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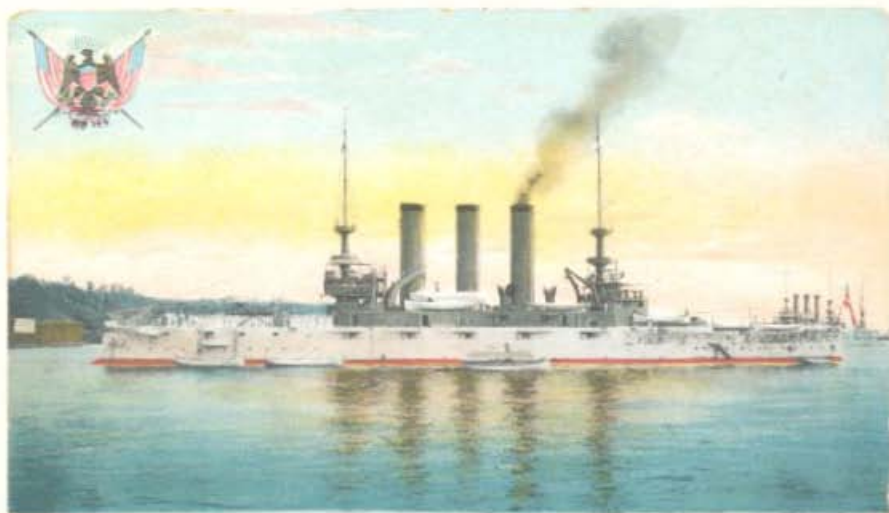


WHEREAS, Company I has received Orders to leave for the War To-morrow, Friday Morning, April 29, and whereas the people desire to signify to the Company their appreciation of their brave and patriotic action in volunteering in their Country's Cause, Now therefore, I recommend that all business houses be closed between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock this afternoon, and that all citizens, laying aside all other affairs, close their places of business and attend the Reception at the Opera House at 4 o'clock to be given under the auspices of Robson Post, G. A. R.

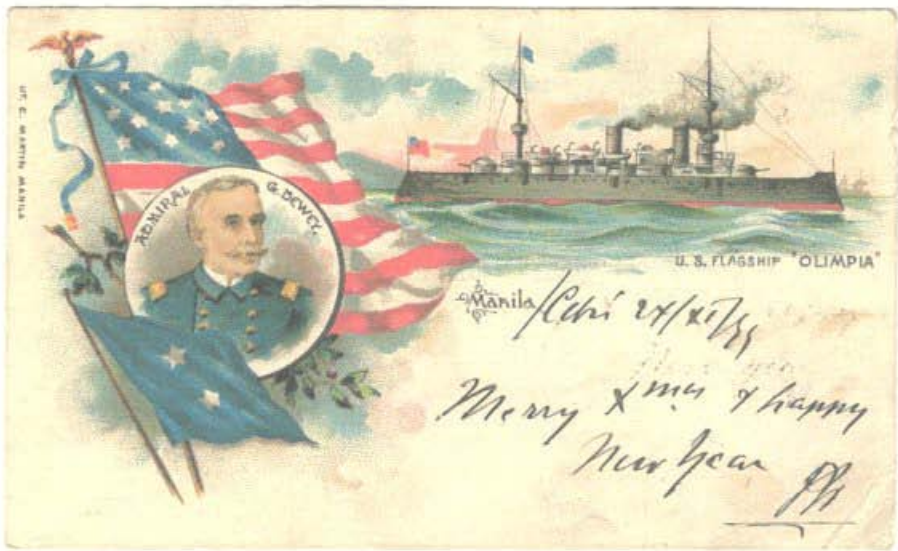
And all citizens are requested to assemble at the M. & St. L. depot to-morrow morning at 5:45 and join in the "Good Bye" to the Company.

C. M. WILKINSON, Mayor.

Albert Lea, April 28, '98.



U. S. S. Maine.



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THE BATTLE OF MANILA BAY.

"We Came! We Saw! We Conquered!"



*"Twas for Cuba and our honor, to avenge our heroes slain,
That victory wreathed our banner when we fought the ships of Spain."*

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51st IOWA Vol. Infantry in the Philippines. Patriotic cover above from a soldier enroute to the war. Postmarked at **SAN FRANCISCO CALA OCT 11 - 6 am '98**. Cover below contains a letter datelined "Trenches at Pasig off Manila P. I. Feby 27th 99". The following is from the letter: "...the "nigs" [natives] as we call them, are keeping us quite busy, especially those that are on the out posts and picket lines. My Battalion is clear in the front with the 14th regulars, if we are not busy fighting

or on picket duty, we put in our time resting, such as digging trenches or building roads. Oh this Army life is lovely - but I don't kick one bit Nora - if we had good water and enough to eat..... Please excuse stamps. I have none.... Yours Charles Linton" Co. H, 51st Iowa Vol. Infantry. Patriotic cover postmarked at Manila as illustrated below.




 your cards to C. Busby
 and the rest of them
 Schernders and
 Sumner & Co.
 I will send you a post
 Co. K 13 Regt
 U. S. Volunteers
 San Francisco Cal June 16 1898
 I received
 ever with


 SAN FRANCISCO
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Mr. Max. Ulbrich
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 about beer for
 it makes my mouth water
 after it, they have the

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FIRST U.S. MILITARY P.O. IN THE PHILIPPINES

Established at CAVITE on July 30, 1898. It was a branch office of the San Francisco Post Office. Cover above is the second earliest reported use from this office. On August 14th, operations were transferred to Manila, which had been captured the day before. It became the No. 1 station as a branch of San Francisco. Cover below was used from Manila Nov. 22, 1898 to Germany.



San Jose de Buena Vista
Antigua Province

Thursday August 9th 1900 P.D.

My Dear Father Mother + Sisters.



ILOILO, Panay Island, Station No. 3. Post Office established Feb. 11, 1899. Letter by Robert Thompson, Co. L, 19th U. S. Infantry writes in part from San Jose de Buena Vista, Antigua Province, August 9th 1900, " . . . I started to write this letter, I had no sooner got it dated when the trumpeters began blowing the call to arms, which happens here quite frequently, & after buckling on my belt, & grabbing up my Krag [rifle] I hurried down stairs & fell in with the rest of the poor unfortunates. The word was passed around that the escort wagon had been attacked at a little barrio mid-way between here & Sibalom, & 2

men killed & also the mules. Sibalom lies about 6 miles east of here, right under the mountains, & between this place & Sibalom, it is a level country composed of rice paddies which are all set out in rice, & are full of water. This Barrio is surrounded on all side with a heavy growth of underbrush & makes an ideal place for an ambush party. Sixty men out of A. Co left here a few days ago to do a weeks garrison duty. The wagon had went up there with rations for the company & was returning to this place, when they were set upon by 40 insurgents - They were only 3 men with the wagon. The teamster was shot through the heart & the other in the head while the third man got away & started for Sibalom. In the meantime the company at Sibalom heard the heavy firing & started a detachment in double time to their rescue. They arrived there in time to exchange a few shots with them & capturing of them. A runner was sent in here to notify the Commanding Officer Major Huston [Joseph F.] of the trouble. He sent Co L., about 25 of us here in quarters. . . . with two extra mules. We covered the distance of 3 miles over a road, that was mud & water knee deep, in 45 min. When we got there. the men from A. Co. had burned the town to the ground. The insurgents captured 2 of our rifles belonging to the men that were killed, also 300 rounds of amunition, one mule the other being killed Robert C. Thompson. "

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RETURN TO



Hon. James A. Towne

IF Not Landed in Ten Days



Return to

Co

Regt.



Wm. Westerman

If you don't catch him in 10 days



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Thos. Blagitz
Co & R. Ry. Minn.

CAMP GEORGE H. THOMAS,
CHICKAMAUGA PARK,
POSTAL STATION,
CHATTANOOGA, TENN.



Mrs. A. P. Blagitz
212 Markato ave
Wmwa
Minnesota

1898

Cuba 21 de Dic: 1898.
Mi querido hijo Tommy.
Por fin, despues de
unas tres semanas sin
Carta tuya, recibí la del
20 de hoy: Auer tunc

Via U. States



Mrs Mary G. Roberts
26 Upper Bedford Place
Russell Square
W.C.
London

for Tommy

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TRUE VERSION
OF THE
PHILIPPINE REVOLUTION

BY
DON EMILIO AGUINALDO Y FAMILY,
PRESIDENT

OF THE
PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC.

*Manila (Philippine Islands),
23rd September, 1899.*