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## Interesting Lettter from Camp Brumbaugh

An Interesting Letter from the "Watchman's" Special Correspondent.

Camp Brumbaugh, June 28.-Knowing that you are expecting an account of the doings of the boys in camp, I will endeavor to furnish you some facts, but first want to say that if anything ever got on a fellow's nerves, it was the parting scene at the P. R. R. station at home. The moaning and bewailing of the vast assemblage, although the result of natural emotion, put a depressed feeling on all, until we neared Miles-

The Lock Haven troopers, on the same train, then came in to visit us and we older fellows having met them before at previous camps, joined in relating experiences of former affairs and discussed what we might expect in this fracas, until instead of being soldier boys off to help their Uncle Sammy hold up his hands, as they did in bible times to conquer an enemy, you would have thought us bound on the railroad excursion to Tolchester Beach.

Some of the boys indulged in a card game, and it must have been Old Maid, for they would ask for two or three cards at a time. I heard one velt four years ago.

Arriving at Tyrone at 8 o'clock the ent. Sheridan Troop was picked up, and Headed by Our Boys band of the boys were all delighted to see us. Milesburg the Troop marched from We arrived at Camp Brumbaugh, the armory and came to attention on Mt. Gretna at 12.30 p. m., and the the pavement in front of the Elks. boys were all ready for action.

been put in readiness by an advance orting the soldier boys to do their much cajolery the canvass and equip- troduced Col. H. S. Taylor as the the greatest military camps this ly applauded to the echo by the glorious State has ever seen.

three miles from the infantry at Mt. follows: Gretna, with all tents up and equipped as one would hardly expect under the circumstances. Almost any hour may come the order of departure for southern territory, and it will find us all ready and anxious-

The health of the troopers has been excellent. George Wise, of the Gap, was chosen official dentist, and finding a snapping turtle he decided to keep it for use in extracting teeth. His office will always be open for the accommodation of his friends.

We are now awaiting the mess call for dinner, so will have to close, assuring you that the boys all appreciate what the folks at home did for us on the eve of our departure, and kindly thank the W. C. T. U., the Elks and all the others.

Frank Crissman wanted to know the difference between the National Guard and a National biscuit, and was referred to Capt. Curtin or First Lieut. Taylor for the answer. Corp. H. J. COHEN.

-They are all good enough, but the WATCHMAN is always the best.

## Troop L Given an Enthusiastic Send-off.

Big Farewell Reception at the Elks on Saturday Evening. ed with all his ability and was the first Gov-Thousands at the Train Sunday Morning to say the Last Good Bye.

Centre county soldiers fought in independence. Thirty-six years later the sons of Centre county assisted in driving the invading army of Again in 1848 Centre countians were to be found in the line when Gen. Taylor's army invaded Mexico on a our own great Civil war Centre county soldiers as units were to be found in thirteen regiments, ranging defense of their country. now again Centre county has been murder of American citizens and in

upholding the honor of the nation. in this place last Thursday and Captain H. Laird Curtin went before army. He later swore in first lieutenant E. R. Taylor and second lieusworn in by prothonotary D. R. Foreman. All the officers were busy recruiting Friday and Saturday in the field. order to get the troop up to a war

BIG RECEPTION TO TROOP

The farewell reception to the of them say that he "stood pat," Troop planned by the Elks was held although I know he voted for Roose- at the Elks home on Saturday evening and proved a rousing send-off as "Pop" Hampton, assisted by his well as patriotic affair. The Elks able corps-Jeff Tierney, Morrison, home was resplendent in its decora-Casper and "Chee" Emenhizer, sang tion of flags and the national colors "There's a Land That is Fairer Than and it is estimated that between four and five thousand people were pres-

Burgess Edmund Blanchard presid-

One hundred and forty years ago | Officers and Men of Troop L, First Pennsylva nia Cavalry, and my Fellow Countrymen.

What means this vast assemblage of peo that great struggle for our national ple, this great outpouring of citizenship? It means that dark, grim, brooding war again nia troops in camp or at the front. o'erhangs this Nation. At this time such scenes as we have here are being enacted in The President of the United States has made Great Britain from American soil. a call for troops and you are responding, for which you fight unsullied while in your mission of subjugation, and during grand music of war, while many a tear- erans and the Grand Army of the Re-

from one company up to seven, and Centre county has always been patriotic and standards, and he said to them, "Here prompt to respond to the call of duty and the Spanish-American war; who fought in a Pennsylvanian that they shall never be and about one hundred of her sons and fell on many battlefields in the defense dishonored nor deserted." Years afterwards are practically on their way to the of their country. You are Centre countians when they returned they gave back to him

proud of you.

tion of Independence was signed? It was who left this county and State. on Pennsylvania soil that the old "Liberty The fundamental principles of success in 'Squire G. Wash Rees and took the Bell" rang out freedom and independence to a military organization in time of peace or oath of allegiance to the federal all the people of the earth and to the Na- war, is absolute obedience to your superior Pennsylvania soil that the fifteenth decisive care and training; this means much. You tenant Claude W. Smith, while regi- battle of the world was fought at Gettys- will have many hardships to undergo, many mental surgeon S. M. Huff was burg, the high water mark at the sad hours, when far away from home but

> was Centre county who gave to the State come. the great War Governor, Andrew G. Curtin,

"God bless her loyal Governor." This is an historical occasion, held on a historic spot, here at the residence of the Centre countians and Pennsylvanians. great War Governor, now occupied by the Order of Elks, "the best people on earth," who have this great celebration in charge. Their Order is founded upon the principles of the Flag for which you all will fight. How different this camp from other years, when the camp had always were all ready for action.

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Centre county again gave the great State of Pennsylvania that great citizen, jurist and soldier, General James A. Beaver, who star and liken it unto the blue field of the ed up to that time. Lieut. Smith

detail. But with light hearts and duty when at the front. He then in- only twenty-one years old, reported to General Hancock for the assignment of his regiment was soon unloaded and what speaker of the evening, and that that my regiment be placed in the front, We will hope and pra was once a field of wheat was in a gentleman never did better than he where they can see and maintain the discifew hours transformed into one of did on that occasion, being frequent- pline in the future which I have taught war. He knows that in time of war the crowd as well as the members of the parted and said to them, "Boys, keep your Our camp is located at Colebrook, Troop. In part Col. Taylor spoke as eyes on that young Colonel, he is a coming

untiring effort and with loyalty to the Na- God. Farewell. tion and to the citizens of his State, assistready to respond.

History is almost repeating itself again. War is o'er the land, again a call is made by the President and by Governor Brumbaugh of this great State, who was born in ernor he will uphold and sustain the traditions of the past, in caring for Pennsylva-

Therefore, you have before you the record of great men and soldiers to uphold and with prayer and the benediction ny, if needed, and already has quite every county and State in our great Nation. sustain, and I know you will do it. You will follow in their footsteps and return the Flag and you will go forward to perform your hands. I know it will never be deserted nor duty. I can see your banners flying, your dishonored. You have before you here upon flags floating, your streamers dancing in the this rostrum the Daughters of the American morning breeze as you march to the wild, Revolution, the Spanish-American war vetdimmed mother, sad sister or sweetheart public, a remnant of those great patriots gives evidence of the call for war, and the who fought on many a battle-field, and when ones they love they are now giving to the they went to the front Gov. Curtin presented to each and every regiment their colors and you are but following in the footsteps of are your colors and your standards, take the heroes of the Revolution, the Rebellion them, and I know as long as there is life borderland to help in avenging the and you are Pennsylvanians and we are the colors and standards, tattered and torn, and they said unto him, "Here Governor, we Look at the great record of this State, return our colors and standards and report pholding the honor of the nation.

Troop L mobilized at the armory

the "Keystone State" of the Union. Was it not on Pennsylvania soil that the first Coned." And I know that you will maintain the tinental Congress met, where the Declara- great record of all the soldiers and sailors

> tions yet unborn. We have our Valley officers, always obey every order without Forge and our Brandywine. Was it not on hesitation, and maintaining your health by the backbone of the rebellion was broken great patriotic citizenship is behind you. and shattered and our enemies driven from The loyal citizens of the community and county will see that your wives and children, Pennsylvania gave to the Nation the your family or any one you leave behind great Generals Meade, Reynolds, Sheridan, will be taken care of until you return, and Beaver, Hartranft, Curtin and Gregg. It may God speed the day when that will

> Centre county furnished the great Generwho stood at the right hand of the great al, John I. Curtin, one of the finest military Lincoln and who was his main support dur- men I ever knew and one of the ablest while ing that awful conflict. It was the Pennsyl- in the army, so that again history repeats vania troops that were the first to respond itself, as in every war this county has had in that great war, and as they marched since its foundation a "Curtin" has been in down Pennsylvania Avenue in review be- her ranks. And you have as your commandfore President Lincoln and his cabinet, the er today Captain H. Laird Curtin, bearing President turned to his aides, and with tears the stamp of character, loyalty, courage, in his eyes, exclaimed: "God bless Pennsyl- ability and patriotism of his great ancesvania," "God bless the Pennsylvanians," tors, and we all entrust to him, our fathers, sons or brothers, and we know full well that under him you will maintain the record as

This great audience bids you God speed to as Colonel of the 148th Pennsylvania, when flag of your country, the canopy of Heaven had done some hard work and when

the front, leaving sorrow, tears and sadness in every home.

Now, on behalf of all here assembled, your

Governor in 1898, great citizen, lawyer and return to us again, having performed your Col. W. Fred Reynolds

ed to the Troop a regulation national strains of music. flag. In response Capt. Curtin thanked the D. A. R. and said that it baugh of this great State, who was born in Huntingdon county, only a few miles from the Centre county line, and as the War Gov-Burgess Blanchard then presented about Troop L. each member of the Troop with a big yellow silk kerchief, the delight of all soldiers. The meeting closed by Dr. Ambrose M. Schmidt.

> TROOP LEAVES FOR MT. GRETNA The Troop was scheduled to leave for Mt. Gretna at seven o'clock or ing the early hour about two thousand people gathered at the Pennsylthem Godspeed. Prior to leaving the armory Rev. William K. McKinney visited them, held a brief brush for his horse. prayer service and gave each man a little booklet on the Gospel of St. John. It was just a quarter of seven when the Troop, headed by the Runville band, marched from the armory to the station just as the train pulled in. It took a few minutes to shift the cars and during that time final good byes were said and this was the most affecting scene of all. Women sobbed and even some of the soldious byels down and shed to sold the soldious byels down and shed to sold the burg. soldiers broke down and shed tears, but they were not tears of regret or cowardice, but merely the surcharge of an overwrought heart for the sorrow of others.

As soon as the train was made up Capt. Curtin gave the order to entrain and every man marched with soldierly tread and got aboard. A the platform and trumpted out the final call just as Frank Taylor did eighteen years ago, and with the band playing "The Star Spangled Banner," the train pulled out.

Wet eyes and heavy hearts left hehind and believe the star of the s few minutes later the bell clanged peach orchard and the wheat field? There always remember that your friends and a and trumpeters Donald M. Sny-

left behind and the prayer of every one in the multitude gathered to see the soldier boys off was that every man of them return, war or no war, and that they then be crowned with

honors worthily won. The Troop train arrived at Mt. Gretna at 12.30 p.m. Sunday and the boys had their camp in order the same afternoon. Monday afternoon they were inspected and sworn into the federal service and every man firmly responded "yes" when asked if he was willing to go to the front. "ROOKIES" LEAVE FOR CAMP.

marched to the Elks where a public farewell reception was given them. Burgess Blanchard presided brief speeches were made by and friends and all citizens, I bid you God-speed, Taylor, Col. W. R. Teller and Father

soldier, General D. H. Hastings, who with duty to your home, your country and your each one of the "rookies" with a big yellow kerchief. From the Elks At the close of Col. Taylor's ad- they marched to the depot where the dress ex-Judge Ellis. L. Orvis was parting scene was even more hearternor in the Nation to report to Secretary of War Alger that Pennsylvania's quota was introduced and in behalf of the ing, but they finally entrained and Bellefonte Chapter D. A. R. present- got away amid cheers and the

> TROOPLETS. The "Watchman" has secured the

> Col. H. S. Taylor has started a list for the recruiting of another compaa number of signers.

Col. J. L. Spangler gave the Troop \$25.00 for tobacco; the W. C. T. U. Sunday morning, and notwithstand- gave each member a "housewife." A. G. Morris Jr., contributed a lead pencil and holder to each member vania station to see them off and bid and the Preparedness League will

> Following is a complete roster of the Troop:

W. C. From, married, State College.
Harry W. Schreffler, married, Bellefonte.
J. Homer Decker, single, Pine Grove Corporals-Uriah N. Stover, married, Belle-

fonte.
Harry J. Cohen, single, Bellefonte.
Roy H. Grove, married, Bellefonte.
Frank E. Taylor, single, Bellefonte.
Willis W. Eminhizer, married,

fonte. Wilbur R. Decker, single, Pine

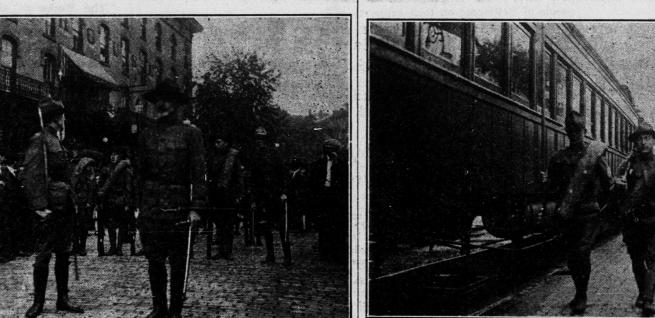
fonte.
Horse-shoer—Stewart Hampton, married Bellefonte.
Saddler—William Shutt, married, Bellefonte.
Trumpeters—Donald M. Snyder, single, Bellefonte.
Frank B. Crissman, single, Bellefonte.
PRIVATES.
Carey C. Alexander, single, Unionville.
Earle Baird, married, Lemont.
Raymond J. Bryan, single, Curtin.
Charles Brown, single, Bellefonte.
Howard L. Casper, married, Bellefonte.
D. C. Cochran, single, State College.
Harry G. Cox, married, Coleville.
Luther H. Crissman, single, Bellefonte.
Arthur Deering, single, State College.
William R. Devine, single, Pine Grove Mills.
Peter Delal, single, Bellefonte.
Robert T. Garman, single, Bellefonte.
Alonzo M. Gummo, single, Bellefonte.
Lingle H. Gummo, single, Bellefonte.
Thomas H. Hanley, married, Bellefonte.
Joseph L. Howard, single, Bellefonte.
Joseph S. Hull, single, Bellefonte.
Chester A. Johnson, single, Pine Grove Mills.
Claude M. Johnson, single, Bellefonte.
Howard J. Lannen, single, Bellefonte.

This great audience bids you God speed to your Nation's call, and in the trying days to come, and at night on the picket line when the stars shine down through the pale of the silvery moon; when you are thinking of home and friends, remember that you are upholding your Nation's honor. Gaze at the star and liken it unto the blue field of the flag of your country, the canopy of Heaven covering all, so in the future yet to come the principles which our flag represents will cover the entire world.

We will hope and pray that President Wilson by some diplomacy will avoid this great war. He knows that in time of war the flower of every home is plucked and sent to the flag of every home is plucked and sent to the flag of every home is plucked and sent to the flag of every home is plucked and sent to the flower of every home is plucked and sent to the flower of every home is plucked and sent to the flag of every home is plucked and sent to the flag of every home is plucked and sent to the flower of every home is plucked and sent t J. T. Storch, single, State College.
Paul D. Stover, married, Bellefonte.
Edward Sunday, single, Bellefonte.
Walter Switzer, single, Bellefonte.
Charles Tierney, married, Lyontown.
Geo. B. Wise, married, Pleasant Gap.
Fred C. Yeager, single, Bellefonte.
J. Calvin Young, married, Bellefonte.
John G. Young, married, Bellefonte.
Walter Weaver, married, State College.
RECRUITS.
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Harry Rice, married, Bellefonte.
Glenn Weaver, married, Bellefonte.
George J. Keeler, single, Bellefonte.
John Gillen, single, State College.
Hugh Hanley, single, Bellefonte.
T. E. Kelley, single, Howard.
J. G. Poorman, single, Coleville.
H. H. Ryan, single, Bellefonte.
D. M. Hendershot, single, Bellefonte.
James Dickerhoff, single, Paw Paw W. Va
Geo. R. Norris, single, Bellefonte, R. D. 4
J. I. Logue, single, Unionville.
J. Z. Watson, married, Bellefonte.
C. E. Rothrock, single, West Decatur.
Carlisle Devine, single, West Decatur.
George A. Young, single, Philadelphia.
Lerome A. Pobingen single, Philadelphia. William A. Lucas, single Axe Mann. George A. Young, single, Philadelphia. Jerome A. Robinson, single, Milesburg. J. F. Jodon, single, Milesburg. W. Lester Musser, single, Bellefonte. James Reed, single, Bellefonte. J. M. Shank, single, Milesburg. Harold W. Thomas, single, Milesburg. James H. Fox, single, Milesburg. Charles S. Saxion, married, Bellefonte.

TWELVE "ROOKIES" RETURN HOME. Twelve of the recruits taken by Lieut. Claude Smith returned home on the 4.20 train last evening. The list includes Pat. Ryan, George Keeler, J. F. Jodon, L. T. Shawley, Chas. Saxion, John Gillen, James H. Fox, Harry Rice, J. I. Logue, John T. Watson, and three others whose names could not be learned.



[Photo by Smith, State College, Pa.]

Capt. Curtin just in the act of giving the command that broke the Troop from a column of fours into single file and started the boys to entrain. Lieut. Taylor to ver to entrain. Capt. Curtin can be seen at the end of the platform directing the the right, repeated the order.

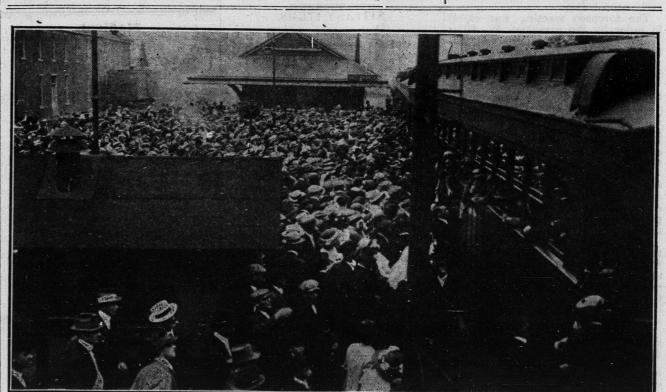


Troop L just as it appeared in front of the "Watchman" office on the way to entrain for Mt. Gretna. Capt. H. L. Curtin and Surgeon Huff are leading the Troop. Lieut. Taylor can be seen at the first file and 2nd Lieut. Smith at the last.



[Photo by Smith, State College, Pa.]

Sergeant Shreffler with the Troop Insignia leading the First Trooper Paul D. Sto-



The Last Handshake. After the Troop had boarded the cars there were a few moments before the train departed and you can see how the Troopers employed them.