

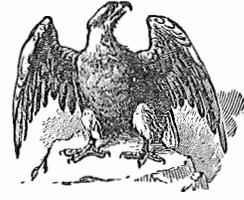
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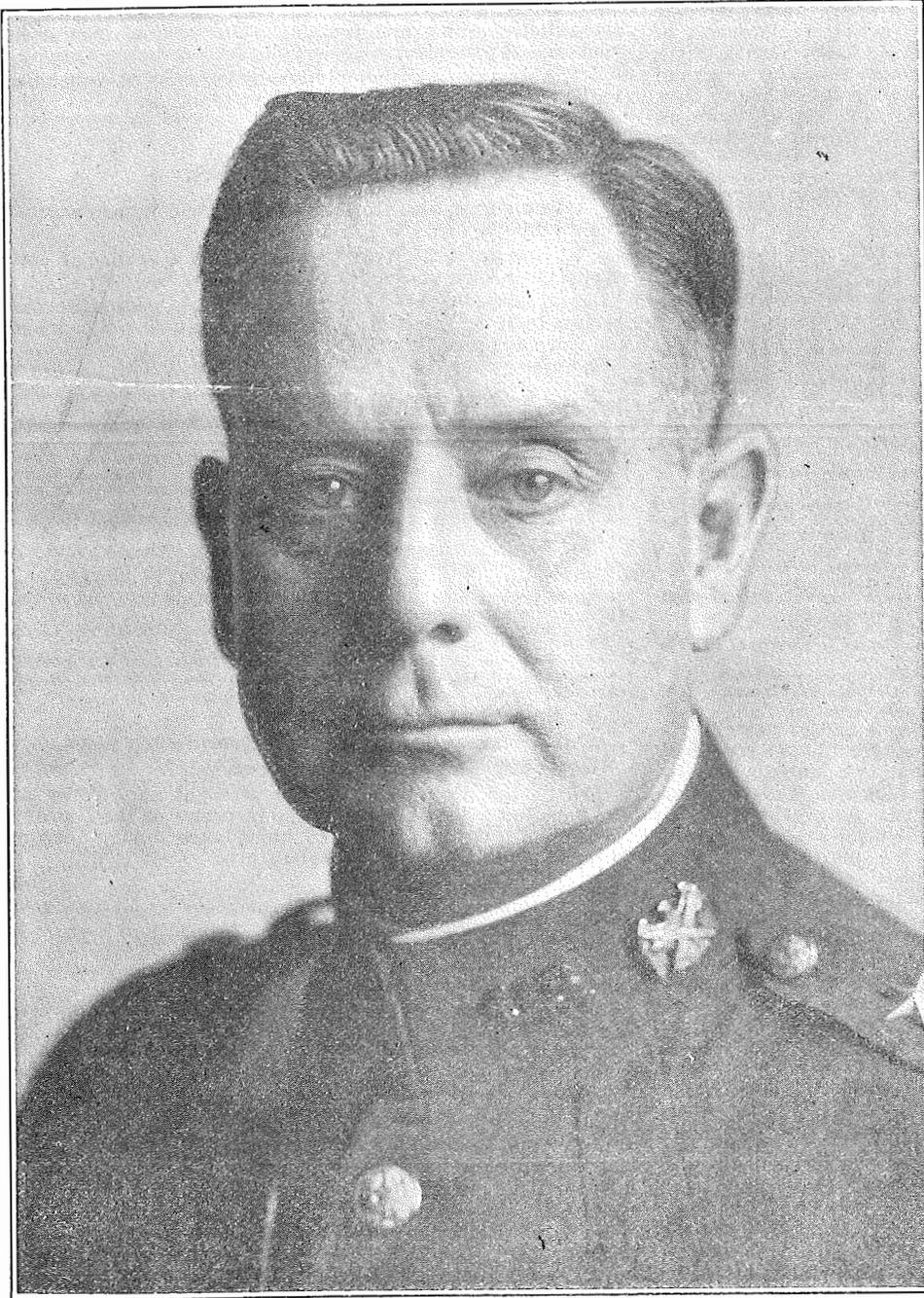
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## General Hammond Slated for Reappointment

Coincident with Governor Patterson's nomination to the President-elect of Major General Creed C. Hammond for reappointment as Chief of the Militia Bureau comes the report that more than 40 states already have lined up in a request that the Oregon officer be reappointed the administrative head of the Bureau for the ensuing four years.

General Hammond's services in the National Guard extends over a quarter century, including 13 years in the regular service during which time he served in the Spanish-American war, Philippine Insurrection and the World war. Following the World war he served for several years in the War Department.

In 1925 he was recommended by a majority of states for the important position of administrative head of the National Guard and was subsequently appointed to that position by President Coolidge.

The official report of the Assistant Secretary of War for 1928 states that the National Guard of today has reached the highest standard of efficiency in its history and officially credits this outstanding record as due to the able administration of the Bureau. The Inspector General of the Army, after an extended survey in 1928, reports: "The Bureau as a whole functions efficiently and smoothly. It handles in the War Department the affairs of the National Guard consisting on June 30, 1928, of approximately 182,000 of-

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## ARMS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE INFANTRY

(Extract from the report of the Chief of Infantry, June 30, 1928)

Satisfactory progress, on the whole, has been made during the past year in improving infantry arms and equipment. Delays have occurred in some cases, but these, in general, have been caused by the difficulty experienced by the technical services in producing material that will stand up under the severe tests to which subjected. Tests are under the direct supervision of the infantry and tank boards but, whenever practicable, the actual test work has been conducted by a combat organization that would be equipped with the articles under experiment.

The two out standing items that have been tested during the year are the semi-automatic shoulder rifle and cross-country transportation. A third item of equal importance, received from the manufacturer too late for test this fiscal year, is the new light tank.

### SEMI-AUTOMATIC SHOULDER RIFLE

Tests of the semi-automatic shoulder rifle have been continued throughout the year. These tests indicate clearly the practicability of an eventual replacement of the present magazine rifle with a semi-automatic rifle. Conditions affected by weight of weapon and by weight of ammunition carried by the rifleman point strongly to a reduction in caliber. The reduction in caliber is, however, a broad one and should not be settled without a consideration of all phases of the matter.

## PROMOTIONS IN NONCOMMISSIONED GRADES

### 218th FIELD ARTILLERY

Battery B—Corporal Russell L. Arnett to sergeant; Corporal Harvey V. Oakes to sergeant; Private Robert R. Renner to sergeant; Private First Class Elza P. Fitzpatrick to corporal; Private James C. Borah to corporal; Private William H. Sadler to corporal.

### 186th INFANTRY

Headquarters Company, First Battalion—Private Harrison M. Squire to sergeant.

Company A—Private Murton D. Jones to corporal; Private First Class Fred M. Bruegger to corporal; Private First Class Clyde A. Miller to corporal.

Company B—Private Clifford L. Young to sergeant; Corporal John K. Hawthorne to sergeant; Private First Class Charles M. Mell to corporal.

Company D—Walter C. Cole to sergeant; Private Edmund Larios to corporal.

Headquarters Company, Second Battalion—Corporal George W. DeLap to sergeant; Private First Class Ray E. DeLap to corporal; Private Ferris A. Gates to corporal; Private Leland G. Harn to corporal.

Company E—Private Clyde C. Pennington to corporal.

Company F—Corporal Walter Kliebe to sergeant; Private First Class Richard W. Thomas to corporal; Private First Class Ross Thomas to corporal; Private First Class Aubrey Dunham to corporal; Private First Class John Stout to corporal.

Company H—Private Francis E. Cleveland to corporal.

Company K—Private First Class Lou A. Pauzey to sergeant; Private First Class James L. Perry to corporal.

Company M—Private First Class Harold E. Shuey to corporal.

Medical Detachment—Private Vernon B. Granger to corporal.

An order has been placed for the manufacture of sufficient number of distinctive insignia for 100 per cent drill attendance men. It is expected that this insignia will be received in the next few weeks at which time a distribution will be made to those entitled to same. As previously indicated, the insignia consists of a diamond-shaped patch of the color of the arm to which the individual belongs. Superimposed thereon in black numerals is a figure indicating the number of years the individual has been a 100 per cent drill attender. The insignia is worn on the left sleeve of the service coat three inches below the bottom edge of the divisional insignia, or in the case of a noncommissioned officer, half-way between the bottom edge of the divisional insignia and the top point of the chevrons.

As an aid in preparing required reports and forms, Captain McGee, instructor at Salem, has suggested that each company clerk prepare a set of sample forms, including therein every possible remark affecting personnel, such as promotion, discharge, transfer, reduction, desertion, etc. When completed, submit to the instructors for correction and then keep on file as a ready reference for preparation of similar reports. For those units which consistently have trouble with Forms 100 and payrolls, the idea seems to be worth while. Another helpful scheme for all units is to keep a desk calendar posted ahead for the entire year, listing the dates on which different reports are due.

## DO YOU KNOW

By Colonel H. A. Allen, Inf. (D. O. L.)

That calisthenics, in which you receive almost daily instruction, are as old as armies. In fact, the war dances in which present-day savages indulge represent the earliest form of military physical training. Most of the primitive peoples of antiquity indulged in these war dances.

The first organized army of historical record is that of ancient Egypt. As early as 3,500 years before Christ the Egyptian soldiers received physical training, which consisted of suppling exercises, wrestling and a war dance. The record of this instruction has been preserved in the Egyptian monuments.

The Greeks were all athletes. Every Greek considered himself a potential competitor in the famous Olympic games. Consequently soldiers of ancient Greece were always well set up and developed muscularly, easily able to bear the weight of their arms and heavy armor.

The Roman Legionaire, too, came in for his share of physical training, which in his case consisted of boxing, wrestling, running and jumping. One obstacle course he took in full panoply.

The Assyrians, Babylonians and Persians also included calisthenics as part of their military training.

## HELPFUL HINTS

A few suggestions for assuring a good appearance of the command.

1. Cap or Hat. Worn squarely on the head, hat cord sewed on in four places. (See Par. 31, Ar. 600-40.)

2. Coats. Should be clean and pressed; insignia, service stripes, war and wound chevrons, ribbons, Division insignia worn as prescribed in Ar. 600-40.

3. Belts.

(a) Pockets in the Cal. .30 and in the web double magazine pockets should be blocked out with wood, to insure a neat and uniform appearance. (Portland units see exhibit in instructor's office in Portland Armory.)

(b) All web belts, bayonet scabbards, magazine and first-aid pouches should be cleaned and blanched. "Khaki Blanco" is recommended. This is easily applied, does not rub off and may be obtained from the Post Exchange, Vancouver Barracks, at 40 cents per can. Five or six cans will be ample for one company.

(c) Careful fitting of belts is required. They should fit snugly, covering the lower button on the coat.

(d) First-aid pouch (without the pack) is fastened under the last pocket on the left section of cartridge belt and in the fifth and sixth holes of pistol belt.

(e) Bayonet scabbard is fastened under the third (3rd) pocket on the left section of cartridge belt.

(f) Canteen is fastened under the fourth or fifth pocket (according to the size of the man) on the right section of cartridge belt.

4. Breeches. Clean and pressed.

5. Leggings. Wrapped evenly from the top down.

6. Shoes. Shined, no lace ends exposed.

All of the above refer to the personal appearance of the men and will be noticed by the inspector at the Armory Inspection. Other matters of importance during inspections as well as on other occasions are:

7. Courtesy.

(a) Extreme care in answering questions by an officer to use the word "sir."

(b) Be careful to salute and salute properly. (See TR 50-15.)

(c) When an officer appears in your immediate vicinity, if not working or drilling, call "Attention."

8. Lockers. Arrange lockers in a systematic manner. Have a place for everything and see that everything is in its prescribed place.

9. Day Rooms. Day room or club room is the military home of the individual. Keep it as you would keep your home.

10. Correspondence Book. Go over correspondence book and see that it is properly kept.

11. Official Records. Such as enlistment papers, clothing records, finger prints, etc., should be carefully checked, signed or initialed as called for. In case of doubt on the manner of keeping of records, reports or any other matter go to an instructor or sergeant instructor. They are here for the purpose of helping and will be glad to assist you.

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## BATHS AT CAMP PROPOSED

So far as the enlisted men are concerned, the days of chattering teeth while taking a bath at Camp Clatsop will soon be over, if present plans of the Commanding General mature. When the General returned from the Nation's capital the latter part of December, he came back laden with things for Oregon.

Two bath houses, equipped with hot and cold showers, were among the things the General had tucked away in his pocket when he arrived. Construction is expected to commence as soon as the detailed plans receive final approval. Tentative plans provide one bath house for the time being for each of the two infantry regiments. Each bath house will be equipped with a heating plant sufficient to provide ample hot water for auxiliary showers so that unless everyone should want to take a bath at the same minute, there will be no occasion for any of the men to get the shivery shimmies under a shower this year.

In accordance with the General's well-known policy of providing for the needs of his men first, the officers will continue to have Camp Clatsop invigorating cold water to bathe in next camp.

Announcement of the authority to build the bath houses came as a distinct surprise to the higher-ups who were supposed to be in on the know, inasmuch as it had been pretty definitely established that no funds would be available for additional construction this year. The General's *modus operandi* in accomplishing what was considered the impossible still remains a mystery.

The General was also successful in obtaining two additional allotments for the Infantry school at Fort Benning. Major James Shirley of McMinnville was one of the officers selected under this new allocation and First Lieutenant Francis W. Mason, Company G, 162d Infantry, was the other.

## BANQUET OF COMPANY I, 186th INFANTRY (Forest Grove)

The annual banquet of Company I, 186th Infantry, was held recently in the Chamber of Commerce club rooms at Forest Grove. Sixty-five members of the company were present. The guest of honor was their battalion commander, Major Ralph Cowgill of Medford. The dinner was under the supervision of the noncommissioned officers with Sergeant Jack Irvin in charge of operations.

An old friend of the company, Loyal M. Graham, made the only formal speech of the evening. He gave a splendid address on Law Observance. A vaudeville program was rendered by members of the company which was enjoyed very much.

Two representatives of Company E, 162d Infantry of Portland, were present and presented the company with the trophy which it won in the inter-company shoot last fall. Company E again challenged Company I for another inter-company match next season. Their challenge was accepted unanimously.

Santa Claus (W. C. Schultz acting) then appeared and presented all members of the Guard with an appropriate present.

A military ball is on the social calendar at McMinnville for the coming month, the exact date to be announced later.

Captain Gordon D. Stryker, Headquarters Company, 186th Infantry, has been recommended for attendance at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, commencing February 21.

Among the social events that are engaging the attention of military circles is the annual ball of the officers stationed in Multnomah county. This event is scheduled for January 26.

## CAMP DATES FIXED

The official camp dates recommended by the Commanding General and which have been approved by Corps Area headquarters, are as follows: Camp Clatsop, June 12 to 26; Fort Stevens, June 12 to 26; Fort Lewis, July 6 to 20.

Of course these dates will not be officially fixed until confirmed by the War Department although it is not believed that the War Department will make any changes. The dates selected for the Oregon Camp follows the previous policy of the General in providing for two week-ends at camp. It is believed that the field inspection reports of previous Oregon camps furnish ample justification for a continuance of this policy.

While, necessarily, plans for the 1929 camps are only in their formative stages, it is definitely known that a battle demonstration on an even larger scale than that of last year will be held in conjunction with the annual review on visitors' day which has been tentatively set for June 22. The wide-spread interest and enthusiasm of not only the State of Oregon but the entire Pacific Northwest as a result of the demonstration last year, will probably result in the establishment of the battle demonstration as a permanent fixture at camp.

As prophesied by the Guardsman immediately following last camp, athletics will receive the close attention of the Commanding General and his staff. The Guardsman solicits suggestions from its readers as to a well-balanced and diversified athletic program. Suggestions and recommendations may be mailed by any member of the Command direct to the editor without the formality of military channels. Each recommendation will receive careful consideration by athletic boards composed of men familiar with the athletic game. Details of athletic competition and the field meet will be published to the Command well in advance of camp.

And, in speaking of the field meet, it is pertinent to remark that this year contestants in the athletic game will have a full gallery of spectators. On the day of the field meet, all other activities will be suspended and the Command assembled and marched to the athletic field. All three bands will be on the job to furnish inspiring music. In a word, it is intended that nothing be overlooked this year in making the athletic program, which has so much to do with building up the physiques, an outstanding success.

## GEN. HAMMOND SLATED FOR REAPPOINTMENT

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Officers and enlisted men, armed, equipped and distributed throughout the various states, in a most commendable manner. This reflects great credit on the Chief of the Bureau, Major General Creed C. Hammond." During the recent convention of the National Guard Association of the United States there was a general demand for the reappointment of General Hammond.

Thus with the reappointment of General Hammond practically assured the National Guard can look forward to another four years of progressive development under the guiding hand of an officer who has endeared himself to all with whom he has come in contact, not only by reason of his personality but because of a fair, impartial and efficient administration of the affairs of the Bureau.

Following the promotion of First Lieutenant Willis E. Vincent to the grade of captain of infantry, the brigade commander has announced the assignment of Captain Vincent as adjutant of the 82d Brigade, succeeding Major Elmer V. Wooton. Captain Vincent, who is on duty at Guard headquarters, has served in the Oregon National Guard for many years. He is a veteran of the World war, having served with the Siberian Expeditionary forces. Following the Armistice, Captain Vincent retained his commission as lieutenant in the army until 1920, when he resigned his commission to hasten to the bedside of his father.

## THE SCOUT

Annual armory inspection will soon be here. Have you made requisition for that rating of "Very satisfactory"?

Did you receive your Faithful Service Medal at the presentation ceremony held at the Portland armory on December 28? If you did not, remember that they are presented for five years of faithful service and your turn may come next year.

Private Oscar G. Long of Howitzer Company, 162d Infantry (Woodburn), has been discharged for ETS., and Clarence Grant enlisted in Long's vacancy. Another company with a waiting list and it located in one of the smallest cities in the state that maintains a National Guard unit.

In the November attendance rating sheet several things attracted our attention: Captain Abbeys' battery again going to the top of the list with 100 per cent; Company I, 162d Infantry (Silverton) making a gain of 10.2 per cent and two units going to the cellar that have never been there before, and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 162d Infantry (Hillsboro), going to the top of the list of headquarters companies and detachments.

Howitzer Company, 186th Infantry, gave a Christmas ball at the Woodburn armory on December 25. It was given for the benefit of their mess fund and was a great success socially as well as financially.

Captain Anderson, commanding Company I, 186th Infantry, recently spoke before the Rotary club of Forest Grove at their Wednesday luncheon. He spoke on the value of a National Guard to the local community.



Have you ever noticed that some units are represented in nearly every issue of the Guardsman, while other units are never mentioned? Contributions from units are always welcomed and space can usually be found for items of interest, so the next time your outfit gives a dance or entertainment, wins or loses a game in the various sports, send in a brief writeup either to the editor or The Scout. Include also items of interest pertaining to individuals. Some particular person in each unit should be designated correspondent, otherwise the general attitude will be to let the other fellow do it.



Intensive preparations for the annual armory inspection are now under way. Definite information as to the dates on which the inspections of the different units will be held is not yet available but tentative dates have been set which are approximately the same as last year's. As soon as the details are completed, memorandums of instruction will be issued from Guard Headquarters announcing dates. In the meanwhile, final check should be made by each unit to verify correction of deficiencies noted at the last inspection.



At a meeting of the General Staff, held December 26, that body again confirmed the soundness of the Commanding General's policy in providing for administrative pay to unit commanders who maintain a high standard of drill attendance. Hence the policy of providing administrative pay to successful unit commanders will be in effect for 1929 although it is possible that a slight increase in drill attendance requirements may be provided for. Full details will be announced in orders at an early date.



Sergeant Walter H. Rucker, Company B, 186th Infantry, has joined the ranks of the Distinguished Marksmen, having been awarded the medal December 31. Several other members of the Command are eligible for the award and most of them have filed applications. To be designated distinguished marksmen requires that the individual must have won three badges or medals in the national matches. The badge is awarded by the War Department.



What is believed to be a new record in receiving armory drill pay was established this past quarter by the Medical Detachment, 249th Coast Artillery. Their payroll was forwarded immediately following the last drill of December and the members of the unit received their pay on the first drill night of January.

## AWARDS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE MEDALS

From time to time there will be announced in this column the award of faithful service medals. Since the last issue of the Guardsman, the following awards have been made:

Twenty-year Medals—Captain James R. Neer, 162d Infantry; Captain Claude C. Cruson, 249th Coast Artillery.

Fifteen-year Medal—Major William H. Ellenberg, 186th Infantry.  
Ten-year Medals—Captain Henry Hutton, 162d Infantry; Captain Douglas E. Burroughs, 186th Infantry; First Lieutenant Francis W. Mason, 162d Infantry; First Lieutenant Charles E. Fitch, 162d Infantry; First Sergeant Guy Q. Stryker, 186th Infantry; Sergeant Ruffie Marino, 218th Field Artillery; Private Paul B. Henderson, 218th Field Artillery.

Five-year Medals—Captain Alvin J. Crose, 186th Infantry; First Lieutenant Mike Trapman, 162d Infantry; First Lieutenant Kenneth F. Howell, 186th Infantry; First Lieutenant Ralph F. Nichols, 186th Infantry; Second Lieutenant Everett E. Terhune, 249th Coast Artillery; Second Lieutenant Thomas A. Davis, 162d Infantry; Second Lieutenant Harold C. Decker, 186th Infantry; First Sergeant Walter H. Hauswirth, 249th Coast Artillery; First Sergeant Robert B. Blackburn, 186th Infantry; First Sergeant William H. Asbahr, 186th Infantry; First Sergeant Charles W. Frommyer, 186th Infantry; First Sergeant Alla H. Nebl, 186th Infantry; Sergeant George F. Hukill, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Willard W. Mize, 249th Coast Artillery; Sergeant Joseph Wurtz, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Russell D. Haner, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Dice W. Griffiths, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Reese V. Scott, 162d Infantry; Sergeant James C. Beach, 162d Infantry; Sergeant J. J. Martin, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Robert F. Callahan, 162d Infantry; Sergeant Willard B. Howell, 186th Infantry; Sergeant Kenneth C. Schooler, 186th Infantry; Sergeant James R. Wright, 218th Field Artillery; Sergeant Albert K. Wengenroth, 186th Infantry; Corporal David S. Mangle, 162d Infantry; Corporal Albert E. Geise, 162d Infantry; Corporal William N. Mack, State Detachment; Private First Class Edward P. Knepper, 162d Infantry; Private First Class James F. Moyer, 162d Infantry; Private First Class Alva C. Mitchell, 162d Infantry; Private First Class Herbert A. Hayes, 162d Infantry; Private First Class Alexander Fediuk, 162d Infantry; Private First Class Edgar F. Radford, 186th Infantry; Private Theodore M. Marks, 162d Infantry; Private Floyd Uley, 162d Infantry; Private Julius L. Redynek, 162d Infantry; Private Leroy Rue, 162d Infantry; Private Theodore M. Shaner, 162d Infantry; Private Charles E. Hobaugh, 186th Infantry; Private Clayton E. Stewart, 162d Infantry.

STATE OF OREGON  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Salem, January 2, 1926.

General George A. White, Masonic Building,  
Salem, Oregon.

My Dear General White: I am this morning in receipt of a "pigeon-gram" extending New Year's greetings from the officers and enlisted men of Portland. I very much appreciate their good wishes and hope you will convey to them my thanks and New Year's greetings.

Very truly yours,

I. L. PATTERSON, Governor.



Captain Delbert C. Stanard, Medical Detachment, 186th Infantry, was recently promoted to major and assigned to command of the unit. Major Stanard is a World War veteran with overseas service. Other promotions include Carl S. Daniel, who was appointed second lieutenant in Company M, 162d Infantry, filling the vacancy caused by the transfer of Lieutenant Moshberger. Lieutenant Daniel was formerly first sergeant of the company.



Private Thomas Downs of Headquarters Battery, 249th Coast Artillery, who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident last Fourth of July and was confined in the hospital until the latter part of August, has not missed a drill since September 1. Downs was on crutches until the first of the year and still requires a cane to get about, but as he is assigned to the radio section as operator he is able to keep up with his duties. Private Downs is to be commended for his splendid spirit.



Company C, 186th Infantry, of Grants Pass, started the New Year with an entertainment and dinner at their armory on January 1. A competitive drill was a feature of the evening, first prize going to Corporal Elwin Abel and second honors to Private Stanley Wickam. Over 250 persons were guests of the evening.



Battery E, 249th Coast Artillery, of Cottage Grove, celebrated their seventh anniversary with a banquet and program of entertainment on the evening of January 12. A large number of prominent persons were present. A feature was the presentation of faithful service medals. A list of those awarded medals appears elsewhere in this issue.