Text of the 1948 Plaque Commemorative to the 13th Minnesota Installed in Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda

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In honor of the 13th Minnesota All Volunteer Infantry USA. Recruited from the 1st Minnesota Regiment NGSM Colonel C. Mac C. Reeve commanding and tendered to President William McKinley by Governor David M. Clough for the War with Spain.

One of the first regiments to carry the American flag across the seas.

Mobilized at Camp Ramsey, St. Paul, April 29th, 1898. Embarked at San Francisco June 26th on steamer City of Para. Called at Honolulu. Arrived at Parañaque, Philippine Islands, August 7th. Participated in Battle of Manila August 13th, 1898, ending the War with Spain.

Military Police of Manila, August 22nd to March 17th, 1899. Volunteered for the Philippine Insurrection on March 25th. Sent to the front in the campaign against insurgent Filipinos under Chief Aguinaldo.

Battles

Mariquina Road - Bocaue - Guicuinto - Quingua - Norgaza Ray - Angat - Moronco - Polo - San Rafael - Baliuag - Maasin - San Ildefonso - San Miguel - Salicot - Baluarte - San Roque - San Isidro -Gapaan - San Antonio - Arayat.

Served through the tropical jungles of Luzon Island with honor and special mention in every division of the 8th Army Corps under Generals Merritt - Mac Arthur - King - Hughes - Hall - Reeve - Lawton - Wheaton - Summers and Kobbe.

Embarked for the United States August 13th, 1899. On U.S. Army transport Sheridan. Via Japan. Arrived at San Francisco September 10th and mustered out at the Presidio October 3rd. Arrived at St. Paul October 12th, 1899. Reviewed by President McKinley and Governor John Lind.

They served the cause of humanity. They battled to free the oppressed peoples of the Philippine Islands, who suffered under the despotic rule of Spain.

12 Companies - 60 Officers - 1292 Men - 44 killed - 76 wounded.