, prickly cactus brushed both sides of the trail and the underbrush was so thick that it was impossible to see ten feet on either side. All conditions were favorable for a murderous ambush, but the troops kept a close watch and made as little noise as possible.

MERRITT SAILS WEDNESDAY

Will Take His Staff and Clerks on the Newport, the Others to Follow—Brigadier-General McArthur Formally Assumes Command of Third Relief.

Graphic Description of the Two Engagements—Hamilton Fish, Jr. the First Man to Fall—Captain Capron Killed While Leading.

The rough riders entered into the spirit of the occasion with the greatest enthusiasm. It was their opportunity for a fight and every man was eager for it. The weather grew awfully hot, and one by one the men threw away their blankets and tent rolls and emptied their canteens.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA

June 23, by Associated Press dispatch boat to Port Antonio, June 24, noon (Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press).—The situation as regards the disposition and location of the American, Spanish and Cuban forces is as follows:

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The latest information reaching the authorities here shows that the Spanish army is greater than had been estimated thus far. Lieutenant Joyce of the regular army reported to General Miles on the eastern end of the island number 27,000, of which 12,000 are in Santiago, 10,000 at Holguin, and 15,000 at Manzanillo. Once concentrated at Santiago this would make a formidable army, but separated by forest and mountains, the insurgents are expected to keep the forces at Holguin and Manzanillo from getting to Santiago.

The first intimation had by Colonel Wood's command that there were Spaniards in the vicinity was when they reached a point three or four miles back from the coast, where low cuckoo calls of Spanish soldiers were heard in the bush. It was difficult to locate the exact point from which these sounds came. The men were ordered to speak in whispers and frequent halts were made. Finally a place was reached, about a week, where the trail opened into a space covered with high grass on the right of the trail and thickets. A barbed wire fence also ran along the left side. The dead body of a Cuban was found on the side of the road, and at the same time Captain Capron's troops covered the outposts the heads of several Spaniards were seen in the bushes for a moment.

THE MANILA ARMY

San Francisco, June 25.—The Eighth army corps just organized by General Merritt includes the entire Philippine force. The troops not yet named as part of the expeditionary forces constitute an independent division of the new corps and will be under command of General Otis. On arrival at Manila the entire army will be reorganized. General Merritt has designed a number of officers for positions in the eighth corps. His personal staff will be constituted as follows: Major Lewis H. Strother, United States volunteers, acting aide; Major Harry C. Hale, United States volunteers, acting aide; Captain Bentley Mott, United States volunteers, aide; Brigadier General R. P. Hughes is named as chief-of-staff and inspector-general, under Major General Otis. Lieutenant-Colonel Barry is named as adjutant-general.

HIGHEST FIGHT OF THE WAR

Brave Action of the American Troops Graphically Told.

It was not until then that the men were permitted to load their carbines. When the order to load was given they acted with a will and displayed the greatest eagerness to make the attack.

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At this moment a sound of firing was heard a mile or two away to the right, apparently coming from the hills beyond the thicket. It was the regulars replying to the Spaniards, who had opened on them from the thicket. In addition to the rapid rifle fire, the boom of Hotchkiss guns could be heard. Hardly two minutes elapsed before Mauser rifles commenced to crack in the thicket, and hundreds of bullets whistled over the heads of the rough riders, cutting the leaves from the trees and sending chips flying from the fence posts by the side of them. The Spaniards had opened, and they poured in a heavy fire, which soon had a most disastrous effect. The troops stood their ground with bullets singing all around them.

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Four Miles Northwest of Juragua, Cuba, June 24, 2 p. m. per dispatch boat Wanda to Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 25, 9 p. m. via Kingston.—(Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press).—Further particulars of the battle of yesterday between the Americans and the Spaniards show that practically two battles were fought at the same time, one by the rough riders, under the immediate command of Colonel Wood, on top of a plateau, and the other on the hillside several miles away by the regulars, with whom was General Young.

During the fight in the thicket several of the troops did some wild firing into the troops ahead of them and part of the American loss is due to this fact. As soon as positions had been changed the Americans poured a more terrific fire than ever into the Spaniards as they got them into a more open country and could see them better. It was not long before the enemy gave way and ran down a steep hill and up another hill to the blockhouse with the evident intention of making a final stand there.

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The expedition started from Juragua, a small town on the coast, nine miles east of Morro castle, which was the first place occupied by the troops after their landing at Baiquiri last Wednesday.

Colonel Wood was at the front directing the movement and it was here that Major Brodie was shot. Colonel Wood and Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt both led the troops in pursuit of the fleeing Spaniards and a hail of bullets was poured into the blockhouse. By the time the American advance got within 70 yards of the blockhouse the Spaniards abandoned it and scattered among the brush up another hill in the direction of Santiago, and the battle was at an end.

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Information was brought to the American army headquarters by the Cubans on Thursday that forces of Spanish soldiers had assembled at the place where the battle occurred to back the march on Santiago. General Young went there to dislodge them, the understanding being that the Cubans, under Castillo, were to cooperate with him, but the latter failed to appear until the fight was nearly finished. Then they asked permission to chase the fleeing Spaniards, but as the victory was already won General Young refused to allow them to take part in the fight.

General Young stated afterwards that the battle was one of the sharpest he had ever experienced. It was only the quick and constant fire of the troops, whether they could see the enemy or not, that caused the Spaniards to retreat so soon. General Young spoke in the highest terms of the conduct of the men in his command and both Colonel Woods and Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt were extremely gratified with the work done by the rough riders on the first occasion of their being under fire.

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The men continued to pour volley after volley into the bush in the direction of the sound of the Spanish shots, but the latter became more frequent and seemed to be coming nearer. Col. Wood walked along his lines displaying the utmost coolness. He ordered the troops to deploy into the thicket and sent another detachment into the open space on the left of the trail. Lieutenant-Colonel Roosevelt led the former detachment and tore through the brush, urging his men on. The shots came thicker and thicker every moment and the air seemed filled with a singing and shrieking sound of Mauser bullets, while the short pop of the Spanish rifles could be distinguished easily from the heavier reports of the American weapon.

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Captain Capron stood behind his men, revolver in hand, using it whenever a Spaniard exposed himself. His aim was sure, and two of the enemy were seen to fall under his fire. Just as he was preparing to take another shot and shouting orders to his men at the same time, his revolver dropped from his grasp and he fell to the ground with a ball through his body. His troop was badly discon-

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certed for a moment, but with all the strength he could muster he cried: "Don't mind me, boys, go and fight." He was carried from the field as soon as possible and lived a few hours.

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Lieutenant Thomas of the same troop received a wound through the leg soon after and became delirious from pain. The troops that were in the thicket were not long in getting into the midst of the fight. The Spaniards located them and pressed them hard but they sent a deadly fire in return even though most of the time they could not see the enemy. After ten or fifteen minutes' hot work the firing fell off some and Lieutenant-Colonel Roosevelt ordered his men back from the thicket into the trail, narrowly escaping a bullet himself, which struck a tree alongside his head.

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It was evident that the Spaniards were falling back and changing their positions but the fire continued at intervals. Then the troops tore into the front and into a more open country than where the enemy's fire was coming from. About this time small squads commenced to carry the wounded from the thicket and lay them in a more protected spot on the trail until they could be removed to the field hospital. Colonel Wood also ordered his Hotchkiss gun into action, but the trooper who rode the mule upon which part of the gun was packed had been stampered. His animal broke into the woods in an opposite direction from the Spanish fire and the gun consequently could not be used.

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