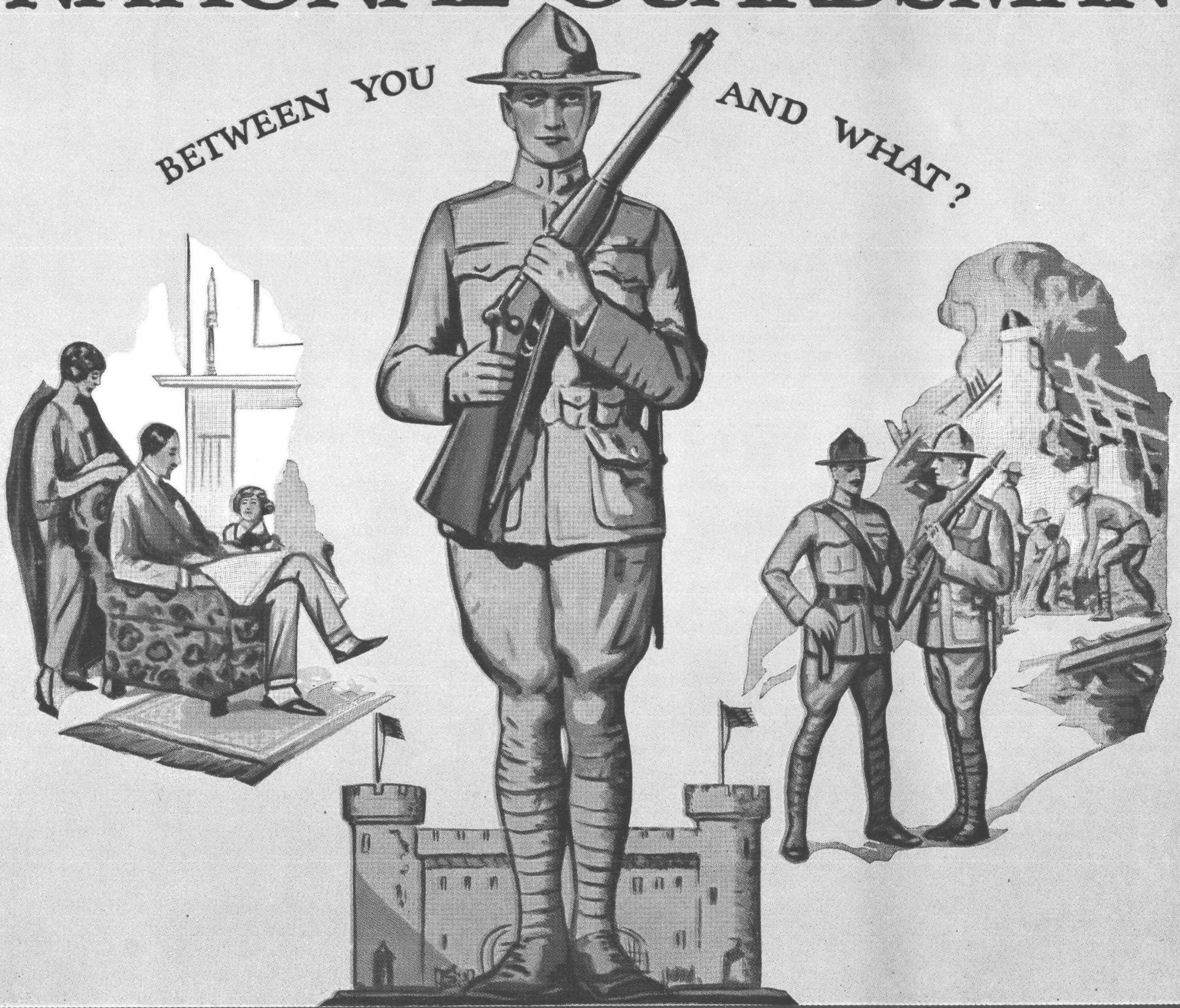


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Points About Recruiting In A Bordering State

Why Join The National Guard?

By joining the National Guard the individual will receive the following instruction:

1. Physical Training. This helps him keep his body fit.
2. Discipline. Discipline is a valuable asset in the daily walks of life; it is essential in the business world.
3. Obedience. Every employer desires men who obey constituted authority. The value of instant and willing obedience to orders is a valuable asset.
4. Loyalty. Without this nobody can be a good citizen.
5. Courtesy. Courtesy in the daily contact of associates is a mark of good character and training, a quality to be desired.
6. First Aid. This may be the means of saving a friend's life, or his own life, pending arrival of a physician.
7. Drill. Proper execution of drill requires co-ordination of mind and body. The soldier has a distinct advantage in this respect over his untrained friends.
8. Specialist Training. Each unit has work to do of a specialized nature. The individual is given the equipment with which to learn.
9. Leadership. This is vital; the individual will not succeed if he does not learn to lead.

By joining the National Guard the individual will be proud of his service to the State and Nation. An honorable discharge certificate is often the open sesame to advancement and emolument.

—Ohio National Guard Bulletin.



Answer To A Mother's Complaint

In a previous issue of *The Bulletin* was reprinted a letter written to the editor of *The Cleveland News* by the mother of a boy who had joined the Ohio National Guard. She lamented his enlistment as follows:

"I have one child, a boy of 19, who has joined the Ohio National Guard. My heart is broken over this. Is there any way I can have him released? He has signed up for three years."

The Bulletin suggested that officers try their hand at replying to this mother. Captain William P. O'Connor, Chaplain 37th Division, responded as follows:

"We are informed of your son joining the National Guard. We are sorry to know that your heart is broken. A mother is consoled when her children do right; sad, when they do wrong. When do children do the right thing? When they offer their lives for their God and Country. Your boy in joining the National Guard is ready to offer his life for his country. When he does this, then he cannot do otherwise than offer his life for religion and God, who gave him the gift of life, who gives him graces to serve Him here on earth. I have yet to find a soldier who has no appreciation of religion. I have found many civilians whose concept of religion and conscience is low. Be consoled, my dear lady. The uniform of the soldier will bring lustre to the uniform of the soul of the boy you raised."

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71st Infantry Holds Annual Mother's Day Services



N. Y. N. G. Has Best Trained Pistol Shots

THERE is little doubt that the New York National Guard has the best trained pistol shots, both among the officers and the enlisted men, of any state in the Union. This has not only been demonstrated at the National Pistol Matches, the past few years, but is also borne out by the number of officers and men in the N. Y. N. G. who have received the Distinguished Pistol Shot Medals from

second, silver medal, with Lieutenant Leo W. Dufort, 105th Infantry, 95.66%, who came all the way from Malone, and New York third, bronze medal, 95.33%.

This year the infantry shot its way onto the team which has in recent years been represented only by the artillery and cavalry.

As a result of open tryouts at Camp Smith, Peekskill,

THE SCORES AND PERCENTAGES

NEW YORK	25 Yds. Slow			15 Yds. R. F.		25 Yds. R. F.		Total %	Bobbars	Total %	Final Per Cent		
	1	2	3	1	2	1	2						
Clare, Lt. J. E. J., Jr.	45	46	91	49	47	49	45	95	5	5	5	100	95.33
Dufort, Lt. L. W.	43	49	92	50	48	44	48	95	5	5	5	100	95.66
Johnston, Capt. G. F.	43	48	91	50	47	45	47	94.50	5	5	5	100	95.16
Lull, Lt. E. P.	47	45	92	45	45	44	44	89	5	5	5	100	93.66
Cavanaugh, Lt. J. R.	43	46	89	44	46	46	41	88.50	5	5	5	100	92.50
Huddleston, Capt. A.	47	46	93	49	47	44	39	89.50	4	5	5	93.33	91.94
Ross, Lt. L.	44	46	90	38	44	41	46	84.50	5	5	5	100	91.50
McCullum, Lt. D. M.	47	44	91	48	43	43	42	88	5	4	5	93.33	90.77
Carples, Lt. E. N.	46	48	94	48	48	45	39	90	5	5	5	100	94.66
Waldo, Lt. R.	48	46	94	47	46	45	45	91.50	5	5	5	100	95.16
Total for Team											93.62		
NEW JERSEY													
Snook, Lt. R. A.	43	43	86	45	46	45	42	89	5	5	5	100	91.66
Ehrhardt, Capt. P. J.	40	46	86	37	46	34	35	76	4	5	5	93.33	85.22
Fay, Lt. A. C.	44	44	88	39	45	41	41	83	5	5	5	100	90.33
Walsh, Lt. A. H., Jr.	44	43	87	40	40	27	46	78.50	5	5	5	100	88.50
McGowan, Capt. D. W.	43	43	86	48	44	45	37	87	5	5	5	100	91.00
Bernert, Lt. J.	47	47	94	40	46	41	44	85.50	4	5	5	93.33	90.94
Sloan, Capt. K. H.	45	42	87	43	43	28	46	80	5	5	4	93.33	90.11
Hartleroad, Capt. F.	38	40	78	43	45	38	37	81.50	4	5	5	93.33	84.27
Stark, Lt.-Col. C. W.	45	42	87	46	47	48	40	90.50	5	5	5	100	92.50
Schwarzkopf, Lt.-Col. H. N.	45	47	92	48	47	44	48	93.50	5	5	5	100	95.16
Total for Team											89.97		
DELAWARE													
Ashton, Lt. J. J.	43	47	90	46	43	46	40	87.50	5	4	5	93.33	90.27
Nelson, Lt.	40	43	83	34	40	44	33	75.50	5	4	4	86.66	82.05
Rinard, Capt. P. R.	49	45	94	42	44	30	43	81	5	4	5	93.33	89.55
Clark, Lt. V.	32	34	66	34	32	27	26	59.50	3	3	1	45.66	57.38
Pyle, Lt.	45	45	90	41	44	29	27	70.50	5	5	5	100	86.83
Wade, Lt. N.	47	35	82	40	46	44	42	86	5	5	5	100	89.33
McWilliams, Lt.	45	47	92	44	48	43	35	85	5	5	5	100	92.33
Cann, Lt.	31	30	61	17	38	30	24	59.50	3	4	5	80	65.16
Davis, Capt. J. W.	42	37	79	33	41	36	32	71	3	5	5	86.66	78.88
Grier, Capt. J. B.	47	48	95	48	48	46	44	93	5	5	5	100	96.00
Total for Team											82.78		

the War Department. Every year New York secures the most places on the League Cup team, representing the National Guard of the Second Corps Area and in the National Guard Inter-State Competition Second Corps Area for the past two years, New York, with a ten officer team has, we believe, hung up a National pistol record for this number of men of 94.24% team average in 1929 and 93.62% for 1930—Discounted Pistol Course. The weather conditions this year, when the match was shot at Sea Girt, May 24th, were very severe, a cold cross wind raging all day. New York with a fifty per cent new team, representing seven organizations, kept nearly up to last year's phenomenal record while New Jersey dropped nearly two per cent from their 1929 record.

As a result of the match, Delaware won the gold medal for high score with 96%, Captain J. B. Grier; New York

May 17th, when some three dozen officers competed, the team was selected as follows:

TEAM CAPTAIN

Lt.-Col. Fred M. Waterbury, Ord. Officer 27th Division

TEAM COACH

2nd Lieut. J. M. Alexander, 14th Infantry

PRINCIPALS

1st Lieut. John R. Cavanaugh, 104th Field Artillery

1st Lieut. Leo W. Dufort, 105th Infantry

1st Lieut. J. E. J. Clare, Jr., 258th Field Artillery

Captain G. F. Johnston, 107th Infantry

2nd Lieut. Robert Waldo, 104th Field Artillery

1st Lieut. Ernest P. Lull, 101st Cavalry

1st Lieut. E. N. Carples, 107th Infantry

1st Lieut. D. M. McCullum, 104th Field Artillery

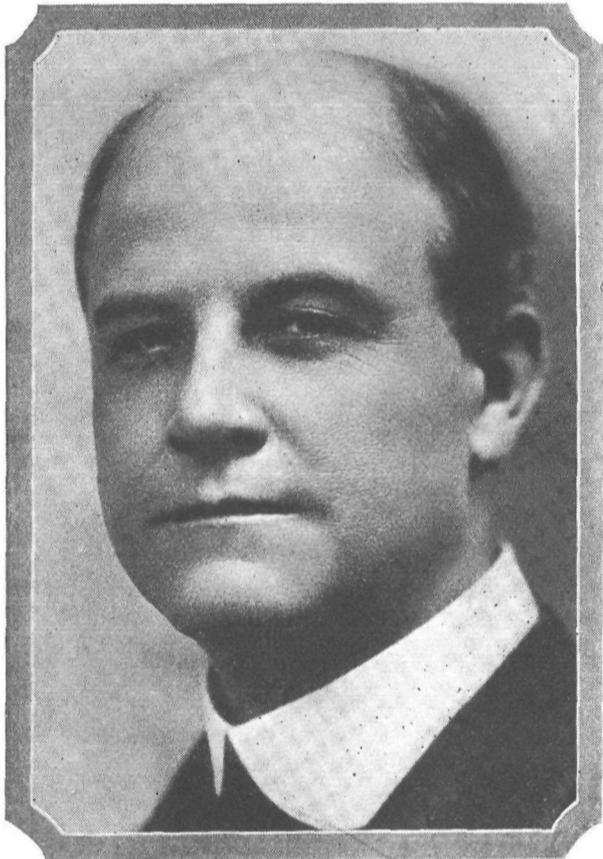
1st Lieut. Leonard Ross, 71st Infantry

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Hero of the Merrimac

Reviews 71st

AMID the flags of the United States and Cuba visible throughout the decorations of the drill shed of the 71st Infantry, that regiment, Colonel Walter A. De Lamater commanding, passed in review before Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson May 2nd, the thirty-second anniversary of the departure from New York of the regiment for the battlefields of Cuba.



Reviews with the Spanish War Veterans

The evening was opened with a banquet in the Blue Room of the Hotel McAlpin.

The banquet was presided over by the Commanding Officer of the regiment, Colonel Walter A. De Lamater, who had at his right Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, hero of the "Merrimac," and at his left General Ely, U. S. A., commander of this district. Among others present were Mr. Merchan, Consul General of Cuba at New York; United States Attorney Tuttle, Mr. Justice McCook of the Supreme Court, Dr. Augustine P. Barranco, Cuban-American lawyer; Admiral Steiger, Commanding the Brooklyn Navy Yard, and the following veterans of the Seventy-first who fought in the Spanish-American War: Colonels Thompson, Fairbanks and Linson; Majors Kuehnle, Bleecker and Crockett; Captains McDermott, Heinzman, McCahill, Huen, Maslin, Davidson and Hill; Lieutenants Hynds and Corwin, and Major-General Elmore F. Austin.

The regiment put up a handsome appearance with full ranks in their distinctive full dress with white trousers, the drill and maneuvers being well executed.

The President of the Veterans of the Spanish-American War, Colonel Linsom, in brief and eloquent words, pre-

sented to the Seventy-first Regiment the "Santiago Trophy" (cut of which appeared in our March issue), thus named as it is a reproduction of the monument erected to the regiment on the Cuban battlefields by the State of New York, which monument and replica were made by the noted sculptor Polia of this city. In accepting the trophy Colonel De Lamater declared that among all those owned by the regiment this trophy would have a preferred place and that it would be awarded annually to the company making the best record in military drill.

The principal speaker of the evening was Captain Hobson, who declared that the American and Cubans of that war had the glory of being volunteers and enlisting freely without the necessity of a draft, an act without parallel in history. He paid a feeling tribute to the chivalry of the three contending forces, Cubans, Americans and Spaniards, in the glorious epic that brought forth Cuba's independence, and made special reference to the good treatment which he and his comrades received at the hands of the Spaniards when taken prisoner after their attempt to block the entrance to Santiago harbor, and to the like reciprocal consideration shown to Admiral Cervera and his officers by the American forces. He concluded by expressing his gratification at the marvelous progress made by the Cubans from 1898 to date, which he declared was ample evidence that Cuba should be and was of right free and independent.

The event, which was called "Santiago Night," ended with a ball at which the Seventy-first Regiment band played many of the popular airs of 1898.

Basketball in N. G.

THE standing of the basketball teams in the National Guard tournament as announced by State Athletic Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph A. S. Mundy was:

Group A			
	W.	L.	%
First Battalion, N. M.	2	0	1000
102nd Engineers	1	0	1000
258th Field Artillery	1	1	500
102nd M. R.	0	1	000
369th Infantry	0	2	000
Group B			
	W.	L.	%
71st Infantry	2	0	1000
165th Infantry	1	0	1000
93rd Brigade	0	1	000
101st Signal Battalion	0	2	000
Group C			
	W.	L.	%
106th Infantry	2	0	1000
245th Coast Artillery	2	0	1000
27th Signal Company	0	2	000
33rd Fl. Division	0	2	000

Auburn Indoor Rifle Tournament Ends



THE small bore indoor rifle tournament, conducted during the Winter of 1929-1930 at the State Armory, Auburn, has recently terminated with the six clubs feeling they have had the biggest and most interesting year since these indoor tournaments were organized three years ago.

The scores this year, especially in the civilian clubs, showed great improvement over previous years' shooting and in many cases individual scores ran as high as 123 out of a possible 125.

This year's high team score of 359, while not quite equal to the high mark set last year, when the team of gunners representing Co. I, 108th Inf., cut the black to the tune of 361 out of a possible 375, the average of team scores was much higher than in previous years.

A new set of three indoor targets recently constructed in the Auburn Armory bring the total now to six, with probably the finest built indoor firing point in the State, has added a great deal of interest to the already popular series of Winter Shoots and promise for next season's tournament greater ease in handling the matches as well as the saving of much time.

The National Rifle Association of America added a great deal of interest to this year's tournament with their donation of three handsome medals, to be awarded as first, second and third prizes for individual high scores. Oddly enough, these medals were presented to three men, all members of the National Rifle Association. First award of gold went to Dayton Derby, second award of sterling silver to Jim Stebbins and third prize of bronze to Jack Welch. All three winners are members of the Auburn Rifle Club, which is affiliated with the N. R. A. and is Auburn's veteran shooting organization, having been in active operation for the past thirty years.

The American Legion Rifle Club, which has held the silver team trophy for the past two years, dropped into third place in this year's shooting, giving way to the Prison

City and Auburn Rifle Clubs, who fought back and forth for five matches and then ended the tenth and last match in a tie. The tie match was shot off as a special event, the two clubs using their best three men regardless of previous eliminations, and in this match the honors went to the veteran Auburn Rifle Club team by one point.

The indoor shooting season was ended in a fitting manner with over eighty rifle enthusiasts attending the banquet and entertainment provided by Co. I, 108th Infantry, at the Osborne Hotel, Auburn, at which time the handsome silver trophy was presented to Fred Church, captain of the Auburn Rifle Club, until such time as a better shooting club will take it away from them.

The individual medals were also awarded to the winners at this banquet.

In addition to the regular tournament, several matches were shot between riflemen representing the cities of Geneva and Auburn gunners. Two of these were held in Geneva and four in Auburn with great success, the teams being fed and entertained after the match by the local N. G. companies.

So much interest was manifested in these out of town shoots that it is intended to carry on with them next year on a much larger scale.

Brooklyn's Rifle Tournament

IN the Brooklyn Rifle Team Tournament none of the recent matches has changed the position of the teams.

January 8th—The 106th Infantry won over the 245th Coast Artillery team with a total of 1152 to 1090.

January 15th—The 245th Coast Artillery was defeated by the 101st Cavalry, score, 1139 to 1108.

January 22nd—The 27th Division Trains won over the 2nd Naval Militia team, 1102 to 1053.

January 29th—The 14th Infantry won over the 245th Coast Artillery by a total of 1116 to 1103.

A Study of the Record Firing with Rifle at Camp Smith

By CAPTAIN JOHN H. BURNS, Infantry, D. O. L., U. S. A.

(Continued from May Issue)

It is manifest that if the same attention was given to rapid fire training as was given to slow fire training no such discrepancy between the two groups would exist. It may be concluded then that: (1) Rapid fire is not intrinsically hard; witness how men can use it to improve their scores. (2) One great deficiency in rifle marksmanship instruction is lack of attention to rapid fire; note how the unqualified men drop on the rapid fire ranges.

From the above one can state that the greatest chance to improve scores lies in the rapid fire positions. If the unqualified group were properly trained in rapid fire one would expect them to be below the qualified group, to be sure, but not lower than 6 or 7 points, instead of some 14 points. Notice in slow fire prone that the groups are separated by less than six points. If the unqualified group could keep somewhere near this distance in the rapid fire positions, it could pick up better than 14 points in rapid fire alone,—at least 7 to each position. In which case the total average score for the course of unqualified men would not be 158.8 but almost 173.0 points.

“What of it?” some may ask.

Just this. No regiment last year attained a score of 173.0 points with its unqualified men. Yet some regiments qualified over 60 per cent. of the men firing. High qualification regiments always have a high average score for their unqualified men. Chart No. 3 will show this. Hence, if a regiment can produce an unqualified average score of 173.0, that regiment will qualify about 70 per cent. of the men firing. No regiment has done that to date.

Chart No. 2 gives the average score for each regiment in each position. Chart No. 3 gives the average score of the qualified and unqualified group of each regiment in each position. These latter are placed together for easy comparison. A study of these charts and a comparison of regiment, with regiment, position with position, and qualified with unqualified will be profitable to any staff. A few suggestions to help in this study are given below:

1. More knowledge can be gained from a study of the unqualified averages than the qualified. Unqualified averages indicate the condition of the men who are in need of instruction and where this instruction is most necessary. They point to the problem to be confronted this year. Qualified men are over the hump; they present no great training problem.

2. A low average score for unqualified men indicates that the training is generally deficient and is not reaching all the men.

3. A low score for unqualified men coupled with a comparatively high score for qualified men indicates that the regiment is concentrating its efforts on qualify-

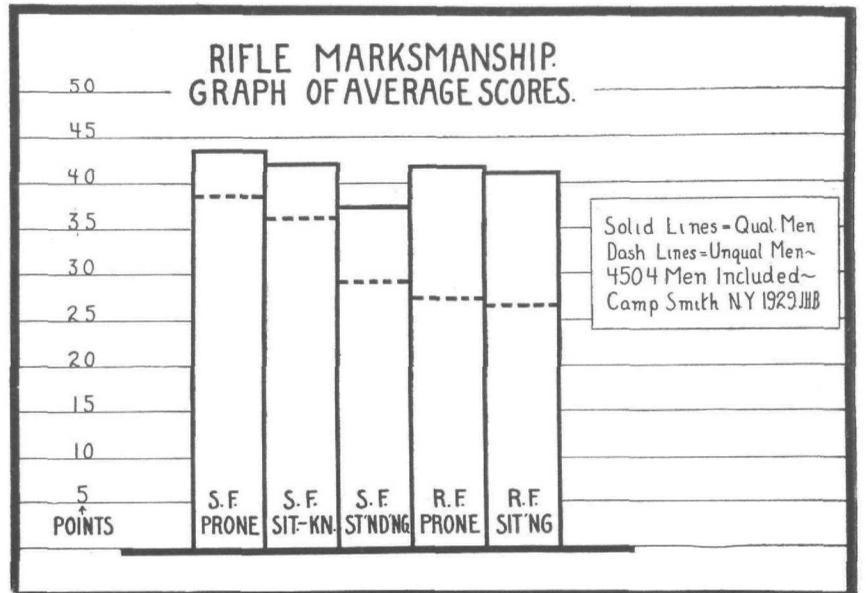
ing a selected group of men rather than training all men equally.

4. A total average score in any group less than the state average, indicates a need for more thorough work. A comparison of the scores, position by position, with the state averages will indicate in what position the deficiency is most marked, and where remedial action is necessary.

Many other things are disclosed by the data,—too many to be discussed in this article, since space is limited and the items are not general but pertain to one, or perhaps two, regiments. The man who likes to deal with figures can dig these out for himself.

One thing which might be mentioned in passing is the wide variation in the number of men that regiments fire on the range. One regiment fired 607 men, another fired 231; a difference of almost 400 men. Yet it is to be noted that in general regiments firing the largest number have the best average scores. The average number completing the course per regiment is 450 men. It would seem that the average number firing in an infantry regiment should be well over 500 men.

The writer does not believe that the general principles derived from this study apply only to the New York Guard. He has a shrewd suspicion that a study in any state would result in disclosing the same general principles. But at least we know to what degree they operate in this state to lower our efficiency, and can profit greatly from the knowledge if we will.



[Editor's Note—Unit commanders can readily see by studying this article that putting men in Record Practice or continuing them in the course when they are inefficient in training not only does not increase the number of qualifications but lowers the morale of the participant and makes him a more difficult prospect for future qualification. The range officers have incessantly tried to convince unit commanders of these errors.]

TABULATION OF SCORES.

50 to	60 to	70 to	80 to	90 to	100 to	110 to	120 to	130 to	140 to	150 to	160 to	170 to	180 to	190 to	200 to	210 to	220 to	230 to	240 to	Total
59	69	79	89	99	109	119	129	139	149	159	169	179	189	199	209	219	229	239	250	4502
4	4	17	26	41	62	75	110	173	197	244	290	411	603	660	620	550	308	103	4	4502

CHART No. 3.

AVERAGES OF QUALIFIED AND UNQUALIFIED
FOR EACH REGIMENT

ORGANIZATION	S L O W F I R E			R A P I D F I R E		Av. for Course
	Prone	Sit. Kn.	Standing	Prone	Sitting	
105th Inf. Qualified	44.1	42.2	37.4	42.7	42.0	208.4
Unqualified	37.5	35.3	28.4	25.6	25.7	152.5
106th Inf. Qualified	43.5	42.2	35.7	41.9	40.8	204.1
Unqualified	38.0	35.3	27.0	26.7	26.5	153.5
10th Inf. Qualified	43.9	42.3	37.3	42.6	41.9	208.0
Unqualified	39.0	36.3	29.0	30.8	29.3	164.4
174th Inf. Qualified	44.4	42.5	38.0	42.5	42.0	209.4
Unqualified	39.6	37.0	29.3	29.6	28.9	164.4
71st Inf. Qualified	43.5	41.7	37.3	42.0	40.8	205.3
Unqualified	38.1	35.0	28.1	26.9	28.9 27.1	164.4 155.2
107th Inf. Qualified	43.9	42.2	37.3	42.5	42.0	207.9
Unqualified	39.2	37.0	30.4	30.3	30.4	167.3
108th Inf. Qualified	44.4	42.5	37.8	43.3	41.8	209.8
Unqualified	39.6	37.4	30.0	30.6	30.0	167.6
14th Inf. Qualified	43.9	41.8	36.0	42.7	41.1	205.5
Unqualified	36.9	35.0	25.9	26.8	25.2	149.8
165th Inf. Qualified	43.8	43.8	40.4	40.2	41.0	209.2
Unqualified	37.6	37.3	32.2	25.7	24.2	157.0
369th Inf. Qualified	43.6	42.9	39.2	40.4	38.8	204.9
Unqualified	38.6	38.4	32.6	24.1	22.3	156.0
Total Qualified	43.9	42.4	37.7	42.0	41.2	207.2
Unqualified	38.4	36.4	29.3	27.7	27.0	158.8

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27th DIVISION CHEMICAL WARFARE SCHOOL GRADUATION

The first class consisting of some forty-one officers and enlisted men was graduated from the Division Chemical Warfare School on May 1st, 1930.

This was the first step in the plan to introduce Chemical Warfare instruction in the New York National Guard and from the comments and the reactions of the students assigned to the school the results were most satisfactory.

The school was conducted on Thursday nights for five weeks at the New Division Headquarters section of the Squadron "A" Armory, Colonel Wright, Chief of Staff, 27th Division, opened and closed the school. Major A. D. Reutershan was the instructor in charge and he was assisted by 1st Lieutenant William Bisnof, attached to the 1st Gas Regiment, U. S. A., and Captain William Weston, 212th Coast Artillery (A. A.). Master Sgt. Henry Fritz, Hq. Det., 27th Division, acted as School Secretary.

Chemical Warfare was taken up rather thoroughly and the students all became adept at mask drill with the latest type army masks. In addition the students all increased their vocabularies to the extent of being able to pronounce such words as Chloracetophenone, Diphenylaminechlorarsine, Titanium Tetrachloride and a number of others, and to know exactly what they were talking about. Each session of the class was usually dismissed with much sneezing and coughing and some shedding of tears due to the extreme interest that most of the students showed in their attempt to identify certain glass bottles containing numerous different gases. The subject of weapons was taken up quite thoroughly with sectionalized models and colored charts and protection against chemical warfare and chemical warfare tactics also received consideration.

Following is a list of the students who were graduated and received certificates:

Lieutenant Colonel John Reynolds, Hq. 27th Division; Major Andrew F. Lamb, 369th Infantry; Captain Thomas J. Byrnes, 258th Field Artillery; Captain James G. Collins, 105th Field Artillery; Captain Peter M. Depp, 93rd Brigade Hdqrs.; Captain Frederick H. Dieterich, 102nd Med. Regiment; Captain George Feld, 27th Division Hq.; Captain C. H. Forbush, 156th Field Artillery; Captain John O. Green, 106th Infantry; Captain John V. Grombach, 165th Infantry; Captain E. J. W. Lang, 369th Infantry; Captain Robert W. Petzoldt, 14th Infantry; Captain R. M. Rosen, 156th Field Artillery.

1st Lieutenant Joseph G. Becker, 244th Coast Artillery; 1st Lieutenant Charles D. Carleton, 104th Field Artillery; 1st Lieutenant Charles V. Dwyer, 71st Infantry; 1st Lieutenant Thomas Ketz, 244th Coast Artillery; 1st Lieutenant Denis Mulligan, 27th Div. Aviation! 1st Lieutenant N. J. O'Prey, 156th Field Artillery! 1st Lieutenant Ralph E. Otte, 102nd Engineers; 1st Lieutenant Frederic C. Thomas, 101st Cavalry; 1st Lieutenant John H. Travers, Jr., Ord. Dept. State Staff.

2nd Lieutenant Frank J. Comiskey, 244th Coast Artillery; 2nd Lieutenant William R. DeKalb, 369th Infantry; 2nd Lieutenant Harper M. Hall, 245th Coast Artillery; 2nd Lieutenant Edward P. Mandaville, 27th Div. Trains; 2nd Lieutenant James N. Purcell, 101st Signal Battalion;

2nd Lieutenant Michael J. Reilly, 212th Coast Artillery; 2nd Lieutenant Fred P. Todd, 107th Infantry; 2nd Lieutenant Paul G. Schumacher, 87th Brigade Hdqrs.

Master Sgt. Douglas Carnegie, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Master Sgt. Henry W. J. Fritz, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Master Sgt. Dan E. Kent, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Tech. Sgt. William Smedley, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Staff Sgt. Benjamin Glaser, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Staff Sgt. Robert Noe, Jr., Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Sgt. Salvatore Cracolici, 107th M. T. Co., 27th Trains; Sgt. Eugene Duclos, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Pvt. William J. Maher, Hq. Det. 27th Div.; Pvt. Frank P. Mitchell, Co. C, 107th Infantry.

ARMORY INSPECTION FIGURES FOR 1930

By LIEUTENANT-COLONEL HENRY E. SUAVET,
Division Inspector

The figures below are a tabulation of the 1930 inspection reports and give a very good idea of the morale of the New York National Guard. It will be noted that, out of a total strength of 20,297, we had a percentage attendance of 92.8%, which, when it is considered that this count is of the men actually present in the prescribed uniform at 8:30 o'clock, is probably a better figure than has ever before been attained. The attendance figure for the year, 83.6%, is also very satisfactory. The number of re-enlistments is an indication of a very good morale and in some regiments this figure is actually much higher than the combined figure for the entire New York National Guard would indicate. For instance: In the 104th Field Artillery the number of re-enlistments in 1929 is over 26% of the total strength of the regiment. Our percentage of gains and losses in 1929 was smaller than in the preceding year, which is also a healthy indication.

Present—	Officers	1,278	
	Warrant Officers	19	
	Enlisted Men	17,541	
			18,838
Absent—	Officers	34	
	Warrant Officers	
	Enlisted Men	1,425	
			1,459
Aggregate—	Officers	1,312	
	Warrant Officers	19	
	Enlisted Men	18,966	
			20,297
Aggregate last muster			20,112
Total gains 8,437—41.6% (in 1929—44%)			
Total losses 8,252—40.6% (in 1929—46%),			
	Net gain		185
Re-enlistments (16%)	3,316 (1929—3,448)		
Vaccinated	14,895		
Inoculated	15,693		
Per cent attendance for year836 (1929—84%)		
Per cent attendance at inspection ..	.928 (1929—91%)		

N. Y. HAS BEST PISTOL SHOTS

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Captain Alfred Huddleson, 156th Field Artillery

ALTERNATES

2nd Lieut. Abe Rosenblatt, 71st Infantry

2nd Lieut. D. M. Aspden, 107th Infantry

2nd Lieut. William Lockhead, 156th Field Artillery

General Bird W. Spencer of New Jersey was selected by the Second Corps Area as Executive Officer who, with the able assistance of Captain Arthur H. Esterly, 113th Inf., N. J. N. G., as Range Officer, and Lieutenant-Colonel William H. Frazee, 44th Division, as Pit Officer, kept things moving at a record pace. Everyone was glad to welcome the third state this year—Delaware, thus making the National Guard representation 100 per cent.

The Hon. Morgan F. Larson, Governor of the State of New Jersey, and a large gallery witnessed the match.

As a result of the match the following will be selected to represent the Corps Area National Guard team in the League Cup Match of five officers representing the components of the Army:

PRINCIPALS

Captain J. B. Grier, Delaware

1st Lieut. Leo W. Dufort, New York

1st Lieut. J. E. J. Clair, Jr., New York

Captain George F. Johnston, New York

Lieut.-Col. H. N. Schwarzkopf, New Jersey

ALTERNATES

2nd Lieut. Robert Waldo, New York

1st Lieut. E. P. Lull, New York

The match will be fired at Fort Hamilton at 1:30, June 28th. Lieutenant-Colonel Fred M. Waterbury, State Ordnance Officer, New York, has been selected by the Second Corps Area to captain and coach the National Guard team.

STATE ARSENAL HAS

NEW COMMANDING OFFICER

Colonel William A. Taylor of the 369th Infantry, New York City, a former Lieutenant-Colonel of the Second Infantry, has been assigned as United States Property and Disbursing Officer and as National Guard contracting and transportation officer for the state and is also appointed Assistant Adjutant General in charge of the State Arsenal, Brooklyn. Colonel Taylor enlisted as a private in Company D, Second Infantry, and was Colonel in charge of the 106th Infantry overseas.

By this appointment both national and state heads of the arsenal are combined under one leader as previously before the death of Colonel J. Weston Myers.

AWARD OF CITATIONS FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION

Announcement is made of the award of Citations for Gallantry in Action to William Sullivan Lyons, formerly private, Company I, 165th Infantry, 42nd Division, and to Walter J. Steede, and Liberty Pease, formerly privates, Company E, 168th Infantry, 42nd Division.

The citations read as follows:

"William Sullivan Lyons (Army serial No. 91081), formerly private, Company I, 165th Infantry, 42nd Division, American Expeditionary Forces. For gallantry in action near Chateau-Thierry, France, July 28, 1918. While under direct observation of the enemy Pvt. Lyons repeatedly crossed rough and broken terrain under intense enemy machine-gun and artillery fire, rescuing wounded soldiers of his company and carrying them to places of comparative safety."

IF GOOD HELP IS WANTED

The following is an extract from a letter recently received from an officer in the service. At the time of writing he had been in command of one of the Battalion Headquarters Batteries of the 8th Field Artillery stationed at Schofield Barracks, T. H., for several months.

"I have as my Supply Sergeant a Sergeant who is due for discharge June 15, 1930, and will arrive in New York sometime in June. He states that he is desirous of obtaining a berth in one of the New York regiments—arm of service immaterial. I can recommend him as an especially good man for this type of work. He is very well educated, has plenty of initiative and is very successful. He has the reputation of being the best Supply Sergeant in the regiment. It is in appreciation of his loyal and efficient service that I am anxious to help him in this matter."

THE FLAG LEAVES MOHAWK

After holding the "strength-attendance" pennant of the National Guard for six months, Company I of Mohawk has surrendered it to Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 10th Infantry, at Utica.

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SOME THOUGHTS ON NATIONAL DEFENSE

IT may be appropriate to clarify the relationship of the armed forces to the Government. The men who framed the Constitution had fought a long and tragic war for the liberty of their people. They knew the cost of all they had gained. The states were independent sovereignties and were jealous of their rights. Eight years passed before they could agree upon a compromise Constitution and a Union. Up to the last, three of them refused to concur. A careful study of the reason set forth in the Preamble warrants the conclusion that the dominant influence which brought them together was the necessity for a common defense and a safeguarding of the liberty that had been won at such a cost. The development of this object was among the earliest amendments to the Constitution. One of the prime purposes of Federal revenues, therefore, is to support the armed forces provided by Congress as contemplated in the Constitution.

The cost of national defense should not be confused with the cost of past wars. To do so is manifestly unfair to the establishment in being. The cost of past wars is the price paid for acquiring and retaining our Government and our territory. The present contribution toward the payment for past wars is the interest upon the investment of each generation in our liberty, our homes, our resources and our national existence. In addition to the public debt, the cost of past wars include pensions, the care of the veterans, their dependents, and their hospitalization. It has no bearing on the upkeep of the small, very small, establishment necessary to guarantee a constitutional form of government to the Union and the States, to suppress insurrection or rebellion, and to repel invasion. Provision for the future must also be separated from the expenditures for this establishment. The funds spent each year for fortifications, armament, munitions, etc., represent an insurance premium for future security.

It must be borne in mind that war is an act of the people and of the Government, and not of the Army. The Army is the instrument of the Government to preserve peace by giving it strength, and it wins back peace by victory in battle when peace has been lost. The Army is in no way responsible for its maintenance in peace or for the advent or the cost of war. It is a part of the machinery of Government and, as such, is entitled to recognition and support by the people for its services.

THE Worcester (Mass.) *Telegram* wisely comments: "Those who believe that the National Guard ought to be abolished will perhaps suggest what force could be used to maintain order in sudden emergencies like that caused by the fire in Nashua. Of course public opinion is against looting and other crimes. But in an actual crisis, public opinion doesn't amount to much unless it is backed up on the spot with clubs and guns.

THE \$10,000 appropriated Wednesday by the Armory Board for improvements at Miller Field is not a very great sum, but it will go a long way towards giving the National Guard flying unit ample instruction in problems of aviation. The State has the use of government-owned land worth \$4,000,000. The field can be turned into one of the best instruction fields in the country without any tremendous cost in maintenance.

THE 71st Infantry several years ago inaugurated a new ideal of turning out the regiment for a church service on Mother's Day along the idea that nothing could be more appropriate than the celebration of the day by attending Divine Service as a Regiment. In his order for the day Colonel DeLamater stated: "The Seventy-first Infantry takes a just pride in having and maintaining high ideals, and principles and policies that are clean, honest and upright, placing Honor foremost in everything we are endeavoring to accomplish. By showing respect to and devotion to God and Mother, we strengthen our characters and make it easier always to endeavor to do that which is right."

General Haskell's Editorial

FIELD TRAINING 1930

BY the time this issue of the GUARDSMAN is in your hands, the annual field training period will have been inaugurated. This would seem, then, to be an opportune time to reflect for a moment upon the general policy and aims of the summer encampments.

A great deal has been said in our training literature about the peace-time mission of the National Guard. As is well-known, our primary objective is the *basic* training of the *individual* soldier. To many, unfamiliar with the special problems of the National Guard, chiefly the large annual turnover of enlisted men and the necessarily brief training of the junior officers, this objective may seem somewhat limited. Actually, it is based on a well-considered policy of national defense. If it were certain that the same personnel would remain with us over an extended period, training could, of course, progress to a highly advanced stage in all organizations. Failing this, our immediate mission is to provide a sound basic military training as far as possible for the greatest number.

The fact remains, however, that in its brief field training period, the National Guard makes the greatest progress in what may be termed "advanced training." The reason is obvious. Armory training consists approximately of seventy-two hours of instruction distributed over eleven and one-half months. Field training consists approximately of sixty hours of instruction concentrated in two weeks. The actual time in each period is thus about the same. In its effect, however, the comparison is like that between rifle and machine-gun fire.

It is apparent, of course, that the more thorough and sound the basic and theoretical training in the armory, the more rapid will be the progress in the advanced, practical work in the field. Field training is, in short, the complement of armory training. It is the application to the field requirements of combat and mobility of what has been learned on the floor of the armory. This applies,

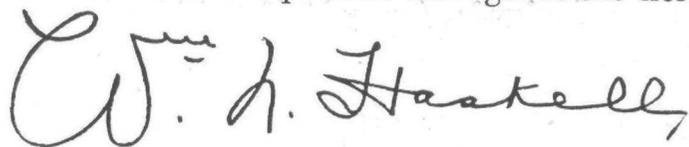
of course, to the various staffs as well as to the individual soldier, squad, platoon or company.

Having said this much about training, it is, I think, equally important to say something about the recreational side of our summer camps. Every possible effort has been made, and will be made, with the funds and facilities available, to provide for the recreation, the comfort and the health of the troops at all camps. This feature of our summer training is, after all, the best incentive which can be offered to promote *esprit* and build up recruiting in all organizations.

In this connection, it is urged that messing and mess-management be given especial attention in all organizations this summer. The selection and supervision of the daily menus is particularly important, not only to provide a well-balanced bill of fare, but also to insure sufficient variety. The several Camp Quartermasters are ready and prepared to cooperate with commanding officers in these respects.

In view of the excellent attendance records during field training in the past, it may seem superfluous to emphasize this requirement. There are, however, two occasions when the discipline and morale of an organization are most apparent, and these are—attendance at armory inspection and attendance at field training. We have set a remarkably high standard in both. May it be attained again this year.

A word in conclusion. One important phase of instruction should be especially emphasized during field training, and that is the training of all specialists in their particular duties. Communications and intelligence personnel, messengers, agents, mechanics, artificers, clerks and buglers, all should be required actually to function and train in their individual and team capacities throughout the field period.



Major General.



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165th INFANTRY

Greetings! After several months of unobserved absence we are returning to the fold. Several people have inquired as to our whereabouts during the "lost period" in a fashion as though they really cared or missed our trivial being. However, with all good intentions, we answered that we were revelling in a study of brown. One never knows what's in a question in these days of college humor. Someone had the audacity to suggest a probable brown taste instead of study. Woe is me—woe is me.

Today we can only give a general statement as we do not choose to do otherwise. It seems that our dear old Alma Mater is going to be a singing legion. Several weeks ago, many guests were invited to the quarters of the Commanding Officer. Lo and behold—strains of soft Irish melody issued forth. An Irish tenor was performing. It was a noteworthy evening inasmuch as we discovered some people still appreciate real songs and singing.

Our pastoral has lost a brother in arms. Captain Ritter of Co. "H" has resigned. Prosperity seems to have hit his business and now requires all his attention. Best of luck and come around now and again. Of course, there now comes the entry in the gain column. Lieutenant Gilgar of Co. "H" is the full-fledged skipper of that unit in place of Captain Ritter. Best of luck to you, skipper. (By the bye, there is an article on the trials and tribulations of the poor Company Commander in this issue, and if we may add, it is worthwhile reading.) We have heard some other rumors. We shall investigate and find out if they are just a proverbial Army rumor or an actuality.

We are now going to assign our spies to their posts and send the Intelligence Sergeants (misleading title, all three-strippers are intelligent—gold bricks) to gather what information they can so that we can keep you at least partially informed.

A votre sante et au revoir.

1st Battalion

The companies of the 1st Battalion are enjoying exceptional attendance these days. Each Company has a radio set now, and the boys (including the Bn. C. O.) have developed a habit of dropping in to hear Amos 'n' Andy. We make a "propolition" that Amos 'n' Andy be "incorporated" with the 1st Bn., and put on the payroll, in recognition of their drawing power.

Company "A" Gossip

2nd Lieutenant (Handsome Charlie) Cook has had twelve manicures in the last two weeks. Your correspondent interviewed the manicurist to find out how come, but ran out of two-bit pieces after the eighth interview. 'S tough!

If anyone picks up an old can, bearing the license plate W-59, will he be kind enough not to mention it to the C. O. of Co. "A"?

1st Lieutenant Jack Chlieb was working nights last week, but we failed to catch the girl's name.

An old friend and contrib, "Blank File," has returned

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to the fold. Those who remember his deathless "Marching Song" will be glad (?) to know that he has taken to versifying again; This Is It:—

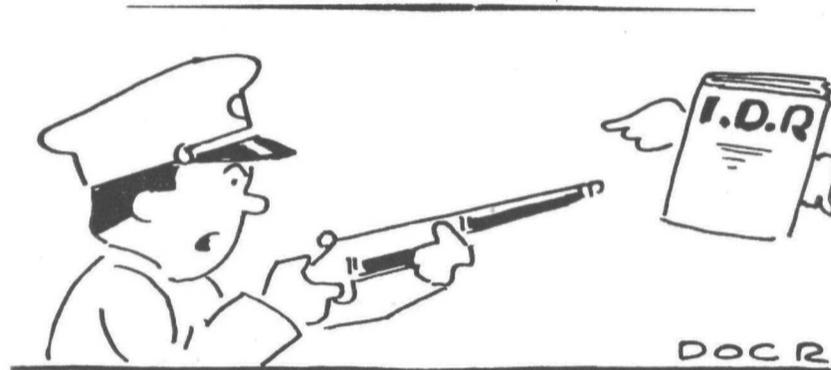
SPURLOS VERSANKT

(Translated from a fragment found in the diary of an old Feldwebel, found hors de combat on River Street, Hoboken)

I've braved the flu', and kindred ills,
On Albany's cobbled, ice-clad hills.
In Peekskill, on fast failing feet,
I've carried on thru' deadly heat;
When duty's called I've answered "Here!"
Nor ever showed a sign of fear.
In fact, I've never been a stranger
To anything that's labeled "danger".
BUT: . . . always I have ducked THIS peril:—
I've never swiped a Top-Kick's girl.

—blank file.

Schaeffer, Co. F; 1st Lieutenant Francis H. Westerman, 3rd Bn. Hq.; 2nd Lieutenant Charles F. Cook, Co. A; 2nd Lieutenant Robert McL. Leland, Co. F; 2nd Lieutenant John F. McDonough, Co. M; Master Sgt. John J. Kennedy, Service Co.; 1st Sgt. Mark White, Co. M; 1st Sgt. Francis McCullough, Co. F; Sgt. Henry Rossmann, Co. A; Sgt. Edward Flanigan, Co. D; Sgt. Frederick English, Co. E; Sgt. William J. Maloney, Co. I; Sgt. William Hyland, Co. I; Sgt. Leo Lambert, Co. I; Sgt. Thomas O'Brien, Co. I; Sgt. Eugene Jolly, Co. M; Cpl. John J. Ludwig, Co. M.



C Company begins its series of contributions to THE GUARDSMAN under the most salutary of auspices. True, we no longer hold the silver ship (regimental efficiency trophy), but we won't cry over spilled milk, or sunken ships either, as the boys have already become reconciled to the trophy's temporary absence and are even now hard at work in an effort to salvage it. And believe me, gentlemen, taking that ship back from E Company will be literally raising it from the depths. Of course, the scoundrels, unused as they are to caring for fine things, will forget to keep it polished, but then we'll remedy that condition by not letting them mind it for us again. We'll give it to some good, deserving company in the first battalion.

Our selective recruiting campaign has been productive of some excellent material, which, under the careful tutelage of Sgt. Goldrick, is rapidly rounding into shape. By the way, have you noticed how painstakingly that boy Goldrick has been grooming himself for his commission? Incidentally, Sgt. Goldrick is still serving in his first enlistment, but then we must remember that he comes of a family of soldiers. Great things are expected of him, and, unless he sells his birthright for a mess of pottage, great things will he accomplish. But we cannot help thinking that Sgt. Goldrick's entrance into the ranks of the elect (i. e., commissioned personnel) is going to cause First Sgt. Grant no small amount of annoyance. Where in the world will he find another four men to take Goldrick's place?

Our social activity grows apace. There are three or four major committees and a whole flock of minor ones stumbling over each other's toes in their efforts to make a success of our annual dance, to be held the 29th of May. These annual dances are an institution in C Company. They bring together the new and the old and serve to continue and renew the friendships formed in C in days past. They give the old-timers an opportunity to tell their favorite old stories of the war-time glory of the "69th," and what's more, and a fact not to be snickered at, they swell the company fund.

The following named officers and enlisted men comprise the 165th Infantry Rifle Team:

Captain John V. Grombach, Regt. Staff, Team Captain and Coach; 1st Lieutenant Jack Chlieb, Co. A; 1st Lieutenant Herman M. Lutz, Co. C; 1st Lieutenant Henry W.

245th COAST ARTILLERY
'El Raizers of "L"

On Wednesday, April 23rd, the regiment tendered a review to Major General Haskell. During the evening long service and 100% attendance medals were awarded to the men of the regiment. Battery L's share was so large that many wondered how we ever marched off the floor without staggering from the weight of them. The boys of "L" will sure be "on color" for the Decoration Day and June 7th parades. There will be very few who will not sport some sort of medal or decoration.

Recently the non-coms held a little gathering. Both military and socially it was a success. They discussed the possible weak points of the battery and decided on means of bolstering it up. So, up on your toes, privates, and watch your step. Here's a suggestion donated by the editor which should improve the morale of the outfit quite a bit. Article 56238, Paragraph 674—Any member of the battery who intentionally or unintentionally throws a dirty look at another member shall be slapped on the bare wrist until he faints from the pain and horror of it all, or any other sentence as court-martial may direct.

Here's a hand to two boys whose work around the battery is always appreciated. The first is Wilfred De Quoy, our electrician. For lighting effects in the battery room and at the dances we run, Bill is always there, and does his work in a snappy style. The other is William Bell, our mechanic, always good-natured and a smile on his face.

We regret the loss of Dan Ferry. But we're not sure he really is lost to us. They have a funny habit of coming back to "dear old L." He is another chap who always had a smile on his face.

As a last note, we will endeavor, in a modest way, to show how great the spirit of "L" really is. Two of our ex-members are laid up in very serious conditions. Both unfortunately have families who are in sore straits, financially, due to the illness of the two wage-earners. Ex-members and present members have joined hand in hand to raise funds to facilitate the living conditions of the two families. The one who deserves great credit for his

work in this direction is none other than our ex-member, Benny Salzmann. This should serve as an incentive to new members and intended members, that one may have left but he is not forgotten.

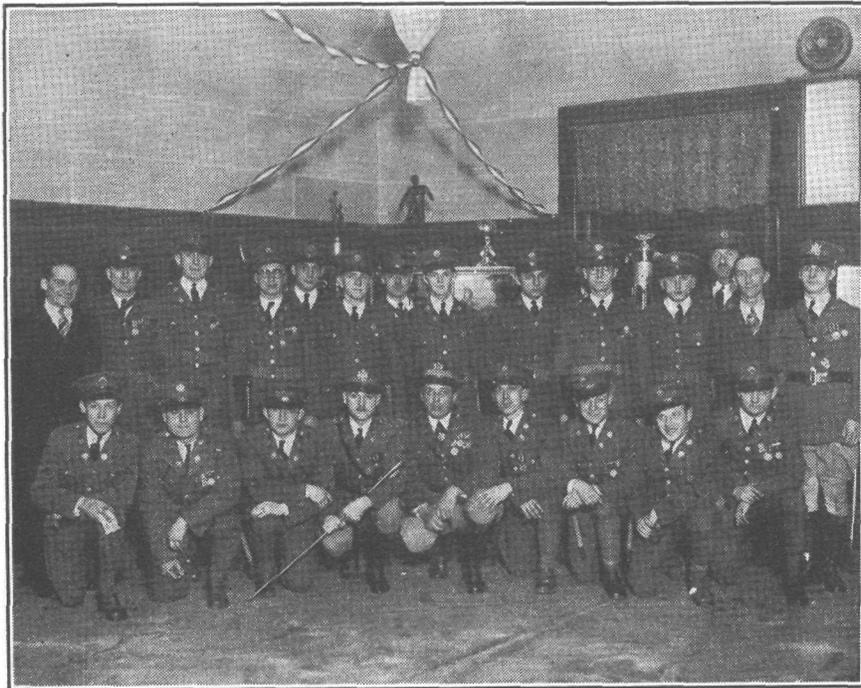
Station S-e-r-v-i-c-e Battery as we go along:

Cpl. John Simon and Pvt. Charles Boyd were promoted to the grade of Sergeants.

Pvt. 1st Cl. Steve Simon, Pvt. Charles J. Clark and John Morelli were promoted to the grade of Corporals.

One thing we are still trying to find out is: If Pvts. McCarthy, Hogan and Roberts are triplets. As often as we saw them we have never seen one without the other two.

The Battery F bowling team, not to be outdone by the track and rifle teams of the battery, stepped right out and after a hard-fought season brought home the beautiful trophy presented to the team finishing first in the regimental inter-battery tournament. The team went through the season with a record of 32 games won and 10 lost, the high score of the team for the season being 857 scored against Battery H, the individual high score honors for the season going to Cpl. Hohner with a season average of 151. The team with their season averages follows: Lieutenant Guhl, 149; Pvt. 1st Cl. O'Connell, 149; Sgt. Gannon, 138; Pvt. Adams, 132; Pvt. Pumo, 138; Pvt. Phillips, 135; Lieutenant Paeper, 118; Cpl. Buck, 128.



As customary, Company F's rifle team has arranged several matches with outside outfits, as a form of training for the forthcoming Regimental Rifle Championship Trophies. So far the team has one victory and one defeat to its credit.

The first match with Company "I," 14th Infantry, was a hair raising act. After the smoke of battle had cleared Company "I" emerged victors by a score of 699 to 698, the result being in doubt until the last man had fired.

Wednesday evening, April 23rd, on the range of the 245th Artillery, the 13th Post American Legion and Battery F of the home regiment met in a rifle match, the following course being shot, 5 shots prone, 5 shots standing and 5 shots sitting, ten men to shoot the highest six scores of each team to count. At the conclusion Battery F was found to be the winner with a total score of 410, the American Legion Post scoring a total of 380.

14th INFANTRY, COMPANY "C"

It is with great pleasure (it's all ours) to announce the re-enlistment of Supply Sergeant McKenna. We are glad that he decided to keep on serving us. You know you practically have to have an order from the General to get anything out of him. Anyway, he's a great guy even though he has got a bay window. It is well to note that Sgt. J. F. Michalak and Pvt. G. M. Bolton also have re-enlisted.

Rifle practice has been resumed on the armory range under the instruction of Lieutenant Russell, and judging from the results, we should bring home quite a few qualifications this year. Speaking of Lieutenant Russell, veiled hints are being made that the month of June will see great events for him. (Watch for further announcements.)

Next month we will have a complete account of our Hick Reporter regarding the success of our Barn Dance. Watch for it.

105th INFANTRY

On April 30th, Colonel Walter G. Robinson reviewed Company B in their Cohoes Armory, Captain Joseph A. Forgett, commanding. The occasion was the annual competitive drill, judged by Captains Joseph P. Dwyer, William H. Boughton and Charles B. Plumley of the 105th Infantry.

The regimental commander presented the following medals:

For Long and Faithful Service: First Sgt. John J. McDermott, 15 years.

Recruiting Medals: First Sgt. John J. McDermott and Cpl. Marcellus F. Kavanaugh.

One Hundred Per Cent Medals: Captain Joseph A. Forgett, First Sgt. John J. McDermott, Mess Sgt. Albert J. Plumley and Sgt. Emilien Vertefeulle.

FLUSHING RIFLEMEN BUSY

The Co. I Rifle Club of Flushing defeated Battery "F," champions of the 245th Coast Art., for the second time this season, in a very closely contested match by one point at the former's range in Flushing on April 24th. The course fired was at 50 yards, 5 shots each prone, sitting, and standing.

When the fourth order had left the firing line and the smoke cleared it was found that the Battery "F" team was 6 points to the good. But Lieutenant Bell and Sgt. Dabour of Co. I took the match into their hands and emerged victorious. The scores were: Co. I, 14th Infantry, 699; Battery "F," 245th Coast Art., 698.

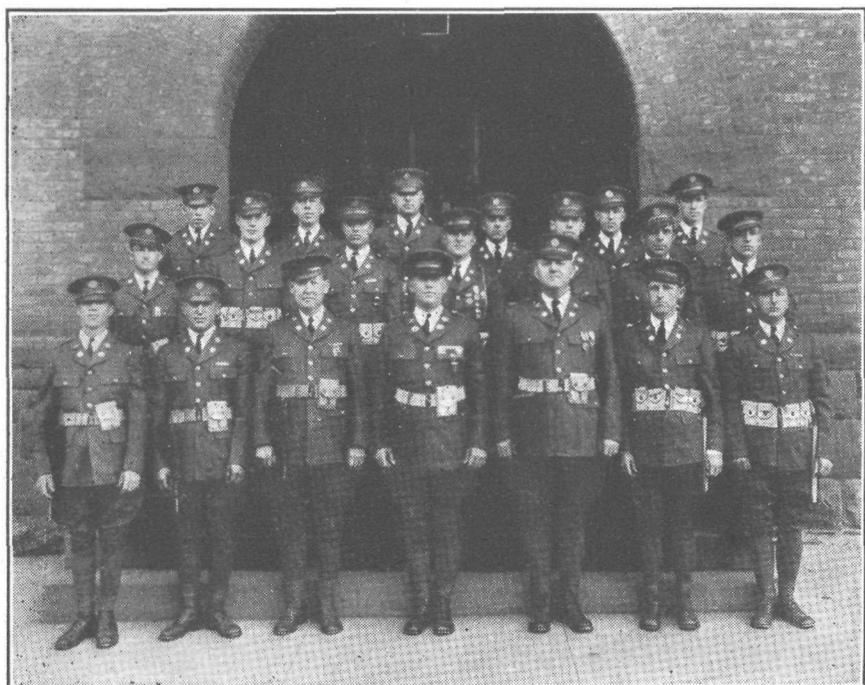
On May 1 the Co. I Rifle Club scored a victory over the Leonard Post, American Legion (undefeated Legion team in Queens), by four points at the Co. I range, Flushing. The course fired was at 50 yards, 5 shots each prone, sitting or kneeling, and 5 shots prone rapid (35 seconds). Possible scores of 75 were turned in by Lieutenant Bell of Co. I and Legionnaire Campbell of the Leonard Post.

The totals for the five highest men were 366 for Co. I and 362 for the Leonard Post.

CO. B, 105th INFANTRY, N. C. O. ORGANIZATION

Since the N. C. O.s of Co. B, 105th Inf., at Cohoes, N. Y., formed an N. C. O. Organization early last fall, much good has been accomplished, and in more ways than one. Schools have been conducted regularly with 100% attendance and a great deal more interest taken in the various subjects than heretofore. The Organization holds regular meetings at which matters of interest to the Company are discussed, for both improvement in conditions and betterment of the Company at large.

An N. C. O. dinner was held at the time of the forming of the Organization and the opening of the N. C. O. Room which was redecorated and furnished, and a Radio installed. At our recent Competitive Drill the N. C. O. Room was open to their friends and refreshments served. This room not only provides a place for recreation and gathering of N. C. O.s, but also affords a place to study. Complete files of Training Regulations are on the book shelf for use of all N. C. O.s. All in all it has been a successful winter and an enjoyable one for "Non-Coms" who are looking forward to the Camp Tour, June 29th to July 13th, 1930.



First Row—Left to Right—Pvt. 1st Cl. E. Snay (Cook), Pvt. 1st Cl. J. Koval (Cook), Sup. Sgt. Louis Hinchcliff, 1st Sgt. John McDermott, Mess Sgt. A. J. Plumley, Cpl. H. T. Hicks, Sgt. J. T. Dyer.

Second Row—Left to Right—Pvt. 1st Cl. A. Frament (Bugler), Cpl. T. R. Connery, Sgt. O. T. Tofte, Sgt. E. Vertefeuille, Cpl. E. Fleury, Sgt. G. M. Cayan, Pvt. 1st Cl. J. L. Roberts (Company Mechanic).

Third Row—Left to Right—Cpl. E. P. Vaughn, Sgt. W. L. Connelley, Pvt. 1st Cl. F. E. George (Company Clerk), Cpl. F. Hildreth, Cpl. F. M. Andrews, Cpl. G. Bowen.

COMMENDING OUR HOWITZER REGIMENT

Buffalo, N. Y.,
May 2, 1930.

GEN. WM. SCHOHL
Stock Exchange Bldg.
Buffalo, N. Y.

MY DEAR GENERAL:

You must be indeed proud to number in your brigade a body so thoroughly disciplined and well trained as the 106th Field Artillery. I am sure that during his recent visit in Buffalo, His Excellency, Tytus Filipowicz, Poland's Ambassador to the United States, enjoyed nothing more than the opportunity of reviewing this excellent regiment.

It would be gratuitous to express appreciation for the punctilious observation of military etiquette, for which you are justly noted, but I must tell you how grateful I am for the warm personal note of welcome, which you added to the amenities.

With kindest regards, I am,
Cordially yours,
TADEUSZ BUYNOWSKI,
Vice Consul.

MY REGIMENT

By LIEUT. HENRY A. PEKIN, 156th F. A.

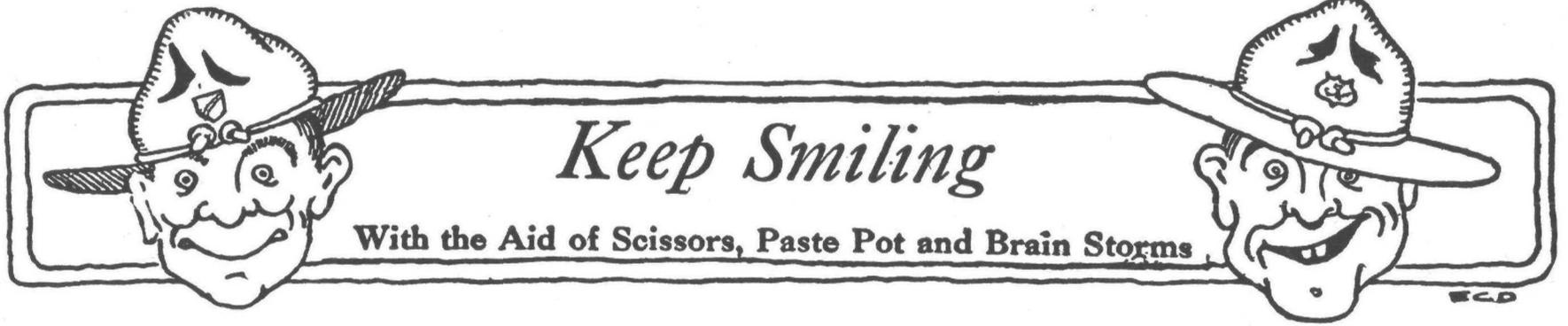
Its glories are my glories too—
And as I read its pages thru,
I feel that I can never be
As big as it has been to me.

Tho' I may search both far and wide,
I'll never find so much of pride
As I have found—just what it meant—
To join my dear old regiment.

It means to be a soldier true
And be a man, and a real man too,
One who can face most anything
And yet be sure to keep his chin.

It calls for duty to its name,
It calls for death to give it fame—
Yes, in the end you'd give your all,
If your loved regiment did call.

So let it ring thru every tent—
"My Regiment! My Regiment!"



Hopeful

"Is your wife having any success in learning to drive the car?"

"Well, the road is beginning to turn when she does."—*Toronto Goblin.*

Friend: "How's your boy getting on in the army, Mr. Johnson?"

Johnson: "Wonderful. I feel a sense of great security. An army that can make my boy get up early, work hard all day, and go to bed early can do anything!"—*Iowa Guardsman.*

Sergeant (teaching a class in military courtesy): "And what rank is an officer with one star?"

Ex-Jailbird: "Sheriff, sir!"
—*Pa. Guardsman.*

Honey, I'll be needing a new fur soon." "What? Say, I bought that fur not quite two seasons ago." "Yes, dear, I know, but you must remember that the fox wore it three years."
—*Spartan Spasms.*

Parley Vous

Mrs. Newriche had just arrived from a tour of Europe, and her long-suffering acquaintances had no opportunity to forget the fact.

"And Paris!" she gushed. "Paris is just wonderful! The people are all so well educated—not at all like they are in this crude country, my dear! Why, even the street cleaners can talk French!"

—*The American Legion Monthly.*

Rapid

Policeman: "Miss, you were doing sixty miles an hour!"

She: "Oh, isn't that splendid! I only learnt to drive yesterday."

Indeed Not

Usher (to cold, dignified lady): "Are you a friend of the groom?"

The Lady: "No indeed! I am the bride's mother."

Customer: "I'd like to see some good second hand cars."

Salesman: "So would I."
—*Gas and Hay Burner.*

The Limit

She: "If you men would just stop looking at us girls in short skirts, we'd soon stop wearing them."

He: "Heaven forbid that you should go that far."

—*The Runner, Texas N. G.*

No Gyp Intended

Susan: "Stop, my lips are for another."

Jack Ashore: "Well, hold still then, and you'll get another."

—*A. & N. Journal.*

Always the Gent

Young Lady (in distress, to sailor): "My car is stalled. Have you a spare plug?"

Sailor: "Sorry, lady, I don't chew, but I got an old cigar I can give you."

—*To-Day.*

Positive

"Are you sure I have pneumonia?" an anxious patient asked a physician. "I have heard that doctors sometimes give wrong diagnoses, and have treated patients for pneumonia who afterwards died of typhoid fever."

"You've been woefully misinformed," replied the medico indignantly. "If I treat a man for pneumonia, he dies of pneumonia."

—*Exchange.*

A Bolt from the Blue

Cop: "What is your business?"

Prisoner: "I'm a locksmith."

Cop: "Well, what were you doing in that gambling house we just raided?"

Prisoner: "When you came in I was making a bolt for the door."

—*U. S. Service.*

Work

"Does your wife play bridge?"

"No," answered Mr. Meekton. "She's one of those experts at the game who make hard work of it."

Sleeping at the wheel is another way to keep the motorist from growing old.

Not Altogether

"I hope you'll dance with me tonight, Mr. Jones."

"Oh, rather! I hope you don't think I came here merely for pleasure!"—*Tit Bits.*

Vicar: "And what parable do you like best, my dear?"

Boy: "The one about the multitude that loafs and fishes."

—*Montreal Star.*

Her Problem!

Prim Sister: "I think it's a shame, Peggy, the way you lead men on."

Peggy: "Lead them on, be fiddled! It's all I can do to hold them back."

"Cherrio! I've created a jolly fine joke."

"Yes, milord?"

"A pound in the hand, don't you know, is worth two on the head."

—*California Pelican.*

Mrs. Bloop: "Does your car have a worm drive?"

Mrs. Bleep: "Yes, but I tell him where to drive."

Oh, Neat Salute

The Doughboy's Sweetheart: "You know, Phillip, I think it's wonderful how popular you are! Why, you're on saluting terms with every one of the officers."—*Music Master.*

Hard to Say

"Is she progressive or conservative?"

"I don't know. She wears a last year's hat, drives a this year's car, and lives on next year's income."

Not Me

Professor: "Decline 'love,' Miss Jones."

Miss Jones: "Decline 'love,' Professor? Not me."

—*Georgia Cracker.*

Have You?

"What kind of radio have you got?"

"The railroad type—whistles at every station."

HOW WE STAND

April Average Attendance for Entire Guard	83.39%
Maximum Strength New York National Guard.....	21,483
Minimum Strength New York National Guard.....	18,987
Present Strength New York National Guard.....	20,795

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54th Brigade	34

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Maintenance Strength	473
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Medical Section	2
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Maintenance Strength	587
101st Cavalry	716
121st Cavalry	622

ARTILLERY, 155 How.

Maintenance Strength	647
106th Field Artillery	684

ARTILLERY, C. A. C.

Maintenance Strength	646
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Average Percentage of Attendance N. Y. N. G.

April Average Attendance for Entire Guard 83.39%

**The
Honor
Space**

27th Div. Avia.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(1)	92.27%				
102nd Observation Sq.....		4	90	82	94
102nd Photo Section.....		4	23	22	94
Medical Detachment		4	7	7	96
		120	111	92.27	

**Yours
for the
Effort**

121st Cal.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(2)	91.59%				
Hdqrs.		4	7	7	100
Hdqrs. Troop		5	78	74	95
Band		5	39	37	95
Machine Gun Troop.....		6	70	66	94
Hdqrs. 1st Sq.....		3	2	1	50
Troop A		3	60	51	84
Troop B		3	62	54	87
Hdqrs. 2nd Sq.....		5	2	2	100
Troop E		5	72	67	93
Troop F		4	74	71	97
Hdqrs. 3rd Sq.....		5	2	2	100
Troop I		4	65	56	86
Troop K		6	65	58	89
Medical Detachment ...		4	25	21	84
		623	567	91.59	

369th Inf.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(5)	86.77%				
Regtl. Hq.		5	7	7	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....		5	62	57	92
Service Co.		5	69	61	88
Howitzer Co.		5	62	53	84
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn....		4	22	19	87
Company A		4	66	58	87
Company B		4	62	54	87
Company C		4	62	59	96
Company D		4	60	59	98
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...		5	20	16	82
Company E		5	64	53	83
Company F		5	61	51	83
Company G		5	62	51	82
Company H		5	65	58	89
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...		5	22	19	87
Company I		5	65	59	90
Company K		5	57	50	84
Company L		5	63	57	91
Company M		5	61	49	79
Med. Det. Att.....		5	35	24	67
		1047	914	86.77	

Company L	4	70	63	87
Company M	4	74	71	96
Med. Det. Att.....	4	37	31	82
		1180	1016	86.39

104th Field Art.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(8)	85.96%				
Hdqrs.		4	6	5	83
Hq. Battery		5	51	44	82
Service Battery		4	55	51	91
Hdqrs. 1st Bn.....		4	4	4	100
Hq. Bty. & C. T. 1st Bn.		4	35	32	91
Battery A		5	78	71	92
Battery B		5	70	57	81
Battery C		5	70	59	84
Hdqrs. 2nd Bn.....		4	4	3	87
Hq. Bty. & C. T. 2nd Bn.		5	34	31	90
Battery D		5	71	61	86
Battery E		5	70	54	78
Battery F		4	74	62	84
Medical Detachment		4	29	26	91
		651	560	85.96	

258th Field Art.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(3)	88.65%				
Hdqrs.		5	6	4	90
Hdqrs. Battery		5	66	59	89
Service Battery		5	73	61	83
1st Bn. Hq.....		5	3	3	100
1st Bn. C. T.....		5	47	44	98
Battery A		5	70	60	86
Battery B		5	69	63	92
2nd Bn. Hdqrs.....		5	2	2	100
2nd Bn. C. T.....		5	39	34	87
Battery C		5	75	66	87
Battery D		5	79	68	86
3rd Bn. Hdqrs.....		5	3	3	100
3rd Bn. C. T.....		5	43	37	90
Battery E		5	70	63	90
Battery F		5	65	59	90
Medical Detachment		5	33	30	91
		743	656	88.65	

212th Coast Art.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(6)	86.61%				
Hdqrs.		4	5	4	90
Hq. Battery		6	63	56	88
Service Battery		5	69	63	91
1st Bn. Hq. & Hq. Bty..		5	53	50	94
Battery A		5	65	57	89
Battery B		5	69	61	88
Battery C		5	66	57	86
Battery D		5	68	61	90
2nd Bn. Hq. & Hq. Det..		7	16	15	95
Battery E		6	65	51	78
Battery F		6	68	61	75
Battery G		6	61	50	82
Battery H		6	65	60	92
Medical Detachment		6	20	18	90
		753	664	86.61	

108th Inf.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(9)	85.63%				
Regtl. Hq.		4	6	6	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....		4	68	56	82
Service Co.		4	84	72	86
Howitzer Co.		4	56	43	78
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...		4	35	31	89
Company A		4	63	50	80
Company B		3	65	51	79
Company C		4	61	45	74
Company D		4	63	51	82
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...		5	33	30	90
Company E		5	70	65	93
Company F		4	73	66	90
Company G		4	64	55	85
Company H		4	61	58	87
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...		4	34	28	82
Company I		4	65	56	87
Company K		4	76	69	89
Company L		5	74	67	90
Company M		5	66	58	88
Med. Det. Att.....		4	33	29	87
		1150	986	85.63	

106th Field Art.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(4)	87.24%				
Hdqrs.		5	5	5	100
Hdqrs. Battery		5	61	50	82
Service Battery		5	63	59	92
Hdqrs. 1st Bn.....		5	2	2	100
Hq. Bty. & C. T. 1st Bn.		5	32	31	96
Battery A		5	75	68	91
Battery B		5	73	60	82
Hdqrs. 2nd Bn.....		5	3	3	100
Hq. Bty. & C. T. 2nd Bn.		5	32	30	91
Battery C		5	69	55	80
Battery D		5	68	63	91
Hdqrs. 3rd Bn.....		5	3	3	100
Hq. Bty. & C. T. 3rd Bn.		5	31	26	84
Battery E		5	72	60	83
Battery F		5	61	54	88
Medical Detachment		5	35	31	87
		685	600	87.24	

71st Inf.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(7)	86.39%				
Regtl. Hq.		4	7	7	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....		4	65	51	79
Service Co.		4	93	83	90
Howitzer Co.		4	66	51	78
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...		5	36	31	85
Company A		4	64	50	78
Company B		4	67	54	80
Company C		4	63	47	75
Company D		4	65	60	92
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...		4	31	26	92
Company E		4	70	64	92
Company F		4	70	60	86
Company G		4	64	54	84
Company H		4	61	52	85
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...		4	31	31	98
Company I		4	77	66	89
Company K		4	69	64	92

101st Cal.		No. of Rep. Rec'd.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(10)	85.55%				
Hdqrs.		4	6	6	100
Band		6	25	21	84
Hdqrs. Troop		6	76	62	81
Machine Gun Troop.....		4	65	51	79
Hdqrs. 1st Sq.....		4	2	2	100
Troop A		4	68	59	86
Troop B		4	77	70	91
Hdqrs. 2nd Sq.....		4	2	2	100
Troop E		7	82	69	84
Troop F		6	81	69	86

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HdQRS. 3rd Sq.....	4	2	2	100
Troop I	7	74	59	80
Troop K	6	93	87	93
Medical Detachment	6	33	29	90
		686	588	85.55

105th Field Art. (11) 83.99%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	4	6	5	81
HdQRS. Battery	7	48	41	86
Service Battery	6	64	58	91
1st Bn. HdQRS.....	5	3	3	93
1st Bn. Hq. Bty.....	6	42	37	88
Battery A	3	64	55	82
Battery B	6	69	56	86
Battery C	6	67	58	86
2nd Bn. HdQRS.....	5	4	4	90
2nd Bn. Hq. Bty.....	6	42	36	84
Battery D	5	74	60	81
Battery E	6	69	52	75
Battery F	5	69	56	80
Medical Detachment	4	36	33	92
		657	554	83.99

245th Coast Art. (12) 83.91%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	5	7	7	100
Hq. Battery	5	67	63	93
Hq. 1st Bn.....	5	3	3	100
Battery A	5	61	49	80
Battery B	6	63	57	91
Battery C	5	58	48	83
Battery D	6	61	60	83
Hq. 2nd Bn.....	6	2	2	100
Battery E	5	57	48	84
Battery F	5	74	60	80
Battery G	6	63	51	82
Battery H	6	58	48	79
HdQRS. 3rd Bn.....	5	2	2	100
Battery I	5	61	50	82
Battery K	5	55	52	76
Battery L	5	59	41	86
Battery M	5	57	47	83
Medical Detachment	5	30	28	91
		838	716	83.91

14th Inf. (13) 83.87%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
Regtl. Hq.	4	7	7	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....	5	61	47	77
Service Co.	4	74	60	81
Howitzer Co.	4	64	51	79
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...	5	22	19	86
Company A	5	69	60	87
Company B	5	59	48	80
Company C	5	66	51	77
Company D	4	71	50	88
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...	4	20	16	77
Company E	4	65	53	82
Company F	4	65	55	85
Company G	4	64	52	80
Company H	4	66	64	98
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...	4	23	19	83
Company I	5	68	57	85
Company K	4	62	50	81
Company L	4	63	55	88
Company M	4	73	64	88
Med. Det. Att.....	4	35	31	87
		1097	909	83.87

244th Coast Art. (14) 82.64%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	4	5	5	100
Hq. Battery	4	67	59	88
Service Battery	4	88	78	89
1st Bn. Hq.....	4	4	4	98
1st Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	4	37	31	83
Battery A	4	65	52	79
Battery B	4	76	53	70
2nd Bn. Hq.....	4	5	5	100
2nd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	5	53	49	92
Battery C	5	62	52	83
Battery D	5	61	52	85
3rd Bn. Hq.....	4	4	4	100
3rd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	4	41	30	74
Battery E	4	67	53	79
Battery F	4	62	50	80
Medical Detachment	4	31	23	76
		728	600	82.64

102nd Med. Reg. (15) 82.35%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	4	12	12	100
Service Co.	5	79	55	95

HdQRS. Collecting Bn....	4	2	2	100
104th Collecting Co.....	4	51	42	82
105th Collecting Co.....	3	64	57	90
106th Collecting Co.....	4	67	56	84
HdQRS. Ambulance Bn...	5	1	1	100
104th Ambulance Co.....	5	57	49	86
105th Ambulance Co.....	5	45	38	84
106th Ambulance Co.....	4	55	47	86
HdQRS. Hospital Bn.....	5	2	2	100
104th Hospital Co.....	4	75	68	91
105th Hospital Co.....	5	66	58	88
106th Hospital Co.....	4	63	59	94
102nd Veterinary Co.....	4	43	38	88
		682	584	82.35

102nd Eng. (16) 82.26%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	4	8	8	100
HdQRS. & Service Co....	4	104	90	87
Company A	4	62	53	85
Company B	4	60	46	77
Company C	4	52	37	71
Company D	4	65	56	88
Company E	4	64	55	86
Company F	4	62	46	74
Medical Detachment	4	23	19	81
		500	410	82.26

10th Inf. (17) 81.22%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
Regtl. Hq.	4	6	5	83
Regtl. Hq. Co.....	4	56	45	85
Service Co.	4	111	82	73
Howitzer Co.	5	63	49	77
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...	4	18	15	80
Company A	3	64	59	92
Company B	4	54	33	71
Company C	3	58	46	73
Company D	4	66	49	75
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...	4	28	20	74
Company E	4	65	52	80
Company F	4	60	47	79
Company G	4	65	50	78
Company H	4	68	60	61
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...	4	34	32	95
Company I	3	78	68	87
Company K	4	65	57	88
Company L	5	61	54	89
Company M	4	77	60	77
Med. Det. Att.....	5	38	36	95
		1135	919	81.22

107th Inf. (18) 80.59%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
Regtl. Hq.	4	5	5	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....	4	62	51	81
Service Co.	4	72	63	87
Howitzer Co.	4	56	42	75
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...	4	21	18	88
Company A	4	50	48	76
Company B	4	64	50	78
Company C	4	63	52	83
Company D	4	63	54	86
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...	5	20	12	63
Company E	5	67	62	92
Company F	5	61	52	85
Company G	5	63	46	72
Company H	4	66	46	71
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...	5	22	20	90
Company I	5	61	39	64
Company K	5	81	69	85
Company L	5	69	60	89
Company M	4	48	42	70
Med. Det. Att.....	4	31	30	96
		1035	861	80.59

27th Spe. Troop (19) 79.27%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	5	14	13	91
27th HdQRS. Co.....	5	55	42	76
102nd Ordnance Co.....	5	34	32	95
27th Tank Co.....	4	72	56	77
27th Signal Co.....	4	70	53	76
102nd Motorcycle Co....	5	33	31	92
27th Military Police Co..	5	56	42	73
Medical Detachment	5	20	13	66
		354	282	79.27

27th Div. Trains (20) 77.86%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	5	12	11	95
Motor Trans. Co. 105....	5	47	37	78
Motor Trans. Co. 106....	5	46	35	75
Motor Trans. Co. 107....	5	50	43	84

Motor Trans. Co. 108....	5	48	34	72
Motor Rep. Sect. 103....	5	25	18	69
Medical Detachment	5	15	13	84
		243	191	77.86

106th Inf. (21) 76.67%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
Regtl. Hq.	4	7	6	92
Regtl. Hq. Co.....	4	65	37	57
Service Co.	5	89	66	93
Howitzer Co.	5	59	50	68
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...	5	18	14	80
Company A	5	62	49	78
Company B	5	63	47	74
Company C	5	68	54	78
Company D	5	54	36	66
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...	5	33	26	80
Company E	5	58	39	67
Company F	5	70	62	90
Company G	5	66	50	76
Company H	5	66	57	71
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...	4	23	20	86
Company I	4	60	48	80
Company K	4	60	51	85
Company L	4	51	47	89
Company M	4	71	59	83
Med. Det. Att.....	4	36	31	86
		1079	849	76.67

156th Field Art. (22) 74.84%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS.	4	4	4	100
HdQRS. Battery	5	50	36	72
Service Battery	4	72	65	90
1st Bn. Hq.....	4	3	2	67
1st Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	5	29	24	81
Battery A	4	58	38	66
Battery B	4	73	53	73
Battery C	5	71	49	98
2nd Bn. HdQRS.....	4	4	4	100
2nd Bn. Hq. Bty. & C. T.	5	44	29	83
Battery D	5	60	41	68
Battery E	4	68	60	88
Battery F	4	74	49	66
Medical Detachment	3	35	22	64
		645	476	74.84

165th Inf. (23) 74.49%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
Regtl. Hq.	4	7	7	100
Regtl. Hq. Co.....	4	62	41	65
Service Co.	4	77	67	86
Howitzer Co.	4	65	40	61
Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn...	4	20	16	81
Company A	4	67	52	77
Company B	4	70	53	76
Company C	4	67	53	80
Company D	4	72	63	88
Hq. & Hq. Co. 2nd Bn...	4	28	28	100
Company E	4	67	50	75
Company F	4	67	44	66
Company G	4	69	52	75
Company H	4	68	45	67
Hq. & Hq. Co. 3rd Bn...	4	21	17	79
Company I	4	67	49	73
Company K	4	66	46	69
Company L	4	63	39	62
Company M	4	70	49	69
Med. Det. Att.....	4	36	30	85
		1129	841	74.49

101st Sig. Bat. (24) 65.39%

No. of Rep.	Aver. of Pres. and Rec'd. Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.	
HdQRS. & HdQRS. Co....	4	21	15	73
Company A	4	66	43	65
Company B	4	68	44	65
Med. Dept. Det.....	4	14	8	60
		169	110	65.39

105th Inf. (25)
April Report Not Received in Time for Publication

174th Inf. (26)
April Report Not Received in Time for Publication

Hq. Coast Art.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(1) 96.99%	6	4	4	91
Hdqrs.	6	7	7	100
	11	11		96.99

State Staff	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(2) 94.38%	4	6	6	100
A. G. D. Section.....	4	4	4	100
J. A. G. D. Section.....	4	28	24	87
Ordinance Section	4	3	3	100
Medical Section	3	34	34	100
Quartermaster Section ..				
	75	71		94.38

52nd F. Art. Bg.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(3) 93.22%	5	5	5	100
Hdqrs.	6	35	33	93
Hdqrs. Battery				
	40	38		93.22

51st Cav. Brig.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(4) 92.35%	4	7	6	89
Brigade Hdqrs.	5	65	60	93
Hdqrs. Troop				
	72	66		92.35

54th Inf. Brig.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(5) 91.79%	4	5	4	80
Hdqrs.	4	28	27	94
Hdqrs. Co.				
	33	31		91.79

Hq. 27th Div.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(6) 91.83%	4	24	24	100
Hdqrs.	5	42	37	88
Hdqrs. Detachment				
	66	61		91.83

87th Inf. Brig.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(7) 90.85%	5	5	5	100
Hdqrs.	5	30	27	91
Hdqrs. Co.				
	35	32		90.85

93rd Inf. Brig.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(8) 89.61%	4	5	5	100
Hdqrs.	4	33	29	88
Hdqrs. Co.				
	38	34		89.61

53rd Inf. Brig.	No. of Rep.	Aver. Pres. and Abs.	Aver. Att.	Aver. % Att.
(9) 89.24%	4	4	4	94
Hdqrs.	4	35	31	89
Hdqrs. Co.				
	39	35		89.24

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71st REGIMENT VETERANS MEET

Besides recalling the day sixty-nine years ago that he went off to the Civil War with his father, Comrade Major Burke gave a vivid account of conditions during 1861 and told of many interesting incidents while addressing the regular monthly meeting of the Seventy-first Regiment Veteran Association on April 19th.

Major Burke is the last surviving member of the Seventy-first, New York, who saw service in the Civil War and although he is in his late eighties he is still able to relate some of his experiences with as much thought to details as though the war had only occurred yesterday. He had seen Lincoln and he witnessed the horrible orgy of conditions at Libby Prison where thousands of Northerners died of hunger and neglect, while Southern prisoners of war were quartered in military barracks in the north enjoying the same rations as the Northern soldiers. Major Burke received a round of applause following the interesting address he delivered on that occasion.

The April meeting of the Association was unusually lively: medals were presented to the marksmen who scored the victory that brought the McAlpin trophy back to the Seventy-first after being out of competition for almost ten years, and several marksmen received yearly medals for excellent scores on the target range.

Several old-timers who saw service with the regiment in the Spanish-American War, including the drummer boy in Company I, were introduced by Captain Maslin as new members of the Association.

The activities of each committee were discussed in detail; and last, but not least, it has been decided to give more variety to the supper that is served after each meeting on the third Monday evening of every month.

156th FIELD ARTILLERY

After months of special effort, those interested in a new Armory in Newburgh to house the Artillery units all in one building, have been successful. The County Supervisors have appropriated \$40,000 to purchase 17 acres of land near the Delano Hitch Memorial Park.

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wooden ones) and the others of the Battery having the proper room to manœuvre the pieces with the aid of horse power. Further, it will put the local units on the same footing and better opportunity to compete with other Artillery units of the State.

We are rather proud of the advancement which most of our boys have made, three having entered West Point in one year from Battery E—a record.

First Sgt. William D. Eager has re-enlisted for his tenth year; Sgt. Eager was rated as the best single mount at the Saturday inspection in the regiment by the inspection officer.

Stable Sgt. Minerly and Pvt. Greene, Battery E, were complimented as having received the only very satisfactory rating in the regiment at the recent Federal inspection; these men know horses.

Battery E had its first 100 per cent attendance that it has had for years at the Federal inspection. The Battery Non-Coms are responsible for this unusual showing by the Battery and were complimented by the Captain. They are as follows: 1st Sgt. Eager, Supply Sgt. Bloomer, Stable Sgt. Minerly, Sgts. Hughes, Pilus, Patton, Raab, Reed, Cpls. Babcock, Coverage, Rizzo, Janson, Raab, Daniel.

Battery E has taken out a group battery insurance to cover the members of the battery during the armory training period. We understand that the battery is one of the first to take advantage of the insurance company offer.

Supply Sgt. Bloomer has re-enlisted for his twelfth year. Sgt. Bloomer has one of the best supply rooms in the armory.

The members of the 2nd Bn. Hq., Battery and Combat Train, learned with much regret of the retirement of Colonel Egan as our Regimental C. O. The Colonel was severe when necessary and gave every man his due; but it is doubtful whether we will ever get another Colonel whom we will learn to like any more than we have Colonel Egan. He was a "man's man"!

The Combat Train is receiving machine gun instruction under the tutorage of Captain A. Huddleson and Lieutenant Jamieson. Six men have been assigned to this detail.

The radio detail await with expectation the return of Sgt. Thompson

and Sgt. Gibney from signal schools, who will bring back much valuable information relative to radio procedure.

Captain Huddleson and Lieutenant Lochead, who qualified at Peekskill, expect to try for higher honors at Sea Girt on the 24th with the pistol.

The 2nd Bn. Officers' Association will hold the quarterly dinner on May the 28th. Invitations have been forwarded and a good time is looked for. Captains Casedy and Babcock will be the guests of honor for the evening.

Sgt. Minerly, our genial stable sergeant, while attempting to mimic Tom Mix, was hurt very severely about the ankle, and at the present writing is using crutches as a means of support.

174th INFANTRY

The thinning ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic were represented by a scant handful of veterans in blue at the annual memorial review held by the 174th Infantry in the Buffalo Armory, May 23rd. Led by Commanders Frank M. Fisher of Bidwell-Wilkeson Post No. 9 and Fred J. Weber of Chapin Post No. 2, the little group in their uniforms of '61 were in colorful contrast with the smartly clad guardsmen, in their brand new Melton garb. Transportation of the vets to and from the armory was handled by a committee from the Buffalo Chapter, Sons of Union Veterans. Out of consideration for the age of the guests of honor, Colonel William R. Pooley ordered an abbreviated ceremony.

Company C, commanded by Captain Charles A. Reif, performed guard mount. A band concert by the regimental band, under the direction of John W. Bolton, preceded the review.

Eight promotions within ranks and one commission was announced a few days ago by Colonel William R. Pooley, commanding officer of the 174th Infantry at Buffalo.

William G. Cook, formerly corporal in Regimental Headquarters Company, has been commissioned second lieutenant, assigned to the same unit, which is commanded by Captain Lyman A. Shaw. Lieutenant Cook succeeds Lieutenant Richard L. Pooley, who has been transferred to Second Battalion Headquarters Company, First Lieutenant Lynn D. Wallace commanding.

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pany leads the list of promotions among the enlisted personnel, with a jump to the grade of staff sergeant.

Other raises in rank were: Cpl. Howard C. Weber, Company G; Cpl. Alton B. York, Company M; Cpl. Francis R. Blake, Company I, and Pvt. William L. Ehler, Company I, to be sergeants, and Pvts. Axel W. Anderson and John A. Shine, Company I, and Foster Peterkin, Company M, to be corporals.

258th FIELD ARTILLERY

Just before going to press we learned that 1st Lieutenant Gemmill was transferred to the 3rd Bn. Staff and although we are tickled to death to see "Walter" go ahead we certainly feel our loss. Ever since the days when he was a "buck" in the rear rank he has always been an "F" man, and we feel sure that even though he has joined the "Brass Hats" he will not forget that our door is never closed and will drop in and see "the gang" often. Goodby and good luck, Walter.

To offset our loss 2nd Lieutenant Hofberg has been assigned to "F." We take this opportunity of welcoming him to our midst and trust that his stay will be a happy one and of long duration.

Do you remember last year's camp? The preparations before leaving the "Big Shed," the last minute goodbyes, the hike down the Big Hill, the sleepers that wouldn't let you sleep, Jim Mackin's first twenty-four hours in camp, the reception for the recruits in the Mess Shack, the bark of the 155's, the Bivouac (nuff sed), those Oswego girls and the nights in town, the good chow, the trip back to New York in those sleepless sleepers, the hike back up that same big hill, the dismissal and home and mother?

Well, it won't be long now before we repeat the movement and the "whole gang" can hardly wait for the Zero Hour.

106th INFANTRY

This is our initial attempt of the Medical Detachment to broadcast our activities in this magazine and we promise that you will hear from us frequently. We will endeavour to make our articles interesting as well as "newsy," but we do not claim to be journalists or columnists or whatever you may call them.

Our Commanding Officer, Major
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COLONEL	<i>Date of Rank</i>	<i>Branch and Organization</i>
Tobin, Ralph C.....	April 15, 1930.....	107th Inf.
MAJORS		
Platz, Robert H.....	April 2, 1930.....	Q. M. C., 27th Div. Tn., Q. M. C.
Bullard, Frank M.....	April 24, 1930.....	M. C., 156th Field Art.
CAPTAINS		
Wallace, Frank H.....	April 7, 1930.....	106th Inf.
McCann, Joseph P.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Beck, Arthur C.....	April 10, 1930.....	71st Inf.
Sherman, Donald P.....	April 10, 1930.....	71st Inf.
Vogel, David I.....	April 10, 1930.....	102nd Engrs.
Hamilton, Earl D.....	April 17, 1930.....	105th Inf.
White, Frank M.....	April 24, 1930.....	M. C., 369th Inf.
Gilgar, Joseph E.....	April 26, 1930.....	165th Inf.
Hart, Alphonse M.....	April 29, 1930.....	107th Inf.
1ST LIEUTENANTS		
Becker, Joseph G.....	April 1, 1930.....	244th Coast Art.
Duffy, Thomas A.....	April 7, 1930.....	106th Inf.
Dunne, John J.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Lamorte, Nicholas D.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Murtha, Joseph J.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Karsch, Edward A. A.....	April 23, 1930.....	104th Field Art.
Voorhees, Malcolm D.....	April 24, 1930.....	258th Field Art.
Murphy, Robert J.....	April 24, 1930.....	258th Field Art.
Redmond, Edward M.....	April 24, 1930.....	258th Field Art.
Culligan, Ernest M.....	April 24, 1930.....	258th Field Art.
Walsh, John R.....	April 28, 1930.....	105th Inf.
Langs, Jesse C.....	April 29, 1930.....	108th Inf.
Jones, Harry P.....	April 29, 1930.....	10th Inf.
Harden, James H.....	April 29, 1930.....	V. C., 105th Field Art.
2ND LIEUTENANTS		
Davis, Edgar M.....	April 1, 1930.....	244th Coast Art.
Dane, Chester L., Jr.....	April 8, 1930.....	104th Field Art.
Wohltman, Robert M.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Meyers, Charles.....	April 10, 1930.....	71st Inf.
Hirt, Arthur D.....	April 10, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
Hennessey, John P.....	April 16, 1930.....	105th Inf.
Bowen, Redvers.....	April 28, 1930.....	102nd Engrs.

Separations from Active Service, April, 1930, Resigned, Honorably Discharged.

COLONEL		
Kilbreth, John W.....	April 9, 1930.....	105th Field Art.
CAPTAIN		
Coughlin, James W.....	April 3, 1930.....	107th Inf.
2ND LIEUTENANTS		
Gray, Richard G.....	April 28, 1930.....	258th Field Art.
McArthur, Philip H.....	April 9, 1930.....	102nd Engrs.
Stiehler, George C.....	April 1, 1930.....	106th Inf.

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On April 19th the Rifle Team of the Veterans of the Seventh Regiment competed with the Rifle Team of the Veterans of the Seventy-first Regiment in a match for the McAlpin Trophy, in which the Seventy-first's team was the victor, scoring 572 to the Seventh team's 565. The conditions of the match being 5 shots sitting and 5 shots prone.

On Saturday, May 10th, the teams of the Seventy-first Veterans and the Seventh Veterans competed in the Veteran Military Rifle Association Match, this time the Seventh Regiment Veterans being the victors with a score of 425 to the Seventy-first's Veterans' 416. The conditions of the match being 5 shots sitting, 5 shots standing, 5 shots prone.

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Walter V. Moore, gave a dinner to the Detachment on the night of April 12th, to celebrate his first anniversary as our commanding officer and believe us, the dinner was a great success. Captain F. Saxe presented the Major with a gold ring (mounted with the insignia of the regiment) on behalf of the detachment in token of our appreciation of his fine leadership and fellowship, and the Captain certainly made an excellent speech in making the presentation.

As to our athletic activities, we have not a great deal to mention as we are only beginning to get organized, but we hope that our baseball team will make a good showing this season, and that next fall our basketball team will be in good shape. In the meantime our track team has been training strenuously under the guidance of Sgt. H. Schneider.

244th COAST ARTILLERY

In April an inter-battery pistol match was held by the 244th C. A. The object of the match was to choose the Battery Team to defend the "General John J. Byrne Trophy" from the 107th Inf. This trophy was donated by Gen. Byrne when he was commanding officer of the Ninth, to be shot for by a purely battery or company pistol team from each regiment. Prior to his joining the old Ninth Regiment the General served in the old Seventh Regiment. His object was to bring his two old regiments in closer contact.

The course consisted of ten shots fired at twenty-five yards, slow fire. This simple course had to be adopted due to the number of men shooting. Up to a short time before the match the regiment had been using the .22 cal. revolvers for indoor work. The advantages of this method of practice can be seen in the scores. All but two batteries of the regiment participated.

The match was won by Battery C, with a score of 455 out of a possible 500. This battery shows a very decided interest in shooting and was the first in the regiment to adopt the use of .22 calibre ammunition for indoor training. Each drill night, from 6:30 on, the officers of the battery are on the range to teach and allow the members of the battery to shoot. The work was started by Lieutenant John E. J. Clare, Jr., now of the 258th F. A., when he was a member of the battery, and is now being carried on by his

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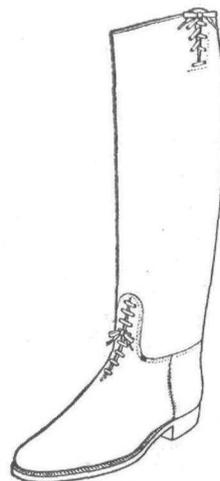
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Battery F was not far behind, with a score of 412. They, too, have caught the fever, but have to rush some to overcome the start of Battery C.

Battery C has responded to the challenge of the 107th Inf. through its Company D. The match will be fired on Wednesday evening, May 28th. The same units shot for the trophy at the last match. The 244th has held the trophy for two years. The cup remains in the possession of the battery or company that wins it for their regiment.

The Regimental Team of the 244th C. A. seems to be faring rather badly these days. It lost to the Veteran Corps of Artillery on Monday, April 21st, by a margin of nineteen points.

Each year these two organizations shoot for a handsome cup presented by Major T. J. Oakley Rhineland. Since the inception of this match the trophy has been alternately in the hands of the 244th and the V. C. A. This was the V. C. A.'s year to win, and they did. Each member of the

winning team is presented with a replica of the large cup.

The match was shot on the range of the 244th C. A. The course fired was ten shots at twenty-five yards, slow fire, and ten at twenty-five, rapid fire.

HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT 27th DIVISION

Master Sgt. Mathew Dwyer is forever wanting two new O. D. shirts, size 15. Will someone play politics and help Matty out? He's a fast bird at the royal and we need him.

We regret to say that Master Sgt. Carnage, our top-kick, is in the hospital suffering from injuries he received when he fell from the roof of his little home on Staten Island. Here's hoping for an immediate recovery. It's very seldom that a top-kick is well liked, but we are behind this one heart and soul.

Master Sgt. Henry W. J. Fritz, the best paper man in the state, has one of the finest jobs in the world, that of telling the new recruit that an inoculation is an injection of gold to

make him "worthy" of the name—"A National Guardsman."

Privates Maher and Senno, ex-members of the 71st Inf., N. Y. N. G., and now members of this Detachment, thought that they were through with the musket. Major A. D. Reutershan, commanding, has politely but sternly informed the two gentlemen that they will carry the Army rifle, model 1903, as color guards in the division parade. They're in the Army now.

We are certainly grateful for those responsible in securing our wonderful new quarters for us. We believe that we have the best company rooms in the United States and they will be open for inspection any Tuesday night. If anyone doubts our word, step up and see for yourself.

In an editorial by Major General William N. Haskell some years back, the General stated that, "The strength of the pack is in the wolf, but the strength of the wolf is the pack." We are a small organization of 42 E. M., but we are part of the pack and from now on watch our smoke. We are going to be in the thick of everything, everything that the New York National Guardsman can participate in. Thank you.

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Solution of Problems

By COLONEL HU MYERS, U. S. A.

A MILITARY student, when given a tactical problem to solve in the class room, is confronted with many difficulties which he would not have to contend with if the problem were an actual one and he were in the field, confronted with the enemy. In the latter case, he would have grown into the problem. He would usually have been operating against the enemy for some time, and many pieces of information which he would find very necessary to him in the solution of the problem would be so well known to him that he would not give them a conscious thought.

But in the class room he receives the problem, as it were, out of a clear sky. He is just like a man who has descended from a balloon into the theater of operations or into a battle and, upon landing, is handed a statement of the situation by some one and told to formulate his plans and issue his orders, and to do it at once. The one giving him the statement of the situation would undoubtedly leave out some very important matters which would require the newly arrived commander to ask many questions as he estimated the situation.

An instructor getting up a problem and writing the situation has a very hard task because he must anticipate all the detailed information which the student will require to put him as nearly as possible in the position of an officer who has been living the situation for some time, and there are not many instructors who can do this. They seem, sometimes, to think that the student is endowed with "second sight," and they leave out many things which it is necessary for the student to know before he can act intelligently.

A student handling a tactical problem in the class room and confronted with the difficulties mentioned above, may do one of two things. He may pester the instructor with a lot of questions or he may make assumptions with respect to things about which he is given no information. The latter procedure is better and any reasonable assumption made by the student will be accepted by the instructor and given full value when he comes to mark the problem, even though the assumptions are not always those which would be made by the instructor if the problem were presented to him.

An instructor preparing a problem for a class should be very careful to include in the problem all necessary information of the situation so that the student can, after reading the problem carefully and staking it out on the map, get busy on his solution without a mind full of doubts as to matters of which he should have been given information.

The following extracts from "Tactics" by Bond and Crouch, are quoted to show something of the structure of tactical problems and the responsibility of the instructor in preparing problems for his class.

The Problem

"The problem opens with a statement of certain imaginary conditions, constituting what is called 'the situa-

tion.' Usually the situation is divided into two parts, known as the 'general situation' and the 'special situation.'

"The general situation sets forth the general conditions in the theatre of war as a whole, and is presumed to be known to both sides. Ordinarily it relates that the Blues (our own forces) and the Reds (the enemy) are at war, or have been at war since a certain date, and defines the boundary line between the hostile states. The strength and locations of the opposing forces, their respective states of mobilization, training, etc., may be given. Certain important past events of the war may be related, as that the Reds were defeated in a battle on such date, and are now retreating before the advance of the Blues, etc. The apparent intentions of one or both sides, so far as these might be judged from their known actions, may also be stated. Finally, certain details as to weather, season, important extraneous matters, such as possible intervention of allies, etc., may be given.

"The special situation sets forth in some detail the (imaginary) circumstances surrounding some particular body of troops, of which the student is presumed to be the commander or one of the subordinate commanders. These will usually include:

1. Date and hour at which the situation opens.
2. Strength composition, location and distribution of the command.
3. Detailed information concerning the enemy, to any assumed degree.
4. Strength and location of friendly troops in the vicinity.
5. Orders and messages received.
6. Detailed information concerning the terrain and other special conditions, to any assumed degree.

"The problem then concludes with certain 'requirements' which are demanded of the student, these constituting the 'solution' of the problem.

Preparation of Problems

"To prepare a good tactical exercise is usually more difficult than to solve one, and the preparation of problems should be regarded as an essential part of a complete course of military training.

"It is to be borne in mind also that the prospective officer will be required not only to *lead* troops but also to *train* them. He will not be qualified to train even his non-commissioned officers unless he is able to write simple tactical problems. In training his subordinates he will naturally follow the methods that have been applied to himself. Accordingly, every student should be required to prepare a few simple problems, including their solutions, as a part of his training. The ability to prepare good problems is usually proof that the student has mastered the course in tactics.

"Problems should be prepared with a view to teaching one or more tactical ideas or principles. However, they should not be strained or forced, but simple and natural.

"The preparation of problems cannot be learned from

a book, but only by practice. One's early problems will quite likely be crude, involved and ambiguous. Practice alone will correct these faults.

"The following hints may be useful to those called upon to prepare problems in tactics."

Hints for the Preparation of Problems

"1. Suit your problem to the class of students to be instructed. Do not give regimental problems to non-commissioned officers, nor division problems to students not yet proficient in the tactics of the platoon.

"2. Adjust your problem to the time that will be available for its solution, especially if it be a maneuver. Do not demand a four-hour task where only an hour is available, or the instructional value will be lost.

"3. Build your problem around one or more sound tactical principles, make it teach a real lesson.

"4. Consult some good problems of the service schools for proper forms. Follow these forms in a general way, but do your own thinking.

"5. Don't be afraid of making the problem too simple. It is the simple principles that are the most important, and simple procedure that wins battles. The thing to fear is that the problem may be too complicated. Do not try to convey too many ideas nor to teach too many lessons in one problem. It takes time to develop tactical sense and judgment. A few ideas well driven home are worth more than a large number which cannot all be mastered, and which tend to confuse the student. Make the students *think*, but along simple, direct lines.

"6. Give the problem all possible semblance of reality. Do not force situations nor introduce unnatural conditions. If it be on the terrain select the best terrain available and make the problem fit it. If you use the sand table you can mold an ideal terrain to suit your own wishes.

"7. Let the problem develop naturally, especially if it be a war game or maneuver. Do not try to coerce your students into solving it your way. Authorship confers no special rights of interpretation. If the solutions take a course quite different from your expectations, it is probably a sign that you need more practice in the preparation of problems.

"8. Make the problem as brief as is compatible with perfect clearness. Omit unnecessary details which do not influence the solution. Write it over several times, cutting it down. Then read it to some one and see if it is perfectly clear to him.

"9. If the problem be a maneuver make it progressive and interesting to all. Give everybody something to do. Do not have the troops idle for long periods on the one hand, nor march them around too much on the other. If the problem is not made interesting and pleasant much of its instructional value is lost.

"10. In a two-sided war game or maneuver make the tasks of the opposing sides approximately equal, so that each has a chance to accomplish its mission. This is stimulating.

"11. It adds to the interest of a maneuver if it culminates in a contact between the two opposing sides. This should take place in a terrain suitable for illustrating the principles of combat. In starting such a maneuver the opposing sides should be entirely separated.

"12. A problem, especially a maneuver, when once

started, should be carried to completion with the least possible interruption.

"The preparation of problems should not, of course, be undertaken in advance of training in the solution of problems."

The "Homo" Way

Two young lads called the other day,
To seek a job from me;
The one I rated in Class "A",
The other in Class "C".

The first one's eyes were bright and keen,
His collar of that day;
His shoes were shined, his nails were clean,
He walked the "homo" way.

The second had a slouchy gait,
His garments out of press;
His lacking shave said, "Slept too late."
His dull eye spelled "excess".

The folks of each were 'bout the same,
And the query came to me,
What circumstance has been to blame
That one should rate Class "C"?

A bright light then came unto me,
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