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STILL LOOKING FOR THE END.

Department Officials Believe the Insurgents Are Rapidly Breaking Down.

A HOPEFUL FEELING IN THE CAPITAL CITY.

Progress of the Peace Negotiations Said to Be Satisfactory—Fire the Favorite Weapon of the Insurgents, Says Admiral Dewey.

Newspaper Paragraphs From All Over the Country.

Washington, D. C., Special.—The effects of the State and War Department's are looking for a speedy collapse of the insurrection in the Philippines, victory is thus expectation based on the private advices that have come from the Philippine commission, as to the negotiations that have been going on between that body and the insurgent representatives, but also upon the successful development of MacArthur's and Lawton's campaign. So far as the commissioners' reports are concerned they indicate that the insurgents have at least recognized the inevitable break down of their struggle, and are simply striving by prolonging their resistance to secure the most liberal terms possible in the creation of a government in the Philippines. They have not in any diplomatic sense acknowledged the sovereignty of the United States, but have recognized the physical domination of our military forces, and who have talked more or less of independence, even at the moment, without doubt they will accept readily any proposition looking to a protectorate. The President's instructions, however, are clear on this point, and the commission understands that it is to take no action in a way of promising promises that will deprive Congress of a free hand in disposing of the future of the Philippines.

It is believed that an animating purpose in the Filipino representation is to make sure that whatever form of government is adopted will afford lucrative and influential places for the many ambitious Philippine leaders. The administration sees nothing in this aspiration irreconcileable with a firm government over the islands by the United States, the opportunity for the Filipinos being found in a liberal provision for municipal and even provincial native government in the islands.

Another Revolution at an End. CARACAS, Venezuela, By Cable.—Peace is now re-established in Venezuela. General Ramon Gutierrez, formerly Venezuelan Minister of War and Marine, who started the revolution last February, and who was finally severely defeated by the government troops, has escaped into Colombia.

Report of Casualties and Captures. WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The War Department has received the following:

Manila, May 5.

"Adjutant General, Washington. Following were the casualties at Santo Tomas yesterday: One officer, Lieutenant Togard, Twenty-two Kavas, and four enlisted men were killed; three officers, 22 enlisted men wounded. Among the wounded in General Funston, in the hand, slight."

Tolbert Inclined to Recant. COLUMBIA, S. C., Special.—R. R. Tolbert, who was made to leave the vicinity of Phoenix, last fall, during the election excitement, was interviewed in Greenville, by the editor of a weekly paper, published at his old home, Greenwood. By his statement published in the Index, Tolbert evidently desires to pacify his former neighbors and says he wishes to return to his home and business. He declares he did not make statements attributed to him in an interview printed in the New York Independent, which inflamed the people against him, and that he had always been in favor of white supremacy.

New Gold Strike in Skagway. SKAGWAY, Alaska, Special.—An important gold strike has just been made within five miles from Skagway, on Munn's creek, just across the bay from Skagway.

Honored in Baytown.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The continued rebel demonstrations south of Manila are causing no apprehension on the part of the War Department officials, as the brigades of Onions and Hall are seen to be ample for every emergency. Together they have about 4,600 men, besides two regiments of regulars, who have just arrived at Manila, and are available to reinforce these brigades.

Counterfeiter Arrested. NEWPORT, V. A., Special.—Two Italians, Carlo Fasi, aged 49 years, and his son, Giacomo Fasi, aged 16 years were arrested here by Officer Wilshire, of the city police, on the charge of passing spurious money.

Appointment of the Naval Militia Funds.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The Navy Department has just made an allotment of the appropriation of the funds of \$60,000 for the assistance of the naval militia of the States supporting such organizations. Among the States receiving appropriations are the following: Florida, \$2,345,81; Georgia, \$1,563,95; Louisiana, \$1,300,40; North Carolina, \$2,238,15; South Carolina, \$1,510,98; Virginia, \$1,348,30.

Like the Favorite Weapon of the Insurgents.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The Adjutant General is in receipt of a private cable message from First Washington soldiers at Manila says that the boys of the regiment have recovered hidden treasure amounting to \$60,000. The treasure consists of Mexican silver and German and English gold coin. It was hidden in various amounts from \$500 to \$5,000.

The Duke d'Arcos, the newly appointed minister to the United States, has sailed upon the journey to his new post at Washington, by way of Paris.

43,000 WILL BE THE DIVISOR.

A Final Plan Agreed Upon for the Distribution of the \$3,000,000.

HAVANA, By Cable.—Forty thousand will be used as the divisor in fixing the shares of the soldiers in the \$3,000,000 allotted by the United States government to be divided among the Cuban troops, and the payment will begin at the end of this week. A general order declaring the payment and setting forth the rules to be observed, was issued to Governor General Brooke on Monday. The governor general and General Gomez have decided that it would be impracticable to try to verify further the army rolls as submitted by the recently dissolved Cuban Assembly. General Brooke has sent to General Gomez a list of the commissioners for the several corps, asking if he wished to make any changes. The commissioners, one Cuban and one American for each corps, will be ordered to meet at once in Havana to take action as to the details of the division of the money. The order in which the payments will be made is as follows: First, in Havana province, then in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Matanzas, Santa Clara, Puerto Principe and Santiago. The next important rule laid down is that one requiring the giving up of all arms as a condition of the payment of the \$75 each man is to receive. After all the privates and non-commissioned officers are paid, some money will be left, and this remainder will probably be divided among the maimed and destitute officers of the army.

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Baptist Female University.

The executive committee of the board of trustees of the Baptist Female University has made recommendations to the full board of ten persons as members of the faculty. Prof. Abby, of Holland, is selected as the president of the college, having a record of 15 years' service in the college.

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