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"The Strength of the Wolf is the Pack, but the Strength of the Pack is the Wolf"

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF NEW YORK EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

Capitol, Albany, August 18, 1916. "I am deeply grateful of having the opportunity to express my pride and that of every citizen of the State in the splendid spirit shown by the soldiers of the National Guard of New York, who so willingly answered the call to arms when it sound-

"Our State not only furnished promptly the quota required, but prepared to send many more, each unit at war strength. Those who were forced to remain behind showed by their keen disappointment their patriotism and their desire to serve their country.

'No one appreciates more than I do the sacrifices which have been made by the soldiers of New York in order to fulfill their obligations to the country and to the flag. Again our State has done more than that which was merely required of it in order to protect the United States.

'I believe the entire nation is deeply grateful to New York which has furnished such a large proportion of the troops at the Border and such a splendid force.'

CHARLES S. WHITMAN.

### ON HIKE AND IN BIVOUAC

### All Brigades Start Regiments in Field Maneuver -- Supply Officers Test

#### A FEW TELEGRAMS

statesmen and soldiers by our editor "Confidentially, when will the N. Y Division return north?"

Replies to Date "The matter will have careful consideration at Cabinet meeting to be held about Nov. 15." WOODROW

"The weather here is very warm,
-LEONARD WOOD

"Suggest Kaiser William and por sibly Emperor of Japan as only person who might facilitate. Think it over." —BILL ORR

"We have just arrived."

O'RYAN



### ADJUTANT GENERAL ARRIVES IN CAMP

Commences the Work of Giving Troops State Pay -- Welcome News

#### STATE FUNDS TO BE ADVANCED

Brigadier General Louis W. Stotes-bury, The Adjutant General of New York, arrived at McAllen last week and began immediate preparations for baying the Division the difference be-ween federal pay and that authorized by the state when the National Guard son duty for state purposes. In an interview on Friday last, with treporter for The Rattler, Gen. Stotes-bury said:

Three will be two days for each authority when they will cover but 3 miles.

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### A REMARKABLE HEALTH RECORD

### Rigid Rules of Discipline Make Health Conditions on Border Ideal

### ATTRACTING FAVORABLE ATTENTION

The health of the New York Division due to the character of its personnel, its discipline and the rigid rules regarding "booze," is so remarkable that the official reports concerning the sick rate should be of interest not only to the men of the Division but to those misguided and emotional persons at home who have been breaking into the press about "conditions on the border."

#### STATISTICS-Daily sick rate.

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### OUR MISSION ON THE BORDER

Major General O'Ryan Gives Our Representative Interesting Interview NEW YORK DIVISION FIT

The Second New York Infantry, for example, has a strength of 1688 officers and men. The Third N. Y. Infantry has a strength of 1595 officers and men. The 71st N. Y. Infantry has 1543 officers and men. Signal Corps and Sanitary units, Cavalry and Field Artillery were practically at war strength for months preceding the President's call, and hence these organizations have few recruits.

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### **ORGANIZING MILITARY POLICE**

Lt. Col. McLean Establishes War Correspondent Compares Record of Efficiency



and day.
irty days having expired, Lieut.
McLean has been relieved from
and of the police force by Major
ott Button of the 2nd N. Y. Inf.,
undoubtedly will continue the eftt work of his predecessor.

WANTED—RECRUITS wanted for the
National Guard. For particulars apply

William Jennings Bryan, late Secretary of State, Presidential Candidate, Colonel of Volunteers and aspirant for the noble peace prize, has a residence here in "the valley," but the report that all these doves flying around are peace doves turned loose by the Chair tauqua spell binder in not true, as they are Mexican doves and know nothing whatever about peace.

WANTED—RECRUITS wanted for the National Guard. For particulars apply to Commanding Officer, Depot Battalion at any armory in the State of New York.

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By Dreher

## News Sent In By Our Division Units

NEWS FROM 3rd BRIGADE

(3rd, 23rd and 74th Infantries.)

he 3rd. N. Y. Infantry, the only orization of the brigade at Pharreh ch could boast of an enlisted band, has a rival in the 74th. infantry, see new band, enlisted in Buffalo, Nearrived in camp Monday aftermon made its first appearance at evening ade. The new band at present is posed of twelve pieces and will be mented by aspiring musicians from companies of the regiment. The regard band of the 3rd. infantry, which mented by aspiring musicians from companies of the regiment. The regard band of the 3rd. infantry, which mented by aspiring musicians from companies of the regiment. The regard band of the 3rd. infantry, which mented by aspiring musicians from companies of the regiment. The regard band of the 3rd. infantry, which mented by aspiring musicians from companies of the regiment. The regard band of the 3rd. infantry, which meatry blown its head off at local insental functions and ceremonies the other organizations, will now be an a chance to rest up and talk shop h the junior wind-jammers. It is acrostood that the 23rd, infantry also soon to import an enlisted band from ric state.

The 3rd. New York band took an portant part in the informal going ap party given to Major Edmund Carthy and Lieutenant Lawrence ratiy left on leave of absence for their mess in Buffalo. All unbeknowns, is aband, with the matter of this border land is the beauty of its skies at sunrisa duat sunset."

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#### SECOND FIELD ARTILLERY

bore withing to lie down, and careful ly at that.

"I'll make riders of them yet," says the Golonel, and continues his ally them by those who still think they can raise an army overnight.

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### **GROCER**

If A. P. Hall sells it, you know it is good.

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Full announcement of this will be made later in these columns. Meanwhile, help our circulation Manager by buying a postage stamp yourself and "send a copy home."

Speak up--say "I saw it in The Rattler"

Letters and news items from the camps along the Border are solicited.

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#### AN APPRECIATION.

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On behalf of the officers and enlisted men of the New York Division we desire publicly to indicate our deep and lasting gratitude to the ladies of the Active Service Auxiliary of the State of New York, for the cheerful, honest and patriotic services which have been rendered by them in assisting the families of soldiers requiring aid.

Perhaps there are societies which have rendered as good a service as this, but certainly there are no societies which have rendered a better service than this.

Acknowledgement is also made of our obligations to those whose generous contributions have made this work possible.

To you and each of you we send the expression of our profoundest thanks.

Never at any time nor under any circumstances has the axiom "they also serve who only stand and wait" been more fitting or more appropriate.

#### ELIMINATE THE WEAKLINGS!

General Funston says he is going to get rid of the "pests" who send out false reports of conditions in camps along the border.

More power to you, General!

Every responsible newspaper man endorses your attitude.

There is another type of pest that should be located and drummed out of camp, that is the spineless gumdrops who write home to credulous families, tales of imaginary privations and hardships.

The soldiers of the New York Division repudiate them.

#### THE SPIRIT OF THE COUNTRY.

Seven years ago the Town of McAllen looked like a company street in a typical "valley" rainstorm.

There was one restaurant—one store—one road, and just about one family of citizens.

Look at McAllen now. Look at Mission—at its new electric light plant, its filtered water. Look at Pharr, rebuilding its stores from the rains. the ruins.

It's a live country boys! And nothing shows this better than

the advertising of local merchants carried here in our columns.

These advertisers flocked to get into The Rio Grande Rattler, and patronize our industry in the same generous way we have been

Read their offerings in our columns and continue to patronize these "home" towns.

It's the spirit of the country!

#### IN FAIRNESS TO THE PLATTSBURGHERS.

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It is one of the policies of the Rattler to present all sides of matters under discussion. We are filled with concern, not to say patriotic alarm at the spirit of levity which prevails in another part of this paper wherein the much discussed Plattsburgh Camper is held up to ridicule in the excellent cartoons of Lieutenant Dreher.

Amid the chuckles of the soldiers, the amused brayings of the pack train animals, and the convulsed neighing of the horses over these cartoons, it is feared that the sober minded men of the Division may be led to sentiments of unappreciation of the value to the nation of the work and training of the Plattsburgh Campers. Unless checked, such sentiments might gain headway and even sweep the country—and the Campers as well. It is, therefore, believed to be proper to set forth some of the facts upon which the Plattsburgh Campers might claim the gratitude of the nation.

In the first place it should be known that the ranks of the Plattsburgh Campers include thousands of very prominent persons, statesmen, writers and advertisers. How many men of the New York Division, at their several posts along the Rio Grande, are familiar with the hardships and the grueling course of training undergone by the Plattsburgh Campers for thirty days on the border—of Lake Champlain.

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On several occasions the dance music at the Bluff Point Hotel was known to be below par. A number of wives of the Plattsburgh Camp ers are known to have complained of the crowded condition of the ball room when the course of training was in full swing. The regular soldiers who prepared the meals and performed the police are said to have been rude on a number of occasions, and we all know the course of the cour

said to have been rude on a number of occasions, and we all know the effect of mental disturbances on physical fitness.

Why not be fair and give credit where credit is due? Does any man of the Division know any other University, Military Academy, War College or Service School, that produces trained officers in thirty days? Think of the work, therefore, being performed by the Plattsburgh Campers in furnishing trained officers in our large cities—men awaiting the call to command.

Here in Texas we are all familiar with the test made by one of our officers, who advertised in the New York newspapers for one hundred Plattsburgh Campers for service on the Border under exceptionally advantageous conditions. It is true that twenty-five answers were received and that none of these joined when it was learned that actual enlistment was involved. It is also true that in contrast to this there are graduates of West Point serving in the contrast to this there are graduates of West Point serving in the ranks of the New York Division. Nevertheless these circumstances are all explainable—by the Plattsburgh Campers. But it must not be supposed that some of the Plattsburgh Campers have not flocked to the Pordon for actual carries in the supposed that some of the Plattsburgh Campers have not flocked to the Pordon for actual carries in the supposed that some of the Plattsburgh Campers have not flocked to the product for actual carries in the supposed that supposed the supposed the supposed the supposed that supposed the supposed the supposed that supposed the suppose be supposed that some of the Plattsburgh Campers have not flocked to the Border for actual service in the units of the Division. The cartoons which are the subject of this criticism might give the impression that the mighty army of Plattsburgh Campers is represented in the New York Division by but one of its graduates. Let the truth be known, all three are here and in the course of time will be graduated from the recruit class and turned over to their companies.

Viva Los Plattsburgh Campers!

THE COLONELS

We expect to say something about the efficiency of the Famous 69th In-fantry as soon as Col. William N. Has-kell becomes acclimated.

It is as easy to think of the 2nd Field Artillery without Col. George Albert Wingate, as to picture the 1st Cavalry without Col. Charles I. De Bevoise.

Or Division Headquarters without Colonel Harry H. Bandholtz.

Some one has called Col. Edgar S. Jennings the "easy boss." The person who did so, however, never served in the 3rd Infantry.

Probably no officer in the service pays more attention to the personal comfort of his men than Col. Gordon Johnston of the 12th Infantry.

If you have any doubt as to who commands the 14th Infantry—start something with Col, John R. Foote.

Where on earth, outside of the New York Division can you find the spirit shown by Col. Henry H. Rogers, of the 1st Field Artillery, in traveling from China to join his command.

"Efficiency," so often heard of in military circles, is the motto of Col. James M. Andrews, of the "Peerless" 2nd Infantry, who is willing to match his enlisted band with that of any organization in the Division.

Col. Wm. G. Bates represents all those igh standards of military spirit for which the 71st Infantry is famous.

The 23rd Inf. may lose Col. Frank H. Norton some of these days, but when hey do, a Brigadier's equipment would be a very good gift.

Napoleon is credited with saying, if There are some poor Colonels; there are no poor regiments." Too bad he couldn't have procured men like Col. Willard C. Fiske of the 7th Inf. for all his command.

And last, but not least, Col. N. B. Thurston of New York City and Buffalo, is bringing the 74th Infantry to the same point of excellence he has accomplished in other organizations of the Engineers, Infantry, Field and Coast Artillery. We are all with you, Peot

Peg!

LINES FROM THE

DOUGH BOY'S BIBLE

Success in battle is the ultimate object of all military training; success may be looked for only when the training is intelligent and thorough.

The excellence of an organization is judged by field efficiency. The field efficiency of an organization depends principally upon its effectiveness as a whole. Thoroughness and uniformity method the training of the units of an organization are indespensable to the efficience of the whole; it is by such means alone that requitise team work be developed.

Modern combat demands the highest order of training, leadership, and more als.

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The duties of infantry are many and lifficult All infantry must be fit to sope with all conditions that may arise Modern war requires but one kind of infantry—good infantry.

OFFICIAL CAMP PHOTOGRAPHERS grawford and Rudolph have been des-gnated as official camp photographers for the Division. They are making the photographs of all commissioned officers is required for filing with the individ-ial Efficiency Record.

These official photographers are ta-ten full face, with olive drab shirt and dide arms.

the full face, with olive drab shirt and ide arms. Crawford and Rudolph are also taking panorama pictures of every comany and regiment in McAllen, Mission and Phar. These photographs are similed to ones which these photographes are preyously made for military shools and detachments throughout the unitry and are posed in such a way bring every man's features clearly focus.

WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

If cactus has been cultivated in "the

valley?''

If all the canal ditches were dug for irrigation purposes or to carry off the water furnished from above?

Where the stone quarries are located in Hidalgo county?

The name of the Commissioner of Highways who build the roads?

Whether the grapefruit in McAllen, when it becomes ripened, will cost more than it does in New York?

COLLEGE MEN BANQUET

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Just as if there weren't any horrid
war and greasy mess-kits to prevent
their having a banquet whenever they
chose, forty odd alumni of Amherst and
Wiliams-got together at the East SideHotel, McAllen on Saturday night to
sing "Lord Jeffrey Amherst" and the
other songs of college days.
By universal request, all stein songs
were omitted from the program. The
Amherst men, who acted as hosts, were
as follows: Bryan, Cornell, Drewsen,
Welles, Treadwell, Tucker, Warner and
Hofler, 7th Inf.; Pratt and McVaugh,
Squadron "A", and Stubbs, Hutiner,
Fuller, Boucher, Wadhams, Goodnow,
Bacon, Morse, Bastine, Loomis, Proetor and Barton, 1st Cavalry.

#### HURRICANE HIKING

When the tropical hurricane that swept through this region last Friday was at the height of its fury the Third Infantry arrived at Mission, on the second day of its hike from Pharr. second day of its like from Fharr, Every man was drenched to the skin and almost ready to drop from fatigue for every step on the road had to be made in the teeth of the driving wind. for every step on the road had to be made in the teeth of the driving wind. Before them they had the gloomy prospect of pitching shelter tents in several inches of mud. But the loyal town of Mission had different plans. The citizens turned out en masse to welcome the visiting regiment and every door in the town was thrown wide open for the accomodation of officers and men. Over half the regiment slept under roofs. School houses, churches, stores and even private dwellings were placed at their disposal, while the overflow were quartered for the night with the Fourteenth Infantry whose camp is located just outside of Mission. The ladies of the town generously prepared hundreds of sandwiches and many pails of steaming hot coffee for the visitors. To the credit of the Third let it be said that not a single man, billeted in file fown, took advantage of the hospitality of the store-keepers who had opened their shops to them for the night. Fifty men slept in the candy store and not one piece of confection was taken from the cases. The men of the Third have voted Mission 'the best yet' and will long have cause to remember the thoughtfulness and generosity of its citizens.

NEW TRAIN SCHEDULE

sea of mud. The Gulf Coast Lines, our only railroad, has added a motor car train in each direction from McAllen, effective immediately. You can catch a train for anywhere now, morning noon or night.

Leaving Pharr, westbound, trains for McAllen and Mission depart at 10:35 a. m., 12:35 noon, and 6:49 p. m. The running time to McAllen averages 15 minutes.

s. n McAllen to Mission, these leave at 10:50 a. m., 1:00 p. m. 57 p. m. Running time averages

5 minutes.

5 minutes.

10 minutes.

11 minutes east at 8:05 a. m., 1:25 m. and 4:55 p. m. Leave McAllen or Brownsville at 8:16 a. m., 1:45 p. and 5:10 p. m. Leave Pharr for Irownsville at 8:23 a. m., 2:03 p. m. and 5:20 p. m.

11 minutes of the change in the alirond schedule, eastbound mails lose at 1:00 P. M. or sooner, instead for 3:00 o'clock as formerly.

Motto for the Border entitled "Don't Worry"—If it's a little trouble light up yo' pipe an' forget it. If it's a big trouble, face it squarely—light up yo' pipe an' forget it!

# **Punctures**



newspaper proposes to publish a trifle over one per cent illness in facts connected with items aptin newspapers over which there constion.

Col. Bandholtz is extremely anxions

Col. Bandholtz is extremely anxious to have a talk with a correspondent of a New York daily, with reference to an article recently printed in his newspaper in which the Colonel was characterized as a recent product of the war college and misquoted in connection with road building and repair. The Colonel has given no intimation of what he expects to say at the next interview with the correspondent in question. col. Bandholtz is extremely anxious to have a talk with a correspondent of a New York daily, with reference to an article recently printed in his news; the following "news" items.

"McAllen, Texas, Aug., I.—Fifth of men in 12th now on sick list. Nearly twenty per cent of the men of the 12th were reported slightly ill today. The responsibility for this increasing rate of illness can be attributed partly to forty-eight hours of driving rain."

"As a result of the dampness it was said today that about 20 per cent of the total force of the 12th infantry was temporarily disabled with colds."

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By Lieut. Frederick T. Cardoze

"Tin" that's what they called them,
The men that serve in the Guard.
Who dance, play golf and dine at clubs
And never have anything hard,
Bending over counters and desks
Has made them stoop shouldered and thin
And not as a Regular's painted to look;
That's why they called them 'fin."

But stooping shoulders straightened, The dancing lost its charms
And golf and clubs were waved aside
At the clarion call to arms
And not a mother's son of them
Tarried to argue or lag; They put on their army suits of drab Saluted and followed the flag!

Most of them paled at the order
To shoulder the gun and the pack—
They knew that though the ranks were full
That all of them wouldn't come back—
Yet out they filed with stiffened jaws,
And though drawing colding pay And, though drawing soldier pay, Some called them "tin" beneath their breath As they watched them march away.

There'll be thirst and heat and snipers
And rain and hurricane blows,
But they'll eat the grub of the Regulars
And go where the Regulars go;
They'll dig their trenches just as deep
And they'll ride and march as hard
As Regulars ride and Regulars march,
The men that serve in the Guard,

Though they watch the distant Border, Though they watch the distant Border,
Each company acting as one,
'Till their hearts and eyes grow weary
Of cactus, sand and the sun,
No one will wonder or question
How long they will have to stay;
Because they are soldiers, christened "tin"
By some—when they marched away.

## The Incinerator

"The Incinerator," our new column was facetiously christened by a casual visitor to the editorial tent, just while we were racking our brains to discover some euphonious and snappy title for this "column of squibs." Our effer-vescing friend had offered his services to sort out the wheat from the chaffing contributions and as he playfully scattered the Mss. over our ears he chortled: "Put these in the Incinerator." So the "Incinerator" it shall be, although we still hold our own belief that "A Garland of Roses" would have been a much more refined title. On with the drill!

Contributing to a column is something like going up in an aeroplane—you never can tell how you're going to land.

land.

The history of contributing goes back many, many years. In 1492 it is recorded Christopher Columbus started the sphere a-rolling by casually remarking, 'I have landed' of which the Spanish is "Land-Ho!" Whereupon Queen Isabella lost her pawn tickets in the excitement.

No contributor barred because of 'frank.''

The fire is built and "The Incinera-tor" is ready for business. Remember the Incinerator Man can't supply all the fuel.

A waggish rockie from Squadron A upon spying a bevy of McAllen beauties pipes up "Column of Squabs." "I see they're using kissless powder in McAllen," replies his companion. Oh the drollery of those boys from the Squadron!

#### ANOTHER RUMOR?

"January & Storms" sell goloshes ni McAllen, which may or may not be sig-nificant. "The Conning Tower" please

If This Be Rumor, Make the Most of It. The other day we chanced to over hear (eavesdrop is the word) a conversation between our editing major and business-liked manager. 'Oh yes,' speaks up the major, ''Our circulation should reach the 25,000 mark by the middle of November.'' We regained consciousness a few hours later only to see Major Vanderbilt paying for a year's subscription to ''The Rattler.''

THOSE FRIVOLOUS TEXANS Doughboy;—"Have you lived in Mis on all your life?" Native:—"Not yet, sonny."

There ought to be a wheere in Henry Ford selling autos to the army but we can't think of one just now. Peace, prother!

But the only things that seem to survive this climate are Fleas and Fords

They told us this was going to be a "punitive expedition" but for the life of us we can't think what we are being punished for. However that's neither here nor there, as General Pershing remarked when asked concerning Mr. Villa's whereabouts. Which reminds us that back home, out Westchester way there is a sign stating; "Villa Plots on the Water." If we were waggishly inclined we'd refer that to the Naval Board of Strategy. Board of Strategy.

During the past damp days several sentries down at the 71st swore they sighted Mexican submarines cruising down the Hidalgo Road.

Many of the autos and auto trucks by the Texas by the New York di-vision are laid up in camp suffering from "gasnitus."

H. I. Y.

HIS DIARY

Monday.:—Arose early as usual and caught a tarantula for my pains. Missed my morning tub—the coffee reminded me of it. Laughed when the top-sergeant slipped in a puddle. Dug ditches all day. Wont laugh next time. Mess as usual—think the name was well chosen. Got some fudge from Mil. lie and gave it to a Mexican. Didn't know he was friendly. Hope his relatives don't find me out. They say we'll go home next week. Hope my mustache grows by then.

Tuesday:—Got up same time as yesterday. Theyer thought I could do, it. Lieutenant fell over a tree-stump. I didn't even smile. Company went on a short hike this morning. Short hikes are like Texan short orders—it takes three hours to get them over with. Saw rattle snake and jumped in some cactus to get out of his way. Next time I'll jump on the snake. Jim sent me a post—card "Bathers at Long Beach." Never did like Jim. Nellie wrote me she caught cold on the Astor roof—it was so chilly. Oh, death, where is thy sting? Ate supper standing up. Why is cactus? Went to the movies where they showed scenes on Broadway. They say we'll go home next month. I think I'll grow a beard. Broadway. They say we'll go home next month. I think I'll grow a beard.

We Always Forgot About the Usher.

Editor "The Incinerator,"
Sir:—The man who writes "Comments of a First Nighter" in one of the New York papers, could learn a whole lot by lending an attentive ear at any of the movie shows patronized by the boys in MeAllen. I can imagine the National Board of Censorship passing the show—very hurriedly. You know what you've often wanted to shout when the villian comes soft-sheeing up in back of the handsome heronal didn't dare because the usher had his eye on you?

Man not fit to fight isn't fit to vote, says Mr. Roosevelt.—N. Y. Herald. Man fit to fight cannot vote, says Congress Cheer up!

"The Famous Palms of McAllen" chirrups a brazen post-card. We have seen many of these palms outstretched in back of every counter in town. "So this is pay-day!"

"And to think I'm digging ditches or fifteen dollars a week," moaned a cookie of the Seventh.

"For fifteen a month, stupid,"
anapped the Sergeant.

"My Gawd," oried the rookie and

collapsed.

Just a few kind words of advice and Stick to the simple, rugged, outdoor

Avoid rich food.
Cultivate the early rising habit.
Keep in the warm sunshine as much s possible.

Do not frivol away your time at lawn parties and dances.

Avoid the swell restaurants and cab-

Cut out the joyrides. Don't squander your salary: be a sav-r-not a waster.



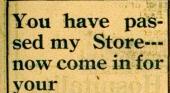


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You Want **Extra Copies** OF THE RATTLER Don't Wait!

Edition Limited and Cannot be Reprinted.

We were attacked a few miles from We were attacked a few miles from Mission and after some valiant "fighting on foot" dispelled an imaginary force which enormously outnumbered us But apart from the ride to Sterling Ranch down the long straight road by the railroad track was quite uneventful though punctuated by groans from thirsty privates who threatened to die and reproaches from equally thirsty non-coms who threatened to kill them. In short everyone was peevish, to say In short everyone was peevish, to say the least, by the time we caught sight of Mr. Sterling's welcome pumping station

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Now, for the doughboy, work stops when his march is over and his camp is pitched. For the cavalry it just begins. There is a picket line to be putup, wagons of hay to be unloaded and sprinkled among horses who try to kick and bite their benefactors, and all the duties prescribed by the slogan "horses first—the men can wait." Sq there were no beans until nine o'clock after which we crawled into our pup tents and, to all intents and purposes, died.

The next morning was devoted to a military problem. The camp was divided into two sections; Troops C. and D. got up at four, being careful not to wake the others and were out of camp by six, trotting through the jungle along a blazed trail, in and out among cactus ten feet tall and remarkably thorny, and mesquite, and the skeletons of cows who had died of thirst and been picked elean by birds. The desert we traveled through is quite unlike the McAllen country; the growth ih much higher and thicker and more difficult to travel through. Troops C. and D. rode for five miles and stopped at another ranch where they immediately prepared for the attack of the other three troops. Two men climbed the windmill to act as observers and spent their spare time turning the mill so that the men below could drink.

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was observed to be lost in the jungle. The men on the windmill could see their guidon wandering about among the brush, but Troop B could not see the windmill, and consequently did not appear until late in the afternoon. After their defeat the entire enemy was welcomed in camp and we were all given an afternoon to ourselves during which there was a general discussion of the manoeuver and a talk on the work of the hike by Major General O'Ryan.

We got up at four the next morning and rode to McAllen's ranch where we stopped for mid-day mess and an hour's rest. The country we rode through was much more pleasant than any we had seen. The road was fringed with grass, there was less of the cactus, and more, and higher mesquite. We rode along a road of soft, red sand—more like a road in New Jersey, than the usual Texas hard pan, and the whole aspect of the land was greener and brighter and less thirst provoking. We rau through two storms which were very gratifying for they cooled the air, and the wet dried off immediately when the sun came out again.

Food was served in painfully small

SQUADRON "A" SEES
RANCH COUNTRY

Grave Hardships Experienced
Through Shortage of
Tobacco

BY CORRESPONDENT SQUADRON "A"

With the dawn of a perfect Texas morning coming up like thunder over the picket line, Squadron A Cavalry pulled ont of camp for their first five day hike to the ranch country. We were laden, so to speak, to the gunstle padage, so to speak, to the gunstle protests of the contrary notwithstanding; our saddlebags replete with what little comforts of home could be smuggled within the, weight limit and our canteen overflowing with the clear and spark ling water for which McAllen is so justify famous.

We struck across country for Sharyland and thence to Mission where we anticipated a long halt and a full meal at the largest hotel (provided of course by the government) but we marched through Mission same as if there had been no town there at all and it was only over a man's dead to have the horizon of the contrary notwithstanding; our standle bags, replete with what little comforts of home could be smuggled within the weight limit and our createen overflowing with the clear and spark ling water for which McAllen is so justify famous.

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naratack and cold canned beans, but no one in the squadron who went on that hike will ever regret the experience. A hike at least savors of soldiering and is more to the taste of the average trooper than digging drainage ditches and screening mess-shacks.

So here's hoping for more of them.

#### AMUSEM THEATRE OPENS

Those of us who feared that in coming 2117 miles from New York we had lost the "movies" were pleasantly reassured when the canvas covered "Amuseum Theatre" opened up outside the camp lines in McAllen recently. The 7th Regiment discovered them first and cheered a Pathe Weekly of the big preparedness parade which showed the 7th Regiment band passing the Washington Arch and the Flatiron building. The hurricane of two weeks ago put the canvas top temporarily out of business, but T. R. Logan & Co., the management of the "Amuseum" Theatre, has come back in fine style. Beginning today, Mr. Logan will show a combination Universal and Triangle program, including a Bluebird and Red-Feather feature and two weeklies.

The admission price has been fixed at 10 cents, and there will be a star program every day. A full announcement of each days program will appear in these columns next week and regularly thereafter.

#### MISSION CLEANS HOUSE

After seeing the 2nd, 14th and 69th Infantry regiments "police" their camps for many painful days in succession, the city of Misson decided it was its turn to clean house. Three days were dedicated to the purpose, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week.

The military police of Mission assisted in the vigilance work, which was executed by the Mission Civic League and the members of the Mission Chamber of Commerce, Secretary Burnett presiding. General Lester, Ist Brigade, lent some wagons and Captain Rodden, Chief Sanitary Inspector of the Brigade, made a military inspection of stores and the business section.

Considerable brush and rubbish was removed.

While the benefits of this particles.

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While the benefits of this particular relations of Mission themselves, it s expected that Mission will be a more delightful place for the troops than before.

### REGIMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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The Rio Grande Rattler asks the cooperation and help of every unit of
the Division in obtaining the news of
each individual organization.

Space Imits compel us to allow each
regiment about one-half column or approximately five hundred words.

Lieut. C. R. Baines, news editor, requests that the authorized regimental
correspondent procure the news items
from the various company correspondents, whip it into shape and forward
as soon as possible.

The Rattler asks every organization
to co-operate by appointing their correspondent at once.

Copy should reach Division Headquarters not later than the Thursday
night preceding date of publication.

ran through two storms which were very gratifying for they cooled the air, and the wet dried off immediately when the sun came out again.

Food was served in painfally small quantities and late that afternon the effects of the lack began to show on the tempers of the imen. The horses had had even less than the man, because of the difficulties of transporting oats over the bad roads and they were displaying their emotions in various ways. Sarcastic remarks passed down the lines between the troopers and the horses were cursed in six languages.

Young's ranch was our destination and when we arrived the men immediately downed their sorrows in a large concrete swimming pool which was thrown open to us. This was the first recreation—not to mention bath—we had had on the trip and was probably the best thing that has happened to us since we left New York.

Shelter tents were pitched for the night and outposts placed, whereupon there came down a genuine Texas flood. It was as if a whole sky full of water had suddenly turned inside out, and work of all the, shelter tents, and the curses, screams and groans drowned the thunder and cannot be given space in The Rattler because the self-respecting compositor would not set them up.

A drenched, stiff and sleepy bunch of men greeted the dawn and pulled out of camp without stopping to revisit the pool. But the Texas sun will dry anything and the men soon forgor everything except the pool and the yellow daisies, and the cool shade, of Young's ranch. It is quite the finest place in Texas and the Squadron vote is that if one must live in this state, Young's ranch is the place to stay, rain or shine.

In the next days ride the cally event

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## UNCLE SAM'S BUSINESS

### **PUSHED TO THE LIMIT**

Soldiers Put McAllen on the Map---Postoffice and Tele-First Call to Arms Causes graph Office Doing Big Business.

#### POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS INCREASE 1000 PER CENT---MANY TELEGRAMS

The great volumn of communication and correspondence eminating from the Second Brigade and the auxiliary troops of the Sixth Division has jumped the telegraph office of McAllen to the first in the state in the volumn of business handled. Much of this is made up of news despatches, these alone amounting to as great a number of words as the regular service of the Associated Press.

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An even greater increase in business has come to the McAllen postoffice which is now, it is said, the third in size in Texas, being exceeded only by Houston and San Antonio. To illustrate, the greatest sale of stamps in any one month before the New York soldiers came was 7300, in July the sales amounted to 72,700. The day the camps were established here the mail was carried from the station on a handcart, the daily delivery now averages three two-horse truck loads.

On an average 40,000 pieces of mail are sent out fron McAllen every day. Betwen 60,000 and 75,000 are received, and if it had not been for orders from Division Headquarters we might now, a month later, be just getting mail which came in the first week. Postmaster January's force was wholly inadequate, and even at \$3 a day he was unable to hire the additional clerks he needed.

In this emergency General O'Ryan called personally upon the

In this emergency General O'Ryan called personally upon the Postmaster General for additional equipment, getting first of all a stamp cancelling machine, which the McAllen office, naturally enough, had never had. Then an assignment of men to the office for the purpose of handling the military mail was made. Lieut. Col. Francis J. McCann, quartermaster corps, was made military postmaster.

On the detail itself were put a number veteran employes of the New York postoffice, men who brought not only their native skill experience in the biggest office in the country. Chief among these men were Sergt. Major W. J. Greene, Twelfth Infantry, and Chief Musician George Colyer, Seventh Infantry. The others on the detail are Color Sergt. George N. Childs, Signal Corps, Color Sergt. W. R. McKinnon, Seventy-first Infantry, Corporal Sydney Taylor, Second Field Artillery, Corporal W. D. Richert, First Field Hospital, Private Maurice A. Newfield, Third Ambulance Company and Private Cornelius O'Connor, Seventy-first Infantry.

Following is a list of Military Mail which remains unclaimed at the McAllen Post Office, for the period ending August 8, 1916.

Persons calling for same will please give the date of this list.

Alvis, J. J.

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Anderson, John,
Austin, R. Corp.
Ayres, J J.
Abbott, Earl
Adams, B Arthux
Armes.
Aamold A. George Aamold A. George Blanton E. G. Babbett G. James Becker M. F. Buford Edward Berpr. J. H. Corp. Brown B. Robert Beisel Wm. T. Burrows Lorsuzo Billings Herbert Bowman J. Bowman J. Beloian Leon Beloian Leon
Blank Raymond
Barclay C. Henry
Bird William
Becker Robert.
Burke William
Bowden Harry.
Boyle J. S. Geo.
Bone Chas.
Besson Robert
Burke Chaplain
Bushom Edward.
Bennet A. M.
Boone W. Thomas
Beede L. J.
Baker J. William
Barry Frank.
Busch Alfred
Brunner Chas.
Byrns George Byrns George Barnell E. Joseph Byrns George
Barnell E. Joseph
Corey V. Thomas
Cate, William B.
Clinton Bernard
Clark, Clarence
Caldwell Wm.
Cox, M. Carl
Clyprindes Joe.
Corvett John
Carlin T. Lieut
Clark Ed.
Clark Fed
Cassiday James
Crolins P. Allen
Corley T. F. Sgt.
Cummings Raymond
Clark John
Cooley Horace
Conion W. J.
Cahill Wm.
Clement Harold Tripp.
Davis Stanley Crement Harold Trip
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Donnell Russell CorpDavis F. H.
DuPont Albert
Decker Frank
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Pest John
Fox. D.
Elynn Robert
Fitter John
Florid Frank
Fox S. W.
Fox George
Earr Richard S.
Frochlich H. E. Sergt.
Berguson Geo. B.
Roose Edward
Enholm Walter A.
Lavers Guy E. Sergt. Maj
Loreo James T.
Leon Douald Mae
Marine Jerry
Lowry E. H.
Lyons Wm. T.
Ireland Mark L.
Ivanick George A. Sergt.
Irvin William
Kircher Harry
Johnson Horry.
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Johnson Frank W.
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Holmer Chas. T.
Hess Dudley
Harm Ottie
Henrietta Jee.
Illech Allert
Farrow R. S.
Hunt Leslie
Hayden F. T.
Henderick Thomas F.
Farrington W. E.
Haggerty John
Heilmann E. D.
Hall P.M. Sergt.
Holbron L. T. Capt.
Hopkins Joseph
Holmer Chas.
Jones T. L. Johnson John. J. Johnson John, J Jardot Leo. Von Keller H, Kuzmier George Kellog Leslie S. Knight Bill Kurtz Norwood Keister Geo. Keister Geo.
King Carlton
Ketcham Elmer
Keenan Frank
Kennedy E.
Lampe H.
Lawlor E.
Luke Chas. W.
Lawarence Arley
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Lervery J.
Leysen Loyle
Lord Harry
Lewis Henry
Griffin Ben
Gleme Chas. S. Corp.
Guiekman Corgell
Hill G. W.
Hanna Donald
Hislop John J.
Howard Chas. Lieut,
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McMullen J. R.
Morris J. A. Corp
Meske Fred
Mcham J.
McCane Ed.
Mahan Andrew
McLaughlin William E.
Martin John Martin John Morgan Arthur M. Mattison Wm. B. Martin John. March Stanley March Stanley
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McCally Aloysius
McKenna John
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McCormick Frank
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Olover Leslie A. Seyt

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#### IN THE DEAD NIGHT

Ripple of Excitement at McAllen

ORGANIZATION AHD DISCIPLINE

According to a number of officers of high rank the call to arms which took place recently, extending from division headquarters on the railroad track to the remotest cavalry outpost along the Hidalgo road, was the best possible test of the general efficiency and alertuess of the guard. Within a few minutes of the guard. Within a few minutes of the first call by the bugler of the First Field Artillery whose trumpet split the air with that unmistakable note at about 12:30 in the morning, every soldier at McAllen was awake, for the call was repeated again and again traveling quickly down the leng line of tent streets until every regiment was tumbling into its equipment. And within less than a had hour infantry artillery and cavalry were ready to go from here to the Rio Grande—on to Mexico City for that matter—ready to fight, ready to prove that there are no Boy Scouts in this outfit.

Even the Field Artillery whose equipment is extremely clumsy when compared with that of the infantry or cavalry were ready within that half hour, some of the batteries making record time. The entire division acted as it would act in war time.

The Second Field now has its hos-

some of the batteries making record time. The entire division acted as it would act in war time.

The Second Field now has its hospital building and is getting its mess-shacks and kitchens. Instead of a barren brown street exactly the same as every other barren brown street he has seen from day to day, he finds now a street with a palm or two, a street with garden fronts of oats, onions,—green things of various kinds. He looks at headquarters row and admires Colonel Wingates magnificient palms. He sees that his own street has something another street can't boast, or that another street tan't boast, or that another street is own. During the first few weeks he saw nothing but WORK. Now "the place looks like something."

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Pelecan Frank Corp.
Pussing W. A. Sergt.
Powell Capt.
Pearman J.
Peterson Carl.
Pritchard James C.
Porter Chas.
Quackenbos Henry F.
Rosemier Fred
Rodenbeek G. A.
Rucker Henry
Randolph William
Ronan James
Rooh C. W. Sergt.
Ruppeel F. H.
Regan Harold J.
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Reilly Harry
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Rose Albert
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GOING TO "CORPUS?" The management of the Gulf Coast Lines announces 2 series of popular priced excursions to Corpus Christi, These will be run on Saturday and over

the week-end so as not to interfere with the regular drill schedule of the New York troops.

The first excursion will take place next Saturday, leaving McAllen about 10 a.m. returning Sunday night. This will allow 34 hours in "Corpus," with the advantages of a bathing beach, theatres, etc. Cots will be provided on the parillion for 25 cents each Full information will be circulated during the week by means of dodgers, or details may be obtained from the ticket agent at the station.

# SHARYLAND

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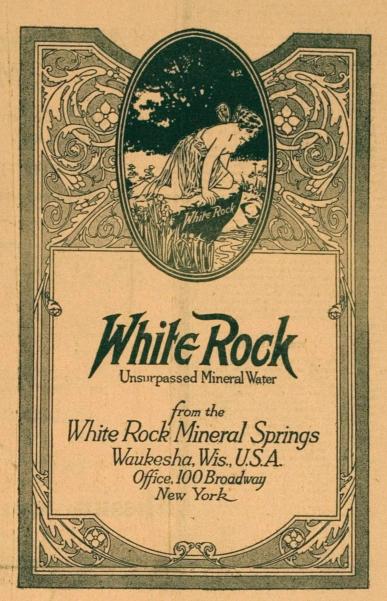
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## MAGIC CITY

### McAllen Suddenly Becomes An Important "City" With **Perplexing Problems**

#### MILITARY HEADQUARTERS DIVISION

By Carl Dickie,

forces many years age, not by a cannon hall, but by gangeene hand the limself cut the wounded leg off while he was in the middle of the desert. There are many of these one legged men' in the Mexican quarter, some off and Some young, for Mexican revolutions have been many and some have been recent. But they do not beg. There are no Mexican beggars, at least none in MeAllen. Some are barbers, some are many sicians, and some just exist, as it seems only Mexicans can exist, on nothing.

A wrinkled old Indian sits immobile on a barrel in Guerra's place. Some times he moves only to wipe a glass, but never to get out of the way. He is the old civilization, looking but seeing nothing, thinking but thinking nothing, thinking but thinking nothing, and celebrate, for the mest part silently, the coming of the gringo's solder, for the 'gringo' soldier, for the 'gringo' soldier brings safety. They celebrate silently for they fear the 'gringo' soldier brings safety. They celebrate silently for they fear the 'gringo' soldier brings safety. They celebrate silently for they fear the 'gringo' would be said of the said of the safe and cordupy breeches and dirty shirts. They sell Mexican drawn work and embroidery made in New Jersey and Mexican pettery made in Ohio, and the Mexican call them bindits, American braids. Then there are the shacks, wooden shacks, and straw shacks, adobe thacks, and log shacks, shacks with windows and shacks with square holes, let's with doors and shacks with square holes, let's with doors and shacks with square holes, let's with doors and shacks with an narrow. cracks, let's with doors and shacks with an narrow. cracks, leaks with wide cracks, but all

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