

News Sent in by Our Division Units

2ND AMBULANCE CO.

Again the efficiency of the Second Ambulance Company of Rochester, New York, has been recognized and a detail has been picked from its ranks for detached service. This time the detail is for the Artillery target practice at La Gloria.

The men who are there report that all there is to La Gloria is the name but out of the wilderness of sage brush and cactus they have made an ideal camp and even given it the form of a park.

Lieut. Willis Linn is officer in charge of the detachment and the camp has been named "Willis Linn Park" in honor of the popular officer. Sergeant Daniel C. Hysner is the sergeant in charge and the litter bearers are in charge of acting Corporal John H. Hopkins. Richard A. Raymond is chief cook and Albert J. Blank is his assistant. Raymond has been in the service over fourteen years and his knowledge of the game is extensive, cooking being only one of his accomplishments. The ambulance drivers are David A. Banta, Joseph Whele, Chester Beebe and Carl Lowenguth.

3RD AMBULANCE CO.

"Riding bareback and leading two" is some stunt, even on a short run but imagine making the trip from the Battery to 191st street, Manhattan, under those conditions. That is practically what sixteen of the 3rd Amb. boys did on Thursday of last week when they left their picket line at 9:45 under the command of Sgt. Jacobs and rode to Mission and back, arriving in camp in time for mess at 12:30. They all came back in fine spirits; most of them ate their lunch sitting down and without an exception pronounced the mornings work "the best yet."

An unexpected pleasure was enjoyed when pay call was blown the other evening just before mess and the boys received their September pay. For the first time since Dawson was made cook the boys forgot the evening meal temporarily in the mad rush for the gold fivers.

We note with pleasure that Rose is taking a course in general housework over at the camp hospital. We understand that a certain amount of sleep is included in the course.

Keyes seems to have been quite successful in his dispensation of pills, powders and lotions since he took over the task of caring for the fellows who an-

swer sick call. In addition to this he is proving to be considerable of a diplomat.

An examination for Sergeants was held last week in which eight men of the company took part. The test was one of the most thorough ever held in the 3rd, covering every detail of this branch of the service. John F. Smith who finally passed the examination with the remarkably high percentage of 90.3 has thereby proven himself well fitted to fill the vacancy. D. E.

7TH INFANTRY.

La Gloria, an enhancing name indeed, will go down in the annals of Seventh Regiment history, as a place long to be remembered wherein each battalion has its own story to tell of rations, cactus, rainstorms and unparalleled pedestrian records.

The First Battalion departed from the home hearth on October 4th and was composed of companies A, B, D, and M, the latter taking the place of the Third Company which was doing patrol duty at Madero. The place known as La Gloria was reached on October 5th but the battalion did not encamp at said place but proceeded about a mile into the suburbs of La Gloria proper.

On October 6th the companies of this battalion engaged in gory combat. Major Chandler of Division Headquarters explained to the personnel of each command the general idea of the range, that is, the ways in which it differed from the Peekskill style of shooting and marking. The company was to act as if entering upon the field of combat. A point was to be sent out and the other various combinations which follow in minor tactics were to be utilized. The targets were to be arranged so as to represent an advancing enemy deployed for combat, and fire control of the company unit was to be a very important factor.

One company took the field at a time and two days were consumed by the battalion. Company A distinguished itself in the First Battalion and being the second company to enter upon the range, deserves much praise for its excellent performance. After the competition of the rifle practice, the battalion departed for Sterling and after spending the evening there pushed on to Alton. At this place, a number of pernicious ants, red in color, made so many vicious attacks on the sleeping soldiers that rest became impossible, and the battalion broke camp at 11:15 p. m.

the same evening and proceeded there-

on to McAllen arriving in camp at about 3:15 a. m.

The second battalion departed for La Gloria on Oct. 6th and was followed in turn by the Third Battalion on Oct. 8th. This latter battalion was composed of companies I, K, L, and C, the latter company leaving with this battalion because of its late return from Madero.

After all the companies had been over the various ranges, it was ascertained that company C had obtained the highest figure of merit of any company in the regiment. One worthy feature of the regiment's La Gloria trip is the fact that not a single man of any company dropped out on the march and that not a single accident occurred on, in or about the rifle range. A Seventh regiment man's ability to handle a firing piece was never better exemplified. Lt. Knust of the Fifth Company, and a member of the New York State Rifle team, was a range officer, and was of valuable assistance to the visiting battalions. While the various battalions were hiking from Madero to Alton and from Alton to La Gloria and thence from La Gloria to Sterling, Capt. Myers established a base at Sterling and maintained a truck line between these various points so that water, food, mail, and other necessities could be transported with the greatest dispatch. This line of communication was greatly appreciated at Alton and La Gloria where water and other necessities are somewhat scarce.

Major James W. Schuyler commandant of the First Battalion bade farewell to the Regiment on Oct. 12th and departed for New York on a 30 day leave of absence.

Captain Engel of the Third Company will be acting major until Major Schuyler's return.

The Machine Gun Company under command of Captain Gardner, has had a very successful tour of duty at Harlingen where it has engaged in maneuvers and rifle practice with a similar company of regulars. Particular details as to scores, etc, will be printed in a succeeding issue.

Lt. Grant of the Ninth Company recently arrived from New York and brought down with him about 107 recruits. Lt. Grant has been very active since the regiment's departure in securing recruits, and it is only now that his duties have permitted him to rejoin his company.

The news has drifted in that the Second Company has purchased a soccer foot ball, and that a schedule of games will soon be arranged. J. T. M.

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