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## OLD GLORY



Now waves over the Philippines.

Commodore Dewey's Glorious Victory.

The War News of the week.

New York, May 2—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: The Asiatic squadron of the United States, Commodore Dewey commanding, Sunday engaged and completely defeated the Asiatic squadron of Spain in the harbor of Manila, in the Philippine Islands.

All the news of the great naval battle thus far is coming from Spanish sources. This shows conclusively that Manila has not yet been taken by the American forces and that the cable lines are still under the control of Spain.

From the fact that even the advices received from Madrid show that the American warships fared the best, there is hardly any doubt that when complete details are obtained, it will be learned that it was a crushing defeat for Spain. Reports of the battle thus far are coming in piecemeal.

Havana, April 27.—(Copyrighted by the Associated Press)—The Spanish coasting steamer Cosme Herrera which ran the blockade on Saturday, last it appears is not the only vessel that has reached this port since the blockade was established, as the arrival of the steamer Aviles from Neuva Vistas is also reported. It is announced from Cayo Frances, near Caribarian, that two United States monitors captured two schooners loaded with coal, but discovering that they were German vessels, released them.

New York, April 30.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Yale, formerly the American line steamship Paris, has eluded the Spanish warships and will be at her dock this morning, with her 150 passengers. She was sighted off Fire Island at 2:47 o'clock this morning. The liner, about which such deep anxiety has been felt, sailed from Southampton one week ago yesterday, at 4 p. m. She was under command of Captain Watkins, and carried besides her passengers, a cargo made up mostly of munitions of war, for the United States.

Key West, Fla. April 28—7:40 a. m.—The United States monitor Terror, Captain N. Ludlow, captured the big Spanish steamer Guido, bound from Corunna, Spain, for Havana, early yesterday. The prize had on board a large cargo of

provisions and money intended for the Spanish troops in Cuba. The capture took place ten miles off Cardenas, after a desperate chase, during which the Terror and the gunboat Machias fired, almost blowing the Spaniard's pilot house into the water.

Key West Fla. April 27.—The Ambrosio Bolivar, a little Cuban coasting steamer taken by the monitor Terror last night, off Cardenas, arrived here tonight. The Bolivar looked like a toy boat as the prize crew brought her in. But the light Spaniard was richer than she looked, as was learned, when \$70,000 of silver specie was found stored away in her, besides a cargo of bananas and 300 casks of wine. She was bound from Port Limon, Costa Rica, for Havana, by way of Cardenas, with 7 passengers and a crew of 10. One blank shot from the Terror brought the steamer to. Upon her arrival at Key West the silver was transferred to the naval station, where it is under strong guard.

About the time this capture was made the Norwegian steamer Uto, Captain Brydo, from Philadelphia, for Cardenas with 1,200 tons of coal, attempted to run the blockade, and land her cargo, but she was summarily turned back to Key West, where she arrived this afternoon.

The monitor Terror, on Sunday took a little prize, the news of which was first received today—the Spanish schooner Saco, with a cargo of sugar.

On board the Flagship New York. Off Matanzas, Apr. 27. (Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press.)—The New York, the Paris and the Cincinnati bombarded the mouth of Matanzas harbor after-noon. There were no castles on our side, but it is believed that a shell of iron which pounded the fort last night caused loss of life to the Spaniards, but nothing is known definitely.

The engagement commenced at 12:57 and ceased at 1:15. The object of the attack was to prevent the completion of the earth works at Punta Gorda.

Washington, April 30.—Today marks the tenth day of the thus far bloodless war between the United States and Spain—a war that has been principally characterized by preliminary work and the advantage, although small, has all been on the side of the United States. A summary shows that the ships of the blockading fleet have captured a dozen merchant vessels flying the Spanish flag. Of these five are steamers of considerable tonnage and one of them, the Panama, auxiliary cruiser, carrying small rapid-fire guns. The other captures are small coasting schooners. All the prizes, with the passengers and crews, who are "prisoners of war," are at Key West. The Spaniards have to their credit one American vessel, a coal bark, taken in the Philippines.

The week just ending saw the Spanish batteries at Matanzas east of Havana reduced by the American fleet and there is an unconfirmed report that the batteries at Cardenas, a short distance east of Matanzas, suffered a similar fate. Yesterday a small battery at Port Cabanas, west of Havana, was destroyed.

### On to Cuba.

Slowly but surely arrangements are being made for the landing of an American force in Cuba. By Friday the fleet of vessels is expected to be in waiting at the wharves at Tampa, for the reception of the United States troops. These boats all have been contracted

for, and have a carrying capacity of about 6,000 troops.

It is not believed, however, that the embarkation will take place before Sunday. Much remains to be done in the way of gathering ammunition and supplies, and several days must elapse before all is in readiness. It is believed that the force will be made up of 3,000 infantry, 1,000 cavalry and ten batteries of artillery; in all, close to 5,000 men. Only one regiment of cavalry, the Ninth, is now in camp at Tampa, but the Tenth, now at Chickamauga, will, it is believed, be brought down here to fill out the quota.

### Not Satisfied.

The people of Lehi were not satisfied with the showing of volunteers made here on Thursday and can do better than that. Several of our young men wanted to go and handed their names to the marshal. These were Fred Racker, Sylvester Wilcox, Milton Gibb, Marion Brown, and Wm. Evans. Mayor Willis sent word to Gov. Wells that more were anxious to enlist here and yesterday he received the following telegram:

John S. Willis, Mayor;

If men are able-bodied, good character, and has parents' consent, mail their names at once and tell them to wait orders.

HEBER M. WELLS,  
GOVERNOR.

### A Patriotic Meeting.

The people of Lehi should all attend the Meeting House tonight where patriotism will be rife. We want to give the boys a good send off and atone for the laxity displayed in volunteering here. The following is the program: Opening piece, selection... Silver band Song, "Star Spangled Banner"..... Prof. J. L. Gibb Speech..... T. R. Cutler Music..... Drum corps Speech..... D. J. Thurman Song..... Mrs. Millie Garff Speech..... Prof. G. N. Child "Marching Through Georgia"..... Silver band Speech..... S. W. Ross Music..... Drum corps Speech..... A. J. Evans Song, "America"..... Prof. J. Gibb

After the programme has been rendered a collection will be taken up to purchase each volunteer a handsome silver badge, and give each one a few dollars pocket money.

### A Mean Man.

I thought that I would go to war,  
When the trouble first began;  
I thought that I would grab a gun  
And prove myself a man.  
But mother-in-law was tickled when  
She heard of my intention, so  
Of course, that makes a difference  
And I decided not to go.

—Cleveland Leader

"I'd dearly love to go to war, the jingo jinged in piping voice.  
To butcher Spaniards every day would fill my bosom with rejoice,  
I'd like to show these sneering snakes that I can fight as well as talk,  
But I've affection of the heart and couldn't stand a battle shock."

Bro. M. L. Scott, once of the Rustler, rises to remark: "With all the hurrahing, waving of flags and firing guns as was done by Lehi people some day last week she could only furnish three measly 'patriots' to serve Uncle Sam. The officers who went there to swear them in were discouraged."

The members of the old choir held a practice last night and will do the singing at the meeting to-night.

Although Lehi has been bubbling over with patriotism for the past week or two, when recruiting officer Downey came on Thursday that grand show of patriotism went on a vacation and only three names were added to the volunteer list. They were Walter Edwards, Phil Delamore and a transient who does not belong to Lehi.

The receipt of the news yesterday morning of the success of Uncle Sam's navy at Philippines caused great excitement in Lehi. Bells were rung, canons fired and flags raised. People left their work and gathered in crowds to talk it over.

### A New Diffusion Battery.

Again Lehi men come to the front in the beet sugar industry. This time it is a new and improved diffusion battery which has been invented by Supt. Valdez and Engineer Ingalls of the Lehi factory. We mentioned this improved battery some time ago when it was first perfected. A patent has been applied for and the gentlemen are sure of securing one in the near future. Since their application another one has been filed which is an infringement in some particulars so they are anxious to get their patent as soon as possible.

It is a continuous battery which takes the sugar from the cossette quicker and with less work than the present system. In the new battery the cossettes go through the whole of the cells being transferred from the bottom of one cell to the top of the next by an elevator and when through the series is run out as pulp. The hot water runs through all the cells but in an opposite direction from the cossettes. The beet cutter need not be placed so high, as all the cossettes are fed at the same place so a movable spout is not needed. It is automatic, and very simple so it can be run much cheaper and better than the present system and will undoubtedly give better results.

It is very likely that an experimental battery will be worked during the coming campaign, when its practical value will be demonstrated.

### Want to Grow Beets.

"At the time of taking the contracts for the growing of sugar beets, the commercial club experienced considerable trouble in getting the required acreage taken," says the La Grande Advocate. "Now, not a day passes but what there are applications for contracts. It is needless to say that these are too late for this year, at least. Everybody is thoroughly waking up to the fact that there is something in the beet industry and La Grande factory."

Manager Outler leaves this week for a business trip to the east. His knowledge of the beet sugar industry brings him into much prominence lately.

The rains of the past few days have been of incalculable value to growing crops and with others the beet crop will be greatly benefited. The seed is now all planted and these rains will give it a good start. While prospects for a good beet crop in other states are discouraging they were never better for a good crop here.

Supt. Austin and Edward Smith left on Saturday for La Grande, Or. where they go to assist in planting beets. Supt. Austin will remain about two weeks but Mr. Smith may remain until the beets are harvested next fall. He is an experienced beet farmer and will be useful in that new district. This makes three of our farmers who are up there. The people have gone into the beet business to make a success and have secured the assistance of some of the best beet raisers in the inter mountain country.