

TRENCH AND CAMP

EAST AND WEST MEETS YET WORLD STILL MOVES

Boys From Far West and From
District of Columbia Now
Compose 162d Infantry.

The various companies that are here at present in the 162d Infantry regiment received their first quota of men to bring them up to war strength in accordance with the formation of companies that has just been adopted by the government, when the commanding companies of the Third District of Columbia and Maryland were transferred to this regiment. Company H drew as their first quota 33 non-commissioned officers and privates, who were at once made to feel at home with the boys from the West and the latest reports indicate that all will be peace and harmony within the organization, as they all seem very satisfied with the change in the powers that have been deemed fit to make. As the boys of the 162d Infantry were all from the far West and the District of Columbia boys are from the East, we have an interesting mix-up, for the two have met—and the world still moves. Of course there is a little stiffness at first, but the good fellowship of the army will soon cause that to wear off and there is no doubt that they will make a regular happy family.

The divisional program of eight hours' drill a day will hit some of the boys mighty hard and they may wake up to find the familiar war is a hard game and that the rigid course of training to be gone through, to make them able to take care of themselves when the time comes to play the game in earnest, does not allow any time for social activities on a large scale. Many of the boys in the army are from the South, and the oath because they are not enough patriotism to want to be there where the excitement would be found but in many cases where the rigid discipline of the army was not exacted at once and where they were given a great deal of liberty, they soon forgot just what they were wearing. O, for and the popularity of the pleasure and popularity that was given them by the wearing of the fighting uniform of the United States Army. The course of discipline and training the boys have gone through since their arrival in Camp Greene is rather like the iron out of the men and bringing home the truth of the seriousness of the work they have before them. Yes, boys, army life is no longer one continual round of pleasure but the most serious thing you have ever tackled in your lives no buckskin infatuation can compare with it. You will when the time comes give a good account of yourselves—as good as you have ever given by being a member of the floor committee of a military ball.

The second Liberty loan is going to bring forth a mighty support from the boys in uniform if present indications do not miscarry and the English as they have done will back up the President in his second call for financial aid from the people. When the notice of the boys was called to this appeal, they took hold with such enthusiasm and subscribed to bonds so freely that it looks as if they will make the rest of the people look foolish unless they too will follow the lead and make their drive as successful as the boys are going to make theirs. The men of the 162d Infantry put their shoulders behind the wheel and ground out a total subscription about as high as any other regiment, and not one of them has as yet shown any signs of having regretted their efforts to help their country. If other divisions come up to the mark that has been set by the forty-first division as their goal, the second Liberty loan will be over-subscribed by many millions of dollars—that is to say the citizens do their bit and we have taken it for granted that they will do theirs.

Ick Stevens, Mountain meningitis, says he is in favor of the Sunny South, but that he would like to get back to the far West for the combination of hot days and cold nights we have here is apt to give him pneumonia and cause his death. He claims he enlisted to be a hero and he has never heard tell of a hero dying of pneumonia.

Private Montgomery, of H company, is one of the members of the recently organized censorship committee of "Y" No. 108. He has been on the stage himself and knows a good show when he sees it.

The California bakers are real original "dough boys."

BIG TIME AT "Y" 107 DURING "STUNT NIGHT"

Soldiers Sit on Rafters High in Building and Risk Life and Limb as They Laugh.

Stunts, expected and unexpected, featured the activities at building 107 during the past week. Plenty of healthy "pop" in overflowing measure, pep of lungs and pep of wit, pep on the stage and pep in the audience, acted as a vigorous stimulant to put life and laughter into the crowds. Crowds were there, too. The dignified few sat in fragile chairs, two of which collapse each evening to add mirth to the performance. But the ambitious scaled the splintery pillars, and enjoyed reserved perches in the rafters, or else hung by their necks peering through the windows. And some went home disappointed, for there was no room for them.

Unmistakably the star comedians are bouncing, baboon man Tub Carroll and his crafty master-mind, Doc Miller; for the latter's knowledge of the secret art of the underworld, and the former's facial gymnastics and lightness of heavy feet brought down the house, and sent it into paroxysms of laughter.

The Idaho quartet, with its whimsical songs, and clop dancer, Hawkins, were others who, like Carroll and Miller, were not popularly known but yet achieved the most distinct success. They simply could not get off the stage; the boys would not let them.

On Monday evening Carroll, as volunteer singing leader, took things in charge. The regular entertainers were Misses and Mrs. Patterson and the troupe of Company N, N.C. Their performance was a distinct success and was greeted with much enthusiasm, especially the negro melodies sung by "Aunt Melinda." Nevertheless, before they came, things did not drag. Quite the contrary. Enlisting at one at a time, singing leader, Carroll commanded the boys to sing, and sang them song (when they knew the songs). Then the Idaho quartet was called out, and held for encore upon encore, and then recalled at the conclusion of the entertainment for a repetition of its parody and catchy songs. Some one from Company E, Company E, 164th Infantry. He sang with much success and Hawkins, Company B, clogged. His feet began to shake and twitch faster and faster until he nearly took a giant leap over the audience. Several of the spectators narrowly escaped contact with the flying feet.

Wednesday was regular stunt night. Robert W. Service seemed to be the favorite with the entertainers. Billy Ryan of Company A, 164th, recited "The Creamation of Sam Magee" and later Doc Miller, called up from the audience to his feet for a bow, gave the popular poet's "The Shooting of Dan McGrew." Company G's quartet was greeted with much enthusiasm. The Scottish selections of Macpherson, Company D, Montana, gave variety to the program. "Heap big injun" John Cuff proved himself a master crayon artist. Using a handily made easel made from two tripods, he drew some half dozen caricatures and portraits, the best being as usual an Indian head. The climax of the performance was Doc Miller's hypnotism of Tub Carroll. The master magician put his subject to sleep, then one after another, created the illusion that he was a monkey. And he surely acted like one. Hanging from rafters, jumping onto the piano, leaping into the audience, and making faces in real baboon fashion, he played the part well. And many were "sucked in." But later in the boxing bout, Carroll came back and gave his tormentor a turn.

Second boxing bouts were scheduled for later in the evening, but, as on other occasions, military exigencies prevented their taking place. However, then again, volunteer scrapers did their part to make the evening a success.

On Thursday evening the band of the old Second Idaho Infantry gave a short, stirring concert intermingled with mass slogging led by Mr. Barlow. Later the Orpheus Four of Los Angeles, Cal., put on an hour program which was greatly appreciated by the fellows.

ENGINEER RECRUITS COME FROM CALIFORNIA FORT

Twenty-one men arrived late last Tuesday night from Fort McDowell, Angel Island, California, and are attached to Companies A and C of the 116th Engineers. They report a good trip via St. Louis and Atlanta. The following men have been assigned to Companies A and C:

Arthur J. Cordray, William H. Patterson, Chauncey Potts, Charles B. Walker, Benjamin Davenport, Frederick L. Miller, James T. Murphy, Percy Pascoe, Cecil J. Rhodes, Archie C. Walker.

Those who are attached to Companies B and D:

Louis Damiano, Jesse A. Gordon, Rudolph Molina, Frank Downey, Clare S. Stephens, Rubin Towson, Harry Davis, Walter K. Dohner, Elliott A. Odess, Francis D. Tremaine.

Equality of Service

To every patron of this company is our confident aim, purpose and desire. And to that end the transportation system which is to serve Camp Greene has been made a part and parcel of the street railway of the city of Charlotte and it will cost the same five cents fare to travel between city and camp as between the various sections of the town.

We believe this policy tends to the best interests of the soldiery and the civilian citizenship of this community and their welfare is our welfare.

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