LETTER FROM MANILA

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around over the country that are trying to get in to surrender, but the insurgents are keeping them back. I will write again about Saturday (Sabado) if not to busy.

Agosto 20.—Dear Father: Since finishing the letter I wrote to Hattie I have been to Cavite after our baggage. I left at 5 o'clock in the morning and soon had a casco which we were towing on another, and a few minutes later tried to travel overland with the steamer by running into the rock wall along the Pasig river, which, through the city is walled up on both sides, but were lucky enough to get off with the boat damaged very slightly and some of the boys were badly scared. I never laughed so in my life, some of them wanted to get off and go back. The trouble was that two or three of the officers were commanding and the native engineer could not understand them nor they him. I got over to Cavite all right, but got back to the dock just in time to see the boat go off and leave me, so I had to stay until the next day. One of the boys in the hospital died with spinal meningitis while I was there. I left at 9 o'clock the next day and got to Manila about 11 o'clock. We unloaded the baggage and stayed at the dock with it all night. The next day I saw a lot of natives get on the cane platform along the side of a casco, and it broke and let about fifteen or twenty of them into the river. You ought to have been there to see the fun. They didn't seem to mind their ducking. In the afternoon one of the heroes got to bucking and backed off the wall.

They manage to catch the horse and pull him and the wagon back, but a Company H barrel went into the river and lost about 300 rounds of ammunition, several tools and some other stuff.

I was over to new Manila today and bought a dinner which cost $1.35. Bill of fare as follows: Macarroni soup, eggs, beefsteak, coffee, buns, cheese and Spanish beans. You can see that things are quite high in the food line. This is the first meal I have bought since leaving Honolula and I never enjoyed any thing so well in my life. I think I will have to have another one in a few days. This was a Spanish resturant. We got a piece of meat about the size of a fig and it cost twenty cents. Bottled soda is cheap here, only four cents, Spanish, per bottle which is a trifle less than two cents our money, and wine is ten cents. We have only five sick men in our company now and they are not very sick. I have a Spanish dollar I am trying to save to bring home. It was coined in 1797, during the reign of Carolus IV. I had to buy an outside pocketbook because those you carry in your pocket rot in this climate.

August 21st.—We had a little excitement in our quarters last night. Musician Purdey was going through with a monkey on his shoulder. In passing a table it leaped off and grabbed a lamp and turned it over, setting fire to the oil and Purdy's clothes. He jumped on the bed and covered himself up with a blanket, while some of the other boys smothered the flames that were on the floor. The monkey ran and jumped on a bed and crawled under a pillow.

We take 100 pounds of flour to the bakery and receive 100 loaves of bread for it. We have received mail three times since the 4th of June, and are anxiously waiting to hear from home again. Part of the 4th expedition arrived this morning and I received some mail which was very acceptable.

Saw quite a number of Chinese paid off today. They received 20 cents per day Spanish.

August 24th.—Dear Wife: The Zelandia leaves today for the United States at 10 o'clock a. m., so will write a few lines to let you know I am all right. The rest of the sergeants and myself have been fixing up the quarters, so that we are getting in good shape, and hope we wont have to move again soon unless for the United States. Hamlin, Shambrook, Slocum and Day are all in good health. I think it is lote healthier here than at Cavite. Dewey is having a lot of steam launches raised that the Spaniards had sunk when we took the city. I had a pass with Serg'ts. Crowson and Pracht from our company from 10 a. m. until 6 p. m., and went over into New Manila. After walking around awhile we boarded the street cars and rode to the ends of all the lines. Enclosed find receipts which every one receives on the payment of his or her fare.

You can ride a long distance here for two cents Spanish, which is about one cent in our money. It looks funny to see the little Shetland ponies pulling those large street cars. Some places they have only one horse, others two and three. Our car today, jumped the track and landed crossways of both tracks and it was a picnic to watch the Filipinos jump off.

When the car stopped we were the only passengers left on the car. We were also out to Malate, where the Eighteenth had a scrap with the Spanish about the 1st of July. We hired a cab to come home in and the driver ran into another cab and nearly turned us over.

I am quite sleepy now and will close for tonight. Will write more in the morning, if possible, before the mail closes. Hamlin, Shambrook, Slocum, Day and Brown are all feeling quite well and are anxious to start for the U. S. May God bless you all, is the prayer of

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Weekly Crop Bulletin.

Western Oregon weather.—The mean temperature for the week averaged 62, which was 4 lower than for the preceding week and for the corresponding week of last year. The highest temperature during the wyek was 78, on Sunday, and the lowest 44, on Friday morning. Rain fell on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in amounts from 1.00 to 1.75 inches.

Crops.—The rain was of benefit and yet of some injury. The benefits were, it softened the ground and allowed the commencement of fall plowing and seeding; it started the grass and improved pastures. The injury was only to the prune crop; it caused the prunes to drop to rapidly and cracked some, though the damage will hardly be appreciable. Prune drying continues to be active; the crop is so large that there are not sufficient dryers to handle it. Late peaches and pears are ripening. The vegetable crop is excellent. Digging of potatoes is now in progress.

Hoppicking is completed. The season was very favorable to the growth and maturing of the hop crop. Hop drying and baling is now in progress.

Harvest of all products is practically completed. Late fruit is being packed and shipped. Grapes are ripening. The grass is turning green. Work has commenced for next year's crop. The season has been favorable to the tillers of the soil.

Autum weather conditions have set in. More rain, lower temperature and frosty mornings may now be expected.

Eastern Oregon weather.—The mean temperature for the week averaged 61, which was 7 lower than for the preceding week and 8 lower than for the corresponding week of last year. The highest temperature during the week was 80, which occurred on several days, and the lowest was 36, on Friday morning. Frost occurred over the Plateau Region on several mornings. Bain to the amount of from 0.08 to 0.14 of an inch fell on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Crops.—Harvest is over; only a small amount of grain yet remains to be threshed. The season has been one of the most favorable on record for the grain crop and for crops of all kinds. The bulk of the rgain crop is now in warehousee and elevators.

The rain started the grass and sprouted the early sown grain. Considerable grain is sown every year in the dust and the first rains give it a good start. Pasture is improving and the movement of stock from the summer to the winter ranges has commenced.

Fruit is maturing and is being shipped. The fruit crop is unusually large; the same is true of the vegetable crop. Work for the crops of next year has commenced.

These bulletins will, with this issue, be discontinued for this season; they will be resumed about April 1st, 1899. The crop reason of 1898 has been a most successful one. The grain crop, as a whole, is excellent. Aphis injured spring grain in a few of the Willamette counties. Hops were cleaner and of better quality than for years.

The hay crop has never been larger or better. The fruit crop has been heavy. The vegetable crop is always good and it was equal to the best this year. Stock went through the early winter in good condition; owing to sales the range is not now crowded.

No item of industry has been affected by any adverse conditions, hence the record of a successful year.

B. S. PAGUE, Director.

County Treasurer's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Douglas county warrants indorsed prior to November 23d, 1894, to present the same at the treasurer's office in the court house for payment, as interest will cease thereon after the date of this notice.

Dated this the 15th day of Sept., 1898, at the City of Roseburg, Oregon.

GEO. W. DIMMICK,
County Treasurer, Douglas County, Or.

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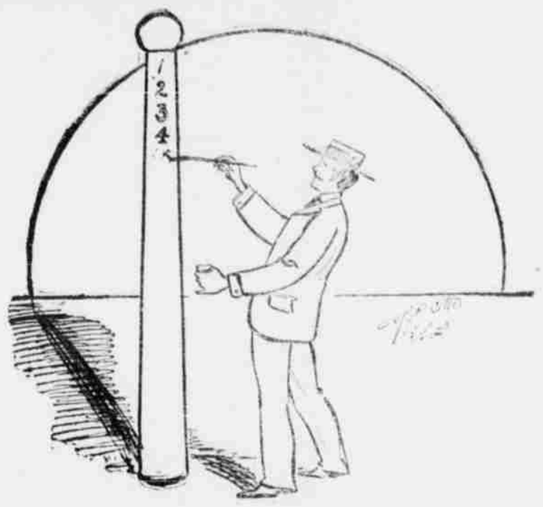

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