

TROOPS FOR THE SOUTH

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THIRTEENTH NOT SELECTED

For the Present They Will Stay Where They Are.

ANOTHER BATCH OF TWENTY-ONE RECRUITS ARRIVED IN CAMP AT 6:30 LAST EVENING—AMONG THEM WAS EMMETT McDERMOTT, THE FORMER BUGLER, WHO WAS WARMLY RECEIVED—NEW CAMP SITE SELECTED AT FERNANDINA IS SAID TO BE A MODEL ONE IN MANY RESPECTS.

Special from a Staff Correspondent.

Camp Alger, Va., June 16.—Seven regiments from this camp are being prepared for movement to Fernandina, Fla. Which seven they are I cannot say definitely, but this much can be stated positively, the Thirteenth is not among them.

Quartermaster Martin, at Dunn Loring, admitted that he received orders to make seven regiments ready as soon as possible, but he would not give out what regiments they are. He told me, however, that the Thirteenth was not one of them.

Twenty-one more recruits arrived at 6:30 p. m. in charge of A. J. Atkinson. They had a pleasant trip and plenty to eat, nearly all having private lunches in addition to the travel rations furnished by the recruiting detail. Among the recruits was Emmett McDermott, the former regimental bugler, who is badly needed. He was cheered lustily when he put in his appearance.

NEW CAMP SELECTED.

Secretary Alger yesterday, upon recommendation of the special commission appointed to investigate Fernandina, Fla., of which Lieutenant Edgar Jadin was a member, accepted it for a camp site and intimated that it would be occupied by troops from Camp Thomas and Camp Alger.

Fernandina is reported to be a model camp site. There is an artesian well there 1,700 feet deep, supplying 2,000,000 gallons of water a day, and it is directly on the beach which, according to reports, is ideal for bathing purposes. Another important consideration is that Fernandina is at the end of a twelve-mile spur of railroad and can readily be isolated in case of a spread of yellow fever in the south.

Quartermaster Cox and his clerk, Private Wormser, of Company G, today completed the compilation of a table showing the condition of the regiment as regards equipment. It shows that the regiment as at present constituted is practically prepared to take the field. The strength of the regiment, now, is thirty-six officers, four non-coms, and six hundred enlisted men. With an exception here and there, hardly worth regarding, all are uniformed and to supply the six hundred enlisted men there are 384 guns, 72 knapsacks, 830 belts, 476 haversacks and 600 sets of cans, cups, knives, forks and spoons.

When the companies are expanded to the 106 standard, the regiment will have a total membership of 885 men, made up of thirty-six officers, four non-coms, and 848 enlisted men. Requisitions are already in for the uniforms, guns, etc., for the extra 238 men and application has also been made for canvas suits for the whole regiment. "Dog tents" to the number of 41 have been also asked for and are being delivered. Extra "wall tents" for the accommodation of the recruits while in camp will be on hand in a few days, possibly tomorrow, a demand for them having been made a week ago and assurances having been given that they would be sent on at once. Before all the recruits are here, everything in the way of equipment that the regiment needs will have been received and made ready for distribution so that there will be nothing left to be done but feed and drill the men when the expanded command gets down to work.

UNDER NEW FORMATION.

With the exception possibly that a third lieutenant may be allowed each company, the following will be the make up of the regiment under the new formation: Colonel, lieutenant colonel, surgeon major, two battalion majors, captain, regimental adjutant, two assistant surgeons, quartermaster, two battalion adjutants, regimental sergeant-major, hospital steward, regimental quartermaster sergeant, chief musician, eight captains, eight first lieutenants, eight second lieutenants, eight first sergeants, eight quartermaster sergeants, thirty-two privates, ninety-six corporals, sixteen musicians, eight artificers, eight wagoners and 672 privates. Should a band be secured, the number of musicians will be increased by five and the number of privates decreased by the same number.

If the new recruits show the same aptitude as the first in acquiring the art of soldiering it will not be many days before such credence will be given to the statement that the Thirteenth has in its composition only thirty-six per cent of its original national guard make up. The showing made by the regiment in the governor's review yesterday was of the most gratifying character and provoked from the old commander in chief encomiums of the highest order for both officers and men. The governor always regarded the Thirteenth as the crack regiment of the state and since it passed into the control of the federal government, he has on several occasions told Colonel Courten, in one way or another, that he would be grievously disappointed if it did not win a corresponding place in the volunteer army. Colonel Courten and his staff are striving hard to do this and if they don't succeed it will not be because they are leaving

any stone unturned to accomplish it or because the men are not doing their share in an enthusiastic manner. The one thing that will handicap the Thirteenth in its race for a place among the first in its "bob-tailed" proportions, or if it is increased to three battalions the handicap that is imposed by 426 raw recruits being taken in late in the contest. The first phase of this handicap was forcibly presented to the governor on his present tour of camps, where he saw the Pennsylvania regiments, or a majority of them, with their eight companies of 78 men each contrasted with regiments from other states, made up of generally 12 companies of 81 men. His own views on the matter are naturally expressed in the most guarded manner, but he is not without the slightest difficulty in securing twice that number without delay, and the success of his mission will be eagerly awaited.

COLONEL GIRARD'S STATEMENTS

He Gives His Version of the Trouble at Division Hospital.

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"Surgeon General, United States Army. "Sir: We would respectfully express our opinion that although in the past misunderstandings have existed owing to failure to comprehend the intentions of Colonel Girard, at present we believe that the majority of the regimental surgeons and the regimental commanding officers, who have had the medical affairs of the command properly explained to them, are now satisfied that Colonel Girard has done not only all in his power, but has succeeded beyond expectation, considering the difficulties he had to contend with."

"This was signed by Charles B. Naudere, major and chief surgeon, Third Division, Second Army corps; Leonard E. Almy, major and surgeon, Second division, Second Army corps; Henry Allen, major and surgeon, First New Jersey, in charge of First division, surgeon officer. "Major Allen, who has been acting chief surgeon, first division, since his organization, signed the paper during the temporary absence of Major Cook, who, since his return, has expressed his approval of the letter in the following terms: "I fully concur in the above letter."

"Major and Chief Surgeon. "Second Division, Second Army Corps. "The high standing in their states of these gentlemen is vouched for by the fact that Major Naudere is professor of surgery in the University of Ann Arbor, Major Allen is a brigade surgeon in the National Guard of his state and a surgeon of high repute, and Major Cook has been surgeon general of the National Guard of New Hampshire."

In answer to this one of the regimental surgeons in camp, whose name, for obvious reasons, cannot be used, submits this statement: "The conditions that formerly existed in the division hospitals became a camp talk and were found their way into the papers. Whatever trouble that has occurred has arisen from the efforts of the surgeon general to improve and to commendable neither to one's sense of professional propriety. The regimental surgeons are now smiling at the error manifested in the division hospitals as a direct result of the agitation to which Colonel Girard refers."

This is a case of take your choice. The fact that Colonel Girard no later than Tuesday threatened a court-martial on the subordinates who persist in disobeying his directions narrows the choice to the latter statement of the case, it would seem. The chief surgeon has made another statement, which reads as follows: "Relating to Miss Barton's views and the statement that her request to visit the hospital was refused at first and on her insisting she was conducted to the hospital, is not correct. Chief Surgeon Girard invited her to see the hospitals and she refused at first for lack of time, and on Chief Surgeon Girard's insisting, consented to go."

Miss Barton could not have made a full inspection of the hospitals, but only at Colonel Girard's invitation, passed through three tent wards. Colonel Girard introduced her to the men in a few words and stated the good the Red Cross society would accomplish. Colonel Girard is sure that Miss Barton would be informed if she knew how inaccurately the newspaper reporters have been informed. It has been going on, probably not maliciously, but only because the informants did not know, and, therefore, surmised.

Colonel Girard will take pains to make daily corrections, when it seems desirable for the benefit of anxious families and the public in general. He has avoided this heretofore, but finds that official notice is taken of the newspaper reports. He acknowledges the general fairness of the reporters, and holds them blameless, if their statements have not always been correct, as they had no means of distinguishing truth from falsehood or exaggeration in their information. If this results involving him in a newspaper controversy, he will submit into absolute silence.

As to its being discovered yesterday that there was not a thermometer in the place with which the temperature of the typhoid fever patients, this is not correct. Several days ago the discovery was made, and a requisition was sent by telegraph and at once ordered filled. Previous to the discovery, the surgeons never have used their private thermometers. As the chief surgeon was informed of the temperature in some instances, he had no means of knowing that none were furnished in the advance outfit. The regular equipment has them.

As to the typhoid fever cases, there have been but few important ones, and they were sent at once to the general hospital, at Fort Myer, consequently they could not be affected by the thermometer question.

As to any colonels running their regimental hospitals, it is believed that the reports of divisions have reported that the order abolishing regimental hospitals has been compiled with. This report is based on the statements of the surgeons. Sooner or later this will be discovered if they make false reports, and then action will be taken.

The report that measles have "taken the camp by storm" is based on inaccurate information. There have been fifty-four cases of measles in all, distributed as follows: Five in the One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Indiana; twenty-

eight in the Third Virginia; fourteen in the Twenty-second Kansas; five in the Fourth Missouri; three in the Seventh Ohio, and one in the First New Jersey. These cases at once landed in the division hospitals. If the regimental hospitals has been allowed there might have been an epidemic.

GOSSIP OF THE CAMP.

Special from a Staff Correspondent. Camp Alger, Va., June 16.—Chaplain Stahl, is certainly aiming to be chaplain of the whole regiment. Yesterday he made a tour of all the company streets distributing among the Catholics members of the command a large collection of Catholic papers, books and magazines that he secured for his circulating library.

Private Fox, of Company G, who followed the stage for many years as a singing comedian and "musical mawk" entering his comrades and many visitors nightly with his mirth and music.

Two members of the Eighth regiment were yesterday adjudged insane. In both cases the malady is chronic. One of them, Private Cox, of Company D, was confined in an insane asylum at Warren, Pa., for eight months. The other gives indications of rabies, and it is thought he must have been bitten by a dog some time ago, and that the heat has caused his malady to manifest itself. They have been sent to an asylum in Washington.

Chaplain A. R. Morgan, of the Sixth, Illinois, has resigned on account of ill health. Mr. Morgan is a Methodist and comes from Cuba, a small town near Havana, Ill.

The regimental officers refuse to allow any settlers to pitch their stands in front of the camp. They are considered a nuisance because of the dirt and litter that they allow to be scattered about.

Lieutenant Keller is acting as officer of the day at the First Division hospital.

Major W. P. Duval, the chief ordnance officer of the corps, asked to have Quartermaster Clerk Wormser detailed to his office, after receiving some reports compiled by the Thirteenth's expert penman and accountant. Quartermaster Cox declined to comply with the request.

Rev. Fathers McCarthy and Lavelle, of Scranton, were visitors to the Thirteenth's camp yesterday. Mrs. W. A. Stone, wife of the Republican candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, is the guest of Mrs. J. B. Carvell, wife of Colonel Carvell, of the Twelfth.

Private Hiram Jones, of Company G, was yesterday detailed for special duty in division headquarters. Captain Gilman, of Company D, is officer of the day and Lieutenant Keith, of Company A, commander of the guard. Private Walter Brown, of Company H, is orderly at headquarters.

Albert Ridgeway, of Scranton, is visiting his brother, Corporal Ridgeway, of Company B.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Warren, of Scranton, are making strenuous efforts to secure the discharge of their son, Private Henry Arthur Warren, of Company C, who they claim is under age and enlisted under a forged consent of parents. They forwarded to the secretary of war a certified copy of his baptismal record and an affidavit on their own part made before a clerk of the Courts Daniels, showing that he is only eighteen years of age. The matter has been referred to Colonel Mattee. He has not acted on it as yet.

Private Sergeant, of Company E, Honedale, was called home yesterday by the death of his sister. The recruits who arrived last night went out early this morning drilling under direction of sergeants and corporals. Many of them proved to be well versed in the manual, having been members of military organizations of one kind or another some time in their careers, several regular army men being in the number.

The Sixth Pennsylvania had a wedding Tuesday night. The contracting parties were Corporal John Cooper and Miss Lizzie Lawless, of Frankford, Pa. Rev. Dr. Stafford, of Washington, performed the ceremony. The bridegroom tried to get a furlough to go home and get married, but failing in this the bride was asked to come on here and complied with alacrity.

The hospital investigation has concluded and, as expected, was a whitewashed affair. When General Graham in seeming high dudgeon declared that he would investigate and act, there was satisfaction expressed on all sides, but when it came out later that he asked Colonel Girard to suggest the investigating committee and that, pursuant to his advice, the three division surgeons had been selected, there was less disappointment among the regimental surgeons and their associates. Some of the complimentary remarks that were not at all complimentary to the astuteness of the commanding general. The division surgeons are the creatures of Colonel Girard and they even more than he are responsible for the conduct of the division hospitals. So, it impugns General Graham's honesty; it is merely a case of overreliance in the honesty of others.

Persons who may think that the newspapers might deal more leniently with the much criticized chief surgeon with the second corps would change their opinions if they were in possession of all of the little stories concerning him, which of themselves are not matters of news and consequently do not get into print. Many of them are not investigated for the very reason that they are not real news matter, but enough of them are verified in an incidental way to make it safe to assume that about all of them are true. For example, here is one that I can personally vouch for. A surgeon major of a Pennsylvania organization reported to the division hospital that he had a diphtheria patient that he wanted conveyed to the isolated ward. "Well bring him down," said Colonel Girard. "Very well, give me an order for the contagious ambulance," remarked the surgeon major. "Contagious ambulance? Contagious ambulance?" exclaimed the chief surgeon in interrogative tones. "Why take any ambulance?" "But colonel," said the surgeon major, "You wouldn't use ambulances indiscriminately for conveying diphtheria cases, would you?" asked the major in tones of surprise. "Oh! You volunteers are too finicky. We can't look after those little matters in the field. A certain percentage of the men must die anyhow."

The surgeon major went away in disgust.

T. J. Duffy.

MARINES CRY FOR VENGEANCE.

Men at Brooklyn Navy Yard Eager to Fight.

New York, June 16.—There was a thrilling scene in the Brooklyn navy yard today when Lieutenant Davis,

one sergeant, two corporals and fifteen marines were ordered to Key West. It was found that two of the privates who had been granted leave had not reported, and Captain Porter asked for volunteers. Every man volunteered. Many said they wanted to avenge their comrades who fell at Calmanera and repay the Deans for the brutal manner in which the marines' dead bodies were mutilated. There was a very lively quarter of an hour until the men were selected. The successful ones were as happy as school boys.

WARBURTON'S RECRUITS.

Volunteers from the Colleges Off for the War.

Philadelphia, June 16.—The train leaving the Baltimore and Ohio station for the south at 3 o'clock this afternoon carried a fine body of recruits designed to fill the ranks of battery A, Pennsylvania volunteers, now doing duty at Newport News, Va., under command of Captain Barclay H. Warburton, of this city. The recruits are twenty-three in number, and among them are some of the finest athletes that have carried the colors of the Pennsylvania, Yale, Lafayette, Lehigh and Cornell universities to victory on land and water.

So far Captain Warburton has secured seventy of the one hundred recruits he needs, and the thirty men still wanted are expected shortly from Yale and Princeton. As fast as the recruits are secured they will be sent to Newport News in squads of from twenty to twenty-five. Squads are expected to leave here tomorrow, Saturday and Monday.

Captain Warburton's command promises to be one of the crack volunteer organizations in the service. Its membership is largely made up of the finest college athletes. Twenty-six recruits for the Second regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, now at Montchanin, Del., also left over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad this afternoon.

KILLED RESISTING ARREST.

Edward Harris Shot by a Policeman at Phoenixville.

Phoenixville, Pa., June 16.—Edward Harris was shot by a policeman, N. Y. was shot and killed last night while endeavoring to avoid arrest after having tried to break into the tool house of the Pennsylvania and Schuylkill railroad near here. Harris and two companions were attempting to force their way into the tool house. A policeman was notified and when he arrived the three men started to run, at the same time firing on the policeman. The latter returned the fire, the ball striking Harris in the side, killing him almost instantly. Harris' companions escaped in the darkness, but were arrested today. They refuse to give their names.

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