GERMANS BOMBARD FORT

Cruiser Panther Shells San Carlos, But No Damage Is Reported Done.

VENEZUELAN FORT RETURNS THE FIRE.

Engagement Lasts an Hour When German Ship Withdraws Evidently Disabled—Attack Said to Have Been Without Provocation—Caracas Celebrates Victory.

Maracaiba, Venezuela, Jan. 20.—The German cruiser Panther shelled Fort San Carlos, at the entrance to Lake Maracaibo Saturday afternoon for one hour. The fort returned the fire with four guns. The Panther withdrew in the direction of Curacao.

Two explosions were heard on the Panther, and these seemed to disable her, for slowly and, seemingly with difficulty, she withdrew. It is reported that two of the men on the Panther were killed.

That this action will have a disastrous effect on the negotiations for peace is admitted generally here, the more so as it is said the attack on the fort was premeditated a week ago.

Fort San Carlos is 22 miles from Maracaibo and commands the entrance to the lake, or inner bay. The following letter has been received from Gen. Bello, the commander of the fort: "Yesterday afternoon at half past 12 Fort San Carlos was attacked and shelled, without any provocation on our part, without previous notification or the delivering of an ultimatum, by the German cruiser Panther, which tried to force the entrance. After a fight lasting an hour, during which the fort used only four guns, the Panther was obliged to abandon the fight, and retreated in the direction of Curacao. The fort has suffered no damage, and only three men were wounded." There have been popular demonstrations on the streets here as a result of the shelling of the fort.

Caracas Celebrates.

Caracas, Jan. 20.—Dr. Torres Cardenas, secretary to President Castro, received a dispatch from Gen. Ballo, commander of the fortress of San Carlos, at Maracaibo, saying that the fortress was attacked at noon Saturday by the German cruiser Panther. The Venezuelan garrison of the fort opened a lively fire on the German warship, and damaged it to such an extent that it was compelled to go to Curacoa for repairs. It is thought here that the Panther probably intended to seize the Venezelan gunboat Miranda, which is taking refuge in Lake Maracaibo. When the news became public in Caracas there was great excitement. Bands of music paraded the streets celebrating the defeat of the German warship. Everybody here is puzzled by the actions of the Germans.

No Official News.

Berlin, Jan. 20.—The navy department has not received any official advices regarding the bombardment of Fort San Carlos, at the entrance to Lake Maracaibo, by the German cruiser Panther on Saturday, and is unable to either confirm or deny the press dispatches. The officials say, however, assuming that something in the way of a bombardment took place, no orders on the subject were sent from Berlin. Whatever was done was the result of the initiative of the commander on the spot, to whose discretion the conduct of the blockade was left. The government relies on Commodore Scheder to observe all the formalities usual in applying force, and is confident that neither he nor any subordinate commander did anything not strictly in accordance with the usages of international law.

MINISTER BOWEN ARRIVES.

United States' Representative to Venezuela Lands at Charleston and Proceeds to Washington.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The navy department is apprised of the arrival at Charleston, S. C., of the Dolphin and of the landing of Minister Bowen and his family. The minister should reach Washington Tuesday.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 20.—The United States dispatch boat Dolphin, from Kingston, Jamaica, with Minister to Venezuela H. W. Bowen and Mrs. Bowen on board, came into the harbor Monday morning.

Mr. Bowen said that he was going to Washington to represent Venezuela on the commission which would prepare the plan for arbitration of the difficulty between that country and the European powers. He was not an attorney for Venezuela, he explained, and was not to be remunerated for his services by the Venezuelan government. He said he was acting at the request of and from courtesy to the Venezuelan government and at the desire of the United States government, in the hope that his undertaking would bring about an early settlement of the trouble. Mr. Bowen said that the Venezuelan government had allowed $5,000 for the expenses of his mission, which he would account for in the usual form, and that besides this there would be no expense to Venezuela for his services.

New Governor Inaugurated.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 20.—William Dorsey Jelks, who on the death of Gov. W. J. Samford in June, 1901, succeeded to the office of governor of Alabama and was elected last November to a full term of four years, was Monday formally inducted into office. The ceremonies were the most elaborate since Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as president of the confederate states in this city nearly 42 years ago. In his inaugural address Gov. Jelks congratulated the people upon the framing and ratification of the new constitution and said that one of its richest blessings was the fact that it provided for fewer elections and thereby reduced the amount of political discord.

President Receives Resignation.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The resignation of Binger Hermann, of Oregon, as commissioner of the general land office, to take effect February 1, was placed in the hands of the president Monday. The nomination of W. A. Richards, ex-governor of Wyoming, to succeed him, probably will be submitted to the senate Tuesday.

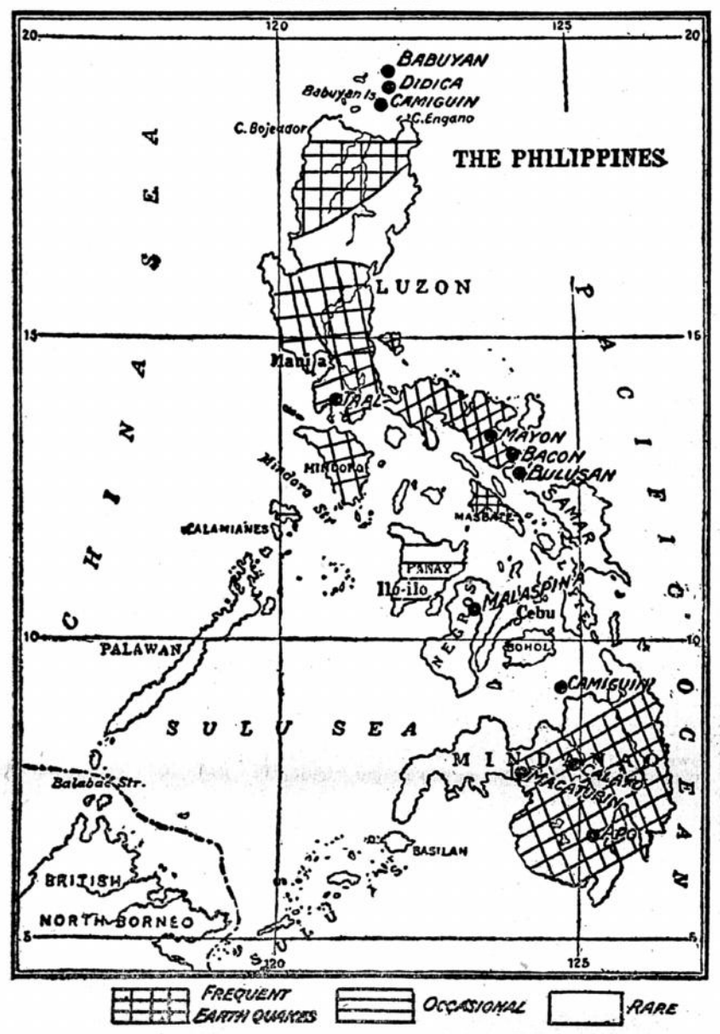
Elected Adjutant General.

New Orleans, Jan. 20.—Col. W. E. Mickle, of Mobile, Ala., was elected adjutant general and chief of staff of the United Confederate Veterans by the executive committee of that organization Monday to succeed the late George Moorman. Col. Mickle, who has been an aide on Gen. Gordon's staff, is in the city.

Killed in a Quarrel.

Portsmouth, O., Jan. 20.—In a quarrel in the Bank saloon Monday James Polly, a desperate character, shot and fatally wounded his two brothers, Charles and Earl Polly. Polly escaped.

ACTIVE VOLCANOES AND EARTHQUAKES IN PHILIPPINES.



The map shows the position and names of the volcanoes, and the regions of frequent, occasional and rare earthquakes reported from our Pacific island possessions.

DEATH WINS STRUGGLE.

Editor Gonzales, Victim of Lieut. Gov. Tillman's Bullet, Passes Away.

BATTLE OF ALMOST FOUR DAYS ENDED.

Every Effort Possible Made to Save Wounded Man, But Without Avail—Tillman Visibly Affected When Told of His Victim's Death—Universal Sorrow in Columbia.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 20.—Editor N. G. Gonzales died at one p. m. After battling for almost four days for life, the victim of Lieut. Gov. James H. Tillman's bullet passed away at the Columbia hospital. Mrs. Gonzales was with her husband when death came.

When the bulletin was posted announcing the death, the crowds which have been about the bulletin boards almost constantly since the tragedy increased rapidly, and all phases and details of the tragedy were discussed.

Tillman Visibly Affected.

In his cell, where he has been confined since the shooting, Lieut. Gov. Tillman heard the news with visible emotion. There is universal sorrow.

Since 10:30 Sunday night it was evident that the crisis had arrived. Mr. Gonzales, as he became more nervous, was subjected to vomiting and generally grew worse. He continued to lose ground, and as early as three o'clock Monday morning hope was practically abandoned. The last heroic treatment resorted to was the use of formalin. One-fiftieth of a grain was injected in the veins in the hope of stopping blood poisoning. At seven a. m. all of the patient's relatives who were not at the hospital were summoned. His wife, two brothers and a sister, besides members of the editorial staff, responded.

Cause of Death.

It is announced that death was due to septic poisoning from the wound in the liver. After the last examination of the doctors at 11 o'clock it was declared that there was no hope.

A solution of formaldehyde was injected at 10:30, but there was no improvement in his condition. Soon after, the physicians made an injection of one-fiftieth of a grain of formalin direct into the veins, in hope of preventing blood poisoning, but this also proved futile. Gonzales was unconscious during most of the morning. The city was quiet, except for the great crowds around the bulletin board, discussing the details of the tragedy.

Favorable symptoms were visible Sunday, and up to midnight it was reported that Mr. Gonzales was holding his own well.

During Sunday there was an indication of improvement in the wounds in the intestines. The obstruction had been removed and the pus cavities kept open, while two wounds seemed to have progressed favorably in the healing. It was even thought he had passed the danger of peritonitis.

At 1:30 Monday morning, however, it was noticed that his condition had undergone a decided change and it was reported that the crisis had arrived. Mr. Gonzales became exceedingly nervous and gradually grew weaker.

Funeral Arrangements.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. The services will be at Trinity church and will be presided over by Bishop Capers, of Yorkville, S. C. The body of Mr. Gonzales has been taken in charge by Coroner Green.

DEATH LIST RAISED.

Seven Instead of Six Dead as Result of Disaster on the Massachusetts.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The following cablegram was received at the navy department from Rear Admiral Higginson, dated San Juan, January 18: "Seven dead altogether: Robert Rule, F. H. Loesser, S. F. Malinowsky, K. J. Platt; Andrew Hendricksen, Albert Tacke and Walter W. A. Shert. Two living: Patterson and Dossett. Patterson's recovery probable. Dossett's recovery doubtful. The dead were buried with military honors at San Juan. Massachusetts now at San Juan. Sick men in hospital. Cabled Dunlap for information. Tacke died at three p. m. Saturday; Shert died Sunday, seven a. m."

Two Chinamen Killed.

San Francisco, Jan. 20.—Five Chinese were shot, two fatally, Sunday night, in a Tong war in Chinatown. There were three successive affrays, the latter two being in retaliation of the first, which took place in a gambling den. In the first affray the intended victim was shot through the body and two by-standers struck by the bullets, but not seriously injured. Four men are in jail, and the police say they have strong evidence against two of the prisoners.

One Man Injured.

La Crosse, Wis., Jan. 20.—While running at full speed the Northwestern passenger train, which left this city at five o'clock Monday morning, collided with a way freight at Lytles, five miles north of here, completely demolishing both engines. J. L. Pierce, of Baraboo, the passenger engineer, received serious injuries to his back and was removed to the hospital. The remainder of the crew escaped by jumping.

Kaiser as a Speechmaker.

A newly published volume of the kaiser's speeches during the past fourteen years contains over 400 of those imperial masterpieces, each of which, according to the kaiser's theory of government, is above criticism. The average number of speeches delivered in one year seems to have been about thirty, which gives to the kaiser high rank among the oratorical rulers of Christendom.

Pennsylvania Troops Praised.

Major Duvall of the artillery corps, United States army, gives the opinion that the division of the National guard of Pennsylvania is to-day the most homogeneous and solid, the most uniformly accoutered and equipped, the most spirited and the most valuable division of troops that can be got together in the same time in this country, and in his estimate he includes all troops.

When Joking Is Dangerous.

A gentleman who jokingly asked a young woman to marry him is much disconcerted because a jury has assessed him $2,500 for breach of promise. This teaches us that the only proposition which may safely be joked upon is one respecting the "adjusting" of taxes. A jury will always credit the statement that a scheme of that kind is a merry jest.

Diaz Doing Good to Mexico.

All over Mexico President Diaz is pushing vast works of public improvement. Railroads especially are being extended, and it is expected that ere long Chicago and the City of Mexico will be but four days apart. Gen. Diaz is now 72 years old, but never rests from his self-imposed task of modernizing the sister republic.

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