

UNCLE SAM'S BUSINESS PUSHED TO THE LIMIT

Soldiers Put McAllen on the Map--Postoffice and Telegraph Office Doing Big Business.

POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS INCREASE 1000 PER CENT--MANY TELEGRAMS

The great volume of communication and correspondence emanating from the Second Brigade and the auxiliary troops of the Sixth Division has jumped the telegraph office of McAllen to the first in the state in the volume of business handled. Much of this is made up of news despatches, these alone amounting to as great a number of words as the regular service of the Associated Press.

An even greater increase in business has come to the McAllen postoffice which is now, it is said, the third in size in Texas, being exceeded only by Houston and San Antonio. To illustrate, the greatest sale of stamps in any one month before the New York soldiers came was 7300, in July the sales amounted to 72,700. The day the camps were established here the mail was carried from the station on a handcart, the daily delivery now averages three two-horse truck loads.

On an average 40,000 pieces of mail are sent out from McAllen every day. Between 60,000 and 75,000 are received, and if it had not been for orders from Division Headquarters we might now, a month later, be just getting mail which came in the first week. Postmaster January's force was wholly inadequate, and even at \$3 a day he was unable to hire the additional clerks he needed.

In this emergency General O'Ryan called personally upon the Postmaster General for additional equipment, getting first of all a stamp cancelling machine, which the McAllen office, naturally enough, had never had. Then an assignment of men to the office for the purpose of handling the military mail was made. Lieut. Col. Francis J. McCann, quartermaster corps, was made military postmaster.

On the detail itself were put a number of veteran employees of the New York postoffice, men who brought not only their native skill but experience in the biggest office in the country. Chief among these men were Sergt. Major W. J. Greene, Twelfth Infantry, and Chief Musician George Colyer, Seventh Infantry. The others on the detail are Color Sergt. George N. Childs, Signal Corps, Color Sergt. W. R. McKinnon, Seventy-first Infantry, Corporal Sydney Taylor, Second Field Artillery, Corporal W. D. Richert, First Field Hospital, Private Maurice A. Newfield, Third Ambulance Company and Private Cornelius O'Connor, Seventy-first Infantry.

Following is a list of Military Mail which remains unclaimed at the McAllen Post Office, for the period ending August 8, 1916.

Persons calling for same will please give the date of this list.

Alvis, J. J.
Anderson, John,
Austin, R. Corp.
Ayres, J. J.
Abbott, Earl
Adams, B. Arthur.
Armes.
Aamold A. George
Blanton E. G.
Babbett G. James
Becker M. F.
Buford Edward
Berpr. J. H. Corp.
Brown B. Robert
Beisel Wm. T.
Burrows Loruso
Billings Herbert
Bowman J.
Beloian Leon
Blank Raymond
Barclay C. Henry
Bird William
Becker Robert.
Burke William
Bowden Harry.
Boyle J. S. Geo.
Bone Chas.
Besson Robert
Burke Chaplain
Bushom Edward.
Bennet A. M.
Boone W. Thomas
Beede L. J.
Baker J. William,
Barry Frank.
Busch Alfred
Brunner Chas.
Byrns George
Barnell E. Joseph
Corey V. Thomas
Cate, William B.
Clinton Bernard
Clark, Clarence
Caldwell Wm.
Cox, M. Carl.
Clyprindes Joe.
Corvett John
Carlin T. Lieut.
Clark Ed.
Clark Fred
Cassiday James
Crollins P. Allen
Corley T. F. Sgt.
Cummings Raymond
Clark John
Cooley Horace
Conlon W. J.
Cahill Wm.
Clement Harold Tripp
Davis Stanley
Donnell Russell Corp.
Davis F. H.
DuPont Albert
Decker Frank
Duchant Werbert
Depper A. L.
Demper J.
Dewart Murry
Devine Frank
Duncan Clarence
Dixon J.
Donovan Jack
Durham T. L.
Diaz Julien
DeBeonse C. I. Col.
Emaewick Fred
Everts Wm. M.
Elertson Ted
Edwards Walter
Eskon Frank
Humons Geo. B.
Fest John
Fox, D.
Flynn Robert
Pitter John
Florid Frank
Fox S. W.
Fox George.
Farr Richard S.
Brochlich H. E. Sergt.
Berguson Geo. M.
Boose Edward
Eskola Walter A.
Lavers Guy E. Sergt. Maj.
Leroe James T.
Leon Donald Mae
Marine Jerry
Lowry E. H.
Lyons Wm. T.
Ireland Mark L.
Ivanick George A. Sergt.
Ivris William
Kircher Harry
Jannosa Henry.
Imkole Bill
Johnson Frank W.
Kart A. Major.

Hoy Thomas
Holmer Chas. T.
Hess Dudley
Harm Ottilie
Henrietta Joe.
Illech Alkert
Farrow R. S.
Hunt Leslie
Hayden F. T.
Henderick Thomas F.
Farrington W. E.
Haggerty John
Heilmann E. D.
Hall P.M. Sergt.
Holbron L. T. Capt.
Hopkins Joseph
Holmer Chas.
Jones T. L.
Joh Leopold
Johnson John. J.
Jardot Leo.
Von Keller H.
Kuzmier George
Kellog Leslie S.
Knight Bill
Kurtz Norwood
Keister Geo.
King Carlton
Ketcham Elmer
Keenan Frank
Kennedy E.
Lampe H.
Lawlor E.
Luke Chas. W.
Lawrence Arley
Lynch James A. Squadron A
Lynch Howard
Lervery J.
Leysen Loyle
Lord Harry
Lewis Henry
Griffin Ben
Glemc Chas. S. Corp.
Guiekman Corgell
Hill G. W.
Hanna Donald
Hislop John J.
Howard Chas. Lieut.
Greve George Corp.
George J. H. Lieut.
Glenn Grosenir E.
Gurinshy James.
Grinnell Lawrence L.
Gerfield Perley
Greene C. F.
Gardner Vernon
Frank Paul
Pledge Harold B.
Fitch Clyde E.
Firth William J.
Gerson A. J.
Gottlieb M.
Trembell Allan T.
Grover David H.
Gottlieb Max
Goldmeier S.
Georke Edward
Gonke Edward
Gouse Holnir Ed.
Hackney F. C.
McMullen J. R.
Morris J. A. Corp.
Meske Fred
Mehon J.
Maffillians Knox
Murray Wm. Leo.
Meldine Jerry.
McCane Ed.
Mahaw Andrew
McLaughlin William E.
Martin John.
Morgan Arthur M.
Mattison Wm. E.
Martin John.
Marsh Stanley
Murphy James
McLaughlin P. A.
McKinney Oakley W.
Murphy M. J.
Maapherson Peter Dr.
McCarthy Patrick
McDonald Harry
Murry R.
Micalis Clarence G. Lieut.
McLean Donald
Mackesay T. Frank
McCally Aloysius
McKenna John
McKenna John
Mattison
McKee Howard
McCormick Frank
McLean Chas.
Osterleant Burgess
Oliver Leslie A. Sergt.
O'Connor Daniel J.
Penas Antony
Pettit C. R.

IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT

First Call to Arms Causes
Ripple of Excitement
at McAllen

ORGANIZATION AND DISCIPLINE

According to a number of officers of high rank the call to arms which took place recently, extending from division headquarters on the railroad track to the remotest cavalry outpost along the Hidalgo road, was the best possible test of the general efficiency and alertness of the guard. Within a few minutes of the first call by the bugler of the First Field Artillery whose trumpet split the air with that unmistakable note at about 12:30 in the morning, every soldier at McAllen was awake, for the call was repeated again and again traveling quickly down the long line of tent streets until every regiment was tumbling into its equipment. And within less than a half hour infantry artillery and cavalry were ready to go from here to the Rio Grande--on to Mexico City for that matter--ready to fight, ready to prove that there are no Boy Scouts in this outfit.

Even the Field Artillery whose equipment is extremely clumsy when compared with that of the infantry or cavalry were ready within that half hour, some of the batteries making record time. The entire division acted as it would act in war time.

The Second Field now has its hospital building and is getting its mess-shacks and kitchens. Instead of a barren brown street exactly the same as every other barren brown street he has seen from day to day, he finds now a street with a palm or two, a street with garden fronts of oaks, onions, green things of various kinds. He looks at headquarters row and admires Colonel Wingates magnificent palms. He sees that his own street has something another street can't boast, or that another street has something that ought to decorate his own. During the first few weeks he saw nothing but WORK. Now "the place looks like something."
R. W. F. 2nd F. A.

Parker G. W. Sergt.
Pelcean Frank Corp.
Pussing W. A. Sergt.
Powell Capt.
Pearman J.
Peterson Carl.
Pritchard James C.
Porter Chas.
Quackenbos Henry F.
Rosemier Fred
Rodenbeck G. A.
Rueker Henry
Randolph William
Roman James
Rooch C. W. Sergt.
Ruppeel F. H.
Regan Harold J.
Randolph Jack.
Reilly Harry
Russell Joseph
Rose Albert
Ross A. S.
Reader H. C.
Ramson Joseph
Reed Robert
Sivers Peer
Silbert Joe
Smith W. S.
Smith Truman
Spiller Shuey
Slensby Carroll
Stringfellow T. S.
Snyder Fred
Syden John
Smith Louis
Sigmond William
Seaman Valentine
Slayton Walter W.
Scott Walter
Seymore Maj.
Slyna Joseph
Sharp Bryan
Smith Ed.
Smith Norman
Smith Chas. M.
Seegan Andrew
Shaperd Leon
Schmidt Joseph
Salory John
Sessions Walter
Thomas O. L. J.
Torrence Capt.
Tate Thomas
Thomas Oliver
Thomas Walter
Thompson H. Chester
Tape Bert
Tanner W.
Tibbals Rainer
Townsend Donald C.
Thoree James
Tralsen T.
Vamara Frank M. C.
Vaughan Ned
Van Auken G. L. Sergt.
Vaughn Willis J.
Wickens V.
Williams Sallie
Waits M.
Walsh Geo. W.
Wood Arthur B.
Wenple J. C.
Welch Chas.
Waterman G. H.
Walkins Williams
Williams Frank
Walsh W. O. Sergt.
Waugh Wm. Corp.
Wicker Chas.
Weislan Lechea
Wilde W. H.
Wallace Leroy
Winston Geo.
Wight Griffith
Young William Heary

GOING TO "CORPUS?"

The management of the Gulf Coast Lines announces a series of popular priced excursions to Corpus Christi. These will be run on Saturday and over the week-end so as not to interfere with the regular drill schedule of the New York troops.

The first excursion will take place next Saturday, leaving McAllen about 10 a. m. returning Sunday night. This will allow 24 hours in "Corpus," with the advantages of a bathing beach, theatres, etc. Cots will be provided on the pavillion for 25 cents each. Full information will be circulated during the week by means of dodgers, or details may be obtained from the ticket agent at the station.

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If the 20,000 New York troops in this locality should start home tomorrow, the name of Sharyland would be a pleasant memory in their minds.

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John H. Shary

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