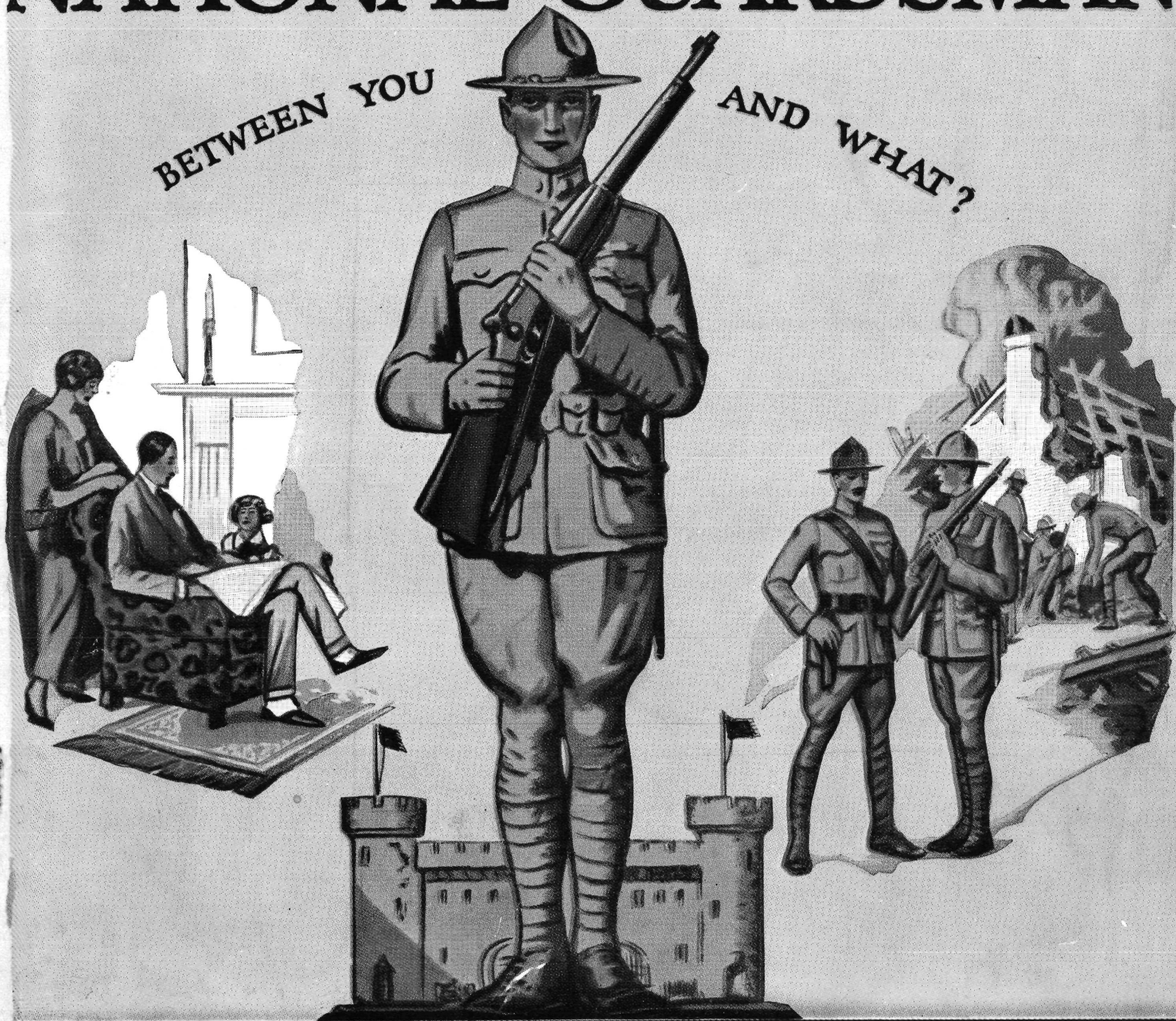


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829 Municipal Bldg.,
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Dear Colonel:

The back cover sheet of the September Guardsman interested me very much; in fact I have collected a number of these sheets with the expectation of sending them to various employers next year.

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The men in the company passed a resolution thanking the above employers; and a copy of the resolution was sent to each employer. A copy was also sent to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the resolution was printed in the Rochester papers.

Yours truly,

CLARENCE M. OLSEN,
Capt. 108th Infantry.

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Governor Receives Christmas Present For All Guardsmen



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December 18, 1929.


Major General William G. Everson,
Chief, Militia Bureau,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

My dear General:

We have received your Christmas package containing twenty-eight thousand new type olive-drab service uniforms for the soldiers of the New York National Guard.

The soldiers are highly pleased with this very appropriate gift, and wish me, on their behalf, to convey to you and to all your subordinates their best wishes and the Compliments of the Season - in which I join.

Very sincerely yours


Governor.

No holiday message was of more importance to New York's citizen soldiers than Gov. Roosevelt's announcement that the new roll collar uniforms had arrived for the entire National Guard personnel. The Governor said:

"The last consignment of an invoice of 28,000 new type olive-drab uniforms for the soldiers of the New York National Guard was received December 17 at the State Arsenal, in Brooklyn, from the Quartermaster's Department, United States Army.

"These uniforms will be distributed immediately to our troops throughout the State and will replace the shapeless, shoddy, burlap-like war stock uniforms that have been used by the National Guard since 1920.

"The cost of these uniforms which amounts to about \$350,000, is chargeable against Federal appropriations

made annually by Congress, under the provisions of the National Defense act, which requires the National Guard of the several states to meet certain standards of organization and training required by the War Department.

"While the National Guard in peace time is a strictly State force under the sole command and jurisdiction of officers commissioned by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, it is subject to call or draft by the Federal authorities in case of an emergency declared by Congress, in which case it automatically becomes a part of the first line troops of the Army of the United States.

"I have just examined one of these uniforms which are of a very good quality and pattern, with the new roll collar.

"We hope to have our boys out of the 'burlap' by Christmas."

The Bursting of Rifles *

By A. L. WOODWORTH**

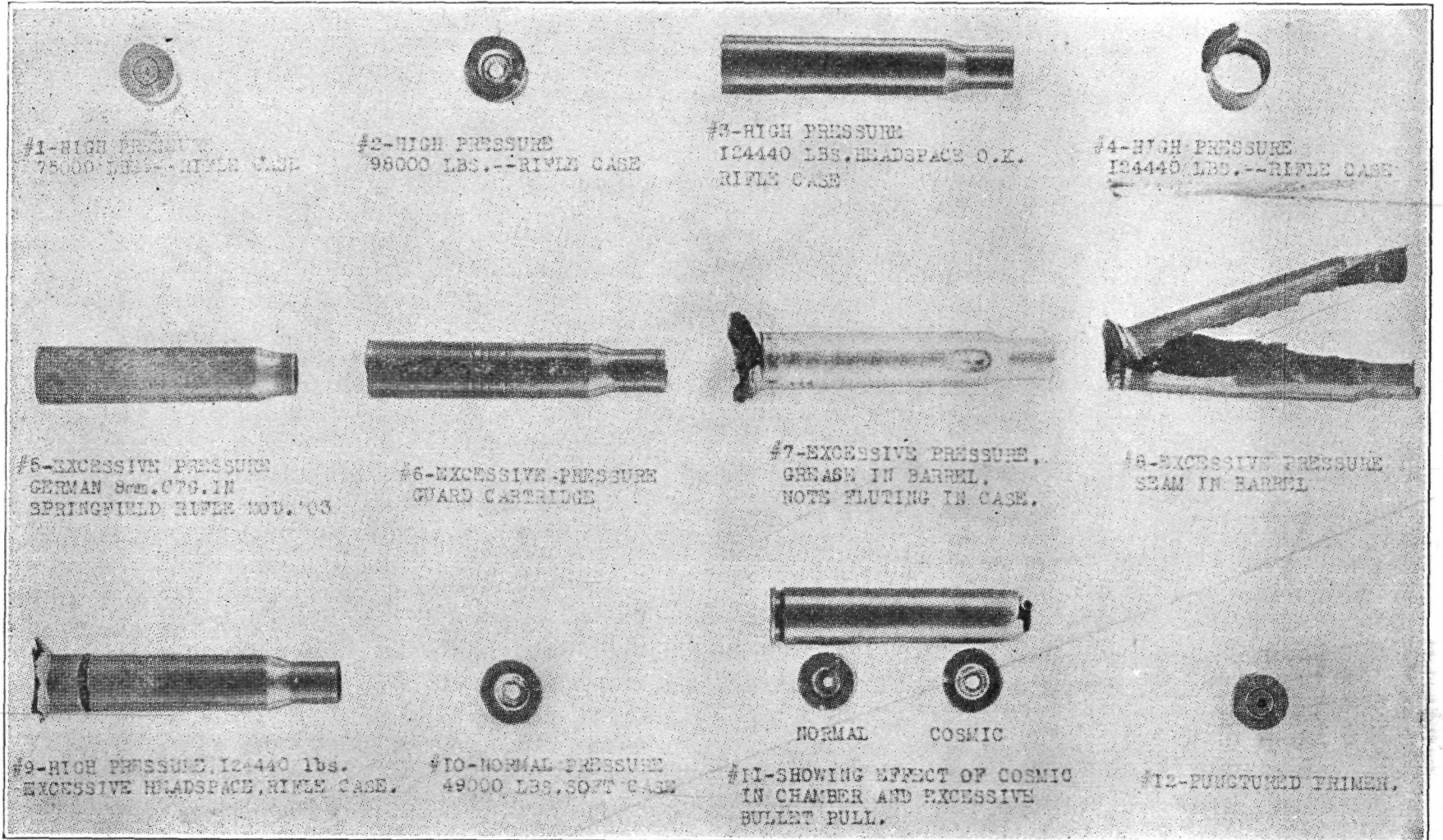


Fig. 1—Cartridge cases and primers removed from shattered rifles

THE object of this paper is not to enter into a scientific discussion of the causes of burst rifles but to give a few simple rules for the investigation of burst rifles which will often result in an immediate determination of the cause by an examination of the evidence at hand and prevent further serious trouble.

That there is a need of a more careful examination of burst rifles is very evident from the correspondence received on this subject at Springfield Armory. There is seldom, if ever, definite information that is of help at all in determining what caused the trouble.

The first and most important thing to examine is the ammunition—particularly the fired case in the rifle at the time of the explosion. It was discovered in experimental work on the 1903 model rifle in 1902 that the unsupported rimless head of a cartridge gave entirely different results from the old rim case which was entirely enclosed by the chamber. It was also noted at that time that the head of the case after firing was a very fair gauge of the amount of pressure developed, and in many cases the fired case gave positive indication as to what caused high pressure.

The primer in a rifle case developing normal pressure

—48,000 pounds—will be convex, at 52,000 pounds the primer will begin to flatten out and at about 75,000 pounds will be flattened back on a line with the case head. At this pressure primers may extrude through the striker hole, allowing an escape of gas through the action or leakage around the edge. The case will also show swelling around the head just below the extractor groove. This escape of gas to the rear often causes the shooter considerable inconvenience but does not as a rule injure the rifle in any way provided the rifle is properly assembled.

Oftentimes reports have been received at Springfield Armory of rifles bursting. Investigations were made immediately only to find that an escape of gas of this kind had occurred and that the rifle was not at fault or the barrel, receiver or bolt injured. At about 98,000 pounds, which is the maximum pressure that can be developed with the regular powder and bullet used in this cartridge, the primer pocket opens up and the case head swells out, allowing a violent escape of gas through the action that causes considerable trouble to some parts of the rifle but does not shatter the barrel, receiver or bolt provided it is of properly heat-treated steel. The damage in this case usually consists of a shattered stock, blown-off extractor and bulged magazine and floor plate. In this case as in

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** Proof assistant, Springfield Armory, Springfield, Mass.

ent from any manufactured in the United States. In all known cases the rifle has been completely shattered by the German cartridge. A case ruptured about a quarter of an inch from the extractor groove is indicative of excessive head space.

Punctured primers, as in illustration 12, Fig. 1, where

there are no indications of high pressure usually show that the striker hole is too large. A soft cartridge case that has in some way been allowed to get in with the regular cases will expand at the head considerably and cause trouble with a normal load of powder. The case head will have the appearance of too much pressure but the results will not be the same. There will be no evidence of excessive pressure on the locking lugs or elsewhere and the only damage to the rifle will result from escaping gas through the mechanism. Soft cases have been blamed in the past for many burst rifles. This, however, could not be proved. Tests in the past and recently with cases annealed so soft that the bullets would hardly stay in the case conclusively proved that no material damage would result to the rifle from firing them.

Next to the ammunition it is important to examine the barrel of the rifle for evidence of what caused the trouble. Obstructions in the barrel of the rifle have caused more burst rifles than anything else. It is often possible to tell what the obstruction was by an examination of the bore.

Patches or rags or cleaning material head the list of obstructions. A patch does not always cause trouble: sometimes it is blown out without doing damage. It always seems from an examination of a barrel that has been burst from such obstruction, that the point of the bullet catches in the rag and, due to the rifling, winds around the rag and wedges the barrel apart on one side. The barrel always has a twisted appearance and the primary bulge is always greater on one side.

The damage to the rifle depends on the amount of rag and its location in the barrel. An oily rag will cause more trouble than a dry rag. A rag of considerable size near the chamber will occasionally cause excessive back pressure, expand the case head and often wreck the action. If the rag is in about the middle of the barrel there will be a bulge in the barrel but no other damage. If the rag is near the muzzle end the barrel shows a slight bulge, although this has been known to split the barrel. A typical case is shown in Fig. 2. In this case a piece of burnt rag was driven into a crack made by the explosion.

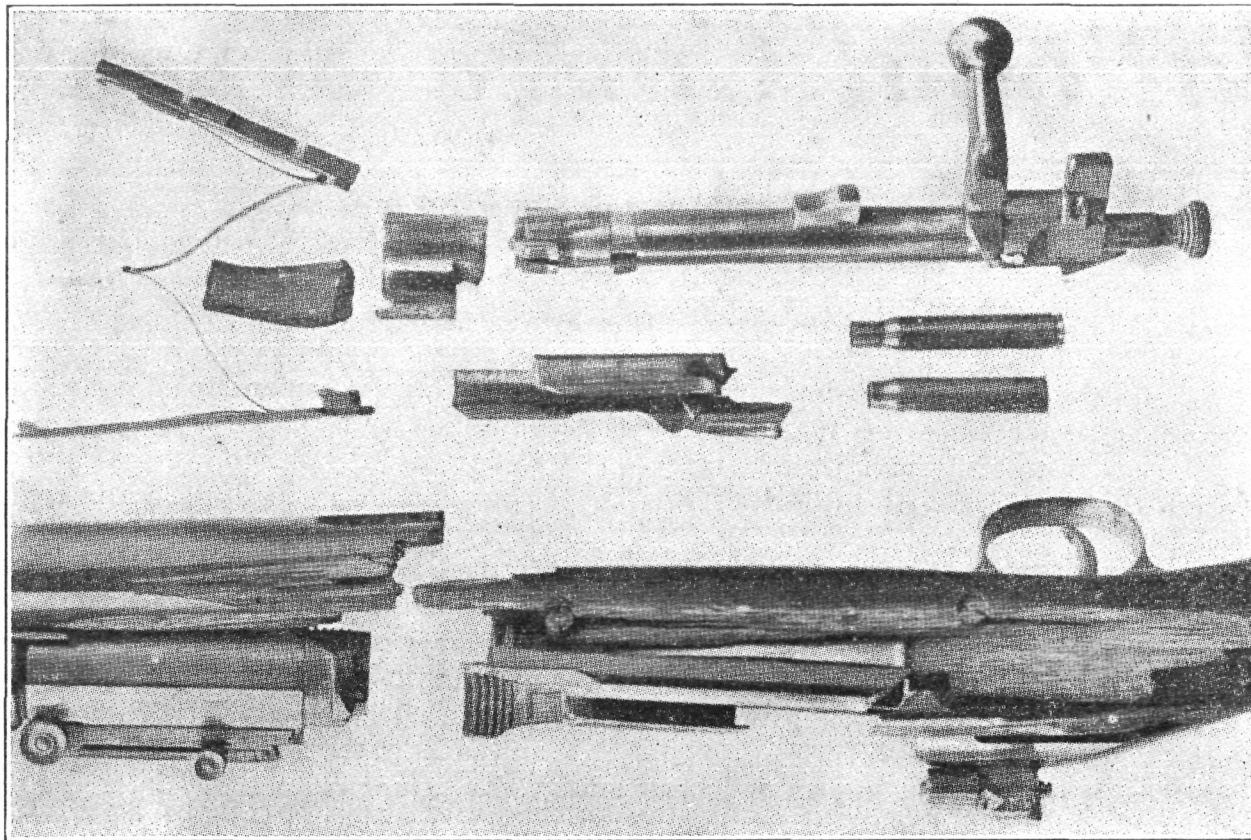


Fig. 4—Mud or grease in quantity in the barrel was responsible for this

A bullet in the barrel will cause a very even ring entirely around the barrel at the lower end. If the bullet is within an inch of the forward end of the chamber the rifle is completely shattered. If in the center of the barrel a bulge occurs; if near the muzzle the barrel is split, sometimes in several places.

Two very good examples are shown in Fig. 3.

Mud or grease in quantity in the muzzle give about the same results. The bulge, however, is not as abrupt at the lower end but tapers out. If there is any considerable quantity of grease or mud throughout the barrel the rifle is nearly always completely shattered. A typical example is shown in Fig. 4. If the barrel is obstructed in the rear end it seems to make little difference whether the receiver is of the old heat treatment or the new except that in the latter case the receiver does not shatter but merely bulges and sometimes splits. In any case the rifle is ruined.

Failures from defective material are not frequent and it is difficult to give rules for the inspection of the steel. It is well always to scrutinize the parts at the point of the breech. Sometimes defects are very noticeable as in the case of seamy or burnt stock. On a few occasions burst rifles have been returned that were thought to have been ruined because the bolt was not completely closed, but in all cases examination of the bolt lugs and receiver shoulders showed that the bolt was fully closed.

When a burst rifle is received at Springfield Armory it is first carefully examined and notes made of all broken or injured parts. If there is a fired case in the barrel, as is almost always the case, it is removed and examined and the bore of the barrel is carefully scrutinized for bulges or breaks. The rifle is then dismantled and parts examined carefully.

As an illustration, a diagnosis of rifle No. 821014 is given:

RECEIVER: Locking shoulders set back .018 inch. Rear right side upset. Safety lug shows good stretch.

BOLT: Shattered. Handle, both locking lugs and extractor broken off. Bolt broken in two; no stretch. Steel at point of break clean but coarse.

BARREL: Slight bulge about eight inches in from breech.

CARTRIDGE CASE: Head three-quarters blown off. Second cone fluted on case.

STOCK: Shattered.

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National Guard Service at Auburn

Although we have had several narrow escapes from service, 1929 marks the first year since the World War when troops from the New York National Guard have been actually called out to assist the civil authorities in suppressing disorder.

Two such calls were made in 1929 and both were in connection with quelling convict riots in the Auburn State Prison. One occurred in July and one on December 11th. On the first occasion only the Auburn units were called out and the disorder, although serious, was promptly suppressed.

The December outbreak assumed greater proportions, involved more troops and, while it did not call for long service, partook of the nature of a major operation, and was productive of much useful experience for the future.

At 11:30 A. M. on December 11th, National Guard headquarters in the Municipal Building was proceeding quietly along its well established routine. At 11:35 Adjutant-General Ward called up General Haskell and for twenty-four hours old-timers thought they were back in the stirring days of early 1917.

The Adjutant-General's message was to the effect that a serious riot had broken out in Auburn Prison, that General Jennings, the warden, had been captured by the convicts, that the Auburn troops were already out and that troops from Geneva and Syracuse should be sent at once.

Things commenced to hum. Telegrams were sent at once to all troops concerned and were confirmed later by 'phone. Col. Thompson, 108th Infantry, was wired to go to Auburn and take charge of all troops, and (since it was felt that tear-gas grenades might be a vital factor in such an outbreak) Maj. A. D. Reutershan, who had just returned from the U. S. Army Chemical Warfare School at Edgewood Arsenal, was sent for and directed to go at once to Auburn to take charge of such work, arrangements being made with Maj. Vaughn, 27th Division Aviation, for his transportation and that of a supply of grenades which he was to take with him.

There is no occasion to speak more at length of the operations of National Guard headquarters. Prompt response was made by all troops ordered out, prompt reports of activities were received and while headquarters was kept open until 10:30 that night intensive activity had been transferred to Auburn.

Maj. George A. Elliott, Plans and Training Officer, 108th Infantry, gives us the following account of events at the actual scene of operations:

The companies called for duty were Company B of Geneva, Company I, 3rd Battalion Headquarters Company and Service Company of Auburn; Company C, Regimental Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion Headquarters Company and the Medical Detachment of Syracuse, all of the 108th Infantry and Battery A, 104th Field Artillery and Troop K, 121st Cavalry, both of Syracuse, N. Y. Col. John S. Thompson of Medina, N. Y., commanding officer of the 108th Infantry, was ordered to

Auburn to take command of the troops as previously stated.

The convicts intended to use the captured Warden and keepers as shields in their dash for freedom. They had made their way to the next to the last barrier, where they were stopped. At this place a play for time was made by the Warden and other prison officials pending the arrival of tear gas. Negotiations with the prisoners were kept up. In the meanwhile gas was obtained. It was effectively used. The convicts were driven back into the cell blocks and the Warden and captured keepers rescued. The actual rioting was later quelled when five of the ringleaders were killed and one wounded in an alcove off the fifth tier of cells where they made a last stand.

Maj. Frederick S. Johnston, commanding the 3rd Battalion of the 108th Infantry, was in his store when he received word from the Auburn police and from Capt. Claude H. Spicer of Co. I, 108th Infantry, that a riot had started in the prison. Capt. Spicer is a prison guard. On his own initiative Maj. Johnston got in touch with the commanding officers of the Auburn units of the 108th Infantry and ordered the assembly of those units at the State Armory. His action was later confirmed by Gen. Haskell.

Maj. Harry H. Farmer, commanding the 1st Battalion of the same regiment, had just finished a sitting of the police court in Syracuse when he was notified from the armory that the Syracuse units of the 108th, together with the troop and the battery (dismounted) had been ordered to Auburn. Maj. Farmer issued the necessary instructions for the mobilization of the Syracuse units. He arranged with officials of the New York Central Railroad for transportation to Auburn and also arranged for the stationing of two big interurban motor busses at the West Jefferson Street Armory for emergency purposes.

Company B of the 108th Infantry, Capt. Melvin S. Gaylord commanding, assembled at its armory in Geneva. The company left Geneva at 2:20 P. M. via motor bus and arrived at Auburn at 3 o'clock.

Col. John S. Thompson reached Auburn at 5:55 P. M., traveling from his Medina home by motor car.

The special troop train from Syracuse reached Auburn at 5:30 P. M. Details were left in the Syracuse armories to round up men who had not reported prior to the departure of the train from that place. These details and additional men were transported to Auburn early in the evening via motor busses.

As soon as sufficient men from the Auburn companies had reported at their armory, Maj. Johnston put them on detail outside the prison walls for the purpose of driving back the large crowd of civilian onlookers and to check any break which might possibly be made from the inside. They were joined in this work by Company B when it arrived and later by the Syracuse companies. This work of patrolling the streets in the vicinity of the prison was carried on by the infantry organizations throughout the night and until all troops were relieved during the morn-

ing of the 12th. It was a cold detail, the thermometer hovering around the zero mark.

Battery A and Troop K were not needed for this work. They were relieved by Col. Thompson during the evening of the 11th and returned to their armories in Syracuse via motor busses.

The situation within the prison being well in hand on December 12th, the companies of the 108th were relieved from further duty during the morning of that day. The Auburn units were dismissed. Company B entrained for Geneva at about 11:30 and the Syracuse companies for that city at 3:30 P. M. During the tour the troops were quartered and messed in the Auburn State Armory, which is located a very short distance from the prison.

As Maj. Reutershan had probably the most spectacular connection with the Auburn service we believe that our readers will be interested in the following log of his activities:

"Division Headquarters to Miller Field, 45 minutes. Police escort, driving on left side of trolley cars and by red lights.

"Good coordination. GMC truck from arsenal with hand grenades arrives at Miller Field at same time as myself.

"Maj. Vaughn takes off and instead of following the Hudson River flies cross-country, 3:35 P. M., December 11th.

"Temperature keeps becoming more cold. Ground keeps becoming whiter. Over a bank of white clouds, blue sky above us and white clouds below. Out of clouds and the entire country is covered with snow. Now very cold.

"Now begins to become dark. Lights appear in scattered farm houses. Rivers and lakes frozen over and moon appears over my right shoulder.

"Glow appears in sky to the northwest. Maj. Vaughn looks back to me and grins. The lights of Syracuse. The airport is marked out by brilliant flood lights. Circles field several times and makes perfect landing on snow covered field and taxies up to hangar. 1 hour 45 minutes from Miller Field.

"Quick change out of flying suit and transfer of five cases of tear gas grenades to sedan waiting for us. Two sergeants 121st Cavalry drive 25 miles in 35 minutes. Country covered with snow, very cold, no chains on car. I lived through my trip by plane. Maybe I shall survive this one also.

"Drive right up to Auburn Prison. Guardsmen patrolling streets and diverting and directing traffic around prison and several blocks away.

"All types of police officers in and about prison. State troopers look warm with their fur caps and sheepskin coats. Also look business like. Place is thick with troopers, Auburn policemen, Syracuse policemen, New York Central Railroad policemen, prison guards and keepers, soldiers, artillery, cavalry and infantry.

"The Guardsmen look splendid. Ready for business. Armed, ammunition. Additional Guardsmen still arriving.

"Interior of prison in great disorder. Corridors wrecked, barricades of old boxes, doors, barrels, etc. Several barrels of yellow paint spread over floors. Numerous blood stains.

"Inmates evidently under control. One large room with 30 or 40 prisoners standing with their hands up. One trooper sitting on pile of wreckage with pistol in hand covering them. Details of prisoners being marched around guarded by troopers. Troopers armed with shot guns and rifles. Sweet sickish smell of tear gas.

"Report to Col. Thompson, 108th Infantry, who has been making an inspection of prison. Guardsmen 108th Infantry walking posts in and about prison.

"108th Infantry Armory seething with activity. Cooking in kitchen in basement. Men are being served meals. All other available quarters being used for sleeping. Col. Thompson has already set up his headquarters on top floor of armory. Everything moving smoothly. Everything exceptionally quiet in armory. Officers and enlisted men settled down as though used to doing this same type of work every day.

"Maj. Row, U. S. instructor, appears in service uniform, OD shirt and side arms. Remarks made to the effect that this is the first time that the regimental instructor has gone to 'war' with the regiment.

"Reserve supply of grenades locked up in armory. Very cold in Auburn. Borrowed Maj. Johnstons' razor and shaved. All barber shops in Auburn close at 6:00 P. M. Washed face, black from exhaust of airplane engine. Dinner with Colonel and staff around the corner.

"Midnight, bed, got last vacant room in Osborne Hotel. Guardsmen and troopers still patrolling walls and streets.

"Thursday, December 12th. Troops still on duty. Colonel again makes an inspection of prison. Every newspaper reporter and photographer in country has arrived during the night. Front of prison covered with talkie newsreel apparatus. No newspaper men allowed inside main part of jail.

"Decision made to withdraw 108th Infantry. Purchased toothbrush and comb. (Evidently getting into heavy marching order—*Editor.*) 108th Infantry from stations other than Auburn march to railroad station. Troops look splendid, well dressed and with packs. Very cold and slight sleet falling on snow. Train late and Guardsmen packed in and around station. As during preceding 24 hours all exceptionally quiet and well disciplined.

"Troops gone but State Police have now taken over the Armory. The town has now settled back into its normal state of affairs and traffic is again passing the prison.

"Received orders to return home via Malone and Whitehall. More Arctic exploration. When I do get back shall apply for a job with Admiral Byrd."

Since returning from his trip Maj. Reutershan has been busy reading all available literature on the subject of Florida and other tropical countries.

The Auburn campaign was not without its serious price. Capt. George A. Durnford, supply officer of the 108th Infantry and Principal Keeper at the prison, was shot and killed in the gallant discharge of his duty during the morning of the outbreak.

The untimely death of Capt. Durnford is keenly felt by his brother officers and by all those who knew him.

The Commanding Officer of the 108th Infantry, Col. John S. Thompson, caused the following regimental order to be issued:

HEADQUARTERS 108th INFANTRY
STATE ARMORY, AUBURN, N. Y.

December 12, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 13:

On December 12th, 1929, with deep regret, announcement is made of the sad death of Capt. George A. Durnford, Supply Officer of this regiment, sacrificed in line of duty, as Principal Keeper of Auburn Prison, during the riot at the prison on December 11th, 1929.

Capt. Durnford was born at Auburn, N. Y., January 27, 1885.

His long and faithful service of over twenty years in prison work earned for him the important position of Principal Keeper.

Capt. Durnford, true to the traditions of this regiment, when threatened with death by the felons of the prison unless he complied with their wishes, refused to surrender, but bravely carried on to the end.

In his death this regiment has lost an excellent officer and friend, and the State a faithful servant.

Capt. Durnford was beloved by every officer and enlisted man of this regiment—even the inmates of the prison who were under his charge held him in high respect.

Bowing to the will of an all wise and merciful Providence, we mourn his loss.

His military record in the National Guard is as follows:
Private, Co. M, 3rd Infantry—July 23, 1917.

Headquarters—July 23, 1919.

Enlisted Supply Co., 3rd Regiment Infantry—March 22, 1920.

Appointed Corporal—March 22, 1920.

Appointed Sergeant—March 21, 1921.

Appointed First Sergeant, Service Co., 108th Infantry—July 7, 1921.

Commissioned Second Lieutenant, Infantry, September 11, 1923.

Assigned Service Co., 108th Infantry.

Appointed First Lieutenant, Infantry—June 17, 1926.

Promoted Captain Infantry—July 10, 1929.

Assigned Supply Officer, 108th Infantry.

THE BURSTING OF RIFLES

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In this case the bolt was examined by the Metallurgical Department at Springfield Armory and the pressure of the ammunition being used at that time was taken. The rifle, as the diagnosis shows, was burst by an obstruction of grease in the barrel.

Thus it may be set down as a cardinal rule: Be sure of the ammunition and certain of the condition of piece. The examples cited in this article indicate beyond peradventure that the "wrong" ammunition—a condition for which the rifleman is not so much to be blamed—and the presence of the lowly cleaning rag and grease—a condition for which the rifleman is entirely responsible—are the most common causes of the bursting of rifles in service.

In respect to his memory, the officers of this regiment will wear the prescribed badge of military mourning until the 11th day of January, 1930.

By order of Col. Thompson,

EDWARD M. McCABE, *Captain, Adjutant.*

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD M. McCABE, *Captain, Adjutant.*

LETTER OF COMMENDATION

Col. J. S. Thompson,
Headquarters, 108th Infantry,
State Armory, Syracuse, N. Y.

MY DEAR COL. THOMPSON:

I have just received your official report of the operations of a portion of your regiment and of attached troops in aid of civil authorities at Auburn, New York.

I wish to express to you and through you to the officers and men under your command my appreciation of the promptness and efficiency of this operation. For men to suddenly drop their daily civilian tasks, mobilize at their armories and report at the scene of trouble in the time that they did indicates morale, discipline and organization of a high order. I request that you transmit this commendation to the units which served under you at Auburn.

Do not fail to assure yourself of appreciation of your own personal services, promptness, tact and efficiency. I am also glad to note that you found it possible to dismiss the troops so soon, so that as little time as possible was lost from their civilian occupations. Very sincerely,

WM. N. HASKELL,
Major-General, N. Y. N. G.

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Fort Ontario in the Winter

WE have often wondered how Fort Ontario would look in the winter time. To satisfy our curiosity the battery commander decided to visit the fort and, on his return, describe the trip to the curious, and also exhibit the pictures which would be taken. In consequence, Lieut. James G. McCaffrey, our

not drive on. The car skidded, stuck, met obstacles in the road in the shape of big snow-covered trucks which had been abandoned or stalled, and the three lieutenants faithfully stuck to the task before them, until, covered with snow, they triumphantly landed the car in the most welcome city of Oswego.

Proceeding on to the fort they found the front road completely blocked off by snow. So the only way was to go through the back road, past the quartermaster to the quarters of Capt. Sims, their host.

The camp proved to be buried in a wide, heavy blanket of snow. The mess shacks had been boarded up and the lieutenant describes them as being thoroughly snow-bound. The lake, so warm, and beautifully calm in the summer, was now a rough mass of madly racing white caps. The entire scene seemed utterly desolate and devoid of life, excepting for the wild antics of Lake Ontario.

The visiting officers witnessed guard mount, and



Main Street, Oswego, N. Y.

battery commander, left the armory at 9 P. M., November 29, 1929, accompanied by Lieut. Herrmann of Battery C and Lieut. Robert Murphy of Battery E.

It was a clear but cold night. Exactly four hours later Lieut. McCaffrey stopped his black and yellow coupe in front of the home of Lieut. Murray Klingaman, Battalion Adjutant, 10th Infantry, Albany, N. Y., where he and his companions spent the night.

Bright and early the next morning they rode on to Syracuse along the Cherry Valley Trail, with the thermometer hovering around zero. The trip was uneventful. But after passing through Syracuse and on to Fulton, they received a rather unpleasant surprise. Snow, which somehow or other had failed to appear below Fulton, suddenly made the road almost impassable. On inquiring of a native, they learned that there had been a terrible snowstorm the night before. They weren't in sympathy with the informer, who evidently did not love the pure white snow, but they did wonder what they were to do.

Finally they decided to drive on, but it seems they did



Old Fort, Oswego, N. Y.

were amused by the sight of the officer of the day wearing a fur hat. The Guard also wore winter hats; the weather being at least 90 degrees Fahrenheit below the temperature of August. In all, they were very pleased with the visit, lasting twenty odd hours, and returned to the armory, arriving here at 3 A. M., Monday, December 2, 1929.

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Guard Gossip Around the State

BY THE EDITOR

Capt. Ralph A. Glatt, commanding Troop A, 121st Cavalry at Utica, expects to enter his new \$325,000 armory and riding hall by March 1st. It is being erected in the Parkway, a beautiful new residential section of Utica.

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Cards have been received announcing the wedding of Lieut. John F. Ward, quartermaster at the New York National Guard camp at Great Bend and son of Adjutant General and Mrs. Franklin W. Ward of Albany to Miss Ferne Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Lawrence of Carthage. Mrs. Ward is a graduate of the Gouverneur High School with the class of 1925. Following her graduation from this school she attended the training course for nurses given at the People's General Hospital in Syracuse and during the past two years has spent a large part of her time in Washington and California.

Lieut. Ward is a graduate of the St. John's Military School at Manlius and later entered Union College at Schenectady where he was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa and Kappa Beta Phi fraternities. For the past few years he has been connected with the New York State National Guard Camp at Great Bend and last year was promoted to the position of quartermaster at the camp. During the spring of this year he successfully completed an extensive building program in connection with the work at the training camp. They have taken up their residence in Brooklyn.

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Squadron A has started the polo season and some fast games may be expected during the winter season.

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In order that officers and enlisted men of the National Guard may provide themselves with the blue dress uniform, the wearing of which by all components of the Army was recently permitted but not required. Secretary of War Col. Patrick J. Hurley, has authorized the members of the National Guard to purchase these uniforms from the Quartermaster Corps. He has further authorized the purchase of the uniforms from private funds or funds other than Federal when the wearing of the uniforms has the approval of the State authorities.

LEAGUE FORMING FOR MOUNTED BASKETBALL

Wednesday evening, December 18th, at the 71st Regiment Armory, the Field Artillery units of New York City gathered to form a league for mounted basketball. The following units were present: 104th Field Artillery, 105th Field Artillery, 52nd Field Brigade Headquarters, 112th Field Artillery.

Col. Wm. R. Wright, Chief of Staff, presided and the discussion as to rules was thrashed out between the 104th and 105th as to the advisability of commencing the game with tossing for centre or using the ground ball.

Mounted basketball has been in effect for a period of 15 years, having been played between the 105th and the 104th. Only recently this game has assumed proportions where it was advisable to consider a league as the only

outlet for the rest of the mounted units in this city to participate where a schedule of games could be drawn up. We feel at this time that any other mounted organization within a radius of 100 miles of New York City should enter this league and for this purpose a meeting will be held January 15th at the Armory of the 105th Field Artillery, 171 Claremont Avenue, Brooklyn.

Any mounted organizations desiring to enter this league kindly have representatives of each team present at this meeting. The championship game for the trophy will be held at Madison Square Garden during the military tournament. This trophy is being presented by the Military Athletic League. At the meeting on December 18th it was voted upon and passed to call the trophy "The Colonel Wright Cup."

The following were present at the meeting December 18th at the 71st Regiment Armory:

105th Field Artillery, Battery "A"—Lieut. R. A. Brown, Sergt. A. F. Schmidt.

Battery "B"—Lieut. Reid, Pvt. E. K. Dawkins.

Battery "C"—Corp. Ed. R. Movdaumt, Pvt. Andrew W. Peppaud.

105th Field Artillery—1st Battalion Headquarters—Staff Sergt. Walter A. Ball, Corp. I. Goodman, Pvt. James Russell, Pvt. Charles Allen.

Medical Detachment—Lieut. B. Goldfield, Sergt. J. McSwiggin, Pvt. P. Hennessey.

104th Field Artillery—2nd Battalion Headquarters—Sergt. J. Moran, Sergt. M. Traube.

Battery "D"—Sergt. Wm. Drummond.

Battery "F" Lieut. C. Phelan, Sergt. John L. Foulis, Pvt. J. Connelly.

NINE GUARDSMEN PASS WEST POINT TEST

Nine enlisted men of the New York National Guard have been designated by Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt to take the entrance examinations for the United States Military Academy at West Point, beginning next March 4. The men were designated as the result of a preliminary examination conducted last month in New York, Albany and Buffalo. The nine who will try the test are:

Ernest J. Lindner of 389 Manhattan Avenue, New York; private, first class, Company F, 71st Infantry.

J. De P. Townsend of Hills, Albany; sergeant, Company D, 10th Infantry.

Charles F. Tank of Syracuse, corporal, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 108th Infantry.

Henry Ebel of Jackson Heights, L. I.; private, 1st class, Company F, 165th Infantry.

John F. Franklin, Jr., of Schenectady; private, Company M, 105th Infantry.

Clifford L. Rall of Troy, private, Service Company, 105th Infantry.

S. Wilbur Foote of Fairport, private, Troop F, 121st Cavalry.

Dennis J. McMahon of Troy, corporal, Company A, 105th Infantry.

William B. Hogue of 1360 East Seventeenth Street, Brooklyn; corporal, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 107th Infantry.

27th DIVISION ASSOCIATION ADVANCE PARTY IN LONDON

Paving the way for our trip to London and the battlefields in May, 1930, Maj.-Gen. John F. O'Ryan and Brig.-Gen. J. Leslie Kincaid departed in December, 1929, to line things up for the "second invasion." A full report of their accomplishments will appear in the February issue of this paper.

HOW WE STAND

The following is the strength of the association to date by posts and unassigned members. There are 1,189 members on the rolls who have paid dues for the year ending December 31, 1930. Look over these figures and note how your post stands. Get busy and put your post on top:

23—Brooklyn, 198; 1—Cohoes, 87; 2—Troy, 81; 44—Schenectady, 60; 105—Brooklyn, 52; 22—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 51; 10—Albany, 43; 27—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 38; 18—Glens Falls, 36; 42—Rochester, 33; 71—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 33; 19—Gloversville, 30; 45—Syracuse, 27; 4—Amsterdam, 26; 43—Saratoga, 26; 32—Mount Vernon, 22; 5—Auburn, 21; 16—Elmira, 18; 51—Whitehall, 16; 7—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 12; 74—Buffalo, 9; 33—Newburgh, 8; 28—Malone, 8; 3—Buffalo, 7; 48—Utica, 6; 17—Geneva, 5; 20—Hoosic Falls, 5; 26—Kingston, 5; 25—Jamestown, 4; 11—Binghamton, 4; 53—Yonkers, 4; 38—Olean, 4; 52—White Plains, 4; 31—Mohawk, 3; 9—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 2; 13—Brooklyn, 2; 34—Flushing, L. I., 2; 101—Brooklyn, 2; 30—Middletown, 2; 104—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 2; 12—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 1; 14—Brooklyn, 1; 21—Hornell, 1; 29—Medina, 1; 35—West Brighton, S. I., 1; 37—Ogdensburg, 1; 47—Brooklyn, 1; 50—Watertown, 1; 69—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 1; 24—Hudson, 1; 39—Oneonta, 1; 41—Poughkeepsie, 1; 6—Catskill, 0; 8—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 0; 15—Manhattan, N. Y. City, 0; 36—Niagara Falls, 0; 40—Oswego, 0; 46—Tonawanda, 0; 49—Walton, 0.

UNASSIGNED TO POSTS

Residents of:

Brooklyn, 6; Manhattan, N. Y. City, 43; Queens County, N. Y. City, 15; Richmond County, N. Y. City, 3; Westchester County, 9; places in New York where no posts are allotted, 71; places outside of New York where no posts are allotted, 32.

Total paid strength, December 20, 1929, 1,189.

THE GENERAL

By FREDERIC CARDOZE

You can warm a gun on the battle line
Like the rest in the service do.
You can thrust and fight
In the smoke-dimmed light
And the routed foe pursue;
But you're taking orders all the time
To advance or perhaps retreat,
And the list of slain
Don't haunt your brain
With the thought of a stern defeat.

You can throw grenades in the main advance
With a hand that displays its scars,
And your comrades lead
On a shell-plowed mead
By virtue of shoulder bars;
But you're still an unpretentious cog
In the wheel of an army corps,
And fight with lead
And not with the head
As the most of us do in war.

You can onward dash from wing to wing
As a courier in the fray,
And escape the foe
That would lay you low
And your messages delay;
But you're held to account for only one
If you fail to venture through,
And the death toll paid
By a torn brigade
Is not to be charged to you.

You can bear your wound with a kindled eye
If you're shot upon the field,
When they send you back
From the main attack
When your hurt at length is healed.
But what is a wound, though it lead to death—
It is yours to both give and take—
The eternal weal that can never heal
Is a General's mistake!

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FORMER NATIONAL GUARDSMAN MADE SECRETARY OF WAR

THE appointment of Col. Patrick J. Hurley, Assistant Secretary of War, to succeed the late James W. Good as Secretary of War has met with general approval. It thus brings to this post a man of experience who has already obtained a keen insight into the functioning and organization of the department, who thus equipped, will not have to devote months to familiarizing himself with the administration details of the office.

Col. Hurley, a native of Oklahoma, gained his military service in the National Guard and in 1902 was a captain of cavalry of the Indian Territory Volunteer Militia and later held the same grade in the Oklahoma National Guard. During the World War he reached the active grade of Lieutenant-Colonel, receiving the Distinguished Service Medal and Silver Star Citation for gallantry in action near Louppy, France.

Don't just "turn over" the new leaf, but paste it down.
It might prevent slipping it back!

1930 is lots easier to write than 1929.

Why Not Give the Soldier a Break?

THIS year's Armistice Day seems to have been chiefly devoted to the outgivings of pacifists who appear to believe that war is a crime to which the American people are addicted and that it is only necessary to convince our people that war is cruel, stupid business in order to make it certain that war never will come to us again.

Americans are a peaceful people. There is not the slightest danger that they will wage other than defensive warfare. They were reproached by one Washington divine in an Armistice Day sermon on the ground that they selfishly wish to be let alone and let others alone. Yet minding one's own business is one way to keep out of personal or international conflicts. Making Uncle Sam the world's Meddlesome Mattie will get us into war—not keep us out of it.

Woodrow Wilson was a sincere pacifist; so was his Secretary of State, William Jennings Bryan, who was applauded in a Muncie auditorium not long after the World War ended when he declared that a nation which did not prepare for war would never be called upon to go to war!

Of the pacifism of Woodrow Wilson there was no doubt. It was he who said that Americans are "too proud to fight." Another slogan of his followers was that "he kept us out of war." Yet under President Wilson and Secretary Bryan this country was forced into a war raging 3,000 miles away. Our unpreparedness for war did not save us; it did cost us billions of dollars and thousands of lives.

What the pacifist cannot comprehend is that it takes two to keep the peace. Pacifistic agitation in the United States does not pull the teeth of Mars in Europe and Asia.

True lovers of peace and justice are so much opposed to the destruction of peace and justice by force that they do not intend weakly to submit to military control of the world. Therefore, so long as military force is a menace to peace and justice they do not intend to disarm the right that the wrong may triumph. They intend to be prepared to quell armed insurrection or repel armed invasion should it come.

Nobody else seems to have said it on Armistice Day, so here goes: The central figures of that day are the soldiers of 1917-1918—the boys who endured the hardship and the horror of war that the cause of their country might triumph and the Americans of today might live in peace and plenty within the protection of their flag. Lifted above the thought of self, willing to sacrifice their own lives that their country might live, the thought of what they did or were willing to do thrills the heart of every patriot. It makes contemptible the words of those who would dim the glory of these soldiers' service by the claim that they resorted to a barbarous method of serving their country when that is the only method to which real men can resort when armed force threatens.—*Muncie Press, Indiana.*

Cheer up! The stock market crash was last year!

Next comes Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day and Everybody's Day—April 1st.

General Haskell's Editorial

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

IT seems to have become an annual habit for the Division Commander to have something to say on the subject of inspections at about this time of the year.

In a very short space of time, we will be in the midst of the annual inspections with which you are so familiar that it is hardly necessary for me to go into this subject again.

I have thought a great deal about the advantages and disadvantages of our annual inspection and for some reasons, I have often thought that the best kind of an inspection would be to have an inspector drop in unannounced and report upon the conditions as he found them. Such a plan would no doubt give a better idea of the average condition of the organization, training, paper work, property and care of the armory. Furthermore, it appears sometimes, as though there were a duplication of effort in combining the federal and state inspections. Most of the data required by Division Headquarters could be obtained from the report of the federal inspector alone which would save in a great measure, the time now devoted to inspections by the Division Staff, which might be devoted to other activities.

On the other hand, there are a considerable number of matters not covered by the federal inspection which are important to the state. For instance, the annual muster as required by law and regulation, and notwithstanding the fact that this muster might be made during the summer field training period, it is better that it should be made at the home station. There is an expense (not large considering the work done) in sending the various inspectors throughout the state, but it is doubtful if a more economical method both in time and money could be found to replace the present system. As a matter of fact, the large number of details that have to be taken care of in the limited time for inspections requires the cooperation of the two inspectors working together.

The annual inspection has become such an important event that it gives an organization commander a very good opportunity to get all the personnel turned out

and to take stock of any dead wood that he may be carrying, and makes an opportunity to rid himself of such material. Furthermore, the annual inspection provides a real house cleaning of the armories which are prepared for critical examination, a renovation and preparation of all the equipment in the hands of the organization, and a bringing up to date of all administrative details that may have been neglected or be in arrears.

So while there may be an appearance of slight duplication of effort in inspections, I feel that if any mistake is made, it is a mistake made from the side of conservativeness. As for the inspection itself, this year will present no radical change over last year. The three changes made last year will be continued in effect.

Those changes you will remember were first, that the packs would not be worn at inspection, but that the articles making up the pack would be inspected in the locker. Second, attendance will be figured at the time of the original roll call only. Third no man shall be counted present who is not on hand in the prescribed uniform.

The above changes made last year and to be continued this year, have apparently been popular with all the best thinking officers and men in the Guard. Many commanding officers have commented on the subject and invariably the comment was favorable.

There are very good reasons for the changes referred to which need not be repeated here. It is sufficient to say that those changes should have been made long ago.

It is hoped that the inspectors will find the property and property accounts in better condition than they have been heretofore. It is hoped that the men will be presented in a high state of military appearance, particularly neatness of the person. It is hoped that the uniform will be properly worn and adjusted. So many men thoughtlessly spoil the military appearance of the whole organization by the ununiform way of wearing articles of their clothing, particularly the cap. It is also hoped

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69TH TENDERS REVIEW TO N. Y. ATHLETIC CLUB PRESIDENT

THE 165th Infantry (69th, N. Y.) on Wednesday, November 20th, tendered Maj. William Kennelly, president of the New York Athletic Club and a former officer of the regiment, a review at the armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue. Maj. Kennelly and his staff, consisting of Henry Wilson, vice-president; Edward J. Benson, treasurer; Andrew J. Kirwin, Jr., secretary; Maj. Thomas J. Reilly, James A. Beha, John F. Bresnahan and Walter G. Nash, were entertained at dinner by Col. William J. Costigan and his staff at the Manhattan Club before the review. The evening's entertainment began with a concert by the regimental band, under the direction of Mr. Clifford E. Ridgely, bandmaster; review of the regiment and presentation of the following decorations:

Decoration of the State of New York for Long and Faithful Service—For 20 years, Pvt. 1st class William Evers, Company C.

Regimental Long and Faithful Service Medals—For 15 years, Capt. Joseph F. Flannery, R.S.O.; for 10 years, Capt. Raymond A. Crennan, Company A.

State Recruiting Medals—Capt. Victor J. Herold, Company G; Sergt. William Gordon, Regimental Headquarters Company; Sergt. George Buckholz, Company M; Sergt. William F. Lynch, Third Battalion Headquarters Company; Corp. Sidney Grimes, Third Battalion Headquarters Company; Corp. Sylvester Newell, Third Battalion Headquarters Company; Pvt. 1st class Salvatore Trischitti, Howitzer Company; Pvt. Irving Rothbert, Company B.

Exhibition fencing bouts directed by Mr. John Allaire, vice-president of the Amateur Fencers League of America. The bouts were: Sabre—Between Prof. George Sentelli, instructor N. Y. A. C., coach Olympic team 1928, and Mr. Leo Nunez, N. Y. A. C., national amateur sabre champion. Duelling Swords—Between Prof. George Sentelli and Capt. John V. Grombach, 165th Infantry, N. Y. A. C., and runner-up for national duelling sword championship, 1929.

Evening parade closed the ceremonies on the drill floor, after which dancing occupied the time until "Home Sweet Home". The N. Y. A. C. was well represented, some two or three hundred members attending, among whom was the cup challenger, Sir Thomas Lipton. The Guard was also well represented, and an unusual number of former officers of the regiment attended.

69TH UNVEILS TABLET TO FORMER DRUM MAJOR

IN Monday, November 25th, the 165th Infantry (69th N. Y.) unveiled a bronze tablet in memory of Sergt. John F. Mullins, who was its Drum Major for more than twenty years. He was a member of the regiment for more than forty years, and served with the British army in India and Arabia prior to his arrival in this country. He was well known and universally loved wherever the regiment went. He served in the Spanish American War, the Border Campaign and was a member of the regimental rifle team more than thirty years. He was armorer from

1900 to 1927, when he was appointed superintendent, which position he held up to the time of his death, which occurred Friday, May 11, 1928, and at his funeral, which was held on Tuesday, May 15th, the entire regiment turned out together with the Veteran Corps of the regiment, Spanish War Veterans, Rainbow Division Veterans, representatives from every armory in the State, from the Armory Board, and the Governor and Mayor sent representatives. The body was carried on a caisson and escorted by the 104th Field Artillery.

Three sons, Capt. Fergus P. Mullins, Sergt. John J. Mullins and Lawrence Mullins, a member of the New York Police Department, and five daughters, Mrs. Helen Collins, Mrs. Thomas Weppier, Mrs. John Clifford, Mrs. John Winters and Miss Margaret Mullins, survive.

The ceremony of the unveiling was held on the drill floor, the regiment assembled and the covering flag drawn away by Johnny Winters, five-year-old grandson of Sergt. Mullins. Lieut. George Ashe, 165th Infantry, A. E. F., who was the master of ceremonies, thanked the subscribers for their generosity and introduced Col. William J. Costigan, who spoke, eulogizing Sergt. Mullins and recalling many incidents which made the Sergeant beloved by all those who came in contact with him either in military or civic affairs. Rev. Francis P. Duffy, Lieutenant-Colonel and Chaplain of the 165th, attended by four altar boys, blessed the tablet and addressed the regiment and their guests. He spoke in the highest terms of the great manly and soldierly qualities of Sergt. John F. Mullins. He quoted the words of the 165th Regiment poet, Joyce Kilmer, which are on the tablet and written to the time of Taps:



Farewell!
Farewell!
 Comrade true, born anew, peace to you!
 Your soul shall be where the heroes are,
 And your memory shine like the Morning Star.
 Brave and dear,
 Shield us here.
Farewell!

At the conclusion Taps was blown by four buglers stationed at each corner of the armory.



102ND OBSERVATION SQUADRON

Coincident with the dropping of the thermometer the outfit began to "rev up" a bit and get hot. No one seems to know the reason but several say that the cause is natural enough. A fellow must do something to keep warm.

We have had a series of lectures given by Lieut. Tribuis. The first, "United States Defense Organization." The second, "Air Organization", and the third, "Duties of an Observation Squadron." Lieut. Tribuis promises more lectures in the future and we are looking forward to them as they are both interesting and instructive.

A new class in motors and rigging has been started. Members of these classes are greatly enthused.

Staff Sergt. Heiberg returned from Chanute Field where he took the parachute course. To date he has jumped twice. He tells me that most of the thrill in the jump comes before the jumper leaves the plane. He gave the members of the parachute section the latest dope on packing. Has anyone noticed that the 'chutes look neater? If not, take my word for it. We guarantee that they will open just 50 per cent faster when packed the new way.

Staff Sergt. Marshall still tells the boys about all the deer he shot on his hunting trip awhile ago. Just a minute! Say, Bill, was it deer or beer? However, Bill and his understudy, Cy, see to it that their boys know their guns in A-1 condition. Oh, yes, you have guessed it. I've been talking about the Armament Section.

Corp. Lenahan is the live wire man and driving power of the Radio Section. He has a very industrious outfit busy installing radios and telephones. They are planning an amateur radio station. Write him at Miller Field if you would be interested in meeting him on the air.

The latest addition to our line is a new Douglas 0-2K. This is a two place observation plane arranged for cross-country flying. It looks like a fine ship. The monoplane, "Land of the Soviets," was dismantled at Miller Field for shipment back to Russia. Members of the squadron had excellent opportunity to inspect it. The squadron claims mention with the 108th Infantry for having a part in the quelling of the riot at Auburn. Maj. Vaughn, our commanding officer, flew tear gas bombs from New York to Albany in a Falcon.

Believe it or not—Air Service is starting 1930 with a zoom and how!

The 102nd Photo Section attached to the outfit has been doing good work. Lieuts. Kimber and Krout are in charge of this section. Both have had wartime experience in photographic work. Lieut. Krout explained to the squadron the duties of a photographic team in connection with other units engaged in fighting. Recent missions performed by the photo section were photos of Ellington, Summit and Newark, New Jersey. A mission of a mosaic map of Camp Dix taken by Staff Sergt. O'Donald proved very successful and won for him the commendation of Lieut. Kimber, commanding officer of the photo-section.

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Seventy-First Review Delights Friends

MAJOR-GENERAL QUINCY A. GILLMORE, who commands the 44th Division and the New Jersey National Guard, came over to take dinner with Col. De Lamater and his officers at the McAlpin and to review the regiment on November 30th. In addition to Gen. Gillmore's staff, other guests at the dinner represented New York National Guard Headquarters, the 87th Infantry Brigade of which the Seventy-first is a unit, the New York Supreme Court and other civic and military organizations.



As usual at reviews every seat and every available bit of standing room in the big drill hall was occupied by friends and admirers of the Seventy-first. The regiment made a full turn out and its steadiness and other ceremonial qualities brought forth applause and favorable comment on every side.

Col. De Lamater seldom fails to introduce some novel and entertaining exhibitions in his review programs and on the 30th he called upon the band, field music and howitzer company to show their qualities. The selection "Echoes" by the band was beautifully rendered and stamped the band as artists of the highest grade. Seldom has an audience been more keenly impressed than by this beautiful number.

The field music of the Seventy-first is widely known. In the field at Camp Smith it has won commendation for a number of years. Its rendering of "The Early Eighties" and a marvelous fife solo by Drum Major Mode were worthy of a prize in any contest for drum, fife and bugle artists.

Contrasts always bring out strong points and the Seventy-first is not slow in taking advantage of this fact.

After the brilliant full dress review and impressive music the appearance of the Howitzer Company in the good old war time "Tin Hats" and very business-like O. D. uniforms brought out unanimous applause. The howitzer boys gave a very fine exhibition of a platoon in combat, which was followed by evening parade, done in the best Seventy-first style.

Gen. Gillmore, on being introduced to the officers of the regiment, expressed his great satisfaction at the appearance and steadiness of the regiment and the hope that it might at some future time join the other units of the Forty-fourth Division in a division maneuver.

174th INFANTRY

CO. F NOTES

The most scintillating military function of the year in Buffalo is Company F's formal dinner and military ball, held each year on the eve of Washington's birthday.

Acclaimed in both military and civilian circles as a very colorful event, it has become an institution in the city's social calendar.

This year's ball, which will be held in the "Terrace Room" of the Statler Hotel, will be the most brilliant affair ever attempted by the Company and every guest will be assured of seeing a spectacle fairly dazzling in military splendor.

In addition to the customary F Company events that are becoming as institutional as the ball itself, many innovations are on the program which will keep things moving at a rapid pace until the small hours of the morning.

The Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation will broadcast the music and between dance numbers Capt. James M. H. Wallace will relate many interesting bits of information pertaining to the Company's history as well as to tell of the accomplishments of the Company during the past year. As Company F has been particularly active this portion of the program will be of interest to many people in and about Buffalo and should stimulate recruiting not only for the Company but for the entire Regiment by bringing to the homes of the desirable recruits much valuable information that would not otherwise reach them.

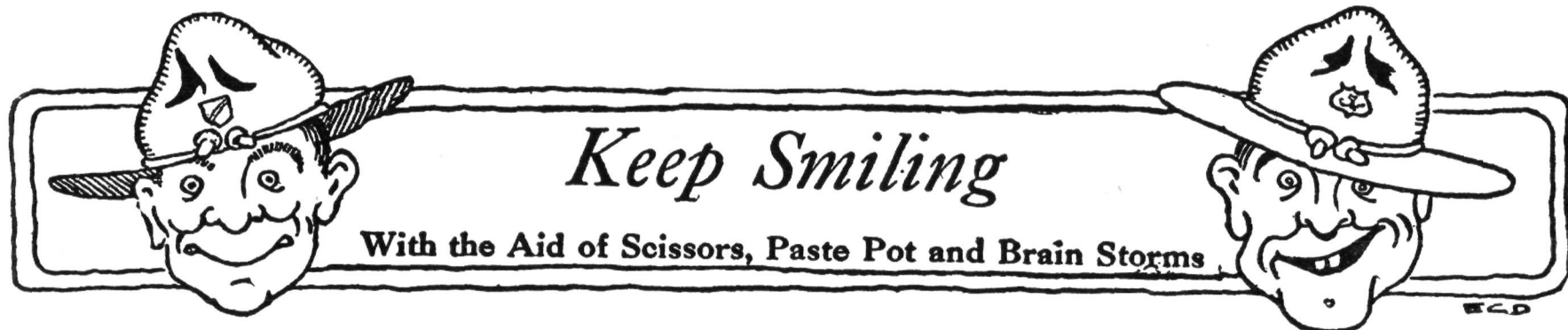
Capt. James M. H. Wallace will be general chairman of all the committees and will be assisted by Lieut. Knight, Lieut. Carroll and First Sergt. Kolberg. Platoon Sergts. Pierce and Smith will be in charge of the various sub-committees.

Col. George S. Minniss, Commanding Officer of the 392nd Infantry, a former member of Company F, will head the veteran committee, and Mrs. Wallace, assisted by Mrs. Knight and Mrs. Carroll, will have charge of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Maj.-Gen. Wm. N. Haskell has been extended an invitation to be present and it is hoped that the General will be able to honor us again with his presence.

All the officers of the 174th Infantry Regiment, together with many other officers of all branches of the service, including those on DOL duty here in Buffalo, have been invited to participate in this joyous occasion and a great assemblage of military leaders is anticipated.

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The Leading Lady

He: "Did you ever hear the joke about the traveling salesman?"

She: "I'll say so. I am the farmer's daughter."

—Exchange.

One of Figary's Scotch stories:

A Scotchman was married in his chicken yard so the chickens could eat the rice.

Alternative

She: "Do you believe in clubs for women?"

He: "Yes, if kindness fails."

—California Guardsman.

"Mama, what's all that noise in the cellar?"

"Oh, that's only papa keeping still."

Perfectly Safe

Mrs. Green: "I never walk under a ladder. I think it's most unlucky."

Mrs. Morgreen: "Well! I call that silly. I just place the tips of the little fingers together, bend the other three into the palm, cross the thumbs, say 'Magnum bonum,' and walk right under any ladder. If you do that you're perfectly safe. I can't stand silly superstitions myself."

"Where is the car I left parked here?"

"I can only tell you where part of it is."

"Quick! Tell me!"

"A cop came by and took the number."

Curves!

I've stood reducing long enough;
I want to gorge, I want to stuff,
I don't believe I ever can
Absorb another bit of bran
Or look a batch of spinach in
The face. I'm sick of getting thin,
And if you do not like me fat,
We'll have to let it go at that.

Not So Sure

"How do you like your radio, Sandy?"

"Well, it's aw richt to listen to, but those bulbs are no so guid to read by!"

Tableau!!!

A gouty and grimly humorous old professor with a bandaged foot wired to his family physician in a nearby town. Doctor's wife (reading his message in the absence of her husband): "If you are interested in a pretty foot and ankle, come over after your office hours this evening."

Inspections Are On!

Maj. John C. French, regular army, who recently inspected the 137th Infantry, Kansas National Guard, reports a new one. He was inspecting one of the Wichita units and picked on a recruit to question.

"Do you know what the Articles of War are?" asked Maj. French.

"Yes, sir," said the recruit standing very erect.

"What are some of them?", asked the inspector.

"My rifle and bayonet, sir", responded the recruit.

"And I don't know but what the answer was a pretty good one, at that," admits Maj. French.

—Topeka Daily Capital.

A Willing Gal

Bashful Doughboy: "I haven't the cheek to kiss you."

She: "Use mine."

—Penn Guardsman.

"What makes you think the baby is going to be a great politician?" asked the young mother anxiously.

"I'll tell you," answered the young father; "he can say more things that sound well and mean nothing at all than any kid I ever saw."

She was only a janitor's daughter, but she sure could sweep them off their feet.

Swallow This One

Officer (at medical inspection): "Say a-a-a-ah!"

Tony: "No speak-a de English."

Inquisitive Lady: "And now, officer, tell me what that strap under your chin is for."

Officer: "That, lady, is to rest my poor old jaw when it gets tired answering silly questions."

—Kansas Guardsman.

Fresh Paint

Captain: "Let's kiss and make up."

Femme: "If you're careful, Captain, I won't have to."

Shooed The Iron Horse

The corpulent Cavalryman ran panting up to the track, but the locomotive had definitely, though barely, departed.

"Miss your train, Buddy?" asked a sympathetic Infantryman.

"Oh, no," was the sardonic reply. "It was making too much noise, so I chased it away."

—A. and N. J.

Private Musty Suffer Says—

"About the only difference between a master sergeant and a cigarette-lighter is that the cigarette-lighter sometimes works."

—Penn Guardsman.

Another on the M. P.'s

Tough M. P.: "For two cents I'd knock your block off."

Wise Private: "Get away from me you dirty professional."

The Lance Corporal Says—

"Kissing your wife is like scratching a place that doesn't itch."

—A. and N. J.

Smith (meeting Jones after many years): "Yes, our old friend Brown has gone to his everlasting rest!"

Jones: "What? Did he get that government job after all?"

—Hummel (Hamburg).

HOW WE STAND

Average Attendance for Entire Guard for Month of November.....78.24%

Maximum Strength New York National Guard.....	21,483
Minimum Strength New York National Guard.....	18,987
Present Strength New York National Guard.....	20,368

DIVISION HEADQUARTERS

Maintenance Strength	61
Headquarters & Headquarters Detachment, 27th Division	71

CAVALRY BRIGADE HDQRS.

Maintenance Strength	69
51st Cavalry Brigade	70

FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE HDQRS.

Maintenance Strength	32
52nd Field Artillery Brigade	41

INFANTRY BRIGADE HDQRS.

Maintenance Strength	28
87th Brigade	47
93rd Brigade	37
53rd Brigade	36
54th Brigade	32

SPECIAL TROOPS

Maintenance Strength	318
27th Special Troops	344

AVIATION

Maintenance Strength	118
27th Aviation	114

SIGNAL BATTALION

Maintenance Strength	163
101st Signal Battalion	156

ENGINEERS

Maintenance Strength	473
102nd Engineers	480

DIVISION TRAINS, Q.M.C.

Maintenance Strength	247
27th Division Trains, Q.M.C.	249

STATE STAFF

Authorized Strength	137
A. G. D. Section	6
J. A. G. D. Section	3
Ordnance Section	27
Medical Section	2
Quartermaster Section	28

COAST ARTILLERY HDQRS.

Maintenance Strength	11
Hdqrs. Coast Artillery	10

INFANTRY

Maintenance Strength	1038
1. 174th Infantry	1159
2. 105th Infantry	1132
3. 10th Infantry	1126
4. 71st Infantry	1121
5. 165th Infantry	1115
6. 106th Infantry	1112
7. 14th Infantry	1110
8. 108th Infantry	1106
9. 107th Infantry	1088
10. 369th Infantry	1054

CAVALRY

Maintenance Strength	587
101st Cavalry	644
121st Cavalry	595

ARTILLERY, 155 HOW.

Maintenance Strength	647
106th Field Artillery	650

ARTILLERY, C. A. C.

Maintenance Strength	646
244th Coast Artillery	714

ARTILLERY FIXED DEFENSES

Maintenance Strength	739
245th Coast Artillery	851

ARTILLERY, 75's

Maintenance Strength	602
156th Field Artillery	614
105th Field Artillery	649
104th Field Artillery	647

MEDICAL REGIMENT

Maintenance Strength	632
102nd Medical Regiment	690

ARTILLERY, A. A.

Maintenance Strength	705
212th Coast Artillery	748

ARTILLERY, 155 Guns

Maintenance Strength	647
258th Field Artillery	700

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Average Percentage of Attendance N. Y. N. G.

Average Attendance for Entire Guard for Month of November.....78.24%

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121st Cavalry (1) 85.90%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Headquarters	5	7	7	100
Hdqrs. Troop	5	69	63	92
Band	5	37	34	88
Machine Gun Troop	5	62	51	82
Hdqrs. 1st Squadron	5	1	1	100
Troop A	5	64	55	86
Troop B	5	60	53	82
Headquarters 2nd Squadron	5	2	2	100
Troop E	5	66	56	84
Troop F	5	68	57	84
Headquarters 3rd Squadron	5	2	2	100
Troop I	5	69	55	80
Troop K	5	63	56	88
Medical Detachment	5	26	20	76
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	596	512	85.90	

71st Inf. (2) 84.69%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Regtl. Hq.	5	7	7	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.	5	62	46	75
Service Co.	5	89	74	83
Howitzer Co.	5	60	47	78
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn.	5	26	24	92
Company A	5	67	54	81
Company B	5	65	48	75
Company C	5	63	51	80
Company D	5	63	56	89
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.	5	27	25	91
Company E	5	70	60	87
Company F	5	67	57	85
Company G	5	68	57	84
Company H	5	61	51	84
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.	5	32	30	95
Company I	5	58	50	86
Company K	5	67	62	93
Company L	5	65	57	87
Company M	5	72	67	95
Med. Det. Att.	5	34	28	81
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	1123	951	84.69	

27th Div. Av. (5) 81.57%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
102nd Observation Sq.	5	86	71	83
102nd Photo Section	5	22	17	79
Medical Detachment	5	6	5	90
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	114	93	81.57	

212th C. A. (6) 81.25%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	6	6	100
Hdqrs. Battery	5	71	53	75
Service Battery	5	71	63	88
1st Bn. Hq. & Hq. Bty.	5	40	38	94
Battery A	5	60	46	77
Battery B	5	67	57	84
Battery C	5	63	56	89
Battery D	5	70	57	82
2nd Bn. Hq. & Hq. Det.	5	17	12	73
Battery E	5	65	45	69
Battery F	5	64	44	68
Battery G	5	62	49	79
Battery H	5	68	60	89
Medical Detachment	5	23	21	93
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	747	607	81.25	

Battery F	5	80	70	88
Hdqrs. 2nd Bn.	5	3	3	100
Battery B	5	53	34	66
Battery D	5	63	49	78
Battery G	5	63	49	78
Battery H	5	62	46	74
Hdqrs. 3rd Bn.	5	3	3	100
Battery I	5	56	41	72
Battery K	5	59	47	72
Battery L	4	60	46	78
Battery M	5	53	43	81
Med. Det.	5	32	29	92
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	841	670	79.66	

101st Cav. (3) 84.56%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	7	7	97
Band	4	27	24	88
Hdqrs. Troops	5	68	53	79
Machine Gun Troop	5	68	54	79
Hdqrs. 1st Sq.	5	2	2	100
Troop A	5	67	56	84
Troop B	5	64	52	81
Hdqrs. 2nd Sq.	5	2	2	100
Troop E	5	80	71	88
Troop F	5	81	72	89
Hdqrs. 3rd Sq.	5	1	1	100
Troop I	5	66	52	78
Troop K	4	81	70	87
Medical Detachment	5	34	32	95
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	648	548	84.56	

14th Inf. (7) 81%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Regtl. Hq.	5	8	8	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.	5	64	44	68
Service Co.	5	79	62	79
Howitzer Co.	5	63	42	67
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn.	5	24	19	79
Company A	5	61	44	71
Company B	5	58	47	80
Company C	4	65	45	68
Company D	5	66	58	87
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.	5	20	13	66
Company E	5	67	56	84
Company F	5	61	52	85
Company G	5	65	54	83
Company H	5	67	64	95
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.	5	22	15	70
Company I	5	65	55	84
Company K	5	67	56	83
Company L	5	67	60	89
Company M	5	75	68	91
Med. Det. Att.	5	36	29	81
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	1100	891	81.00	

104th F. A. (9) 78.86%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	6	6	100
Hdqrs. Battery	5	52	41	79
Service Battery	5	64	49	77
Hdqrs. 1st Bn.	4	4	4	94
Hq. Btry. & C.T. 1st Bn.	5	37	31	85
Battery A	5	73	63	86
Battery B	5	69	55	79
Battery C	5	70	52	77
Hdqrs. 2nd Bn.	5	4	4	100
Hq. Btry. & C.T. 1st Bn.	5	38	33	87
Battery D	5	65	53	80
Battery E	3	72	50	69
Battery F	5	72	48	67
Medical Detachment	5	27	26	95
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	653	515	78.86	

102nd Med. Reg. (4) 82.93%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	13	13	100
Service Co.	5	81	71	87
Hdqrs. Collection Bn.	5	1	1	100
104th Collecting Co.	4	58	48	81
105th Collecting Co.	5	64	57	89
106th Collecting Co.	4	69	59	86
Hdqrs. Ambulance Co.		No drills		
104th Ambulance Co.	5	54	45	82
105th Ambulance Co.	6	46	37	80
106th Ambulance Co.	5	54	45	83
Hdqrs. Hospital Bn.	6	2	2	100
104th Hospital Co.	4	62	53	86
105th Hospital Co.	4	66	51	78
106th Hospital Co.	5	74	49	66
102nd Veterinary Co.	3	44	39	89
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	688	570	82.93	

244th C. A. (10) 78.46%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	5	5	92
Hdqrs. Battery	5	63	40	64
Service Battery	5	87	77	89
1st Bn. Hq.	5	4	4	100
1st Bn. Hq. Bty. & C.T.	5	42	36	86
Battery A	5	64	40	62
Battery B	5	63	53	84
2nd Bn. Hq.	5	4	4	100
2nd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C.T.	5	48	42	89
Battery C	5	63	42	67
Battery D	5	61	57	95
3rd Bn. Hq.	5	3	3	100
3rd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C.T.	5	44	33	75
Battery E	5	67	52	77
Battery F	5	65	49	75
Medical Detachment	5	32	24	73
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	715	561	78.46	

245th C. A. (8) 79.66%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	7	7	100
Hdqrs. Battery	5	64	60	95
Hdqrs. 1st Bn.	5	2	2	100
Battery A	5	63	57	89
Battery C	5	55	38	69
Battery E	5	63	46	71
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369th Inf. (11) 78.40%

	No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Regtl. Hq.	5	6	6	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.	5	65	51	78
Service Co.	5	68	56	83
Howitzer Co.	5	66	46	70
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn.	5	22	18	84
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1st Bn. Hq.	5	3	3	97
1st Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	4	28	16	59
Battery A	5	62	35	57
Battery B	3	66	44	67
Battery C	5	65	39	61
2nd Bn. Hdqrs.	5	4	4	100
2nd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C.T.	5	31	24	76
Battery D	5	63	33	51
Battery E	5	63	49	77
Battery F	5	69	46	61
Medical Detachment	4	34	18	52
		610	413	67.70

101st Sig. Batt. (26) 65.60%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs. & Hdqrs. Co.	5	24	17	70
Company A	5	62	40	64
Company B	5	57	39	68
Med. Dept. Det.	3	14	7	62
		157	103	65.60

Hdq. C. A. (1) 100%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	4	4	100
Hdqrs. Det.	5	6	6	100
		10	10	100.00

State Staff (2) 93.84%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
A. G. D. Section	4	6	6	100
J. A. G. D. Section	4	3	3	100
Ordnance Section	4	26	22	85
Medical Section	4	2	2	100
Qrs. Section	4	28	28	100
		65	61	93.84

93rd Inf. Br. (3) 91.89%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	5	5	100
Hdqrs. Co.	5	32	29	91
		37	34	91.89

52nd F. A. Br. (4) 91.66%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	4	6	6	100
Hdqrs. Battery	5	30	27	76
		36	33	91.66

51st C. Brigade (5) 84.93%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Brigade Hdqrs.	5	7	5	71
Hdqrs. Troop	4	66	57	87
		73	62	84.93

54th Inf. Br. (6) 84.37%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	5	5	100
Hdqrs. Co.	5	27	22	82
		32	27	84.37

53rd Inf. Br. (7) 83.33%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	4	4	2	63
Hdqrs. Co.	4	32	28	88
		36	30	83.33

Hdq. 27th Div. (8) 77.46%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	4	26	24	94
Hdqrs. Detach.	3	45	31	67
		71	55	77.46

87th Inf. Br. (9) 74.46%

	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs.	5	5	4	84
Hdqrs. Co.	4	42	31	75
		47	35	74.46

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27TH SIGNAL COMPANY

An article appearing in the September-October, 1929, issue of the Signal Corps Bulletin, entitled, "Telephone Service in Second Division Maneuvers", impels the writer to record another instance where telephone service was rendered "not in line of duty".

The 27th Signal Company, N. Y. N. G., was ordered to Camp Dix, N. J., from July 7th to 22nd to participate in CPX-29. On Monday, July 8th, a BD-11 was installed in the building serving as D H Q and local phones installed at several convenient points in the division camp area. This proved of great assistance to many officers in the saving of time which would have been consumed in going about the camp.

The service demand became so heavy that on Wednesday, July 10th, it was found necessary to cut over to a BD-14. This was done without any interruption to service and additional locals were installed. A trunk line was run to the post switchboard and within a few hours after its installation it became known that reversed charge, long distance calls could be made. This service was taken advantage of by so many officers and men in calling their offices and homes that on the peak day, a total of 82 such calls were handled. The majority of calls were to New York City, about 70 miles away.

When the company transferred its activities to the field during the problem, a service line was run from this switchboard to Columbus, the CP of the 11 Corps, a distance of about 12 miles, by the 101st Signal Battalion, N. Y. N. G. and the headquarters of the units in the field were kept in constant communication with Camp Dix.

On Monday night, July 15th, the writer made a call to Brooklyn from the 27th Division Rear Echelon, through the switchboard at that point, and through the boards of the 27th Division CP, 11 Corps CP, the service board at Camp Dix, the post switchboard and over the lines of the New Jersey Telephone Company. The circuit was completed in 12 minutes and transmission was very satisfactory. This call went out over about 19 miles of military line and 75 miles of commercial lines.—First Lieut. G. W. Shields, 27th Signal Company, N. Y. N. G.

258TH FIELD ARTILLERY "B" Battery Tit-bits

Regimental: This issue of the NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARDSMAN leaves us on the verge of a review and parade to be given at the Armory. The Honorable Joseph V. McKee will review the command. Many pistol expert, sharpshooter and marksman medals are to be awarded at this review, and I am proud to state that B Battery is, as usual, well represented. A dance will follow immediately after the regiment is dismissed. It is next to impossible to state what will occur, at the present writing, but I promise to give an accurate and descriptive account of the proceedings in these columns next month.

Battery: The Battery is still hard pressed and exceedingly busy. Suffice it to write that we are still recruiting, range firing, drilling; continually limbering, unlimbering, loading, maneuvering the piece, etc.

Social: The Battery will tender a dance following the review. As it will be all over by the time this is distributed, we regret that we cannot extend invitations to the affair. If there are any National Guard organizations in and around New York City that would be interested in attending our reviews and socials, we will appreciate it if they will notify us, and gladly forward invites direct, before each review.

Athletic: The manager of our basketball team is a real go-getter. He is arranging a schedule at present and not yet ready to issue a statement, but he did ask me to insert a notice that he will consider any challenge from the wholestate of New York. Just drop him a card with the time and place of the intended contest; the chances are ten to one he will accept. We have been requested by a club in White Plains to play their team at a dance. To all appearances, B Battery will oblige them.

The Newman Athletic Club visited us on the 30th of November and followed us around the court to a score of 17 to 13. The game became exciting at times, and seemed very uncertain as to which team was to win.

The Lantern Athletic Club, on December 4th, also at our home station, gave us a tougher fight. They clung to us throughout the first half, and caught up to us in the second half. The Lanterns passed with a foul shot toward the end of the game, but B Battery always prepared and ready, squeezed in three points, bringing the

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score to 36-34, in our favor.

These contests were both played amateur and professional, the former in the first half, and the latter in the second. So it is evident that we mean to be obliging.

Write to Sgt. Jack Morgan, 258th Field Artillery, Battery "B," 29 West Kingsbridge Road, New York, in reference to the basketball team.

Corp. Fred Sussieck challenges every and any man to a checker match of five games, three games winning the set and the match. Who'll be first?

The recent market crash benefitted somebody after all. Sergeant Olive is strolling around the Armory with his chest puffed up, his fingers locked in his vest and a great big evil-smelling cigar jammed between his teeth.

Corporal Howard is a bit peeved because he has not received mention in the NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARDSMAN and as a consequence has taken to smoking a corncob pipe to attract attention. I sincerely regret that I have not previously noticed him. Now I can only hope that on seeing his name in the NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARDSMAN this month he will have mercy on me and refrain from smoking that pipe in my immediate vicinity.

245TH COAST ARTILLERY

The entertainment committee of Battery F are sure keeping things humming. They have adopted the slogan, "Bigger and better than ever," and the large crowd that were fortunate enough to be present Saturday, December 14th, when the battery threw another of their justly famous night club dances, will agree that the affair just suited the slogan.

The entertainment was of the highest order, numbers being rendered by Don Janson, radio tenor, whose crooning voice just suited the romantic melodies which he rendered to the delight of the large audience. The Beausler sisters, attired in their novel costumes, brought the house down with their well executed tap dances. Johnny Sheridan, of night club fame, then put across one of his well known dances in which his feet seemed to fly, going both ways at the same time. Evelyn Dempsey was the next star to appear, her rendering of some jazz numbers being well received. The floor show was brought to a close with Agnes Dillion and Mary Martin doing individual dance numbers in real Broadway style.

Bill Porter's Black Diamond Or-

chestra furnished the dance music and kept the large crowd swaying until it was just too bad that Home Sweet Home had to be played.

106TH INFANTRY

Our drive for recruits has opened with a bang. We are pleased to extend a hearty welcome to the following new members: Otto Gentzler, Harold Chanter, Joseph Silvers, Milton Jacobs, Vincent Croce, C. De Meo and B. Fatone. Sgt. J. Moroney and Pvt. N. Tenner are to be complimented on their recruiting ability. Both of these men will soon be eligible for the State Recruiting Medal.

Our last bridge party, held in the company room and attended by members of the company and their lady friends, was a huge success. Captain Vehring played his usual expert game but was unfortunate in not winning a prize, being nosed out by a newcomer to our midst. The ladies' prize was won by one of our most prominent guests. After the games refreshments in the form of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served, being followed by dancing and entertainment by talented members of our company.

Our company made a splendid showing in the review tendered to the Veteran's Association on December 16. Sergt. Moroney, overcoming a 5 second handicap, was victorious in the half mile walk. With Sergt. Moroney and several other promising track men under the capable coaching of Lieut. Cassidy, we hope to be able to enter a formidable team in the coming activities of the Military Athletic League.

Being newcomers to the charmed circle of contributors to the NATIONAL GUARDSMAN we will not presume to take up too much space on our initial appearance, but readers may expect to hear more from us in future issues of the magazine.

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DUCK PIN TEAM CHALLENGE

Battery "A" two-man Duck Pin Team would like to hear from some of the different regiments for a series of games to be played. Terms for the games can be arranged by addressing Corp. Eugene Schumacher, Battery "A," 105th Field Artillery, 171 Clermont Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., or phone Friday evenings between 8 and 11 o'clock, Triangle 7936.

GENERAL HASKELL'S EDITORIAL

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that the mobilization plans will be on hand and properly presented and that they will include all those provisions that are prescribed to be taken care of in the plan. It is hoped this year to find the training schedules well presented and posted.

In conclusion, I am hopeful that when the results of our annual inspections are all in, that we will show throughout the State a still higher condition with respect to attendance and training. That the care of property and the accounting for the same will show greater care and precision. I hope that the condition of the armories will indicate that the employees have been active and well managed in their work which is always reflected in what they have been able to accomplish by their own efforts in making a more attractive and more useful rendezvous for the organization.

I shall look forward with the greatest of interest for the results of the oncoming inspection and hope that the condition that you present to the inspector will be excellent and that you will give your best efforts to keep up that excellent standard throughout the year.

Wm N. Haskell

Major General.

GOOD WORDS FOR A "G" TO STUDY

A farmer who was much troubled by trespassers during the nutting season, consulted with a botanical friend. The botanist furnished him with the technical name of the hazel, and the farmer placed the following notice at conspicuous points about his premises:

"Trespassers, take warning! All persons entering this wood do so at their own risk, for, although common snakes are not often found, the *Corylus Avelana* abounds everywhere about here, and never gives warning of its presence."

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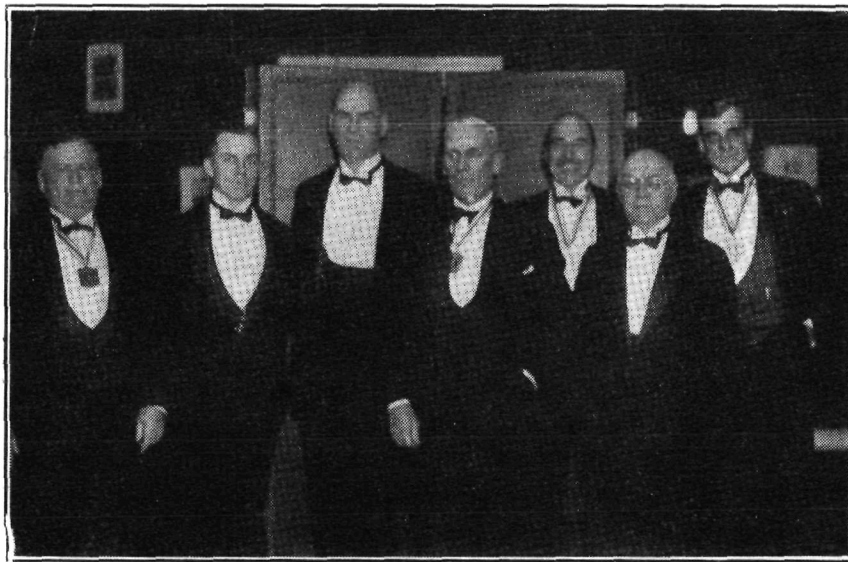
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DINNER TENDERED TO COLONEL EDWARD McLEER, Jr.

ON December 9th, at the Harvard Club, the 27th Division staff and many of the commanding officers tendered a farewell dinner to Col. Edward McLeer, Jr., for many years Chief of Staff of the New York National Guard, who December 1st went on the retired list after thirty-five years' faithful service.

The dinner committee—Lieut.-Col. H. W. Taylor, chairman; Lieut.-Col. John Reynolds and Lieut.-Col. Fred M. Waterbury—had all arrangements complete and "a good time was had by all." Col. Arthur McDermott as toastmaster was full of esprit as usual and called upon Gen. Haskell, Gen. Austin, Gen. Byrne, Col. Wright, Col. MacNab and Lieut. Col. Duffy, whom he introduced in his inimitable manner. Their responses were most fitting to the splendid military career of the guest who was presented with a beautiful gold cigarette case and a handsome Gladstone bag. Col. McLeer responded briefly and feelingly.



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Those present were: Col. Edward McLeer, Jr., Capt. Ray McLeer, Mr. Garrett McLeer, Maj.-Gen. William N. Haskell, Brig.-Gen. William Schohl, Brig.-Gen. John J. Phelan, Brig.-Gen. Elmer F. Austin, Brig.-Gen. John J. Byrne, Col. Alexander MacNab, Col. Raphael A. Egan, Col. Lucius A. Salisbury, Col. William J. Costigan, Col. Bryer H. Pendry, Col. Paul Loeser, Col. Frederic E. Humphreys, Col. Walter A. Delamater, Col. William A. Taylor, Col. Howard T. Kingsbury, Col. Herman A. Metz, Col. Lewis M. Thiery, Col. William R. Wright, Lieut.-Col. Fred M. Waterbury, Lieut.-Col. H. W. Taylor, Lieut.-Col. John Reynolds, Lieut.-Col. Joseph A. S. Mundy, Lieut.-Col. Arthur T. McDermott, Lieut.-Col. Robert W. Maloney, Lieut.-Col. Henry E. Suavet, Lieut.-Col. Allan L. Reagan, Lieut.-Col. Hampton Anderson, Lieut.-Col. Charles J. Dieges, Lieut.-Col. John I. McWilliams, Lieut.-Col. Francis Duffy, Lieut.-Col. Isaac J. Lovell, Lieut.-Col. Foster G. Hetzel, Maj. Thomas Downs, Maj. Timothy S. Mahoney, Maj. W. H. Corwin, Maj. John C. Mansfield, Maj. A. D. Reutershan, Maj. Thomas Fleming, Maj. George A. Vaughn, Capt. Gerald Kelly, Capt. John Haskell, Capt. Edgar T. Beamish, Capt. Matthew A. Lee, Capt. Bert W. Phillips, Capt. James H. McNamara.

**105TH FIELD ARTILLERY
Battery "A"**

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The above expresses our press agent's feeling when upon opening last month's issue of this magazine he failed to find the printed efforts of many hours of burning the midnight oil and the wearing out of several copies, more or less, of the famous Webster's.

Recent copies of the NATIONAL GUARDSMAN are devoting more space in the presentation of the athletic events sponsored by the various units. With this in mind the bowling team of Battery "A" is now open for bookings of match games. Pvt. Gus Albert, Battery "A", 171 Clermont Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., will make arrangements for dates.

The following are the results of games played by the Mounted basketball team on their home court:

November 16th — Headquarters 105th F. A., 5; Battery A, 14.

November 30th—Battery C, 105th F. A., 6; Battery A, 7.

The apparent impossibility of any one team besting the champions was shown on December 13th, when Headquarters detachment of 104th F. A. and the Medical detachment of 105th F. A. appeared at the Armory to do combat with the wearers of the gold trophies. Sergt. Mackin insisted on playing the two teams at one time, but Corp. Russo, not wishing to have his team extended, as a subterfuge refused on account of the Sergeant's horse not being in the best of shape. This allayed the temperature of "Mac" and it was then decided that the two visiting teams play it off. This resulted in a win for Headquarters to the tune of 12 to 2. In the final game of the evening Headquarters succumbed to the password of Battery "A", who rolled up a score of ten against their opponents four.

**107TH INFANTRY
Hits, Runs and Stops**

There's a lot of sentiment nowadays against the hit-an'-run fellow, but you won't find it up in the armory of the old Seventh at 67th Street and Park Avenue, New York. The Seventh is in the throes of indoor baseball madness. Lieut. (M. A. R.) Max Nachbar, manager of the Regimental Medical Department team, modestly claims to have the fastest, most skillful, and most sensational indoor baseball nine that ever graced an armory.

The 107th team, which has been trailing the 93rd Brigade Headquarters team, recently licked the latter by a score of 17 to 11. Lieut. Max has had to fill his fountain pen numerous times, as he has been challenging everything and everybody in the military line to a combat. He includes in his defy not only the soldiers of the Metropolitan area, Westchester, up-State and North and South America generally, but has also radioed a challenge to every regiment in Commander Byrd's newly traveled Little America. Some of the boys in the 107th state that he has even issued a challenge to the man in the moon for a game with the moonfolk.

"It was one of the most exciting indoor baseball games ever played," says Lieutenant Nachbar in describing the victorious game with the 93rd B. Hq. "Trailing 8 to 1, the 7th closed in, 10 to 6, and then, late in the game, blasted out 11 runs in two innings to win the game. We then adjourned to the round table" (more of those nights of the round table), Lieutenant Nachbar continues, "where refreshments were served." (He does not describe the refreshments in detail.) "Such affairs as this," he observes, "help to bring the members of the Guard together and thereby cement a bond of good fellowship."

In conclusion, Lieutenant Nachbar hurls this challenge: "Now I claim to have the best team in the state of New York and am willing to play any team in the Guard."

Any indoor baseball teams which think they have a chance to disprove the claims of the 107th will have an opportunity to do so by addressing a challenge to Lieutenant Max Nachbar, 643 Park Avenue, New York City. Go to it, you drill floor ball fiends; get out your balloons and toothpicks and show these 107th fellows that there are others in Class AA company in the national game as played in the armories.

**14TH INFANTRY
Company "L"**

Whoa! Hold the line a minute please as Company "L" of Hempstead, L. I., will now broadcast to its National Guard fellows and friends. It's ages since our last appearance in these columns and we thought it was about time for tuning in again.

Company "L" surprised everybody when the winners of the two competitive drills held at the formal opening of our new armory, between Company "K" and "L," both of Hempstead, were from "L". Sergt. James T. Deasy was the winner of the first drill, the school of the soldier (without arms). Col. Baldwin presented the sergeant with a beautiful wrist watch. Quite a surprise for the sergeant as "the gang" knew he had not planned on entering until the last second. Sergt. Edmund Turney, "the boy wonder of Lake Oscawana", and how, won the next elimination drill and Col. Taylor of the 369th, praised our sergeant up to the sky. Both men hail from the First Platoon, and the honors go to Company "L". Three haughty cheers!

Thursday, December 5th, the company held its annual company dinner at the Hempstead Gardens where good eats and a good time was had by all. Our guests were Maj. R. Vandewater, Capt. R. Mulliner and Lieut. Van Dolen. "Our Skipper" proved quite a toastmaster, especially when he told that one about ———. In behalf of the company Capt. Crocker presented the Major with a beautiful brief case.

Owing to a limited amount of space for these notes it looks as though we shall have to put the cork in the ink bottle and blot the news until we meet again.

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Out of 10 appointments made by the New York National Guard as a result of the State preliminary examination in November, 1928, five were won by students attending this school.

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BY LT. COL. JOSEPH A. S. MUNDY, DIVISION ATHLETIC OFFICER

THE fifth Annual Novice Indoor Track and Field Meet held in the Armory of the 245th Coast Artillery (Harbor Defense), Putnam and Sumner Avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y., was without question the most successful track meet held under Military Athletic League auspices since the World War. Twenty organizations, eight of which were from the New York Naval Militia, were represented by 428 individuals, for a total of 726 entries. As an added attraction, the two mile squad relay for the Rear Admiral Louis M. Josephthal trophy was competed for and this event brought forth the best Guard and Naval Militia quarter milers seen on our armory tracks for quite some time. Thirteen teams faced the starter's gun and after a thrilling race the 106th Infantry team flashed over the finish line the winner. This win gives the Bedford Avenue team two legs on this handsome trophy, which to become the permanent property of an organization must be won three times, not necessarily in succession. The struggle for point honors in the novice events was a keen one. Going into the last event, the one mile relay, the 245th Coast Artillery were leading the 102nd Combat Engineers, the present holders of the Col. Frank H. Norton Memorial trophy, emblematic of the novice championship, by two points. However in the relay the Coast Artillery men scored three points by virtue of their team finishing in second place in the relay whereas the Engineers failed to score. The trophy therefore goes to the Sumner Avenue Armory for one year. This trophy also becomes the permanent property of the organization winning it three times, not necessarily in succession. The 102nd Combat Engineers and the 245th Coast Artillery each have one leg on this handsome prize. An enthusiastic audience of more than 4,000 witnessed the various events. The summaries: 100 yard dash—First time heat won by L. Wainwright, 369th Infantry, with L. E. Mahoney, 212th Coast Artillery, second; time, 11 2-5 seconds. Second heat won by E. Sylvander, 106th Infantry, J. Fredericks, VN—4 RD—3 Sq., second; time, 11 3-5 seconds. Third heat won by W. Poppelin, 71st Infantry, A. Callandra, 102nd Engineers, second; time, 11 2-5 seconds. Fourth heat won by V. Campioni, 165th Infantry; J. McGowan, 107th Infantry, second; time, 11 2-5 seconds. Fifth heat won by E. J. Bannon, VN—4—RD—3 Sq.; A. Gribben, 245th Coast Artillery, second; time, 11 3-5 seconds. Sixth heat won by I. Rosenberg, 165th Infantry; L. G. Gorman, 14th Infantry, second; time, 11 1-5 seconds. Seventh heat won by

S. Black, 165th Infantry; T. Henderson, 369th Infantry, second; time, 11 3-5 seconds. Eighth heat won by E. Schlangies, 71st Infantry; Martin Foley, 165th Infantry, second; time, 11 1-5 seconds. 100 yard dash—Final heat: Won by I. Rosenberg, 165th Infantry; S. Black, 165th Infantry, second; E. Schlangies, 71st Infantry, third; V. Campioni, 165th Infantry, fourth. Time, 11 seconds.

1,000 yards run. Won by A. De Seven, 156th Field Artillery; James Hyde, 107th Infantry, second; Thomas Casey, 107th Infantry, third; J. Nolte, 212th Coast Artillery, fourth; time, 2 minutes 31 2-5 seconds.

220 yards hurdle—Won by E. Foster, 102nd Engineers, J. Reid, 93rd Brigade Headquarters Company, second; J. Schulz, 245th Coast Artillery, third; A. M. Saralainen, 71st Infantry, fourth; time, 28 3-5 seconds.

300 yards run—Won by D. Fineman, 165th Infantry; C. Corcoran, 258th Field Artillery, second; Adam Alheidt, 165th Infantry, third; O. Battery, 106th Infantry, fourth. Time, 35 3-5 seconds.

One mile run—Won by J. Loughlin, 106th Infantry; Peter Fay, 165th Infantry, second; B. F. Byrne, 245th Coast Artillery, third; G. Zabernick, 212th Coast Artillery, fourth. Time, 4 minutes 42 2-5 seconds.

100 yard sack race—Won by T. Healy, 245th Coast Artillery; J. Boling, 245th Coast Artillery, second; M. Katz, 71st Infantry, third; A. Callandra, 102nd Engineers, fourth. Time, 17 2-5 seconds.

220 yard obstacle race—Won by L. Levy, 245th Coast Artillery; J. Cohen, 106th Infantry, second; S. Longhane, 102nd Engineers, third; A. Gannon, 245th Coast Artillery fourth. Time, 1 minute 8 seconds.

600 yard run—Won by C. Sherman, 102nd Engineers; G. Lyons, 245th Coast Artillery, second; A. Carr, 107th Infantry, third; R. Cohn, 102nd Engineers, fourth. Time, 1 minute 24 3-5 seconds.

Embarrassing Question

The curate was trying to teach the significance of white to a Sunday school class.

"Why," he asked, "does the bride desire to be clothed in white at her marriage?"

When no one answered, he explained: "White stands for joy, and the wedding day is the most joyous occasion of a woman's life."

Then a small boy asked: "Well, why do all the men wear black?"

174TH INFANTRY

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Former officers and men of Company G, 174th Infantry, at Buffalo, hob-nobbed with the present personnel at a reunion dinner held in the theatre of the regimental armory on December 12. The principal speaker at the affair was Capt. Godfrey L. Carden, U. S. N., retired, father of Capt. Blythe P. L. Carden, present company commander.

Other speakers at the dinner were Lieut. Col. Ralph K. Robertson, who represented Col. William R. Pooley; Maj. Alexander L. Gillig of the Second Battalion, Maj. Clifford J. Matthews and Capt. Herbert W. Garrison, regular army instructors assigned to the regiment; Capt. Calvert K. Mellen, principal of Lafayette high school in Buffalo; County Supervisor Thomas V. Kean; Herbert I. Sackett and Warren C. Wilkes. Following the dinner, the company passed in review before the former officers. The company also presented a saber to Lieut. Arthur D. Van Valkenberg, who recently received his second lieutenant's commission.

Company G is now entering on its 70th year of existence as an organized unit of the regiment. It was organized in 1860 as the Eagle Zouaves. It has never been disbanded or reorganized since its formation.

That picturesque ceremony, the blessing and escort of the colors, marked the 75th anniversary review and parade of the 174th Infantry December 13, in its Buffalo Armory. A huge audience braved a nasty spell of weather to witness the first regimental formation of the winter season.

With simple, yet imposing ceremonies, the new national and regimental colors were received by the regiment. The escort and presentation of the colors were performed by Company G, commanded by Capt. Blythe P. L. Carden. Following their reception, they received the official benediction of the church at the hands of Capt. James Cope Crosson, regimental chaplain and rector of St. Mary's-on-the-Hill Episcopal Church.

Guard mount was performed by Company B, commanded by Capt. Al-

lan R. Reif, and a machine gun demonstration was given by picked squads from D, H and M companies. The entire Buffalo component of the regiment passed in review before Col. William R. Pooley as the final event in the program. A band concert opened the festivities. It was given by the 174th band, directed by John W. Bolton.

The new regimental colors show in symbolical form on a design recently approved by the War Department, the regiment's service in the Civil War, Spanish-American War, on the Mexican border and in the World War.

While the old 74th, as the regiment was designated before the World War, was officially born in 1854, it actually traces its origin back to the year 1837, the year of the Canadian rebellion. At that time frontier defense measures prompted the formation of the Buffalo City guard. It experienced several changes and partial disbanding, but Company D of that unit persisted, and formed the nucleus of the 74th when it was created in 1854.

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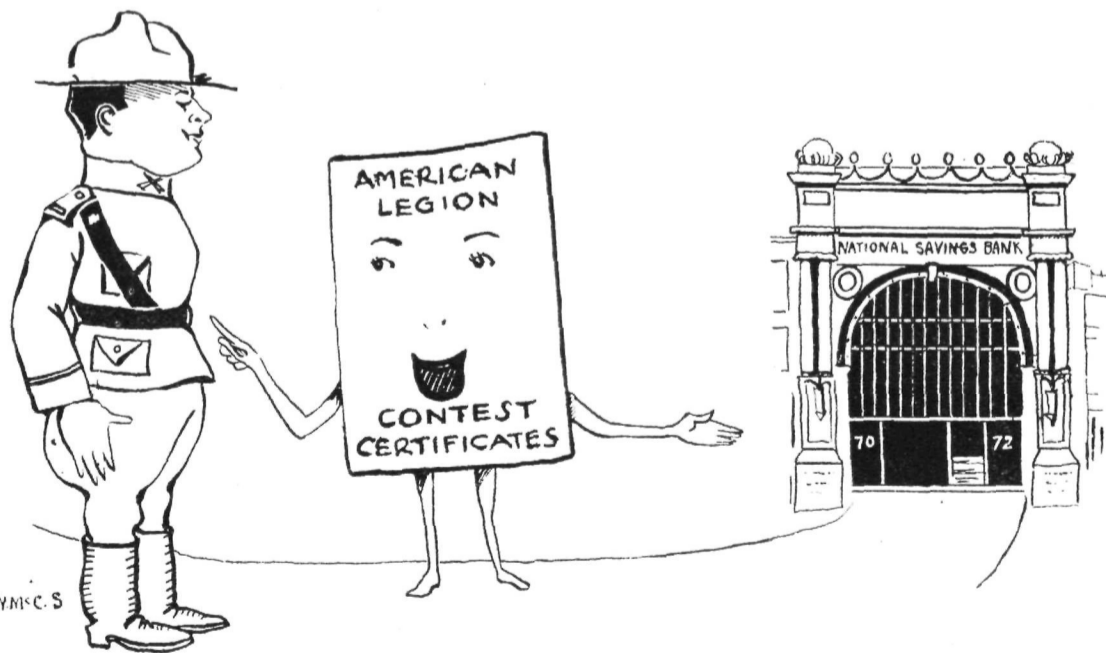
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<i>Major</i>	<i>Date of Rank</i>	<i>Branch and Organization</i>			
Linn, Arthur C.....	Nov. 4, '29	212th C. A. (A.A.)	Rudolph, Elmer M.....	Oct. 1, '29	54th Brig.
<i>Captains</i>			Mayo, John G.....	Nov. 7, '29	106th Inf.
Ries, George D.....	Oct. 14, '29	M.A.C. 102nd M. R.	Gormsen, Alfred N.....	Nov. 9, '29	102nd Engrs.
Carden, Blythe P. L.....	Oct. 16, '29	174th Inf.	Mills, Van Strycker.....	Nov. 21, '29	107th Inf.
Krooks, Jacob L.....	Oct. 17, '29	D. C., 102nd M. R.	Priore, John G.....	Nov. 21, '29	Inf., 27th Spl. Tr.
Roberts, Littleton A.....	Oct. 24, '29	Inf., 27th Spl. Tr.	Axelson, Oscar A.....	Nov. 25, '29	104th F. A.
Erichs, Louis H., Jr.....	Nov. 7, '29	106th Inf.	Connolly, Redmond J.....	Nov. 27, '29	106th Inf.
Outwater, John N., Jr.....	Nov. 14, '29	258th F. A.	<i>Second Lieutenants</i>		
Handler, Daniel.....	Nov. 26, '29	258th F. A.	Jordan, William H.....	Oct. 1, '29	156th F. A.
Byrne, Stephen A.....	Nov. 27, '29	106th Inf.	Brown, William R.....	Nov. 18, '29	106th Inf.
Lowery, James J.....	Nov. 27, '29	106th Inf.	Bowen, William J.....	Nov. 18, '29	106th Inf.
<i>First Lieutenants</i>			Adams, Demarest.....	Nov. 21, '29	107th Inf.
Stevens, Carl W.....	Oct. 1, '29	105th Inf.	<i>Warrant Officer</i>		
			Littlewood, Egbert B.....	Oct. 1, '29	101st Cav. (B. L.)

Separations from Active Service, October and November, 1929, Resigned, Honorably Discharged

<i>Major</i>			<i>First Lieutenants</i>		
Bryde, Wesley L.....	Nov. 8, '29	105th F. A.	Burkhart, James M.....	Nov. 19, '29	108th Inf.
<i>Captains</i>			Hartmann, Winfield S. S.....	Oct. 4, '29	Inf., 27th Spl. Tr.
Butt, Clifford W.....	Oct. 22, '29	106th Inf.	Thurber, Laurence W.....	Nov. 14, '29	245th C. A.
Dunne, Edward F.....	Oct. 2, '29	106th Inf.	<i>Second Lieutenants</i>		
Elwin, Lionel E.....	Nov. 8, '29	105th F. A.	Ames, Allen.....	Nov. 25, '29	174th Inf.
Gunther, Casper V.....	Nov. 19, '29	106th Inf.	Goodspeed, Franklin S.....	Nov. 13, '29	101st Cav.
Halligan, James J. (Chap.)..	Nov. 8, '29	244th C. A.	Jones, Hugh R.....	Nov. 6, '29	10th Inf.
Hamilton, Franklyn B.....	Nov. 18, '29	D. C., 101st Cav.	Lee, Burr E.....	Oct. 1, '29	106th F. A.
McMullen, James L.....	Nov. 19, '29	258th F. A.	Sturcy, William.....	Nov. 13, '29	71st Inf.
			Temple, Earle S.....	Nov. 6, '29	104th F. A.

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<i>Major</i>			McNeill, Richard.....			Nov. 13, '29	71st Inf.
Campion, James G.....	Oct. 8, '29	212th C. A. (A.A.)	Smith, Alexander L.....	Nov. 13, '29	107th Inf.		
<i>Captains</i>			Trask, Roger C.....	Nov. 25, '29	10th Inf.		
Denham, Thomas A.....	Oct. 4, '29	106th Inf.	Williams, Carlyle H.....	Nov. 25, '29	107th Inf.		
Johnston, Lloyd B.....	Oct. 4, '29	174th Inf.	<i>Second Lieutenants</i>				
McCue, Raymond P.....	Nov. 6, '29	244th C. A.	Anderson, Leif.....	Oct. 17, '29	71st Inf.		
Preston, Carlton S.....	Oct. 1, '29	156th F. A.	Comans, Emmet A.....	Nov. 19, '29	52nd F. A. Brig.		
<i>First Lieutenants</i>			Farris, Emil M.....	Oct. 1, '29	174th Inf.		
Davidson, Hebert.....	Nov. 6, '29	104th F. A.	Ferber, Victor.....	Nov. 6, '29	104th F. A.		
Ellis, Floyd C.....	Nov. 6, '29	108th Inf.	Flapan, Maxwell.....	Nov. 19, '29	71st Inf.		
Keill, Kenneth.....	Nov. 6, '29	M. C., 10th Inf.	McAvoy, James A.....	Nov. 19, '29	52nd F. A. Brig.		
Martin, Kenneth M.....	Oct. 22, '29	108th Inf.	Vize, James T.....	Nov. 6, '29	71st Inf.		

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Interesting Historical Record

Some weeks ago Colonel De Lamer of the 71st Infantry received a tracing of a fly-leaf of a book containing historical data of his regiment from May 22nd to July 1st, 1861, sent by one Master Sobelson of Irvington, N. J. Master Sobelson received an expression of appreciation and an invitation to present the book to the regimental library.

Hardly expecting that the owner would part with such a valuable book, the Colonel was much pleased shortly thereafter to receive it accompanied by a letter saying that the owner was glad to do such a small thing for the "Fine, fighting 71st Regiment." The letter was signed by Master Sobelson, and following his signature were the words "Fifteen and a half years old."

The book is a splendid specimen of the fine handwriting of the late General A. T. Francis, a member of the Regiment in the Civil War, and its commanding officer late in the '90s. Many pages of beautiful script tell of the Regiment's work in the Civil War in the early '60s.

Master Sobelson, who is a worthy member of the Irvington Boy Scouts, was invited to come over to the review on November 30th, which he did with his chum in the Scouts, and they were given front box seats, entertained at supper at the officers' mess and made to feel generally they are the material from which future good soldiers are made.

47th Regiment Veterans

The Veteran Association, 47th Regiment, has chosen the following officers for 1930: Edward Schwalbach, president; W. E. Corwin, W. E. White, C. T. Graham-Rogers and H. G. Murphy, vice-presidents; C. V. Zier, treasurer; A. C. Hall, J. J. Curtin and J. B. Christoffel, secretaries; J. C. Stein, historian, and Rev. R. A. Brown, chaplain.

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Rural Magistrate: "Great snakes, man! It was only to get a dollar I was finin' ye. Get out; Ye ain't guilty, anyway."

—California Guardsman.

THAT ARMY-NAVY FOOTBALL CONTROVERSY

A suggestion that the army and navy football controversy be settled by a commission comprising five former captains drawn from Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Georgetown was made to President Hoover last month by Representative Fish, Republican, New York, who called at the White House.

Congressman Fish said the commission of football captains should be appointed either by the President or by the Secretaries of War and the Navy. He added he had discussed his proposal with Senators Copeland and Wagner of New York and Senators Tydings and Goldsborough of Maryland and said they approved. Fish represents the West Point district in Congress.

RENAMING WYOMING FORT FOR SENATOR WARREN

Upon the suggestion of President Hoover, Secretary of War Hurley has directed that the name of Fort D. A. Russel at Cheyenne, Wyo., be changed to Fort Francis E. Warren, in honor of the late Senator Warren of Wyoming. Mr. Hurley also directed that the name Fort D. A. Russel be given to Camp Marfa, at Marfa, Texas.

The President's desire was communicated to the Secretary of War in the following:

"Dear Mr. Secretary:

"I have a feeling that it would be a fine tribute to the late Senator Francis E. Warren if the military post at Cheyenne in which he was so long interested could be renamed for him.

"In doing so it would be desirable to select some post that would properly commemorate the name of General D. A. Russel, whose distinguished service should ever be before our people.

"I would be glad if you could make arrangements that would meet with this suggestion.

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By JOHN L. GARTLAND, Bandmaster 102nd Medical Regiment, N.Y.N.G.

I DO not think there are many band leaders around that have given more thought to the above question than the writer, who has been associated with the New York National Guard for over forty years as a bandmaster. Previous to the Spanish-American War, there were very few bands enlisted in the guard.

At the annual encampment of the New York National Guard at Peekskill, a Post Band was employed, but the men were not enlisted. The 7th, 22nd and 23rd regiments took their own bands, not enlisted.

I believe the first National Guard Band in the State of New York was the Band of the 13th, under Mygrants, but I am not going into any more detail about the guard. My purpose in writing this is to try to impress on the young musicians of America their duty as citizens, in recruiting men for the guard. About the first question that is asked is, "Am I to enlist?" Of course, it is not to be expected that musicians will enlist as readily as the other men in the guard, but if you will ask any officer of the guard whether this question is ever put up to him, he would answer no, because they go to the armory to enlist.

What I cannot understand is why musicians are so afraid of being enlisted. Are they not citizens of the United States, as well as these other men, and are they not receiving the same benefits? I would advise every young musician to give this matter very careful thought, and join the guard if he is in a position to do so, and to look the bands over and select the one that will do him the most good in a musical way, as a soldier, and a citizen.

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