

# The Specs

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"Dustville." That is what I call the area from Oleai, Susupe to Chalan Kanoa. And suffocating, blinding, oppressive, stagnant, filthy, and shameful are some of the milder adjectives that I can readily muster up to describe the dust that almost unceasingly showers your food, drinking water, invades your house and pollutes your lung. That is of course if you happen to be a resident of Dustville.

People residing in Dustville (Dustvillites) are believed by many local and T.T. officials to have built up a kind of mental and physical immunity to dust. A distinction or if you prefer an honor which sets them aside from residents of other villages and particularly from Capitol "Hillites".

"The White Billowing Behemoth" is really an exaggeration in describing the cloud of dust that hovers over a Dustvillite's house whenever a Dustvillite's car passes by. Dustvillite don't mind dust though. Why, dust to a Dustvillite is like food, water, air or even table cover. A word of caution though. If you're are not a Dustvillite don't try to find out from a Dustvillite if the above statement is true. You might find your teeth in the dust.

At this moment I am entertaining the thought of putting up signs at the main entrance to Oleai, Susupe and Chalan Kanoa. Signs that will read, "Warning, you are now entering Dustville. All non-Dustvillites wear Oxygen Breathing Aparatus (OBA) before proceeding."

I think the United States deserves a pat on the back for their very candid proposal on the Tinian issue. Uncle Sam comes right out says, "Here it is baby, this is what I want!" Now let's see what our babies are going to do about it.

The Marianas Political Status Commission went and sought the assistance of professional consultants because its members felt that they didn't pack the same power as the U.S. This is all very understandable, and we the people of the Marianas stand fast and ready to support our Commission.

My own impression though is this. I don't think that it was very wise of the Commission to appoint all American Consultants. And I still believe that the appointments were made rather hastily.

And there is one thing that puzzles me in the U.S. Delegation. What is that fellow in the funny khaki outfit doing in a civil and peaceful negotiation? What exactly is his function?