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IT LOOKS LIKE THEFT

Government Unearths Immense Shortage in Luzon Commissioner Department.

OFFICERS AND CIVILIANS ARRESTED

List Includes a Contractor, Captain Barrows and Many Others—Somme 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 Orient, 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 Tarkio, 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.

DIES FOR HIS COMRADES.

Commander Roper Suffocated in Attempting a Daring Rescue.

Died for comrades . . . adBnodarla CAVITE, April 1.—At 7 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the sail room of the United States gunboat Petrel, Lieutenant Commander Jesse Mims Roper commanding. The sail room is a small compartment adjoining the magazine. The heat was intense, the smoke suffocating and the flames difficult to extinguish. Lieutenant Commander Roper was the first to descend into the hold, but he was forced to return to the deck. Others then went down. Seaman Patrick Toner was prostrated and about to perish when Lieutenant Commander Roper endeavored to rescue him and was suffocated in the attempt.

Lieutenant Josiah Slatts 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 Meiklejohn, who had been a candidate in the senatorial contest, left this evening for Washington to conclude unfinished work at the War department. Mr. Meiklejohn 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.

Hustling 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 10th 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."

"A. K. MCLURE."

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."

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 Calle's 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 Malacanán 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 Geronilo, 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 Calle, 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 Maccabebe 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 1806, 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 had.

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 Biye 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 Selamlk

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 Maccabebes, who spoke Tagalo, armed Mausers, Remingtons, dressed to represent insurgents. Funston commanded, accompanied by Captain Russell T. Hazard, Eleventh cavalry; Captain Harry W. Newton, Thirty-fourth infantry; Lieutenant Oliver P. Hazard, 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, Lande March 14, east coast Luzon, twenty miles from Casiguran. Reached Palanan, marching, 3 afternoon, March 23.

WILL SMASH IN KENTUCKY.

Mrs. Nation Promises Lexington Saloon Men to Come Back.

LEXINGTON, 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 riding 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 told 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.

AGUINALDO IS TAKEN

Was Captured Last Saturday and is Now Under Guard at Manila.

FUNSTON'S STRATEGY SUCCESSFUL

Posing as a Prisoner the Kansas Fighter Reaches His Man—The Joyful News Comes as Last Chapter in Important Series of Successes.

MANILA, March 28.—General Funston, with the assistance of a number of Maccabebe scouts, has captured Aguinaldo in the country near Casiguran, some miles from Bal'er, on the northeast coast of the island of Luzon. The rebel leader and his entire staff are now in Manila. General Funston employed a clever ruse to reach Aguinaldo. His plan worked successfully, with the result that the head and front of the insurrection is now where he will do no more harm to American interests.

Some months ago letters were captured by American troops showing beyond peradventure that the rebel leader was hiding in the northwestern part of the island. General Funston immediately conceived his bold plan to capture him and this received General MacArthur's approval. Two weeks ago he started from Manila with Surgeon Major Harris, Captain Newton of the Thirty-fourth infantry, Lieutenant Admire of the Twenty-second infantry, Lieutenant Mitchell of the Fortieth infantry, six veteran American soldiers and a number of native scouts, all of whom were selected for their bravery and extensive knowledge of the country.

General Funston and his party landed as near as possible to the place where Aguinaldo was in hiding, with native scouts, and passed themselves off as insurgents, who, having captured General Funston and other Americans, were conveying them to Aguinaldo.

When the supposed prisoners were brought by their alleged captors before Aguinaldo they suddenly appeared in their true character, seized the Filipino and made their way back to the coast, where the gunboat Vicksburg, which had conveyed the party, awaited their return.

The adventure was a desperate one, as treachery was always possible, and General Funston had no absolute means of knowing how many men Aguinaldo had with him. It was possible that he would have enough to overwhelm the Americans and their native allies, but this did not deter the Americans. They accepted the risk with the result that Aguinaldo is now safe in the hands of the American military authorities.

MANILA, March 28.—General Frederick Funston's daring project for the capture of Aguinaldo in his hiding place in the province of Isabela, island of Luzon, has proved completely successful. Aguinaldo was captured there on March 23. The United States gunboat Vicksburg, Commander E. B. Barry, with General Funston and Aguinaldo aboard, arrived here this morning.

BRYAN TO TRY A WEB.

The Commoner's Proprietor Will See What a Perfecting Press Will Do.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 28.—Beginning with the issue of April 7, 1901, William J. Bryan's paper, The Commoner, will be changed from an 8 to 12-page paper in size, and be printed on a Web Perfecting press, thus dispensing with flat-bed work. The Commoner has been issued from the first by the Lincoln branch of the Western Newspaper Union, and the work has been handled in a most satisfactory manner in all departments. Owing to the rapidity of a Web press, a fear exists of the possibility to maintain the perfect standard of printing that has characterized The Commoner from the very first, and placed it among the up-to-date publications in point of mechanical effect. In the event the work is not satisfactory from a rapid press, Mr. Bryan will either install a plant of his own or go back to flat-bed work. In the latter event the Western Newspaper Union will again be designated.

Knox Likely to Accept.

PITTSBURG, March 28.—P. C. Knox left the city at 10 o'clock for Washington in answer to summons from President McKinley. It is understood Mr. Knox will be tendered the position of attorney general by the president and the belief is general that if the portfolio is offered he will see his way to accept it.

AT LEAST EIGHTEEN DEAD.

Complete Casualty List of Southern Tornado Not Obtainable.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 27.—Much more horrible than the first reports of the tornado yesterday are the realities which have thus far come out this morning. It is still impossible to compile the full list of the dead and wounded, but it is now certain that eighteen persons were killed and that thirty to forty were more or less injured. The path of the storm was wide. It covered practically every hamlet in Jefferson county.

Every effort is being made today in the storm-stricken section of Birmingham to give all possible relief to those who lost their all by the fury of the winds. Troops guarded the devastated district last night and firemen and policemen searched the ruins, but no more dead bodies were found, and, up to 10 o'clock today, no additional deaths had occurred. Mayor Drennen, who is directing the relief work, estimates that \$10,000 will relieve the immediate wants of the sufferers. The larger part of this has already been raised among citizens and a citizens' meeting will be held at noon to raise the remainder and to more perfectly organize the distribution of the relief funds.

CZAR IS GREATLY EXCITED.

Ruler of Russia Said to Be on the Verge of a Nervous Collapse.

LONDON, March 27.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to Reuter's Telegram says that in consonance with what is believed to be the czar's expressed wish, the minister of the interior has published instructions for the authorities of the towns and provinces, recommending preventive measures against disturbances, as being effective than severe repression after disturbances have broken out.

The Birmingham Post, which is closely in touch with Joseph Chamberlain, says news received in high quarters in London indicates that the czar is in a very nervous state, owing to the condition of the political horizon. It is said that he fears the result of the policy of his ministers in the far east, while the student troubles and threats against his life, of which there are more than have been published, have completely unnerved his majesty. His medical advisers have strongly counseled a yachting cruise, but the czar has refused to follow their advice. Those behind the scenes in Russia take a very grave view of the present agitation and think it is the beginning of more serious trouble.

HUNDREDS OF HOMESTEADERS.

They Leave Chicago in a Party for North Dakota.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Possessed of homestead rights, household effects and requirements of land development, between 1,700 and 1,800 persons left Chicago today for the agricultural regions of North Dakota. Six special trains were required to carry the party and belongings.

The prospective settlers gathered in Chicago from Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Illinois and other states, and among them were between 300 and 400 members of the German Baptist church, commonly known as Dunkards. All but a few of the landhunters will settle in the Devil's lake, Mouse river and Turtle mountain regions.

Iowa Must Hunt Him Over.

SPRINGFIELD, March 27.—Governor Yates issued a requisition on Governor Shaw of Iowa for the extradition of Charles K. Kurzenborfer, who is wanted at Chester, Randolph county, Ill., on a charge of embezzlement. Kurzenborfer, it is alleged, while employed in the southern Illinois penitentiary embezzled a large sum of money from that institution. He escaped July 24, and is now under arrest in Iowa.

Missouri Rules for War.

ST. JOSEPH, March 27.—The British government has contracted for 500 cavalry horses here for service in South Africa. No price limit is placed for these animals. Agents for the British government are also making large purchases of mules.

Fear Twenty-Eight Deaths.

MELBOURNE, March 27.—Wreckage which has gone ashore on Gabo island, near Cape Howe, the most southeastern part of Australia, causes a fear that the Coastal steamer Federal from Melbourne has foundered with a loss of twenty-eight lives.