

WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES

MANY FALSEHOODS HAVE BEEN TOLD ABOUT IT.

So States William Rafter, of Regular Army, Recently Returned from Two Years and a Half of Service in Our New Possessions—Our Soldiers and the Filipino Prisoners Well Treated—Good Progress Made in Bringing the Filipinos Under an Orderly Form of Government.

William Rafter of 420 Linden street, artificer in the Eighteenth infantry, U. S. A., now stationed at Fort Russell, Wyoming, who is home on a three months' furlough was seen yesterday by a Tribune man, and gave the latter a detailed account of his adventures during the last four years.

He has seen plenty of service both in Porto Rico, and the Philippines, and has passed through all safe and unscathed, without wound or injury. He has put on considerable weight, is the picture of health and declares himself more than satisfied with the army, in which he is now serving his third term of enlistment.

His regiment was stationed on the island of Panay, in the Visayan division. This part of the Eastern possessions is now thoroughly subjugated, according to Rafter, and there is no danger of any subsequent risings there. In discussing the much talked of abuses of prisoners and neglect of the soldiers themselves, Mr. Rafter declared that the greater part of the stories are fabrications, circulated by members of discredited regiments which have been returned to the states.

ENLISTED IN ENGINEERS.

Artificer Rafter enlisted in the First United States Volunteer engineers, for the Spanish-American war, went to Porto Rico with the regiment, in which he was a sergeant. The engineers were landed at Ponce, where they did patrol duty in the city and also constructed a number of bridges. General Guy V. Henry was in command at that time.

On Aug. 1, 1899, he set sail for the Philippines with the Eighteenth infantry, and arrived at his destination, Sept. 15. At the Isle of Panay, engagements were many and brisk. The battle of Mindoro, Oct. 12, 1899, was the first real taste of war in the East, and next came the battle of Pavia, on Nov. 21. Trenches had been dug by the insurgents for a distance of five miles, in preparation for this engagement, and as they were routed from one ditch they retreated to the next and made a stand there. Four companies of the Eighteenth, and a battery constituted the United States troops, while the Filipinos had fifteen hundred men in the battle.

"Those trenches," said Artificer Rafter, "were eight months in course of construction, and it took us just forty-five minutes to get the enemy out of them. A small force of Americans could have held entrenchments like those, for an indefinite time. As it was, we had five men killed, and twenty-nine wounded.

DEAD AND WOUNDED.

"We buried two hundred and sixty-eight men for the Filipinos, and they carried away nineteen wagons full of wounded."

Other actions in which the Eighteenth figured prominently were at Bannat, where a landing was effected Nov. 17, and Sara, where a short skirmish took place, after a twenty-two miles overland march to it.

"All this talk about ill treatment, neglect and starvation is wholly exaggerated," Rafter remarked, when questioned about the matter. "The Twentieth Massachusetts volunteers are largely accountable for most of those stories, and that regiment had one of the worst names of any body in the service. They couldn't get any noteworthy out in the islands, and so they are trying hard to get it now they're home."

TODAY'S D., L. AND W. BOARD.

Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today:

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Furthermore, the prisoners are treated exceptionally well. I have known of plenty of cases, where natives after being held for a month, begged that we allow them to stay and remain working around the kitchen. Talk about cruelty," and Uncle Sam's champion snuffed scornfully, "why I've seen days, when we've fed our prisoners of the Philippines that came around begging for food."

NO FURTHER UPRISEINGS.

"There won't be any further uprisings in our province," he continued. "It's located south of Luzon, and the natives are now wholly subdued. Wonderful progress has been made in the island, the land is all well planted, and the Filipinos are working hard and behaving themselves generally. The island of Cebu may prove troublesome yet, and so may the Mindanao isles, whose inhabitants are the fiercest and most warlike of all the Filipinos, but I do not think any trouble is to be an-

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THE MARKETS

Wall Street Review. New York, July 2.—The stock market was extremely dull today and the only notable activity was concentrated in a few stocks. In some of these there were heavy developments to await an expected cause for their strength. In others there was an appearance of manipulation with the purpose of sustaining the general market.

There were large transactions all day in Missouri Pacific, which sold at the semi-annual dividend of 2 1/2 per cent., but the price range all day was restricted to a fraction. Louisville was in active demand at an extreme advance of 3/4. The movement seemed to be based upon the formal announcement that the purchase of Colorado Fuel made another spur which was supposed to be due to a struggle for control but which in fact was merely forced buying by a distressed short interest. Short covering was also an element in the advance of sugar and the rise in the price of raw sugar also helped that stock. The buying of Amalgamated Copper was due to a more confident feeling over the trade outlook. The United States Steel stocks were firm because of the increased net profit reported for the last quarter. The statistics of iron and steel production for the past year issued by the American Iron and Steel Association were regarded as an astounding exhibit of active and prosperous conditions in the iron and steel industry, though not a considerable volume of selling at the advance, a large portion of which was for London account. The statement of May net earnings of the Pennsylvania system, showing an increase of over a million dollars compared with May of last year, was taken as an index of the large profits accruing to the soft coal carriers as a result of the anthracite strike. The Hay statement of Northern Pennsylvania, which reported the showing and led to the firmness of the soft coal carriers, in which, however, Pennsylvania was included, reported the early firmness of the local traction stocks was fostered by the increased net earnings reported by the Erie, the Transit system and by hopes of large profits from the coming holiday traffic. The Norfolk and Western reported net sales of \$3,700,000. Total sales, par value, \$3,700,000. Total dividends were all unchanged on the last call.

The following quotations are furnished The Tribune by Haight & Freece Co., 314-315 Mears Building, W. D. Runyon, manager.

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CHICAGO GRAIN & PROVISIONS.

Table with columns for grain and provision prices. Includes WHEAT, CORN, OATS, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

Table with columns for cotton market prices. Includes August, September, October, December.

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations—All Quotations Based on Par of 100.

Table with columns for exchange quotations. Includes STOCKS, BOND, etc.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

Chicago, July 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 17,500, including 2,000 Texans; choice steady; others, heavy, lower; good to prime steers, \$7.50 to \$8.00; mixed, \$6.50 to \$7.00; stockers and feeders, \$5.50 to \$6.00; hogs, \$6.00 to \$6.50; sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.00; butter, \$20.00 to \$22.00; eggs, \$1.50 to \$1.75; chickens, \$1.00 to \$1.25.

Oil Market.

Oil City, July 2.—Credit balances, 122; certificates, no bid; shipments, 10,479 barrels; runs not reported.

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Oil Market. Oil City, July 2.—Credit balances, 122; certificates, no bid; shipments, 10,479 barrels; runs not reported.

Philadelphia Grain and Produce. Philadelphia, July 2.—Wheat—Steady bid demand light; contract grade, July, 79 1/2c. Corn—Receipts and bid, higher, we quote No. 2 yellow on track at 72 1/2c. ...

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Chicago Grain Market. Chicago, July 2.—The grain markets were distinctly quieter today, although nervousness over the weather and crop damage was still apparent. Signs of

Buffalo Live Stock Market. Buffalo, July 2.—Cattle—Receipts, light; steady; veals, steady; tops, \$3.50 to \$4.00; fair to good, \$3.00 to \$3.50; heavy, \$2.50 to \$3.00; mixed, \$2.00 to \$2.50; pigs, \$1.50 to \$2.00; roughs, \$1.00 to \$1.50; stags, \$1.00 to \$1.50; sheep and lambs—Steady; top lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.50; fair to good, \$4.00 to \$4.50; culls to common, \$3.00 to \$3.50; yearlings, \$1.50 to \$2.00; western, \$1.50 to \$2.00; sheep top mixed, \$4.00 to \$4.50; fair to good, \$3.00 to \$3.50; culls to common, \$2.00 to \$2.50.