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BUD DAJO, Mar 1906

The following units, commanded by COL Joseph Wilson Duncan, participated in the capture of Mount Dajo, 6-8 Mar 1906:

6th Infantry Regt, Companies K & M
6th Infantry Regt, Provisional Co
4th Cavalry, Troops F, G, I, & K
28th Battery, FA
Philippine Constabulary Detachment
Naval detachment from U.S.S. Pampanga

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NOTE: STRENGTH & LOSS DATA

Strength and loss statistics appear in annual Reports of the Secretary of War, 1903-1914. Annual tables prepared by the Adjutant General and the Surgeon General, plus data reported by the commander of the Philippines Division, yielded the following compilations:

Average yearly strength of US Regular Army in the Philippines Islands - 12,000

Average yearly strength of Philippine Scouts - 5,000
Total Regular Army personnel killed in action and died from wounds - 107

Total Philippine Scouts killed in action and died from wounds - 111

Total Regular Army personnel wounded in action - 270
Total Philippine Scouts wounded in action - 109

A few caveats on the figures: The numbers of wounded personnel in the Regular Army were reported on an Army-wide basis and not identified by geographic location. It was assumed, however, that nearly all combat wounds occurred in the Philippines during the period. Also, battle deaths for the fiscal year ending on 30 Jun 1906 were not located. Finally, it should be noted that non-battle casualties, i.e., from disease, accident, etc., are not included. They were appreciably higher than the deaths and incapacitations caused directly by battle.