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THE DEFENSE OF HAVANA.

Havana, April 26.—Gen. Arolas explained to the lieutenants of volunteers in Havana yesterday his plans for the military defense of the capital. Arolas is military commander of Havana. Blanco absolutely relies on him. Blanco it is well known in Havana, is feeble in body and mind.

Arolas' plan is to extend the military zone of Havana as much as possible, surrounding the city on land side by a trench defended by 20,000 regular soldiers. He expects by this means to keep the insurgents' fire away and to maintain zones of cultivation between the Spanish lines and the city proper in order to raise vegetables to feed the garrison.

One tenth of the volunteers will defend the main entrances to the city. They will also furnish half the troops to garrison the Cuban fortress and Morro castle, the other half to be composed of regulars.

The batteries of La Punta Reina and Santa Clara will be manned only by regulars. The battery of Santa Clara, which is the most important of all, will be commanded by Capt. Nunez who enjoys among Spaniards the reputation of being a first class artillery officer.

Arolas said that he hoped soon to have in Havana 40,000 regulars. "With them and 30,000 volunteers," he said, "I think Havana will prove to be impregnable."

SAMPSON'S FIRST SALUTE.

Key West, April 26.—Admiral Sampson's first salute was given by an Italian man-of-war. Saturday the smoke of a steamer was seen a few miles eastward. The flagship and the Porter started for her immediately, but when they drew near they found that she was the Italian man-of-war Giovanni Basano, bound for Havana. The Italian ran the American colors up to his masthead and fired a rear admiral's salute of fifteen guns, it being the first salute Rear Admiral Sampson had received from a foreign warship since his appointment to his present rank. The New York returned the salute, and as the firing occurred only a few miles off shore the incident probably created consternation in Havana.

KENTUCKY SHARPSHOOTERS

Lexington, Ky., April 26.—Victor Dodge, of this city, who expects to head a company of sharpshooters in Cuba, is about twenty-four years old and the champion of the Lexington Gun Club. "Vic" says that he will guarantee "a shot at Weyler" to every man who joins his company. According to plans, this company will be composed of the best marksmen of Central Kentucky.

LADY SUICIDES.

Seranton, Miss., April 26.—Mrs. Mollie Plummer, wife of a prominent banker, suicided here today by shooting herself with a pistol. Domestic troubles was the cause.

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PROBABLE BATTLE AT MANILA.

Naval Authorities Predict an Engagement at Philippine Islands in the Next Three Days.

ASIATIC SQUADRON GOING THERE

Under Commodore Dewey to Establish a Blockade, and May Have to Fight the Spanish Vessels There.

THE REBELS THEREWAITING FOR HELP.

Washington, April 26.—The best naval authority here says that a naval battle near Philippine Islands is certain within the next three days.

The orders to Commodore Dewey, are to destroy or capture all Spanish vessels in Philippine waters, and then cause the capitulation of the principal ports.

Commodore Dewey's squadron consists of seven fine warships, while the Spaniards have but one good cruiser at Manila, the Reina Christina, of 3,500 tons, four effective gunboats of less than 1,200 tons and half a dozen smaller craft of no fighting value. The defenses of Manila are poor.

New York, April 26.—The following cablegram to the Herald says:—Hong Kong, April 24.—Maj.-Gen. Black, acting governor of Hong Kong, has issued a proclamation stating that having received official notice from the British colonial secretary that a state of war exists between Spain and the United States, he calls upon all British subjects to observe the neutrality laws.

Commodore Dewey today informed the governor that he would depart from British waters immediately. The Boston, Concord and Petrel sailed this afternoon for Mirs Bay, about thirty miles from Hong Kong. The Olympia, Baltimore and Raleigh will join the others tomorrow. All six have been painted the color of gray and are fully laden with coal, ammunition and supplies.

Mr. O. F. Williams, United States consul at Manila, is expected to arrive on Tuesday with important news as to the condition of affairs in the Philippines.

The anchorage in Mirs Bay is in Chinese jurisdiction, and the fleet can there complete its preparations for active operations.

Washington, April 26.—It is not anticipated here that the Asiatic squadron will encounter much difficulty in establishing the blockade of the Philippine Islands. The Spanish fleet there is weak and the rebels are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the American fleet.

THE CUBAN CAMPAIGN.

Key West, Fla., April 26.—The latest plan of campaign, and the one almost certain to be followed, contemplates the occupation of Cuba, without the necessity of bringing any of Uncle Sam's ships into range of the Havana forts. Briefly, the plan is this:

Blockade the harbor of Havana, using as many of the ships in the squadron as Capt. Sampson deems necessary to make the blockade airtight. Land as large a force of United States troops as can be mobilized at Mantanzas, Cuba. Blanco and almost, if not quite, the entire strength of his army are in Havana. Food is so scarce in Havana that it has trebled in price in the past two weeks.

With the harbor blocked by an American fleet and food supplies from the interior shut off by an American army, it will be a question of but a few weeks at the outside when the Spanish will have to evacuate Havana or starve. Blanco will be forced to either capitulate or come out and fight the American army. He will probably choose the latter of the two evils, and his chief reliance, the big guns in Morro and Cabana, will be as useless to him as though they were spiked.

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AMERICAN WAR SHOULD BE A MATTER OF HISTORY SIX WEEKS AFTER THE FIRST AMERICAN SOLDIER SETS FOOT ON CUBAN SOIL.

SHERMAN'S RESIGNATION.

Washington, April 26.—Another resignation from the cabinet occurred yesterday when the venerable Secretary of State Mr. John Sherman, handed his resignation of the premiership to the president. The resignation was to take effect at once, and with it Mr. Sherman retires from public life, after a service of over forty years, embracing the house of representatives, the United States senate, the secretaryship of the treasury and the secretaryship of state. The reason for the resignation is the condition of the secretary's health, which is now impaired as the result of years of devotion to the public service and the arduous labors of a lifetime, added to age, the venerable secretary being now within a few days of seventy-five years of age.

The secretary's resignation was tendered in a simple note tendering to the president the portfolio intrusted to him upon the inauguration of President McKinley and asking that it take effect from the close of the day.

Judge W. R. Day, First Assistant Secretary of State, has been named to succeed Sherman, while Mr. John B. Moore, an acknowledged authority on international law, and for some time Second Assistant Secretary of State, was appointed to succeed Judge Day.

BASIL DUKE.

Washington, April 26.—Gen. Basil Duke is being mentioned as a possibility for appointment as Major General of volunteers. It is understood the president desires to distribute these commissions equally among the various sections of the country, and among democrats as well as republicans. Gen. Joe Wheeler and Gen. Lew Wallace are also tipped. The house appropriations committee is working on a special bill carrying the necessary amount to take care of the volunteer army.

BLANCO GETTING GAY.

Key West, April 26.—It is reported that General Blanco has notified his government that he can hold Havana with no help from a boat.

POLO MAY HAVE TO GO.

Washington, April 26.—It is reported here that the English government will notify Senor Polo to leave Canada.

WANTS TO FIGHT.

Madrid, April 26.—The captain of the Spanish fleet at Cape Verde Islands wants authority to sail against the American fleet. He threatens to sail without authority if not ordered to go.

THE TEMERARIO.

Buenos Ayers, April 26.—The Spanish gunboat Temerario is still lying at anchor in the outer roads at Montevideo, and it is believed that she will remain there for the present. The United States battleship Oregon and the gunboat Marietta have not yet been sighted. Subscriptions for war purposes, which have been undertaken by the Spaniards here are meeting with good success.

MAY BE COMING.

New York, April 26.—The Maritime Exchange has posted a notice asserting that it had been informed by the navy department that a Spanish squadron, headed by the battleship Pelayo, sailed from Cadiz over a week ago.

No information as to its destination has been secured, but the department inferred that it was bound for the Atlantic coast. It cautioned ship owners to be on the lookout.

REGIMENT OF COWBOYS.

Washington, April 26.—The president has decided to appoint Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, to present assistant secretary of the navy, to be a lieutenant-colonel of United States volunteers to serve in a regiment of cowboys and mounted riflemen to be raised by Mr. Roosevelt and Dr. Wood, the president's family physician, who is now in the medical department of the regular army. Dr. Wood will be colonel of the regiment.

SPAIN'S INTERNAL TROUBLES

Are as Threatening as Those Which Come From Without, and Are as Hard to Manage.

WEYLER ONE OF THE PLOTTERS.

Financial Disturbances and an Alarming Run on the Silver Reserve—Bitterness Against Great Britain.

SPAIN YET HOPING FOR INTERVENTION.

New York, April 26.—Spain's dangers from within are becoming fully as grave as those from without, says the Madrid correspondent of the World.

The war with the United States promises to cost her the last of her colonial possessions in the West Indies.

But no one can tell what will be the result of her rapidly increasing domestic troubles—the cabinet crisis, the dissensions among statesmen and warriors, the intrigues of the Carlists, the plotting of Weyler and

PRIZES WE HAVE CAPTURED.

Name.	Kind.	Cargo.	Taken by.	Value.
1 Buena Ventura	Steamer	Mixed	Nashville	\$500,000
2 Miguel Joven	Steamer	Cotton	Helena	284,000
3 Pedro	Steamer	Rum	New York	140,000
4 Matilda	Schooner	Light	Porter	30,000
5 Catalina	Steamer	Mixed	Detroit	500,000
6 Sofia	Schooner	Sugar	Wilmington	15,000
7 Candita	Schooner	C arcoal	Dupont	10,000
8 Saturna	Steamer	Ug a	Winona	Unknown
9 Lacumino	Steamer	Ug a	Winona	\$150,000

CAPTURING SPANISH VESSELS.

Reported Capture of a Spanish Transport Today With 1,000 Soldiers—Very Valuable, if True.

WHERE ARE THEY GOING?

Washington, April 26.—Some apprehension is felt in naval circles regarding the destination of the Spanish fleet composed of the battleship Pelayo, two cruisers, four torpedo boat destroyers and three torpedo boats which left Cadiz, apparently for the Cape de Verde islands, to join the fleet there.

Latest reports from St. Vincent make no mention of their arrival and the belief is gaining ground here that the ships are bound for our Atlantic coast.

It is thought that the despatch of the fleet cruisers Minneapolis and Columbia may have some connection with the anxiety regarding the whereabouts of the Spanish vessels. The Columbia and Minneapolis could cruise in a big circle, pick up the Spanish fleet and then run back at high speed and notify Commodore Schley, who would go to meet the enemy with the entire flying squadron.

Washington, April 26.—A report from Key West this morning says that three more Spanish vessels have been captured and will soon be brought there as prizes.

Washington, April 26.—A bulletin from Key West says that a Spanish transport ship with 1,000 Spanish soldiers was captured by our fleet today at noon.

Key West, April 26.—It is rumored here this afternoon that still more Spanish prizes have been captured today.

The name of the big Spanish auxiliary cruiser captured is the Panams.

OTHER BLOCKADES.

Washington, April 26.—From the fact that the state department has not been called upon so far to prepare any proclamation giving notice of a blockade of either Porto Rico or the Philippines, it may be set down as a fact that the naval forces are not ready to move in that direction. It is the usual practice, as was shown in the proclamation relative to the blockade of Cuban ports, to give due notice to all foreign powers by declaration of an intention to blockade and, although it is not absolutely necessary to follow this course, it is believed that the state

MILITARY MATTERS AT HOME.

The Local Company Not Yet Notified When to Leave—Lieutenant Harding Is Expected.

PATHETIC SCENES OCCURRING

At the Recruiting Office—The Volunteers Expect to Be Mustered in Tomorrow and Elect Officers.

THE BOYS ARE ALL ANXIOUS TO GO.

The soldier boys have received no definite instructions in regard to when they leave. They are in readiness to be called out at any time, and expect Lieut. Harding tomorrow to muster them in.

A great deal of interest is now being taken in the approaching election, which will not be possible until the company is mustered in. Messrs. Will Farley and Mense Harris are candidates for first and second lieutenant. Mr. Farley is a disciplined young man, having attended military school, and the prospects for his election seem good.

The boys will probably be sent directly to Ft. Thomas to be drilled. They will probably be drilled here by Captain Davis before they leave.

Last night at a meeting there was great enthusiasm, and quite a number added their names to the list, increasing it to a score more than are needed.

There were one or two pathetic incidents. One boy was there with his mother. He was only 16 years old, however, and was several inches below the requisite height. His mother gave her consent for him to go, but he could not be accepted. His disappointment was very sad.

Another boy who is under age, had the consent of his mother. The note she sent in to the captain was pathetic—in the extreme. She said her son was determined to go, and had threatened to run away and go if she didn't give her consent, and she gave it to please him. She added, however, that she did not think it would be right to take her son from her and asked that he be refused.

A knotty problem confronts those in command of the state guard at present. It is the matter of equipment for uniforms. Numbers of the recruits have to drill in civilian's costume on this occasion. At Frankfurt sent the companies which have been mustered in throughout the state. It is said that the supply is growing short. If this be true, it is thought that the government will

have to be called on to lend assistance, or Gov. Bradley be compelled to call an extra session of the legislature to vote money for equipment. There are no uniforms for the Paducah company, as yet.

Appropos of the mobilization of the troops, it is stated that there are not enough tents in the state guard to cover one regiment. At best there barely were enough, but this spring a large number it is said, were loaned to Middlesborough and other towns where smallpox prevailed. Here again, is another cause for apparent delay.

Col. Castellan states that the legion will hardly be able to move before two or three weeks. Two causes are assigned for the delay. The first is the increase, amounting to a doubling of the regiments. This is not as easy as it appears at first. Those who ought to know say that about 15 to 20 per cent. of the recent enlistment will be rejected when it comes to examination. Many of them are very young. Lack of equipment is the second reason assigned. It is thought the state will have to call on the government, or Gov. Bradley will be compelled to call an extra session of the legislature for this purpose.

Deputy U. S. Marshal La Rue left this morning for Calvert City after a government prisoner, James Kincaid, who is wanted for alleged violation of the internal revenue laws.

Kincaid is rather a unique sort of fellow. He notified Commissioner Puryear some time ago that he understood that he was going to be warranted for selling whiskey without a license, and that he would like to have as little trouble as possible over it. That he was innocent, and would come to the city any time, if a postal card was mailed him.

He was told that the marshal might object, as such a proceeding would deprive him of his fee and mileage.

Kincaid replied that he would pay these himself.

The many friends here of Lieut. George C. Saffarans, formerly of the city, will be pleased to learn that he will be appointed Lieutenant Colonel of the Third Kentucky regiment.

It cannot be ascertained how many will go with the company until they are mustered in. None of those who have signed are obligated to go, as yet.

Capt. Davis this afternoon decided to drill the soldiers under the Union depot shed at three o'clock.

WHEELER SEES THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, April 26.—Senator Deboe and Representative Wheeler called on the president yesterday to ask that Maj. T. J. Johnson, of Princeton, Ky., be made a brigadier general.

Maj. Johnson is an old confederate officer, who served with great gallantry and is now in the grocery business. He has taken great interest in the present situation and has been instrumental in recruiting a company of volunteers at Princeton.

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CONGRESS PREPARING FOR WAR.

The War Revenue Bill Reported to the House Today, and Will Take a Vote on it Friday.

VOLUNTEERS RAPIDLY RESPOND.

Orders Issued for the Mobilizing of the Kentucky Militia—Governor's Appointments Are All Made.

GOVERNMENT WILL EQUIP THE TROOPS.

Washington, April 26.—The War Revenue bill was reported to the house today. It was decided to take a vote on the bill Friday. The Naval Appropriation bill which passed the senate yesterday appropriates \$8,830,000 to enable the secretary of the navy to enable men for the navy during the existing war. Representative Bland, of Missouri, will offer an amendment to the Revenue bill providing for the coinage into silver dollars of \$42,000,000 worth of the accumulated seigniorage.

STATE VOLUNTEERS.

Washington, April 26.—The responses to the call for volunteers by the state governors has been very prompt, and this afternoon soldiers are mobilizing in nearly all the state encampments.

It is evident that five times the number called for could be easily secured.

No Legislative Session Needed.

The United States government will equip the soldiers. This will set at rest the gossip that a legislative session would be incident to the equipment of soldiers.

Col. Gather said that he preferred that his regiment (the second) should be mobilized at Lexington. Col. Castellan said his regiment, being located in Louisville, would be mobilized at headquarters there. Col. Smith expected his regiment to be mobilized in Louisville.

BARRETT'S SCHEME.

Bangkok, Siam, April 26.—United States Minister Barrett suggests that after America captures the Philippine islands, she should negotiate with Great Britain to exchange them for the latter's West Indies colonies.

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