

### GUARDS' OFFICERS WORK FOR BERTHS IN REGULAR ARMY

Two Philadelphia Lieutenants Apply for Transfer and New Commissions

### AX FALLS ON SOME

The temperature in the tents of the Philadelphia guardsmen encamped near El Paso, Tex., at 10 o'clock this morning was 84 degrees. At the same hour in Philadelphia the official temperature was 80 degrees.

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**CAMP STEWART, EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 1.**—Two Philadelphia lieutenants made application for commissions in the regular army today, following a larger transfer of National Guard officers to the regular service, similar to that of 1898. The two young officers are Second Lieutenant William Findley Brown, Jr., of Company K, and Second Lieutenant Frederick Halzbauer, of Company M, Second Pennsylvania Infantry. Their applications were approved by Colonel Turner, and Lieutenant Brown will be assigned to the cavalry and Lieutenant Halzbauer to the artillery for instructions after which they will undergo examination.

The mess tent of the Second City Troop, Troop D and three other cavalry mess tents were torn down by a heavy windstorm that eluded its way through the north end of Camp Stewart this morning. Colonel Wood ordered the cavalry out for patrol drills on the plain to the east of camp today.

### OFFICERS LET OUT.

Honorable discharge from the service of the United States Army, and disappointment was the mood of the inspectors of small arms practice of the Pennsylvania division, who were mustered into the army at Mount Gretna only to be dismissed by the War Department.

Captains yesterday, they are nothing today from a military standpoint. Hope was held out at division headquarters until a few minutes before midnight for the arrival of a reversal of the War Department's ruling that the officers were to be dismissed. When it was apparent that no order to the contrary would come, the discharges were issued. Some of the former inspectors of small arms practice were indignant that they should have been mustered into the service and then out again. Others, who will be assigned to machine-gun companies, declared their intention of enlisting as privates until their commissions as lieutenants should arrive.

The organization of the new companies continues today, the assignment of officers and detailing of privates continuing in the regiments where the new companies are not complete. Offsetting of the First regiment's machine-gun company was finished today, with Colonel Allen's request that Second Lieutenant Roland C. Hessler, of Company M, be commissioned as First Lieutenant.

### HOME SOON, BELIEF.

Bets that the regiment will be back in Philadelphia September 1 were taken with great alacrity, following the issuance at headquarters of the El Paso military district of orders that indicate three more months at least of border work for the division. The orders provide for a three-month course of field training divided into company training, August 1 to 31; battalion training, September 1 to 15; regimental training, September 16 to 25; brigade training, September 26 to 30, and practical field work and maneuvers, October 1 to 31.

A board of officers appointed by General Clement to determine what field equipment should be issued to the infantry regiments met at headquarters today. The board consists of Lieutenant Colonel Edwin N. Jones, Twentieth U. S. Infantry; Major William C. Rogers and Major Frederick L. Knudsen, unassigned, and Major Samuel W. Rhoades, assistant adjutant general of the division.

More important than any war or any rumor of war was the news today that \$15,000 is being raised in Philadelphia for the soldiers on the border. The glad tidings came in a letter from J. Howell Cummings, president of John B. Stetson Company, to Private Charles Heiser, who, when he isn't wearing khaki, fills a big blue uniform with brass buttons on it as he directs traffic at Broad and Arch streets.

### BANDSMEN FLOURISH IN BORDER COUNTRY; 6TH AGAIN TRIUMPHANT

Starts Away With Only Five, Regiment Now Has Nineteen in Organization—Enrolled From Ranks

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EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 1.—The story of the Sixth Regiment Band is one of pluck winning out against adversity. Leaving Mount Gretna with five men, the band now has 19 musicians, with more coming. Among the new men, who were picked from the ranks, are Frank Bender, of 148 North Eighth street, who blows the trombone; Whittsey K. Searles, of Thirty-fifth street and Haverford avenue, alto, and Warren Thwaites, cornet. They are all Philadelphians. The men who built up the band are Albert M. Rosbach, drum major, who is Reserve Policeman No. 12, at Twelfth and Market streets, and Edgar W. Smith, chief musician. Sergeant James Ritchie is chief trumpeter.

The favorite occupation of First Lieutenant Charles Carroll Hicks, of Company D, is taking pictures. Joseph A. Mitchell, of Company A, is trying out for a place in the outfield on the El Paso baseball team, playing Sunday ball. He plays on the Second Regiment team and was catcher for the Hopewell team in the Virginia State League. "Always go back the way you came," was the advice of Second Lieutenant William E. Souger, of Company D, after he had tried to get down Mount Franklin by following an arroyo to a 50-foot precipice. As the can't fly, he climbed back to the top of the mountain.

### SIXTH REGIMENT NOTES

How an army throws men of different callings together is shown in the band, where Edward J. Blum, deputy coroner of Philadelphia, and Edward F. Lawson, mail carrier in Rittenhouse square, play side by side.

Sergeant Major J. J. Nilan, of the Delaware County battalion, has lost no weight, although he is fat from the "Carnation Town" and the "Home of the Mushroom"—Kennett Square.

Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant Robert A. Cronshy, of 210 Queen lane, Germantown, has been 19 years in the National Guard and is a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

Lieutenant Herbert A. Smith, a police sergeant at City Hall, is battalion adjutant. Color Sergeant Aaron H. Armon, of Ambler, and Corporal Samuel Spars, of Company G, of Doylestown, are the only Philadelphia and Reading passenger trainmen in the regiment.

Walter Rinker, of Company A, Pottstown, who used to live in Germantown, and Peter G. Hetnas, of Company F, Norristown, have been detailed as headquarters cooks.

### SECOND REGIMENT

Captain Frank P. Rudat's box from home had everything in it from soured mackerel to chewing gum. Now Company D's mess is more popular than ever.

Second Lieutenant Eddie Horter, of Company A, the famous Meadowbrook runner, is keeping in condition by chasing jack-rabbits. He was training for the quarter.



PRIVATE HUGH MURRAY

EL PASO, July 26.—Here's a man who's going to catch Villa—if he can.

He's Private Hugh Murray, of the quartermaster's department of the First Regiment. Ordinarily the men in the quartermaster's department are kept so busy that they haven't time to think about fighting; but while he fills orders for beef and tent stakes, bread and biscuit rolls, Murray has been figuring out the best way to capture Pancho. And the first chance he gets he's going to try out his theory, which is:

"Grab him while he isn't looking." Murray, who will carve his name in the hall of fame if he carries out his ambition, is a city highway inspector in Philadelphia. In 1898 he dropped a job to go with Company F, of the First, and he came along in a hurry when the call went out last month. He lives at 1229 Cherry street.

### CYCLONE HITS PHILADELPHIA ENGINEERS' CAMP AT NOGALES

By a Staff Correspondent  
NOGALES, Ariz., July 27.

Water to the depth of a foot, cyclonic winds, blinding lightning and a cloudburst for a half hour were the features of a storm that struck the camp of Company B, Engineers, of Philadelphia, here last night. The storm broke just at supper time, and although it reached a fury unseen here for more than a decade, it did little damage to the engineers' camp, with the exception of the flooding, which, however, receded in about an hour.

Very few of the personal belongings of the men got wet as everything was off the ground. The men themselves, however, got soaked to the skin in saving their shelter, but after a good rubdown and some quinine felt little ill effect.

For the first 10 minutes of the storm the big 5-foot drains held, and the camp was comparatively dry. Soon, however, the mass of water rushing down the valley from the foothills surrounding the camp hit the drains and, overwhelming them to a depth of from six inches to a foot, inundated the camp with the exception of the officers' tents, which were on higher ground. So powerful were the floods that several telegraph poles which the engineers had ready to put up farther up the valley were swept down, nearly wrecking several of the tents and down the valley.

The storm did great damage in Nogales and the surrounding country. Several houses were struck and blown down in the town, injuring several persons. The railroad tracks of the Southern Pacific, just above the town, were washed out for more than a mile, stopping all traffic at that section. The trains were re-routed over another division, causing a delay of eight hours.

**ENGINEERS' NOTES.**  
The company is going bad. Corporal Alan W. Lukens, who lives in Haverford, went to a burlesque show. It has been noticed that "Lukens" has been getting that way ever since he bought that mouth organ.

"Van" Connell is improving with the pick. Within five minutes, while digging a drain, he knocked one man cold (name deleted) and tore the side out of Corporal J. M. Collins's breeches. The boys say Van's got to stop picking on them or they won't be any left. The man knocked cold is now O. K.

Every rookie in the camp has asked Sergeant "Bill" Bradford what the "15" in his blue figures on his white jersey means. No one has gotten an answer; it's one of the mysteries of the camp.

Perceval Collins is getting to be an adept at dodging rocks. It is only once in a while that he slips, but then that is enough. Yesterday he missed one—or, rather, didn't miss one—thrown from the

wagon by Buck (name deleted), so Percival lay in for a couple of hours and was then all right.

Joe Burroughs has a political job—captain's orderly several times within a week. The job is one of the easiest in the camp when you consider digging trenches in a sun that registers 115.

Company B men will be soon the Band Brummeles of the camp. The new details, ordered with great care by the different men, will arrive soon. Then there will be some "ball" fusing in Nogales. The city engineer's daughter, drug store cashier, etc., will be the recipients of much attention.

Every one has been admiring the new "ticks" of the officers. They come high—both in height and price.

Since superintending the different jobs done by the Mormons from Utah and getting acquainted with them, several Company B men have been thinking it over.

Those who will get guardhouse: Any one slapping Sergeant "Jesse" Oakman on the back; the next one who pulls that ardent "You're wanted on the phone," or any one offering an opinion as to when we'll get home.

A large consignment of tobacco for the company arrived from Devon today.

First Sergeant White has a beautiful horse, which he rides to the admiration of the rookies, when he isn't busy assigning the men to 101 different details.



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\$325	Bogart Piano Company, Mahogany		\$105	\$400	Ludwig Piano Co., Mahogany		\$160
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