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DISASTER IN PHILIPPINES

Samar Rebels Kill 48 Soldiers of Company C, Ninth Infantry.

SURPRISED WHILE AT BREAKFAST

Twenty-Four Men Escaped, of Which Eleven Are Wounded—Insurgents Capture All the Stores and Ammunition of the Company.

Manila, Sept. 30.—A disastrous fight between United States troops and insurgents occurred on Saturday in the island of Samar, near Balangiga. A large body of insurgents attacked Company C, Ninth Infantry, only 24 members of the company escaping. All the others are reported to have been killed.

The company was at breakfast when attacked and made a determined resistance, but the overwhelming numbers of the insurgents compelled them to retreat. Of the survivors who have arrived at Basey 11 are wounded.

According to the latest returns the strength of the company was 72. Captain Edwin V. Bookmiller, of the Ninth Infantry, reports that General Hughes is assembling a force to attack the insurgents.

The insurgents captured all the stores and ammunition of the company and all the rifles except 26.

Washington, Oct. 1.—Owing to the distance from Manila of the scene of the massacre of Company C, the officials of the war department do not expect a response to their order for a full list of the casualties before some time today. However, they feel assured that the officers of the ill-fated company certainly perished. These officers are:

CAPTAIN THOMAS W. CONNELL, FIRST LIEUT. EDWARD A. BUMPUS, MAJOR SURGEON R. S. GRISWOLD.

A question having arisen as to the accuracy of the cablegram received at the war department on Sunday from General Chaffee, the cable company was directed to repeat it. The repetition disclosed some inaccuracies that materially change the message. As corrected the dispatch reads:

Manila, Sept. 29.

Adjutant General, Washington.

Hughes reports following from Basey, southern Samar:

"Twenty-four men, Company C, Ninth Regiment, United States Infantry, 11 wounded, have just arrived from Balangiga; remainder company killed. Insurgents secured all company supplies and all rifles except three. Company was attacked during breakfast, morning September 28; company 72 strong; officers, Thomas W. Connell, captain; Edward A. Bumpus, first lieutenant; Dr. R. S. Griswold, major surgeon. CHAFFEE."

The news created a sensation in official circles. It was the first severe reverse that has occurred for a long time. Still the officials were not unprepared for news of just this character from Samar, in which the revolution started by Aguinaldo still continues. Samar is a country about as large as the state of Ohio, and the American forces of occupation number in all between 2,000 and 2,500 men. These are distributed among various posts in the island, a large number being located at the more important centers.

Spain never made any effort to occupy Samar, and it only has been for probably three months past that the United States has undertaken that work. The latest report made by General Hughes to the war department was that the number of insurgent rifles in the island aggregated about 300. The Filipinos carried on a guerilla warfare, and operations against them were difficult. The disaster to Company C, which was engaged in an expedition to clear the country of roving bands of these insurgents. The fact that the Americans were attacked while at breakfast indicates the daring and pluck of the insurgents.

A well-known official of the government, in speaking of this outbreak against the American forces in Samar, said he regarded it as a consequence of the assassination of President McKinley. In all probability the insurgents had received, he said, only meager reports of the tragedy, and possibly believed the shooting to be the result of some popular outbreak against the President. The natives had seized the opportunity in the flickering hope of retrieving some of their lost ground.

Company C was a portion of the Ninth Regiment of United States Infantry, which went to China at the time of the Boxer outbreak, and where they performed valiant service. Later the troops went to Manila and were engaged in provost duty in that city.

During the past summer a battalion of the Ninth was sent to Samar.

General Corbin expresses the belief that many of those who are now reported as killed will "turn up in a few days." This is a frequent experience in Philippine campaigning. The missing often have to secrete themselves for a time before risking an attempt to get back to their friends. But as the report now stands this is the worst single loss that our forces have suffered in the entire Philippine disturbance.

It will be recalled that about a week ago General A. S. Burt, of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who had recently returned from the Philippines, gave out an interview, in which he took exception to the successive views of Generals Otis and MacArthur that the war was over, saying that the island of Samar was still unsubdued and was giving General Hughes some hard fighting. He added that he believed

the troubles in the Philippines would not cease during the lifetime of the present generation. The officials of the department here rejected this gloomy view, particularly in regard to Samar, on account of its small population, although acknowledging that its people were putting up a very valorous fight. Spain is said to have never subdued the island or to have derived any revenue therefrom; its coasts and waters are treacherous, and its mountain fastnesses offer great opportunities for retreat.

Our forces had been in the Philippines a long time before they made any attempt at its occupation. A detachment of the Forty-third Infantry, under Colonel Arthur Murray, made the first landing on January 27, 1900, as a result of General Kobbé's directions. The impression prevails in some quarters that our first occupation was only about three months ago, an error due to the fact that the island was transferred on May 7 last from the department of southern Luzon to the department of the Visayas. Then the Third Squadron of the Ninth Cavalry, the Second Squadron of the Tenth, the entire First Infantry and the Second Battalion of the Ninth Infantry were assigned for service there.

LUCBAN DID IT, SAYS OTIS

Disaster Does Not Mean There Is Widespread Revolt.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—General Elwell S. Otis, in command of the department of the lakes, said last night that the slaughtering of members of Company C, of the Ninth Infantry in Samar did not mean that there is anything like widespread revolt in that province. Concerning the disaster General Otis said: "Samar is in the department of Visaya, over which Brigadier General Hughes has command. This department includes all the central islands of the Philippine Archipelago. During the last month our soldiers have been active in an attempt to subdue rebellion, which is confined to the boundaries of that island. The insurgent leader, Lucban, heads the natives, and he and his Tagalo followers have been instrumental in keeping alive the spirit of opposition to this government's authority there."

LEE DEEPLY AFFECTED

Former Captain of Company C Eulogizes Tom Connell.

Leavenworth, Kan., Oct. 1.—Lieutenant Colonel Jesse M. Lee, commandant at Fort Leavenworth, was deeply affected yesterday by the news that Company C, Ninth Infantry, had been nearly wiped out. "I was captain of Company C for many years," said Colonel Lee. "Company C was in the first battalion of the Ninth and the one I commanded in the Chinese campaign. Company C has a fine record, and was made up of gallant soldiers. Captain Tom Connell was my second lieutenant, and has been with the company for years. Connell was a vigorous, gallant young officer. He possessed great energy and courage, and was very popular. He was with Company C in the Chinese campaign and distinguished himself at the battle of Tien Tsin."

Opposed to Gossip. "Lady (to new servant)—Do not tolerate gossip, but if you know any interesting news you may tell me."—Tit-Bits.

An Infallible Cure. "The surest way to kill the 'germs' microbes," remarked the Observer on Events and Things, "is to get married."—Yonkers Statesman.

PAXTONVILLE.

The carpenters raised Frank Miller's new house Monday and are very busily engaged to complete the structure. This is the sixth new house that has been erected in our town this summer.

Wm. R. Zimmerman and Frank Graybill accompanied by Miss Mahalah Graybill and Miss Amy Mitchell attended the Lewisburgh fair Thursday.

On account of the convention some of our schools were closed Thursday. Some of the teachers having participated in the exercises.

Calvin Derr erected a new porch to his new house last week which adds greatly to its appearance. The porch was manufactured by A. W. Engle of Beavertown.

Jacob Haine of Beavertown was one of the visitors in town Wednesday and Thursday night attending the convention.

The R. R. Co., has placed switch lights at the switches here, which is a great convenience to the train-men and an improvement to the railroad.

Mrs. Dreese of Adamsburg is spending several days with her parents, Uriah Klose's.

Mrs. Maggie Hassinger of Ohio, is spending several months with her father, Joseph Brunner. Mrs. Hassinger was formerly of this place but left for the west about 6 or 7 years ago.

F. C. Graybill, who is employed at Greenwood Furnace, Huntingdon Co., is spending a short vacation with his parents.

Miss Mabel Gutehus of Kreamer was a guest of the Gift sisters several days last week.

Mrs. Knouse of Richfield is spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Mitchell.

Rev. Elmer Gilbert of Fremont was in town Saturday the guest of Chas. Boyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Price of Lewistown were visitors in town several days during the week.

K. and Ammon Hommel, who were employed at Laurelton the latter part of the summer came home Saturday.

W. D. Gift and wife attended the bean soup at McClure Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Specht and Mrs. Weirich made a visit to Middleburgh Saturday.

M. C. Harner of C. P. C. New Berlin, came home Saturday evening to spend several days with his mother.

Jacob Freed and wife of Beavertown were visitors in town Sunday.

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The corn crop this season is a record breaker.

Squire Sechrist and Sadie Rambo were delegates to the Sunday School Convention at Paxtonville.

H. K. Scholl picked thirty bushels of winter apples from one tree.

C. T. Dundore of San Diego, Cal. is staying with his brother, our merchant.

Our coal diggers are making a success of their business.

George Campbell is convalescent. John P. Wise is improving and expects to return home in a few weeks.

N. T. Dundore is paying the outside price for butter and eggs.

Our Overseers of the Poor are moving slow but sure and the tax payers are pleased with the result.

Our township will show up well at court next week.

Sweet corn is delicious during this month.

Winter apples are not plenty and quality inferior.

There are two vacant houses in one of the suburbs of this town.

J. A. Wise is supplying coal for our poor house.

Frequent rains is retarding the progress of seeding.

The constable of Chapman township is transacting business in Union township.

Some of our farmers are to the Milton fair this week.

H. C. Hoover and wife were to Centre Co. on a visit.

Laas Burkey of Verdilla was in town.

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PORT TREVORION

Geo. Houser and Miss Hafley visited friends in Selingsgrove and Freeburg during the week.

Mary Boyer left Wednesday to spend a week in Sunbury with G. Clarence Faust and wife.

Mrs. N. F. Shambach and Master Dale attended the K. L. C. E. convention at Paxtonville last week, and are visiting friends and relatives this week in Lewisburg, Mifflinburg, Centreville and Middleburg.

C. W. Knights attended the State Convention of County Commissioners at Bellefonte; took a peep at the Lewisburg fair and transacted business at Shamokin during the week.

During a game of ball last Friday, Clayton Hoover was badly hurt by being struck with a bat.

E. C. Schaffer, our own Ed., of Sunbury was in town last week.

J. C. Neitz, who was home a week on account of his sick wife, returned to his work in Duncannon.

Mrs. Mary Meiser of near South Bend, Ind., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. H. Troutman.

"Over the hills to the poor-house" is now a reality to our poor, for the first time in the history of our township.

The people who spent Sunday here are as follows: Peter Daubert and wife, Elmer Daubert and wife, Clarence Lenig of Milton, Clarence Faust and wife, Adam Aucker of Sunbury, Jerre Bogar, Jr. of Shamokin Dam, Jerre Bogar, Sr., of Millersburg, Geo. Rine and wife of Kantz, N. M. Enders of York, and Richard Foltz of Duncannon.

FLINT VALLEY.

Mr. Hettrick of Mexico and Reuben Mitterling were with J. W. Neitz Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Isaac Deppen and Mrs. Geo. Tharp visited friends in this valley Tuesday.

James Haines shot the third ground hog last Monday.

Dolan Hendricks and Joseph Heimbach visited J. W. Neitz's Sunday.

T. C. Landis visited Percival Garman's Sunday.

Geo. Kline and B. F. Duck bought Tom Kuhn's crops. The latter had been farming for Geo. Kuhn of Neitz Valley.

Misses Bertha Shaffer and Mabel Miller took dinner with Cora Kissinger Sunday.

There will be teacher's institute in the Flint Stone Valley school house Friday evening Oct. 18. All are invited.

Nathaniel Trevits and family of this place were to the Arbogast church attending the funeral of a relative.

SELINGSGROVE.

Ground was broken for the main building of the Ladies' Dormitory Wednesday with appropriate exercises.

Miss Neta Hummel accompanied H. D. Schuure, wife and daughter to the Exposition. They returned last Friday.

Miss Small and R. Z. Burns, former students, spent several days very pleasantly in town last week.

Wm. Jones and wife of Phila., spent a short time in town last week. They were on their way to Lewisburg their former home.

Mrs. Anna Allenan and Mrs. F. J. Schoch attended the meeting of the W. H. and F. M. Society in your town last week.

Rev. C. M. Nicholas of New Bloomfield spent a day in town on his way to Central Synod at Mifflinburg.

Harry Boyer and G. R. Hendricks and wife took in the fair at Allentown last week.

The game of football played on the Athletic field between C. P. C. and the University teams resulted in a score of 66 to 0 in favor of Susquehanna.

Rev. Warner took in the meeting of Central Synod.

Mrs. Harry Boyer, who spent several weeks with her sister at Seranton returned home Thursday.

Harry Weis and John Schoch, who are attending the Law Dept., of the University of Penna., returned to their studies again.

J. W. Farnsworth of Danville spent Thursday night here in the interests of the Masonic Fraternity.

Mr. Davis, one of Susquehanna's foot ball team, was unfortunate last Wednesday in breaking one of the bones of his ankle.

Dr. B. F. Wagenseller attended the State Medical Society in Phila. last week.

The Women's Relief Corps took an outing to McKees last week. They had an excellent supper at Kerster's.

David Bussler and wife (nee Clara Gregory) of Elkhart, Ind., are visiting friends in this place.

H. L. Phillips was to Phila. last week replenishing his stock of goods for fall trade.

A game of foot ball was played at Carlisle between Dickinson College and Susquehanna Saturday.

Harry McCarty son of Wm. McCarty is on a visit to his parents.

H. Snoddy and wife (nee Mary Long) of Oklahoma are visiting Mrs. Snoddy's friends.

Jonathan Reitz is the guest of his niece, Mrs. Kate Kantner.

Daniel Bussum and wife of Williamsport are visiting the former's uncle, A. J. Gross.

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SCHEE

Miss Stella Hoover and Mrs. Elmer Troup are on the sick list.

Alice Meiser of Meiserville was keeping house for W. H. Wendt a few days last week.

Some of our people are taking of going to the Milton fair this week.

David Hoover and sons, Howard and Daniel were to Hoover's Island to hunt last Saturday.

Henry Harding and W. H. Wendt and wife spent last week at Sunbury.

Merchant Rine of Beavertown was noticed in town Saturday.

Rev. Shaffer, the Reformed minister, preached in St. John's church Sunday afternoon.

J. A. Shadle was doing some repairing for R. S. Meiser at his house in town a few days last week.

Hiram Schne, who was formerly working at Seven Points, has been working in our vicinity for the last few weeks.

W. H. Wendt and wife spent part of last Sunday at Aline.

J. P. Shadle clerked for Henry Harding last week.

F. C. Landis and Hiram Schne were to Richfield Sunday.

R. S. Meiser and wife were callers in town Friday.

Mabel Harding visited Wm. Reichenbach's near Summit Sunday.

Mrs. J. I. Yerger went to Michigan last week to visit some of her friends in some parts of the state.

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CENTREVILLE.

Revival meeting was commenced by Rev. S. Aurand at Grace church Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Shambach of Port Trevorton visited friends here over Sunday.

Prof. O. W. Reichly was home over Sunday.

Quite a number of people attended the Lewisburg fair last week and a good many contemplate going to the Milton fair.

A. A. Bingham intends moving to Monroe twp. where he is teaching school.

Mr. and Mrs. Seivel, Rev. Aurand's son-in-law are visiting in town.

Zachariah Bowersox and two sons visited Cyrus Bowersox's Sunday. John Duck and wife from near Hassinger's church passed through our burg Saturday enroute for Union county.

Ammon Moyer and wife are the happy recipients of a baby boy.

Wm. Samsell, James Kline and Wm. Steneling left for West Virginia where they expect to work in the timber belt the ensuing winter.

Mrs. T. H. Spigelmyer and children left Tuesday for Painterville, thence she expects to leave for Pittsburg where her husband is working at telegraphy.

PALLAS NEWS.

The Harvest Home service held here was well attended, the church being beautifully decorated with choice ripe fruit most of which were donated to the minister after the service.

John Minium has returned from Buffalo and reports a grand time.

Geo. Straub, Miss May Hoffman and Edith Brown were the welcome guests of Miss Gertrude Straub Sunday.

Master Maxwell Straub of Herndon is visiting his grandparents, A. H. Straub and wife until his parents return from Buffalo.

Rev. C. E. Miller, wife and son took dinner Sunday at A. H. Straub's.

Jacob Shirk and Frank Glass of Freeburg passed through here Friday morning with a load of spouting for the barns of John Teats and John Kreitzer.

Last Saturday preparatory services were held at Grubb's church and Sunday the Lord's Supper.

Henry Tharp came home from Watsontown, where he worked the past summer.

Mrs. Mary Bailey lost a flock of turkeys (an old hen and from 12 to 17 young turkeys) Some red and brown. Old hen mixed with bronze. Anyone to whom they have strayed will be well rewarded by informing Mrs. Bailey at once.