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GILMORE'S MEN SAFE.

They Are Now in the Hands of the Insurgents.

2ND CONFERENCE WITH OTIS

Terminates Without Definite Results in Securing Cessation of Hostilities. Gen. Lawton Capturing Towns and Killing Insurgents. Aguinaldo Repudiates All Peace Overtures.

Manila, May 2.—Maj. Arguelles, of Gen. Luna's staff, has sent information regarding Lieut. Gilmore and his party of men from the United States gunboat Yorktown, who were captured by the Filipinos on April 12th.

It is in the form of a list of the missing men and is signed by Lieut. Gilmore. The lieutenant reports that he and his party have been brought across the mountain from Baler, where they were captured.

Lawton is Capturing Towns and Killing Insurgents.

Washington, May 2.—The following cablegram was received by the war department shortly before midnight:

"MANILA, May 3.

"Adjutant General, Washington:

"Gen. Lawton's column, in passing westward from Norzgary, captured Baling and villages in the vicinity yesterday, scattering and pursuing 1,600 insurgent troops. His only casualties were two wounded. The insurgents lost several killed and a large number wounded and captured. Numbers are not stated. Communication with Lawton is via Malolos by means of Hale's troops and detachments from the city.

Oris."

Manila, May 2.—6:05 p. m.—Lieut. Arguelles and Lieut. Bernal, of the staff of Gen. Luna, returned here today to tender and press the request of Gen. Luna for a cessation of hostilities. They have found the field of labor a most un congenial one. The officers were received in conference by Major General E. S. Otis. The proposals which they had to submit differed but slightly from those which they brought from the Filipino commander in the first place. They desired a little time in which to summon the congress, and expressed themselves as being confident that congress will decree peace, because the people desire it. They represent that Aguinaldo is without power to surrender the arms, and that congress must decide the question. Incidentally the Filipino envoys asserted that Aguinaldo had not made a fair test of his strength against the American forces, because only one-third of his army had been assembled together.

The envoys presented a letter from Senator Mabini, president and minister of foreign affairs in the cabinet of Aguinaldo, and who is the backbone of the Filipino organization. The communication is personal and unofficial, and seconds Maj. Arguelles' arguments.

Repudiated by Aguinaldo.

London, May 2.—Representatives of the Philippine Junta say they have received a telegram from Aguinaldo, dated April 30, in which he states that his government has nothing to do with the present peace negotiations, which he asserts are being conducted by a group of half-castes and Creoles who are anxious for peace in the expectation of getting high offices under the new government. Several of these men, Aguinaldo says, are members of the Filipino congress, where they are endeavoring to out-vote him. Aguinaldo added that he had had no direct negotiations with the Americans since the fall of Malolos, when certain proposals passed between Mr. D. C. Worcester, of the American Philippine commission, and a representative of Aguinaldo, looking to peace based upon independence with an American alliance.

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Aguinaldo disavows the present negotiations, and adds that under no circumstances will he accept an American protectorate. The dispatch concludes with a contemptuous reference to Arguelles, as a Spanish officer, who has no more authority to act on behalf of Aguinaldo than has Luna himself.

The Second Conference Abortive.

Manila, May 3, noon.—The second conference, held this morning between Maj. Gen. Otis and the Filipino emissaries, Col. Manuel Arguelles and Lieut. Jose Bernal, terminated without any definite results.

Ask for a Three Months' Truce. No Terms Reached.

Manila, May 3.—A conference, lasting two hours, was held today between Gen. Otis and the envoys of Gen. Luna, bearing on the proposal for a cessation of hostilities. Gen. Otis adhered to his refusal to recognize the so-called government of the insurgents. The Filipinos now ask for a truce for three months to enable Aguinaldo to summon congress and consult the insurgent leaders on the other islands. The envoys admitted the contention of Gen. Otis that Aguinaldo had little control over affairs outside the island of Luzon.

A Dispatch From Otis Suppressed.

Washington, May 3.—3 p. m.—The war department has advised from Gen. Otis, but refuses to publish the dispatch. It is significant that Adjutant General Corbin said after reading the dispatch that he had no reason to change his previous opinion that there would be a great deal of backing down by the insurgents, which would end in their surrender.

Seven of the Yorktown's Crew Missing.

Washington, May 3.—Admiral Dewey cables the following today: "Lieut. Gilmore and the crew from the Yorktown are prisoners at the insurgent quarters at San Lidor, as follows: Lieut. Gilmore, chief quartermaster Wm. Walton Salin, sailmaker's mate Paul Vandoit, coxswain John Ellsworth, apprentice Albert Peterson and landsman Fred Anderson. Gen. Otis sent them provisions. I am continuing inquiries as to the fate of the other seven."

An Address.

Prof. Elise B. Lewis will make an address at the book reception next Tuesday evening. Prof. Lewis possesses a wealth of ideas, a happy manner of expressing them and a most graceful delivery, so those who fail to hear him will miss a rare treat.

It is supposed that every one who goes will be sufficiently interested in the library to carry a book to be given to it. Take the book that you value and place it where your friends may use it.

Refreshments will be served, for which there will be no charge. This reception is not given with the view of increasing the amount in the treasury of the association, but with the hope of interesting a larger number of our people in the educational project.

Those who have espoused the cause of a public library wish to show their friends what they have done in three years by patient and persistent effort, and to invite their aid in this great cause.

The Washington Post says that strawberries from Newbern, Kinston and Goldsboro will be exhibited at the fruit fair and festival to be held in Washington City, on the evening of the 19th day of May, under the auspices of the North Carolina society. Specimens will be taken from the baskets shipped the day before and will be noted for their excellence in size, flavor and shipping qualities.

Any sort of printing cheap at THE FREE PRESS office.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

CLIPPINGS FROM EXCHANGES

Of Items That Will Interest North Carolinians. Some News, Some Politics—All of Some Interest to True "Tar Heels."

In Raleigh the Democrats elected 14 of the 16 aldermen, and the Republicans elected two negroes as aldermen.

If the fusionists gain the agricultural board case they will try to hold on to the deaf-mute and blind institutions.

By omission in the revenue law, the 84 building and loan associations in the State escape taxation. Last year this tax yielded about \$1,000.

Wilmington voted down the proposition to issue \$50,000 in bonds for the improvement of roads in the county outside the city of Wilmington.

Guilford county will have five weeks of court. The special term will convene on the 22d inst. and continue for three weeks. The June term will be of two weeks' duration, thus giving five solid weeks of court.

Two negro boys by the names of Bill and Lonnie Trice, were arrested in East Durham Monday night upon the charge of committing an outrage upon a colored girl. They were committed to jail in default of bail.

The supreme court Tuesday heard arguments in the agricultural board case, T. M. Argo and J. C. L. Harris appearing for the fusionists, and F. M. Simmons and Richard H. Battle for the Democrats. The arguments occupied three hours' time.

The legislative committee to examine and make changes as to the Agricultural and Mechanical college will establish a textile institution by the use of textbooks and local cotton mills until machinery can be installed. Mr. D. A. Tompkins is the leader in the movement.

Greenville Reflector: Mr. A. D. Hill, of Farmville, sends The Reflector word that on Tuesday a canvas was made to raise a fund to offer as a reward for the apprehension of the Dongola murderers and incendiaries. At the time he told us the fund had already reached \$750 and it was expected to be increased to \$1,000 today. The best detective that can be employed will be put on the case.

Greenville Reflector: A colored woman living near Blount's Creek, Beaufort county, one day last week started across the creek and seeing the water was alive with herrings decided she would try and catch some of them. She took off her undershirt, tied it together at the top with the drawingstring and took a piece of grape vine and made a hoop in the bottom of the skirt and waded in to try her hand with this improvised net. She succeeded in catching 500 of the fish.

Raleigh News-Observer, May 3: Only one new case of smallpox was reported yesterday. That is J. H. Williams, who lives on North East street. Having been vaccinated he only has varioloid. He and his family are quarantined in their home. There was one death yesterday. John Hood, a colored man living in Adam's alley, died either from smallpox or from vaccine disease. About two weeks ago he was vaccinated and became quite sick. During this time he was caught in a rain and wet to the skin. As a result his vaccinated arm became worse, broke out in sores which spread to the body, and yesterday when he died it was one solid mass of raw flesh. The body was treated as that of a smallpox patient and wrapped in sheets saturated with formalin, before being buried in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Auditor Ayer is Puzzled About Greene County.

Raleigh, May 3.—Auditor Ayer is puzzled, and will have to refer a case to the attorney general. It is the Greene county case, where there are fusion and Democratic boards of commissioners and two sets of officers. The law requires the assessment blanks to be sent to the register of deeds. Now, who is the register? Judge Robinson said C. A. Laxister, Democrat, is; but Judge Timberlake says W. E. Murphy, Populist. The revenue law is rather mixed. Section 119 says the blanks must be sent to the county commissioners. There is this year a blank containing both the assessment and abstract of taxables. The fusionist register demands the blanks, and the auditor must get them to the county by May 15. The Democratic chairman of county commissioners demands them also.

Nelson and the Spaniards.

There is an amusing anecdote about that gruff sea dog, Nelson. Two Spanish captains came on board, with a request to be allowed to see "the greatest seaman in the world." Nelson grumbled, but gave in and went on deck, forgetting that "at that moment his legs were bound up at the knees and ankles with pieces of brown paper soaked in vinegar and tied on with red tape."

This had been done to allay the irritation arising from mosquito bites. Quite forgetting his attire and the extraordinary appearance which it presented, Lord Nelson went on deck and conducted the interview with the Spanish captains with such perfect courtesy that his singular appearance was quite obliterated by the charm of his manner, and the Spaniards left the ship with their high opinion of him thoroughly confirmed.

The Observing Youngsters.

Mildmay has never been in the habit of punishing his children, leaving that disagreeable duty to his wife, but the other day one of his numerous progeny became very unruly, and he was obliged to say:

"Flora, if you don't keep quiet I shall have to whip you."
"Pooh!" retorted the little 3-year-old, with a contemptuous toss of her saucy head. "You isn't the mother."

He Deals In Snow.

The Prince of Palermo is said to owe his wealth chiefly to the trade in snow, of which he has a monopoly. The snow is brought at night in baskets on mule back from the mountains to the coast and shipped to the Italian cities, where it is sold at 2 and 3 cents a pound.

A Maidenly Device.

Evelyn—So you've broken off with Jack again?
Ettu—Oh, yes! I'm tired of the old ring, and he always gives me a new one when we make up.—Jewelers Weekly.

How Old She Looks

Poor clothes cannot make you look old. Even pale cheeks won't do it. One thing does it, and never fails. It is impossible to look young with the color of seventy years in your hair.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

permanently postponed the tell-tale signs of age. It brings back the color of youth. At fifty your hair may look as it did at fifteen. It thickens the hair also, stops it from falling out, and cleanses the scalp from dandruff. \$1.00 a bottle. At all druggists.
If you do not obtain all the benefits you expect from the use of the Vigor, write the doctor about it.
Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

A LITTLE ABOUT MANY THINGS

The Pith of the World's News That Might Interest Our Readers. Some of It is Fresh. Some May Be "Salty," But Not Spoilt.

Democrats carried Baltimore Tuesday by 9,000 majority.

H. B. Hyde, president Equitable Insurance Co., died at New York Tuesday.

President McKinley has promoted the gallant Col. Frederic Funston to brigadier general of volunteers.

Gus Ruhlin and Peter Maher fought a twenty-round draw at New York Tuesday night. They fought fiercely.

The clothing store of S. J. Bacharach, at Philadelphia, was burned Wednesday morning. The flames crossed the street and sixteen other buildings were destroyed. The loss is probably \$200,000.

Troops have been sent to Wardner, Idaho, to prevent further depredations by the miners. There was talk of miners attacking the troops but that danger is lessened by increasing the force of troops.

Before sailing for Europe Senator Jones addressed a letter to Mr. J. G. Johnson, national committeeman from Kansas, designating him to act for the Democratic national committee during the absence of the chairman.

The junta of Cuban generals has decided to organize a Cuban national guard of 12,000, despite Gen. Brooke's statement to Gomez that such a force was unnecessary and the country was unable to bear the expense.

The home of Gen. Wade Hampton, in the suburbs of Columbia, S. C., was burned Tuesday morning. He lost a valuable library and many interesting curios. There is no doubt that the house was set on fire by a discharged woman-servant. There was no insurance. In attempting to save a pet dog the general was scorched about the face.

A dispatch, May 2d, from St. Louis, Mo., says: Trusts received a blow in the court of appeals today, which is likely to drive them out of business in this state. The judges unanimously decided that trusts cannot collect for goods sold within the borders of the State. The Missouri anti-trust law was sustained and it was further declared that all pools to fix a limit of price for any commodity are illegal. The decision today was particularly against the National Lead Trust, which had sold goods to a St. Louis firm and was endeavoring to collect therefor.

Morehead City Election.

Newbern Journal.
The Democratic nominees of Morehead City were elected by a big majority at the election held last Tuesday. Mr. C. S. Wallace was elected mayor. The local option question was decided in the affirmative by a majority of 151 votes.

National League Games.

TUESDAY.
Philadelphia 3, New York 4.
Baltimore 2, Boston 9.
Washington 0, Brooklyn 7.
Pittsburg 4, St. Louis 3.
Cleveland 2, Louisville 3; 2d game, Cleveland 9, Louisville 5.

An Epidemic of Whooping Cough.

Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease, having severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for cough and naturally turned to it at that time and found it relieved the cough and effected a complete cure.—JOHN E. CLAYTON, Proprietor Norwood House, Norwood, N. Y.