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FORMER MAJOR STUDIES BAKING TO FEED GUARDS

Captain Frank L. Mueller, Who Accepted Reduction, Takes Up New Work

MASTERS EVERY DETAIL

By CARL L. ZEISBERG

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 9.—The bread that Pennsylvania's soldiers will eat, fresh from the Camp Stewart bakery, will be clean and wholesome.

There is a closer connection between those two sentences than appears. Captain Mueller, who already knows cooking in general from A to Z and half way back, today mastered baking down as far as X and by tonight he will have completed the alphabet of baking.

WOULD KNOW ALL. "I want to know as much about bread-making as my bakers do," said Captain Mueller.

Captain Mueller, who is commissary of the Third Regiment, who will be inspector of small arms practice if that position is re-established by Congress, and who will take command of a company if he isn't, is the Major Mueller who accepted a reduction in rank to come to the border.

BEAUTIFUL TREES. Here giant and dwarf yucca trees, Spanish bayonet, cactus, sage and many other curious plants stand in ordered rows among stone-edged walks that gracefully wind in and out of the streets of the First Battalion.

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OLD RELIABLE MALONE SHOES MADE TO MEASURE

FLAGS WILL DRAPE SHOP UNTIL SOLDIER COMES BACK TO IT AGAIN

Electrical Bureau Hung With Banners, Pending Sergeant's Return From Border

By CARL L. ZEISBERG

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 9.—If any visitor to the Electrical Bureau in Philadelphia wonders why the place is draped with American flags, let him know that the reason for it is down here in the little camp of Field Hospital No. 2, of Philadelphia.

When Sergeant C. C. Vowinkel, one of the bureau's operators, left for the border his fellow employees hung flags in the bureau in honor of their only representative in the Guard.

FIRST REGIMENT. Paymaster of Company L, likes the woodpile so much that he can't get away from it.

Private Wright of Company L, is an entertaining war correspondent, but Private Shimp, of the same company, cherishes the photograph of a fair young correspondent whose identity is a secret to all but himself.

Sergeant William Dorman, of Company C, received a big box of smoking tobacco.

Charles Hesser, who has been missing from his traffic post at Broad and Arch streets for more than a month now, says a cent's best is easier on the feet than that of a cop, because the ground down here is softer than the foundation of Philly.

THIRD REGIMENT. Colored Sergeant Walter McConahey handles the hammer and saw as gracefully as he handles the chisel and stripes.

When Regimental Sergeant Major Harry M. Thalheimer and Battalion Sergeant Major C. Willis Rommel bought these identical pillow tops they didn't know they were boosting the price. But they were.

FIELD HOSPITAL NO 2. Instead of being married, as was recently reported, H. D. Butterworth will be married upon his return home.

Lieutenant Charles C. Hicks, of Company D, is very grateful for that pair of baby blue suspenders and that pair of lilac garters sent by P. W. Boss.

Plain luck and nothing else brought that package of shoes, socks and writing paper to Raymond McDonald, of the supply company.

Thanks to good luck," says McDonald.



C. C. VOWINKEL, Commissary Sergeant, Field Hospital No. 2, at Camp Stewart, El Paso.

Company D promotions are: Corporals Louis H. Hill, Robert M. Smith and William H. Feisberg to sergeants; Corporal Douglas D. Durand to supply sergeant; Sergeant Rudolph O'Green to mess sergeant; Privates Charles W. Keard, Joseph M. Schurter, Charles T. Woodington, Jesse S. Jant, Thomas F. Keenan and Mark A. Richards to corporals, and Privates Harry C. Stanbridge, Louis Hansell, Louis Lince and David H. Crider, Jr., to first-class privates.

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WILL MAKE ARTILLERY OF SECOND REGIMENT

War Secretary Approves Change of Infantry Body—Much Equipment Promised

The Second Regiment, an infantry command since 1844, is not likely to return to Philadelphia as such.

The Secretary's decision was announced at Harrisburg by Adjutant General Stewart. It was anticipated by those in the confidence of General Price and the other high Guard officers that if the event of the transfer the Second would be selected as the artillery regiment.

General Price has worked hard to achieve the transfer, believing that the Pennsylvania National Guard would be strengthened by the addition of a full regiment of artillery, to be located in this city, an arm it has not previously included, save in the form of three scattered batteries.

As an artillery command the regiment will be known as the Second Pennsylvania Artillery. The change in personnel of the Artillery will be slight, and will mainly affect those of minor rank.

THINGS AT BORDER NO DIFFERENT THAN THEY HAVE BEEN FOR YEARS

And So They Will Be in the Future, Writes Member of a Philadelphia Company, Who Advocates a Little More Preparedness

A letter from an officer of one of the Philadelphia companies in El Paso has been received by a friend in this city, a portion of which follows:

"Well, we are down here, for what I don't know, except that the President must have had a nightmare and fancied he saw Texas twisters otherwise whirling and storming. Things are no different here, according to 'prominent citizens' than they have been for four years past and promise to be for years to come.

"Water is plentiful, from artesian wells, and said to be unlimited in quantity; certainly there is no shortage in any of the camps. Our own is two miles long by about half a mile deep and laid out in the most approved style, as no consideration need be paid to space occupied.

"I suppose you wonder how we get to town; hark! One Dodge car is furnished on memo to each headquarters of brigade or higher. I am learning to run it, and came into town today without stalling the engine more than three times. And, believe

me, any one that can drive a car here, outside the city, can drive anywhere, for the roads are conceded to be the worst in the United States.

"It is quite picturesque, some time between 18 and 21; that the army should be a large skeleton force, so that if necessary a million of trained citizens could be called to the colors, beginning with the most recent graduates of the training force, and a full supply of equipment be kept on hand.

"Trained men instead of recruits be called to the colors, and the spectacle avoided of a cavalry regiment, 1200 strong, with but one horse and no mules. We need preparedness, but no militarism, and that's the way to get it. The rich man's son should learn the game as well as the poor, and do his share in his youth before he becomes tied down with business and family ties."

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Lightning Destroys a Barn. BORDENTOWN, N. J., Aug. 9.—The barn of Harvey Davis, on a farm at Chock-

1898, when Battery A, the Keystone Battery, was disbanded and its members went to the front as Troop A, a cavalry unit.

Quarrel Ends in Shooting. Andrew Stafanello, 33 years old, of 453 East Rittenhouse street, Germantown, was shot last night by a companion, Andrew Seabrook, of 4638 Rittenhouse street.

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