Riding with the Blackhorse: Vignettes out of Our Regiment's History
By: Don Snedeker

1901

K Troop, One Hundred Years Later

Troop K on Top: In the U.S. Army at the turn of the last century, it was a tradition to commemorate the Fourth of July with athletic and military skills competition between units. In July 1901, the Eleventh United States Cavalry had been formed just six months earlier. First Squadron was located at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, Second Squadron at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, and Third Squadron at Fort Myer, Virginia. Third Squadron’s games, held on July 5th, were dominated by Troopers from K Troop. As reported in the Washington Post, Kilo Troopers won in marksmanship; tent pitching; dressing, rescue, and mounted potato races; and ‘assembling pieces’ (weapons?). They also came in second in the relay race, manual of the carbine, and manual of the saber. This gave them a total of 56 points, well ahead of second-place I Troop (30 points), M Troop (9 points), and L Troop (7 points). Corporal Nevill of K Troop, with 13 points, was the individual winner.

1907

40 Miles a Day on Beans and Hay: The United States Navy has always been known for its good chow; the Army, not so much. However, in July 1907 the Cavalry Journal published an article written by an officer from one of the lower-numbered regiments that described the menu in a Cavalry Troop garrison mess at Fort Riley, Kansas. This fare was definitely not of the “40 miles a day on beans and hay” variety (the title of a frontier Dragoon’s memoir). Here’s what these Troopers ate on Sunday, 17 March 1907:

Breakfast
Hominy Grits w/Sugar & Cream
Stewed Peaches
Porterhouse Steak Smothered in Onions
French Fried Potatoes
Biscuits, Toast, Butter, Coffee

Dinner
Vegetable Soup
Fried Spring Chicken w/Cream Gravy
Boiled Kidney Beans
Creamed Potatoes
Sweet Potatoes
Hot Corn Muffins
Lemon Ice Cream, Chocolate Cake, Jelly Cake
Bread
Pickles

Supper
Milk Toast
Stewed Prunes
Creamed Potatoes
Bread, Butter, Syrup, Iced Tea

1909 - 1965

On Parade: On 4 March 1909, the Eleventh Cavalry Regiment participated in the inauguration parade of President William Howard Taft. The president-elect had first-hand experience with the Regiment. While Governor General in the Philippines in early 1902, he had welcomed the Eleventh on its first foreign expedition. Then, as Secretary of War in 1906, he ordered the Eleventh on their second foreign campaign in Cuba.

Leading the nearly 1,000 mounted Troopers through the Nation’s capital

President William Howard Taft Inauguration,
4 March 1909

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Blackhorse Association Web Site: http://www.blackhorse.org
See you soon! As I write this we are just over 90 days from our annual Blackhorse Association Family Reunion in Atlanta. I trust you have already made your plans and reservations to join us from June 8-11, 2017 at the Atlanta Hilton - Marietta, Georgia. Scott Harrison, Rick Pring, George Desario and a host of other Blackhorse veterans have been working hard to organize another first-class event.

Our reunion theme is “Blackhorse NCOs: the Strength of our Regiment and the Nation.” Former Sergeants Major of the Army Ken Preston and Jack Tilley will lead our Friday and Saturday night events as we honor our amazing NCO leaders through our history. As part of the program, we seek your nominations of NCOs who have distinguished themselves to be recognized during our reunion program to include induction into the Honorary Rolls of the Regiment by the 67th Colonel, Colonel Joe Clark. Please forward nominations to Rick Pring.

I am honored to announce that the 56th Colonel, Terry Tucker, has volunteered once again to serve the Blackhorse as the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment. He will succeed the 52nd Colonel, Tom White, who has been the honorary Colonel since 2004. Terry will team with our honorary CSM of the Regiment, SMA Ken Preston, to continue to provide mentorship for the Regiment.

Many thanks to Secretary White for his decades of selfless service and dedication to our nation and great Regiment. And to Terry, we are grateful for your willingness to once again jump in the saddle!

Your support for our Regiment continues to be impressive and enables many good things to happen. We had another great 1901 fundraising campaign led by Bob Akam. Many thanks to those who generously contributed. This year, 18 Blackhorse children are recipients of a Blackhorse Association college scholarship thanks to your generosity and support. Please consider giving to the scholarship program to ensure we invest in our future through the education of the Blackhorse family. Bob Hatcher would be happy to help if you are interested in donating or establishing a $3,000 annual scholarship.

Our life blood is our members. I encourage every BHA member to reach out to at least one fellow Trooper from your era and encourage them to join with us as a member of the Association. Bringing strength in numbers is a Cavalry tradition, and through our strength we will support and preserve everything we hold dear about our Regiment. We will kick off an Association membership drive during our June reunion.

I look forward to seeing you in Atlanta in June.

ALLONS AND BLACKHORSE FOREVER!

Pete Bayer
61st Colonel
President of the Blackhorse Association
Greetings to the Troopers of the Best Damn Regiment. Our Regiment has just returned from Holiday leave and we are eager to get back to the business of training U.S. Army Brigade Combat Teams.

The Regiment completed the 20th Annual Long Walk to the Barstow Veterans Home, December 13th, where our troopers shared stories with veterans of each of the armed services. Our visit this year to the veteran’s home was special, as this is the 20th year that the Blackhorse Regiment has conducted this tradition, which also marks how long the veteran’s home has been in operation.

Our partnership with this great organization will continue to grow as we pass along the stories and history from one generation to the next.

The Regiment is in the middle of Rotation 17-03, with the National Training Center hosting 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division out of Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

The Blackhorse is providing the best operating environment available to train in as our capabilities continue to evolve, making our Troopers better, while also enhancing the training for the rotational unit. During Rotation 17-03, the 11th ACR is partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion out of Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

This joint capability is another example of how the Blackhorse Regiment is working to improve the training experience for every Army BCT that comes through the NTC. Additionally, this expands our capabilities by providing our Troopers the experience of working in a joint environment.

The Regiment recently conducted a War Council with the endstate of creating the Blackhorse Vision, which reads: “We are the best Regiment! Together, we shoulder the challenge of making our Army better by developing masters in our craft, and Troopers of character.”

Given all that we are doing here in the Mojave, you would be hard-pressed to find a superior and better-prepared combat unit in the Army. I am extremely proud at how this Regiment has bonded with the common goal of creating a lasting legacy, while celebrating the Troopers who came before us.

Our Vietnam Veterans were also celebrated as we commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War with a parade and banquet here at Fort Irwin. The sheer joy of the Troopers, past and present, was evident in all of the smiling faces. It was a remarkable event that truly solidified the relationship between our veterans, Soldiers, and the community.

The Blackhorse Regiment has a way of demonstrating everything that is great about the Army. From the storied past of the 11th ACR to the current posture that the Regiment maintains, there is nothing like being a Blackhorse Trooper.

Thank you to all who have continued to support the Regiment. We will always strive to truly show how committed we are to each and every mission. We are the Blackhorse, “the Best Damn Regiment that you will ever see!”

ALLONS!

For updates and current information on the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, please join us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/11th-Armored-Cavalry-Regiment-Blackhorse-158715460811763/
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**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Blackhorse Association and Blackhorse Scholarships were born of a promise made by Sergeant Major Paul (“Bill”) Squires (deceased) and (then) Colonel George S. Patton (deceased) to a dying L Troop trooper on 2 March 1969 on a battlefield in Vietnam. The vow to “not let people forget us” and “take care of our kids” became the inspiration to form the Blackhorse Association later that year at Fort Knox, KY. We now include all Blackhorse Veterans and Active Duty Troopers. Information and an application can be found on page 10 or on our website at www.blackhorse.org.

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The Blackhorse family consists of veterans of the Blackhorse Regiment and attached or supporting units from all eras of 11th Cavalry Service. It also includes their family members, as well as friends of the Blackhorse. Our Regiment at this time includes the regimental units at Fort Irwin; 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery of the California Army National Guard; and 1st Squadron, 221st Cavalry of the Nevada Army National Guard. All have served or are now serving in the War on Terrorism. While attached to 2nd Squadron in Iraq, 155th Heavy Brigade Combat Team lost 6 of the 21 Blackhorse Troopers KIA in Iraq. Blackhorse Association Membership is extended to all of the above through Regular, Associate, and Corporate Memberships. (See page 12.)

Never should one generation of Blackhorse Veterans abandon a later generation of Blackhorse Veterans or Active Troopers.

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was the 3rd Colonel of the Regiment, Colonel James ‘Galloping Jim’ Parker. The Regiment had just returned to the United States after serving over two years with the Army of Occupation in Cuba. The Troopers and their mounts got off the boat from Havana, marched in the parade, then got on board trains for their new home in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia (just outside Chattanooga) – a detour of about 1,000 miles.

But the extra mileage wasn’t the only inconvenience. The Regiment came from the near-tropical climate of Cuba, where the average temperature for March was a balmy 75 degrees. But on 4 March 1909, the Troopers rode down Pennsylvania Avenue in what one contemporary account called a “bitterly cold snow storm”. The thermometer hovered right around the freezing mark all day. City workers had shoveled sand and snow throughout the night before – 6,000 men and 500 wagons were needed to clear 58,000 tons of snow and slush from the parade route. A stiff wind blew from morning to night. Perhaps in recognition of their new home, the military band in front of the mounted Eleventh Cavalry Troopers played Suwannee River as they cantered past the presidential reviewing stand.

1965
Presidential Inauguration: Fast forward 56 years. Four hundred and fifty Troopers from the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, stationed at Fort Meade, MD but only recently returned from border duty in southern Germany, were selected to form the Honor Cordon on both sides of Pennsylvania Avenue at the starting point of the inaugural parade route on 20 January 1965. In their Dress Green uniforms, with overcoats and cavalry yellow scarves, the Troopers were the first to salute just-inaugurated President Lyndon Baines Johnson as he made his way from Capitol Hill to the White House. Other Blackhorse Troopers were responsible for ensuring units marching in the parade were in position in the proper order and at the designated time. A newspaper story likened this task to “welding a chain out of unattached links.” A year later, many of these same Blackhorse Troopers were getting ready to deploy to Vietnam.

1941
Life in the Cavalry: In 1941, the Eleventh United States Cavalry was stationed at Camp Seeley, California. Located in the Imperial Valley near San Diego, the camp was home to almost 1,000 Troopers and their horses. There was a resurgence of patriotism in the United States at the time, so a stream of Los Angeles Times reporters made their way to the closest cavalry post. Tom Treanor wrote a weekly column called “The Home Front”, and John Cornell wrote “Southland Soldiers”; they were frequent visitors to Camp Seeley. They had virtual run of the camp. Even civilians appreciated military humor, so they often included anecdotes from their time spent with the Blackhorse Troopers. The following come from their columns.

“The horse is king. When a trooper goes down, the sergeant gallops up and says anxiously: ‘Is the horse hurt?’”, Tom Treanor reported on one occasion in late 1941. He was being escorted by Trooper Gene Gach, a member of the regimental intelligence staff. Private Gach had the misfortune of being stepped on by his horse that morning, and spent the rest of the day limping alongside the reporter. They happened upon Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Herr, the acting Regimental Commander. They were watching an officer jump a new horse when Herr thought he saw the horse limping. “‘Gach’, he said to the wounded private, ‘please lead that horse at a trot so I can see if he’s lame.’” Trooper Gach did as ordered. Reporter Treanor wrote: “The horse went smoothly. Gach went lamely. ‘Good,’ said the Colonel in a relieved voice. ‘No limp. ALL RIGHT, GACH. THANK YOU.’” John Cornell followed up with now Corporal Gach a year later. Gach reported
that he had been promoted – from peeling potatoes to peeling onions. In 1942, Trooper Gach wrote and published a best seller called *In the Army Now*.

“Some AWOL is intentional. ‘Is it worth spending three days in the guardhouse for one day away from camp?’ I asked a trooper. ‘Can be’, he said. ‘Depends on whom you’ve met up with.’”

“Standard time for driving to Chicago on furlough is 18 hours nonstop. You can tell ‘em it is unfair to guys from Chicago,’ said Corp. Joe Kelleher. ‘All of us guys in this camp have to spend $50 or more to get home. Guys from Chicago should get two furloughs a year,’ said Private Iannelli. ‘Six months each.’”

Life at Camp Seeley was difficult. The mercury routinely rose above a hundred degrees. Most Troopers were sleeping inside tents with screens because of the flies. The choice at night was to sleep with the sides rolled down ensuring that temperatures inside the tent would be at least ten degrees hotter, or with the sides rolled up. The latter option was preferable, but used horseshoes were required to keep everything from blowing away in the strong winds that “has a habit of whistling through the quarters”.

Private L.C. Manning was bitten one day in the seat of the pants by his horse. After an appropriate investigation, the Regimental Quartermaster determined that the destruction of government property was “in the line of duty” and authorized Trooper Manning to draw another pair of trousers at government expense.

In the summer of 1941, Second Squadron, 11th Cavalry Regiment (Horse), was training a bunch of new recruits to become Cavalrymen. The 13-week program included lots of time on horseback, but also time in the new swimming pool. Turns out, most of the recruits didn’t know how to either ride or swim, something the Army deemed as necessary skills for Troopers crossing rivers on horseback. Before the recruits became full-fledged Troopers (which included a raise in pay from $21 to $30 a month), they had to complete a 35-mile overnight ride with everything they needed packed on their or the horses’ backs.
Honoring the Fallen from Vietnam

From Latosha Adams, Manager of Online Communications

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

I work for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF), the organization that founded The Wall in Washington, D.C. I am reaching out to you because I wanted to make you aware of our In Memory program. VVMF’s In Memory program honors Vietnam veterans who served and later died from illnesses related to their exposure to Agent Orange or PTSD. We started this program to give these heroes the recognition they are due.

If you know of a Vietnam veteran who passed away from a service-connected illness, we encourage you to apply to honor them through In Memory.

We are currently accepting applications for our 2017 In Memory ceremony and the deadline is March 3. Friends and loved ones can apply to honor a veteran and find more information at: www.vvmf.org/InMemoryProgram.

We hope to make as many loved ones aware of this honor as possible! We hope you consider sharing this with other Vietnam veterans. I have attached a Facebook graphic and flyer for your use.

We hope you help us spread the word!

Best,

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11th ACR Wreath-Laying Ceremony at Arlington Cemetery

On February 2, 2017, members of the Regiment participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery; this was in commemoration of the 116th Anniversary of the establishment of the 11th Cavalry. Below are photos of the ceremony, which were taken by Allan Hathaway.
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| 0800 | The 4th Annual Top Phillips/Trip Lemire Memorial Motorcycle Run  
(Suggesting later departure due to Atlanta Traffic) |
| 1530 - 1730 | Reunion Registration Open. Additional hours will be posted at the reunion. |
| 1800 - 2200 | Stable Your Mount Casual Evening                          |
| 1800 | Social Hour and hors d’oeuvres, 1900 Program               |

**SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

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# TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

**UNITED STATES ARMY ARMOR SCHOOL & FORT BENNING - FRIDAY, JUNE 9**

It’s an early start so that we can arrive at Fort Benning to receive a briefing from the Armor School on the status of Armor innovation and training. Afterwards, we will visit the Blackhorse classroom, have lunch with the troops, and conduct a short service at the Blackhorse Memorial. We will return to the hotel with sufficient time to prepare for our Stable Your Mount social.

We expect two groups of travelers: Those who will be joining the AFR tour bus and those who will be traveling on their own. To ensure quick entry through Fort Benning security, please register with AFR to travel by bus. Those with a military ID can travel on their own through security.

Note: If for any reason Fort Benning is closed to the public (security issues or other reasons), the tour length will be shortened but refunds can’t be issued. We will be using a master roster to obtain access to the base and may be able to avoid individual searches and ID requirements. Due to heightened security, participants may be searched and a photo ID is required.

*Please note that the following items are prohibited on this tour due to museum security restrictions: backpacks, sling bags, large purses, pocket knives, or utility tools.*

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**ATLANTA CITY TOUR - SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

Enjoy the “must see” sights of Atlanta during your driving tour. We’ll see Centennial Olympic Park, one of the lasting legacies of the 1996 Olympic Games hosted in Atlanta. The 21-acre park, which features the Fountain of Rings, is the world’s largest interactive fountain utilizing the Olympic symbol of five interconnecting Rings. Then it’s on to view Atlanta’s Peachtree Center, the CNN Center, Turner Field, and the Georgia State Capitol. The Capitol was built to resemble the US Capitol Building and has been called the “Capitol of the New South.” On the north side of the city, we’ll drive through Buckhead, where gracious mansions and sweeping lawns showcase one of the most upscale areas of Atlanta.

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All Trips require a minimum of 35 people, unless otherwise noted. Please be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the published time. Driver and Guide Gratuities are not included in the tour prices.

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**CUT-OFF DATE IS 5/11/17**

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Please choose your Saturday dinner entrée below (one per registrant):

- Filet of Beef & Seared Salmon
- Pan Seared Chicken Breast

**ADDITIONAL OPTIONS**

- THURSDAY, 6/8: Annual Ernie Ford Memorial Golf Tournament $67 # $
- FRIDAY, 6/9: 4th Annual Top Phillips/Trip Lemire Memorial Motorcycle Run # $
- SATURDAY, 6/10: Atlanta City Tour $29 # $
- Total Amount Payable to **Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.** $

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You may also register online and pay by credit card at www.afr-reg.com/Blackhorse2017
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Indicate Category, if applicable. Parent KIA______ Parent WIA______

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Provide each of the following attachments to this application (full name on each page):

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Attachment 3. Activities, training, and awards received in past four years of high school or while in college
Attachment 4. Two letters of recommendation with at least one from a teacher or professor. No relatives please.
Attachment 5. Official high school transcript and/or current college/university/school transcript

These must either be mailed directly from the high school or college to the address below or provided with your application in a sealed envelope from the high school or college.

Note: Previous scholarship recipients who are reapplying must complete the full application process since the scholarship is a one-year scholarship.

Parent or Guardian Affidavit

I affirm that the Scholarship Applicant________________________ is a natural or adopted child of an Association member who is currently serving in the 11th ACR or served in the 11th ACR from____________ to____________. Note: parent must provide proof of 11th ACR service in the form of orders, awards, Blackhorse Association membership, etc.

Name of Parent or Guardian (Please print)____________________________________

Signature_________________________ Date____________________

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