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TO HONOR THE HEROES

**Governor Geer Makes Today
Legal Holiday to Honor
the Volunteers.**

RECEPTION AT ASHLAND

**Thousands Gather to Extend the
First Welcome to Heroes of
the Philippines.**

WELCOMED AT STATE LINE

**Great Enthusiasm of the Soldiers on
Passing the Boundary Line—
Entire Regiment Dined.**

Governor Geer tonight issued the following proclamation:

"To the people of Oregon:—During the past year the Second Regiment of Oregon Volunteers has been upholding the American flag in a distant land, and by its many valorous deeds has reflected credit upon itself and state which sent it forth. This regiment of heroic soldiers has returned to us after having finished its work, and as a fitting recognition of its arduous services I hereby proclaim **THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 1899**, to be a public holiday, that all our people may be permitted to engage in extending it a reception commensurate with the importance of the event.

(Signed) T. T. GEER, Governor.
"Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 8th day of August, A. D. 1899, by the governor, F. J. DONIHAN, secretary of state."

RECEPTION AT ASHLAND.

People of Ashland Extend Philippine Heroes an Enthusiastic Welcome.

ASHLAND, Aug. 9.—The first section of train carrying the Oregon Volunteers home crossed the state line and the Ashland mountains this morning and pulled into Ashland at 1:30 this afternoon amidst the loudest of whistles, firing cannon, the music of brass bands and the acclaim of thousands of people who gathered here from all parts of Jackson county to extend the first welcome to the heroes from the Philippines.

Arrival of the second and third sections of train bearing the Oregon volunteers witnessed a repetition of the reception accorded the first train load of returning Oregon veterans of the Philippines at Ashland.

The feature of the reception was a short address by Chaplain Gilbert, who spoke feelingly and with words of praise for the good work of the Oregon volunteers and of the comfort to those who mourned the loss of the loved ones fallen in the field and hospital and buried at distant shores.

Burnside post, G. A. R., of this city, had planted their flag and banner "welcome home" at the state boundary, and as the train passed cheers were given by the volunteers who exhibited great enthusiasm and satisfaction on again reaching Oregon soil.

The splendid condition of the men of the regiment commanded the admiration and pride of the people who had gathered to give them welcome.

The crowd here today was one of the largest ever seen in the county, people coming from far and near.

A great mastiff dog which went with the regiment through its campaigns and a little Filipino man adopted by the regiment, attracted much attention.

In addition to furnishing a splendid dinner for the entire regiment, a special program of entertainment welcoming company B, of this city, home was prepared, including a general feast under the direction of Ashland ladies in the Chataqua grove.

ENTERTAINED AT ROSEBURG.

ROSEBURG, Aug. 9.—The first battalion of volunteers, Governor Geer and staff, General Summers and staff officers, arrived at 9:30 and were met at the depot by a large crowd and torch bearers. They were escorted to supper in a square on Jackson street, where the mayor of the city most cordially welcomed the officers and men to a sumptuous repast.

The second battalion arrived at 10:30, and

the third section at 10:40. Both marched to the public square and partook of viands.

FOUR OMAHA FIREMEN LOST THEIR LIVES.

Shock From an Electric Wire in a Burning Building Kills Them Almost Instantaneously.

OMAHA, Aug. 9.—Four firemen lost their lives tonight in a blaze on the upper floor of the Mercer Chemical Company's building at Eleventh and Harney streets. The fire was insignificant, the fatalities resulting from contact with a live wire. The dead firemen are: Joseph Adams, lieutenant; Otto Gelske, fireman; George Benson, fireman; Charles Hopper, relief driver. Firemen George Farrer and Albert Linton, of the chemical company, also suffered severely from the shock.

When the fire had been brought under control the firemen had been sent to work to lower the big extension truck upon which they had been working. Suddenly the men who were working at the crank lowering the ladder, fell to the pavement limp and apparently lifeless. In lowering the ladder it had come in contact with a live electric light wire carrying a current of 1,000 volts. The doctors who were present used every means known to revive them. Hopper revived in a few minutes, and, saying he was all right, started to walk away. He had only gone about 50 feet when he dropped dead. Gelske showed signs of reviving but when only partially roused, he sank back and expired. The other two never showed signs of animation.

CATHOLICS REBEL, AGAINST A GERMAN BORN PRIEST.

Bishop Janssen, of East St. Louis Excommunicates Members of His Parish Who Ignore His Authority.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 9.—A decree of Bishop Janssen, of the Roman Catholic diocese of Belleville, Ill., excommunicating members of St. Patrick's congregation of East St. Louis, who are in rebellion against his authority in the matter of appointing a German-born priest to succeed an Irish-American rector, went into effect at noon today, when the communicants held a meeting in defiance of the decree.

The congregation are all Irish or Irish-American. About 600 persons fall under the ban. About the church was a strong detail of guards armed with black-revolver. Inside the enclosure were several cases of state eggs which it is said will be showered at the bishop or any of his friends who undertake to assume charge of the church property.

Neither Bishop Janssen nor any representative of his appeared at the church, and after waiting for some time those assembled dispersed with the exception of a small guard. The leaders of the so-called "rebellion" it is said, have been in communication with Mr. Martinelli, papal delegate at Washington. Tuesday a telegram was received from a source of authority in the east which read: "Hold fast. Disregard the excommunication."

OTIS, "AN OLD WOMAN."

British Naval Captain Denounces His Management of Philippine War and Says He Ought to be Recalled.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—A special from Victoria, B. C., state that Commander P. S. St. John, of the British warship Peacock, who has arrived there on the Empress of Japan, severely criticizes the management of the Philippine campaign by General Otis. He is quoted as saying that "General Otis is a silly old man without knowledge of the necessities of the responsibilities of his position, without ability to improve it. The very first action of his government should be his recall. It is a pitiful thing to see the sacrifice of the tall, splendid men of the American soldiery to his gross incompetence."

He also expressed the opinion that the American fatalities aggregate 5,000, adding that the facts could not be told owing to the press censorship. He predicted that if Otis is left to direct the army of occupation the Americans will eventually be defeated, for, he said, "the rebels will be able to hold their own, save within the cities of Manila and Iloilo, and perhaps a few square miles round about, and do as they please."

DENVER MAN WINS.

DENVER, Aug. 9.—Kid Parker, of Denver, defeated Billy Otis, of San Francisco, in the fifth round of what was to have been a twenty round bout, before the Olympic Athletic Club tonight, thereby winning the light weight championship of the west.

REBELS WERE DRIVEN OUT

MacArthur Routes Much Superior Force Near San Fernando.

OUR LOSSES UNKNOWN

Eight Killed and Twenty-Six Wounded So Far as Heard From.

THE CAPTURE OF MEXICO

**Rebels Retreat Under Hall of Shot,
Leaving Dead and Wounded on the Field.**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—General Otis confirms the report of a battle at San Fernando in the following cablegram:

Manila—MacArthur, with 400 men, attacked the insurgent army, 600 strong, concentrated around San Fernando, at 5:15 this morning. At 10 o'clock a. m. he had driven it five miles in the direction of Angeles. Casualties few. The attack was ordered for the 7th instant; rain did not permit the movement at that time. The railroad from Angeles north is badly washed by unprecedented floods of the last six weeks, and it is beyond the ability of the insurgents to repair it.

CAPTURE OF MEXICO.

Rebels Routed From the City and Twelve Taken Prisoners.

MANILA, Aug. 9, 7:50 p. m.—The American losses in fighting about San Fernando at 1 o'clock was known to be eight men killed and 26 wounded.

The loss may possibly exceed these figures as the line is five miles long and it is impossible at this hour to hear from every point. Our troops are now about Angeles waiting for the artillery, which has the greatest difficulty in moving, owing to the wet ground.

The attack was opened at 5 o'clock in the morning, a battery of the First artillery shelling Bacolor on the left. Simultaneously Bell's Thirty-sixth infantry struck Bacolor from the south and drove the rebels out. Amused cars, each with a six pounder and two galling revolving cannon on board, then mounted on the railroad track before our lines. Soon afterwards the guns did sharp execution.

Battery M of the Third artillery and 200 men of the Iowa regiment made a move towards Mexico, while the main body of the troops, consisting of the Iowa regiment, the Seventeenth regiment and a battalion of the Twenty-second regiment, under General Wheaton on the right, and the Ninth and Twelfth and Bell's regiment, under General Lacombe, on the left advanced steadily, pouring their fire into the rebels and receiving a heavy fire in return.

The reports indicate that the Ninth infantry suffered the most, though the casualties of all the regiments are not yet reported.

The weather was extremely hot and our troops suffered greatly, but there was no faltering.

A company of the Sixteenth regiment went to the relief of Bell's regiment this afternoon. The firing, except at isolated

points, had ceased by 10 o'clock.

DETAILS OF THE BATTLE.

Angels Captured and Will Now Be Base of Operations.

MANILA, Aug. 9, 7:10 p. m.—Details of MacArthur's advance beyond San Fernando showed the Americans covered five miles the first five hours and at 2 o'clock had advanced 40 miles along the railway stretching on each side of it for two miles and resting at night three miles from Angeles, which will be made the base of operations instead of San Fernando, where a garrison of 600 men have been left. The casualties are between 30 and 60.

Philippines were surprised, expecting the American forces to move against Tico. They followed their usual tactics of holding their trenches until they became too warm and then retreating in disorder. They are now retreating back through Porico. The Twelfth and Seventeenth regiments had the sharpest engagement. The country is covered with rice fields and bamboo thickets, the hardest possible ground for marching. Mud in places was knee-deep.

Angeles is one of the richest towns north of Manila and is considered a better base of operations than San Fernando. The forces at San Fernando consisted of the Iowa regiment, Seventeenth, Nineteenth, Twelfth and Bell's new Thirty-sixth regiment, battalions of Sixteenth, troop F, Fourth cavalry and fifteen guns. Movement has been planned for some time but was delayed by rains. Finally two days of sunshine dried the rice fields sufficiently to permit the attempt. American position had long been unpleasant. Rebels almost surrounded the town and fired nightly into it, the Americans not replying except on extreme provocation. It was necessary to keep 500 or 600 men on outpost duty constantly.

ANXIOUS FOR SETTLEMENT.

So Says George H. Murray, Premier of Nova Scotia.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—A special to the Tribune from Halifax says: A state, make on the Alaska boundary question was made by George H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia, who has just returned from the British Isles. Premier Murray went to London three months ago to float a new provisional loan in the form of inscribed stock for the consolidation of certain bonded indebtedness of this province. The amount of the loan was \$300,000. It was subscribed twice over and on all sides was above par. The question "How do the British people review Canada's attitude on the Alaska boundary difficulty?" was put to Mr. Murray. He said:

"All that I can properly say is that the British seem to be particularly anxious to have all matters of possible friction between Canada and the United States amicably settled. It might occur to some one that there is a little too much anxiety in that direction, but after all no persons can fail to see the advantage of bringing this about. I need scarcely say that the people on the other side of the water are not able to understand the refusal of the United States to arbitrate fully the matter."

AN OMINOUS SILENCE.

Senator Beveridge and Other Americans Returned From Manila Refuse to be Interviewed.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—A special to the Times-Herald from Victoria, B. C., says: Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, returned by the steamship Empress of China from Manila, which point he left on July 18, accompanied by Mrs. Beveridge and two leading residents of the Philippine colony of Americans, J. Donlan and W. Wood, each of whom has made Manila his home for more than a quarter of a century.

"You may say," Senator Beveridge replied to a question, "that I absolutely decline to express any opinion at the present time as to General Otis, the future of the Philippines or anything else."

Donlan and Wood also refused to be interviewed.

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