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



HUGHES WINS!

First News in Hidalgo County of the Result of Great Election Throughout Country.

CHAS. S. WHITMAN RE-ELECTED GOVERNOR OF OUR OWN STATE.

THE RESULT IN
ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Electoral Votes for Hughes.

California, 1 Connecticut, 7

N. Y. Division Strongly Republican.

A careful canvas by The Rattler on election day developed the fact that the New York soldiers on

LOOK

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RUSTLING

In the "Old Days" quartermaster persons, both regimental and company, believed the real test of military efficiency to be the extent of their ability to "rustle" property which they might be short.

What soldier of any length of service cannot recall the concern of his company commander over a shortage of five blankets, three overcoats, and some other items, with the annual inspection at hand? What soldier of any length of service, but can picture the Quartermaster Sergeant on such occasions, his manner distressingly patronizing, mysterious, taciturn, knowingly profound, tantalizingly slow?

Then the painful moment when the Captain realizes he is stung the value of the shortage. This is the critical moment—the supreme instant, which marks the renewed fame of the Q. M. person. He steps up. He salutes with formality. He speaks. His voice consciously quiet, his manner one of self-possessed assurance—that of a person who has the situation in hand and knows it. "Sir," he says, "does the Captain want these shortages replaced?" Ordinarily, the Captain who wishes nothing, so much as he wishes that very thing, would cuss the wadding out of the Q. M. person then and there, for asking such a fool question. But on this occasion, the Captain knows from the portentous atmosphere of the Sergeant's bearing that relief is at hand, and he replies with solemn intensity of demeanor, "Yes Sergeant, can you help out in this situation?" The Q. M. person does not commit himself hurriedly or positively. He desires to hold attention, to maintain the crisis, to continue the concern and to be mysterious in accordance with inherited habit. "I will see what can be done, sir," he replies with grave mien, and with the wellknown Q. M. look, indicating heavy responsibilities, grave problems and a realization that the army exists and moves as the Q. M. Corps consents.

Shortly he returns with the articles needed to replace all shortages, these usually being borne by a detail of fully awed and much impressed recruits. "Sir, I found these some months ago," solemnly announces the Q. M. person, "and I put them aside, sir, thinking we might need them for a shortage, sir."

"Very excellent work, Sergeant,"

announces the Captain, glancing impressively at those present, while the Sergeant basks in the role of "Profound Intellect" unveiled.

"Are there any markings on these articles?" asks the Captain with an air indicating confidence in the Q. M. Sergeant. "No, sir," replies the Q. M. person, "not a mark could I find, sir." "Very well, Sergeant, mark them," returns the Captain.

While this piece of dramatic performance is being enacted in one company of the regiment all the other companies possessed of rustling Q. M. persons, are pulling off the same entertainment, at the expense of the remaining companies and of one another. Furthermore, in the storeroom of each Q. M. person there is an assortment of property of all descriptions not carried on the papers of that unit, the quantity of such contraband being in direct ratio to the rustling, or as we now call it, stealing, habits of the Q. M. person, and his clientele. This contraband constitutes the reserve.

Some years ago military tradition was shattered in one organization of the Division, when the Commanding Officer announced that rustling would thereafter be synonymous with larceny; that any man having in his possession or locker, any article of military property not his own, or not bearing his equipment number, would be tried for having stolen property in his possession. This was in the old First Battery, now the First Field Artillery. The men were asked to cooperate for their own convenience and protection, and to show up any who violated the new rules. They adopted and supported the new practice with the result that life in that unit was worth living. For a time the Battery suffered when in camp with others, because retaliation was not permitted when other units "found" articles of its property, but so successful was the new life within the command, that it was soon followed in the remaining batteries of the battalion.

The system to be successful requires that every article of equipment and clothing of each soldier bear his individual equipment number, old numbers where existing, being obliterated.

Property contentment exists in an organization where this plan is rigidly adhered to.

DIVISION TALENT ENTERTAIN MAJ. GEN'L AND MRS. O'RYAN

An entertainment was recently held at the open air theatre at Division Headquarters in honor of Major General and Mrs. John F. O'Ryan, when talent from all over the Division joined in giving a most delightful program. The successful affair was in charge of Sergeant M. A. Hart, Headquarters Detachment; Supply Sergeant W. B. Love, 2nd Field Artillery; Serjeant Hyde, 23rd Infantry and Corporal T. L. Bannan, 1st Infantry. The program follows: 3rd Tenn. Selections

FROM ACTIVE SERVICE TO RESERVE

Men Can Not Be Held in Camp After End of Active Enlistment Period.

The following opinion of the Judge Advocate of the Army concerning the passing of enlisted men to the National Guard Reserve while in the Federal service is published here for the information of all concerned.

"Enlisted men of the Organized militia who qualify as National Guardsmen under sections 69 and 70 of the National Defense Act, June 3, 1916, remain in the"

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Frank G. Crow

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CHARGES PLOT TO KILL N. Y. AVIATION

Hell With the National Guard is Alleged Remark of Major Mitchell.

FROM THE AERO CLUB OF AMERICA

Here on the Border good soldiers are good soldiers, whether they are Regular Soldiers or U. S. National Guard Soldiers. No one ever stops to determine whether an officer or enlisted man is elementally one or the other. Regular officers and soldiers are serving with and as part of units of the National Guard, and National Guard officers and soldiers are serving with and as a part of the Regular units. All constitute a big military family. It apparently never occurs to any one on the Southern Department that there is or should be any distinction between these two classes of soldiers, and nothing disturbs these relations. The attitude, for example, of the Army and Navy Journal, which persistently depicts every regular officer and soldier as superhuman and all National Guard soldiers and civilians working unavailingly, is regarded by officers on the Border as a harmless obsession.

The Aero Club of America has been one of the most loyal supporters of army efforts for expansion particularly in the field of aviation, and when it makes charges that there is a military element in Washington active in discrediting the National Guard, its statements are at least interesting.

The charges take the form of a letter from Allan R. Hawley, President of the Aero Club of America to the Hon. Newton D. Baker the Secretary of War. The following extracts from this letter are quoted, the letter in its entirety being too long for publication.

"The Aero Club of America has again been appealed to by a National Guard officer, who, having applied to the Aviation Section of the Army for training in aviation for the members of his company, and having been told that the Army had decided to limit to \$76,000 the expenditure for training National Guardsmen, appeals to us for financial assistance, to pay the training of his men.

This officer inquired from Major William Mitchell, assistant to the Lieutenant Colonel George O. Squier, head of the Aviation Section, whether additional training could not be provided for, pointing out that Congress has allowed \$9,640,800 for training National Guardsmen and organizing twelve Aero Squadrons for the twelve Militia Divisions of the United States, and Major Mitchell told him that while it is true that the plan to organize twelve Aero Squadrons for the twelve Militia Divisions was used as a basis for getting the appropriations, the Appropriation Bill does not specify what it shall be spent for, and the officers of the Aviation Section have de-

of the Army regarding the control of all matters pertaining to aeronautics under the Defense Act. This document shows that the Aviation Section has full control over everything pertaining to aeronautics in the National Guard.

The Aviation Section of the Army not only approved this movement, but it submitted estimates to Congress for the appropriations necessary for the formation of the twelve Militia Aero Squadrons. In answer to our letter of June 10th, 1916, addressed to you, Lieut. Col. George O. Squier answered on June 26th giving the estimates which had been prepared by his office, and these included the following:

"Establishing and maintaining for one year twelve Militia Squadrons for the mobile army and for coast defense, \$7,200,000."

As the above did not include a provision for training civilians in aviation, and it seemed advisable to make such a provision, so that men with aeronautic experience who could not give the time required to perform continuous National Guard duties could be connected with the national defenses, the Aero Club, after ascertaining that the Aviation Section of the Army was in favor of creating such a reserve, recommended the creation to President Wilson, who authorized the organization of the Aerial Reserve Corps on July 13th. While our Committee was in Washington on this mission, an officer of the Aviation Section of the Army gave us a copy of revised estimates that had been made since the letter of June 26th had been written, and these estimates included the following item:

"For the organization, equipment, and maintenance of 12 aero squadrons for the 12 militia divisions ordered into service, either in the Militia or from the Regular Army Reserve and the Officers' Reserve Corps, \$9,640,800."

It was understood that the increase from \$7,200,000 to \$9,640,800 was to take care of the training and organization of the Aerial Reserve Corps.

Congress appreciating the importance of providing funds for the National Guard and Aerial Reserve Corps; likewise the value of having all these developments under the control of the Aviation Section of the Army, allowed the \$9,640,800 as a part of the general appropriation for aeronautics, as the Aviation Section of the Army requested.

During one of our visits to the Aviation Section of the Army, there was explained to us the advisability of having appropriations to be granted for the National Guard combined with the appropriations for aeronautics for the army, and we approved the procedure, believing best to leave expenditures to the discretion of the War Department. We have on file a carbon copy of the provision for aeronautics, written by the officers of the Aviation Section, for the Army Appropriation Bill. It reads as follows:

"PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That not more than \$13,981,666.00 of the foregoing appropriation shall be used for the purchase, manufacture, maintenance, operation and repair of airships and other aerial machines and accessories necessary in the aviation section and for the purchase, maintenance, repair and operation of motor-propelled, pas-

We realized that since Major Mitchell was practically in charge of the details pertaining to such matters, Colonel Squier having just returned from a four years' duty as military attache in London and was not familiar with the current trend of events in Washington, this attitude of mind might interfere with the carrying out of the plans. But nothing was said about the matter until Major Mitchell, during a visit to the Mineola Aviation center, during a conversation regarding the National Guard's anxiety to develop in aviation, exclaimed "Hell with the National Guard! It will never amount to anything."

I was one of the three people present when Major Mitchell so expressed himself, and was incensed to hear such derogatory expressions from an Army officer, at a time when thousands of National Guardsmen were at the Mexican Border protecting American lives and American property at a great sacrifice to themselves, their business and their families. I considered it my duty to protest to Major Mitchell and to bring the matter to the attention of Colonel Squier, which I did, first in a letter dated July 28th. Receiving no answer, I wrote again on August 14th. I received no answer to these letters until September 11th, when I received a brief acknowledgment.

We have already given close to \$22,000 from the National Aeroplane Fund to the First Aero Company, New York National Guard, and had loaned \$7,500 to the commanding officer, in addition, with which to purchase an additional aeroplane, to make up for the Aviation Section's failure to supply aeroplanes. We could go no further.

In the meantime, throughout these many weeks, the Aviation Section of the Army failed to supply the aeroplanes needed for training the hundred National Guardsmen at Mineola, and it was only when we offered to guarantee the payment for \$50,000 worth of aeroplanes for the Guardsmen if the Army would order them that two aeroplanes were sent to Mineola. The need was for at least thirty aeroplanes.

Subsequently, when these conditions created general protests, the First Aero Company, New York National Guard asked to be mustered out and the Second Aero Company, New York National Guard, was being disbanded, two more machines were provided. A few more machines were sent after the publication of the deplorable conditions, following the mustering out and disbanding of the First and Second Aero Companies. No steps were taken to provide aviation training for the hundreds of National Guardsmen who were anxious to join the air service, and finally, on September 8th, the Militia Bureau issued order No. 5807, addressed to the adjutants General of all States, stating that the present Congress had only appropriated the sum of \$76,000, and that not exceeding fifty National Guardsmen could be trained in aviation.

We hoped that this was a mistake, but as no action was taken to rectify it, on September 13th I wrote to you pointing out that it was vitally important that the limitation imposed on

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STOTESBURY

From time to time The Rattler has employed this column to indicate, on behalf of the New York Division, our appreciation of the work of distinguished officers with whom our duties on the Border have brought us into contact. It is fitting that we should continue this practice to the extent of commending the work of an officer with whom the entire Division is very well acquainted. We refer to Brigadier General Louis W. Stotesbury, the Adjutant General of New York.

On many occasions during the past summer General Stotesbury has found himself confronted with problems which red tape and archaic laws and regulations have made almost impossible of accomplishment. However, inflexible constancy of purpose and a remarkable capacity for hard work are perhaps the most prominent traits in his character, and these coupled with his knowledge of the military game have enabled him to overcome many intricate, not to say disagreeable situations.

It is a real pleasure to represent to this officer some indication of our respect and affection and we use the latter words advisably since affection has been called the most precious reward a man can desire, whether for character or achievement.

N. Y. DIVISION VERSUS 6TH DIVISION

THE LITTLE CITIES OF THE MAGIC VALLEY

Will some day feel the touch of age. Just as the other cities of the North do. Take for instance Albany, who recently unveiled a statue of General Philip H. Sheridan. To be sure Sheridan moved away from Albany when he was a little over a year old, but that is nothing.

One of these days we will undoubtedly hear that some of the biggest people in the country were born in McAllen; it will be a proud day for the Magic Valley when the newspapers state that J. Angelotti Higgins, the author of "The Uncrackable Nut" is a McAllen boy. Emory J. Flathead, the great actor now starring in "The Broken Crutch" is a native of Mission, while Llwallyn Van Borax, president of the consolidated Pickle Company of America, was born and raised at Pharr and last, but not least, that General Algernon McNichol, supreme commander of the International Order of Onion Cultivators was born on his father's estate at Sharyland, and received his early education in the public schools of Hidalgo county, where, during his youth, he spent much of his time in the camps of the N. Y. Division, and became a great favorite among both officers and men. In fact, so much attached did he become to Major General O'Ryan that upon the latter's retirement for age, after twenty-two years of active service in the Valley, McNichol traveled many miles to be present at the reception given to the friend of his boyhood on the evening preceding the General's departure for his home in New York.

WE WIN.

The great American people have spoken. The issue of responsibility for the maintenance of a government of, by and for the people, has been settled by electors of the nation.

And here, at the South of our great Republic it has remained for The Rattler to announce the verdict before—hours before, any other newspaper in Hidalgo county.

This piece of newspaper enterprise was carried out at great expense, it having been necessary to lease a private wire for the purpose, but the management agreed that the end justified the means. It's results that are sought and the result in this particular instance has been that the early edition of this newspaper was being sold in the camps of the N. Y. Division as early this morning as the great New York dailies were being distributed at home.

We may say, therefore, with pardonable pride, when it comes to real newspaper enterprise hang your medals on The Rattler.

TELEGRAMS ENJOYED BY MEMBERS OF N. Y. TEAM

Albany, N. Y.
Congratulations to Captain and each member of team. Governor much pleased over great showing made.
LOUIS W. STOTESBURY,
Adjutant General.
McAllen, Texas.
Congratulate you and New York

PERSONALS

General and Mrs. John F. O'Ryan and the officers of the Division Staff entertained General and Mrs. James W. Lester and Colonel and Mrs. Gordon Johnson at dinner Monday evening.

Major Frank E. Bamford, 28th U. S. Infantry has been relieved as Acting Adjutant and Major Franklin W. Ward, Assistant Chief of Staff has been detailed in his stead.

Captain Elisha H. Janes of Co. I, 12th Infantry, who has been acting as recruiting officer for his regiment in New York City since the last of June, has joined his command on the Border.

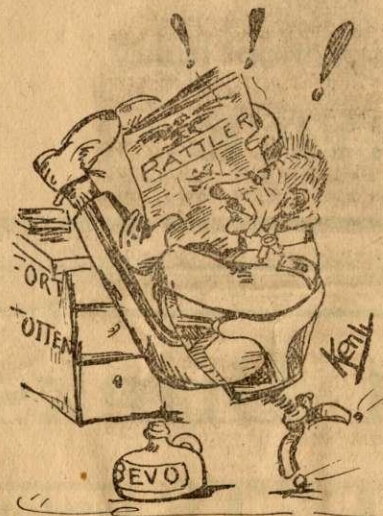
General W. S. McNair, commanding the Artillery Brigade, gave a delightful entertainment and dance at his headquarters on Friday evening.

Chaplain Cadman of the 23rd Infantry, who is on leave of absence, has had his leave extended for thirty days.

Major J. Leslie Kincaid, Judge Advocate of the Division, has returned from a leave of absence spent at his home in Syracuse.

Lieut. D. J. Cadotte, Battalion Adjutant of the 74th Infantry, has been promoted to Captain, and will command C Company.

Captain Chester H. King of Troop D, 1st Cavalry has left for Syracuse, N. Y. where he will spend thirty days leave of absence.



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Yearly subscriptions in the order received:
Maj. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Div. Staff.
Maj. F. S. Corbett, Corps of Engineers.
Lieut. Leo F. Knust, 7th Infantry.
Lieut. Edward F. ... 69th Inf.

Suppose

By Chester B. Bohn, 4th Ambulance Co.

I'm just home from the Border,
I've done my bit, I'm through;
But here's a little message
From the khaki boys to you.

You stayed back in your office,
A bachelor—yet you knew,
That other men would leave their homes,
Their wives and children too.

You laughed at all our hardships,
You sneered at our complaints,
You chuckled o'er our failings,
Of course we weren't saints.

Suppose you had enlisted,
And gone to Border land,
To drink the crawling water,
And to eat the dust and sand.

Suppose you left the viands
They serve along Broadway;
And lived on tough "Corned Willie,"
And beans from day to day.

Suppose you left the feathers,
On which you softly rest,
And slept on ground like concrete,
Say could you stand the test?

I'm just home from the Border,
I've done my bit, I'm through;
Remember when you knock us,
We served the Flag—Did You?

The Incinerator

"We tremble in trepidation when we prophetically envisage "The Incinerator," issue of November 8th."
—From The Rattler, Sept. 27th.

Our Special Order to-night is, "cease trembling." So saying, we will deploy our column "as skirmishers" and enter the fray.

The returns are coming in over The Rattler's special wire. The Democrats are chuckling and the Republicans are happily smiling. What over-weening confidence! What a blow to someone.

And as the telegraph instrument ticks off its vital messages of the world import, as we wait to set the glaring headlines on The Rattler's front page, we wonder many things.

We wonder if our Chief Executive will be "too proud to fight" on March "Forth." We wonder if the disappointed candidate will proclaim it a "psychological defeat."

say about commissioned officers using profanity? Had practice this morning estimating ranges. Major caught me sighting at the top of his head. I asked the second loopy if he could estimate the range of our Pullmans and he said no, but the picket line was only 200 yards away. Don't mind mules so I had some fun on the detail until I stuck a pin into Hooligan's hindquarters to see if he was sensitive. He was. Colonel caught me. I reported to Headquarters. Got a letter from Mabel this afternoon. She said she and Jim were taking up horse-back riding in the Park, and Jim rode so beautifully. Of course he'd have to ride well as he's going to be an officer just as soon as we fight Japan. Didn't I think Plattsburg was wonderful to make such fine officers so quickly? Wonderful is not the word—it's uncanny. Jim sent his love to me by Mabel and hoped I come home some day well and strong. I hope so, too—for Jim's sake. Attended my first social affair in McAllen tonight when my company gave a dance. It was some party. Hazel never notices me in the ice cream store, but he danced with me

Athletics

Saturdays Football Results

Brown 42, Vermont 0.
 Army 30, Notre Dame 10.
 Princeton 42, Bucknell 0.
 Cornell 15, Carnegie Tech. 7.
 Yale 7, Colgate 3.
 Dartmouth 15, Syracuse 10.
 Penn. 19, Lafayette 0.
 Pittsburg 46, Allegheny 0.
 Williams 7, Wesleyan 0.
 Rochester 18, Hobart 0.
 Amherst 14, Trinity 0.
 Michigan 66, Univ. Wash. 7.

FOOTBALL RETURNS AT AMUSEUM THEATRE

Princeton will play Harvard next Saturday right here in McAllen and the strange part of it all is the fact that the game will start just one hour earlier than the game scheduled in the East.

The game here will be played at the Amusement theatre but on an improvised football field and the Western Union will supply the full returns, play by play.

This will be a big day for the football fans here on the Border and a large crowd is going to turn out. In addition to the Princeton-Harvard battle, scores by quarters of the Pennsylvania-Dartmouth, Cornell-Michigan and the Yale-Brown games will be received.

A big game for every Saturday is scheduled at the Amusement including the Yale-Princeton, Yale-Harvard and Cornell-Pennsylvania games. Plans are made to receive the returns direct from the field, and the college men from the field, and the college men the earliest possible time.

BORDER BITS

Robbie would take Superbas to Texas. Headline.

Wonder if Robbie has training for the team or entertainment for the National Guard in mind.

Baseball has been translated into the French in order to remove one of the obstacles to further popularity of the game among French speaking people. The pitcher is a "lanceur," left field, "voltigeur a gauche" and so on the names are translated. Can you hear the bleachers at a French game?

Pittsburg's winning outfit is the result of the Glen Warner system of coaching Warner has demonstrated that he can develop star gridders among the pale-faces as well as among red men.

It seems a pity that Howard Berry of Pennsylvania; Oliphant, of the army and Harry Le Go of Yale, will not meet this year so that a direct comparison

try, 2nd Wisconsin and 1st Mississippi Infantry, Virginia Artillery and 37th Infantry.

It seems that at least one team of the New York Division should be represented in this tournament and with such an abundance of All-American material a good team is assured. The Cavalry seem to have the cream of the players and would be the most logical unit to represent the division. Squadron A and the First Cavalry combined with such men as Kilpatrick of Yale and Ballin of Princeton on ends, Bigelow of Yale and Forsyth of Syracuse at Tackles, Robb of Cornell and Driscoll of Williams Guards, Miller of Cornell, center and in the back field, Wilkinson of Syracuse, Butler of Cornell, Freeman of Yale and Doolittle of Princeton, we see no reason why the New York Cavalry should not be a strong contender.

SEVENTH REGIMENT DEFEATS SQUADRON A

The 7th Regiment baseball team continue their winning streak. Last Saturday they defeated Squadron A in one of the fastest games that has been played in McAllen in some time. The outcome of the game was in doubt until the last man stepped up to the bat, with two men out in the last of the ninth and the score tied, Mendahall drove in the winning run with a nice clean single into left field.

The 7th have a good combination and it will take stern opposition to lower their colors.

Score of the game follows:
 Seventh Regiment.

Seventh Regt.	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Cunningham 3b	1	2	1	1	1	0
Von Klein 3b	2	0	0	0	0	1
Kleuberg 3b	1	0	1	0	0	0
Mendahall s s	4	1	1	4	2	1
Roselle 2B	3	0	1	5	4	0
Flynn 1B	4	0	2	8	1	1
Drake RF & P	4	0	2	1	2	0
Trainer C	4	0	0	3	0	0
Irvine LF	3	1	2	1	0	1
Bryan CF	4	1	1	1	0	1
Stevens C & RF	4	2	2	3	0	0
Hegeman P	3	0	0	0	1	0
Fallon RF	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	7	13	27	12	4

Squadron A.	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
McVaugh cf	5	0	1	1	0	0
H. Freeman 1b	5	1	0	8	0	0
E. Freeman 2b	5	1	0	7	0	0
Hyde s s	5	1	1	0	6	2
A. C. Rothwell c	4	0	2	7	2	0
Reynolds 3b	4	1	2	1	0	1
Ray Bigelow rf	5	0	2	1	0	0
Brooks lf	3	1	0	0	0	0
Tyscowski lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
A. S. Rothwell p	4	1	2	0	4	0
Total	41	6	10	26	13	3

Score by innings:
 Squad. A | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

BEST MILITIA CAVALRY SEEN IN BROWNSVILLE

So Says Brownsville Sentinel Speaking of New York's 1st Cavalry.

RECORD CROWD GREETED SOLDIERS

Sunday afternoon, Oct. 22, General Parker inspected the 1st N. Y. Cavalry at Brownsville after their arrival. The Cavalry left McAllen for Brownsville last Thursday. Speaking of the review "The Brownsville Sentinel" says:

"The inspection was witnessed by undoubtedly the largest crowd that has ever witnessed a military display since the troops have been here. The regiment treated General Parker and the spectators to what was the best display of mounted national guard troops ever witnessed since the mobilization. In spite of their long march from McAllen to Brownsville both horses and men were in excellent condition. The mounts were in good flesh and were groomed to perfection. Although the men were equipped with old issue pistols and sabers, both men and equipment told of careful treatment and were in themselves a recommendation for the officers and non-commissioned officers of the regiment.

General Parker was apparently well pleased with what he saw, and smiled his approval as the platoons passed the reviewing stand at the walk, trot and gallop. The review was staged immediately after the polo game, the original order being reversed so that the 1000 troop horses might not tear up the freshly rolled polo field. "A feature of the parade that attracted a great deal of attention was the beautiful black horse ridden by General Parker's orderly. The animal is a recent acquisition to General Parker's stable and is one of the most perfect animals in the garrison. The black beauty also showed himself to be an excellent ground clearer. When the crowd pressed too close around the reviewing station a well placed kick by the ney horse taught those in his immediate vicinity to keep their distance.

"The New York regiment, to begin with, is better mounted than was the First Illinois Cavalry, but at the review their horses bore the appearance of being better groomed, better cared for and better trained. The men, too, showed the results of an apparently closer application to and enthusiasm for military duties. Altogether, the performance of the First New York Cavalry came in the nature of a revelation of what a militia organization can accomplish when men and officers are willing to buckle down to hard work and cut out the grumbling."

HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT

CHARGES PLOT TO KILL NEW YORK AVIATION

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 in depriving the National Guard of the training it is entitled to, merely to satisfy the capricious notions of a prejudiced officer?

The War Department itself in the estimates which it issued to the press, and were published broadcast in newspapers on July 2nd, stated that the sum of \$9,640,800 was asked:

"For the organization, equipment and maintenance of 12 aero squadrons, for the 12 militia divisions ordered into service, either in the Militia or from the Regular Army Reserve and the Officer's Reserve Corps."

Why, then, have there not been steps taken to train the hundreds of National Guardsmen who were eager to join the air service—and why were the hundred National Guardsmen kept idle at Mineola for months, until they could stay no longer?

Attitude Towards National Guard Same as Former Attitude Towards Civilian Aviators Who are Now In Franco-American Flying Corps.

The Aviation Section's present attitude towards National Guard aviators is exactly like the attitude towards civilian aviators in 1913-1914. Several of those red-blooded American aviators who are now in the Franco-American Flying Corps, were anxious to join the United States Air Service then and were told that civilian aviators would never amount to anything. They have proven that the Army men were wrong, and we have already had occasion to regret that attitude. Had the aviation Section adopted a constructive policy then, there could have been organized reserve aero squadrons composed of civilian aviators, and the Mexicans would undoubtedly have had more respect for American lives and American property.

Under the new National Defense Act, the National Guard, being Federalized, can be as efficient as the Army cares to make it.

EVERY NIGHT A FEATURE AT THE AMUSEMENT THEATRE

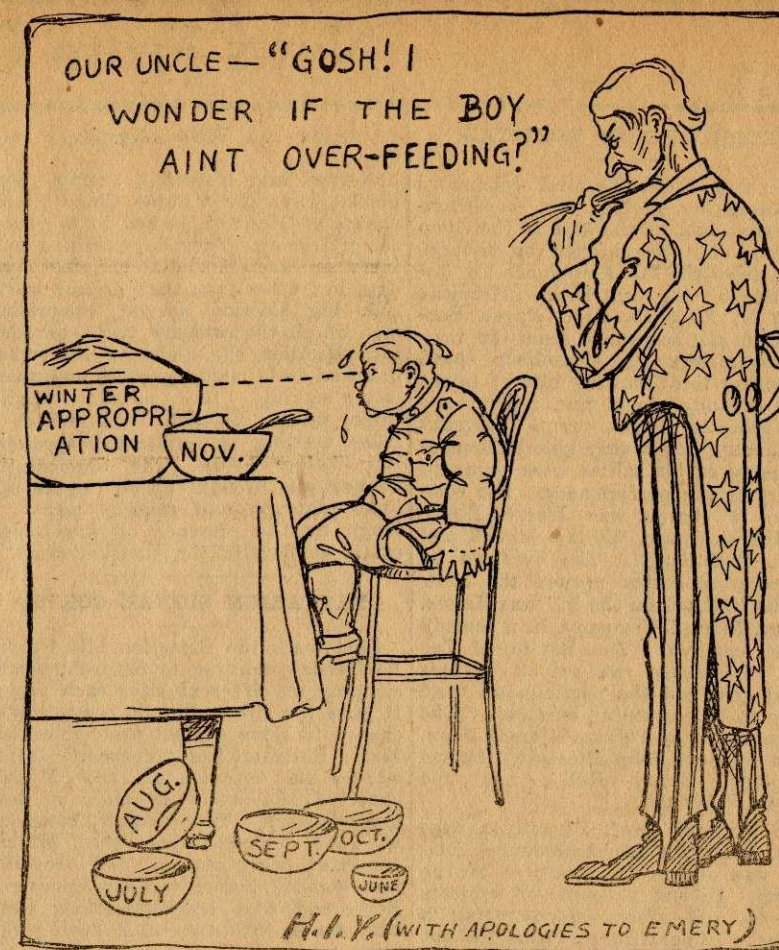
The guardsmen still flock nightly to Mr. Logan's Amusement Theatre, near the 7th Regiment camp and enjoy the special feature films and the every evening Chaplin's which are shown there. Last Sunday night Mme. Pavlova in "The Dumb Girl of Porticio" was the stellar attraction. At an exciting part of the film when the street rioters were threatening the King in his palace, that uneasy monarch cried (in a sub-title) "Send for the soldiers on the border." The shout that arose from the audience was heard at Madero and Hidalgo. Mr. Logan's program is always up-to-date and the features exhibited are the best obtainable.

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H. H. Y. (WITH APOLOGIES TO EMERY)

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News From Our Division Units

SECOND FIELD HOSPITAL.

The 2nd Field Hospital celebrated Halloween by giving an entertainment the night of the 31st at the camp quarters. It was enjoyed by a large crowd from the 4th Ambulance Co, 3rd Ambulance Co., 3rd Field Hospital, Troop B, First Cavalry, Wagon Supply train and some men from the various regiments. A three-hour show, comprising the following bits of talent shook off any gloom that might have been running around camp. Sergeant Joe Crook made a very able announcer and many of his sallies were regarded as part of the performance. The committee in charge was Joseph Harrison, Joseph Crook, William McGill and Frank McCullough. The overture by the camp orchestra opened the show and the first act on the bill was Messrs. Nerney, Denn & Company, in a comedy sketch, entitled "The Battle of Too Soon." Comedy ran amuck in this farcical gem and the participants were hardly to be classed as amateurs. The cast consisted of Privates James Denn, Frank Nerney, John Prescott, Thomas McConnell, Henry Kelly, and Joe Chaplain" Waugh.

The work of Prof. Farnett, a hypnotist, from the 4th Ambulance Company was one of the features of the evening. He put a couple of subjects to sleep and after demonstrating a number of scientific problems he put them through some comic antics that put Charlie Chaplin in the shade.

A quartette from Troop B, 1st Cavalry, was easily the stellar vocal hit of the evening. Three numbers were put over to the complete satisfaction of the audience. Don Woods, Reggie Woods, Corporal Friez, and Private Harris were the able entertainers and are conceded to be the best quartette on the Border. It was greatly appreciated by the 2nd Field Hospital as the true Albany spirit as usual came to the front. Troop B Boys, we thank you.

Private Coster, Third Field Hospital, sang "The Night That Murphy Died." in a pleasing and very entertaining manner.

A sketch depicting studio life of a movie company was put on by Sergeant Stark of the Third Field Hospital. He is an actor connected with the Vitagraph Company, and his impersonation of Lionel Bellmore was almost perfect. The sketch was a home scene in any large city, with the abduction of the fair maiden and the ultimate capture of the villain. When the fair maiden appeared on the scene the boys wondered how it was possible for a female to enter the lines through the guard. The camera consisted of a twenty-five pound Q. M., R-G, O-D Coffee can, mounted on a pyramidal tent tripod with the handle of a meat chopper for a crank and a bunch of nails as a ratchet. The company included:

Lionel Bellmore, Sergt. Starks, 3 F. H. Cameraman Frank McCullough. 2 F. H.

town the 2nd Field Hospital hails from.

Nerney and Goodrich, camp boot blacks, have the "Chine Cinco" marchants of McAllen, lashed to the mast for efficiency. They do a rushing business on and immediately after pay day, but after that they do not work.

A big election parade, comprising men of all the sanitary units, paraded into McAllen the night of November 3rd, and amid many speeches and much merry-making, the parade finally broke up in McAllen Park, where a mass meeting of prominent speakers was being held. The Democratic donkey was brought up on the Republican platform and caused many a laugh by the presence of the Democratic emblem in the enemies camp.

BATTALION SIGNAL CORPS.

Last week the Battalion hiked from Wednesday morning to Saturday noon, camping at different sites each night. It gave the fire and radio companies a chance to solve a field problem which Major Hallahan had prepared. It reminded the veterans of the Massachusetts Maneuvers of more or less fond memory. The weather, however, was far different from the Massachusetts' rainy season, but reveille was sounded before the sun appeared. Radio and wire communications were maintained with the camp during the hike.

Sergeant Conner has returned after his extended vacation, which he enjoyed at Monte Cristo and Brownsville.

Sergeant Fay and his chief assistant, Motley, have been busy maintaining the Border line and detached post telephone system from their Headquarters at Mission, with excellent results.

Lieutenant Colonel Edgar Russell, Department Signal Officer and Major F. E. Hopkins, District Signal Officer were recent visitors. We regret that illness prevented Major Wildman from being with them.

Yes, our overcoats came last week. Our Supply Sergeants are prepared for the severest weather conditions. Call early and obtain a selection from the latest styles.

2ND AMBULANCE COMPANY

As has been the case ever since its arrival at Pharr, last July, the Second Ambulance Company is, still keeping busy. A detachment of the Company is still at La Gloria and four ambulances are with that detail. In addition to these, one ambulance of the company has accompanied each battalion of the 23rd and 74th regiments that have gone to the range so far, and one will go with each of the remaining battalions of these regiments.

The Spanish class is making wonderful progress and students are already practising. The natives in the vicin DIVISION
apt. nd Lieu.

E, F, C, and H pulled out of McAllen early Friday morning, November 3rd, with the firm conviction that they were bidding goodbye to their vote. Each troop carried with it four or five of the big pyramidal tents, leaving the frame work, like demolished umbrellas, behind them. Supplies to last them during their stay in the field were also carried on the transport wagons. Forage for the horses has been sent by train. A detail of eleven men was sent to Donna the day before to take care of this.

The 3rd Squadron, under Major Tobin, will leave on Friday, November 10th, to relieve this guard. I troop will guard the sector to the west of the Donna Canal, while K, L and M will go to Penitas. The distance from McAllen to each of these points is somewhat over 20 miles, and will be covered in one day.

Strict orders have been issued to allow no one to cross the river except at Hidalgo, where the U. S. Customs' House is located. Anyone caught in the act of crossing at any other point will be taken to the immigration authorities at that point. All floating logs which attempt the river journey to Brownsville during the next few weeks do so at their own risk.

The target practice at La Gloria which has been discussed so long that it is assuming the nature of folk lore, will of necessity be postponed. It is expected that the troops will be sent there upon their return. And the Mission Guard, which for many weeks have preserved the fourteen blades of grass to the west of the railroad station from the clutches of the persistent nature fakirs, has been discontinued. This should prove a serious depressant to the Mission ice cream market.

The all too rapid approach of the big gridiron battles in the North has begun to quicken the football instincts in our blood at a time when we would ordinarily begin wondering where we packed those skates last fall, and whether they could be made to slide over another winter.

Since the football season officially opened six weeks ago, the Rochester men have been booting a football back and forth with a faithful monotony, broken only when the ball, sliced by the toe of an army shoe, finds a resting place between the tents where some lathering shaver gazes into a 10-cent, mirror, searching anxiously for some sign of that drawn look for home consumption. As the ball displaces the water in the basin like a fat man in a bath tub and caroming drives the shaving brush down his throat, the realization that the football season is really on is driven home.

I troop has begun to select candidates for a first and second team. During the last week, they have been running through preliminary practice outside the Machine Gun Troop's camp. The tendency toward concrete of Texas soil when not rained on every day

into the impenetrable fog with considerable interest as to whether those turkey wings which we see flapping faintly ahead belong to New York or Texas birds, or even birds of other places.

As we wake up about four in the morning under the impression that we have been cast adrift on an ice floe only to find that the edges of the blankets have parted company in the back it is hard to realize that less than 90 days ago we lay with astonishingly little over us but mosquito netting, trying to decide whether it was best to leave the netting on and dissolve like a candle, or remove it and be consumed like a hamburger steak. We can even imagine a time when setting up exercises may be a pleasure. E. S.

69TH INFANTRY

Co. M. Lieut. W. S. Patten commanding, did some excellent shooting while on the rifle range at La Gloria, last week.

The exercise on the range consisted of combat firing under direction of Major Chandler, range officer, and was one of the most interesting pieces of work the regiment has done since arriving at the Border.

Starting a company on the range, first a squad is deployed as an advance guard and goes into action at once. The first targets represent an enemy advance guard and as they spring up out of the brush firing starts. The targets remain exposed for a short time then disappear and the advance guard goes forward reinforced by its support only to have larger targets appear. Then the reserve is advanced and so on until the whole company is on the firing line. The enemy is represented by about fifty small silhouette targets.

Twenty rounds of ammunition per man is allowed and all advances have to be made as if the company was actually under fire taking advantage of cover, squad column movements through the brush, proper carrying of the rifle, fire discipline and control are all considered in giving a company its percentage. Each target, of course, had its different marks of value and hits were counted accordingly.

Each of the companies of the 3rd battalion in which Co. M belongs, had two days on the range and after the first days firing when Co. M's score looked big 1st Sergt. Connelly of Co. L rallied his forces together for a drive that would beat the boys from M Company. While Co. L in the second days firing had the highest score of one days work, the previous days lead obtained by Co. M was too much for them to overcome and Sergt. Connelly had to admit defeat.

Major Chandler complimented Co. M not only for its good scores, but its work in general on the range, such as taking advantage of cover, good work by squad and platoon leaders and maintaining perfect discipline while on

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REGIMENT POST No. 1

RIVER PATROL DUTY BY SIXTH DIVISION

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BATTALIONS RELIEVED EVERY WEEK

As a part of the program of actual patrol duty and the guarding of the Rio Grande to prevent crossings, the Division Commander has issued a new order concerning detached posts along the river and in contiguous sectors. Two sectors have been added to the territory under the control of the 6th Division and the detached posts are increased from two companies to a battalion, each relief doing duty for one week before being replaced by a separate battalion from the same regiment. The significant paragraphs of the General order as issued from Division Headquarters, follows.

Headquarters Sixth Division,
McAllen, Texas, Nov. 1, 1916.
General Orders No. 46.

On November 3rd, the line of detached posts established along the Military Road from MADERO to SAN JUAN HACIENDA by G. O. 37 these Headquarters, October 14, 1916, will be extended on the west one mile east of PENITAS, and on the east to LA DONNA CANAL. Total length of road covered as line of resistance about 28 miles, and of river front, as line of observation, about 52 miles.

The river front is divided into eight sectors, a squadron of cavalry and a battalion from each infantry regiment in the 1st and 3rd Brigades is detailed for the duty.

Each Brigade Commander will arrange so that the Machine Gun Company of one of his regiments is constantly on or near the line of resistance. In case one regiment is temporarily detached for combat exercises or other duty, he will cover his three sectors with the two remaining battalions.

Each command will march to and from its post as though in the presence of an enemy. March, camp and outpost orders will be issued.

Each Commanding Officer, upon arriving at his station will get in touch with the commanders of adjoining stations. Brigade Commanders will decide all questions of jurisdiction in their own commands and will refer other such questions to these Headquarters.

The Commanding Officer in each sector will suitably locate his command in one or more detached posts along the line of resistance.

Each sector commander will establish an outpost formation that will effectively and appropriately cover his entire sector by suitable outguards and patrols by day and night. Advantage will be taken by every opportunity to

give his command as much instruction and training as possible. He will impress upon them the fact that their work, while on these duties, is essentially practical and that the situation is real and not assumed.

Each sector commander will require the officers and enlisted men of his command to learn a few words of Spanish. A small English-Spanish vocabulary will be found in the "Manual of Non-commissioned Officers and Privates of Infantry of the Organized Militia and Volunteers of the United States," pages 252-261. There are numerous other small books available for acquiring an elementary knowledge of Spanish. The following are given as necessary for sentinels:

ENGLISH: Halt! Who goes there?

SPANISH: Alto! Quien vive?

PRONUNCIATION: AHL-to. Kee-AIN-VEE-veh.

All crossings of the RIO GRANDE RIVER along our line of observation are now illegal, except at the HIDALGO IMMIGRATION CROSSING. Each detached post commander will prevent illegal crossings or traffic within his sector. Any person arrested will be sent at once to the immigration authorities at HIDALGO by suitable transportation or by being turned over to successive commanding officers en route. Prisoners will be treated courteously and kindly.

Each morning the river bank will be carefully examined for evidence of crossing.

Fords and crossings will be under constant observation. All roads and trails leading to the river will be covered.

Each sector commander will provide himself with a good map of his own sector and contiguous country. Immediately upon taking station he will have a sketch (scale 6 in to 1 mi) made of that portion of his sector one-half mile north or east of the MILITARY ROAD to the RIO GRANDE RIVER and clearly indicating thereon all outguards, regular patrols and other dispositions.

Detached post and sector commanders will keep a diary showing in detail the dispositions made, the number and kind of patrols, information received and in general containing a record of all matters of military value.

In case of an attack by a small hostile force, each regiment will support its own line and adjoining posts will support each other. In case of any large movement these Headquarters will have sufficient advance notice to give the necessary orders.

Each detached post commander and each sector commander, upon being relieved, will explain his sketch and diary to his successor, and will transmit to him all orders and information pertaining to the station. Upon joining his regiment, he will forward his sketch and a detailed written report compiled from his diary, to these Headquarters, through channels.

The troops in each sector will be relieved weekly in such rotation as will insure an equal distribution of this class of duties among the organizations of each regiment, or arm.

All questions involving equipment to be used, rental of camp sites, fuel, water, transportation, supply and medical attendance will be handled by the regimental commanders.

Regimental commanders will see that suitable defenses are prepared along their respective lines, that the works are of appropriate character and as progressive in construction as practicable, so that each relief will have its proportionate share of work, and in this connection, the troops will be instructed in the making of gabions, fascines, hurdles, and other revetting material, as described in the Engineer Field Manual, pages 371 to 376. The outguards will also be given practical field instruction in entrenching their positions. See Infantry Drill Regulations, paragraphs 584 to 595.

Each regimental and organization commander will send to these Headquarters, at least 24 hours in advance of a change, the designation of his new outpost detail, with the name of its commander.

To make compliance with the foregoing more practicable, par. 3, G. O. 37 is amended to read as follows: The two companies at each detached post on November 2nd may remain until relieved by operation of this order.

Brigade and Regimental commanders will make at least one careful inspection of each battalion or detachment during its tour of outpost duty.

The entire command is reminded that many inhabitants of the Border are unacquainted with the English language and no one should be fired upon unless clearly identified as an enemy. Commanding officers are strictly enjoined to take every precaution to prevent accidents which may result from excess zeal, over wrought imagination, or partial identification. In this connection troops are cautioned that at night ordinary objects are frequently distorted in appearance, floating logs and stumps of trees resembling boats, men, etc. An animate object failing to halt or answer when challenged, may prove to be an animal.

The Commanding Officer of the Signal Battalion will arrange for the communication of the detached posts with each other and with regimental, brigade and division headquarters.

The Commanding Officer, 22nd New York Engineers is charged with keeping all connecting roads in condition for quick movements; he will frequently inspect the defenses and make recommendations to the detached post commanders in case he considers any changes in construction of plans advisable. He will add to the progressive military map the data submitted by the various detachments.

The Division Surgeon will see that all proper sanitary precautions are taken at the various detached posts, and will have one ambulance for emergency service stationed at each of the headquarters of the OJO DE AGUA, HIDALGO and SAN JUAN HACIENDA SECTORS. The ambulance personnel will be subsisted with the organizations at the stations to which attached.

The Commanding General, Artillery Brigade, will prepare data for promptly covering the various crossings along the line of observation and for supporting the defense of any sector that may be threatened with attack.

Commanding Officers of organizations may modify the requirements as to periods of instruction in Training Memorandum of October 27th so that the course prescribed therein will be interfered with as little as possible.

By command of Major-General O'Ryan.

H. H. BANDHOLTZ,
Colonel, Chief of Staff.

Official. Franklin W. Ward,
Major, Asst. Chf. of Staff, Act. Adjutant.

PSI UPSILON HOLDS BORDER REUNION

Last Wednesday evening was a lively night for Pharr, Texas. Accustomed as they are to guardsmen's demonstrations and formerly to bandit raids, perhaps the inhabitants might have become more or less sophisticated but the members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity who gathered there on that eventful night, taught the natives something new in the way of glee singing and "toasting the owl."

The time-hallowed songs of this venerable college fraternity were probably never sung with more spirit and affection or in such strange surroundings. Within a few miles of Mexico "Come Brothers, and a Song We'll Sing" boomed out, upon the stilly night as it had never resounded in any luxurious chapter-house up north and "The Shrine Song" carried its poignant message to the coyotes and the Mexicans.

Around the long table in the Pharr Hotel thirty-five bearers of the Diamond ate and sang and toasted in "Psi U Beer" (merely a euphonious and figurative expression) the owl, the garnet and gold, and the absent brothers.

In song and story were their college and fraternity days brought back to these men in khaki who pledged anew their fealty to the brotherhood. They had gathered there from various regiments in the New York Division and also from the Minnesota regiment at Llano Grande, which contributed its quota of three privates and two lieutenants.

But army ranks were forgotten in the "feast of reason and flow the soul" and shoulder straps rubbed against chevrons and plain O. D. sleeves in a true fraternal gathering.

Later on in the month on Founder's Day, a larger banquet is planned which will probably be attended by every member of the fraternity, now serving the colors along the Rio Grande.

7TH INFANTRY

On Monday morning, October 30th, there sounded commanding officers call followed by double time. The usual cries of "We're going home," greeted this call. A conference of a few minutes and unusual activity could be

noted throughout the entire camp. Quick er than it takes to write these words the entire regiment followed by the regimental wagon train could be seen slowly winding its way over the flat plain surrounding our O. D. confines. The men wore full equipment and the entire movement smacked of one of extreme military importance. About one hour later other units of the brigade could be seen moving off likewise, although it later turned out that these units had received orders to more coincident with the Seventh. This regiment beat all the other units in line, and was the only one that moved out of its regimental streets fully equipped to a man. The record is one to boast of and be proud of. Four months of service at the Border, have rendered preparation for a movement such as last Monday, purely mechanical, all departments co-operate, and efficiency has become, as always, our slogan.

Regiments may return to New York and boast of Border service they have done, of daring deeds on the banks of the Rio Grande, and other places, such as the imagination may conceive. It remains, however, for the Seventh Infantry, as represented on the Border by Co. A and details from Co. B, to effect the first real capture of a party of Mexicans crossing the Rio Grande, a short distance above the outpost upon an improvised raft. The party was first discovered crossing at 11:30 p. m. the evening of October 31st by an outpost about 2 1/2 miles above Madero. The shrill whistle signals of the sentry brought forth the entire outpost composed of companies A and B. The party was at once apprehended, searched, and conveyed to the authorities at Hidalgo. The medical officer at this town, refused to pass two of the party, and after a close examination of the prisoners three were released and allowed to enter. This capture demonstrated the conscientious manner in which our outposts undertake their duties and carry out the trust imposed upon them when in the exercise of office.

Besides capturing prisoners, versatility was also shown in the precise manner in which the tent floors, with sides attached were moved out into the company streets on Nov. 1st. All were removed in exactly one half hour. Some moved the floors with the tents attached. Important discoveries were made when these floors left the foundations they had occupied for over five weeks, and the secret recesses existing between the floors and ground were exposed to the glaring sunlight. There were several peculiar looking bottles under the floor of one tent. They weren't White Rock, Bevo, or Peruna. One must think of G. O. 7 in these times.

In New York, the town of our nativity, they are having house parties, this time of year. The furniture, covers are off, the moth balls out of the overcoats, and the card tray duly polished. Here in McAllen, we gave as near a house party as our fireside permitted. On Nov. 3rd last, we entertained as our distinguished guests our old friends and near neighbors, the 69th Regiment. The Seventh was received in the after-

noon by Col. Haskell, his staff officers and sergeants. After the review, the officers of the 69th were escorted to the officers mess, and the non-commissioned officers marched down the Regimental street, following the field music where the non-commissioned officers of the Seventh Regiment met them and proceeded to entertain in their respective company streets. In the evening, all repaired to the platform rigged up in the rear of the Chaplains tent, where an excellent performance was enjoyed as the result of the co-operation of the talent of both companies. Col. Fiske's address of welcome wherein he told of the long existing friendship and common ideals of both military organizations, and his high praise for their common ideals evoked much enthusiastic applause. The ensuing programme was one of celtic humor and brilliancy.

The past week has been one of extreme originality as far as drills are concerned. The mornings have been spent in estimating ranges for effective rifle fire. A target is outlined and problem is to estimate the distance of this object in yards. The work has been interesting, since estimating distance in this flat terrain has brought forth many new problems in range finding.

Lt. Von Roeder has so far recovered from the injury to his leg, that he has undertaken a trip to Madero to cure all manner of ills which may arise at this outpost. The Third Battalion composed of companies J. K. L & M. departed for Madero on Nov. 4th to relieve the two companies there on Border duty, and to increase further the number of outposts all readiestablished at this place.

Lt. Clark of the Third Company has departed for New York on a 30 day leave of absence. Capt. Lucas, has likewise departed on a 30 day leave of absence.

The Seventh Regiment Glee Club is now actively rehearsing for its first concert, and from the number of men attending and range of voices, it is expected that a very fine organization will be developed. All men interested should attend the rehearsals which are announced at the company formations.

The Regimental baseball team added again to its laurels on Nov. 5th last, when it defeated a team from Squadron A. Pvt. Cunningham of Co. B received a broken finger in the game and was compelled to retire before the game was quite finished.

The Dansant recently held at the armory by the Ladies Auxillary was a decided success, and one of the events of the affair was a telegram from McAllen by Col. Fiske, expressing his warm appreciation for the unselfish devotion of this organization to a worthy cause. The armory was literally jammed to the doors, and its financial success exceeded the greatest expectations.

Former Capt. White visited the regimental camp last week, and his civilian dress topped off with a Border hat and 7th Regiment hat band was the first seen by us in four months.

Next Week—a special cartoon by Lieut. Gordon Grant.