

BASS DRUMMER SUIT OF PLAY

Gets As Much Applause As Actors in "Held By the Enemy" Tuesday Night

A bass drummer in the eighth Massachusetts infantry band made the hit of "Held by the Enemy" Tuesday night when the war drama was reproduced at the Texas Grand theater by the Massachusetts national guardsmen, assisted by three El Paso girls.

This is both a pun and a fact. The drummer's name did not appear on the program and he attracted no particular attention until the fine regimental band, under the direction of Charles H. Jennings, the bandmaster, started playing. The crowd which filled the theater soon awakened to the fact that there was a bass drum virtuoso in the military band. The drummer was an temperamental as a prima donna and he played his drum parts with all the feeling of an Italian bandmaster.

He soon demonstrated that an instrument as prosaic as a bass drum had its musical possibilities and he got out of the drum all there was in it. In the first passages he played as softly as the clarinet. In the crashing marches he boomed out the beats while his cymbals and tambourine execution was skillfully done. With it all he had the time of his young life. He had everyone in the theater watching him and seemed to enjoy it as much as the spectators did. Everyone laughed at his antics and applauded his clever playing and retreated when the leader drove him from his prominent place in the orchestra pit.

Was a Military Night. The amateur production of the war drama gave El Paso its first opportunity to enjoy the national guardsmen in the city. It was a real military night. Col. Frank A. Graves was there in his white duck uniform and was as proud of his boys as the drummer was of his drum. A number of the officers occupied boxes with their friends and there was a crowd of soldiers from the military camps in the orchestra circle.

The play, which was given Monday night in Camp Cotton on the outdoor stage and Tuesday night in the theater house, was well acted by the institution of company A, eighth Massachusetts infantry, under Capt. W. H. Brown, Sarah Bridges and Nellie Mae Bowen, of El Paso. The William Gillette play was staged by Pvt. Albert Berg, of company A, who took the part of the young war correspondent for Leslie, at the front in the civil war. He deserves the play and his acting was as good as many professionals, plus the freshness of the amateur.

El Pasoans in the audience were proud of the three El Paso girls who assisted the national guardsmen in their play. Miss Brown played her difficult role exceptionally well and wore some exquisite gowns as the young southern society girl. Miss Bridges, as the maid aunt of the young girls, was dignified and impressive in her role but was not as beautiful as she is. The role of the elderly woman, Miss Bowen, who appeared for the first time in amateur dramatics in El Paso Monday night, repeated her success of the first production and surprised even her closest friends. As the ingenue, she was vivacious without overdoing the part and was as sweet and attractive as Billie Burke.

Soldiers Good Actors. The principals were assisted by members of company A, who played the various military parts in the civil war play. Capt. W. H. Brown, as "Uncle Rufus," the negro servant, was especially good as was Pvt. Earl Main, as Sgt. Harbinger, sergent. Gordon Murch played the leading part of Col. Harvey Bran well and was exceptionally good in his leading part. Others who participated in the play were: Sergt. Chester Coxswell, Sergt. Ralph Robert, Pvt. Walter Blevins, Corp. Ed. Robinson, Corp. John Frye, Pvt. Walter Richardson, musician Charles Savage, Corp. Henry Sawyer, Corp. John Preston, Pvt. Robert Post, Pvt. Walter Richardson, Corp. William Robinson.

A quartet from the eighth infantry also sang between the acts and were cheered each time they appeared. A band number was also sung by one of the infantrymen.

PENN. DIVISION HAS WINDSTORM

Little Sleep Monday Night; Col. Kearns Sleeps in Truck Trailer.

The entire seventh Pennsylvania division awoke Tuesday morning after having endured the finest, most searching and almost bewildering sand both and sand scouring that anyone could get outside of a Sahara sandstorm. The wind started Monday night about eight o'clock and never let up until dawn this morning. The seventh division still drowsy because they did not sleep much, got up at reveille and proceeded to get the sand out of their hair, eyes, ears, noses, teeth and sweep it out of their tents. Until "taps" men slackened guy ropes, sat on the edges of tents, held up tent poles and scurried about to see what damage was being done. It was almost impossible to see although in the intervals between the mighty gusts it was a clear sky overhead with a moon and stars.

Colonel Sleeps in Truck. Col. E. L. Kearns, of the 18th, was up his tent in despair and slept in the trailer. The stable tent of the 18th went up like a Wright bi-plane, ropes and all, and is probably in Mexico now. Lieut. Sable says his band saw him about the end of his tent and went after it into the ink darkness away across the railroad clad only in pajamas.

Artillery on a Hike. Battery B, as part of the first battalion of the first Pennsylvania field artillery went on a ten mile hike Tuesday morning and Col. McKee, of the regiment, went along. They took the ambulance in case of any accident with the horses and kune but got back safely about one o'clock. Lieut. Miller, of the medical corps of the artillery who resigned some time ago, left Tuesday night for Allequippa, Pa., his home.

The Pennsylvania signalmen under Maj. F. C. Miller were out all morning with their horses and mules. The band of the tenth Pennsylvania sat all forenoon in its mess tent and rehearsed for a concert they are going to give. Maj. Schaefer, of the sanitary train, is going to send the last measles case back to his regiment in the morning.

Gen. Logan Rides. Gen. Albert J. Logan and his staff were out all forenoon Tuesday making an inspection of the entire second brigade.

The field bakery has been completed back of the tenth Pennsylvania camp. The bakers started to receive instructions Tuesday and it will be turning out bread for the division by the first of next week.

The first evening parade held by the 18th Pennsylvania since they came out on this call, was held Monday evening at retreat by Maj. Clement and his battalion. The parade drew a crowd of soldier spectators.

ILLINOIS GOVERNOR EATS WITH TROOPS; LIKES MEAL

San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 16.—Governor E. F. Dunne of Illinois, took a mess kit, lined up with the men of the First Illinois infantry and had lunch with them Tuesday. The governor ate a meal costing eight and one half cents.

"That was one of the finest meals I ever had," said the governor. He said his purpose was two-fold—to eat with the men in good fellowship and learn by experience just what the soldiers have to eat. The government allows each man 9.3 cents for food, but the experience of the governor for Dunne's edification and lowered the cost.

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Auto City Service Co. Taxicab Advertisement.

S. C. INFANTRY HAS FINE CAMP

Second Infantry Is at Home in Camp Stewart; Given Ovation En Route.

The Second regiment of infantry, South Carolina national guard, has been kept busy since its arrival on the border Sunday, cleaning and clearing their campsite of brush at Camp Stewart.

The trip from Camp Styr, South Carolina, to El Paso was marked by many enjoyable events. The regimental band gave concerts at six different cities on the way here, which were enjoyed by the citizens at these places. At Houston and Montgomery, Ala., the members of the first battalion paraded through the main streets during their short stay at these points. Everywhere the people treated them with the greatest courtesy. At Houston, while they were waiting connections, citizens provided the men with lemonade, shower baths and stamped postcards to send back home.

Rode in Pullmans. The first battalion of the Second infantry rode in Pullmans all of the distance from their mobilization camp to El Paso, and expressed themselves as being entirely satisfied with their trip. The other battalions, while they were not as fortunate as the first battalion, admitted that they were comfortable during the trip.

Col. H. R. Springs, the commanding officer of the Second infantry, stopped the train for half an hour at Flomaton, Ala., while his men and officers took a cooling swim. Col. Springs, in civil life, is a prominent banker in Georgetown, S. C., one of the largest banks in that section. The only fault that the men of the Second are grumbling about is the delay of their mail, which is either on the way here or is at the military branch postoffice at Ft. Bliss.

Son of Ambassador. The Second brought its share of correspondents and, in the ranks can be found the editors and associates of some of the prominent of South Carolina dailies and weeklies, including Gonzales, editor of the Columbia State, which is owned by his father, who is the United States ambassador to Cuba, is among the number.

The regimental band of the Second, known as the Orangeburg military band, is a celebrated organization of many years and is famous throughout the state. It has only 29 members, being eight short.

In Royal Marine Corps. Bandmaster O. K. Wilson served with the royal marine corps of Great Britain before he enlisted in the South Carolina guard.

The band's mascot is a small goat, which they have named "Susie." He is smaller than the ordinary goat and has black legs and a red body.

Members of the band are pleased with this country, and sleeping under blankets is popular with them, after the Carolina climate.

James I. McMichael, a musician in the band, is the assistant cashier of the Edisto National bank of Orangeburg in civil life.

Capt. E. R. Canty, of the machine gun company, is a real estate and insurance broker when not a soldier.

First Lieut. W. C. McGowan, also of the machine gun company, is a member of the South Carolina bar.

Hardware Dealer. Second Lieut. W. G. Marvek, machine gun company, is a hardware dealer in Charleston.

Pvt. Gettings Crawford, machine gun company, is advertising manager of the Columbia Record.

The machine gun has 44 men, three of whom are officers.

Summer Guards. Company A, known as the Summer guards, getting their name from Ft. Sumter, in Charleston harbor, is one of the strongest companies in the regiment, having 75 men.

Their mascot, or was a banner roster of the fighting stock, who won a good deal of fame around Charleston when put up against others of his breed. His name was "Felix" the rooster disappeared shortly after the regiment went into camp here. The machine gun company had chicken dinner Monday.

Former Capt. T. H. Hyde, of company A, is now mayor of Charleston. Capt. Hyde did not accompany the militia to the border.

Company B, famous as the "Washington Light Infantry," is also from Charleston. The company claims the distinction of being the oldest organized company of infantry militia in the United States, being organized in 1780. It fought during the Mexican and civil wars.

All Vaccinated. All of the Carolina soldiers were vaccinated and inoculated at Camp Stewart against typhoid fever and smallpox.

The Carolinians are all pleased with the weather here and, as they have all the "grub" that they can eat, there is hardly any complaining throughout the camp.

Capt. Myers, adjutant of the Second regiment, is a lawyer of Orangeburg, but has had an excellent military training at a South Carolina military school.

Have Nest Camp. The tents in the Carolina camp are in rows that equal those of the regulars, and the entire encampment is clean.

The site of the Second infantry is opposite the depot at Tobin and to the east of the First infantry.

Ever since the arrival, peddlars with postcards and curios of all kinds have infested the South Carolina camp, selling their wares.

A number of the men in the Second are drawing salaries from their civil employers as well as the regular army salary.

and introduced the various participants.

Col. Covell was the first speaker and told the boys how glad he was to have them all together and urged them to stick together and forget that they were from Big Rapids and the other Rapids that are so numerous in Michigan and remember only that they belonged to the 23d Michigan, a regiment of the 2d regular infantry, that they were sure to sustain.

More Talks; Good Program. Lieut. Col. Joe B. Westendorp made a talk along similar lines and was presented with a field mess outfit by one of the companies as a token of regard. Chaplain Horace A. Chouard, of the 2d regular infantry, also gave the men a heart to heart talk and told some stories.

Zack Lamar, Cobb and G. A. Martin made talks to the men from the civilian side and there were boxing matches, dances, "awkward squad" drills, violin solos, vocal solos, monologues and various other amusement features, proving that the 25d has much talent in its ranks. Beer was served the men as they sat about on the benches during the program.

Advertisement for August Furniture Sale. Features a large illustration of a dining table and chairs. Text includes 'See the Window Display', 'Send Your Mail Orders', 'We Give A.C. Trading Stamps', and 'Easy Payments Arranged'.

YOU can buy Furniture cheaper during our August Furniture Sale than you will be able to buy it for some time to come. All Furniture is advancing and many of the items on Sale now are priced lower than we buy them today at wholesale. But display samples of the season and the vast accumulation of many odd pieces must go. New Fall stock is arriving and notwithstanding our largely increased Floor Space we need room. The Porch Furniture listed below is a decided Bargain—you will get lots of service out of it this season and you will have it to start next season with. Convenient Credit Terms can be arranged on all Specials purchased during our August Furniture Sale.

Great Reductions in Old Hickory and Oak Porch Furniture

Advertisement for porch furniture. Includes illustrations of a rocking chair, a porch swing, and a porch arm chair. Text lists prices: Old Hickory Rocker, \$3.80; Solid Oak Porch Swing, \$5.20; Solid Oak Porch Arm Chair, \$2.65; Porch Rocker, \$2.95.

Specials in Our Rug Department

Advertisement for rug specials. Lists prices for 9x12 Grass Rugs (\$5.85), 9x12 Seamless Brussels Rugs (\$12.75), 9x12 Axministers (\$21.50), and Congoleum Floor Covering (45c).

Advertisement for Rogers Furniture Company. Address: 207-9-11 North Stanton Street.

Advertisement for McNickle's grocery store. Lists various food items and prices: Bread Loaf (3c), Sugar (16 lbs. \$1.00), Meat Department (Weiners, Ham, Sausage, etc.), and Cakes and Candy Department (Hot Rolls, Crackers, etc.).

Advertisement for Michigan Boys. Title: 'MICHIGAN BOYS HAVE A GOOD TIME'. Text describes a 'Big Feed' and a 'Dutch Company Drills'.

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Advertisement for WEEK-END EXCURSIONS. Title: 'WEEK-END EXCURSIONS For National Guardsmen'. Text describes a trip to Silver City, New Mexico, and includes contact information for the Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Silver City, N. M.

Advertisement for Superfluous Hair. Title: 'Superfluous Hair DeMiracle'. Text describes the product and its benefits.

Advertisement for SOLDIER KILLED AT DAM. Title: 'SOLDIER KILLED AT DAM BY LIGHTNING, IS REPORT'. Text reports on a soldier killed by lightning.

Advertisement for REBEKAHS ENTERTAIN FOR NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS. Text describes an entertainment event.

Advertisement for UP-TO-DATE 7-PASSENGER CARS. Text describes car rental services.

Advertisement for AUTOS. Text describes car rental services.