

TO MASTER THE SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINES EMPHATICALLY DECLARED.

THE FEARFUL ARRANGEMENT OF THE AMERICAN COMMANDER BY A BRITISH OFFICER WHO SPEAKS FROM PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE—HE NO LONGER HOLDS THE CONFIDENCE OF HIS MEN—THE EXTREME PRESS CENSORSHIP AT MANILA SHIELDS THE GENERAL FROM PUBLIC CONDEMNATION.

Manila, August 9.—Details of General McArthur's advance upon San Fernando show that the Americans covered five miles in the first five hours and at 2 o'clock had advanced six miles along the railway, stretching on each side of it for two miles and resting at night three miles from Angeles, which will be made the northern base of operations.

The Philippines were surprised, expecting the American forces to move against Tico. They followed their usual tactics of holding their trenches until they became too warm and then retreating in disorder. They are now falling back toward Poric.

The Twelfth and Seventeenth regiments had the sharpest engagements. The country our troops passed over is covered with rice fields and bamboo thickets.

Angels is one of the richest towns north of Manila and is considered to be a better base of operations than San Fernando.

The forces at San Fernando consisted of the Iowa regiment, the Seventeenth regiment, the Ninth regiment, the Twelfth regiment, the Third regiment, the Sixth regiment, a battalion of the Sixteenth cavalry and a battery of the Fourth cavalry and fifteen guns.

The movement had been planned for some time, but was delayed by rains. Finally, two days of sun-dried the rice fields sufficiently to warrant the attempt.

The Americans' position had long been unpleasant. The rebels almost surrounded the town and fired nearly every day. The Americans were not replying, except on extreme provocation.

It is necessary to keep 500 to 600 men on outpost duty constantly. Captain Deems, with a provost guard, laid light capture a noted Philippine leader with several followers.

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The rebels were well protected by trenches and seemed not to lack ammunition. They were unable to withstand for long the steady fire of the half of our artillery and infantry poured in on them, and retreated, leaving many dead and wounded on the field. A dozen prisoners were captured by our troops.

The reports indicate that the Ninth infantry suffered the most, though the casualties of all the regiments are not yet reported.

The weather was extremely hot and our troops suffered greatly. But there was no fatality.

A company of the Sixteenth regiment went to the relief of Bell's regiment this afternoon, the latter being reported harassed in the rear.

The fire except at isolated points had ceased at 10 o'clock.

A CABLEGRAM FROM OTIS. Washington, August 9.—General Otis confirms the report of the battle at San Fernando in the following terms: "Manila, August 9.

"Adjutant General, Washington: "MacArthur, with 4,000 men, attacked the insurgent army, 6,000 strong, concentrated around San Fernando at 5:15 o'clock this morning. At 10 o'clock he had driven it five miles in the direction of Angeles. Casualties few. Attack ordered to be continued, but did not permit movement. Railway from Angeles north badly washed by unprecedented floods of last six weeks, beyond ability of insurgents to repair.

"OTIS." FEARFUL ARRANGEMENT OF OTIS Chicago, August 9.—A special dispatch to The Tribune from Victoria, B. C., says: "Commander S. John, of the British cruiser, Peacock, who arrived here from Manila today by the Empress, en route home, declares that General Otis's military judgment is a responsibility of a magnitude in the Philippines. He has 6,000 dead and 6,000 wounded, and his plan of attack is so badly calculated that his interest is no other, could a serious breach be declared to exist between the United States army and navy at the front, and Commander S. John said that the press censorship is carried to the extreme in Manila to save it from being swept down in a flood of popular indignation.

MANILA A SEA OF WATER. Vancouver, B. C., August 9.—Manila advices received on the steamship Empress of Japan say that typhoons and rains have turned the city, wet enough at the best of times, into an immense pond, with gutters over a foot deep in water. Sampaloo district was so completely flooded that the people

EXCITEMENT IN A CHURCH OFFICERS ARREST TWO MEN, WANTED FOR VARIOUS OFFENSES, AT A PRAYER MEETING—A LIVELY TIME IN THE CHURCH (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., August 9.—At a prayer meeting here, there was a great sensation tonight. Two white men entered. They were recognized as Walter Grey and Archie Campbell, from Harnett county, who for over a year had been searched for by revenue and state officers.

They were heavily armed and went to the prayer meeting. Instantly the desperadoes made a break for the door, but were stopped by cocked revolvers. Grey reached for his revolver, but was seized. A desperate struggle followed. Members of the congregation aided the deputy marshals.

Knives and dirks were taken from the prisoners. They were jailed here. The five warrants against each for violating revenue laws, store robbery and cattle stealing in three counties. They have terrorized their section of Harnett county.

QUAKERS' ANNUAL MEETING CONVENES AT HIGH POINT—COPPER MINES SOLD TO NEW YORKERS—DISAPPEARANCE OF AN OLD LADY (Special to The Messenger.)

Greensboro, N. C., August 9.—The annual meeting of the Quakers commenced at High Point today. The meeting will last one week and is the largest assemblage of its kind in the south. Visiting Friends are coming from three great Quaker states—Pennsylvania, Indiana and Kansas, and delegates will be present from various parts of England.

What a Georgia Man Says as to the Relations of the Two Races at the South. Quitman, Ga., August 9.—At the meeting of the Georgia state agricultural society here today the race problem came prominently to the front as a topic of discussion.

In this country, copper mine, located in the county, which paid large dividends prior to the civil war and was among the first southern mining to receive attention on Wall street, has been sold to Herbert Carl and others, of New York city. Mining operations will be commenced at once.

Intelligence reaches here today that Miss Julia Stone, 50 years old, became deranged and disappeared from her home at Pilot Mountain some days ago. No trace of her can be found.

THE ODD FELLOWS THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA IN SEASIDE IN CHARLOTTE (Special to The Messenger.)

Charlotte, N. C., August 9.—The grand encampment of North Carolina Odd Fellows met here today with the following officers present: R. C. Galyham, grand patriarch; L. C. Howlett, grand senior warden; W. E. Faison, grand junior warden; B. J. Jacobs, grand scribe; T. W. Blake, grand treasurer; Wesley Williams, grand representative; George Green, grand marshal; L. L. Boone, grand inside sentinel; L. W. Jeanreux, grand outside sentinel.

Reports of officers were received and referred to proper committees. The grand encampment will adjourn sine die tomorrow.

RECEIVING WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MARRIAGE OF CAPTAIN SIGSBEE'S DAUGHTER LAST EVENING (Special to The Messenger.)

New York, August 9.—The world tomorrow will say: It is announced that Miss Ellen Sigbee, the only daughter of Captain Charles D. Sigbee, United States navy, was married to this city November 26, 1898, to Balfour Kerr, a young artist. Miss Sigbee came to this city from Washington to attend the classes of the art students' league in competition for the life class scholarship. She carried off the prize with a sketch in the nude. Last October she returned to this city on a steamer, and in the absence of the month quietly married Mr. Kerr. Mrs. Kerr, nee Sigbee, is now at Newport with her mother. She formerly had charge of a morning class in drawing at the Washington art league. For several years she has been a great social favorite at Washington.

Mr. Kerr is a water color artist of some fame. He is a nephew of Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, who lives at Washington, and it was in that city that Mr. Kerr first met Miss Sigbee, where they were both students at the Washington art students' league.

Excitement Over the Alexandria Lynching

Alexandria, Va., August 9.—The negroes here are much stirred up over the lynching last night of Ben Thomas, about one hundred Springfield rifles telegraphed for by Captain King, of the Alexandria Light Infantry, reached here today from the state army at Richmond, and tonight members of the infantry assembled and held their services in readiness should a call be made. The mayor is quoted as saying that he intends to actively prosecute those persons engaged in the lynching. The coroner's jury convened today and rendered a verdict that Thomas came to his death at the hands of a mob, the members of which are unknown to the jury.

Conducting Rumors as to the Pope's Health

Vienna, August 9.—The Allgemeine Zeitung says that the pope is ill, in consequence of the great heat and has had several fainting fits. Dr. Lipponi, a physician, was hastily summoned to the church in Georgia to hold memorial services in honor of the deceased. Bishop Turner says he will try to get the state to pay an account of the latter's friendship for the race.

Sparks Judge Charles P. James, formerly a justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, died Wednesday at his home in Leesburg, Va., of old age.

Major Marchand has been offered the post of governor of the French settlement on the Samal coast of the extraordinary to King Menelik of Abyssinia.

Troops Ordered out to Prevent a Lynching

Indianapolis, Ind., August 9.—Governor Mount, on the report of Sheriff Dunn, of Miami county, has ordered one company of the light infantry and ten companies of the militia to be sent to Peru, immediately to prevent a mob from lynching the alleged abductor of Jones, who is charged, recently, with the murder of a woman. Sheriff Dunn says he has information that a mob of 200 will attempt to take the prisoner tonight.

A Bond For of Captured

Texas, August 9.—J. M. Bates, alias J. C. Cooper, wanted in New York for theft of three Chesapeake and Centa boats, and valued at \$1,000, was arrested here today. Bates, who is about 20 years old, is said to have obtained the bonds from Murphy & Co., brokers, on a forged check. He has confessed.

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THE DREYFUS TRIAL Still in Secret Session on the Dossier. Defendant Giving His Aid in Translating German Phrases

Paris, France, August 9.—The secret session of the Dreyfus court-martial today lasted from 6:30 o'clock a. m. until 11:45 a. m. General Chamoiné nearly completed his part of the explanation of the dossier. He will be heard tomorrow for about a couple of hours and then M. Paléologue, of the secret office, will take up the task, which, it is understood will be completed Friday next. A public session, therefore, will take place Saturday morning.

The dossier consists of about 600 documents, of which fifty were disposed of yesterday. A selection of the documents are written in German. During the proceedings today a German dictionary was sent for and the correspondent here of the Associated Press learns from the Associated Press source that certain words and expressions could not be exactly understood, even with the aid of a dictionary. Dreyfus, who is a perfect German speaker, volunteered a translation and was allowed to give the words which were of valuable assistance to the members of the court.

The precautionary police measures today were much more stringent than yesterday. Strong detachments of infantry, instead of gendarmes, cordoned off the streets leading to the Lycee. Absolutely nobody but police and soldiers were thus situated near the Lycee. Dreyfus when he crossed the avenue de la Gare.

The police authorities explain the rigor of these measures on the ground that yesterday a few cries against the prisoner were raised, which were crossing the avenue. Not a discordant note was heard anywhere today.

THE BEADY ELECTRIC WIRE Four Firemen Killed by Coming in Contact With One During a Fire

Omaha, Neb., August 9.—A fireman lost his life tonight in a blaze on an upper floor of the Mercer Chemical Company's building at Eleventh and Harney streets. The fire in itself was insignificant, the fatalities resulting from contact with a live wire.

Fireman George Farmer and Albert Livingston, of the Chemical Company, also suffered severely from the shock. When the fire had been brought under control, the firemen set to work to lower the big extension truck upon which they had been working. Suddenly there was a sputtering and succession of flashes. The men who were working at the crank lowering the ladder were held in contact with a live electric light wire carrying a current of 2,000 volts. The injured men were at once carried into an adjoining building and doctors who were present used every means known to revive them. Hopper revived one few minutes and saying he was all right started to walk away. He had only gone about fifty feet when he dropped dead. He showed signs of revival, but when only partially revived, sank back and expired. The other two never at any time showed any signs of animation, and were doubtless dead when picked up.

APPAIRS IN HAVANA Troops Sent of the City—Demand for More Educational Facilities

Havana, August 9.—The last troops stationed in this city left here this morning for Quemados, leaving only those garrisoning Morro castle, Cabanas fortress and the outline to make model farm schools instead of an agricultural engineering school, and it is expected that Cuba needs plenty of practical agriculturists, such as could be made by model farms, to initiate better means of cultivation. There should also be a theoretical side, institution to study the production of extracts from fruits and vegetables.

The municipality of Havana has asked Governor Ludlow to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000 per year for public schools.

The Yellow Fever Abated Newport News, Va., August 9.—The yellow fever situation in the soldiers' home remains unchanged. "No new cases and no deaths" is the report sent out again today from the hospital. The quarantine remains in force at all of the neighboring cities, Hampton and Phoebus, it is understood, are practically clean bills of health and it is thought the quarantine, so far as Hampton is concerned, will be lifted within the next forty-eight hours.

Washington, August 9.—Surgeon Vickers wires Surgeon General Sherman of the marine hospital service today from the soldiers' home at Hampton, Va., as follows: "No change. Everything favorable. Nearly all in tents that can be moved. Disinfection of buildings being pushed along by Surgeon Von Egdorf."

Dr. Wynon's reports tonight are an encouraging nature. Surgeon Petrus at Fort Monroe, stated that there are no new developments at that place. Dr. White in a dispatch from Newport News, says: "Last case in Phoebus furnished new clothing and discharged. House disinfected. No remaining fever in the town. Disease now confined to soldiers' home. Cases having all been isolated. No new cases for several days. House to house inspection completed. Nothing suspicious in Hampton. Most authorities in Newport News to discuss the situation."

A Railway Rate War Anticipated Chicago, August 9.—The Tribune tomorrow will say: Gulf competition for Missouri river merchandise traffic is certain to involve the western roads in a serious rate war. The proposition to arbitrate the question whether the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf road should be allowed a differential rate on merchandise via the gulf ports to the Missouri river has been voted down by the western roads because the Gulf Atlantic lines are determined to meet any rate that may be made by the gulf lines.

Executive officers of the western roads were in session all day trying to bring about a settlement of these troubles, but failed. A proposition was made to make the same rates by way of New York, Boston, Mass., and points taking same rates via all railroad routes, 35 cents per 100 pounds to Boston, Mass., and points taking same rates via all railroad routes, 35 cents per 100 pounds.

Three of the Lynched Italians American Citizens Washington, August 9.—The state department has received from Governor Foster of Louisiana, certified copies of three Italian citizens lynched at Tallulah, La., and claimed by the Italian authorities to be Italian citizens. The naturalization papers were issued by the court in Tallulah district, and are regarded by the authorities as establishing beyond question the citizenship of the three participants in the affair. Governor Foster's final report on the circumstances of the lynching has not yet been received.

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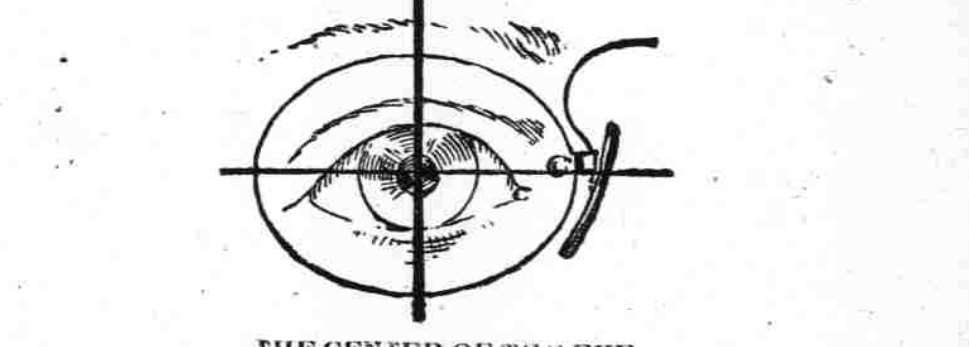
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