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THE SITUATION AT MANILA.

Green is in Command.—Field Headquarters Near the Seashore Under Dewey's Guns.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—The correspondent of the Times a Cavite, under date of July 29, says:

The arrival of General Merritt has given a great stimulus to military activity in Camp Dewey, where Green's brigade has been reinforced by troops from Merritt's transports. The occupation of the country south of Manila has been completed for about a mile east of the shore, and the line does not extend to the river Pasig. No territory is held by the Americans north of the town.

General Green, who directs the active field operations, has established his headquarters near the seashore, under the guns of the warships, about 1000 yards from the Spanish position and from 800 to 2000 yards distant from the insurgent lines, which approach at one point within 50 yards of the enemy. Here occur daily attacks, which are usually begun by the insurgents. Often these are apparently severe, but they have little result and cause few losses. The Americans have not yet returned a single shot, although they are constantly under fire.

The situation at the front is most extraordinary. Each force is guarding its own lines, but the insurgents are little better than an armed rabble. They pass freely through the American camp and mingle with the troops, but they render no assistance, and are, indeed, rather a hindrance to the operations.

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Terms Offered Spain by McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Following is an official statement given out by authority of the president today as to the terms of peace offered by the United States:

"In order to remove any misapprehension in regard to the negotiations as to peace between the United States and Spain it is deemed proper to say that the terms offered by the United States in the note handed to the French ambassador on Saturday last are in substance as follows:

"The president does not now put forward any claim for pecuniary indemnity, but requires relinquishment of all claim of sovereignty over or title to the island of Cuba, as well as evacuation by Spain of the island; cession to the United States and immediate evacuation of Porto Rico and other islands under Spanish sovereignty in the West Indies and like cession of an island in the Ladrones.

"The United States will occupy and hold the city, bay and harbor of Manila, pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace, which shall determine a treaty of peace, disposition and government of the Philippines. If these terms are accepted by Spain in their entirety, commissioners will be named by the United States to meet commissioners on the part of Spain for the purpose of concluding a treaty of peace on the basis above indicated."

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the Roseburg postoffice. Persons calling for these letters will please state the date on which they were advertised, August 1th. The letters will be charged for at the rate of one cent each.

Cooper, Armfield, Egan, Mona Narcisse Clark, Mrs. E. J. Lee, Etaty Dyer, Mrs. Wm. Martin, O. W. Evans, Mrs. Maribel Melton, Katie Hampton, O. E. Patterson, Mrs. Ella C. Harrison, Mrs. Harriet Purdon, S. J. Johnston, W. B. Smith, Miss Mattie James, Duol Trumble, James Warnick, Henry.

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ROSEBURG BOYS IN BLUE

Letters Descriptive of Their Journey to the Philippines.

MANILA, July 1, 1898.

EDITOR PLAINDEALER: We are again on the Ocean. Left Honolulu this morning, June 1th, at 9:30. We will always retain pleasant memories for the people of Honolulu. They treated us better than we deserved—too much cannot be said in praise of them and their kindness to us. The ocean is very smooth, hardly a ripple can be seen.

The boys are all happy except those who have the measles. Some of them are very sick. The City of Charleston is to our east. She is a good vessel and is able to stand off several Spanish boats.

June 5.—We understand the Charleston has sealed orders to capture some islands. Our boat, the Australia, will accompany the Charleston, and as soon as the fort is bombarded we are to land and capture it. The island is held by about 600 Spaniards. After we are through with them we will continue our course to Manila.

June 11.—I have been very sick with the measles, and have not felt able to write. Nothing has transpired of any importance.

June 13.—We are moving right along and most everybody is well and feeling O. K.

June 14.—We expect to reach the Ladrones islands next Saturday. Are making 20 miles per day, and are now 2300 miles from Honolulu.

June 15.—It rains considerably, every day without exception. It will rain for perhaps half an hour and then the sun will come out hot enough to burn. The heat is very oppressive. We have quarters in the forward part of the ship down in the between decks. It gets fearfully warm.

June 16.—It is some cooler this morning. Tomorrow is our wash day. We have a large vat into which we put our clothes, and then steam them. We have breakfast at 7 in the morning, dinner at 10:20, supper at 5:30 p. m., inspection of quarters at 8 a. m., 10 a. m., inspection of first platoon, 11 a. m.; second platoon, 6 p. m.

June 17.—The commanding officers of the Yek, Charleston and Sidney came aboard our boat at 2:30 this afternoon to talk over the situation. Of course we can't find out the result.

June 19.—Nothing of any importance the last two days.

June 20.—Everybody is excited this morning. At daylight the decks were lined with the boys, all anxious to get a glimpse of land. It being 14 days since we last saw land. The Charleston commenced to investigate the land at daylight, and at 8:30 a. m., commenced to bombard the fort, and in about 20 minutes had it reduced. They captured the governor and 50 soldiers. Tomorrow some of the troops will be landed to take possession of the islands, in the name of the United States, and our flag is now floating over the Ladrones islands. The town is called Adan. They raise chickens, hogs and cattle, besides bananas, pine apples, coconuts and all other tropical fruits grow wild and in great abundance. No one except the officers and a few privates have been ashore. It seems pretty tough not to be allowed to land, but we have to take our medicine just the same. A man was buried from off the Sidney tonight. This island is as yet undeveloped. It is very fertile and has a population of about 8000 people, and some day will be thickly populated.

June 22.—We left the island at 4 p. m. for Manila. It will take us 8 or 10 days to reach our destination. We are taking along with us fifty-six soldiers, six officers, the governor and his cabinet as prisoners. The natives are very glad to see the Americans; they tell us that the Spaniards take everything they make for taxes. They have to pay seven dollars every time a child is born, the same for every death, \$1.50 to the priest, \$1.50 to the church, and \$10 to the governor, and they tell us that anything the Spaniards want they just take it, their daughters and wives are not excepted.

June 23.—It is raining very hard and is quite warm. The captain expects a storm tonight.

June 24.—The storm did not amount to very much last night, only had a hard rain. Winter is beginning here now, and will continue for three months. We have exercises for each guard which lasts for 20 minutes, school for the "non-coms." for about one hour.

June 26.—This has been a very lively day, especially for me, as I am sergeant of the guard. I commenced work at 10 a. m., and continue for 24 hours. We have church services as follows: Bible class at 2 p. m., church at 3 p. m. Col. Sommers came to us and had a card game stopped that was going on during services.

June 27.—The long looked for storm became a reality this afternoon. The wind blew very hard. Everything on the decks was taken off. It rained very hard and the sea was awful rough. We had to meet some boats tomorrow.

June 28.—This is a lovely morning. We are in sight of land today and will soon reach our destination. We have traveled up to noon today 7280 miles. We see a smoke in front of us. All is excitement. We are expecting to meet the Baltimore at the next islands. We have overtaken the boat and find it to be the Baltimore.

We learn that the Spanish fleet is bottled up in Santiago harbor, also that Manila has not surrendered yet, but it has been 11 days since the Baltimore left Dewey's fleet, so our news is not very late after all.

Elkton

Farmers are all harvesting.

Mrs. Elsie Hefty was calling on friends in town Monday.

Willie Roberts was greeting his friends and relatives in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. A. B. Haines enjoyed a pleasant visit with her sister Mrs. Gleason who spent the past week with her.

Mrs. J. Beckley has returned from the coast where she has been enjoying the sea breeze.

Mr. Eli Hartel of Portland is visiting relatives in this locality this week.

Mrs. O'Brien from Smith's ferry was doing business in this vicinity Monday.

We will have to beg pardon for so long a silence, on excuse is the busy times and not the war as some might suppose.

Mrs. Addie Spangue intends moving to Gardiner this week and will make that her future home.

Mrs. Lizie Allen who has recently returned from the hospital at Portland is said to be improving very slowly on account of the unusually warm weather.

Little Grae Haines has invited her little friends to spend the day with her and help her celebrate her birthday, Wednesday, August 3. A very nice time is anticipated by the children.

Mrs. Julia Wells was a Drain visitor last week.

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THE CASE OF PREACHER FORD.

Contest Notice. The case of Preacher Ford vs. the Board of Trustees of the Portland Methodist Church, which was tried at the Portland Court House, on the 27th inst., is now being argued at the Oregon State Court at Salem.

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