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**Situation in the Philippines.**

Washington, June 26.—General Otis, in reply to a cable from the War Department asking for information regarding the situation and conditions in the Philippines, cabled a long reply as follows:

Manila, June 26.—Rainy season. Little inland campaigning possible in Luzon. We occupy a large portion of the Tagalog country, lines stretching from Imus south to San Fernando north, nearly sixty miles, and to eastward into Laguna province. The insurgent armies have suffered great losses and are scattered; only the large force held together, about 4,000, in Tarlac province and Northern Pampanga.

Their scattered forces, in bands of 50 to 500 in other portions of Luzon. In Cavite and in Batangas Provinces they could assemble possibly 2,000, though demoralized by recent defeat. The mass of the people, terrorized by insurgent soldiers, desire peace and American protection. They no longer flee on the approach of our troops, unless forced to do so by the insurgents, but gladly welcome them. No recent burning of towns. The population within our lines is becoming dense and are taking up land and cultivating extensively. They kept out of Manila as much as possible, as the population is becoming too great to be cared for. The natives southeast of Luzon are combining to drive out the insurgents. The only hope of the insurgent leaders is United States aid.

They proclaim the near overthrow of the present administration, to be followed by their independence and recognition by the United States. This is the influence which enables them to hold out. Much contention prevails among them and no civil government remains. Trade with ports not in our possession, the former source of the insurgent revenue, is now interdicted. Not certain of the wisdom of this policy as the people in those parts are without any supply of food, and the merchants are suffering losses. We meditate restoring trade privileges, although the insurgents reap the benefits. The courts here are in successful operation under the direction of able Filipinos. Affairs in the other islands are comparatively quiet, awaiting results in Luzon. All are anxious for trade, and there have been repeated calls for American troops received.

I am giving attention to the Jolo Archipelago and Palawan Islands. Our troops have been worked to the limit of endurance. The volunteer organizations have been called in, and are replaced by regulars, who now occupy salient positions. The sickness among the troops has increased lately, due mostly to the arduous service and climatic influences. There is nothing alarming. Of the twelve per cent. of the command reported sick, there are nearly six per cent. in the general hospital, of whom three per cent. have typhoid and seventeen malaria fever. Twenty-five per cent. have intestinal troubles, and the remaining fifty-five per cent. have various ailments, fourteen per cent. of which are due to wound injuries. Many officers and men who served in Cuba break under a recurrence of the Cuban fever, and the regular regiments lately received are inadequately officered. (Signed) Otis.

Adjutant-General Corbin says that all of the officers belonging to regiments in the Philippines who are not absent on account of a surgeon's certificate, are under orders to join their regiments at once. Forty-four have sailed on the recent transports going to Manila. Secretary Alger said today that no action will be taken for the enlargement of the army or sending troops to General Otis until the return of President McKinley.

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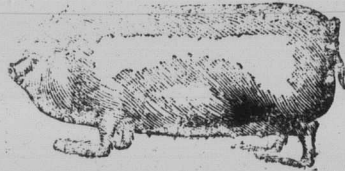
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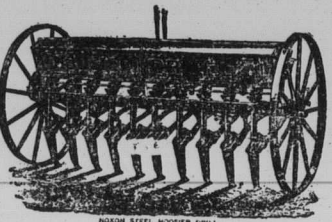
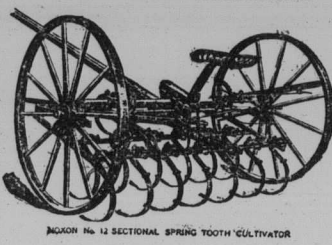
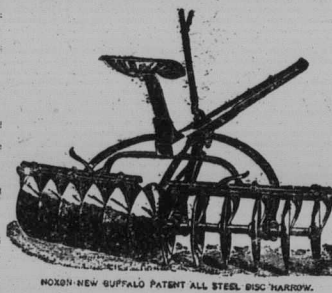
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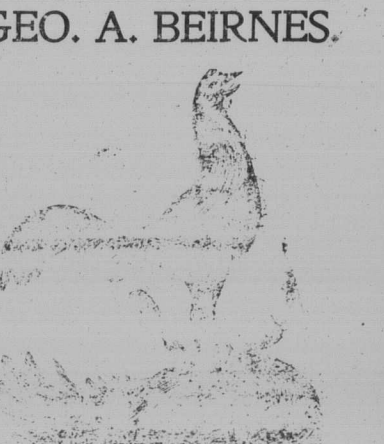
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