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SHAFTER SOON TO ATTACK SANTIAGO DE CUBA

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SHAFTER SOON WILL ACT

Has the City of Santiago Practically at the Mercy of His Army.

FEARS SPANISH GUNBOATS

Americans Have Landed Their Heavy Guns and May Attack the City at Any Time—Schley's and Sampson's Fleets Consolidated.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Naval Constructor Hobson and his brave crew, who so gallantly blew up the calliope Merrimac in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, was today crowned a victor of thanks by congress. This is the most distinguished honor ever paid men below the grade of commanding officers. A resolution carrying the vote of thanks passed unanimously.

SANTIAGO IS DOOMED.

General Shafter Will Soon Attack Upon It in a Few Days.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

Washington, June 29.—The opinion prevails here that, within a day or two at the most, General Shafter will have begun his attack on the city of Santiago proper. The important event of the day was the general's announcement that he could take the city in forty-eight hours, but at considerable loss. Taken in connection with the announcement contained in another dispatch that he is going to attack without waiting for reinforcements, it will be seen that the officials have ground for their expectation that the first general engagement of the war will be in a very short time.

Numerically, opposing armies are not very different, an estimate of the Spanish force being placed at 14,000 men, thoroughly entrenched and behind barbed wire fences and blockhouses, as against 18,000 men under Shafter's command, aided by 4,000 Cubans. One of the gravest elements in the problem, however, is the Spanish warships, for, unless Shafter is materially assisted by Sampson, who might engage the full attention of the Spanish ships, their fire on the American advance would be very hard to meet.

Military authorities here say that General Lindeus has shown great military tactics in slowly retiring during the last few days, as he gradually drew our troops from the protection of the American ships and brought them close to the fire of the Spanish ships in Santiago harbor. For this reason it was with relief that the announcement was received here that Shafter had succeeded in landing all his artillery, including his siege train, for, unless Sampson can be relied upon to force his way into the harbor and attack the Spanish ships, the siege guns planted on the heights commanding the bay will be the main reliance of General Shafter in offsetting the presence of the Spanish ironclads.

Undoubtedly Shafter is animated to attack as soon as possible by his knowledge of the approach of reinforcements for Lindeus from Manzanillo, for with the latter additional force Shafter's position would be disagreeable, if not perilous, at least until he had received other reinforcements. The war department received the first definite news today as to the approach of Spanish reinforcements. This was an official dispatch stating that 8,000 men with pack trains and droves of animals were advancing from Manzanillo and were fifty-four miles from Santiago.

It has been known through reports of General Joyce, made to General Miles, that the Spaniards have 10,000 men at Manzanillo and 10,000 at Holguin, and every precaution has been taken to guard against their advance from that quarter. The official report today showed that 9,000 or more at Manzanillo had covered half the distance to Santiago and it is believed by the military officials here that General Pando is making a similar advance with his 10,000 men from Holguin.

These advances, now practically unopposed, are regarded as one of the most serious phases of the situation.

It was announced at the war department that by their reports 3,000 soldiers should be leaving Tampa today to join Shafter. They will be there or four days on the voyage and it is probable that it

Says He Can Take the City in Forty-Eight Hours, but With Loss.

ON A MISSION OF MERCY.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, June 29.—What is undoubtedly the finest hospital ship in the world will steam out of New York harbor next Thursday and proceed to Santiago de Cuba—the Relief, the pride of the war department. The Relief, Uncle Sam's other hospital ship, belongs to the navy department and is on duty in Cuban waters.

The Relief, with her splendid lines, her massive steel frame and her modern engines, more than answers every demand from the view-point of a ship proprietor, and from that of the physician and surgeon she is a dream.

Imagine a ship of this kind divided up into five large wards for the sick and wounded, into storerooms and mess-rooms, operating rooms and officers' quarters, fitted with every appliance known to modern medical or surgical science, including all known instruments likely to be required in surgical operations.

The ship will be laden with the largest cargo of nice things that any similar vessel ever carried. Hundreds of patriotic women all over the eastern states have heard of the ship and sent contributions of money and delicacies. The special plants have been provided which will add infinitely to the comfort of the sick. They are a distilling plant, the ice or refrigerating plant and the plant for carbonizing water, the gift of the Colonial Dames. Bathrooms are plentiful. They are connected with all the wards, with the private quarters of the medical staff and with those of the ship's officers. There is a special shower bath which would be the making of any bathhouse on land. It is for sick officers and is so arranged that the shower throws hot or cold, fresh or salt water. All the bathrooms have rubber floors.

For hoisting or lowering the sick or wounded Naval Constructor Bowles has devised a special apparatus. On the forward side of the mainmast he has fitted a steam boom. By its use patients can be taken from a warship and placed on any deck of the Relief or in any ward desired.

THE TWO FLEETS COMBINED.

Schley's Squadron Merged Into the Command Under Sampson.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

On board the Associated Press Dispatch Boat Dauntless, of Santiago de Cuba, Tuesday, June 29, by way of Jamaica, June 29.—(Copyrighted 1908 by the Associated Press.)—The firing squadron, hitherto commanded by Commodore Schley, has lost its identity by an order issued today by Rear Admiral Sampson, and it has been merged into the fleet under the command of Admiral Sampson, the flagship of the firing squadron, where it was supposed the squadron would remain intact, at least until the fall of Santiago de Cuba. Commodore Schley has been assigned to the command of the second squadron attached to Admiral Sampson's fleet.

CAMARAZ'S STAGE PLAY.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

New York, June 29.—A Tribune dispatch from London says: Admiral Camaraz's voyage to Port Said has been regarded by naval experts here as a theatrical device for inducing the Spanish people to believe that the Madrid government is not torpid, but is capable of doing something. They have considered it incredible that he should have any invention of going to Manila, where he could only arrive without coal and unprepared to meet Dewey with a fleet well supplied and heavily reinforced from San Francisco.

DOLPHIN'S WORK AT GUANTANAMO.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

Key West, June 29.—(Copyrighted 1888 by the Associated Press.)—A vessel that has just arrived here from Guantanamo, which place she left on Sunday noon, brought one of the officers of the gunboat Dolphin, who is returning home on sick leave.

The officer in question says the Dolphin has been co-operating with the marines in Guantanamo harbor, though lately mariners have been quiet there. When he left on Sunday there were twenty-four ships in the harbor, including fighting vessels, colliers, the hospital ship Solace and the Red Cross steamer State of Texas, with Miss Clara Barton.

It was the prevalent belief that Santiago would be taken before July 1, as the American troops were only five miles distant from the city and closing in. An excellent water supply had been obtained on the shore at Guantanamo, where there were 60 Cubans, in addition to those of the American marines.

The passage leading to the inner harbor, the officer reports, was thoroughly cleaned up by launches from the Dolphin and other ships. Eight mines, weighing ten pounds each, were taken up and sent to work, where they will be cleaned before they are put into American waters.

The Spanish troops at Cimanera and other points in the interior of the province of Santiago are starving. They may be captured at pleasure. The Texas and Marchionet have already destroyed the forts at the inner end of the passage and our ships may enter the inner harbor and shell Cimanera whenever they are ready.

The Dolphin took a conspicuous part in the bombardment of Santiago on June 4. After the principal firing she went toward the shore and fired shells into a train approaching the city with soldiers. The train was wrecked and the men were scrambling into the woods. The insurgents afterwards said that 70 men and 11 women were killed.

At Guantanamo the Dolphin protected the camp of the marines at night, casting her searchlight into the woods occupied by the Spaniards and shelling their position with three-inch shrapnel guns. Throughout the fighting on both sides of

Admiral Dewey Intervenes to Save a Spanish Captain's Life.

ACCUSED OF COWARDICE

Was in Command of the Callao and Surrendered to the Americans.

WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH

Now Under Protection of Americans—Population of Manila Terror-Stricken—Plight of Spanish Residents.

PORT TOWNSEND, June 29.—According to advices brought from Japan by the steamship Columbia, which arrived here last night, considerable indignation prevails among the American sailors and officers of the fleet at Manila over the treatment of the captain of the Spanish gunboat Callao, which sailed into Manila bay about a week after the battle and was captured by Dewey's fleet.

The Spaniards claim he showed cowardice in not returning the fire of the Americans. After giving him a Spanish court martial he was sentenced to be shot, but Admiral Dewey came to his rescue and took him under the protection of the American government.

DEFICIENCY BILL PASSED.

Insists Upon the Payment of the Pacific Railroad Debt.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

Washington, June 29.—The general deficiency bill passed the senate today and carries \$27,000,000, the largest sum carried by any appropriation bill since the civil war.

An amendment of great importance was attached to the bill practically by general consent. It relates to the settlement of the claims of the government against the Pacific railroads. It was offered by Morgan. Before it was agreed to, White proposed some amendment to it, making it even more binding upon the roads than it was in its original form. The secretary of the treasury, secretary of the interior and attorney general, and their successors in office, are appointed a commission, with full power to settle the indebtedness to the government growing out of the issue of bonds in aid of the construction of the Central Pacific and western Pacific bond-aided railroads, upon such terms and in such a manner as may be agreed upon by them and the owners of said railroads, provided that any and all settlements thus made shall be submitted in writing to the president for his approval or disapproval.

The commission shall not agree to accept a less sum in settlement of the full amount due the United States than the full amount of the principal and interest for the ten years allowed for settlement.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

Washington, June 29.—The house today passed the bill giving the secretary of war discretion to permit any church or religious sect to erect its house of worship upon the West Point military reservation. The bill precluded considerable discussion, it being framed at the instance of Catholic effort, but giving equal privileges to all churches.

MERRITT SAILS FOR MANILA.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

San Francisco, June 29.—The steamer New-ort, with General Merritt on board, sailed this morning for the Philippines. Great crowds had gathered to witness the departure of the vessel. Many tugboats and yachts, chartered for the occasion, accompanied the New-ort down the bay and out through the Golden Gate into the Pacific, where the last farewells were waved to the departing military men gathered on the deck of the steamer.


General Merritt is very anxious to avoid an encounter with any vessel from the Spanish navy, and will issue orders to the fleet at Honolulu to make all possible speed to the islands.

SHARKEY DEFEATS RUBLIN.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

New York, June 29.—Tom Sharkey, the sailor pugilist of California, knocked out Gus Rublin, the Ohio giant, in less than one round tonight before the Greater New York Athletic club at Coney Island. Rublin's defeat was accomplished in 2 minutes and 17 seconds and, as soon as the referee had declared Sharkey the winner, the sailor ran across the ring and shook hands with Rublin, who had been carried to his corner.

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