THE SUNDAY BEE: OMAHA, MARCH 22, 1925.

TEDDY AT SANTIAGO, DEPLORES ARMY'S BLUNDERS

RoughRider Hardships in mout, and the single line is so in mout, and half the loss. Young in o keep you informed as to the ing to keep you informed as to th Hardships anything about what we were to do. to each regiment its transport and would try to straighten things out. Recounted When we were ordered to embark without having a single officer dehere it took us 12 hours to make the tailed to meet the regiment and show nine miles of railroad, and on the them where to go or what they were wharf not one shadow of preparation to do.

"Tell the President, for Heaven's Sake, to Send Us Every Regiment Possible," Roosevelt Writes Lodge.

Shafter Held Inefficient

comers; nothing but the most vigorous cars, in which we came down to the Dear Theodore: (Copyright, 1925.) (While Rooseveit was away in the panish war, Senator Lodge kept him in, meme of affairs in Washington. Speaker homas B. Reed had incurred Lodge's transport. Three Days to Embark. Under these circumstances it, of course, took over three days to em-bark the troops. No sooner were they embarked than we received word from Washington not to start. We have been here two days now; the te criticism. with increasing bitter-ses, from all over the country. Later to outry of "embalmed beef" brought to ac climax, but it was a st time after the war when Aiger fin-by quit the cabinet.) Washington, May 31, 1895. mear Theodore: and rather lawless work got us our wharf. ships. We are in a sewer; a canal was over a mile long, jammed with You are likely. I think, to

Dear Theodore

vana harbor. The steamer on which side, The secretary of war told me on The secretary of war told me on value harbor. The search 1,000 men, Saturday that he had ordered your we are contains nearly 1,000 men, regiment to Tampa, so that I suppose there being room for about 500 com. Side, 10,000 troops embarring I cannot but believe that the to hunt until almost at the same time I will soon be in your hands. I will do everything in my

the first expedition. I do not think they mean to send any men to Cuba until they can get a large army to- to sit in the cabin, and even so, sev-hoped to keep it. The advice was ment. Still there is nothing like try-He then became a policeman in New again brilliantly distinguished your-bed at a neighbor's at Woodbine. has 'made good' in a financial way. gether and sweep up the whole at eral companies are down in the lower good, for it proved it had been alonce. I think this is wise. For various hold, which is unpleasantly sugges lotted to another regiment-the reasons I am in no hurry to see the war jammed through. We will come We are apparently to be kept here. We are apparently to be kept here three or four days more, for they say which he had seized for the purpose methodical and firm and has got hold The administration I believe to be we are to start on Monday. The and got aboard the transport and of the business with great rapidity. I go in to see the governor (Long) he mouths. doing very well and to be following officers' horses were embarked last brought it in. I brought up my 400 out a large policy. The opposition Sunday with the artillery horses; they now comes exclusively from Reed, have had to disembarke them for the in the very nick of time to head off William Lloyd Garrison has de regard to his worthy colleague in the I congratulate you and admire you who is straining every nerve to beat simple reason that they began to die. the Seventy-first regiment, which was nounced Charles Eliot Norton as a War department. Day before yester Hawaii, which the administration is Of course, there was no shadow of also advancing for the purpose. Jingo because he said the administra-day he had a story which was not grounds.

Always sincerely yours, H. C. L.

Edith has been down here for the

TAMPA BAY HOTEL. Tampa, Fla., June 6, 1898. Senator H. C. Lodge, Washington, D. C. Dear Cabot:

really enjoyed it.

transports, and understood further came that there had been a complete Faneuil hall tomorrow to denounce that they cannot be disembarked and change of plans and that the expedi- the adoption of an imperial policy by re-embarked under five days' time, tion was indefinitely postponed.

had been made to receive any regi

ment; no transports had been as

signed in advance, and there was ac

tually no office for either the com- tire night standing by the railway

to hunt all over the dock among 10, that did not come. At dawn we were

000 people before, by chance, we ran shifted to another railway track, and

across first one and then the other, then owing to some energetic work

and each regiment had to seize its of Wood and myself succeeded in

transport and hold it against all getting the troops on empty coal

missary or quartermaster. We had track at Tampa, hoping for trains

reason for putting them aboard until Meantime they unloaded our stores tion should be furnished with funds serious like most of his plaints, but about a mile off and we had to bring to bring the war to a speedy close, which had tickled his sense of humor If the people at Washington under- them up by hand. However, all this although it was an infamous war. stood the fearful danger to health that we could stand, but just as soon as Then Gamaliel Bradford and Moorlies in keeping these troops on the we were all loaded and ready word field Storey are to hold a meeting at

hey would surely make up their As it had taken three days to load opinion in favor of an imperial policy minds in advance whether they in all the troops and would take six to seems to be absolutely overwhelming,

last three days and it has been a per. tended to start or not, and when they unload them and load them again, it and the democrats here seem to be once did put us on would let us go. was obviously unwise to do anything going to pieces on it. fect treat having her. I think she Four of five days of this will reduce but keep them on board until there She saw the camp and the mounted the efficiency of the landing force was definite information from Washdrill this morn- just about 10 per cent, and must in- ington. So, thanks to this vacillation

armles were pres- never complain; but surely they troop ships in Tampa Bay under the ent and expressed should be put into action as soon as semi-tropical June sun. great wonder at possible before letting some maligthe way we had nant disease break out in the crowds gotten this regi- here on shipboard. They won't even into shape, let us put out into the bay, where men bathe at morning and evening expect to we should all swim in spite of the as it is too hot during the rest of the We for Cuba sharks, and we stay crowded in this day. The shore is mere sand, but start on the transports fetid ditch, the men not allowed to fortunately we have been moved out tomorrow. Those swim or go ashore, where indeed of the fetid ditch beside the wharf

of us who come there is nothing to do in the thick where we first lay, so that the men can be very rarely sent ashore. get home no matter - Do, old man, try to see that the ex- have given them the entire deck

Up All Night.

Our experience was that of every

other regiment. We were up the en-

and

food, and not a human being met to the port 10 miles away on a one- facts, and for the credit of the coun- lars, who had come up separately Trenches Outside Santiago. us to show us our camp or tell us line railroad without ever assigning try and administration I wish you Then Major Brodie was shot, and I took command of his squadron, the Dear Cabot:

Tell the president for heaven's sake contradictory to a degree. I have We are already in the yellow fever right, and led it in the final charge. tone and at the beginning of the yel-It was very thick country, and the low fever season, and I only hope Spaniards were in a very strong post-all every battery possible. We have ing line; I shall do all that can be hat no weakness or vacillation will tion. I thought they shot well. Our won so far, at a very heavy cost; but done, whatever comes; but it is bit prevent our being put where we can Cuban scouts and guides ran like the Spaniards fight very hard and ter to see the misery and suffering. do some service inasmuch as we are sheep at the first fire. The smokecharging those intrenchments against and think that nothing but incompe already running the risk. I doubt if less powder made it hard to locate modern rifles is terrible. We are tency in administering the nation's Cuba is much more unhealty than the men who were shooting at us; within measurable distance of a ter- enormous resources caused it.

and our men at times dropped thickly rible military disaster; we must have The fighting has been very hard. I when we could not tell where to fire help-thousands of men, batteries don't know whether people at home back. Shafter was not even ashore! and food and ammunition. The other know how well this regiment did. I go to the great city and make good The mismanagement had been mad-volunteers are at a hideous disadvan- am as proud of it as I can be; and His business rivals admit that he dening. We have had very little to tage owing to their not having these men would follow me anywhere came to Omaha five years ago from eat. But we care nothing for that, smokeless powder. Our general' is now. It was great luck for me to Corning, Ia., and started his caree poor; he is too unwieldy to get to the get the command of it before this here as a truck driver for a South as long as we got into the fight.

front. Yours ever, I commanded my regiment, I think T. R. (Washington, D. C.) I may say, with honor. We lost a June 29, 1898.

Dear Theodore

thing. frivolous.

Yours ever, quarter of our men. For three days I have been at the extreme front of The firing line; how I have escaped I dual trenches.) (To be continued tomorrow, with more the firing line; how I have escaped I dual trenches.) (To be continued tomorrow, with more boy of five years ago is today the boy of five years ago is today the owner of a home worth \$15,000, an know not; I have not blanket or coat;

July 3, '98.

Perhaps among the alarms and ex- I have not taken off my shoes even; arsions of your active war you may I sleep in the drenching rain, and Liberty of Escaped ike to turn your thoughts to some drink putrid water. Best love to I have two little Nannie.

battle.

Your ever, T. R. "Tuck" Long of Missouri Valley and Kansas farms.

Best love to Nannie

which is festering as if it were Ha-vana harbor. The steamer on which we are contains nearly 1,000 men, Through this crowd Wood and I had

July 4., 1898. Great news this morning and York and is now commander of the self at San Juan on Friday. You Both men were back in jail by noon This is the first time he has been

been living with our hearts in our Some very comic incidents happen is very apt to close the doors A letter from Edith this morning

> ore than you can conceive. Best love from Nannie.

H. C. L. which had tickled his sense of humor immensely. The secretary of war (Alger) had come over and said that he wanted a convoy at once to take a tug and lighter to Shoffer The immensely. The secretary of war The July 5, '98.

a tug and lighter to Shafter. governor asked him why he did not Dear Cabot;

send his lighter with the expedition. Not since the campaign of Crassus He said that he did, but that the against the Perthians has there been lighter had been lost. I may say, in so criminally incompetent a general parenthesis, nobody knows where as Shafter; and not since the expedithat lighter was lost, but it seems to tion against Walcheron has there have disappeared somewhere. been grosser mismanagement than in Alger then said that Shafter was this,

elegraphing for a lighter and that The battle simply fought itself: he must send him one at once. "Very three of the brigade commanders, well," Long said, "I will furnish you most of the colonels, and all the regwith a convoy. You can have the iments individually did well; and the 'Fern,' which will answer your pur- heroism of some of the regiments pose." The secretary said he was could not be surpassed; but Shafter

here but people you could furnish me with a tug and Announcement! are very shy in a lighter?" which I am bound to say public was what ultimately happened. I have taken over the business criticism for fear It would gratify you very much, I

of THE HARLEY TAILORS of hampering the am sure, to hear the expressions of in delight and pride from your friends. 20th Street and will be pleased AND CLEANERS at 216 South any way. I think especially your friends in the senate, to see all my old customers matters are slow- at the victory won by the Rough



T. R.

Wilbur H. Allison Amassed Fortune of \$200,000 in Five Years Bootlegging, Charges Samardick.

Wilbur H. Allison, 2471 North For ty-fifth street, is one of those country boys, told about in story books, who Omaha concern

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Mr. Allison was arrested St. Pat Woodbine, the rick's day by agents of Prohibition who dug out of the county Agent Robert Samardick, while unjail at Logan early Thursday morn- 1 ading 65 gallon cans of alleged alco ing, had only a short season of lib- hol at the garage of the late Jimmie rerty. Long came here and his rela- Griffin. With him were Clarence cannot resist sending a line to tell tives immediately took him back, Hanfeldt and Earl Straley. This is you how rejoiced we all are. You and Sheriff Milliman found Poe in said to be the business in which he



\$3.95 and \$6.95

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ing—at which by evitably shake the morale of the men. of purpose at Washington this is the the way, all the Our men are behaving peculiarly fifth day we have spent (and the ters you will know how much I sympathize with you in all the disorgan- very much obliged and then he hesi-



Always sincerely yours, H. C. L. •Charles Allen of Massachusetts, who had succeeded Roosevelt as assistant sec-retary of the navy. Washington, June 24, 1898.

the United States. The drift of put

he low coast of Florida now,

Faithfully yours

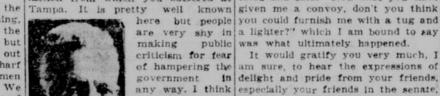
Washington, D. C., June 13, 1898.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Give my love to Nannie.

representatives of well, as they have behaved all along; eighth day some of the troops have Personal. the foreign we have a remarkably fine set; they spent) packed and sweltering en these Dear Theodore: If you ever get my other two let

Bathers Defy Sharks ization from which you suffered at tated and said: "Now that you have In spite of the sharks, we let the



immigrated to America at an early I will do everything in my power age. He was educated at the town Dear Theodore: we both found the quartermaster gen- about your horses, but my power is of Harvard where there is a commer We have given up the entire deck to the men, so that the officers have advised us to seize it instantly if we the immobility of the War depart-or universities in the United States.

stories which I think will amuse you

The second one is confidential.

men at a double and took possession which I should like to enjoy with you. and call upon me for sympathy in says all well at Oyster Bay.

Yours.

what they encounter in Cuba, I pedition is no longer deferred, be they are packed so close that they cause the bad effects of so deferring can get no exercise and no drill, while gue

I had an awful morning, for the or- it are evident to everyone, and do see the officers, except when inspecting ders first came out that only four that our horses are sent after us at the ship or attending a disembarkatroops out of our 12 were to go, in the earliest possible moment. But tion, have to keep to their own cabins, which case I should have had to above all, let us get over now, to stay here with the remaining eight; Cuba or Porto Rico, and have neither would complain for a moment, and but they have now sent eight and peace nor armistice until the job is the men are perfectly cheerful as it so I go. The four that are left feel thoroughly done. Ever yours, T. R. fearfully.

They send us dismounted but we P. S. One man should be in abso should be glad to go on all fours lute control here, with autocratic aurather than not at all. It will be an therity, especially over the railroad It seems incredible that a place like outrage, though, if they do not send people, who have behaved very badly. Tampa should have been chosen withthe horses after or together with the On board the U.S. transport Yuca remainder of our men very soon. If

back will feel sand.

not too much trouble I wish you tan. Port Tampa, Fla., June 12, 1898. would see the secretary and have him

keep us in mind, and have the horses Hon. H. C. Lodge, Senate Chamber, Washington, D. C. sent to us very early. It is a little Dear Cabot: bit rough to make us fight on foot

with only two-thirds of our strength. the front. Ever faithfully yours

THEODORE ROOSEVELT. FIRST U. S. VOLUNTEER CAVAL RY, TROOP A

Fort Tampa, Fla., June 10, 1898. Senator H. C. Lodge,

Senate Chamber, Washington. Dear Cabot:

a very great deal could be avoided. For a month the troops have been Tampa, there is but a single line con-

necting them with the point of de barkation nine miles off and there are no switches to speak of and no fasilities whatever for unloading freight or troops. There are hundreds of freight cars containing stores of all kinds which nobody knows anything

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Now, if this were necessary no one is; but it is absolutely unnecessary

the five days' great heat and crowded confinement are telling visibly upon naval management at Santiago, it the spirits and health of the troops

out previous inspection, that no improvements should have been made in he railroad facilities at the place dur ing the last month and that the ord-

should have fallen into such inextric-

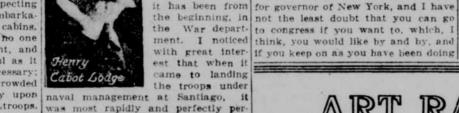
able confusion; a confusion partly due I wonder if it would be possible for to their own dilatory inefficiency and best I can, but I feel very hopeless If I had been left behind, I should you to tell the administration, that is, partly due to the utter incompetence have had to telegraph you to use the president, and if necessary the of the railway managers here and the your endeavors to have me put into secretary of war, just what is going inadequacy of their system. Finally,

on here and the damage that is being it was inexcusable to get the troops done. Of course, I cannot speak to Tampa unless it was intended to publicly in any way; I should be embark them, while it seems literally all my strength to securing the ancourt-martialed if I did, but this let incredible that they could have been nexation of Hawali. It is humdrum ter I shall show to Wood, my colonel, embarked before it was intended to

and it is written after consultation use them. with General Young, my brigade All this is in the past now, but at commander. least it may be possible to prevent I shall not show this first para- such blunders in the future.

No words could describe to you the graph to Wood or to Young, for I I did not feel that I was fit to be confusion and lack of system and the want to say that it would be impossi- colonel of this regiment and I was

general mismanagements of affairs ble to get a better man for colonel certainly much less fit than Wood, here; a good deal of it is the inevit. than Wood has shown himself to be, who has done better with it than I able accompaniment of a sudden war and so far as I am concerned I am possibly could have done, but I am contented with having left the Navy where people have resolutely refused entirely content with Young as a more fit to command a brigade or a department to go into the army for to make the needed preparations, but brigade general, but otherwise the division or attend to this whole mat- the war; for our regiment has been ter of embarking and sending the in the first fight on land, and has mismanagement here is frightful. Wood thinks that if Miles could be army than many of those whose busi- done well. It was nothing more than gathering here in a country where given absolute control he would ness it is to do the work. I do not a brisk skirmish, for Young's brigade, lines of temporary railroad could be straighten things out and I most know whether the circumstances at the advance guard of the army, had laid down for miles in 24 hours, yet earnestly wish the experiment could Tampa were exceptional; if not, there but 900 men on the ground, of whom to this day, while the troops are at be tried, though personally I cannot is need of an immediate and radical over 90 men were killed or wounded.



the troops under was most rapidly and perfectly performed. I have been to the department

about your horses, and as I wrote you they told me they would try and send them as soon as possible and hoped you might be able to get some nance and quartermaster departments there after you were established, which seems a difficult and wholly vague provision. I will do the very and helpless at the War department To you, in the midst of war, the things we are doing here must appear very tame, and it seems hardly worth while to tell you that I am devoting work compared to that in which you are engaged, but not. I think, use

less. Always sincerely yours, H. C. Lodge.

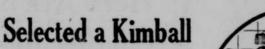
> Camp 5 Miles from Santlago, June 27, '98.

Dear Cabot: Well, whatever comes I shall feel

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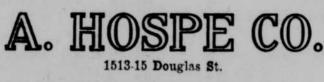
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