

SHAFTER AND SAMPSON READY TO MAKE THE FINAL ATTACK

AMERICAN LINE DRAWN CLOSER ABOUT SANTIAGO

Troops Gain Commanding Positions by Quiet Advances at Night.

Sampson Will Send Light Draft Vessels Into the Harbor When the Bombardment Is Begun.

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GENERAL SHAFTER'S HEAD-QUARTERS, BEFORE SANTIAGO, Cuba, July 8, by Call-Herald dispatch boat Somers N. Smith to Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9.—From information about the Spanish defenses obtained during the cessation of hostilities it is believed by the American commanders that Santiago can be taken in six hours.

General Shafter, who has been ill for several days and unable to leave his tent, is much improved to-day and made a careful inspection of the most advanced American intrenchments. He found his division commanders had succeeded in gaining strong positions by quiet night advances and that the American position on the whole is very strong.

I am told that Admiral Sampson will send some light draught vessels into the harbor at the time the army attacks Santiago, in addition to shelling the city from Aguadores. These three movements by the Americans, coming at the same time, will give the enemy a diversity of interests to watch, which is expected to result in great advantage to our forces.

From General Bates at the extreme left of the American line another advance was made last night, our left wing being extended fully a mile forward. The Third and Twentieth regiments in General Bates' brigade hastily constructed trenches along the top of the hill, placing sand banks in front to protect our men from the enemy. During this work the American trenches were advanced to within 750 yards of the Spanish lines, overlooking the enemy's position in such a way as to render the long line of Spanish intrenchments practically worthless.

The lack of proper hospital facilities in the American lines has been accentuated by the arrival of 20,000 refugees from Santiago within the American lines. It is believed General Linera, far from seeking to prevent men, women and children from leaving the city, is encouraging the exodus.

Touching scenes are to be witnessed daily among refugees at El Caney. No picture can do justice to the situation. Many of the refugees do not conceal their hatred of Americans, even when accepting our food and protection. The great majority of the refugees are from destitute families of the city and they have no means of getting further from Santiago than El Caney or of bettering their condition. They cannot return to the city until it is occupied by our army and we must care for them as best we can. The little village to the northeast of the beleaguered city cannot hold half of the refugees. Thousands are sleeping under shacks built in the streets and woods.

One of the most pitiable of the many touching scenes being enacted at El Caney was witnessed early last evening when a pale, pretty young mother, clad only in a thin wrapper and holding her three weeks' old babe in her arms piteously begged for some condensed milk for her little one. Mother and babe had been so long without nourishment that the child, at least, must die within a few hours.

Hundreds of sick are gathered about the army commissary station, where, amid unsanitary surroundings, gray-haired men and women totter around begging for a single piece ofhardtack.

SHAFTER CABLES THAT HOSTILITIES ARE NEAR

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Secretary Alger received a cablegram from General Shafter to-day which indicated that hostilities were near, but had not actually opened, and might be deferred. He said that six batteries of artillery had been unloaded and taken to the front to-day, and that only one of the lighters sent to General Shafter had reached its destination. The Secretary added that General Shafter's dispatch said the lighters were needed to unload provisions for the troops.

TRUCE REMAINS IN EFFECT AT SANTIAGO

Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press. IN FRONT OF SANTIAGO, July 8, by the Associated Press dispatch boat Cynthia II (via Port Antonio and Kingston, Jamaica, July 9).—There has been absolutely no change in the situation at Santia de Cuba during the past twenty-four hours. The Spanish authorities are taking time to consider the proposition to surrender.

along the works, which are now nearly four miles long, inclosing the city on two sides. It has been proposed that a battalion of sharpshooters be formed from each regimental battalion in the army, to be commanded by officers of practical proficiency as marksmen. It is said that this battalion would be able to clear the region near the army of the pestiferous guerrillas who, from treets or other covers, make many attempts, some of them successful, to assassinate wounded men as they are being carried to the rear. During the truce, which has now lasted four days, there has been none of this murder business going on, and the American officers therefore conclude that the guerrillas had been engaged in this miserable work under the direct orders or control of the Spanish leaders. Several commissions from the Spanish authorities to act as guerrilla leaders have been picked up on the battlefield of San Juan and El Caney.

MAY DELAY ATTACK UNTIL MILES ARRIVES

Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press. IN FRONT OF SANTIAGO, July 8 (per Associated Press dispatch-boat Cynthia, by way of Port Antonio and Kingston, Jamaica, July 9).—General Shafter has been advised from Washington, under date of July 6, as follows: "General Miles, with heavy reinforcements, leaves to-morrow. Use greatest care in investing Santiago."

This is believed to mean that hostilities will not be resumed by our side unless they are forced to an attack until Miles arrives. Refugees, many of them starving, although laden with jewels and money, are strung along the road from Caney to Siboney. The bodies of four women, apparently well to do, were found on the road to-day. There is no place for the refugees here. It is probable the Cubans have been forced to camp elsewhere and leave their base of supplies.

The general hospital is less crowded. General Hawkins, General Liscum and Major Patterson, who were wounded seriously, but whose condition is not dangerous, are on the steamer City of Washington, which will go to Hampton Roads.

TWO SHORT REPORTS FROM GENERAL SHAFTER

One Is in Reference to the English Cable, the Other Speaks of the Killed and Wounded.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The War Department received two dispatches from General Shafter over night as follows: "Playa del Este, with Army Corps in the field, July 9.—Secretary of War, Washington: Cable operators were permitted to go in yesterday morning. The English cable was in working order and some of the operators were in the city. General Toral wanted these there, as they were the principal men. This cable has not been cut, and the men sent in have not taken it up again. The English cable has been working all the time through to Havana. SHAFTER."

"Playa del Este, July 9, camp near Santiago, July 8.—Adjutant General, Washington: Complete report received to-day of the loss on July 1 and 2. Killed, 22 officers and 208 enlisted men; wounded, 81 officers and 1203 enlisted men, missing, 19 enlisted men. The reports giving the names of the killed and wounded are being rapidly prepared and it is hoped to get them off to-morrow. SHAFTER."

TROOPS GO ABOARD AT NEWPORT NEWS

Signal and Engineer Corps to Be Conveyed by La Grande Duchesse to Santiago.

NORFOLK, Va., July 9.—The steamer La Grande Duchesse, which has been chartered by the Government as a transport, received her first troops when the Ninth Company, Signal Corps, and Company B, Engineer Corps, marched on board at the Newport News shipyard. The men were assigned to permanent quarters until the ship makes a landing in the vicinity of Santiago.

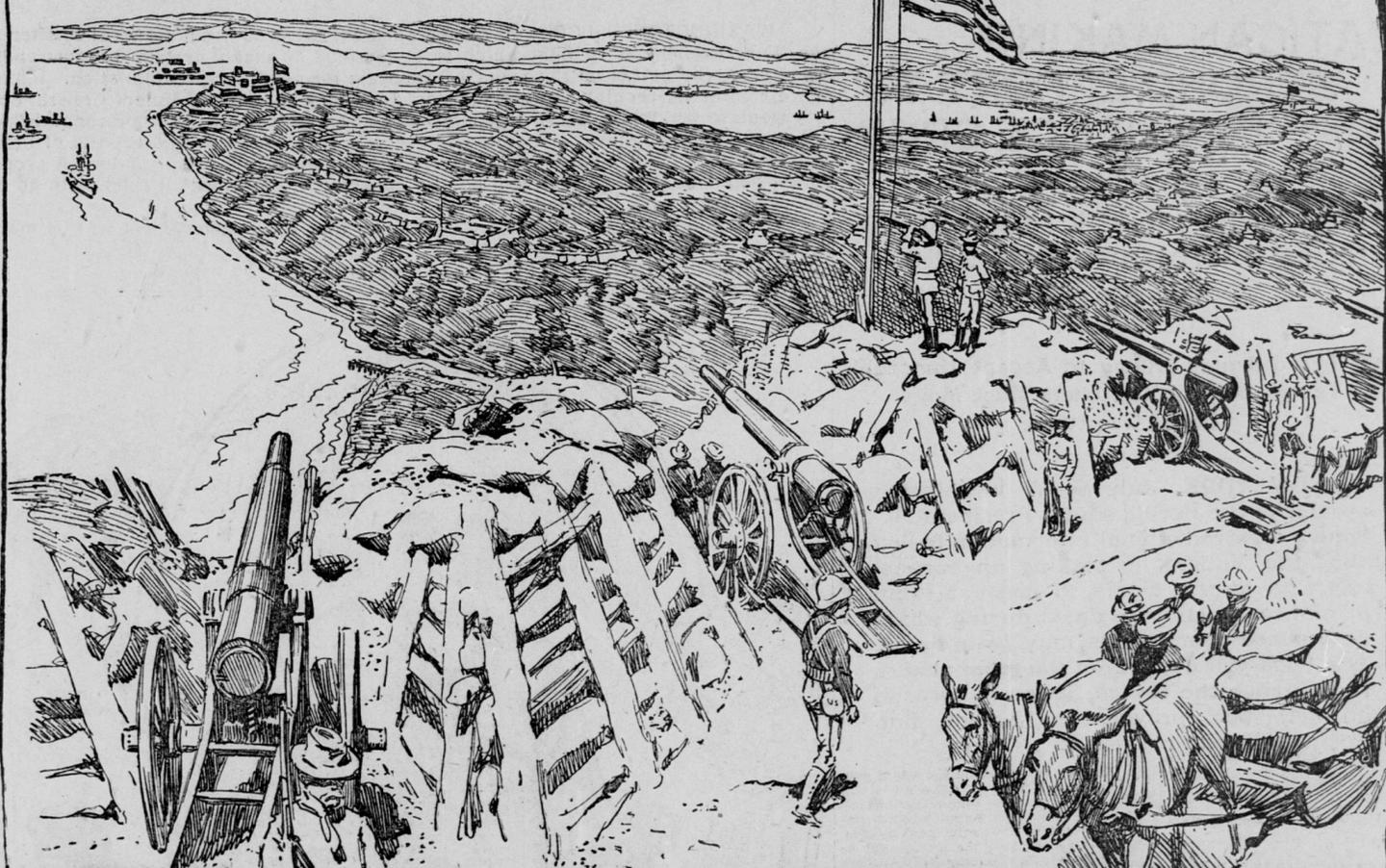
BATTLE-SHIP IOWA STRUCK BY SHELLS

One Did Not Explode and Is Embedded Near the Vessel's Water Line. NEW YORK, July 9.—A Washington special to the Herald says: The battleship Iowa will go north and be docked and repaired when she returns from Porto Rico. During the engagement with Admiral Cervera's fleet she was struck twice by shells. One exploded and the other is embedded near the vessel's water line, but did not explode. I have been told at the Navy Department that there will be no trouble on account of it, as the cap on its base can be taken off and the charge drawn without danger.

War Bonds Subscriptions. WASHINGTON, July 9.—The subscriptions to the new war bonds to-day aggregate \$350,000. Of this amount \$58,000 is in sums of \$500 or under and the remainder above that amount.

The subscriptions will close Thursday, July 14, at 5 o'clock. Three Army Promotions. WASHINGTON, July 9.—The President has directed the promotion of Brigadier General S. B. M. Young and

Brigadier General J. F. Kent to the grade of major general of volunteers, and Colonel H. Carroll to the grade of brigadier general. These officers all took a conspicuous part in the heavy fighting around Santiago on the 1st and 2d insts.



SHAFTER'S SIEGE GUNS IN POSITION ON THE HEIGHTS OVERLOOKING AGUADORES READY TO OPEN FIRE ON THE SPANISH WORKS.

OUR ARMY OBJECTS TO PROLONGING ARMISTICE

Shooting of Spies in American Uniforms and Starving Women Add to the Horrors in Camp at Caney.

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SIBONEY, CUBA, Friday, July 8.—By the Call-Herald dispatch boat Mindora to Port Antonio, Jamaica, Saturday, July 9.—Heart-rending scenes at Caney make the army wild at prolonging the armistice. The shooting of spies in our uniform and also of guerrillas had a good effect. Women, picked up in starving condition, had large sums of money on them. One had \$700. Nicholas Fish arrived to see if he could take home the body of his son.

Schley's report to Sampson on Cervera says that Captain Cook of the Brooklyn and Captain Philip of the Texas did magnificent work, and the terrible fire of the Texas, Iowa and Oregon wrecked the first ships.

SON OF SPAIN RUNS AMUCK

Tries to Kill Salinas Citizens.

SHOOTS AT PASSERS-BY

GRAZED BY NEWS OF RECENT DEFEATS.

Hauls Down a Flag, Attempts to Murder a Sheriff and Finally Is Landed Behind the Bars.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SALINAS, July 9.—When news of the return of Camara's fleet and the intended bombardment of Santiago was received here this morning a Spaniard named Roderigo, aged 25, became incensed, and made ugly threats. Later he commenced striking passers-by with his clenched fists, and finally he hauled down an American flag from a corner store on Main street, throwing it into the gutter and dancing upon it. Then, holding it in his left hand, he spat at it, cursing the while. As bystanders started for him, Roderigo drew a revolver and shot three holes through the flag. Then he turned the weapon upon approaching people.

ordered him to halt. As Nesbitt was unarmed, he started after the Sheriff, who was a few blocks away. Roderigo continued to fire at the crowd, which kept some distance away. Soon C. A. Dayton passed, and as he came up the Sheriff held his pistol in both hands, leveled to fire. Dayton still approached Roderigo in a nonchalant way and extended his hand as though meeting an old friend, addressing him in Spanish. Roderigo was thrown off his guard and his pistol was taken away. He began to feel in his pockets for other weapons. Dayton, who is a powerful man, caught the Spaniard, and after a desperate struggle succeeded in throwing him and pinning both arms until Sheriff Matthews and Deputy Nesbitt arrived and relieved him. Roderigo was let up and sullenly accompanied the officers to jail, but he was still in a fighting mood, as his subsequent action proved. On arriving at the jail he was placed back of the rail in the Sheriff's office. While the Sheriff was bending over unhooking the safe the desperate man snatched a pistol from the officer's coat pocket and leveled it at him. The Sheriff suddenly wheeled, at the same time delivering a blow which took Roderigo unawares, felling him. It was but an instant's work to secure the fellow and disarm and handcuff him. He was then heavily ironed. This evening realizing his serious predicament, he is making apologies and explanations. No charge has yet been placed against him.

RUMORS OF PEACE ARE UNIVERSAL

PARIS, July 9.—The Temps this afternoon publishes a dispatch from Madrid, which says: The rumors of peace are universal. They fill the press and all feel that high political circles are inclined to end the struggle on the morrow of new reverses or after a land victory which will satisfy national honor. It is beginning to be understood that the loss of the squadron means that an increase of difficulties in communicating with the colonies that the armies in the West Indies are greatly jeopardized by dearth of provisions and ammunition. The Government is conferring with the British cable companies for the reopening of communication with Cuban cities. It is thought the Americans will not object to the Government being placed in a position to consult with the

Governors of the colonies without loss of time on the means of defense left them and on the disposition of the troops and the loyal inhabitants.

TROOPS DISCIPLINED FOR LEAVING CAMP

Infractions of Rules Result Seriously to Offenders at Chickamauga Park.

CHICKAMAUGA, July 9.—Owing to the distress in Chattanooga that has followed the payment of the soldiers at camp General Brooke has issued a stringent order, allowing only two men from one company, troop or battery to be absent from camp at one time, and this order is being rigidly enforced.

For several days the young volunteers thought the order very funny, and it was considered quite the thing to be able to steal through the guard line and get in the city. Yesterday a provost guard was stationed at the various saloons and resorts of the city, and hundreds of the truants have been arrested and marched back to camp to be summarily punished for their deliberate infraction of orders. Last Sunday, it was stated, the saloons of the city were wide open from the rear doors, and several keepers of such places have boasted that they made hundreds of dollars during the day.

General Brooke will stop this enterprise to-morrow. He has ordered a provost guard of 100 men, who will patrol the streets in front and in the rear of all saloons, and no soldiers will be allowed to enter. This is done at the request of leading citizens and workers in the Christian Mission at the park.

The First Ohio Cavalry to-day received orders to prepare to move on Tuesday next and proceed to Tampa, where they will embark for Santiago.

PROMOTIONS FOR SCHLEY AND SAMPSON

President Undecided as to What Extent They Shall Be Advanced.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The President has determined to promote Acting Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley, in recognition of their services in the destruction of the Spanish naval fleet in American waters, but is undecided as to the extent of the promotion. Although Admiral Sampson ranks Commodore Schley in command of the naval forces in Cuban waters, he is subordinate to that officer by two numbers in the naval register. Commodore Schley stands No. 8 in the list of commanders and Sampson stands No. 10, having been promoted to the grade within the past week. Commodore Watson, also on duty with the fleet at Santiago, is senior to both of the other.

ers, standing No. 6 in his grade. When an official report is received a decision will be reached as to the extent of promotion to be made.

SICK AND WOUNDED TO BE SENT HOME

Belief at the Front That General Pando's Force Has Not Reached Santiago.

Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press. SIBONEY, July 8, per the Associated Press dispatch boat Cynthia, via Port Antonio, July 9.—Orders have just been issued, Surgeon Lefarge, who is in charge, said to-day, that all the wounded and sick soldiers who are able to bear removal shall be taken to Hampton Roads by the steamers City of Washington and Olivette, which will leave to-morrow (Saturday). The bad cases among the wounded and sick will be out on board the hospital ship Relief for better care. This will clear the hospitals here of all but the minor cases.

Through the courtesy of Rear Admiral Sampson Admiral Cervera was enabled to communicate by wire with Captain General Blanco at Havana, saying: "According to orders the fleet sailed out from Santiago on the morning of Sunday."

The imprisoned admiral then recites the destruction that followed and tells of the courteous treatment he has received at the hands of his captors. General Blanco, in reply, referred in general terms to the will of Providence. It is now known with reasonable certainty that neither Pando nor any of his force has reached Santiago.

Caballero Probably Dead. WASHINGTON, July 9.—At the instance of the German Embassy in this city, the State Department made inquiries of Admiral Sampson in regard to the condition of Lieutenant Caballero, an officer of the Spanish navy who was attached to the torpedo boat destroyer Pluton at the time of her destruction by the American fleet last Sunday. A cable message was received from Admiral Sampson this morning saying that Lieutenant Caballero was probably dead.

Fleet Will Enter the Harbor. NEW YORK, July 9.—The Sun's Siboney correspondent telegraphs from Santiago: If the town does not surrender in twenty-four hours after the attack a fleet will enter the harbor at any cost.

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Handle Baskets for little folks.....20c	Pure Maple Sugar.....10c
Covered Lunch Baskets.....50c	Olives, per quart, sweet and good.....10c
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Ladies' Fine Button Kid, size 8.....75c
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Men's or Boys' Low-cut Oxford, 5 to 7 1/2.....50c
Men's or Boys' 8 Button Shoes.....50c
Ladies' Fine Kid, narrow width, 2, 3 1/2.....50c
Girls' School Shoes, \$1.25, 1 1/2, 1 3/4.....50c
Girls' Real 2 1/2 Goat Shoes, 1 1/2, 1 3/4.....50c
Ladies' 2 1/2 Fine Green Shoes, closing.....\$1.00
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