

Caché Junction—Warm weather first part of the week. A good rain occurred Wednesday night. A light frost occurred Saturday night which failed to damage.

Ferron—Sunshine and rain rapidly alternating gives us ideal growing weather. The lucern harvest is progressing.

Lawrence—A general rainstorm occurred on the 22nd and 23rd. Gardens and crops look well. Lucern is being harvested in earnest.

Green River—The past week has been warm and rainy. Haying is finished. Grain crops promise large yields. Fruit and corn are doing well.

Smithfield—All kinds of grain and fruit are doing well. Potatoes and beets are growing nicely. A good rain occurred the first part of the week.

Price—The crop of fall wheat is beginning to ripen and spring wheat is heading. Crops have been benefited by the rain on Wednesday.

Syracuse—Much of the alfalfa hay was soaked by the rain. Haying is progressing. All crops are looking well.

Coyote—The past week was good for growing crops. Potatoes and corn are up and looking well. Some rain occurred on the mountains on the 22nd and 23rd.

Asays—A good rain the first part of the week helped grain and grasses. Potatoes are just coming up.

Levan—Vegetation in field and garden is progressing and its growth was assisted by the rain.

Mt. Carmel—We have had a number of heavy showers. Some hay was damaged. All crops look well.

Hinckley—Showers delayed haying. The weather is fine and crop prospects are excellent.

Scipio—We had warm but good growing weather. A good rainstorm on the 22nd has improved crop prospects. Some lucern has been cut.

Holden—Lucern harvest is in full operation; it will be the heaviest crop of hay for many years.

Deseret—Rain delayed haying. Some hay got a good soaking.

Fillmore—Much lucern in stack and field was injured by the rain. Crops are making good growths.

Peterson—Grain has made an excellent growth, being benefited by the rain.

Greenwich—Crops are growing rapidly. Water is still sufficient.

Koosharem—Refreshing showers on 22nd and 23rd. Grain and lucern are growing rapidly.

Miller—Some lucern was spoiled by the rain.

Holiday—Considerable lucern hay was cut in the rain, but was not damaged. Grain looks well. Strawberries are abundant. Raspberries and currants are beginning to turn. Peaches are getting large. Apricots will be scarce. Corn is coming up.

Mill Creek—The rain has done much good to growing crops.

Chester—The weather is delightful for maturing crops.

Manti—Another good week for growing crops. Water for irrigation is holding out well. In some places wheat and oats are lodged and not heading. The first crop of lucern is being cut; it will be a good average.

Spring City—Haying has begun; the crop has an excellent outlook for yield. Wheat is beginning to head.

Josepa—A good rain has helped the growth of wheat, oats, rye, barley and potatoes.

Sigurd—A few showers occurred in the middle of the week. Crops are doing well. Spring wheat and oats are heading. Alfalfa harvest has commenced with a promise of large yield. Water is getting scarce, but vegetation is not suffering.

Coalville—It had been hot and dry,

but a good rain occurred on the 22nd which was much needed.

Salem—Vegetation has been improved by the rain.

Santaquin—A shower occurred on the night of the 22nd. Small grain will be heavy. Canning and preserving small fruits is progressing.

Lake Shore—We had a good rain which will do the grain, sugar beets and other crops much good.

Lehi—The heavy rain on Wednesday damaged some hay, but was good for all other crops.

Mapleton—All crops are advancing nicely. Water stored during the rainy season is being used to good advantage. Grain is being watered for the last time.

American Fork—A good rain helped everything. Some alfalfa that was ly-down in the field was bleached.

Plute—Corn and potatoes are looking well. Crops are making a very good growth.

St. George—The second cutting of lucern has commenced. Wheat and barley are being harvested.

Charleston—All crops are looking well. Splendid shower on the 22nd. We can almost see things grow.

Plain City—Crops are doing well. Some alfalfa was caught in the rain.

Harrisville—All crops are looking well. The showers were beneficial.

Liberty—All crops are in good condition. Irrigation is in progress. A nice rain occurred on the 22nd and 23rd.

Roy—Very favorable weather for the crops.

Uintah—Wheat has commenced to turn. Wheat will be plump. Early potatoes are in bloom.

Kaysville—The rain will insure a good yield of dry land grain.

Payson—Wheat, rye, oats and barley are heading. Potatoes are in bloom.

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OUR BOYS AT HONOLULU.

If the enthusiasm with which Uncle Sam's troops were received at Honolulu counts for anything, the friends of annexation of the Hawaiian Islands seem to have entirely the best of the argument. The account of the arrival and reception of the first Philippine expedition at Honolulu, as published in the Hawaiian Gazette of June 3, is enthusiastic almost in the extreme, and judging from all appearances that paper only reflect the sentiment of the people with respect to the nation of whose government and free institutions Old Glory is the emblem. For the copy of the paper the "News" is indebted to Hon. Jerrold R. Letcher, and a few extracts from the account of the reception of the troops, and which covers altogether two pages of the Gazette, will be sufficient to give the reader an idea of the kind of gala days the people of Hawaii had while the boys in blue were their guests. The paper tells of the sighting of the transports as follows:

"The town was set in a fever of excitement when, at a little after 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the boys at Central office conveyed the message to thousands of anxious people in the city that there were three foreign steamers off Waimanalo. The message had come from the other side of the island and it was impossible to tell at the time what the vessels were. Just three columns of smoke floating away to the southeast could be distinguished. It was not many minutes after this, the message came that the steamers could be seen by Diamond Head Charley and that they were the City of Peking, the Australia and another steamer that could not be seen very distinctly.

"The fire whistle sounded immediately the signal of five whistles and instant-

ly flags all over the city went up and carriages and crowds of pedestrians went hurrying along to the different wharves. They had a long wait, but they were not in the least fatigued, for they were on the tip-toe of expectancy and talked gaily. There has not been in many years such a commotion in this city as the news created."

The Gazette then goes on to describe the meeting of the transports by the reception committee of 100, accompanied by all the native vessels anywhere in sight, and every line bristles with enthusiasm. Every move of the troopships is faithfully followed until they are safely in at the wharves which, as well as the streets, are literally jammed with people eager to welcome the soldiers.

"None of the men were allowed to leave the boats last evening," continues the Gazette. "They passed the early hours of the evening in commenting on the grand reception accorded them by Honolulu's citizens and arguing the subject whether they were to be given shore leave on the morrow. Occasionally the strains of 'America' or 'The Star Spangled Banner' would come from one corner of the Peking and would be taken up by the boys on board the Australia or the Sydney, which was anchored in the stream only a few yards away."

Then comes a recital of the doings on the next day, when the soldiers were allowed to land and were given the freedom of the city.

"The first day of the occupation of this place by American troops was one of the greatest minor solar periods the town has ever known. The investment was thorough, the occupation complete, the conquest entire, and the surrender whole and graceful. The positive and negative poles of enthusiasm flashed and flowed the sentiment of cordiality. Hospitality was heartily extended and was accepted in the spirit that it was offered.

"As to numbers Honolulu has not seen such crowds in what may be called the modern times. There is nothing on record to which the invasion may be compared. It is without precedent in every way. About 1,500 men were ashore off the transports from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m., and the same number from 2 p. m. to 7 p. m. Thus all the expedition members enjoyed liberty during the day. The men fairly revelled in the respite from duty. They forgot all the trials of sea traveling and detail on ship. They were given royal reception everywhere. They realized that Honolulu was keeping open house. And they appreciated it."

After reviewing the workings of the committee in charge of the reception, the paper says: "Each member of the community was literally a committee of the one on making it comfortable and pleasant for the Boys in Blue."

"It is not good for the paper to tell of the hospitality of the town in language too ardent. Let us be modestly said that Honolulu does this sort of thing in this sort of way from force of habit. It is good to say there is keenest and deepest and most certain abiding sympathy here for the uniform and the flag brought to this port by the troop ships."

An idea of the sights "taken in" and enjoyed by the American soldiers may be gained from a perusal of the list of courtesies at their disposal during their stay:

"Courtesies of the bathing facilities of the Myrtle and Healan boat club houses.

"Courtesies of the bathing facilities of the Walkiki beach resorts.

"Concerts.

"Courtesies of Kamehameha school grounds and Bishop museum.

"Courtesies of Oahu college grounds.

"Courtesies of executive building grounds.