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The Fall Campaign.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

Considerable progress has been made by Major-General Otis upon the plan of campaign he will inaugurate immediately upon the beginning of the dry season. To prevent similar preparations being made by the insurgents, an offensive movement by the commands of Major-Generals Lawton and MacArthur will begin at once.

It has been expected that this movement would have begun the last week, but evidently either the preparations have not been completed or the elements have prevented, for up to this time so far as the department has been advised,

nothing has been done. The officials are in hourly expectation, however, of advice showing that the columns under the command of the officers named have begun a new campaign against Aguinaldo's troops.

Unfounded Fears.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The rumors of possible combinations among the states of Central and South America directed against the United States are received with some concern by the officials here. Nearly a year ago this spirit of distrust on the part of Latin-American people was first exhibited in the semi-official publication by the United States of Colombia of a proposition to combine the nations of South and Central America. In that case the ostensible purpose was to resist unjust demands for indemnities by foreign states. But incidentally during the discussion it appeared that the scope of the combination would be broader than this, and there was more than one intimation of a deep-seated distrust of the United States.

Otis' Friends Hopeful.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—A special to the Record from Washington says:

The friends of General Otis are becoming hopeful that they will succeed in having him retained in his present command. This week they were deeply encouraged, and one, a high official of the war department, openly admitted that he believed "popular clamor" would result in his friend's recall, and the assignment of General Miles or General Merritt to Manila.

AN OREGON CITY BOY.

Bravery of First Sergeant Frank Newton of the Ninth Infantry.

SAN FERNANDO, LUZON, P. I., Aug. 5.

—To the people of the United States our war with Spain and insurrection in the Philippines have given rise to a feeling of the deepest pride in their volunteer soldiery, and to the most heartfelt gratification that they have proven themselves true sons by deeds of gallantry, and by bravery in battle. Particularly is this true in western states, which furnished men for longer service, and men who endured greater hardships, privations and participated in more engagements in the Philippines than was required of similar organizations in Cuba or Porto Rico.

The people of Oregon may be justly proud of the achievements of her volunteers, who have but recently returned. With their discipline, courage and endurance, for many months under the greatest trials, the world is familiar. While applause is universal, and praise is heard on every hand, let them not forget that they have other sons, though few in number, in the regular army of the United States. One of these, a first sergeant of the Ninth infantry, in an engagement at Ford, near Las Pinas, Philippine islands, June 10, 1899, led his company through an almost impassable ford even under favorable circumstances. At that time it was thought by many to be an impossibility to cross, owing to the fact that the Fourth cavalry was retreating and seemed entirely to choke the ford. By his courage and power of command, he succeeded in accomplishing this feat, and, making a detour to the right with his company, formed a skirmish line and, marching by the left flank, gained a position on the right of two companies of his regiment, which had forded the stream just prior to the retreat of the cavalry.

The First Colorado volunteers had first crossed the ford, and were driving the enemy back, when another force of Filipinos attempted to gain their rear from the left. To prevent this the battalion of the Fourth cavalry tried in vain. The two companies of the Ninth infantry were making a stubborn resistance; but it is doubtful, if they had not received assistance in the manner de-

scribed, they could have held out any length of time.

The movement was executed under a heavy fire from the front and from the left. The three companies united drove the enemy in disorder from the field.

The battalion commander thanked this first sergeant in person for his brilliant achievement, and later recommended him for a medal of honor for bravery and for distinguished service in battle. Do you know him? He is First Sergeant Frank Newton, company K, Ninth United States infantry, and his home is in Oregon City.

A few days later a friend inquired of him: "What did you do to deserve a medal of honor?" "My duty," was the reply. May we all have done the same on the last great day, duty to ourselves to our country, and to our God.

WALTER S. SHELTON.

Press Opinions.

If Mr. McKinley really wants peace in the Philippines he can get it by acting honestly with himself and with the Filipinos. The trouble is that Mr. McKinley is not now in a position to act honestly with himself, being under some obligations to men who have a supreme disregard for that particular thing called honesty.—Omaha World-Herald.

It is not unlikely that some of William Waldorf Astor's grandchildren will be applying for naturalization papers in this country before the next century is far advanced.—Washington Star.

When Mr. McKinley declares that only a portion of the natives are in revolt he shows that he is about a week behind in his reading of the Philippine dispatches.—Detroit Free Press.

Instead of shouting that Captain Carter is abused, why don't his friends try to show that he is not guilty?—Chicago Record.

McKinley has "defined" his Philippine policy. George III. defined his American policy long ago.—New York World.

A fearful suspicion is abroad that Alger wrote the bordereau.—Minneapolis Journal.

One difference between Abraham Lincoln and William McKinley is that Lincoln freed the slaves, while William McKinley graciously allows the slaves to purchase their freedom. But this is not the only difference.—Omaha World-Herald.

To recognize the "charity" of President McKinley's announced grabbing demands of the Filipinos a vast exercise of faith and hope.—St. Louis Republic.

The arch of the McKinley second term is built by Hanna as master mason, with Quay as the keystone.—Albany Argus.

Reports from General Otis continue to leave the date for the Manila peace jubilee indefinitely postponed.—Washington Star.

Field Marshal Halstead has been getting himself into trouble out in Ohio by denouncing some members of one of his audiences as traitors because they disagreed with him on the Philippine question. In discussing this burning subject it is just as well to dispense with epithets. They only denote a paucity of intellectual resources on the part of those who use them.—Boston Herald.

We are pained to observe that Admiral Sampson failed to win the Connecticut croquet championship. It is really too bad that the Bureau of Fabrication was not permitted to referee the games.—Washington Post.

As a result of General Otis' magnificent campaign the Filipino insurgents have become so demoralized that they have quit fighting with bows and arrows and are using Krupp guns.—Chicago Record.

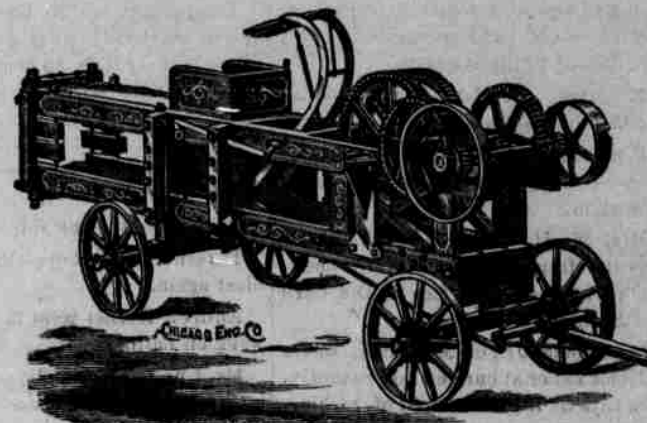
Mr. Foraker will support Hanna's candidacy for governor of Ohio this year; but it is believed that any fair-minded judge would grant separation and alimony.—Albany Argus.

McKinley's friends in congress will not be asked to legislate for the Philippines. He has already arranged matters there, and he is bigger than congress.—Kansas City Times.

McKinley is watching Jimenez very closely. He wants to see how he manages to become emperor of Santo Domingo without the trouble of an election.—Wichita Beacon.

Senator Mark Hanna is coming home, and if the good little boys are patient

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they will be allowed to see the Octopus fed.—Chicago Tribune.

Mr. McKinley thought he had a picnic in the Philippines. He found a quagmire and a hornets' nest.—New York World.

Captain Oberlin M. Carter, who swindled the government out of \$1,600,000, says if he goes to jail he will take other official knaves with him. He can not carry his threat into execution any too soon to suit the country at large. And the more he carries the better.—San Francisco Examiner.

Mr. Hanna should see that Mr. Halstead is provided with a company of militia. Hardly any American likes to be called a traitor, even by so devoted a patriot as Mr. Halstead.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Attack has made it impossible for Mr. McKinley to keep on protecting Carter by methods of secrecy and stealth—or, indeed, to keep on protecting him by any methods.—New York World.

Captain Carter and Captain Dreyfus do not parallel each other at all points, however. There is a slight divergence, for instance, at Devil's Island.—Philadelphia Press.

It is feared at the White House that Mr. Foraker can do more damage to the Ohio fences than Mr. Hanna can possibly repair.—Anaconda (Mont.) Standard.

Perhaps Mr. Hobart can help the administration out by drumming up some clients who can monopolize Tom Reed's time.—Washington Post.

The principal feature of Mr. McKinley's "straightout policy" is that it demands so much explaining.—Omaha World-Herald.

It's an off year in Ohio, and it is all the voters intend to shake off Hanna, Cox & Co.—Sioux Falls (S. D.) Press.

Spain played a huge joke on the United States when it forced the president to take the Sulu Islands with the Philippines. It calls to mind the man who was leading a very dilapidated quadruped that was once known as a cow over the pontoon bridge which connected Sioux City with Covington, Neb. He met a stranger on the bridge, who was amused at his tugging away on a rope, trying to pull the cow along, when he reminded the stranger that he did not desire to have any fun made of that cow, because the cow represented a good deal of property. When asked for an explanation, he stated that he traded eighty acres of Dakota land for the cow, but the man he traded with was a blind man, and he shoved off one hundred and sixty acres.—National Watchman.

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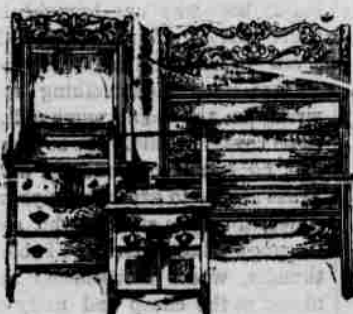
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