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Major General Frank Parker, commanding general of the Philippine Department, returned to Manila by plane Thursday afternoon from a week's inspection, exploration trip to Cotabato. Accompanied by Vice G.-G. ~~Jr.~~ **Ralston** Hayden and other members of his party, General Parker landed at Nichols Field airport at 1:30 p.m. General Parker's trip was for the purpose of exploring the volcano which he discovered while on an aerial inspection in Mindanao last August. Both General and the vice g.-g. were enthusiastic regarding their trip.

Said Vice G.-G. Hayden regarding the trip: "The expedition... greatly increased our scientific knowledge of an interesting region in the Philippines. The expedition however, is only one part of a program for the exploration of Mindanao and the establishment of landing fields throughout the Islands that is being carried out through the co-operation of Major-General Parker and the Philippine government."