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## NIGHT ATTACK ON COLLEGE STATION

COL. HOGUE MAKES FIERCE ATTACK AND CAPTURES FIRST BATTALION.

### BLOODY BAYONET FIGHT

Trenches Filled With Dead—Hand to Hand Fighting in Barracks.

On Thursday night the second and third battalions made an attack on College Station. It was intended to surprise the defenders, but they were well prepared, and a fierce battle took place. Our correspondent, who accompanied the attacking forces, writes the following story of the battle:

Thursday, March 26, Col. Hogue held a conference with his officers and discussed a surprise attack on the stronghold of Major Jarvis. It was thought that the defenders could be easily surprised and the town taken by a sudden attack made just after dark. Friends in the town had informed the colonel that the place was carelessly guarded, and that the defense had no idea that an enemy was near.

At 7 o'clock the march toward College Station was begun. The army was halted about four hundred yards south of the main gate of the campus. Up to this point no sign of the enemy's outposts had been seen. A small patrol was sent forward to reconnoiter. They reported that they had seen no evidence of protection. The colonel called another conference to decide upon the plan of attack.

The men took advantage of the halt to get a much needed rest. They broke ranks and sat on the grass by the roadside. Some took a casual nap; others sang or rolled the fateful dice. There was a quiet hum of conversation, broken occasionally by a burst of laughter, which was quickly hushed.

A couple of guards of one company were sitting next to the fence around the baseball park. For no apparent reason, one of the men stood up and peeped through a crack. He spoke sharply to his companions and half a dozen of them swarmed over the fence. There was a sound of whizzing brick bats, a thud or two, and a scurrying of feet. The men climbed back over the fence, laughing. The first encounter with the enemy had been successful.

It was interesting to observe the manner with which the different men

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## CORPS MAKES TRIP TO BRAZOS RIVER

By Practice March to Jones Bridge the Regiment Shows Great Efficiency

The most pleasurable event of the hike was the practice march to the Brazos. This was the first trip the corps had made to the river since 1912.

The regiment left College at 8 o'clock Friday, March 27. The march orders detailed the first battalion as advance guard. Companies A and D constituted the reserve, while B and C Companies acted as the support. The ability and training of the officers was shown by the order and efficiency with which the expedition was carried out. The march was completed in less than three hours, including numerous halts. The men arrived in camp in the best of condition, despite the fact that the road was none of the best.

### Details of Expedition.

First call was sounded at 7:45, assembly at 7:50. The men carried haversacks and canteens in addition to their arms. Since the sky was somewhat cloudy and the breeze sharp, most of them stored an overcoat in their haversacks. This added considerably to the load, but "prevention is better than cure." Some were also equipped with a pair of ivory cubes, on whose faces appeared a number of small round black spots.

After roll call, the captains saw that the men had such extra clothing as might be necessary in case the weather changed, and also showed the fish the best method of carrying packs.

Promptly at 8 o'clock C Company began the march. On reaching the gate, an advance party and flank patrols were sent out and the company moved on without delay. B Company, which formed the remainder of the support, followed at a short distance. The reserve, consisting of A and D Companies, followed at a distance of about 500 yards. The ambulance company followed immediately in rear of the reserve. The main body marched at the approximate distance of half a mile from the advance guard. Col. Hogue was in charge of the main body. The entire march was protected by flank patrols, who marched several yards inside the fence on either side of the road. These patrols found some difficulty in keeping up with the main body on account of the rough ground of the fields and woods. However, they derived a melancholy pleasure from scaring up chickens and pickaninnies from the back porches of the colored gentry who resided on either side of the road.

The first halt was called after the regiment had marched about two miles. The men fell out and unslung their sacks, took a long pull at the canteen, and stretched themselves on the grass by the roadside. After a couple of cigarettes, the march was continued without further delay or incident until the advance guard reached

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## FIERCE BATTLE ON QUALITY ROW

TWO BATTALIONS INVADE CAMPUS FROM SOUTH.

The closing event of the Field Maneuvers was the day attack on College. The first and third battalions commanded by Col. Hogue comprised the attacking force. The two battalions left College at 8 o'clock. The route of march lay along the Inturban tracks as far as the gate. On reaching this point, the commander detailed M. Company as a decoy. Capt. Rack was ordered to take his company into the woods north of College and keep them under cover until 9 o'clock. At this hour he was to attack. The colonel planned to attack at five past nine. The battalions again took up the march, going across the H. & T. C. tracks. After crossing the track, the army was conducted by the road, which leads to the Brazos, for a distance of about one mile. At this point the direction of march was changed to the south. Thereafter the route was through a dense woods. Walking was difficult on account of the thick underbrush. After marching about an hour, the army was completely lost. Half an hour more was spent in getting a fresh start. Another half hour of marching brought the attackers in sight of the College.

The force soon reached the railroad at a point below the switch tower. It was impossible to keep under cover and further. An open pasture several hundred yards wide had to be crossed. However, there were several large gates and a good road. The gates were opened, and the army marched through at double time. Capt. Washam took his company up the track. He succeeded in capturing a goodly number of outposts, and drove the others in. B Company broke the fence around the golf links and deployed. They then advanced at double time across the five hundred yard stretch to the Athletic Park. The rest of the forces marched further east until they arrived at a point a few hundred yards from the south end of quality row. Up to this time they had not been observed by the enemy. Here, however, a brisk fire was opened by outposts concealed in the woods and ditches in the neighborhood, forcing C and D Companies to quickly deploy. The



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