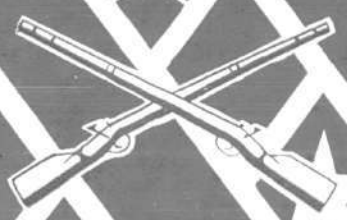
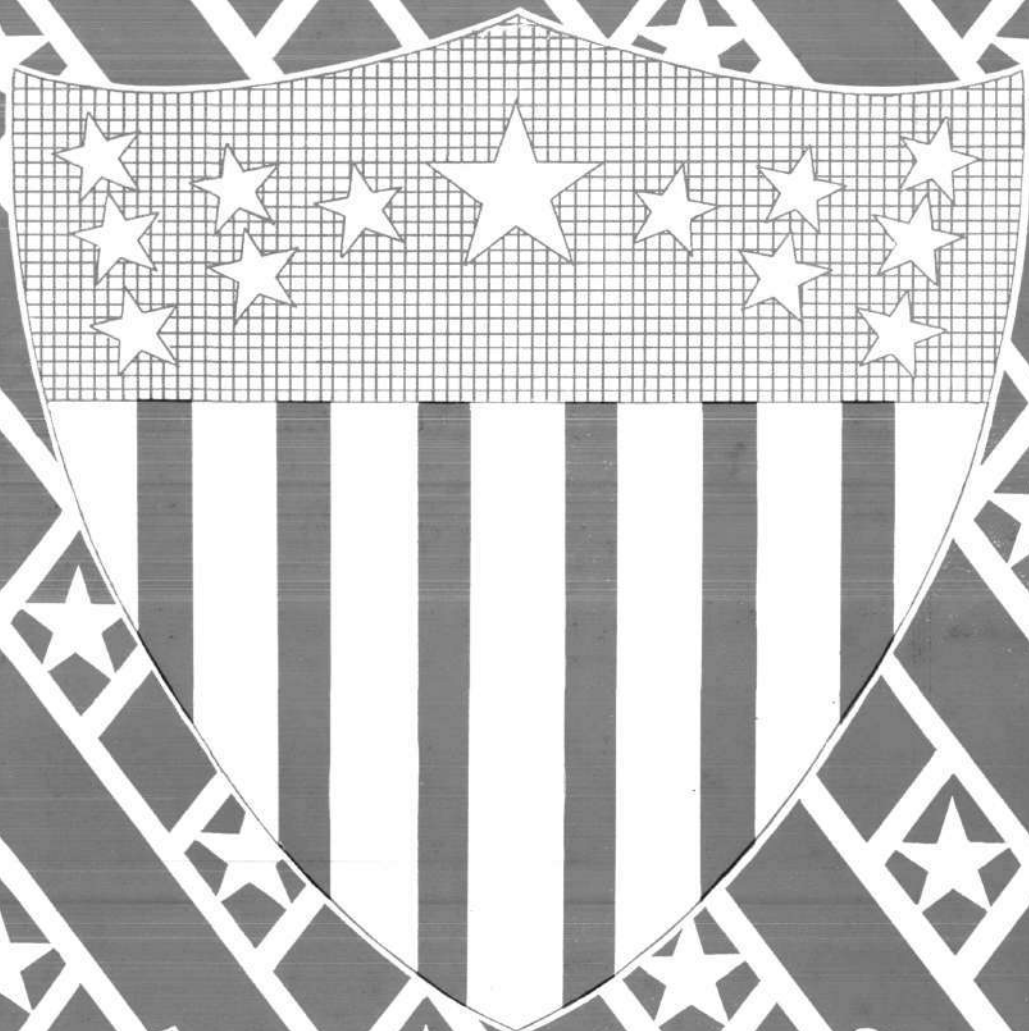
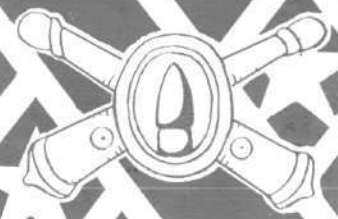


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MAJOR GENERAL FRANKLIN WILMER WARD
Adjutant General of the State of New York

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 15, 1934.

My dear Colonel:

It is with regret that I learn of the approaching retirement on December 4, 1934, of my friend, Major General Franklin W. Ward.

General Ward's service to his country extends over a period of more than forty-six years and includes all grades from private to major general. He served as an officer in the Spanish American War, Mexican Border Service, and the World War.

He has given unselfishly of his time and labor for the up-building of the Army of the United States, especially the National Guard.

General Ward has, since the World War, served twice on the War Department General Staff and was placed on the Initial General Staff Eligible List in 1922 as a result of his outstanding service during the World War.

He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for having distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the Government in a position of great responsibility.

General Ward may look back on his long and distinguished career with a satisfaction given to one who has served his country well and he may retire with the satisfaction of the knowledge that he has the thanks of a grateful country.

Very sincerely yours,

Colonel William J. Mangine,
New York National Guardsman,
Albany, New York.

Adjutant General Ward Retires From the National Guard After a Service of 46 Years

His Long and Distinguished Record Included Service in Every Rank from Private to Major General and Brought Him Many Honors in Recognition of His Outstanding Ability

MAJOR GENERAL FRANKLIN W. WARD, The Adjutant General of the State of New York, will retire from the military service on December 4th, by the operation of law, after 46 years of active duty, during which he has been a forceful and constructive figure in military activities and has risen solely through his own efforts from private to major general.

General Ward was born in Philadelphia, Penn., December 4, 1870. He is the scion of an old American family



The Beginning of His Career

At the age of 19, General Ward was a corporal in Co. I of the 1st Infantry, Pennsylvania National Guard. He carried a Major General's two stars in his knapsack.

which is identified with the military history of the early days of the Colonies. His great-great-grandfather, John Reeves, served in the New Jersey Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War. His father, Thomas Patrick Ward, was an officer in the Confederate cavalry during the Civil War, and was wounded in action.

Ward graduated from the Horace Binney school in Philadelphia. Apparently the urge of his forbears for the soldier's trade ran strong in the youngster's blood, for at 17 he enlisted in the Pennsylvania National Guard and for the following nine years served through every grade

from private to first sergeant. As a non-commissioned officer he saw service with his regiment at the Homestead Strike, at Homestead, Penn. He has explained this long service in the ranks by saying that in those days the holding of an officer's commission was a very expensive honor, and he simply could not afford it.

General Ward removed to New York City in 1897, and in August of 1898, during the Spanish-American War, applied for and received a commission as second lieutenant in the 109th N. Y. Infantry, which was preparing for Federal duty. In January of the following year he was assigned to the old 9th Infantry, N. Y. N. G., and in the same year was promoted first lieutenant. In 1901 he commanded a company during the Albany Street Car Strike, at Albany, N. Y., which was attended with bloodshed and the loss of one life. In 1902 he was made a captain and in 1907 was promoted major. In 1908 the regiment was transferred to the coast artillery arm, which service made a strong appeal to the young officer and in due time he became an authority on the technique and handling of heavy sea-coast guns; and as a result he was detailed as a member of the State Examining Board for Artillery Officers.

When Major General John F. O'Ryan, himself an artilleryman, was appointed to command the National Guard, Ward was among the first to receive a promotion to the Division staff, with the rank of lieutenant colonel, and was assigned to the Albany headquarters of the Division. In 1916, when New York troops were ordered to the Mexican border, Ward was sent ahead to represent his chief in the various field details connected with camping sites, rations, water, etc., for arriving troops. The New York commands were later organized as the 6th Division and he was assigned as assistant chief of staff, the highest staff position that could be held by a guardsman at that time.

During this service he organized, as a side line, a weekly newspaper which was called *The Rio Grande Rattler*, and became its managing editor. Its first edition indicated that its principal object was to print all the news about conditions on the Border, so that "lazy" soldiers could send a copy home each week in lieu of a letter and thus permit mothers, wives and sweethearts to know just how things were going in far away Texas.

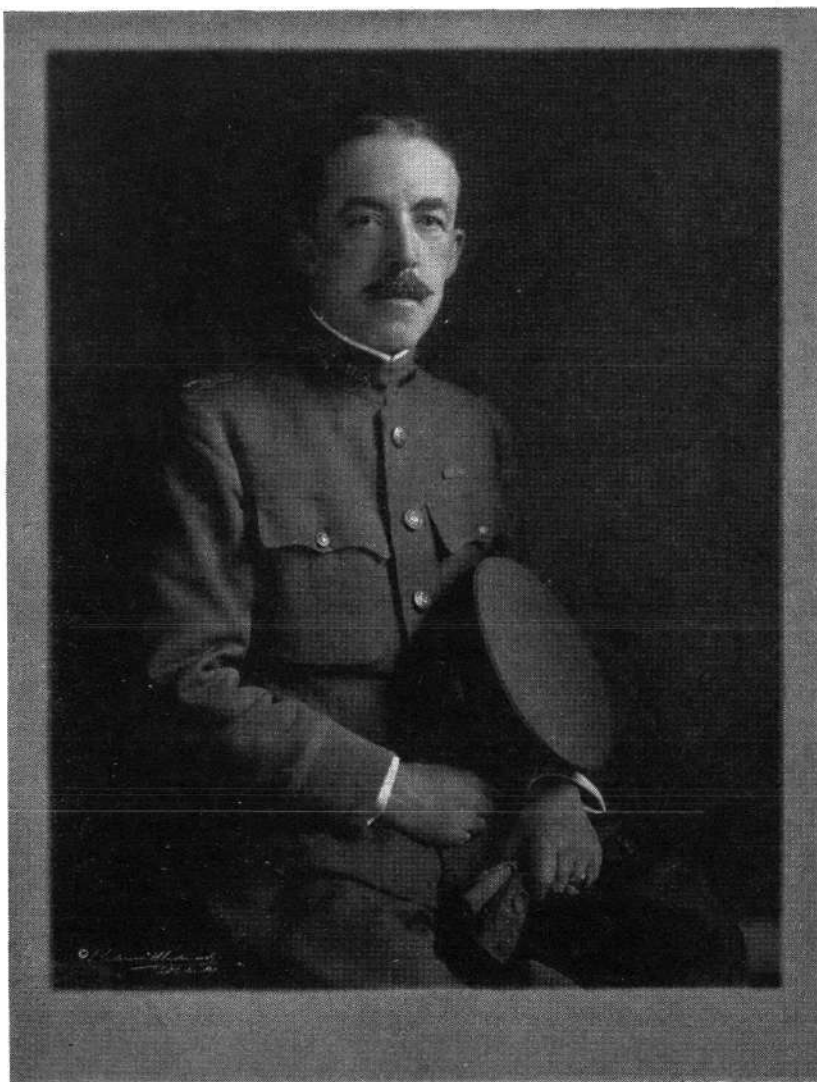
The paper was printed in a small printing office at Mission, Texas, and soon enjoyed an extraordinary circulation along the Rio Grande, as well as a large number of subscriptions from all sections of New York state. Thanks to professional journalists serving in the Division, together with assistance volunteered by nine "war" correspondents from the big metropolitan and up-state dailies, the old *New York World*, in accepting the *Rattler* as an exchange, welcomed it editorially as a newsier newspaper than many published within twenty miles of New York City.

In the World War period he served as division adjutant and acting chief of staff of the 27th Division during its six months' training near Spartanburg, South Carolina, and later for a time abroad. In July of 1918, he was sent to the Army School of the Line, at Langres, France, from which he graduated with honors in September and was among those designated to take the General Staff College course in the same city. At his own personal request, however, the assignment was revoked, and in the same month he was promoted a colonel of infantry and detailed in charge of the 27th Division Trains and Military Police during the Somme Offensive. A few weeks later he was placed in command of the 106th United States Infantry, and led his regiment successfully in the battles of St. Souplet and Arbre Guernon, which culminated at the St. Maurice river on October 20th, 1918. This was the last battle action of the famous American division, which was withdrawn from the front line and sent to a rest area for recruitment and rehabilitation. On the closing day of the fighting east of Arbre Guernon, Ward's regiment had less than 400 effectives out of its original strength of 3,600 officers and men.

Later, Colonel Ward was recommended for promotion as brigadier general of the line, which advancement he would undoubtedly have received had it not been that the War Department in Washington discontinued further promotions shortly after the nomination was forwarded to General Pershing's headquarters at Chaumont.

Upon the return of the division to the United States in April of 1919, Colonel Ward was mustered out with his regiment at Camp Upton, Long Island, and immediately appointed Chief of Staff of the New York Guard. Early in 1920 he was designated by Governor Smith as one of the first National Guard officers for appointment by the Secretary of War to serve on the War Department General Staff at Washington, during the important work of reorganizing the Army of the United States under the National Defense Act, as amended by Congress in that year. Two years later the Governor requested his return to Albany and commissioned him brigadier general of the line, commanding the 53rd Infantry Brigade, N. Y. N. G.

For his work while on duty with the General Staff, he received letters of high commendation from General Pershing, then functioning as General of the Armies, and was placed upon the General Staff Eligible List. General John McA. Palmer, U.S.A., who had acted as technical advisor to the U. S. Senate Committee of Military Affairs during the revamping of the National Defense Act, and is the author of many well known military works, in an address on the reconstruction work of the General Staff, delivered before a convention of the National Guard Association of the United States, at Boston, Mass., placed General Ward's name at the head of a list of a number of guards-



After General Ward's Return From France

This photograph was taken on April 3, 1919, two days after General (then Colonel) Ward landed in New York City upon his return from France.

men whom he characterized as "the master-builders of the modern National Guard."

In 1926, Governor Smith approved an amendment to the military law of the state, making the position of adjutant general permanent, and appointed General Ward to that office. In 1930, President Roosevelt, then Governor of New York, promoted him, with the consent of the Senate, to the grade of Major General, "In recognition of marked ability as a commander of military forces."

General Ward has perhaps been the ablest adjutant general the State has ever had, and certainly no other officer holding that high position has had the broad and deep experience in all the various branches of both line and staff work that he has passed through.

For gallantry and efficiency in action he won both the United States Distinguished Service Medal, and the Silver Star Citation Medal, with the following citations:

"For exceptional meritorious and distinguished service, in a position of great responsibility, as division adjutant and acting Chief of Staff of the 27th Division and as commanding officer of the 106th Infantry. As commanding officer, 106th Infantry, his personal courage, determina-



STATE OF NEW YORK
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HERBERT H. LEHMAN
GOVERNOR

November 21, 1934

Lieutenant Colonel Henry E. Suavet,
Editor, The New York National Guardsman,
80 Centre Street,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Colonel Suavet:

It is a real pleasure for me to send you a few words of commendation of the splendid services rendered to the Nation and the State by Major General Franklin W. Ward, Adjutant General of the State of New York.

During my public service, first as Lieutenant Governor and later as Governor of the State of New York, I have formed a very high regard for General Ward, both in his official and in his personal capacity. He has had just one thought in mind --- to serve the people of his State and of his country as efficiently, as loyally and as devotedly as possible. To me personally he has given his fullest cooperation, and at all times has been most helpful.

I sincerely wish that he could have continued his present work, but unfortunately, as you know, because of the provisions of law it becomes necessary for him to retire.

I take great pleasure in giving public expression of my appreciation of his services to State and Nation.

Very sincerely yours,


Governor

GEN'L WARD RETIRES AFTER 46 YEARS

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tion, and thoroughness in the handling of his regiment under heavy fire during the battle of the Le Selle River in the Somme offensive of October 1918, were conspicuous." And, "For fearlessness in personally supervising the ordered dispositions of his regiment under heavy fire and in thick fog, in the early morning of October 17, 1918, in the battle of Arbre Guernon-Jonc de Mur Ridge, France."

In addition to these American decorations, he received the following: Officer of the Legion of Honor, conferred by the Republic of France; Croix de Guerre, with Palm, conferred by the Kingdom of Belgium; Commander of the Order of the Restitution of Poland, conferred by the Republic of Poland; Grand Commander of the Order of the Crown, conferred by the Kingdom of Roumania; and also the Conspicuous Service Cross, awarded by the State of New York.

General Ward is widely known as a National Guardsman throughout the country. His devotion to the Guard service received national recognition at Denver, Colorado, in 1923, when he was elected at a convention of the National Guard Association of the United States, to be first vice-president for the ensuing year. He is also well known as an author, being co-writer of *The Service of Coast Artillery*, a nationally known text book which was officially adopted by the War Department for use in the regular army and the National Guard. In 1933, his book *Between the Big Parades*, a stirring narrative of American soldiers in France and Belgium during the World War, met with instant success and has run into four editions. He is a member of the Sons of the Revolution, Society of the War of 1812, Sons of Confederate Veterans, United Spanish-American War Veterans, American Legion, Military Order of the World War, 27th Division Association, and many other clubs and societies.



Major General Franklin W. Ward

Reproduced from a portrait in oils made while General Ward was commanding the 106th Infantry in France.

The Adjutants General Association Will Miss General Ward's Sound Judgment and Friendly Smile

1 December 1934

Major General Franklin W. Ward,
The Adjutant General, New York,
Albany, New York.

Dear Frank:

I regret that I am unable to join in the ceremonies that will commemorate your retirement from active service with the National Guard of the United States, for it is an occasion of more than personal significance, since your career is indelibly interwoven with the forty years of rugged progress of the National Guard towards military dependability.

You became a part of the National Guard of the State of New York in those early days when there was some truth in the line that Dryden wrote—"And raw in fields the rude militia swarm." You are retiring with the keen satisfaction of having been commander when less than a score of years ago it rolled back in defeat the seasoned veterans of the Central Powers then unable to withstand the relentless thrust of your own National Guard Division.

It is a far cry from the undisciplined, untrained, and poorly-equipped militia men of forty years ago to the steel-helmeted Guardsmen who wrote history with their Springfields from Lunenburg to the English Channel. The part you played with

your troops on the field of battle is no more significant than the rôle you assumed at the conference table in the meetings of our Association in your patient efforts to make the National Guard of the United States an instrument that would not "turn in the hand" of its commander.

I cannot convey to you the deep and sincere feeling of loss among your colleagues in the Adjutants General Association which your retirement has brought. We will miss your sound judgment, your high sense of professional duty, and your friendly smile and handclasp.

For The Adjutants General Association, and as one who has valued your friendship and the inspiration that has always come from your fine mind, I hope that a kind Providence will give to you the joy, the friendships and the service of the years to come that you have known in the chapter of your life that is now concluded.

With kindest personal regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

RALPH M. IMMELL,

Brigadier General, Wis.N.G.,

The Adjutant General,

President, Adjutants General Assn., U. S.

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A Soldier and a Gentleman

Major General MILTON ATCHISON RECKORD, Maryland National Guard, here describes General Ward's masterly assistance while serving on the General Staff Committee on the reorganization of the U. S. Army.

It was July 25, 1920, when I was seated at the desk which had been assigned me the previous day. About ten A. M. the door to room 307, State, War and Navy Building, swung open and General Franklin D. Ward of New York, then a Colonel of Infantry, entered. He had been called to duty on the War Department General Staff by the Secretary of War to serve on the original General Staff Committee on the reorganization of the Army of the United States.

There is no pleasure like meeting old friends, except,

perhaps, making new ones. So, when the door closed behind General Ward on that summer morning, I experienced the pleasure of meeting the man who was shortly to become one of my new friends. From that morning until this moment there has existed a friendship between General Ward and the writer which in this life will never be lessened.

It took only a few days for our Committee to be shaken down. Almost before we were well and comfortably seated in our chairs, we were loaded with War Department studies, charts, graphs, etc.

From the very first conference until the end of his term of duty, it was quite evident the representative of the State of New York on the Committee was a soldier of long experience, of splendid accomplishments and of intelligent discernment. In addition, he quickly demonstrated his ability as a writer, and to him was sent practically every study from the hands of other Committee members, that he might place thereon the final touch as Editor-in-Chief.

For nine months General Ward and I sat side by side in that War Department Committee, laboring not only for the National Guard in which we had served, but for the entire Army, and if I could pay him but a single compliment I would say that for sincerity and straightforwardness in his labor for the Army as a whole, there was not a man on that Committee whom I considered his equal. Others may have had their pet schemes—may have desired special privilege for one state or another, or for one branch or another. Not so with General Ward; his vision of the large problem was never obscured—he adhered strictly to the principle of the one Army with its three components.

To General Ward must go a large share of the credit for the excellent achievement of that original General Staff Committee.

And, as for the man himself as distinct from the officer and soldier, I am happy to attest he was always human—always courteous—always considerate of the thought and feeling of others. To know General Ward as I have known him is to love him.

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Major General MILTON ATCHISON RECKORD, Maryland National Guard

Major General John F. O'Ryan

(Overseas Commander of the 27th Division)

Bestows Praise Upon Retiring Adjutant General

MAJOR GENERAL FRANKLIN W. WARD, I am informed, is about to retire as Adjutant General of the State of New York on December 4th, on which date he will attain the age of sixty-four. This circumstance makes it appropriate for me to make some comments in regard to the character and value of the public service rendered by this distinguished soldier. I say this because I believe that no other person has had the opportunities I have had to be intimately familiar with his character, his ability, modesty and personal courage.

I first met General Ward when he was a Major in the 9th Coast Defense Command, shortly before I assumed command, as a very young man, of the National Guard Division of New York. At that time the then Major Ward was the co-author with Major General Frank T. Hines, the present head of the Veterans Administration, of "The Service of Coast Defense." He also wrote a paper of outstanding merit on the subject of "Advance Guards." These works of his attracted attention because of the clarity of his presentation of the subjects. We became acquainted, and shortly thereafter I invited him to become a member of my staff, which invitation he accepted. About that time the office of Secretary of the State Armory Commission became vacant and on my recommendation Major Ward was appointed to fill the vacancy. How men succeed may well be illustrated by the way Major Ward carried out his duties. In the first place, he was the personification of frankness and loyalty to his superiors who constituted the membership of the State Armory Commission; secondly, he was, by established habit of action, always courteous and considerate of the feelings of others, and this with special reference to all those with whom he dealt. He seldom, if ever, made promises; he dealt with facts. In a quiet way he prepared on his own a complete survey of costs and facts affecting all the armories in the State, with a proposed program for economies, betterments and maintenance which was commended and adopted by the Commission.

On the Mexican Border service Major Ward held the confidence of all the regimental commanders of the Division. I selected him for detail to take the course at the Staff School of the A.E.F. in France. A side light on General Ward's modesty is the circumstance that this detail was regarded by him at the time as a severe blow. His ambition was to remain a major on the Division Staff. But General Ward, pursuant to orders, proceeded to France and completed the Staff course with honors, after which he reported back to the Division, which was then in Picardy with the 4th British Army. The 27th Division with the 30th Division had been the spearhead of the attack of the 4th British Army against the Hindenburg Line. The 27th Division was in process of being relieved by the 3rd Australian Division, and was shortly to follow



Both Rose to Rank of Major General

Adjutant General Ward was a Colonel, commanding the 106th Infantry, when he stood beside his Division Commander, Maj. Gen. John F. O'Ryan, for this photograph at Bussy, France, on November 21st, 1918.

the retreat of the German Army. The Colonelcy of the 106th Infantry being vacant at the time, I informed General Ward, who was then a Lieutenant Colonel, that he would be promoted to a Colonelcy and would command that regiment in the pursuit. Again this was a shock to him, he feeling that his more recent experiences had been theoretical rather than practical. Nevertheless, he was informed that the promotion and the assignment would stand, and he left the next day to find his regiment and execute his orders. The decision which brought this about was based upon the knowledge I had through long association with General Ward that underlying his calm and courteous exterior there was hidden an indomitable will and a dependable aggressiveness that would be difficult to daunt, supported by a high order of personal courage. These qualities were essential at that time and under the conditions we were to confront. He carried out his mission with a high order of intelligence. Subsequently he commanded the Regiment with the same vigor and aggressiveness in its attacks on Le Selle River. After the Armistice he not only looked after his men with thoroughness, but he maintained a splendid discipline and efficiency.

After our return to the United States, he soon became Adjutant General of the State, in which position he has since served with distinction and recognition of his experience and talents. Only recently Governor Lehman expressed to me his understanding and appreciation of the unusual character, modesty and talents of this distinguished officer.

It has never been my custom to eulogize officers while they are still in active service, but now that General Ward is about to retire from such active service, I have the opportunity appropriately to speak of his distinguished service.



Rear Admiral F. R. Lackey
Commanding
New York Naval Militia



STATE OF NEW YORK
Headquarters Naval Militia
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

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20 November 1934

Major General Franklin W. Ward,
The Adjutant General, State of New York,
Albany, N. Y.

My dear General:

As the day of your retirement draws near I would like to take this opportunity to express to you, on behalf of myself and of the officers and enlisted men of the Naval Militia, their very deep appreciation of your many kindnesses and deep interest in the Naval Militia. I am sure that it must be a great gratification to you to look back over the accomplishments of both the National Guard and Naval Militia under your Administration as Adjutant General.

I sincerely hope that you will not feel that you have passed on from the field of usefulness, but will view the situation rather in the light of the completion of a work well done, and that you will look forward to the day of your retirement as a "Commencement Day" rather than as the culmination of your work.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for a well earned vacation, believe me

Very sincerely yours,

F. R. Lackey
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Rear Admiral, NYNM.

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November 20, 1934.

Lieut. Colonel Henry E. Suavet,
Editor, The New York National Guardsman,
80 Centre Street,
New York City.

My dear Colonel:

In the approaching retirement of Major General Franklin W. Ward, The Adjutant General of the State of New York, we may very properly look upon with sincere regret in that it removes from our active list an outstanding officer whose entire military career of almost half a century in peace and war in both National and State service earns for him an honor space in the hall of fame along with our most distinguished and heroic military leaders.

The National Guard Association during General Ward's administration as the Adjutant General constantly sought and followed his counsel and advice in all matters of vital importance to the State's Military Forces, without which it is doubtful whether the many accomplishments of the past nine years could have been realized.

Personally and in behalf of this Association it is earnestly hoped General Ward will continue his active interest in our affairs for many years to come, as an assurance of a continuation of the sound policies so long advocated by his judgment and advice.

Very sincerely,

W. G. Robinson
Colonel W. G. Robinson,
President, N. G. Ass'n, S. N. Y.

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Colonel W. G. Robinson
President
N. G. Association, S. N. Y.

From Private to Major General

An Appreciation of General Ward's Forty-six Years' Service

By Brig. Gen. FREDERICK M. WATERBURY

A ONE hundred per cent. record in the military service—that's what we would call it, after looking over the progress of the military career of Franklin Wilmer Ward from 1888 to 1934; for Major General Ward, our Adjutant General, who retires December 4, 1934, upon reaching the age of 64, entered the service as soon as he was old enough, 18 years, and kept at it until, we might say, he arrived at the age when the law says he is not young enough. And another point in building up that one hundred per cent. record; he served in every rank, both enlisted and commissioned, from the lowest to the highest, from Private to Major General—few can claim all grades in even a service of many years.

When Private Ward first put on the uniform of the National Guard it was in his native state, Pennsylvania, in Company I, 1st Infantry, Philadelphia. All his service in this sister state was in this same company, running from private to corporal to sergeant and First Sergeant, over a period of nine years, until July, 1897. His rapid advancement in the enlisted grades in the Pennsylvania National Guard early demonstrated his military ability of leadership.

Transferring to New York City, on account of business changes in 1897, he became restless outside the military circles and when a Second Lieutenantcy in the 109th Infantry was tendered to him in August, 1898, he promptly accepted and qualified, thus making his first connection with the New York National Guard. He remained in this regiment, transferring into the 9th Infantry upon its return from the Spanish American War service, and November 24, 1899, was advanced to First Lieutenant of Company D. Two and a half years later, May 3, 1902, he was promoted to Captain of Company D, which position he held for five years, the regiment being transferred during this period into the 9th Coast Artillery.

At about this time General Ward started his first success as an author and together with the then Captain Frank T. Hines, U. S. Coast Artillery (now General Hines of the Veterans' Administration), he published a book entitled "Service of Coast Artillery." The War Department adopted it as an official text book of the Coast Artillery Corps.

As Captain of Company D of the 9th, General Ward was a strict disciplinarian and an enthusiastic drill master, giving company exhibitions at the Military Athletic League Tournaments which flourished in those days as one

of the big annual events in Madison Square Garden. During these years General John J. Byrne was Captain of Company K of the 9th and he recalled to your correspondent the other evening the friendly rivalry he and General Ward indulged in to maintain the best unit in the regiment, their friendship of forty years being cemented as they moved through the grades of the Old Ninth, now the 244th Coast Defense Command.

May 28, 1907, it was Major Ward of the 9th Coast Artillery and he was given command of the 2nd Battalion, Major Byrne being in command of the 1st Battalion.

June 1, 1912, he accepted a promotion to Lieutenant Colonel in the Adjutant General's Department, transferring to Major General John F. O'Ryan's Divisional Staff, and four years later went to the Mexican Border as Major of Infantry and Adjutant of the 6th Division, U. S. service. It was while on this duty that he again dipped into the publishing business, for he and General Waterbury, then Major and Ordnance Officer on General O'Ryan's staff, 6th Division, started a weekly divisional newspaper, *The Rio Grande Rattler*, which not only became famous in the Division and throughout the country, but successfully carried itself financially without any outside contributions. It was a full-sized, eight-page newspaper and was published weekly for six months, or until the Division returned again to its home station.

In 1917 General Ward was again in Federal Service as Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General and Assistant Chief of Staff of the 27th Division in Spartanburg, South Carolina and in France. In August, 1918, he was assigned to the 107th Infantry as Lieutenant Colonel and was made Colonel of Infantry, October 1, 1918; he was then assigned to the command of the 106th Infantry, and led this regiment in one of the toughest fights along the Hindenburg Line. He returned from France to the United States in such command, being mustered out April 2, 1919. He was commissioned a Colonel of Infantry in the Officers Reserve Corps from July 17, 1920, until December 31, 1921, when he became a Brigadier General, having been promoted to take over the 53rd Infantry Brigade on the retirement of the late General James W. Lester. At this time, and for a number of years, General Ward was Secretary of the Armory Commission with his office in the Adjutant General's Department in Albany, and later became Assistant Adjutant General of the State.

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MAJOR GENERAL WARD

(Right) accompanied by Brig. Gen. William R. Pooley, reviewing the National Guard units at Buffalo on November 14, 1934.



GENERAL HASKELL'S EDITORIAL



A GREAT ADJUTANT GENERAL RETIRES

BY the time that this magazine gets into the hands of its readers, Major General Franklin W. Ward will have reached the statutory age for retirement, and will no longer be The Adjutant General of the State of New York. It is therefore a fitting time for me, as Commanding General of the New York National Guard, to express personally, and on behalf of all the officers and enlisted men of the New York National Guard, our keen regret that the operation of law has lost to us and to the State and nation a truly great Adjutant General.

Elsewhere in this magazine General Ward's record as a soldier, both in peace and war, in both State and Federal service, is properly set forth by his friends and comrades. His contributions to the successful drafting of the National Defense Act are well known to all military men. I doubt if anyone, however, quite appreciates how much General Ward, during the past decade, has contributed to the upbuilding of the National Guard of New York.

Frank Ward assumed the office of Adjutant General in 1926, and brought to that office an experience unparalleled by any of his illustrious predecessors. First of all, he brought the psychology of a soldier trained both as a commander of troops and as a staff officer, a psychology developed both in peace and war. He understood the fine distinctions between the duties of a staff officer and of a commander of troops. Adjutants General of this State may well study the record in office of General Ward, in order that the best interests of the National Guard—its morale, its efficiency, and its harmony, which have been so pronounced during his term of office—may be continued after he goes.

The Adjutant General should be a man of experience and broad vision. Especially in our State, with its many and varied troops, The Adjutant General has a big job; a job whose difficulties and responsibilities few fully appreciate. He should be a man big enough to realize the size and importance of his job, and should be devoid of the egotism or desire for self-aggrandizement which might lead him to encroach upon the command of troops, or other prerogatives of those associated with him. Whenever these qualities have been lacking in an officer in this high position in the State military service, the result has been disastrous; and these qualities, in my opinion, have been those which have especially distinguished the régime of General Ward as Adjutant General.

Although constantly in touch with the Commander in Chief, and beset by many politicians seeking favors or special considerations, General Ward has never failed to

have in mind the best interests of the National Guard, and to respect the prerogatives of others.

For that reason the past nine years have been the most harmonious years the New York National Guard has ever known. A weaker character would have attempted to aggrandize himself and seek favor by overstepping his own duties intentionally, or through ignorance of the fine line of demarcation between the job of Adjutant General and that of the Commanding General. Furthermore, at times when differentiation between the duties of these two high offices seemed a bit indistinct, General Ward was always big enough to sit down in conference and decide what should be done for the best interests of the Guard, and not for himself or any other person. Offhand, one might think that this would be an easy thing to do, but I can assure you that it takes a big man—an experienced man and a real soldier—to have gone through and established such a fine record for accomplishment, while at the same time maintaining the respect and affection of those who had to work with him. General Ward's whole service as Adjutant General has stamped him as a "big" man, and as such he has not needed, and has not sought, to accentuate his position by any of the artifices of the small man. He deserves all the more credit for this in view of the fact that by experience, training, and ability, he would have been perfectly competent to handle the questions of training, discipline, promotions, camps, or any other matters connected with the National Guard, but assigned by law to the commander of troops, or other officers. General Ward's advice and assistance were always available when sought for, and were always pertinent and valuable, but he studiously avoided interference with the duties of others.

During General Ward's term as Adjutant General, the New York National Guard has enjoyed one of the most progressive and most pleasant periods of its entire history. I cannot speak too highly of his excellent judgment, fine cooperation, and broad outlook on National Guard affairs. I feel that not only has the State lost an officer that it will be difficult to replace, but that I personally, and the National Guard as well, have lost a great friend from participation in our work. May his interest continue, and may we have the pleasure of his companionship and the benefit of his counsel for many years to come!



W. H. Haskell

Major General



STATE OF NEW YORK
DIVISION OF MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS
OF THE
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ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE AND SHIPMENTS TO
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

To the National Guard and Naval Militia of New York:

I just wish to announce that I am dropping out of the procession. Mine has been an exceedingly active life, with little time-out for play, and when you have kept in step for forty odd years there comes a time when you feel entitled, I suppose, to do a little straggling - just to see how it feels.

The law that sends an old soldier over the hill toward the golden sunset, when he reaches the statutory age for retirement, is a law that I firmly subscribe to. Specifically the military profession succeeds best through the bone and blood of youthful men, and it is appropriate and proper that the head wolves of the pack as they begin to falter, should give way to their more virile, energetic and youthful mates.

Frankly, I am leaving the active list of the National Guard with many real regrets and cherished memories, but with the profoundest sentiments of respect, may I say, affection, for all my comrades young and old with whom I have had the honor to serve; comrades upon whose fidelity, loyalty and assistance, I have leaned very heavily during all the years we have marched along together.

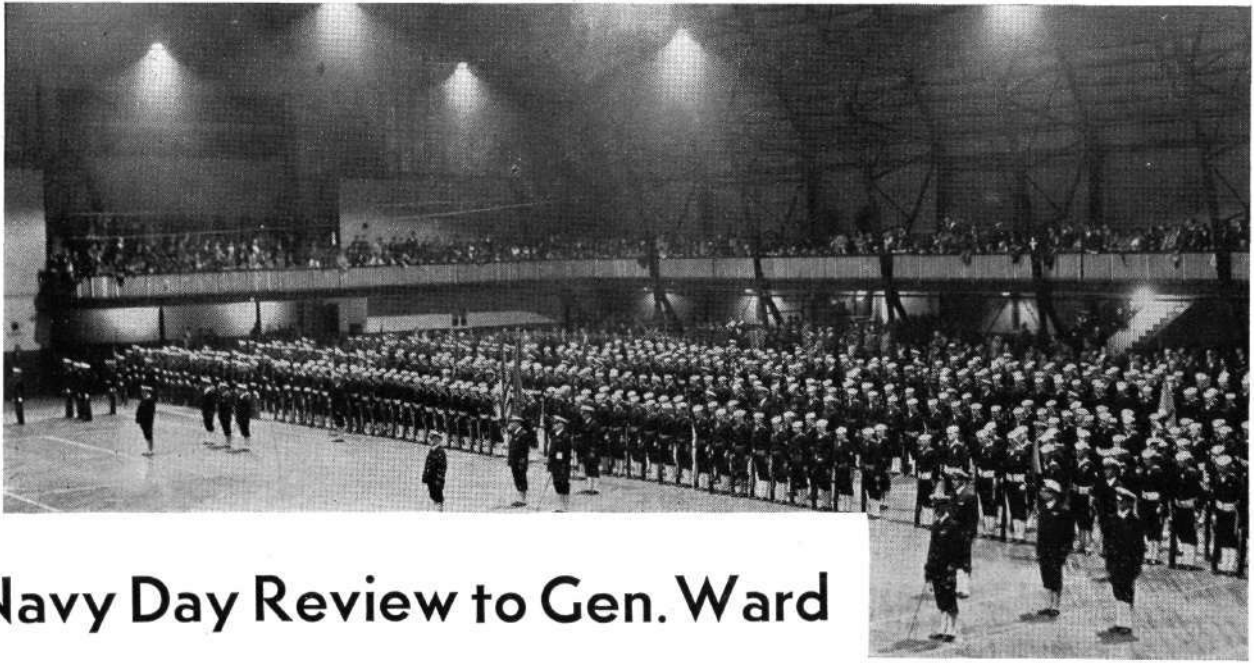
It is fitting that I say it will always be a pleasant thing to remember that I leave the active ranks with our defensive services at the very zenith of their strength and efficiency as material and powerful forces in the preservation of our American form of government, and the education of our youth in the high school of patriotism. It has been well said: "That nation is worthless which does not joyfully stake everything on her honor," and toward whom does the weakest nation look when attacked - if not to her warrior youth.

May I say in conclusion, it is solely through the tireless energy, hard work and cooperation of the officers and men of both services, that the high standards of efficiency we now enjoy have been obtained.

I salute you for the last time, as an active officer.

November 28, 1934.

F. W. Ward
FRANKLIN W. WARD.



Navy Day Review to Gen. Ward

MORE than 1000 Bluejackets and their Officers constituting a provisional Naval Militia brigade, assembled at the Naval Militia Armory, 52nd Street and 1st Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y., on Navy Day, Saturday, October 27th, 1934, for a review in honor of Major General Franklin W. Ward, The Adjutant General, whose retirement from active service is due on December 4, 1934, when he attains the age of 64 years. Navy Day is also the birthday anniversary of the late President Roosevelt and it was considered by Naval Militia officers as especially appropriate for the occasion of a Naval Brigade Review by an Adjutant General, who in many years of service in the Albany administration of the State's military forces, always manifested a fine appreciation and friendship for the Naval service.

The units in the brigade formation comprised all those organizations of the Naval Militia located in the metropolitan New York City area. Rear Admiral Frank R. Lackey, Commanding Officer New York Naval Militia, commanded the brigade. He was accompanied by the Brigade Headquarters Staff, including Captain L. W. Hesselman, Chief of Staff, Lieut. Commander F. K. Gundlach, Assistant Chief of Staff, Lieut. Commander B. B. Ralston, Brig. Adj., and 1st Lieut. B. S. Barron, Marine Aide.

The capacity of the 2nd Battalion Naval Militia Armory in Brooklyn was taxed to the limit on this occasion, it being probably the largest Naval Militia assemblage ever congregated on the floor of this Armory. The galleries were filled to overflowing by an enthusiastic audience, including many distinguished guests and friends of General Ward. Among the military guests were a number of General Ward's wartime comrades of the 106th Infantry, also Brig. Gen. J. J. Byrne, Brig. Gen. Wm. J. Costigan, Ret., Col. Walter A. DeLamater, Lieut. Col. John H. O'Connor, Ret., Major T. J. Oakley Rhinelander, Major Felix J. McSherry, and a number of other prominent officers.

When General Ward arrived at the Armory with his staff and escort, he was accorded the usual Naval honors appropriate for his rank by a parade of the Marine Guard and was piped "over the side" in true Navy style.

Later an exhibition drill was performed by Company "B" of the Naval Militia's Marine Battalion, demonstrating the precise and well defined movements, representative of the smartly drilled Marine components of our National Defense. During Evening Parade, which concluded the Navy's entertainment, decorations and trophies won by the Naval Militia in competition with all Naval Militia and Naval Reserve units of the Third Naval District, were awarded. The trophies included the New York Society, Military and Naval Officers World War Naval Trophy for efficiency; the R. A. C. Smith Trophy for Boat Racing; the U. S. Naval Reserve Officers Association Trophy for an Interstate Rifle Competition. Rear Admiral Frank R. Lackey received the New York State Decoration commemorating 35 years long and faithful service, which was personally presented by the Adjutant General.

Prior to the Review a dinner party for the guest of honor was held at the Crescent Athletic Club in Brooklyn, N. Y., by Admiral Lackey. In addition to General Ward and his Aide, Lieut. Col. Wm. J. Mangine, the guests included Congressman John J. Delaney, Brig. Gen. George A. Wingate, President New York Society Military and Naval Officers World War, and all of the Brooklyn organization commanders, also Naval and Naval Militia officers, among whom were Rear Admiral R. P. Forshew, N. Y. N. M., (Ret.), Colonels James R. Howlett, Wm. A. Taylor, Bryer H. Pendry, Frank C. Vincent, N.Y.N.G.; Major R. H. Platz, N.Y.N.G.; Captains S. H. R. Doyle, W. K. Riddle, Julian H. Collins, U.S.N.; Commanders Stephen Doherty, Hugh W. Branham, U.S.N.; Mr. Douglas L. Elliman; Captains L. W. Hesselman, Theodore Nelson, N.Y.N.M.; Commander Jasper T. Kane, N.Y.N.M.

On conclusion of the evening's ceremonies Admiral Lackey presented General Ward with a service type, silver boatswain's call and lanyard, duly inscribed, as a little souvenir of the occasion and invited the General to use this call at any time that he desired to "pipe" an assemblage of the host of friends he has in the Naval service of the State of New York.

À VOTRE SANTÉ

Greetings to General Ward from the 106th Infantry

ON the stroke of midnight, December fourth, Major General Franklin Wilmer Ward, Adjutant General of the State of New York, will through the process of the military law, retire from active service covering a period of forty-six years.

We old timers of the Twenty-third regiment knew him first as a Lieutenant in Company "D" of the old Ninth Infantry, N.G.S.N.Y., although his original enlistment as Private, Co. "I," First Pennsylvania Infantry, dates back to May 17th, 1888.

To the youngsters of the present regiment, General Ward is known simply as The Adjutant General. But to the veterans of the One Hundred and Sixth Infantry, A. E. F., General Ward means a lot more.

We came to know him more intimately on that misty morning of October 10th, 1918, when he took over the command of the regiment; this was at Billecourt in France during the early stages of the October offensive. We followed him through Nauroy, Joncourt, Ramicourt and then came Montbrehain—well named a "hell hole."

Then on to Premont and so to Busigny where "Jerry" shelled friend and foe alike, taking deadly toll. Then came St. Souplet where on the 17th the regiment under Colonel Ward hopped off in its drive against Abre Guernon and North Chimney Farm, where we held the line with bulldog tenacity until the twenty-second when our good friends the British took over.

We recall our marches to the great American sector for rest and replacement; we shall never forget those restless days preparatory to embarking for home; and then, in the fullness of time, the final muster-out of service—



PRESENTATIONS

General Ward presents (left) Col. K. C. Townson with 15-year N. Y. State Service Medal, and (right) Capt. C. M. Olsen, Co. H, 108th Infantry.

those of us who survived. Ever fresh in our memories are the glorious achievements of the One Hundred and Sixth of the Twenty-Seventh Division and even fresher are the memories of our honored dead.

And through those trying days of the Somme Offensive, we came to love our Commanding Officer as a leader imbued with fidelity, courage and tact and it is with a sense of profound sorrow that we mark his retirement from the field of active operations.

General Ward, we of your old overseas regiment and of the present organization, wish you many years of health, and happiness in the realization of honorable fulfillment of military duty to the State, the nation and to the flag we all love.

Buffalo N. G. Units Honor Gen'l Ward at Review

THOUSANDS of friends of the military jammed the 174th armory on November 14 to witness Buffalo's farewell to Maj. Gen'l Franklin W. Ward, retiring Adjutant General of the state of New York.

Nearly 2000 members of the National Guard and Naval Militia made up the provisional brigade which staged the review and parade in honor of the famous general who has served his country for the last 46 years.

Commanding the review was Brig. Gen. William R. Pooley, of the 87th Brigade, while the parade was commanded by Brig. Gen. William F. Schohl of the 52nd Field Artillery Brigade.

Many officers prominent in the Regular Army, National Guard and Reserve were in the reviewing party with Gen. Ward. Among them were Lieut. Col. William J. Mangine and Maj. John A. Coffey of the State Staff at Albany; Col. Allen J. Greer, Regular Field Artillery; Col. George S. Minniss, 392 Reserve Infantry; Lieut. Col. Ralph A. Jones, Regular Infantry; Maj. Chester P. McCormick, Regular Field Artillery; Maj. Oliver A. Hess, Regular Infantry, and Capt. Raymond D. Willis, Regular Infantry.

Participating organizations were commanded as follows: Col. Ralph K. Robertson, 174th Infantry; Col. Douglas P. Walker, 106th Field Artillery; Maj. George M. Denny,

Second Squadron, 121st Cavalry, and Lieut. Comm. Frank J. Bailey, Ninth Battalion, Naval Militia.

A 45-minute concert by the 174th band preceded the ceremonies, and the same organization played for the dancing which followed.

A banquet in Gen. Ward's honor was held earlier in the evening at Hotel Statler, at which Col. Walker eulogized General Ward and emphasized the "unselfish service that he has given to his country during his 46 years of soldiering."

There the guests chose as their theme song, "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Other songs which have been popular with military men for three generations were heard during the session, but that which attested to the honored guest's character and personality seemed, by common consent, to be most appropriate to the occasion.

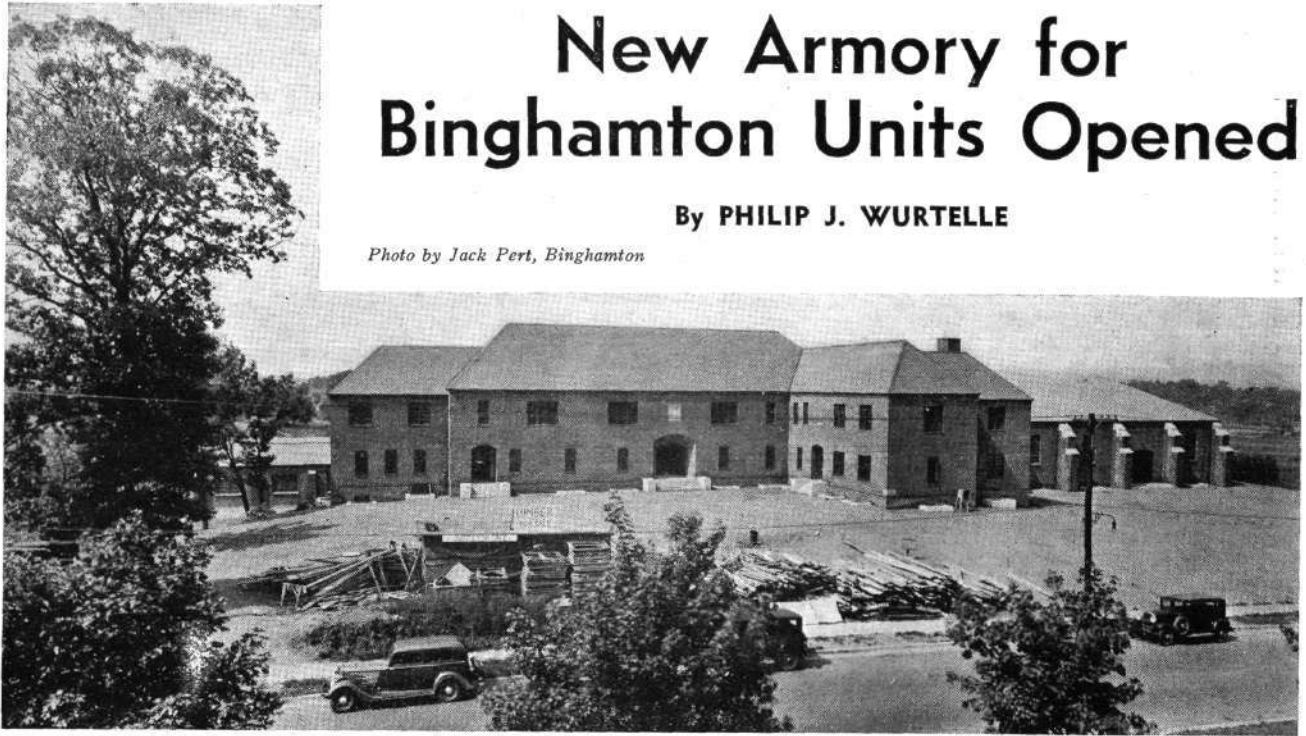
Col. Robertson likewise expressed the sentiments of his officers and men. "I have known our guest of honor ever since I entered the service a third of a century ago," he said. "He has a genuine trait that all of us should be proud to have—he has a heartfelt sympathy with our desires."

In his response, General Ward pointed out that "there is more to soldiering than military technique—there is the spirit of the officer and the honor of the soldier."

New Armory for Binghamton Units Opened

By PHILIP J. WURTELLE

Photo by Jack Pert, Binghamton



DEDICATION of Binghamton's new \$350,000 state armory as a "schoolhouse for the teaching of true Americanism and respect for law and order" was the keynote of the address delivered by Major General Franklin W. Ward, Adjutant General of the State of New York, at the official opening of the new armory on Tuesday, October 10th, 1934.

With colors waving and guidons snapping, and to the accompaniment of their regimental bands, the entire personnel of the 10th Infantry and 104th Field Artillery regiments presented a brilliant array as they formed in front of the huge building for the dedicatory exercises.

Colonel Charles G. Blakeslee, commanding the 104th F. A., introduced the speakers: Major General Franklin W. Ward, Adjutant General; Colonel Charles E. Walsh, commanding the 10th Infantry, and Major Lafayette Yarwood, chaplain of the 104th F. A.

"We are here this afternoon," said Colonel Blakeslee, "to dedicate this building, erected by the State of New York for the training and instruction of the National Guard units in Broome county. In a larger sense, what we do or say here today is more or less unimportant, as the real dedication of this structure will be in the records of the men who will serve here and who will have been trained here—for peace or for war. . . ."

"It is now my pleasure to introduce the Adjutant General of the State of New York, Major General Franklin W. Ward, a man who commanded the 106th Infantry in the breaking of the Hindenburg line in France in the fall of 1918, and who is soon to retire from the service he loves so well, after many years of faithful and conscientious duty to the state and nation."

General Ward, replying, said in part: "This building will be officially known as an armory. If I had my wish I would call it a schoolhouse—for the teaching of true Americanism, respect for law and order, and respect for superior officers and non-commissioned officers.

"Primarily, we do not teach American citizens, in these armories, to kill their fellowmen, even in war—but rather to be able to defend their loved ones, their homes, their community, state and nation in time of war or civic disturbances.

"It is particularly fitting that this dedication comes at the time when Binghamton is celebrating its 100th anniversary of incorporation as a municipality. Binghamton has been built, in the past century and more, by its citizenry, and it will be defended, if necessary, by its citizen soldiers who will be trained in this building."

General Ward closed with a tribute to the long military records and services of Colonel Blakeslee and Colonel Walsh, declaring he considered their respective regiments as the finest units of their kind in the entire National Guard of the United States.

Colonel Walsh spoke briefly, voicing a hope that erection of the new armory will make residents of Broome county "more National Guard-minded than ever before—if that is possible."

"Each state in the Union," he said, "should maintain its National Guard at a strength sufficient to meet all calls in connection with civic disturbances. New York state sets the mark for other states in the Union, by maintaining a National Guard comprising more than 21,000 men, or more than one full peacetime division of troops.

"Because of the importance of the National Guard to the community and to the state—in its chief function of maintenance of law and order in the respective localities, I feel that it is entitled to whole-hearted support by all industrial leaders and others. They should encourage their employees to enroll with the Guard, and should allow them the necessary time to take part in all activities of their respective units."

The program closed with the playing of martial airs and the national anthem by the bands of the 10th Infantry, of Albany, and of the 104th Field Artillery.

Albany to Greet N. Y. N. G. Officers

At National Guard Convention

AN interview by a representative of the GUARDSMAN was recently held with Colonel Walter G. Robinson, President, National Guard Association of the State of New York, in order to obtain a real scoop on a whale of a story which it is felt to be of considerable personal interest to our host of readers representing all ranks and grades and branches of both services—the National Guard and Naval Militia.

Colonel "Robbie" is the nickname to all close friends both in and out of the military service, and his answers to all questions were made easier and easier by his rare and genial personality. Instantly my misgivings of a rather arduous task at hand faded completely with the genuine handclasp and home-welcome atmosphere which turned the trick and to me seemed to slacken the guy-rope tension of the following dialogue:

"Colonel Robinson, have you selected the dates and association headquarters for the Annual Convention of the National Guard Association of the State of New York, which is to be held in Albany next year?"

"January 18 and 19, 1935, are the dates," Colonel Robinson replied, "and association headquarters will be at The Ten Eyck Hotel."

"What preparations, if any, have been made to date?"

"A special meeting of the executive committee will take place very shortly for the purpose of discussing and getting under way preliminary arrangements covering the business and entertainment features, with a view to having every officer and guest at the conclusion of the convention honestly feel they would not have missed it under any circumstances."

"Have you any idea, Colonel, who the speakers will be during the business sessions?"

"There will be no definite action taken in this direction," the Colonel explained, "until the meeting of the executive committee. However, I firmly believe the number of speeches should be reduced to a minimum, and a time limit given each speaker. Every effort will be put forth to procure only the very best and most interesting speakers, confining our endeavors to representatives of the three components of the Army, and the two components of the Navy. The remainder of the time allotted to the business sessions will be devoted to a more lengthy discussion of the resolutions presented to the convention, dealing with the current and future problems of the National Guard and Naval Militia."

"Have you any idea who the speakers will be during the banquet, as well as the entertainment program?"

"This also must await the meeting of the executive committee, when we will discuss the entertainment features of the convention, such as the sightseeing trips, banquet arrangements, banquet speeches, the reception and many other features incident to this outstanding event in the social activities of the convention. I think all officers are in accord that the annual banquet is the highlight of the entire convention, for the simple reason that it is the one and only chance throughout the year when officers from all sections of the State *get-together*, renew acquaintances, reminisce and so forth amidst surroundings which cannot



COLONEL WALTER G. ROBINSON

President, National Guard Association of the State of New York

be duplicated during the interim between conventions." "Are the names of the officers who will comprise the local committees available?"

"Brig. Gen. Ransom H. Gillett, 53rd Brigade, will be asked to serve as Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements. General Gillett no doubt will call a special meeting of the various organization commanders and officers will then be selected to serve on the different sub-committees, such as: advertising, aides, banquet, citizens, entertainment, hotel, information, proclamation, publicity, radio, reception and transportation. I am fully confident the functions of these committees under the personal direction and supervision of General Gillett will be carefully and efficiently carried out."

Colonel Robinson at the close of our most pleasant interview, which incidentally took place in his office overlooking Capitol Hill, its walls decorated by inspiring military pictures, citations and other parchments of honors achieved in the past, continued the conversation by saying he will depend largely on matters pertaining to the convention upon the recommendations and suggestions of Lieut. Colonel Mangine, the Secretary of the Association, to whom he paid a glowing compliment in connection with convention and association activities.

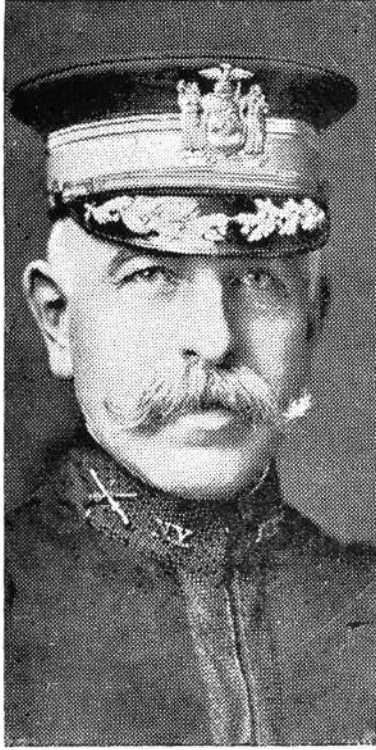
Colonel Robinson further stated that a series of circular letters disseminating important pre-convention news will be mailed to organization commanders from time to time.

The GUARDSMAN appreciates the courtesy of this interview and extends its best wishes for a successful convention to Colonel Robinson and the other officers of the association.

THE LATE BRIG. GEN. CHARLES H. HITCHCOCK

By Lt. Col. Floyd D. McLean, Inf. Res.

IF ever a man exemplified in his life the true attributes of an officer and a gentleman, that man was the late Brigadier General Charles H. Hitchcock, who answered the last roll call on October 30, 1934.



An accomplished student of the classics and a translator of the works of Greek philosophers and historians, he was as much at home with Horace and Virgil as with Blackstone and Clausewitz. He had several translations printed of the Greek plays among the last of which was Agamemnon of Aeschylus about five years ago and he wrote a number of articles for the service journals under his own name and also under the *nom de plume* of N. G. Miles which those who remember their latin will recognize as National Guard Soldier.

Born of pioneer stock in Binghamton on November 12, 1857, he was educated in the public schools and graduated from Hamilton College in 1879, later teaching school for a short period and then beginning the study of law in which he became distinguished, particularly in the branch of real estate and land titles. He became a partner in the law firm of Jenkins, Deyo and Hitchcock.

Enlisting in the old 20th Separate Company in 1882 he came up through all grades to Captain in 1897 and commanded Company H of the 1st New York Volunteers during the Spanish-American War when that designation was given to the 20th Separate Company before the regiment went to the Hawaiian Islands where it remained until Christmas time in 1898.

Thereafter General Hitchcock's advancement was rapid and he became Colonel, commanding the 1st New York Infantry in 1905, being breveted Brigadier General on July 19, 1910.

At one time he was president of the National Guard Association of the State of New York and was later a member of the governor's military council.

Standing over six feet tall with a fine military bearing, one would instantly recognize him as a soldier even in mufti.

Because of ill health he went on the reserve list on March 5, 1917, but offered to the Government any service that he was able to render. He was detailed to active duty in the Adjutant General's office of New York State

on April 18, 1917, where he served for several months. He was later given a commission in command of a company of the United States Guards on June 10, 1918, serving at Fort Niagara and later in the shipyard at Newburgh, New York. He was honorably discharged from United States service on February 1, 1919, with the same rank that he held at the end of the Spanish-American War although meantime he had successfully commanded a regiment of Infantry for more than 12 years.

He was a member of the Thomas H. Barbour Camp, United Spanish War Veterans; Army and Navy Club, New York City; a charter member of Binghamton Post 80, American Legion and a member of the Richard J. Hoyt Post 478, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He had served his city as Commissioner of Health and was a member of the Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts of America up to the time of his death. In 1891 he married Miss Estelle Heath of Ithaca who survives.

One of the last public functions that he attended was the review of the 10th Infantry and 104th Field Artillery during the Binghamton Centennial on October 9. The final military honors were in charge of the 10th Infantry.

"Honor, Duty, Country" was his creed, and he lived up to it in his personal and public life, giving unselfish service to his community, state and nation.

71st INFANTRY CAMPAIGNING TO REVIVE MILITARY ATHLETICS ON A BIG SCALE

OLD-TIMERS will well remember the enthusiasm of the old-time military athletic games. The packed galleries, the fine list of star entries, the cheering for the favorites of contesting regiments, and the nice profits shown on the balance sheets. In 1919 a set of military athletic games in the Seventy-first Armory (Park Avenue and 34th Street, New York City) were so well supported by the public that over three hundred people had to be turned away at the doors and a profit resulted of over one thousand dollars.

Later, public interest in these games waned and now, in the coming January, will be started a determined effort to revive the old-time enthusiasm by a meet in the big armory of the Seventy-first, where the Amateur Athletic Union and the New York Daily News will render assistance, the former by the voluntary services of officials and the latter by ample publicity.

In addition to the games referred to, the regiment will start added activities this year in basket-ball, baseball, hand-ball, bowling, billiards, the track, and boxing and wrestling. A comprehensive organization has been formed, composed of Major Joseph W. Utter, Chairman and Director of Athletics; Lieutenant Wm. E. Gleason, Company M, basket-ball; Lieut. Alexander J. Komancsek, 2nd Bn. Hq. Co., baseball; Lieut. James J. Fogarty, Service Co., hand-ball; Lieut. Edward J. Reilly, Company A, billiards; Lieut. Craig P. Bedel, Company A, boxing and wrestling, and Lieut. G. J. Klemm, Co. C, track work.

The especially big idea in this renaissance of old-time military athletics is its spread to all units of the National Guard from this promising start. It is believed that the January meet will be so successful from every angle that all guard organizations will be inspired to make the revival a general one.



KEEP SMILING.



Well Supplied

Book Salesman: "This book on housekeeping will do half the work."

Mrs. Youngbride: "Good! I'll take two."

Was the General Glad!

"General, you'll be glad to meet my husband. His draft was starting to Camp Upton the day the war ended."

Logical

In answer to the question "Are rubber soles wise?" Punch believes not, or they would not have allowed themselves to be caught so often and served as fish in restaurants.

Stopped Thinking

A Scotsman applied for a raise in salary as he was about to be married, which was granted. Shortly after, he met the Manager.

"I suppose you are settled down to married life?" he asked.

"I'm no married," replied the Scot.

"Not married!" exclaimed the Manager. "Didn't you apply for a raise because you were thinking of getting married?"

"Oh, aye," came the reply, "but I stopped thinking."

No Sympathy

A new-made widow called at the office of an insurance company for the money due on her husband's policy. The manager said:

"I am truly sorry, madam, to hear of your loss."

"That's always the way with you men," said she. "You are always sorry when a poor woman gets a chance to make a little money."

Another Clan

Foreman: "Are you a mechanic?"

Applicant: "No, I'm a McCarthy."

Thoughtfulness

"Is your wife going to wear her diamonds at the opera?"

"Of course! We cannot all appreciate music, and we ought to try to make Grand Opera interesting even for those who go merely to look on!"

She Ought to Know

"Does your wife think you kiss divinely?"

"Well, she has her suspicions."

Honest

Teacher: "Tommy, come up here and give me what you've got in your mouth."

Tommy: "I wish I could—it's the toothache."



No Exception

"Handsome men are always con-ceited."

"Not always. I'm not."—Log

Naturally

Teacher: "That star is Venus. It was named after a very beautiful woman."

Pupil: "Is that the star the Wise Men followed?"

Non-Technical Language

"Now tell the jury, lady," instructed the young lawyer, "just where the prisoner was milking the cow."

The young lady looked embarrassed and then smiled sweetly, "Why, I think it was a little back of the center, sir."
—*The Gateway*

Where Ignorance Is Bliss

She had done everything wrong. She had disregarded the signal lights; she had failed to give other drivers warning of her intentions; she had stalled in the middle of the street, and before starting again had taken out her powder puff and applied it to her face. An irate policeman rushed up:

"Say, lady, do you know anything at all about traffic rules?" he demanded.

"Why, yes," she replied sweetly, "What is it you want to know?"

The General Appearance

Friend: "Why have you given the General such a peculiar pose?"

Sculptor: "You see, it was started as an equestrian statue, and then the committee found they couldn't afford the horse."

Three Shades Darker

An officer called up a sergeant and spoke of the unsoldierly appearance of a recruit:

"He looks very slovenly, sergeant."

"Yes, sor."

"Are you sure he washes?"

"Yes, sor."

"Absolutely certain he washes?"

"Yes sor, but he dries a bad colour, sor."

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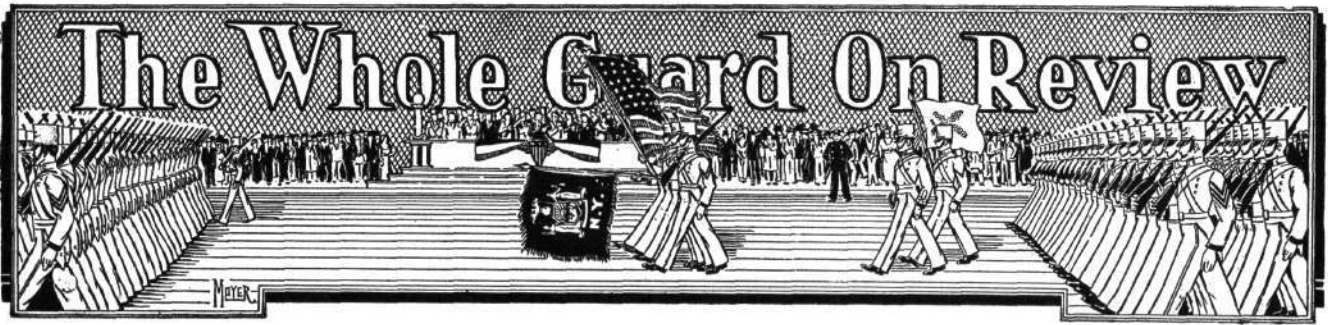
First Hobo (surveying stream of pleasure-seekers): "I 'ates 'olidays. Makes yer feel common when nobody ain't workin'."

Silence Is Golden

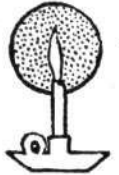
The angler had just landed a catch when the inquisitive woman chanced to be passing.

"Oh," she exclaimed, "that poor little fish!"

The angler replied: "Well, madam, if he'd kept his mouth shut he would not have got into trouble!"



The Guardsman Wishes You All A Happy Christmas



244th COAST ARTILLERY Service Battery

THE Service Battery of the 244th Coast Artillery is feeling justly proud of the commendation just received from Colonel Lewis M. Thiery, commanding the regiment.

"The following," so runs the communication to Captain W. P. Plummer, commanding the Service Battery, "is an extract from the Field Inspection Report, 1934:

"The Band of this Regiment is a well trained organization and is to be commended for its excellent music."

"The Commanding Officer heartily concurs in the above commendation and directs that this commendation be read to the members of the Band."

14th INFANTRY Company I

COMPANY I returned home to the Flushing armory this year after the most successful camp tour the company has ever had.

The company won the 93rd Brigade figure of merit for the eighth time having qualified forty men with the service rifle (ten experts, eleven sharpshooters, and nineteen marksmen). We also qualified seven men with the auto-rifle, two sharpshooters and three marksmen.

On Visiting Sunday the company walked off with six of the eight athletic events.

Although the company was highly successful this year it is not satisfied, and will not be until it is rated as the best rifle company in the United States National Guard.

We wonder how many Companies spent their spare times and dimes at Rose's this summer. We did and enjoyed every visit.

We celebrated the camp tour on Tuesday, October 30, by having a beefsteak dinner—and did we celebrate.

We are sorry to lost Cpl. Smith and Pvt. 1st Class Green—both regular fellows and good soldiers. Pvt. Green will be remembered as one of the soda jerkers at camp this past season.

Indoor rifle practice started Thursday the 18th of October, and the company rifle team offers a challenge to any and every Company in the Guard.

258th FIELD ARTILLERY 1st Bn. Hdqrs. Btry. & Ct. Train

RELATED congratulations are tendered through the GUARDSMAN by the entire personnel of the battery to our skipper upon his attaining the rank of Captain. Captain Arthur Ettinger took command of this battery a little over a year ago as 1st Lieutenant and was promoted to Captain shortly before we went to camp this summer.

At this time we wish to say *au revoir* to our Battalion Motor Officer, 2nd Lieut. Robert Kissel who, after three years with us, has been transferred to Service Battery. Our loss is their gain. Good luck Lieutenant!

While we regret the loss of Lieut. Kissel, we are pleased to welcome 2nd Lieut. Sylvester V. Cavanaugh to our midst. Lieut. Cavanaugh has a bit of pep and snap which, no doubt, he will instil into our recruits.

The battery's greetings are extended to our recruits: Pvts. Edward Bach, William Earhart, Howard Frank, Leonard Martire, William Salmon, Cornelius Sexton and Edward Wilson. We appreciate the common sense displayed by these men in selecting our regiment and battery in preference to other units located throughout the city. They seem to know where to find quality.

In closing, let us compliment the staff of the GUARDSMAN for the vast improvement in the publication within the last two years—in spite of the necessary economies which have had to be effected. But we feel constrained to mention two shortcomings still existent: (1) It is not published often enough, and (2) The GUARDSMAN is far too small for so interesting a magazine.

EDITOR: *Thanks for the compliment. The shortcomings you mention are both due to the ever-present need for economy. For the present our motto must be "Multum in Parvo" but you may depend upon us to increase the "multum" to "multissimum" as soon as we get the first peek at this prosperity which is just around the corner.*

156th FIELD ARTILLERY

THE development of our two Polo Teams, representing the respective Battalions of this Regiment, has reached a point where they actually accept out-of-town engagements. At least one night a week, the New-

burgh and the Kingston Armories resound to the noise of stamping hoofs and the mallet hitting the ball.

Our own Captain and Mrs. Joseph P. Monihan announce the birth of a son, Joseph Renwick, on Wednesday, October 31st. Captain Monihan is commanding officer of Battery "E" stationed in Newburgh.

The annual dinner of the 156th F. A. Officers' Association took place on Wednesday evening, October 6th, at the City Club in Newburgh. Approximately fifty officers attended this annual affair and a very enjoyable evening was had by all of the participants. Major Patrick, formerly attaché to The King's Own Scottish Border Regiment, was the principal speaker of the evening. Election of officers followed a very enjoyable meal served under the direction of the City Club steward.

The members of this regiment are preparing themselves zealously for the coming Federal inspection. Now that the Basic Course instruction has been completed and the units are concerning themselves with instruction in detail work, it reminds us of the fact that we are now actually into the year's work, with, of course, the object of attaining greater proficiency in the military art.

245th COAST ARTILLERY Battery D

A FEW months ago, through the columns of the GUARDSMAN we announced plans for a Dinner and Dance. Well, we finally started the old ball rolling. The entertainment committee, headed by our most capable Sgt. McVay and including Corp. Zinkand, Pvts. Paddenburg and Colson, have been asked to arrange all details. From all indications of the way the boys are working, this most certainly will be a gala event.

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to the following new members of our Battery: Pvts. Case, Gales, Burghardt, Shapiro, Pangalides and Tanous. Pvt. Case is an old timer and we sure are glad to have him back with us. Good-luck boys!

That Romeo of Romeos, Frank (Handsome) Merz, delivered an oration at our last company meeting; from which the boys still seem to be groggy. It seems that Frank met a couple of strangers who persisted on his joining a political party noted for its radical tendencies. Now these strangers, not willing to take no for an answer, were practically nailing his shoes to the floor. Frank, becoming annoyed, nonchalantly said, "God-bless you, boys, but I must go and read a gas-meter."

156th FIELD ARTILLERY Battery F

FORMAL presentation of the Efficiency Banner for the best all-around Battery of the 156th Field Artillery, New York National Guard, for the 1934 Camp Tour at Great Bend, N.Y., this summer, was made by Col. J. Townsend Cassidy, Commander of the Regiment, to Arthur W. McDonald, Captain of Battery F, at a dinner on October 15, 1934.

Among those present were Col. J. Townsend Cassidy; Lieut. Col. Otto Thiede, Master of Ceremonies; Major Alfred Huddelson, Battalion Commander; Capt. William F. McKeon, Chaplain; Captain A. D. Fox, Instructing Officer of the Regiment; Sgt. John Gibney, etc.

To COLONEL HENRY P. MARTIN Commanding Officer 71st Infantry 1861-1862

(Colonel Martin died October, 1906. In his will he provided a fund out of which a dinner is given annually on his birthday, November 13th, by the 71st Regiment Veteran Association.)

*There is no death, where fallen seeds
Scions cause to grow;*

*No death there is where noble deeds
Cause memories green to blow;*

*There is no death for thee, indeed,
For everlastingly—*

*Within our hearts there is a seed
That grows to love for thee.*

ROBERT STEWART SUTLIFFE.

The men of Battery F attended the dinner in uniform, after which songs of Army life were sung and other forms of entertainment supplied.

Another Banner, awarded for Military Efficiency during the field training period, adorns the walls of Battery F. This Banner is awarded to the Battery receiving the highest rating in the following subjects: Police of Kitchen and Mess Shacks, Police of Company Streets and Tents, Handling of Horses and Equipment, Proficiency in Artillery Firing, Marching, Guard Mounting and Guard Duty, Attendance, Appearance and Discipline.

The winning of this Banner is most gratifying to the officers and men of the Battery as it could be won only with the cooperation of each and every man.

As a whole, the 1934 tour of field duty left much for "F" to be proud of, the most outstanding achievement being that the local Battery was chosen to fire the Regimental Problem of high explosives and was highly complimented for its accuracy by the commanding officers.

A new and exciting experience for the rookies of the outfit at camp was a long night march at which time no lights were allowed and only the glowing beams of the moon outlined the horses and caissons as they rolled along.

For pleasure, a large number of men enjoyed a trip to Alexandria Bay and a three-hour boat ride through the Thousand Islands; while at other times baseball and other games were played in the gun park. The local Battery supplied much of the entertainment at the camp's Post Exchange in the form of boxing, wrestling, etc.

Camp this year has been hailed as the "best camp ever attended" by every man in the Battery. Much credit is due to our mess shack, which, under the capable supervision of Sgt. V. Budd and his cooks, won high praise from all officers, enlisted men and guests.

In conclusion, Mount Vernon should be proud to have an organization of such high standing in the National Guard, and should rest assured that in time of need, Battery F is prepared to lend a hand.

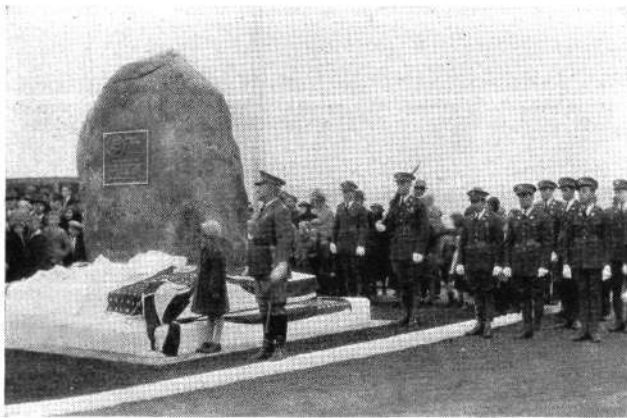
165th INFANTRY Company H

WITH a very successful Camp Tour attaining 100% Attendance and 31 qualifications out of 58 in our weapon, the Machine Gun, behind us, we are ready for anything that may befall us in the coming year.

Our first beer party at Camp brought forth much new talent in the way of entertainment. Pvt. Troy (no relation to Helen) with his guitar sang the new Company song as composed by Corporals McDonough and Morelli. The latter two, in their song, exposed most of the Non-Coms (that needed exposing) and their peculiar traits. Our guests that night were: Lt. Col. Meany, Majors Crowley, Kelly, and Doan and Capt. Westerman of "D" who recited his "Machine Gun" poem. There were many other officers too numerous to mention. The Company song went over big as was evident on the faces of the guests and Privates. Our duo of harmonica players, Corp. Larsen and Pvt. Trupia, gave forth a few of the popular songs. Capt. McDonough (our own) sang his "Pat McCarthy" and Lt. Wynne sipped beer.

At our second beer party, in addition to our regular guests, the Officers and Non-Coms of Co. H, 14th Inf., were there in full strength. The new Regimental Commander, Col. A. E. Anderson, found time from his many duties to be there, to present the 100% Attendance medals to 1st Sgt. Nuccio, Sgts. Cameron, Castro, Lewis and O'Connor, Corps. Kilanski, McDonough, Molloy and Morelli, Pvts. Landau, J. Maher, and Rehak. Pvt. Troy and his company put on a skit. That, plus the Company song, was "colossal." The Colonel made a speech thanking every one for their cooperation.

Our bivouac was a very successful one. Pvt. Troy thought that he could catch up on some weight but the only thing he caught was a cold.



108th INFANTRY Company M

THE ceremonies at Morissette Park, dedicated to Honorable Ralph J. Morissette, Mayor of the City of Ogdensburg, on November 11th were in charge of Company M, 108th Infantry.

Preceding this dedication, memorial services were held by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion of this City. This Company escorted both organizations.



WE look at the minute parts of a tank and think the guy that invented them is a genius. But when one realizes that Staff Sergeant Fred Frank not only knows every nut and bolt, but has kept the tanks running all these years, under adverse conditions—then the guy who invented them looks cheap.

Private Ace DaPonte has done a great deal for the outfit in the line of athletics. It was due in a large measure to him that the baseball team rose to the stars last spring.

Mess Sergeant Nieb and Company Clerk Wall should take up chess to spend their time at camp. But then, we got good chow and the paper work was kept efficiently, so they cannot have slept all day.

1st Class Mechanic "Chuck" Rafter is a bright spot among tankers. He is always ready with a joke—even if it is the same one, and it always is. He soothes the heart of the homesick recruit by showing his permanent pictures, first on the right arm then on the left. He is always willing to give 1st Sergeant Casey a tip on any subject. Tim Casey, with a number of years in the Regular Army Service in the Tank Corps to his credit, is a patient listener. Seriously however, some soldiers might notice and imitate "Chuck's" courtesy toward Officers; the salute and "Sir" are always there.

108th INFANTRY Company K

ONE of the most interesting and inspiring Regimental Rifle Matches held in several years was conducted at the outdoor range of Co. K at Hornell, New York on September 8, 1934.

The teams from the various organizations of the Regiment assembled Friday, September 7th for practice, and on Saturday, September 8th at 7 A.M. drawing for targets and positions began, and at promptly 8 A.M. the first shot was fired.

The weather conditions for a favorable match were most unpleasant. A constant rain and mist which fell throughout the entire day made the visibility fallible.

At noon time a lunch, prepared and served by the cooks of K Company such as they are capable of contributing to an occasion of this character, was enjoyed by all contestants and guests. Immediately following this, the match was continued.

As noted by the scores of the teams competing the result of variation at the 2 and 3 hundred yards was but 5 points difference. Not until the last shot was fired at 600 yards was victory conceded to the winning team. On the victorious team coached by Sgt. P. N. Lambert were Sgts. G. A. Straight, Corp. J. P. Sheon and Sgt. C. J. Lorow alternate. This being Corp. Sheon's initiatory match, and as he was last man to fire on the team, much was depending upon his success or failure to win the match. The Corporal needing a 46 to win, acquired a 47 score which placed K Co. as the winner.

The Jones Medal which is given to the high score of the

match was won by Sgt. Laird of Company L of Elmira. Although three other men shot the score of 145 he was awarded this medal for the most consecutive fives at 600 yards.

The occasion was brought to a fitting climax when the Officers and teams and their ladies assembled at the Ball Room of the Hotel Sherwood where they were entertained with a dinner dance. After several hours of speeches, entertainment and dancing all departed for their home cities stating, "It was the biggest and best yet."

Rifle and Pistol Challenge

THE newly formed Rifle and Pistol Club of Company K, 14th Infantry, would like to meet some of the other outfits of the Guard in a small bore rifle match. They are willing to travel for teams within a reasonable distance and would be willing to arrange correspondence matches with more distant teams. Write to Co. K, 14th Infantry, 216 Washington St., Hempstead, N. Y.

The first and second platoons had it out in a game of indoor baseball, and the initial platoon came out on top to the tune of nine to five. Sgt. Frank Schlichtig starred for the second platoon while Sgt. Bill Root was responsible for the excellent showing of the first.

BATTERY D 244TH C.A.

LAST February Battery "D" of the 244th C.A. held their first dance in quite some time. The affair was held in the gymnasium at the armory. It was at first thought to hold the dance for members of the battery, and their immediate families, but at the end of two weeks, after the announcement of the dance the demand for tickets became so great that we opened the sale to the public.

The actual number of people that attended the dance was well over the 600 mark—a surprisingly large number on such short notice. In view of the success of our past affair and with the following we have built up, we have already made preparations for a reception and dance which will take place at the Hotel Cornish Arms, on Saturday evening, January 26th, 1935.

This site was selected so that the vast crowd we expect can be easily accommodated, for our committee reports that the demand for tickets is so great, that it will take some time to meet all requests.

Old timers predict this dance will be the biggest and best in the history of the regiment. Subscriptions (one dollar) may be obtained from the Battery D Dance Committee, 125 West 14th St., N. Y. C.

Lesse Layne and his sensational dance band consisting of eleven vocalists and instrumentalists, who just recently captured the Greene County dance band contest in competition with twelve other bands, has been engaged to add lustre to the evening's entertainment.



244th COAST ARTILLERY 2nd Bn. Hdqrs. Battery and Combat Train (The Russian Battery)

ON Sunday morning July 22nd we marched back into the armory after having completed our fifth tour of camp as the Russian Battery. We arrived "sans awards" and "sans trophies," but nevertheless it was a mighty successful camp and we all got a great deal out of it.

For the first time in two years we enjoyed our full quota of officers, 1st Lieut. Sturges having been transferred from Battery "C," and 2nd Lieut. Bogoluboff having recently been promoted from the grade of Corporal.

Lieut. Bogoluboff was a Lieutenant in the Russian Navy during the World War, and saw service on the Black Sea. He is a graduate of the Russian Naval Academy.

Corporal P. Fedotoff won the award of a complete new uniform offered by Captain Morford for being the neatest and most-soldierly appearing man in the outfit. A system of demerits on appearance and bearing handed out at an inspection every day at the formation before evening parade, determined the winner. Private B. Drashpil unfortunately lost out during the final inspection our last day in camp. He finished with only one demerit and deserves mention, for Corp. Fedotoff finished with only one less—none.

Considerable credit is due our own enlisted cook, Pfc. V. Chernetzoff and his able assistant Pvt. G. Gelnovatch, together with acting Mess Sgt. Paul Petrovsky, for the fine manner in which the mess was handled this year. The Russian special dishes were especially enjoyed by everyone who partook.

Our annual "party" was enjoyed by all those present and was considerably enlivened by the performance of the Russian Midget Troupe from the local "Carnival" in Oswego. As usual the date was the last Friday in camp, and somehow or other everyone was "accounted for" at Federal Muster next morning.

52nd FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

THE Battery feels very grateful to the manager and Captain of the baseball team for piloting their hard playing ball team through the most successful season they have enjoyed. Out of eight games they wound up with seven on the right side of the ledger and one in the red.

Now we find the battery athletes devoting themselves to

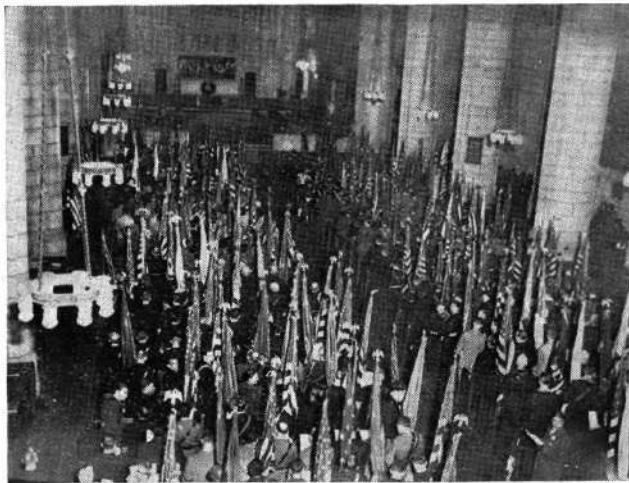


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Colors Massed in Memory of Fallen

Over five hundred stands of colors were massed in St. Thomas's Church, New York City, at the service held there on Armistice Day, 1934.

floor basketball under the guidance of Pvt. Johnny McMahon, their captain. We were defeated in the first game of the season by the All Stars, score 18-13, but that doesn't phase us. As a matter of fact we are just as glad; it keeps us from becoming over-confident.

The team plays at 2 o'clock every Sunday at Saint Stephen's Hall, located at Summitt St. between Hicks and Henry Streets, Brooklyn. Dancing before and after the game.

We are anxious to hear from all Guard Teams. Please get in touch with Pvt. John McMahon, Hdq. Battery, 52nd F.A. Brigade, 171 Clermont Avenue, Brooklyn.

121st CAVALRY Band

THE annual party of the 121st Cavalry Band at Dumpling Hill went over with a bang on November 1, among those to win prizes in various Hallowe'en Games were Corp. R. J. Maas, Pvt. M. N. Weinstein, Pvt. F. J. Guinta and Pvt. C. B. Gillard. The program included a grand march to show off the costumes and first place was justly awarded to Sgt. W. D. Geib. The judges were Capt. Edward Harris, Lieut. Arthur E. Sutherland, and Warrant Officer Austin H. Truitt, conductor of the band. The committee in charge was formed by Sgt. Michael J. Falzone, Pfc. E. J. Dickson and Pvt. W. J. Alling.

105th INFANTRY Headquarters Company

THE Annual Company Hallowe'en Party was held at Troy in the Company Parlors, Saturday evening, October 27. Dancing, games, and a buffet lunch were enjoyed by approximately 40 couples, including members of the Company and guests. Lt. Thomas R. Horton was general chairman, assisted by 1st Sgt. Edward Maguire, Sgt. Frank Sheehy, Sgt. Wm. Armstrong and Corp. Harry Raphael.

The First Anniversary of the Non-Coms Association

was celebrated at the Armory, Saturday evening, October 6, at which time the Association acted as host to the Non-Coms Association of the 53rd Brigade Headquarters Co. A roast beef dinner was served under the direction of Mess Sgt. James Maguire, assisted by 1st Cook Armand LaCroix and Pfc. "Bing" Crosby.

27th DIVISION QUARTERMASTER TRAIN

WHILE we all felt jubilant upon arrival at camp on June 10th, yet there was an undercurrent of sadness because we all knew this would be the last opportunity we would have of contacting with Major George M. Herringshaw, our regular army instructor. We knew the orders had been issued, transferring Major Herringshaw, at the end of the camp tour, to a new station at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

After four years of intimate association with a man of the type of Major Herringshaw, is it to be wondered we should have the efficiency which we now possess. We shall all deeply regret the parting with Major Herringshaw. He has been an outstanding figure in our Organization. He is a gentleman and a true soldier. He was firm, yet courteous; nothing was too trivial to talk to him about. His explanations concerning Organization Transportation, equipment and discipline were illuminating. His many acts of kindness to the individual Officers and the enlisted men endeared him to our Organization.

On June 15th, 1934, the Officers of the Train tendered a farewell dinner to Major Herringshaw. It was rather a surprise dinner. Lieutenant William Molloy was Toastmaster, Major Robert H. Platz, Commanding Officer, made a wonderful address, reviewing the work of Major Herringshaw, from the time he became instructor of the Train. Major Joseph J. Mackey, Quartermaster Reserve, attached to the Train, then spoke on behalf of the Officers of the Train and a number of the Officers rendered musical selections. Major Herringshaw closed the evening with a heart to heart talk to the Officers.

On Sunday, June 17th, 1934, a review of the Train was tendered on the parade ground, and in the presence of several thousand friends and guests of the Train, Major Platz in a short but feeling address presented to Major Herringshaw, on behalf of the Officers of the Train, as a token of their appreciation, a special manufactured saber, and with a wrist watch with the compliments of the enlisted personnel.

To Major Herringshaw, we wish to say to you that every man of our Organization looks upon you as a loyal friend, a gentleman and a true soldier. May God speed you in your new assignment, and we want you to realize that the 27th Division Train has "Welcome" written on the doormat for you at all times. We hope we may see you frequently at our armory in the future.



Major G. M. Herringshaw

RESULTS OF 105th INFANTRY'S SMALL ARMS MATCHES

WE are now able to publish in fuller detail the results of the Annual Small Arms Tournament held by the 105th Infantry at the Col. Walker G. Robinson Range, Karners, N. Y., on Sept. 23rd, 1934.



Sgt. C. F. Perkins, Co. F,
105th Infantry

Winner of the Mt. Kemmel Pistol Trophy and the Poperinghe Rifle Trophy.

The Ford Trophy, awarded to the winning team in the Automatic Rifle Match, was won by Company A of Troy, New York. In the Machine Gun Matches, Company D of Troy won the Souplet Trophy while Company H of Gloversville, N. Y. was the winner of the Challenger Trophy. The winners in the Rifle Team Matches were: Company F of Schenectady winning the Jonc de Mer Ridge Trophy; Company A of Troy, the Hindenburg Line Trophy; Company L of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., the Troy Cup; and Company G

of Amsterdam, N. Y., the Le Selle River Trophy. Company M of Schenectady won both of the Pistol Team Matches and was awarded the Dickiebush Trophy and the Robinson Trophy.

In the Individual Matches with the rifle Sergeant C. F. Perkins and Sergeant James Herron, both of Company F of Schenectady, were the winners. Sergeant Perkins being awarded the Poperinghe Trophy and Sergeant Herron, the Knoll Trophy. In these matches Sergeant Herron competed with sixty-two other men while Sergeant Perkins competed with seventy-two others. The winners of the individual matches were Sergeant Harry Gully of Regimental Headquarters Company of Troy who won the Gloversville Cup and Sergeant C. F. Perkins, Company F of Schenectady, who won the Mt. Kemmel Trophy.



Rifle Team of Company L, 105th Infantry

The total number of rifle entries was 330, automatic rifle 30, machine gun 30, and pistol 77. The total number of men firing during the competition was 467. This total, however, does not represent the number of individuals who participated in the matches due to the same man being entered in more than one match. There were however, 123 men participating in the rifle matches, 30 in the machine gun, and approximately 45 in the pistol.

A great deal of credit for the planning and successful conduct of the tournament is due Major C. B. Degenaar, the range officer, and his excellent staff of assistants.

102nd ENGINEERS

Company D

DURING the last month, the Company basketball teams have improved greatly, and it is probable that we may win all the games scheduled with outside teams before the Regimental games are to begin.

The Company Rifle team lost by seven points to the Cavalry team, Troop I, 102nd Cavalry, N.J.N.G. However, Capt. Ferris won the pistol match with Troop I, Company Commander Captain Lord. The match was held on the same evening. We have a return match scheduled to be held on the outdoor range of the Essex Troop.



The Professional Schools have progressed satisfactorily to date. The course in Highway Construction and Design was greatly improved by reason of the use of an opaque projector. By this means the lectures are illustrated by reflected images on a large screen.

The Company's movie projector has been in constant use. We have shown a great variety of pictures, some of which have been training films procured from the War Dept.

Our Company's publication *The Transit*, is nearing the first anniversary of its institution. The editorial staff have exchanged our paper with other organizations throughout the Country. We extend thanks to the Seventh Regiment for their *Gazette* and to the 127th Engineers of Alabama for their *Letters*.

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It is said of Examining Boards, "If you study about the ground, they ask you about the air." This is the quandry faced by this company as the examinations for Corporals and a Master Sergeant come around.



That nice juicy plum of a job, Master Sergeant, is vacant now due to the rise of one of our Zebras to the exalted rank of Second Lieutenant. To James Nolan the company gives a hand. With us for seven years, he now becomes a company officer. Surely his interest in and work for the company merit him the recognition and promotion now his.

As customary to all new officers the company tendered him what started out to be a cocktail party but ended in a real dinner party in the George Washington Hotel. To our delight and surprise Colonel Anderson, Lt. Col. Meany and Major McSherry of the "69th," Captain McDonough representing General Phelan, Captains Beers and Hallestan, Federal Instructors, Captain Baird and Lieutenant MacArthur of the company, Lieutenant Murray of the Signal Battalion and several ex-members joined us in paying respects to the new officer. With such a distinguished gathering present one can forgive the new Lieutenant a slight swelling of the chest.



Honored by Re-election

Captain Leo W. Hesselman, Chief of Staff of the New York Naval Militia, has been re-elected President of the U. S. Naval Reserve Officers Association.

CAPTAIN ABNER HUNTER PLATT

CAPTAIN Abner Hunter Platt, former commanding officer of Troop F, First New York Cavalry, died suddenly on the evening of Saturday, November 3, 1934, in Versailles, Kentucky, where he lived for the past six years. He was 53 years old. A heart attack was the immediate cause of his death. Captain Platt was born in San Francisco, May 10, 1881 and received his education in New York schools and Princeton University. He was connected with the American Exchange National Bank and later was, for a number of years, secretary-treasurer of the Federal Sugar Refining Company.

He enlisted in Squadron C, New York Cavalry, was commissioned second lieutenant and in 1912 ordered to command the newly formed Troop F, 2nd Cavalry, on Staten Island, where he became a resident. He commanded the troop during the pre-border and Mexican Border periods as part of the First New York Cavalry and subsequently took the troop to Spartanburg, S. C., for World War service. While here, the troop lost its identity, the men being sent to various units of the 27th Division, and Captain Platt was transferred to the 106th Machine Gun Battalion, then to Company D of the 102nd Ammunition train, then back as commanding officer of Company G of the 106th Machine Gun Battalion where he served throughout the war.

Funeral services were held in Versailles on November 5th and burial was in a family plot in Memphis, Tenn. He is survived by his wife, Nora Catchings Platt; four sons, Waddill C. Platt, a student at the University of Kentucky; Hugh, Edward C. and Stewart Platt, and one brother Horace Platt of Erie, Pa. His elder brother, Lieutenant Edward Cuthbert Platt, was killed in battle in France while serving with the Canadian Army, November, 1917.

On Sunday, November 18, a memorial service was held at St. Mary's Episcopal church, West New Brighton, Staten Island, where Captain Platt was a vestryman. The service was attended by Headquarters Troop, 51st Cavalry Brigade, veterans of Troop F, details from American Legion posts on Staten Island and a host of his many Staten Island friends.

BASKETBALL CHALLENGE

The Regimental Basketball team of the 71st Infantry, N. Y. N. G., would be glad to arrange for basketball contests with teams of other military or naval organizations, schools or colleges.

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FROM PRIVATE TO MAJOR GENERAL

An Appreciation of General Ward's Service

(Continued from page 11)

In 1926, upon the death of Brigadier General Edward J. Westcott, The Adjutant General of the State, Governor Alfred E. Smith, appointed General Ward to that office, a position he has so admirably filled that he has brought great credit to the State in military matters and brilliantly finished a splendid service of forty-six years.

After the World War General Ward was put on duty with the War Department for over a year, serving on the General Staff in Washington. Here with some dozen other prominent National Guard officers from other states the machinery was set-up for the reorganization and training of the National Guard throughout the country. It was a difficult task and the merit of the work of these "super-Guard officers" has been amply tested by the fine organization of the National Guard of the United States today.

He was promoted to the rank of Major General by Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, February 24, 1930, at which time a great testimonial was given him at Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, over one thousand, including the commissioned officers of the entire state, attending a banquet in his honor.

Again as an author in 1932, he completed a story of the World War under the title "Between the Big Parades." From the time it came off the press until the present it has had a tremendous sale, the third printing having been nearly exhausted.

It is a war story, we might say, differently told, bringing the reader into intimate touch with the every-day life of a soldier in and out of the trenches, full of humor, pathos and tragedy, with a gripping hold upon the reader.

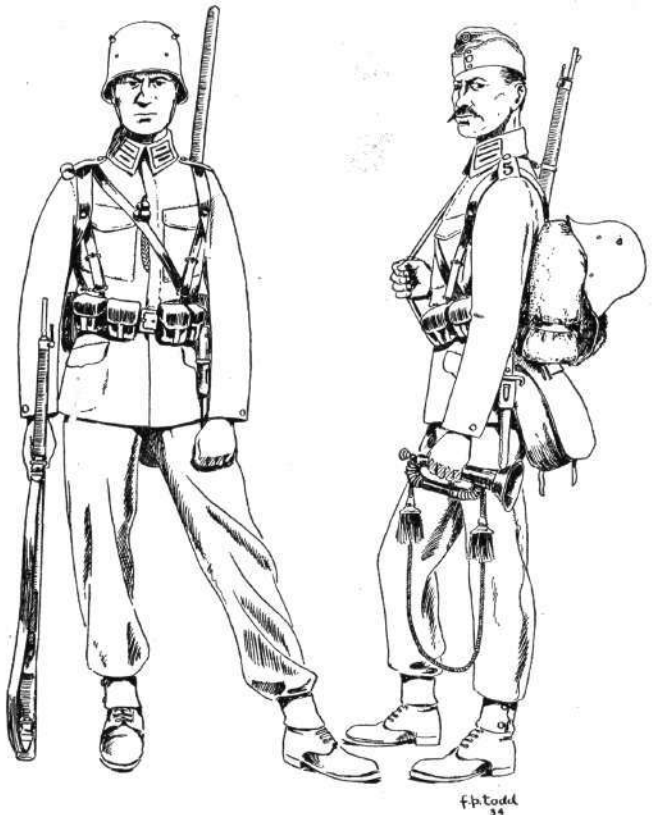
This, briefly, touches the high lights of General Ward's loyal, patriotic, up-building service, a record that adds another illustrious page to the military history of the State of New York, keeping up full-step with the famous military service of other patriotic sons, who, since the days of George Washington, have made the citizen soldier the background of our security and defense.

Major General Franklin Wilmer Ward, the entire National Guard salutes you!

1st. Sgt. Martin J. McKenna, Sgt. Nathaniel Korn and any member of the Entertainment Committee.

We are happy to say that Company "C" was well represented at the "Staff Sergeant Ernest Ambach Testimonial Dinner" held at the Granada Hotel, November 24th. The reason for the splendid show-out from our company was to show 1st Sgt. Martin J. McKenna, President of the Non-Commissioned Officers Association 14th Infantry. (Sponsor of the dinner) that we always are willing to co-operate with him and the association of which he has the distinguished honor of being its President.

Our Athletic teams have resumed practice again and are out to win some more laurels.



INFANTRY OF THE WORLD

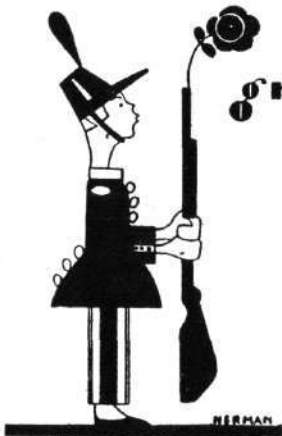
3. AUSTRIA

EDITOR'S NOTE: The above illustration is by Capt. F. P. Todd of the 107th Infantry and is the third of a series submitted by him, showing the uniform and equipment of the Infantry soldier of various nations. Other illustrations will be published in due course.

THE Austrian uniform, despite the steel helmet of Germanic origin, retains many of its traditional lines, such as the buttonless tunic, the convertible fatigue cap and the long sleeved trousers. The color is a greyish-green, the coat of a somewhat darker shade with the helmet painted to match. The equipment is all of brown leather with, in the case of the knapsack, the natural hair remaining. For dress purposes a sprig of green oak-leaves is fastened to the left side of the helmet and straight long trousers are worn. The pack is capable of as many combinations as our own, the figure above on the right wearing the lightest variation. The rifle is the Mannlicher and carries a very short bayonet. Above, the left figure is an Infantry pioneer and the right a bugler.

14th INFANTRY

Company C



THE Officers and Enlisted men of Company "C" wish their friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Company "C" is contemplating to hold its 12th Annual Veterans Reunion in the latter part of December. Reservations and further information can be secured from



WINS NAVY RESERVE TROPHY

THE New York Society Military and Naval Officers World War's Navy Trophy, which is annually awarded among the Naval Reserve Divisions of the Third Naval District for excellence in gunnery and communications has this year been bestowed upon the 31st Fleet Division, USNR, New Rochelle, New York, Lt. F. K. Gundlach, D-F, USNR, commanding.

The presentation was made by the President of the Society, Brig. Gen. George A. Wingate, on Navy Day Saturday, October 27, 1934 on the occasion of a Review of the New York Naval Reserve Brigade tendered Maj. Gen. Franklin W. Ward, the Adjutant General, State of New York.

In presenting the Trophy, General Wingate stated that it had been awarded for the highest standing in indoor training after keen competition under the direction of the United States Naval authorities. He complimented the officers and the men of the 31st Fleet Division for having won the Trophy from such worthy opponents and Lieutenant Gundlach on the efficiency of his command.



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THE safest way never to be lost is either to carry a map of the locality you are in or else to familiarize yourself so thoroughly with the geography of the district that you will always know where you are.

But these precautions are not always possible; in dense woodland or in darkness it is the easiest thing to get off the track, and against such an emergency we print below the advice of an old fisherman which appeared in the *Pennsylvania Angler*:

"If one should miss his way or is overtaken by darkness, the first thing to remember is, like the Indian: 'You are not lost; it is the tepee that is lost. It isn't serious unless you do something foolish.'

"Don't attempt to make your way through the darkness. Find a comfortable spot, build a fire and wait. Your friends will soon find you. Never go

anywhere alone unless you first inform some one in your party of your intended destination and routes to be followed. Know the location of your camp or starting point and frequently check its location with your compass.

"It is not only wise but necessary to carry a compass, a watch, a good stout knife and plenty of matches. A fishing line and a few hooks are never amiss in a spare pocket.

"Remember, you can't starve to death immediately. Starvation is a slow process and the man who does not tire himself tearing madly through the woods can survive many days on water alone. Familiarize yourself with edible woodland plants and fruits. Even in the dead of winter one who knows can find enough food to sustain life for months.

"The worst thing to do is to get frightened. It is fear that robs one of his judgment and strength and often turns a passing experience into a tragedy. Keep cool and don't run!"

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Maximum Authorized Strength National Guard New York..1499 Off.	22 W. O.	19485 E. M.	Total 21006
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Present Strength New York National Guard.....1401 Off.	19 W. O.	18623 E. M.	Total 20043

HQ. & HQ. DET., INFANTRY DIVISION

	Off.	W.O.	E.M.	Total
Maintenance	27	0	38	65
Hq. & Hq. Det. 27th Div.	27	0	56	83

HQ. & HQ. TR., CAVALRY BRIGADE

Maintenance	9	0	60	69
Hq. & Hq. Tr. 51st Cav. Brigade	8	0	68	76

HQ. & HQ. BTRY., F. A. BRIGADE (Truck Drawn)

Maintenance	10	0	26	36
Hq. & Hq. Btry. 52nd F. A. Brig.	9	0	44	53

HQ. & HQ. COS., INFANTRY BRIGADE

Maintenance	7	0	20	27
53rd Brigade	7	0	38	45
54th Brigade	7	0	33	40
87th Brigade	7	0	34	41
93rd Brigade	7	0	35	42

COAST ARTILLERY CORPS BRIGADE

Allotment	4	0	7	11
Actual Strength	4	0	7	11

HEADQUARTERS 44TH DIVISION

Allotment	10	0	0	10
Actual Strength	7	0	0	7

MEDICAL REGIMENT, INFANTRY DIV.

Maintenance	50	1	588	639
102nd Medical Regiment	44	1	625	670

SIGNAL BATTALION (Corps Troops)

Maintenance	14	0	149	163
101st Signal Battalion	14	0	160	174

INFANTRY REGIMENTS

Maintenance	66	1	971	1038
Actual	636	7	10207	10850
10th Infantry	63	1	1054	1118
14th Infantry	66	1	1007	1074
71st Infantry	65	1	1030	1096
105th Infantry	62	1	1038	1101
106th Infantry	65	1	1020	1086
107th Infantry	59	0	968	1027
108th Infantry	64	0	1045	1109
165th Infantry	65	1	946	1012
174th Infantry	64	1	1042	1107
369th Infantry	63	0	1057	1120

FIELD ARTILLERY REGT. 155 MM HOW. (Truck Dr.)

Maintenance	63	1	583	647
106th Field Artillery	59	1	611	671

STATE STAFF

	Off.	W.O.	E.M.	Total
Maximum	32	0	108	140
A.G.D. Section	5	0	4	9
J.A.G.D. Section	5	0	0	5
Ordnance Section	5	0	23	28
Medical Section	3	0	0	3
Quartermaster Section	9	0	12	21

SPECIAL TROOPS (Infantry Div.)

Maintenance	25	0	293	318
Special Troops, 27th Division	24	0	322	346

QUARTERMASTER TRAIN (Infantry Div.)

Maintenance	16	0	219	235
27th Division Q.M. Train	14	0	224	238

DIVISION AVIATION (Infantry Div.)

Maintenance	33	0	85	118
27th Division Aviation	16	0	109	125

ENGINEER REGT. (Combat) (Infantry Div.)

Maintenance	34	1	440	475
102nd Engineers (Combat)	31	1	448	480

FIELD ARTILLERY (75 MM Horse Drawn)

Maintenance	56	1	545	602
156th Field Artillery	53	1	577	631

FIELD ARTILLERY (75 MM Truck Drawn)

Maintenance	54	1	544	599
104th Field Artillery	49	1	591	641
105th Field Artillery	55	1	573	629

FIELD ARTILLERY (155 MM G. P. F.)

Maintenance	63	1	583	647
258th Field Artillery	53	1	615	669

CAVALRY REGIMENTS

Maintenance	42	1	528	571
101st Cavalry	40	1	602	643
121st Cavalry	41	1	547	589

COAST ARTILLERY (A.A.)

Maintenance	48	1	656	705
Actual	45	1	709	755

COAST ARTILLERY (155 MM Guns)

Maintenance	63	1	582	646
244th Coast Artillery	57	1	622	680

COAST ARTILLERY (Harbor Defense)

Maintenance	60	1	578	739
245th Coast Artillery	60	1	727	788

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

OCTOBER AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR ENTIRE FORCE.....85.76%

NOTE

(1) The small figure placed beside the bracketed figure shows the unit's position on last month's list as compared with its present standing.
 (2) "Excellent" units (90-100%) in CAPITAL LETTERS; "Satisfactory" units (80-90%) in *ITALIC CAPITAL LETTERS*;
 "Fair" units (70-80%) in Regular Type; and "Unsatisfactory" units (below 70%) in *Italics*.

UNIT	Aver. Pres. No. Dr.	Aver. and Abs.	Aver. % Att.	UNIT	Aver. Pres. No. Dr.	Aver. and Abs.	Aver. % Att.	UNIT	Aver. Pres. No. Dr.	Aver. and Abs.	Aver. % Att.	
71st Infantry			91.04% (2) ₅									
REGTL. HDQRS. ...	4	7	7	100								
REGTL. HQ. CO.	4	61	51	84								
SERVICE CO.	6	94	88	94								
HOWITZER CO.	4	62	52	84								
HQ.&HQ.CO. 1st BN.	5	26	23	89								
COMPANY A.	5	64	62	97								
COMPANY B.	5	61	52	85								
COMPANY C.	5	66	61	92								
COMPANY D.	5	62	54	87								
HQ.&HQ. CO. 2d BN.	5	33	31	94								
COMPANY E.	5	60	54	90								
COMPANY F.	5	60	53	88								
COMPANY G.	5	65	61	94								
COMPANY H.	5	66	61	92								
HQ.&HQ. CO. 3d BN.	6	27	26	96								
COMPANY I.	6	64	60	94								
COMPANY K.	6	65	65	100								
COMPANY L.	5	62	54	87								
COMPANY M.	6	64	60	94								
MED. DEPT. DET. ...	4	36	31	86								
		1105	1006	91.04								
Special Troops, 27th Div.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	5	10	10	100								
27th HDQRS. CO.	5	54	48	89								
102nd ORD. CO.	5	38	37	97								
27th TANK CO.	4	58	50	86								
27th SIGNAL CO.	4	73	66	90								
102nd MTRCYL. CO. ...	5	36	33	92								
27th MIL. POL. CO. ...	5	58	53	91								
MED. DEPT. DET. ...	5	19	17	89								
		346	314	90.75								
101st Cavalry												
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	7	7	100								
HDQRS. TROOP ...	6	67	61	91								
BAND	5	23	22	96								
MACHINE GUN TR. ...	6	61	54	89								
HDQRS. 1st SQD.	4	2	2	100								
TROOP A.	6	63	59	94								
TROOP B.	4	61	52	85								
HDQRS. 2nd SQD.	4	2	2	100								
TROOP E.	6	89	80	90								
TROOP F.	5	81	70	86								
HDQRS. 3rd SQD.	4	2	2	100								
TROOP I.	6	69	63	91								
TROOP K.	5	87	82	94								
MEDICAL DET.	4	18	16	89								
MED. DET. (NYC). ...	6	8	8	100								
		640	580	90.62								
102nd Med. Reg.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	8	8	100								
HDQRS. & SER. CO. ...	5	68	63	93								
HDQRS. COL. BN. ...	5	6	6	100								
104th COL. CO.	5	65	55	85								
105th COL. CO.	4	69	64	93								
106th COL. CO.	5	61	55	90								
HDQRS. AMB. BN. ...	5	5	4	80								
104th AMB. CO.	5	46	43	93								
105th AMB. CO.	5	48	42	87								
106th AMB. CO.	4	47	43	91								
HDQRS. HOS. BN. ...	5	6	6	100								
104th HOS. CO.	5	68	59	87								
105th HOS. CO.	5	65	59	91								
106th HOS. CO.	4	68	56	82								
102nd VET. CO.	5	41	39	95								
		671	602	89.71								
104th Field Art.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	5	5	100								
HDQRS. BAT.	5	54	43	80								
SERVICE BATTERY. ...	6	71	65	92								
HDQRS. 1st BAT. ...	4	4	4	100								
HQ.BAT.&C.T., 1stBN.	4	42	38	92								
BATTERY A.	5	65	55	85								
BATTERY B.	5	65	56	86								
BATTERY C.	5	65	56	86								
HDQRS. 2nd BAT. ...	3	4	4	100								
HQ.BAT.&C.T., 2ndBN.	5	36	32	89								
BATTERY D.	5	73	65	89								
BATTERY E.	4	66	57	86								
BATTERY F.	4	68	58	85								
MED. DEPT. DET. ...	5	25	24	96								
		646	562	86.99								
105th Field Art.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	5	6	6	100								
HDQRS. BATTERY. ...	6	44	42	95								
SERVICE BATTERY. ...	5	66	63	95								
1st BAT. HDQRS. ...	4	4	4	100								
1st BAT. HQ. BY. ...	5	37	32	97								
BATTERY A.	3	70	62	88								
Battery B.	4	68	50	74								
BATTERY C.	5	66	58	88								
2nd BAT. HDQRS. ...	5	4	4	100								
2nd BAT. HQ. BAT. ...	6	37	34	92								
BATTERY D.	5	70	59	84								
BATTERY E.	5	65	55	85								
BATTERY F.	5	70	57	81								
MED. DEPT. DET. ...	6	30	28	93								
		637	554	86.97								
106th Field Art.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	6	6	100								
HDQRS. BATTERY. ...	5	66	55	83								
SERVICE BATTERY. ...	5	64	58	91								
HDQRS. 1st BAT. ...	4	4	4	100								
HQ. BAT.&C.T.1stBN.	5	31	28	91								
		636	574	90.25								
106th Cavalry												
HEADQUARTERS ..	5	66	62	94								
HDQRS. TROOP ...	5	66	62	94								
BAND	5	28	26	93								
MACHINE GUN TROOP	5	67	63	94								
HDQRS. 1st Squadron	5	2	1	50								
TROOP A.	5	63	58	92								
TROOP B.	8	67	65	97								
HDQRS. 2ND SQ.	5	2	2	100								
TROOP E.	6	63	56	89								
TROOP F.	5	65	64	99								
HDQRS. 3RD SQ.	5	2	2	100								
TROOP I.	5	68	67	99								
TROOP K.	5	65	60	92								
MEDICAL DETACH	5	26	25	96								
		589	556	94.39								
102nd Med. Reg.												
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	8	8	100								
HDQRS. & SER. CO. ...	5	68	63	93								
HDQRS. COL. BN. ...	5	6	6	100								
104th COL. CO.	5	65	55	85								
105th COL. CO.	4	69	64	93								
106th COL. CO.	5	61	55	90								
HDQRS. AMB. BN. ...	5	5	4	80								
104th AMB. CO.	5	46	43	93								
105th AMB. CO.	5	48	42	87				</				

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Battery K.....	4	55	42	76
BATTERY L.....	4	57	50	88
BATTERY M.....	4	55	48	87
MED. DEPT. DET...	4	30	28	93
		784	669	85.33

108th Infantry 85.29% (14)¹⁵

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	5	7	7	100
Regtl. Hdqrs. Co.....	4	64	46	72
SERVICE CO.....	5	90	77	86
Howitzer Co.....	5	61	45	74
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	4	26	23	88
COMPANY A.....	5	59	49	83
COMPANY B.....	5	65	59	91
COMPANY C.....	5	64	57	89
COMPANY D.....	5	63	55	87
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	5	27	23	85
Company E.....	5	65	50	77
COMPANY F.....	5	64	59	92
Company G.....	4	62	49	79
Company H.....	5	64	50	78
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	4	27	26	96
COMPANY I.....	5	66	57	86
COMPANY K.....	5	65	60	92
COMPANY L.....	5	64	60	94
COMPANY M.....	5	61	55	90
MED. DEPT. DET...	4	38	33	87
		1102	940	85.29

105th Infantry 83.64% (15)¹⁷

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	4	7	7	100
Regtl. Hdqrs. Co.....	5	63	41	65
SERVICE CO.....	5	104	85	82
HOWITZER CO.....	5	65	56	86
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	5	25	23	92
COMPANY A.....	5	64	55	86
COMPANY B.....	5	65	55	85
Company C.....	5	56	44	78
Company D.....	4	67	47	70
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	5	21	19	90
COMPANY E.....	5	65	56	86
COMPANY F.....	5	65	52	80
COMPANY G.....	5	66	65	98
COMPANY H.....	6	67	54	80
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	5	21	21	100
Company I.....	6	63	49	78
COMPANY K.....	6	63	61	97
COMPANY L.....	5	67	58	86
COMPANY M.....	4	61	52	85
MED. DEPT. DET...	4	32	26	81
		1107	926	83.64

244th Coast Art. 83.59% (16)¹⁴

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	6	6	100
Hdqrs. Battery ..	5	63	49	78
SERVICE BATTERY	5	88	82	93
1st BAT. HDQRS.	4	5	5	100
1st BAT. HQ.BY & C.T.	4	37	31	84
BATTERY A.....	4	57	46	81
BATTERY B.....	4	59	49	83
2nd BAT. HDQRS.	4	8	8	100
2nd BAT HQ.B.&C.T.	5	37	34	92
BATTERY C.....	5	61	52	85
BATTERY D.....	5	64	53	83
3rd BAT. HDQRS.	4	4	4	100
3rd BAT. HQ.B.&C.T.	4	39	32	82
BATTERY E.....	4	63	50	80
Battery F.....	4	64	49	77
Medical Dept. Det...	5	34	26	76
		689	576	83.59

174th Infantry 82.94% (17)²⁰

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	4	7	7	100
REGTL. HDQRS. CO.	5	55	47	85
SERVICE CO.....	102	84	82	
Howitzer Company...	65	51	79	
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	27	24	89	
COMPANY A.....	65	52	80	
Company B.....	64	47	74	
COMPANY C.....	65	49	75	
COMPANY D.....	68	56	82	
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	27	25	93	
COMPANY E.....	68	56	82	
Company F.....	71	50	70	
COMPANY G.....	66	63	95	
COMPANY H.....	62	51	82	
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	25	22	88	
COMPANY I.....	5	60	53	88

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
COMPANY K.....	6	63	56	89
COMPANY L.....	5	66	56	85
COMPANY M.....	5	64	54	84
MED. DEPT. DET...	5	30	26	87
		1120	929	82.94

27th Div. Q'master Train 82.77% (18)²²

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
HEADQUARTERS ..	5	15	15	100
MTR. TRNS. CO. 105	5	48	39	81
MTR. TRNS. CO. 106	5	49	44	90
Motor Trans. Co. 107..	5	40	28	70
MTR. TRNS. CO. 108	5	48	42	87
MTR. REP. SEC. 103	5	22	18	82
Medical Dept. Det....	5	16	11	69
		238	197	82.77

14th Infantry 82.74% (19)²

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	5	7	7	100
Regtl. Hdqrs. Co.....	4	64	50	78
SERVICE CO.....	5	79	69	87
Howitzer Company...	4	65	48	74
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	4	22	19	86
COMPANY A.....	5	66	57	86
Company B.....	5	63	49	78
COMPANY C.....	5	60	49	82
COMPANY D.....	4	66	54	82
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	4	22	20	91
Company E.....	4	64	46	72
Company F.....	4	58	42	72
Company G.....	4	57	42	74
COMPANY H.....	4	62	54	87
Hq. & Hq. Co., 3rd Bn.	4	21	16	76
COMPANY I.....	5	72	68	94
COMPANY K.....	4	70	68	97
COMPANY L.....	4	64	57	89
COMPANY M.....	4	67	58	87
Medical Dept. Det....	5	35	24	68
		1084	897	82.74

107th Infantry 82.46% (20)¹⁶

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	4	6	6	100
Regtl. Hdqrs. Co.....	6	52	34	66
SERVICE CO.....	4	76	70	92
Howitzer Company...	6	54	42	78
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	4	22	22	100
Company A.....	4	61	48	79
COMPANY B.....	4	61	55	90
Company C.....	4	56	39	70
COMPANY D.....	6	58	53	91
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	5	19	16	84
Company E.....	5	56	44	79
Company F.....	5	49	36	73
Company G.....	5	58	46	79
COMPANY H.....	5	50	41	82
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	5	27	24	89
Company I.....	5	62	49	79
COMPANY K.....	5	86	76	88
COMPANY L.....	5	70	63	90
Company M.....	5	57	45	79
MED. DEPT. DET...	3	35	28	80
		1015	837	82.46

258th Field Art. 80.66% (21)²⁴

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
HEADQUARTERS ..	5	5	5	100
Headquarters Battery	5	62	44	71
SERVICE BATTERY	5	67	57	85
1st Battalion Hdqrs.	5	4	3	75
1st BAT. COM. TRN.	5	36	34	94
Battery A.....	5	59	45	76
Battery B.....	5	62	46	74
2nd BAT. HDQRS.	5	4	4	100
2nd BAT. COM. TRN.	5	31	26	84
Battery C.....	5	63	49	78
Battery D.....	5	63	49	78
3rd BAT. HDQRS.	5	4	4	100
3rd BAT. COM. TRN.	5	39	35	90
BATTERY E.....	5	66	57	86
BATTERY F.....	5	67	54	81
MED. DEPT. DET...	5	30	28	93
		662	534	80.66

165th Infantry 80.56% (22)²¹

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	5	7	7	100
REGTL. HDQRS. CO.	4	64	52	81

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Service Company.....	4	83	61	74
HOWITZER CO.....	4	61	49	80
HQ. & HQ.CO., 1st BN.	5	18	17	94
Company A.....	5	67	52	78
COMPANY B.....	5	62	52	84
Company C.....	5	61	48	79
COMPANY D.....	5	59	48	81
HQ. & HQ.CO., 2nd BN.	5	21	17	81
COMPANY E.....	5	58	47	81
Company F.....	5	62	49	79
COMPANY G.....	5	62	54	87
COMPANY H.....	6	58	55	95
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	4	22	18	82
Company I.....	4	64	48	75
Company L.....	4	57	45	79
Company K.....	5	47	33	70
Company M.....	4	62	48	77
MED. DEPT. DET...	4	34	29	85
		1029	829	80.56

102nd Engineers (Combat) 80.20% (23)¹⁸

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
HEADQUARTERS ..	4	8	7	87
HDQRS. & SER. CO.	5	77	68	88
Company A.....	5	65	45	69
COMPANY B.....	5	64	58	91
Company C.....	5	66	50	76
COMPANY D.....	4	61	52	85
COMPANY E.....	4	62	52	84
COMPANY F.....	4	64	54	84
Medical Dept. Det....	4	23	17	74
		490	403	80.20

106th Infantry 77.95% (24)²³

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
REGTL. HDQRS.....	5	7	7	100
Regtl. Hdqrs. Co.....	5	66	49	74
Service Company.....	5	101	74	73
Howitzer Company...	4	55	39	71
Hq. & Hq. Co., 1st Bn.	4	31	24	77
COMPANY A.....	4	65	53	81
COMPANY B.....	4	54	45	83
COMPANY C.....	4	65	55	85
Company D.....	4	68	53	76
Hq. & Hq. Co., 2nd Bn.	5	22	15	68
COMPANY E.....	5	58	48	83
COMPANY F.....	5	61	49	80
Company G.....	5	61	44	72
Company H.....	5	65	48	74
HQ. & HQ.CO., 3rd BN.	5	23	20	87
COMPANY I.....	5	68	55	81
COMPANY K.....	5	63	51	81
Company L.....	5	61	48	79
Company M.....	5	63	43	68
MED. DEPT. DET...	5	36	32	89
		1093	852	77.95

101st Sig. Bat. 79.88% (25)¹⁹

UNIT	No. Dr.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
Hdqrs. & Hdqrs. Co...	4	28	22	79
Company A.....	5	71	54	76
COMPANY B.....	5	68	56	82
MED. DEPT. DET...	5	12	11	92
		179	143	79.88

State Staff	100% (1)₂		
A. G. D. SECTION .. 4	9	9	100
J. A. G. D. SECTION 4	5	5	100
ORDNANCE SEC. 5	28	28	100
MEDICAL SECTION ... 4	3	3	100
Q. M. SECTION..... 5	21	21	100
	66	66	100
53rd Inf. Brig.	95.55% (2)₆		
HEADQUARTERS .. 5	5	5	100
HDQRS. CO..... 5	40	38	95
	45	43	95.55
Hdqrs. 27th Div.	95.12% (3)₅		
HEADQUARTERS .. 4	27	27	100
HDQRS. DET..... 5	55	51	93
	82	78	95.12
51st Cav. Brig.	94.44% (4)₈		
HEADQUARTERS .. 4	6	6	100
HDQRS. TROOP.... 5	66	62	94
	72	68	94.44
54th Inf. Brig.	92.68% (5)₃		
HEADQUARTERS .. 5	5	5	100
HDQRS. CO..... 5	36	33	91
	41	38	92.68
87th Inf. Brig.	92.68% (6)₄		
HEADQUARTERS .. 5	5	5	100
HDQRS. CO..... 5	36	33	91
	41	38	92.68
Hdqrs. Coast Art.	90.90% (7)₁		
HEADQUARTERS .. 5	4	4	100
HDQRS. DET..... 5	7	6	86
	11	10	90.90
93rd Inf. Brig.	90.24% (8)₉		
Headquarters 5	4	3	75
HDQRS. CO..... 5	37	34	92
	41	37	90.24
52nd F. A. Brig.	86.79% (9)₇		
HEADQUARTERS .. 4	7	7	100
HDQRS. BATTERY.. 5	46	39	85
	53	46	86.79

A SOLDIER AND A GENTLEMAN

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I can pay him no higher compliment than to add: He is a soldier and a gentleman.

And in his passing from the active list, the National Guard of the United States and the Army are losing a defender whose place cannot easily be filled. May time deal gently with him, and may he remain for many years as counsellor and guide for those who follow.

My life and my work have been made richer by my contact with him. I join his many other friends in wishing him long life, peace and contentment, in his well earned retirement.

MILTON ATCHISON RECKORD,
Major General, Maryland
National Guard.



104th FIELD ARTILLERY Battery A

ON October 9, 1934, the Battery made a 90-mile trip to Binghamton, N. Y., to take part in the Centennial Celebration and the Dedication of the new 104th F. A. Armory being built there. The trip made in our motorized equipment was made in 3½ hours. The return trip took a few hours more due to the fact that it was made in fog and darkness. Imagine how long a trip like this would have taken if it had been attempted when we were horse drawn. We are still wondering what happened to our motor officer, Lt. John E. Jackson, and his chauffeur, "Chief" Rourke, traveling via motorcycle and sidcar. When we reached Binghamton we were surprised to find that they were not in the column. They did, however, arrive in time to take part in the return trip.

Our new method of drills consisting of rotating classes giving each man an opportunity to learn each department of the battery is being received with the same amount of enthusiasm as they were last winter. This system was introduced by our Bn. Instructor, Major S. D. Downs, Jr., who paid us a recent visit and was very much impressed with the instructors and the way men were receiving instruction.

After a lapse of a few years the N.C.O.'s have reorganized the N.C.O. Club under the leadership of Sgts. "Jim" Small, President, "Jimmie" Sarazen, vice-president, and John E. "Red" Edwards, sec-treasurer. They held their first meeting November 12th after the Armistice Day Parade in which the Battery took an active part.

We take this opportunity to wish the NATIONAL GUARDSMAN and their entire Guard A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S TROPHY PRESENTED TO COMPANY H, 108th INFANTRY

EXERCISES performed by the Rochester units of the 108th Infantry, 10th Infantry, 104th Collecting Company, 121st Cavalry, and the Third Battalion of the N.Y.N.M., in their observance of Armistice Day at the huge Main Street East Armory in Rochester, were marked by the award of the Adjutant General's Machine Gun Trophy to Company H, 108th Infantry, by the Adjutant General in person.

Major General Franklin W. Ward complimented Capt. Clarence M. Olsen upon the very fine performance of his company in being the first unit in the New York National Guard to carry off this trophy (a full description of which appeared on page 18 of the September GUARDSMAN).

Five thousand persons witnessed the presentation of the trophy and expressed their pride in the achievement of their local unit. At the same review, General Ward decorated Colonel Kenneth C. Townson, recently retired as commanding officer of the 121st Cavalry, with the 15-year New York State long and faithful service medal. Major Arthur T. Smith, commanding the Rochester National Guard infantry units, was warmly congratulated by General Ward for the efficiency and soldierly appearance of the troops under his command.

Who Said "War Is Hell"?

WHEN you are a soldier you are one of two things, either at the front or behind the lines. If you are behind the lines you need not worry. If you are at the front you are one of two things. You are either in a danger zone or in a zone which is not dangerous. If you are in a zone which is not dangerous you need not worry. If you are in a danger zone you are one of two things; either you are wounded or you are not. If you are not wounded you need not worry. If you are wounded you are one of two things, either seriously wounded or slightly wounded. If you are slightly wounded you need not worry. If you are seriously wounded one of two things is certain—either you get well or you die. If you get well you needn't worry. If you die you cannot worry, so there is no need to worry about anything at all.

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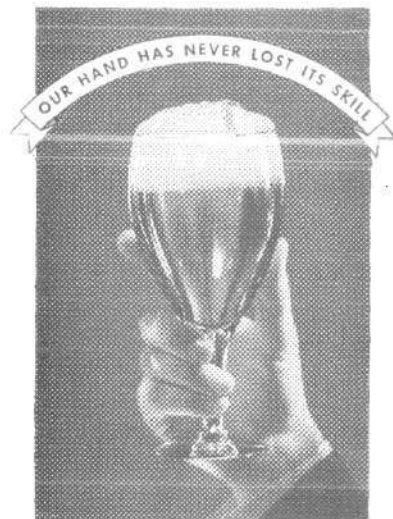
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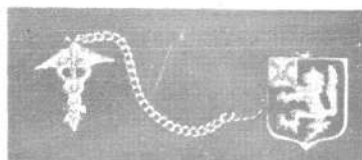
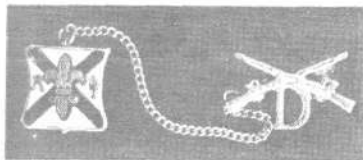
AN ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR the past five years we have been awarded the concession for the operation of the General Store at Camp Smith, Peekskill, New York. It has been our privilege to serve the members of the New York National Guard who have been in training both there and at Pine Camp, Great Bend. We have made many good friends among the New York City and upstate regiments and wish, through the medium of this page, to extend to every member of these units

A VERY HAPPY AND MERRY CHRISTMAS

We thank our many friends for the custom with which they have favored us in the past and assure them, with all sincerity, of our courteous treatment and loyal service at all times in the future.

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