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DEWEY WINS THE BATTLE.

COMPLETELY ANNIHILATES SPANISH FLEET AT THE PHILIPPINES IN TWO HOURS.

Another week of the war has past, and one that has been very satisfactory to the United States. Commodore Dewey, of the Asiatic squadron arrived at Manila, Saturday night last and Sunday at 11:30, began a battle with the Spanish squadron, they being assisted by the forts which surround Manila. After a battle of some five hours all told, Dewey succeeded in administering a crushing defeat upon the Spanish squadron: Although no official report has come from him yet, it is conceded by the Spaniards that their fleet is completely annihilated, which is a calamity that Spain cannot recover from. Internal dissensions in Spain at the present, bids fair to overthrow the dynasty, and probably end in civil war. Sampson's fleet has left Cuban waters, and it is said is bearing down on Porto Rico, for the purpose of destroying or capturing the Spanish supply of coal at that port before the Spanish flotilla can reach there, and then attack them in open sea and destroy it. From the present outlook, Spain has a page before her that opens black as night.

Below are the dispatches as received by this paper during the past week.

LINCOLN, April 29, 1898.—On to Cuba is the cry at Washington: Evidence to show that movement of land troops to Island is almost certain: Three companies of troops left Chickamauga for Tampa to-day. Eight big transports engaged to carry troops over: Big Spanish fleet at last leaves Cape Verde Islands, sails south, destination unknown. Sailing causes some excitement in Washington and preparations made to checkmate any advance: All quiet on Cuba coast, nothing exciting except capture another Spanish merchantman: Spanish troops burning and devastating all interior Cuban towns.

LINCOLN, April 30, 6:20 p. m.—Sampson's fleet has shelled Cuban, reducing earth works and causing pell mell retreat: Batteries reply to fire without effect: Reports current at Key West that squadron has cleared for action outside Morrelle, twenty-miles north of Havana. Town was shelled last night with results unknown. Next Wednesday set for moving troops to number of 6,000 to Cuba. Messenger from Gomez arrives at Tampa arranging for co-operating insurgents and United States troops when landed. Gomez now moving leisurely on Havana. Captain of small Spanish steamer voluntary surrenders; says he prefers capture to serving in Spanish army. British war ship sent to Santago to protect American and British interest. Steamer Paris safely arrives at New York after an exciting chase across the Atlantic.

LINCOLN, Sunday, May 1, 6:30 p. m.—Most exciting news comes from the Philippines. Reports published at London saying Dewey defeated Spanish fleet. Nothing known at Washington and report doubted, London however insists something serious has happened at Manila. Madrid dispatches say Dewey's fleet left Port of Subig, Philippines for Manila yesterday evening. This would go to confirm London report. Insurgents ready to sack city. Merchants in a panic and burying valuables. Battleship Oregon arrives safely at Rio Janeiro.

LINCOLN, Monday, May 2, 6:30 p. m.—To-day's dispatches serve to confirm decisively Admiral Dewey's victory over Spanish fleet off Philippines yesterday. Spain herself admits almost total annihilation of her fleet. Three of her cruisers sunk and loss of men heavy. Dewey following up his advantages and to-day begun bombardment of Manila, which shows his ships were little damaged. People panic stricken and fleeing from city. British consul at Manila advises surrender. Washington wild with excitement and delirious with joy. Predict early ending of war. Report current late this evening that president has long dispatch from Dewey. If so it shows he has captured Manila and got possession. Spanish cable only source of communication. Later:—Manilla has surrendered.

Special to the NORTHWESTERN.—May 3rd, 6 p. m.—Not yet fully verified that Manila surrendered but all dispatches point that way. Dispatches arrived New York, London and Madrid, say Dewey has hoisted stars and stripes and is complete master of situation. Most important developments to-day is that Sampson's fleet sailed from Cuban waters, feeling general important event is about to happen. They say at Washington that fleet bound south to intercept Spanish squadron now enroute. Naval battle expected any hour. Rio Janeiro where battleship Oregon, and Spanish Gunboat, Temararia are anchored. McKinley says victory at Manila will not bring war to close, must strike another decisive blow. Secretary Long has nothing yet from Dewey. Feeling in Madrid rampant for new ministry. Martial law still in force. Spanish fleet at the Philippines completely annihilated in two hours. Spanish loss about 400, American loss heavy England says she is proud of Uncle Sam. Reports say that

there is not enough provisions in Cuba to last three weeks. National guards to be mustered into the service of the United States at Lincoln; previous order to move to Omaha revoked. War ships leaving Cuba, Forces getting ready to move on Cuba. All advices tend to show that the fight must be to a finish.

LINCOLN, Wednesday, May 4, 6:30 p. m.—Awful state of affairs reported throughout Spain to-day. Dispatches received at London from Gibraltar says mob law runs in Madrid. Minister of war, Marti assassinated and General Campos wounded. Sagasta obliged to take refuge in British consulate. Whole nation in state of revolt and belief general that monarchy will be overthrown and Weyler installed as dictator British consulate Santiago de Cuba assaulted by Spanish mob. Consul shot and killed one of his assailants; is arrested and put in jail. Great Britain demands release and sends three warships to enforce it. Will bombard city if refused. Havana almost out of food, and people ripe for riot. Key West dispatches says government plan of land and naval attack of Havana almost complete. Nothing new to day from Dewey. Hong Kong reports sighting ship coming in flying U. S. flag supposed to bear dispatches from Dewey.

Lincoln, Thursday May 5.—Positive statement made at London. Queen regent appealed to powers to intervene, all refused except Austria. Riots continue in Spain but denial made any one killed. Naval authorities Key West, say first consignment army sent Gomez, has reached him in safety. Reported San Francisco's commandant at Mare Island has cypher dispatch from Manila, saying Dewey lost fifty and hundred wounded, two of smaller boats badly damaged. Secretary Long says he has nothing to confirm. Nothing heard from Sampson's fleet since it put to sea. Supposed to be rushing on to Porto Rico.

STORY OF THE BATTLE

Commodore Dewey's squadron left Subig bay, a few miles from Manila, about 4 o'clock yesterday (Saturday) proceeded toward Manila. Under cover of darkness he entered the harbor of Manila, the batteries announcing his arrival.

Both fleets lined up for battle about daybreak—about 5 o'clock—this morning. The guns of the American war ships began firing on the fortress of Cavite and the arsenal of Manila. Under the protection of the guns of these fortifications the Spanish warships opened fire on the fleet. For two hours the harbor resounded with the roaring of guns and the crashing of steel, the shrieks and groans of the wounded. Thick clouds of smoke at times almost obscured the opposing fleets from each other. A well-directed shot reached the iron cruiser Don Juan de Austria, a vessel of 1,150 tons. A terrific explosion followed and the ship was blown up. All the time during the first engagement the American ships were under way, their maneuvering being intended to render the marksmanship of the Spanish gunners less effective.

The American squadron about 9 o'clock drew off behind some foreign shipping. The ships had evidently suffered considerable damage. After some hasty repairs they returned to the conflict. During this engagement the guns of Cavite maintained a steady and stronger fire upon Commodore Dewey's ships than in the first encounter, but the American guns were being used with telling effect. When the smoke lifted it was seen that the Reina Christina, flagship, was on fire. The vessel was completely burned.

In the interval between the two engagements Commodore Montojo removed his flag from the Reina Christina to the smaller cruiser Isla de Cuba. To the fact that he made this change he doubtless owes his life. The cruiser Castilla, next in the flagship the largest and the most powerful of the Spanish squadron, was burned. The cruiser Don Antonio Ulloa and Medina were also badly damaged in this encounter. That the American squadron received severe damage in engagement cannot be doubted. Early reports had it that five of Commodore Dewey's ships had been sunk. Later advices from

Madrid put the number at two. There were undoubtedly heavy losses in men on both sides. One apparently trustworthy report states the Spanish had 200 killed and 400 wounded. Trustworthy details of the American loss of life will hardly be obtainable until Commodore Dewey has taken Manila or has sent dispatches to Hong Kong.

A member of the cabinet this morning stated that the account of yesterday's battle sent by the governor general of the Philippines had been completely born out by later dispatches. The last was filed at 11:30, when the American warships steamed off.

THE PARIS IS SAFE

MAKES HER VOYAGE UNMOLESTED.

New York, Apr. 30.—The American line steamer Paris arrived this morning from Southampton after a rough passage of seven days, seventeen hours, forty-five minutes, with nine saloon, forty second cabin and ninety-eight steerage passengers. The Paris left Southampton April 22 at 2:06 p. m. After clearing the land Captain Watkins shaped his course about north and then headed for home, keeping a distance of about 20 miles from the usual course. Captain Watkins had no fear that a Spanish war vessel would catch his fleet steamer, but it was thought possible that some craft of the enemy might be lurking in the vicinity of the channel, or in the neighborhood of the Irish coast, to waylay the American craft. At night on board the Paris every light was extinguished and dead lights were covered. Strict watch was kept for the approach of vessels. The Paris sighted the White Star line steamer Majestic on April 23, and on the same day a freight steamer of the White Star line bound east. Nothing else was seen on the way across. The Paris brought sixteen cases of munitions of war and a small quantity of miscellaneous merchandise. The Paris entered the Narrows through the field of mines and torpedoes at 8:30 this morning and was saluted by steam whistles of passing craft as it went to its dock. It is expected that the Paris will discharge its cargo to-day and will be received by the naval authorities to-morrow

morning, when its name will be changed to Yale. The Paris has a crew of 280 and two mail clerks.

The "Nashville" captured the most valuable prize last Friday, of any that has been taken yet. It was the large Spanish steamer Argonauta, trying to run the blockade at Cienfuegos, Cuba, loaded with Spanish arms, and ammunition for the Mausur guns, which made up a very valuable cargo and one that Spain could ill afford to lose. She also had on board Colonel Corejo, of the 3rd, Spanish cavalry, his first Lieutenant, a Major seven other Lieutenants, and ten privates, all of which were held as prisoners of war.

ASHTON LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Adam Schuapp, and Mrs. A. M. Bennett, of Loup City, visited Mrs. H. Smelser, on Friday.

W. M. Smelser drove over to St. Michael, on business Saturday, Will, has fallen in love with the aforementioned berg—I don't know.

Miss Alpha Fair spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Rockville. Chas. F. Beushausen returned to his home Monday night, after an extended trip over the state for a Mr. Kline, of St. Louis. Charles says Nebraska is going to harvest an immense crop this season.

Miss Eva Taylor, who spent most of last week at home, returned to St. Paul Monday morning to resume her studies at the Saint Paul high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Arthaud left

for St. Paul, on Monday morning, where they intend to make their home for the future.

G. F. Marlow has opened a shoe shop in the J. G. Hall building.

E. F. Wilson received his new bicycle Monday evening. Earnest is going to ride a Monarch, and keep in front.

Much excitement in town Monday night, the news of Commodore Dewey's capture of Manila, came in the early evening, and a bonfire was built, unknown to several of our worthy citizens, who hastened up town, thinking that a building was on fire. But upon discovery that the occasion of such joy was a victory for our fleet, joined in and made the air ring with lusty cheers for Dewey.

THREE WEDDINGS—This has been a great week for cupid. He has three more victories placed to his credit, Messrs. Platek, Goe, and Sthenke, were the three gentlemen who took unto themselves a wife. May much happiness, and joy, together with long life, go with each of the young brides is the wish of "I. C. U." also congratulations extended to each of the three grooms.

RAIN! RAIN! RAIN!—It has rained for three days steady and much moisture has fallen, not to include the shower of Friday night, and the ground is in the best condition to produce a tremendous crop that it has been for several years, and it seems as if the good Lord was going to reward us for our losses through dry seasons by an extra crop.

I. C. U.

D. C. DOE,
Vice-President.

A. P. CULLEY,
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No. 59 Freight.....	3:00 p. m.
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No. 58 Freight.....	11:00 a. m.
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Prices paid for:	
Corn.....	10
Wheat.....	30
Oats.....	20
Hops.....	2.00
Cure and bottles.....	20 @ 2.00
Butter, per pound.....	15
Eggs, per doz.....	15

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