

IT LOOKS LIKE THEFT

Government Uncovers Immense Shortage in Luzon Commissary Department.

OFFICERS AND CIVILIANS ARRESTED

List Includes a Contractor, Captain Barrows and Many Others—Some Supplies Located—Bacon, Flour, and Other Goods are Found.

MANILA, April 1.—Interest in the capture and fate of Aguinaldo is well-nigh overshadowed in Manila by sensational developments, present and prospective, of frauds in the commissary department. How widely these extend has not yet been ascertained, but enough is known to justify the belief that they are far-reaching.

Captain Frederick J. Barrows of the Thirtieth Volunteer Infantry, quartermaster of the Department of Southern Luzon, together with seven commissary sergeants, several civilian clerks, a prominent governor contractor, the assistant manager of the Hotel Oriente, the proprietors of three of the largest bakeries in Manila, a number of storekeepers and a number of other persons have been arrested. The investigation has scarcely begun, but thousands of sacks of flour, a quantity of bacon and wagonloads of other goods, all bearing government marks, have been found in the possession of unauthorized persons.

It is alleged that the contractor in question, who has been doing a business approximating \$100,000 per month, has spent huge sums in entertaining officers. A prominent commissary officer is accused of leading a scandalously immoral life. It is asserted that large quantities of stores have been lost or stolen in transit and also that there is a shortage in the commissary depot.

New scandals are developed daily. Illicit transactions have been traced back to June, 1900, and it is possible that there are others of earlier date. The exorbitant tariff on provisions makes the surreptitious removal of supplies immensely profitable. It is understood that other United States officers may be arrested.

Lieutenant Philip K. Sweet of the Forty-sixth Volunteer Infantry is prosecuting the investigation under the direction of Colonel Wilder, chief of police.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—It was said at both the White House and War department tonight that absolutely nothing had been received by the government regarding the alleged unearthing of crooked work on the part of any quartermasters and others in Luzon and the arrest of a number of persons in and out of the army for stealing property of the government or receiving stolen government property. General Corbin said furthermore that the government had no intimation of any sort that such developments might be expected. He was inclined, for this reason, to think the frauds against the government could hardly be so serious as reported, though admitting this opinion was based wholly on the lack of advices from the government. Captain Barrows, he said, was not the regular quartermaster for southern Luzon and must have been acting quartermaster there at the time of the arrests.

WILL ACCEPT SENATORSHIP.

Dietrich Stamps as False the Assertion That He Will Resign.

LINCOLN, April 1.—Relative to the numerous conflicting reports that have been circulated relative to the probable course he will pursue in accepting the senatorship Governor Dietrich tonight made the following statement:

"The assertion that I will resign the senatorship to which I have been elected is absolutely false and entirely without foundation or reason. I shall accept the position and in all probability I shall resign the governorship within a short time."

Iowans Buy Nebraska Stock.

KANSAS CITY, April 1.—A sale of Shorthorn cattle from the herds of B. O. Cowin of New Point, Mo., T. B. Rankin of Turkio, Mo., and T. G. Haggard of Western, Neb., began at the stock yards in this city today. The offerings include fifty-one head of fine cattle, all of which are in excellent breeding condition.

Rev. Stonehouse, of the London Missionary Society, has been murdered by brigands, fourteen miles east of Tien Tsin.

Movements of the Squadron.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, April 1.—The North Atlantic squadron, Rear Admiral Farquhar commanding, arrived off San Juan. The United States special service vessel Unca, Chief Boatswain J. W. McLaughlin, delivered the mails, and the squadron laid in all night, proceeding today for Culebra island, where orders are expected by Admiral Farquhar directing the squadron to go to Venezuelan waters at once.

DIES FOR HIS COMRADES.

Commander Roper Succumbed in Attempting a Daring Rescue.

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Lieutenant Josiah Slutta McKean and Cadet Lewis suffered severely in bringing the body of Lieutenant Commander Roper to the deck.

Twenty-two of the crew were prostrated; Toner, Evans, Flaherty, Larsen, Cahy, Burton, Smith, Sullivan and Forsboon seriously, but all will recover. The contents of the sail room were destroyed, but the damage to the gunboat was slight. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained. Possibly it was a case of spontaneous combustion.

The death of Lieutenant Commander Roper is greatly deplored. His body will be sent to the United States April 5 by the Buffalo.

STAYS GOVERNOR TILL FALL

Dietrich Wants to Fulfill His Plan of Administration.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 1.—Senator-elect Dietrich announced definitely tonight that he would not resign as governor until late in the fall, probably not until after election, barring, of course, an extra session of congress, which he did not regard as probable. Governor Dietrich justified this action by saying that he had outlined a plan of state administration which he was anxious to put into effect, and in this he is upheld by Lieutenant Governor Savage.

Former Assistant Secretary of War Melklejohn, who had been a candidate in the senatorial contest, left this evening for Washington to conclude unfinished work at the War department. Mr. Melklejohn said he would continue to make his home at Fullerton, Neb., but would discontinue the practice of law. He gave no definite information of his plans after he concludes his mission at Washington. Friends assert that he has been tendered a position of responsibility with a land and manufacturing company in Mexico and that he has the offer under consideration. It is also said that a position awaits his acceptance in connection with some of the newly acquired island possessions, but in what capacity is not disclosed.

TO RELIEVE THE VOLUNTEERS.

Hostile Cavalry and Infantry Regulars to the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—The animal transport Arab sailed today for the Philippines with 670 horses for the cavalry already on the way to Manila. Tomorrow the Buford will sail with two troops of the First squadron of the Fifteenth cavalry, one company of the Tenth infantry and the depot battalion of the Fifth infantry. The Kilpatrick, scheduled to sail Friday, will carry the Third battalion of the Eleventh infantry and the two companies of the First infantry. On the 19th the transport Ohio will sail and on the 8th the Aztec is expected to get away. On April 15 the Logan probably will depart for Manila with two companies of the First infantry, the Third squadron of the Ninth cavalry, the second squadron of the Tenth cavalry and a battalion of the Eleventh infantry, now at Governor's Island and Fort Ethan Allen.

Col. McClure Quits.

PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—Colonel A. K. McClure today writes: "With this issue of the Philadelphia Times my connection with the editorial staff of the paper discontinues. It is not my wish or purpose to retire from journalistic work, but under existing conditions the responsible editorial direction of the Times should be in other hands."

Aguinaldo Likes the Place.

MANILA, April 1.—Aguinaldo continues to express himself as pleased with and impressed by the courteous treatment accorded him by General MacArthur. "I am a prisoner," said he today, "but I am treated like a guest."

Japs to Give Money.

LONDON, April 1.—"Japan has made direct representations to St. Petersburg against the Manchurian convention," says a dispatch to the Times from Tokio, dated Saturday, "but the result is not yet known."

"Japanese public opinion is very strong on the subject. The cabinet is prudent and pacific, but impressed by the national enthusiasm, which is certain to become uncontrollable if there is any undue yielding."

HASTENING TO GIVE UP

Many Disheartened Insurgents Surrender Since Aguinaldo's Capture.

OFFICERS AND INDIVIDUALS ALIKE

The Leader in the Province of Morong is Among the First to Come In—General Calles' Atrocious Murders Make Him Fearful of a Trial.

MANILA, March 30.—On arriving in these waters the United States gunboat Vicksburg stopped eight miles out, and in response to a signal exchanged with Corregidor Island, a launch appeared from the shore of Corregidor and Aguinaldo was quietly transferred to the launch, which steamed up the Pasig river to the wharf at the back of the Malacanang palace, where the prisoner disembarked, almost unnoticed.

Some hours elapsed before the news of Aguinaldo's capture was generally known. The fact that he was a prisoner caused joy and congratulations among the Americans. The native population was apathetic. There was no particular excitement anywhere.

After being convinced of Aguinaldo's capture, General Geronimo, the insurgent leader in the province of Morong, Luzon, has surrendered with six officers, forty-six men and fifty rifles, to Colonel J. Milton Thompson of the Forty-second regiment at San Mateo.

As the news of Aguinaldo's capture spreads through the archipelago the insurgents are becoming disheartened and there is a marked increase in the number of individual surrenders.

General Calles, who is practically outlawed on account of his atrocious crimes, sent an emissary to General Bates, who answered that he must surrender unconditionally and stand trial.

The former insurgent officers and the Macabebe scouts who took part in the capture of Aguinaldo will probably receive a monetary reward. The amount has not been specified. It has also been recommended that every man participating in the capture of Aguinaldo receive a special medal.

ALREADY ON THE PAYROLL.

Nebraska's Two New Senators May Draw Considerable in December.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—By one of those coincidences that happen seldom in government affairs Senator Allen ceased drawing pay as a senator of the United States Thursday, as his successor was being elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M. L. Hayward. Under the rule of the senate, emphasized on three or four occasions since 1896, when it was first promulgated, the financial clerk of the senate, R. B. Nixon, proceeded Thursday to strike Allen's name from the roll of senators, as the legislature had agreed to adjourn that day, and under a rule of the senate the term of the senator filling a vacancy also terminated with the passage of a concurrent resolution fixing the time certain for adjournment. Had there been no election Senator Allen would still have ceased being senator from Nebraska Thursday, the time set for adjournment, and the state would therefore have been without a representative in the upper branch of congress until an election had been held.

The salaries of the new senators will begin today, although they will not be permitted to draw any money from the treasury until they have qualified in December, when they will get a sum that will go far toward buying Christmas gifts.

Maurice Barrymore's End.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Maurice Barrymore, actor, was taken to the insane pavilion of Bellevue hospital this afternoon by his son, John Barrymore. He went to the hospital willingly. He was received there by Dr. Barclay. He had nothing at all to say and acted like a man who was dazed. John Barrymore told the doctor that his father's real name is Bye and that he was born in the East Indies about fifty years ago.

Sultan Fears Assassins.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 30.—Owing to apprehensions of attempts by anarchists upon the life of the sultan, his majesty intends to completely exclude tourists from the precincts of the Yildiz kiosk. As a step in this direction he has ordered the demolition of the pavilion erected at the grand gate of the palace grounds for the accommodation of tourists hitherto permitted to attend the Selamlik.

Burns Hotel Guests' Clothing.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 30.—Fire damaged the Augusta hotel, Hampton, to the extent of \$15,000 today, the loss being confined chiefly to the furniture and fixtures. The house was well filled with guests, all of whom escaped without injury, but several lost all their belongings. The blaze started in the dry goods store of Mrs. C. W. Betts, on the ground floor of the building. The loss is covered by insurance.

ALL TO SURRENDER.

Aguinaldo Will Issue Address Advising General Capitulation.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—A cablegram received at the War department late this afternoon from General MacArthur tells in a succinct way the story of Aguinaldo's capture, gives all credit for the brilliant exploit to General Funston, whose reward he suggests should be that of a brigadier general in the regular army, and finally closes with an expression of confidence in the early cessation of hostilities throughout the Philippine archipelago as a result of the capture. Except that it makes no reference to the disposition to be made of Aguinaldo, the dispatch covers the whole field of gossip and speculation excited in Washington by the news that Funston's adventurous expedition had been crowned with complete success. The cablegram is as follows:

"MANILA, March 28.—Adjutant General, Washington: Important messages fell into the hands of General Funston, February 28, from which Aguinaldo was located at Palanan, Isabela province. Expedition organized, consisting of Aguinaldo's captured messenger, four ex-insurgent officers and seventy-eight Macabebes, who spoke Tagalo, armed Mausers, Remingtons, dressed to represent insurgents. Funston commanded, accompanied by Captain Russell T. Hazzard, Eleventh cavalry; Captain Harry W. Newton, Thirtieth infantry; Lieutenant Oliver P. Hazzard, Eleventh United States volunteer cavalry; Lieutenant Burton J. Mitchell, Fortieth United States volunteer infantry. Officers dressed as American privates and represented prisoners. Expedition sailed March 5, Vicksburg, Lund. Reached March 14, east coast Luzon, twenty miles from Castigan. Reached Palanan, marching, 3 afternoon, March 23."

WILL SMASH IN KENTUCKY.

Mrs. Nation Promises Lexington Saloon Men to Come Back.

LINCOLN, Ky., March 29.—Mrs. Carrie Nation opened her lecture tour here tonight, a small audience being present in the opera house. She had arrived from Cincinnati at noon and after dinner in her room at the Phoenix hotel and a brief audience with reporters, she spent the afternoon sleeping.

Mrs. Nation's lecture on "The Home Defender" was in the main an impassioned review of her experiences in Kansas. She called on Lexington women to follow her example in ridding the state of saloons.

She started on a slumming tour at 10 o'clock tonight. Several saloons were visited. A crowd of several hundred followed and the four policemen had difficulty in keeping them clear of Mrs. Nation. In one saloon she was jeered, but boldly called the proprietors to task and told them she would come back and smash their saloons when she was done with Kansas.

In the slums Mrs. Nation prayed with the inmates of resorts and kissed several goodby. She ended the tour with a visit to the police station, where she pleaded with prisoners to do better.

SENATOR J. H. MILLARD.

He is at the Head of a Large Financial Institution.

OMAHA, March 29.—J. H. Millard, one of Nebraska's new senators, is at the head of the Omaha National bank, which is one of the largest financial institutions in the state of Nebraska. He was appointed cashier of the bank in January, 1867, and has been with it ever since. He has a yearly income of \$35,000 as president of the concern. His wealth is rated at over half a million dollars.

Eighteen years ago Mr. Millard was a candidate for United States senator, but after a hard fought contest was defeated by General Charles F. Manderson, who is now general solicitor for the Burlington's western lines.

Mr. Millard has accumulated his considerable fortune entirely by his own efforts.

Attempt to Kidnap Fails.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 29.—A daring attempt was made to kidnap Edward McAvoy, aged 11 years, of this city. Two men picked him in the yard of his father's home, carried him to a surrey, placed a handkerchief saturated with chloroform over his nose and drove away. The child became unconscious and when he revived he found himself on the back seat of the vehicle.

Treatment of Aguinaldo.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The War department has not had time as yet to consider the exact status of Aguinaldo; whether he is to be tried, and what punishment, if any, is to be meted out to him. But there are certain general principles which are said to be clearly established, and the first question asked is as to whether Aguinaldo is to be tried as a military or a civil offender, or whether under some other charge.

THE DEADLOCK BROKEN

And Nebraska Will Be Represented by Two Republican Senators.

MILLARD AND DIETRICH CHOSEN

The Former a Banker at Omaha and the Latter Governor of the State—How an Election Was Finally Brought About—Great Enthusiasm Prevails.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 29.—The deadlock over the Nebraska senatorships was broken yesterday morning and Governor Charles H. Dietrich was elected senator to fill the short term of the late Hon. M. L. Hayward, and Hon. Joseph H. Millard of Omaha was chosen for the long term in succession of John M. Thurston.

This was brought about by the withdrawal of D. E. Thompson, E. Rosewater and all those who have previously been candidate except Lorenzo Crouse. Crouse, with the aid of the anti's, who came into caucus when Thompson withdrew, made a fight for the nomination, but the tide set in toward Millard so strong that it was apparent he would win. This was made certain when Currie swung in line for him. Crouse then withdrew and the nomination of Dietrich and Millard was made unanimous.

The election of Dietrich and Millard was accomplished in joint session by the solid vote of all the republican members who were physically able to be present in the joint session, Marshall being sick.

About 10 o'clock it became noised about that D. E. Thompson was on the eve of withdrawing and the anti's gathered in the caucus room at the Lindell, together with those members who had been hanging on the outskirts. Mr. Thompson was followed in immediately by Mr. Rosewater and later by Mr. Melklejohn. Thompson asked leave to address the members, saying in substance that in the long fight he had never had any apprehension that the legislature would adjourn without electing two senators, because, if it came to that point, he knew he would sacrifice his personal interests. He scored the anti's severely, denouncing their methods of campaigning against him, and closed by suggesting that he might name a man who would be acceptable to him and also to the party and the members. He named Governor Dietrich.

Mr. Rosewater spoke, referring to the promise he had made a few weeks ago to President McKinley, to do all in his power to have Nebraska represented in the senate by men who would uphold and support the administration. He said Omaha was entitled to consideration in the selection of senators and proposed as another Omaha man Hon. George W. Linsinger. He also acquiesced in the proposal of Joseph H. Millard and asked the Douglas delegation to cast their votes for Mr. Millard, and during the ballot in caucus urged the selection of Mr. Millard.

Mr. Melklejohn bowed his retirement in a few words.

Germany Feels Its Effects.

BERLIN, Mch. 29.—It is asserted in reliable quarters that the German Foreign office has pointed out to Count von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, that the rumors of an intended big raise in German agricultural duties have already unfavorably influenced Germany's foreign relations.

Baron von Riechthofen has presented to the foreign secretary a memorial setting forth the situation in detail and urging that such increase, if made, be lower than those rumored, particularly if affecting the products of Austria, Italy and Russia.

To Conquer the Missouri.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 29.—Congressman C. F. Cochran of this city has called a meeting of the men interested in staying the ravages of the Missouri river and will spring a scheme on the meeting for extensive improvements, with the ultimate object of securing a refunding of the money expended, at the next session of congress.

Orphans' Home Gets Money.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., March 29.—Attorney General Mullan has decided the case submitted to him by the State Board of Control with reference to the appropriation for one month in 1898, which never went to the credit of the Iowa Soldiers' Orphans home at Davenport. He reaches the conclusion that the money should be given the home.

Colorado Has Oil Fever.

COLORADO SPRINGS, March 29.—A report reached here today that an immense flow of oil had been struck on the Stillington ranch, south of this city, in a well that has been sunk to a depth of 3,000 feet. Ninety-four location certificates were filed here today and many more are said to have been filed at Pueblo. The locations cover all the unpatented land in the Fountain valley, an immense tract being covered.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Lamar C. Quintero, a well-known young lawyer of New Orleans, has been appointed a member of the supreme bench in the Philippines at a salary of \$7,000.

Oliver Dewey, aged 96 years, died at the home of his son, County Surveyor R. K. Dewey, at Greenville, Ill. He was a distant relative of Admiral Dewey.

Secretary Root has appointed Mrs. Dita Hopkins Kinney, of New York city, superintendent of the female nurse corps under the army reorganization act.

Eugene Zimmerman, of Cincinnati, the father of the Duchess of Manchester, and Miss B. Evans, aunt of the duchess, sailed for Liverpool on the steamship Umbria.

No official information has been received in Washington as to the reported adverse action of a committee of the constitutional convention of Cuba upon the Platte amendment.

Judge George E. Baldwin, of Canton, O., a life long friend of the president, has received word from Washington that the president intends to appoint him as consul at Nuremberg, Bavaria.

Kapovich, the assassin of M. Bogolepoff, Russian minister of public instruction, has been sentenced to hard labor for life. He will be imprisoned in the Schlesselburg fortress on an island in the Neva.

The British civil service supplementary estimates show that the expenses in connection with Queen Victoria's funeral amounted to £255,000, of which £11,000 was expended for the housing and entertainment of foreign guests.

Minnesota senate bill prohibiting yellow color oleomargarine and providing regulations and restrictions for its manufacture and sale, was favorably reported to the house by the committee on dairy and food products and passed under suspension of rules.

Judge Joseph M. Bartholomew, former justice of the North Dakota supreme court, dropped dead while clearing snow from a sidewalk. The judge formerly resided in Iowa and was recognized as an able lawyer and jurist and was one of the best public speakers in the state.

Mrs. Brunsneider, residing near Toledo, O., occupies a ward in the hospital in a serious condition as the result of horrible injuries self-inflicted. Armed with an ordinary pair of scissors, she cut off all the toes on her left foot, both ears close to the head and about an inch of her nose.

Governor Otero, of New Mexico, has signed a resolution adopted by the territorial legislature authorizing the appointment of a non-partisan commission of fourteen, with the governor as an ex-officio member, to go to Washington and work for statehood and against the international dam projected, and appropriating \$2,000 for the purpose.

In the presence of President Burt and other prominent officials of the Union Pacific, the last rail on the Sherman hill cut off in Wyoming was laid. The cut-off is thirteen miles long and includes an eighteen hundred foot tunnel and a rock causeway over Dale creek. It is estimated that the project cost the company more than \$2,000,000.

Earl Cadogan, lord lieutenant of Ireland, authorizes the statement that he will retain office for another year.

The London Pall Mall Gazette says that Paderewski, the pianist, who is making a tour of Spain, received news of the death of his only son.

From a New York woman, who is an intimate friend of Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, widow of the ex-president, it is learned that there will be no posthumous child. General Harrison's will left \$10,000 for a posthumous child, should one be born.

The Jack Bonner-Kid Carter ten-round contest at Louisville, Ky., ended in a draw.

M. W. Kingley, a leading man of the Jules Grau Opera company, died at Denver of pneumonia. He was 27 years old.

Mrs. Narcissa South Fitzpatrick, wife of ex-Congressman T. Y. Fitzpatrick, died of pneumonia at Frankfort, Ky. She was a daughter of the late Col. Jore South, and an aunt of Congressman South Trimble.

Frank B. Wright, publisher of Chic, and connected with Cincinnati papers for twenty years, died suddenly of pneumonia, aged 42. His wife died of pneumonia the same morning. Wright was not considered seriously afflicted until after his wife's death.

Carnegie refused to give Denver a library, on the ground that there were too many millionaires in the city.

Lorin Blodgett, the eminent statistician and one of the foremost authorities on higher economics, died, aged 79, at Philadelphia, Pa.

Carl Laeis, chairman of the Hamburg Ship Owners' association, is dead. The Geneva correspondent of the London Daily Mail says it is reported there that Mr. Kruger, if his health permits, will visit the United States next month.