POLICE DUTY PROVES NEW CAMP NOVELTY

Troop A, D. C. N. G., Is Getting Novel Experience in Service on the Border.

MANY VIOLATORS CHASED

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CAMP WILSON, San Antonio, Tex., District National Guard Camp, November 6.—Nursing a "black and blue" spot on his right leg where an unruly mule had left the imprint of his "left hind" several days ago, Private Maloney, horseshoer of Troop A, National Guard of the District of Columbia, is for "safety first."

"It's a mighty fine thing to be a member of Troop A," said Maloney, "but after this outfit has been doing mounted police duty and had made a couple of hundred pinches it is just a little bit unhealthy to talk too much about where you belong," he said.

Mounted police duty in this "tented city" of about 17,000 inhabitants is an entirely new experience for the members of Troop A. It is a work that formerly was done by the 16th Cavalry (regulars). The work requires the services of one officer, three non-coms and about fifteen privates, all of whom are mounted. A brassard of blue with the letters "M. P." in white is worn on the right arm.

Keeping Eye on Jitneys.

One of the chief duties is to keep an eye on the jitneys and other autos and enforce an eighteen-mile-an-hour speed law. Dazzling headlights and unnecessary sounding of auto horns claim the attention of the police at nighttime. Their duties also include the enforcement of an army regulation which prescribes that mule teams shall not be driven faster than a walk and that mounted men and officers shall not ride through the camp at a faster gait than a trot. Wagons must keep to the roads and not make short cuts across fields. Disorderly conduct on the part of civilians as well as soldiers will not be tolerated.

The men of Troop A have had some very interesting experiences since they took on their police duties. One member of the troop started after a speeding auto yesterday and when he finally brought it to a halt after a chase of about a quarter of a mile discovered that a colonel was riding in the rear seat. A civilian chauffeur was driving the machine. The cavalryman ignored the colonel entirely with the exception of the prescribed salute and addressed all his remarks to the chauffeur. He demanded the number.

"This car belongs at division headquarters," replied the chauffeur.

"That does not matter a bit," replied the cavalryman. "Gen. Funston has issued orders against speeding and it's got to be stopped. You were driving this boat at about thirty-five when I hailed you."

The colonel didn't have a word to say. He merely sat in one corner of the rear seat with his arms folded.

Exciting Run With Jitneys.

One of the first members of the troop to have a "run in" with a jitney driver after the cavalrymen from the District were given the police work to do was Capt. Washburn, its commander.

The driver made a remark that made the troop commander "hot under the collar" and he promptly ordered the driver to get out of his car.

"Get out of that car and get out of this reservation just as fast as your legs can carry you."

Forcing the driver to leave his machine on the roadside, Capt. Washburn saw to it that the man was put outside of the reservation. It was not until about two hours later that he was permitted to re-enter, and when he did it was with an escort of mounted police. He was required to drive his machine to headjuarters, where Capt. Washburn had made a report. The jitney driver's license was revoked and all the guards have been given specific orders to keep his car out of camp.

Camp Preparing for Winter.

Preparations for winter are being made at the Troop A camp. A supply of tent stoves has been received, and soon each of the tents will be provided with one of the little funnel-shaped heaters. A supply of heavy horse blankets also has been furnished. Construction of a stable for the troop's horses will be started soon.

One thing that is still lacking at the cavalry camp is winter clothing for the men. Only a few of them have their woolen "O. D." clothing. A requisition for the clothing was made some time ago and its arrival is expected any day. Lumber for tent floors has been ordered and soon the cavalrymen will have something that is somewhat cleaner than gumbo soil to step on when they get out of bed in the morning.

Troop A had a German supper Saturday night and all past performances in the matter of eating were surpassed. Neither Cook Pete Anderson nor Cook Si Allen is German, but both of them demonstrated their ability to prepare German dishes. One of the cavalrymen declared that even the "kaiser could not have prepared a finer dish of potato salad than what the troop cooks prepared."

Troop Striving for Trophy.

Soon Troop A hopes to have a trophy in the form of a handsome banner as the result of the good showing its members made Saturday afternoon in an athletic meet. About one hundred men from the organizations that use Y. M. C. A. building No. 4 competed in the events. Troop A won the greatest number of points and the Y. M. C. A. authorities have promised to provide a banner.

The distinction of having won the greatest number of points won in the meet fell to Corp. Semmes of Troop A, who captured first in the high jump, pole vault and hop, skip and jump, and second place in the shotput and running broad jump. Corp. Scott won the 100 and 220 yard dashes and the running broad jump. Private O'Brien won the standing broad jump and received second place in the standing high jump, and Private Kessenich won third place in the shotput.

It was the second time the troop has made a good showing in an athletic meet. While it was camped at Fort Myer it competed with the other mounted organizations and came out the winner by a big margin. Many of the members of the troop were "crack" athletes at college.

Poem Stirs the Camp.

Some person signing "M. G. A." has sent a letter to Private Victor Olmsted of the troop inclosing a poem written in answer to the "Ode to Patriotism," which was written recently by him in conjunction with Jesse Wilson, jr., a troop mate. Having read that a "poetic fever" had broken out in the cavalry camp, this unknown correspondent who writes from Washington makes the statement that "the fever has broken out here, accompanied by blind staggers."

The handwriting indicates that Olmsted's correspondent is a "she," and following is a sample of "her" serve:

A soldier true, in his suit of blue,
Never complains of his lot like you:
When "the rain falls down in blinding sheets
With never a warning sound.
But duty to country ever he sees,
Though he travels in "gumbo up to his knees."

There are five verses in "her" poem and each and every one of them has a "roast" for the writers of the "Ode to Patriotism." Olmsted declares that if the unknown poetess was ever forced to live for about a week in good rich gumbo mud she would change a lot of her ideas and write an entirely different kind of poem.

"It's the environment that counts," said Olmsted.

Arrives From Washington.

The members of the troops extended a glad hand today to Privates Ames, Brown and Jacobsen when they arrived in camp, after having been on furlough, and also to Privates Schafer, Dinger and Witt, three recruits who reached here in company with a party of "rookies" for the 3d Regiment. Ames, Brown and Jacobsen remained in Washington when the troop left for the border country in order that they might take the examination for commissions in the regular army as second lieutenants.

Following their arrival they were promptly assigned to their former positions in the sections and within a few minutes had their belongings all "shaken down."

For a few days they probably will have a "hard row to hoe," if they attempt to keep pace with the other members of the troop. They will have to do a lot of intensive training if they want to catch up to the other members of the troop, who now go through their daily drills with a dash and snap that make the regulars here look to their laurels.

TWO WIN NOBEL PRIZES.

French Playwright and Novelist and Swedish Poet Honored.

LONDON, November 10.—The Swedish Academy, according to a Reuter dispatch from Stockholm, has awarded the Nobel prize for literature for 1915, which had been held in reserve, to Romain Rolland, the French playwright and novelist. The prize for 1916 has been awarded to the Swedish poet, Verner Heidenstam.

MRS. ODENHEIMER AGAIN HEADS THE U. D. OF C.

Washington Woman Re-Elected by Convention in Dallas—Other Officers Chosen.

DALLAS, Tex., November 10.—The United Daughters of the Confederacy, in session here, yesterday re-elected Mrs. Frank G. Odenheimer of Washington, D. C., president general, and all other major officers and gave a pledge to raise $10,000 toward a monument to be erected on the Jefferson Davis birthplace, at Fairfield, Ky.

Although there were no other candidates for president general, twenty votes were cast by the Maryland state division against the re-election of Mrs. Odenheimer.

Chosen by Acclamation.

Three vice presidents, a number of custodians and minor officers were elected by acclamation. The only contest was that for corresponding secretary, in which Mrs. Arthur Walcott of Ardmore, Okla., won over Mrs. C. L. Hamil of Dallas, 1,272 to 982.

The organization's pledge to raise $10,000 for the Jefferson Davis monument followed an appeal and an outline of the project by Gen. Bennett Young of Louisville, Ky., past commander of the United Confederate Veterans. The monument, Gen. Young said, would cost $100,000 and would be a 350-foot shaft of granite. About $20,000 has been raised, he said.

Business was given over principally to the election of officers and discussion of the executive board's report on two controversies. By the adoption of this report the J. J. Finley Chapter of Gainesville, Fla., against which charges of insubordination had been filed, was reinstated and Mrs. Adelbert Warren Mears was declared the legally elected president of the Maryland State Division.

Night Session.

"Historical night," with the annual addresses of Miss Mildred Rutherford of Athens, Ga., historian general, occupied tonight's program. Several awards of merit to various chapters were made and a scholarship announced.

General business of the convention will be continued today and tomorrow, with adjournment tomorrow afternoon.

PRICES OF FOODSTUFFS REMAIN ABOUT SAME

Eggs Scarcer Than Week Ago, According to the Market Men.

Few changes are to be noted in the prices of foodstuffs on the benches in the markets of the city from those prevailing last week, and the supply seems to be plentiful, though the dealers say eggs are scarcer than they were a week ago. Guaranteed fresh eggs still sell at 50 to 60 cents a dozen, while gathered stock has advanced to 44 cents a dozen.

Wild ducks, geese and quail are on the market in quantities enough to meet the demand. Meats show but few changes in prices from those prevailing last week and the changes that have taken place are to the benefit of the homekeeper.

In the produce market lima beans, the season for which is drawing to an end, are selling higher, and corn is off the market until next spring. Peaches are also becoming scarce and are selling today at 50 cents a pan.

Urges Co-Operation in Marketing.

The marketing of 7,000 carloads of muskmelons shipped from western producing regions annually should be done with greater co-operation on the part of growers, say market specialists of the Department of Agriculture. Co-operation is especially needed, in the opinion of the specialists, in the purchase of seeds and supplies and, where distributers are employed, in checking up the accounts of the latter.

Prices Quoted in the Market.

The market was fairly brisk this morning and prices ranged about as follows:

EGGS.

Hennery, 50c to 60c doz. Gathered, 44c doz.
Storage, 36c to 38c doz.

POULTRY.

Chickens, 25c to 28c lb. Turkeys, 30c to 35c lb.
Broilers, 28c to 32c lb. Ducks, 25c to 28c lb.
Roosters, 16c to 18c lb. Keats, $1.70 to $2.00 pair.
Hens, 22c to 25c lb.

GAME.

Rabbits, 35c to 40c ea. Geese, $2 each.
Wild ducks, 75c to $3 each. Squirrels, 25c each.
Quail, 75c each.

BUTTER.

Best creamery, 45c to 50c lb. Medium grades, 38c to 45c lb.
Oleo, 15c to 30c lb. Renovated, 38c lb.

MEATS.

Lamb, 15c to 35c lb.
Beef, roast, 18c to 28c lb.
Beefsteak, 25c to 35c lb.
Beef, stewing, 15c to 20c lb.
Veal, 18c to 35c lb.
Bacon, piece, 25c to 28c lb.
Bacon, sliced, 28c to 35c lb.
Pork, roast, 22c to 25c lb.
Mutton, 20c to 30c lb.
Pork chops, 22c to 25c lb.
Pork hams, 21c to 25c lb.
Pork shoulder, 16c to 18c lb.
Smoked ham, 22c to 25c lb.
Smoked shoulder, 16c to 18c lb.
Corned ham, 22c to 25c lb.

FISH.

Sea bass, 15c lb.
Halibut, 22c to 25c lb.
Cod, 15c lb.
Flounders, 12½c to 15c lb.
Spanish mackerel, 25c to 30c lb.
Butterfish, 15c to 20c lb.
Gray trout, 10c to 15c lb.
Rock, 20c to 25c lb.
Bluefish, 23c to 25c lb.
Salmon trout, 20c lb.
Tile, 15c lb.
Catfish (skinned), 12½c to 15c lb.
Clams, 35c qt. or $1.20 a hundred.
Crab meat, 40c qt.
Crab flake, 60c qt.
White perch, 15c to 20c lb.
Shrimp, 20c lb.
Shrimp, cooked, 50c lb.
Haddock, 10c to 15c lb.
Bass, 22c to 25c lb.
Boston mackerel, 18c to 20c lb.

PRODUCE.

Sweet potatoes, 40c pk.
Yams, 40c pk.
Spinach, 30c pk.
Cucumbers, 10c to 15c each.
Egg plants, 15c to 20c each.
Carrots, 3c to 5c bunch.
Spanish onions, 5c to 8c each.
Celery, 5c to 10c bunch.
Cabbage, 8c to 15c head.
Cymlings, Fla., 5c to 10c each.
Irish potatoes, 40c to 60c pk.
Brussels sprouts, 20c to 25c qt.
Celery cabbage, 10c to 20c head.
Beets, 5c bunch.
Okra, 15c pk.
Burr artichokes, 20c ea.
Green peas, 75c to $1 pk.
Tomatoes, 10c to 20c ¼ pk.
Sweet peppers, 10c to 15c doz.
String beans, 15c qt. box.
Lettuce, 5c to 10c head.
Radishes, 2½c to 5c bunch.
Lima beans, 40c to 50c qt.
Onions, 40c to 50c pk.
Cauliflower, 10c to 25c head.
Asparagus, Calif., 75c to $1.00 bunch.

FRUITS.

Apples, 10c to 20c ¼ pk.
Pears, Calif., 30c to 60c doz.
Grapefruit, 10c to 20c each.
Alligator pears, 10c to 25c each.
Pineapples, 20c to 50c each.
Honey dew melons, 35c to 75c each.
Casaba melons, 40c to 75c each.
Limes, 15c to 20c doz.
Pumpkins, 10c to 35c each.
Japanese persimmons, 75c doz.
Cranberries, 10c to 15c qt.
Lemons, 15c to 20c doz.
Oranges, 25c to 60c doz.
Peaches, 50c ½-pk. pan.
Grapes, 20c basket.
Malaga grapes, 10c to 20c lb.

FISH MARKET WELL SUPPLIED.

Prices Remain About the Same as Prevailed Week Ago.

The wholesale fish market at the 11th street wharf was fairly well supplied with fresh fish this morning from both the bay and coast fisheries, though ling and whitings were less plentiful than early in the week. As a general thing prices remain firm and range at about the figures of a week ago. Some few black bass from the Potomac and North Carolina are on sale at moderate prices and are in demand.

Early this morning buyers were on hand in numbers and prices ranged about as follows:

Spanish mackerel, 15 to 25 cents; bluefish, 17 to 20 cents; rock, 10 to 18 cents; carp, 4 to 6 cents; white perch, small, 25 to 35 cents a bunch; white perch, large, 8 to 13 cents; halibut, 15 cents; bass, 14 to 16 cents; catfish, 5 to 6 cents; flounders, 6 to 8 cents; eels, 5 to 10 cents each; gray trout, $13.50 a barrel; croakers, $14 a barrel, and butterfish, $15 to $18 a barrel; ling, $5.50 a barrel, and whiting, $5 to $5.50 a barrel.

The supply of oysters on sale at the wharf markets continues good, and prices range about 50 cents to $1 a bushel, or shucked, $1 to $1.20 a gallon.

STILL HAVE THEIR JOBS.

Two Defeated Democrats to Return to Washington.

At least two defeated democratic candidates for office in the elections just held will return to Washington to keep good appointive jobs. One of them is John Burke, treasurer of the United States, who ran for senator in North Dakota and was defeated by Senator McCumber, republican. The other is Edwin Sweet, assistant secretary of the Department of Commerce, who ran for governor of Michigan and was beaten by his republican opponent.

Mr. Burke did not resign as treasurer of the United States pending the result of the election. Mr. Sweet tendered his resignation, but it was not acted upon. Mr. Sweet is expected to return to his position here.

NORWAY TO MAKE PROTEST.

Russian Torpedo Boat Said to Have Shelled U-Boat in Her Waters.

BERLIN, November 10.—Reports from Christiania say that a Russian torpedo boat destroyer shelled on November 2 a German submarine while the Russian vessel was between two and a half and three miles from the Norwegian town of Homoen, near Vardos, and while the submarine was from three to four miles distant from the Norwegian coast.

The Norwegian government, according to the dispatch which was received by the Overseas News Agency, has instructed the Norwegian minister at Petrograd to protest against this new alleged violation of neutrality.