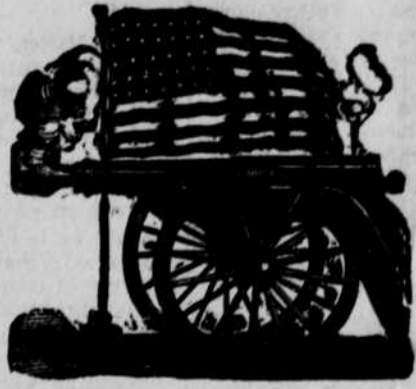


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CERVERA BOTTLED UP.

IN THE PORT OF SANTIAGO.—AMERICANS WILL KEEP HIM THERE UNTIL READY FOR THE BATTLE.—CALL FOR MORE MEN.

Reliable war news this week is getting scarcer than ever. The Government censor is being so closely observed that even newspaper dispatch boats are excluded from the waters in proximity to our fleet, but that Sampson and Schley, are closely investing the Spanish fleet there is no doubt, and a decisive battle can be looked for at any time.

Lincoln Telegram, Friday May 29 6:30 p. m.

Last night report from Madrid, that Spanish fleet has arrived safely at Santiago, generally credited at Washington, if true big naval battle cannot long be delayed. Admitted Spaniards have gained advantage by reaching friendly port, but Sampson and Schley combined can make short work of it. Dispatch from Madrid says Cervera, has telegraphed government that his fleet entered port of Santiago, yesterday. Gen. Merritt, receives final instructions for trip to Philippines. Leaves Washington for San Francisco, tonight. President McKinley, said today, invasion of Cuba, would begin at earliest possible moment, not ready yet to make second call for volunteers. Blanco has put Havana, in admirable state of defense, and can make strong resistance. Gomez closing in on city, but cannot make attack without assistance. Two regiments regulars now at New Orleans, ordered to Manila.

Lincoln Telegram, Saturday, May 21, 6:30 p. m.

Strategy board at Washington declines to say where Sampson or Schley are, but admit that Spanish fleet either at Santiago or on way to Havana. Battle may come in month or may be remote. Key West dispatch says, Spanish fleet still at Santiago, and can decline to give battle as long as desired as harbor practically inaccessible, on other hand single American warship can prevent fleet from getting out. Train carrying first regiment Missouri volunteers wrecked near Chickamauga, and four privates killed, and twelve wounded, due to collision. United States scout boat captures Spanish gunboat off Jamaica. Blockade of Cuban coast largely strengthened. Bombardment Guantanamo, begun yesterday but little damage done. Insurgent forces said to be in full possession of eastern Cuba. Second Neb., regiment arrived Chickamauga.

Lincoln Telegram, Sunday, May 22, 6:30 p. m.

High sensational reports of terrific naval fight kept coming all last night and had not ceased this morning. Reports placed same in Windward passage off Haytien coast and declared that eleven or twelve Spanish warships were sunk and two American vessels badly damaged. Nothing yet has been received at Washington to confirm report, and to-day's advices tend more strongly to discredit rumor. Feeling among officials, however, that big fight imminent any hour. Most important real development to-day was decision to send Monterey, most formidable fighting monitor we have, to Philippines immediately. Special from Washington says president will soon issue call for several regiments of volunteers. Negroes favored because immune from yellow fever.

Lincoln Telegram, Monday, May 23, 6:30 p. m.

There has been no naval battle yet so far as known but news of blowing up Spanish fleet hourly expected. Dispatch from Key West says any moment may bring news that Sampson has repeated dose administered by Dewey at Manila. Stated at Washington, Schleys flying squadron left Key West for Santiago last Thursday and now off latter coast. Sampson left Key West Friday and should have reached Santiago, noon today unless Spanish fleet has skipped away. It is in serious predicament. Sampson and Schley could bottle it up but not probable. America would be satisfied with that rather than wait for enemy to come out. Oregon arrived Key West today large amount ammunition on way for ships. Every thing at Tampa indicates that invasion of Cuba will begin sooner than expected.

Special to the NORTHWESTERN, Lincoln, May 24, 6:30 p. m.

General Merritt passed through Omaha, today on way to San Francisco. Auxilliary cruiser St. Louis has cut cables at Santiago, and Guantanamo. Fired upon by Spanish battery but shots went wild. Dispatch from Paris, says revolution in Spain cannot be delayed. Bread question all important and people cannot starve and remain patriotic. Attempt made to wreck train near Birmingham, Al. credited to Spaniards.

Special to the NORTHWESTERN, Lincoln, May 25, 6:30 p. m.

President McKinley, today made second call for troops asking for seventy five thousand volunteers. Proclamation similar to first one and says new recruits will be apportioned among different states according to population. Expected different state Governors will receive official notice immediately. Nothing yet to confirm report of battle in Windward passage and generally discredited. Best information obtainable at Washington, is that Spanish fleet securely bottled up at Santiago, by both Sampson and

Schley. Believed at Washington that couple of Spanish ships are disabled. Oregon at last definitely located at Jupiter, Fla., and in fighting trim. Three ships loaded with troops left San Francisco today for Philippines.

Lincoln Telegram, Thursday, May 26, 6:30 p. m.

Only thing to-day concerning fleets is to make more certain facts that Sampson and Schley have Cervera safely bottled up at Santiago. Whether it is the plan to starve him out or shell him not declared. Madrid dispatch quotes Sagasta as saying fleet would take its own time in getting out and Americans had better beware. Washington dispatches says people need not wait long for definite news. New York, May 26, Evening Journal bulletin, says President McKinley offered to give Spain Philippines and refrain from invading Porto Rico on condition that Spain give up Cuba. Spanish government refuse. This explains delay. Washington, May 26: Important conference begun at White House shortly before noon to-day, subject being proposed movement of troops to Cuba and Porto Rico. Oregon has arrived at Key West.

The latest dailies received here up to the hour of going to press contain the following associated press dispatches:

Port au Prince, Hayti, May 25.—the report of the arrival of the Spanish Cape Verde Fleet at Santiago de Cuba is correct. The correspondent here of the Associated press has been able to obtain definite confirmation of this news, but up to the present it has been impossible to obtain any details. The dispatches sent from here to Santiago de Cuba asking for information on the subject remain unanswered.

New York, May 25.—A special from Washington says. Letters from Key West, arriving late are becoming public to a limited extent long after they have reached Washington convey the information that about everything that can steam, sail or be towed has been forced into the service to assist Admral Sampson and Commodore Schley to box up Admiral Cervera and force him to give battle, if he has not escaped. Not a word of the elaborate preparations, except by way of hints, has come from Key West, the newspaper correspondence having been put on their honor to not give intimations of operations that can assist the enemy in the slightest particular. One officer of the cabinet says that official information might arrive at any moment either that Cervera was bottled up or that his fleet was at the bottom of the ocean. He said. "I do not look first for unofficial information for the reason that the commanding officer of the United States forces has concluded that he can get along without as much possibility of injurious observation if he excludes newspaper boats, as he has done.

The administration is determined that if Cervera will not fight, but manifests a determination to get away and return to Spain, to follow him up and kill his fleet before it can reach its own side of the Atlantic.

To do this might require the sending of coal ships along with the United States fleet for some distance, but if any accident should happen to any of the Spanish vessels, or the supply of coal should run out, Admiral Cervera would have to run the risk of destruction, or else abandon a disabled vessel in the hope of getting off with the others, or perhaps be overtaken by single ships until the whole fleet was gobbled up. It is calculated by naval officers that the Spanish fleet has now about exhausted its fuel, and it cannot undertake the difficult task of retreating. The only honorable outcome is for Spain ships to try conclusions at once while the coal bunkers and the food supplies are not completely exhausted.

There will be no news of Sampson or Schley until one or both has tested the inclination or ability of Admiral Cervera to fight. Naval officers laugh at the suggestion that if Cer-

vera should give the United States ships the slip the vessels of Sampson's and Schley's fleet would be again withdrawn to Key West to be used as convoys to protect the transports moving the army to Cuba, leaving Cervera to stay in these waters or to return as he pleases.

The New York, Mail and Express, the paper that sent out the fake telegram about the great naval battle, last Tuesday, was a few years ago, edited by Elliott F. Sheppard, who was considered the nearest to a Saint of anything they had in the city, and the paper was known to Journalists as the Male in Distress. Anthony Comstock, the chief mogul of the society for the suppression of vice was a bosom friend of Mr. Sheppard, and termed the biggest liar in the city. His society was known as the S. S. V. and in vulgar parlance, known as Soap, Soap, and Vasceline. Mr. Sheppard is dead. probably Mr. Comstock is editing the paper now.

The flags made by members of the Army and Navy on board of the ships Machas, Boston and Olympia of the Dewey squadron in Hong Kong, and presented to the regular army and Navy union at their annual convention held last October will be a feature of Kansas City's Dewey day parade.

CLEAR CREEK NEWS.

The weather is all that could be desired. Plenty of moisture.

Milt Hills is expected soon. He has been sojourning at Lincoln. His father resides here.

Some of the prosperous farmers are preparing to take in the National encampment at Cincinnati.

Mr Ingals is slowly recovering from his illness.

Mrs Morgan is quite sick and has been confined to her bed for a long time.

The U. A. R. at Litchfield will observe Memorial Day with appropriate ceremonies.

RECORDER.

DAVIS CREEK NEWS.

Corn planting in this vicinity is done for this year and farmers are waiting and watching for it to shoot.

Mr. T. L. Smith, barber of Farwell is visiting his folks on Davis Creek to-day. He will return to his saber this evening.

Mr. Lewis Williams, of Loup City who is breaking prairie for H. Smelser, of Ashton in this vicinity drove home Sunday to visit his daughters.

It is rumored that one of the fair sex of this community is soon to be married. Perhaps congratulations will be in order in our next.

The small grain in this part of the county looks better than it has for years. If the hail and wind will only let it alone the yield will be immense. AS IT IS.

A part of our Tuesday's telegram proved to be false and so we do not give it space in full. It partially detailed an account of a great naval battle that was never fought, wherein it stated that the entire Spanish fleet had been wiped out, that the New York and Indiana battleships had been sunk and that the American loss of life was 750. The report seems to have originated with the New York Mail and Express.

Congressman Bill Green is industriously pushing along a renomination boom by means of a Washington literary bureau. The Sixth district is now being flooded with copies of the Silver Knight-Watchman which contains Bill's latest photo and a speech against furnishing the money to carry on the war. We opine that this will prove very poor campaign literature among the patriotic voters of the big sixth.—Ogallala Republican.

The Westfield (Ind) News, prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the L. N. A. & C. Ry. here says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it." It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by Odendahl-Bro's.

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