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# Dusting Off Cobwebs

By Colonel Thomas S. Lanard

SEVENTY YEARS is a long time, yet it is possible that some Centennial Legion Members are alive who took part in an event which happened three score and ten years ago.

But first let me take you back a few years earlier so you may get a clear picture of this history-making epoch.

The Gate City Guard was organized in 1857, at Atlanta, Georgia, that which was called the "Gate City."

On the 14th of December, 1859, an Act of the legislature granted a Charter to the company. Its first tour of duty was in 1859 when it was called by the Governor to quell a riot in the City of Atlanta. John Cobb, a local tough, was hanged and some of his Slabtown friends determined that the Sheriff should pay for it. The gang surrounded the Sheriff's house, but the Guard soon scattered them.

Then followed numerous events honoring the Guard, and at the close of 1860, when the question of secession arose, orders came to rendezvous at Macon on April 1st for regimental organization.

The story of valor, suffering and achievements of the Gate City Guard during the next four years, is one that thrills every reader, and is unsurpassed for courage and daring in all the annals of history. They literally covered themselves with glory, and the memory of their achievements is a proud heritage of the entire South as well as of their own section.

On March 21, 1878, J. F. Burke was elected Captain by a unanimous vote. The old company had experienced its days of tragedy and heroism. The new organization, under his active leadership, entered upon a career of civic and military usefulness and honors which made its name illustrious.

ABOUT FOURTEEN years after the close of the Civil War Atlanta was a city of ruins and everywhere were the fresh traces of Sherman's bombardment. The south was still infested with "carpet baggers" and the camp follower, and bands of persons led by these men, who had worn neither the confederate gray nor the federal blue, still preyed upon an almost helpless south.



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It was at this trying time that the idea was conceived by Capt. J. F. Burke and fostered by Governor Colquitt to send the Gate City Guard, then Georgia's crack infantry command through the heart of the country of the enemy of 14 years before, to bear to the North a message of peace and good will from the south.

The announcement that such a trip was contemplated by the Georgia company created a furore in the north. Captain Burke and other members of the organization received dozens of letters from cranks all along their proposed itinerary warning them of the "direful things which would happen to a southern military command if it attempted such a trip."

The Gate City Guard did not heed the warning of those letters. It believed that the north would receive the message of good will and peace in the same patriotic spirit that prompted the guard to bear it. Fearful of their reception, but firmly believing that the north, like the south, was prepared to forget the horror of the recent conflict, heal old wounds, and work together for the glory of the nation, the Gate City Guard left Atlanta on October 6, 1879, upon its peaceful invasion of the north.

Not in its wildest dreams had the Guard expected the reception with which it met. The north did more than



hold out its hands—it held out its arms, and welcomed the south not as a friend, but as a brother.

It had been the intention to make the first stop at Washington, but at Bell Isle, Va., the train bearing the guard was halted unexpectedly and the officers of the First Virginia, the Richmond Light Infantry Blues and the Richmond Howitzers stepped aboard. By these regiments a delightful luncheon had been prepared and amid patriotic speeches the mission of the Georgians was indorsed by the Virginians.

**W**HEN THE GUARD reached Washington at 8 o'clock in the evening, it entered a drowsy, almost sleeping station. A few porters were walking leisurely about and but for them the station was deserted.

In the deserted station the Guard formed its line, fearful that it might not be cordially received. Silently they started marching. When the first officer reached the door of the station, as if by magic the streets and houses were illuminated, bands crashed and fireworks burst forth, and a terrific roar of applauding thousands rent the air. A battalion of the Washington Light Infantry escorted the guard through the thousands of citizens, who had come to welcome it. Washington belonged to the Gate City Guard of Atlanta. Banquet followed banquet and citizens and officials vied with each other in entertaining the command.

The same sincere welcome met the Guard in Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia, Hartford, New Haven, Boston, Lawrence, Mass., and in Poughkeepsie, the last city visited. An idea of the reception of the guards can be gleaned from the following extracts from papers in several cities.

The Washington Post said: "The brilliant display of fireworks that lighted up Pennsylvania Avenue as the Gate City Guard marched from the depot last night, made a scene of wild enchantment. Thousands who joined in the procession and those who witnessed it will never forget the beautiful sight."

The Baltimore Sun stated: "Never in the history of Baltimore was there such a cordial, general and enthusiastic welcome as that which greeted the Gate City Guard, of Atlanta, yesterday. For miles the streets were crowded, and everywhere the clapping of hands, and rounds of cheers from the immense crowds gave token of generous and earnest feeling, and the admirable bearing and proficiency of the company captured every one."

At Philadelphia the Guard was received by the State Fencibles Infantry. The Philadelphia Press said: "The Battalion State Fencibles were drawn up in line on Broad Street and they saluted the visitors with military courtesy, after which both organizations were drawn up in line."

When the Guard reached New York, they were entertained by the Seventh Regiment. The New York Herald made this comment: . . . "The reception of the Gate City Guard at the armory of the Seventh Regiment was one of

those open, generous affairs that only soldiers can give, and which must be seen to be appreciated."

Frank Leslie's Illustrated, a well known paper of that day, said: . . . "At the review of the First division yesterday by Governor Robinson about 8000 infantry, cavalry and artillery were in column. The Gate City Guard, of Atlanta, were given the post of honor, and as they moved down Fifth Avenue to the review stand their military precision called forth continued applause from the vast multitude—even the plumes on their caps seemed endowed with life. About 30,000 people were in the vicinity of the stand."

The New York Sun said: "The Old Guard, commanded by Maj. George W. McLean, were among the hosts, and a beautiful luncheon was served at their armory. The eloquent speeches were a warm indorsement of the Guard's mission, which pleased the Georgians. The officers and members of the Old Guard were lavish in their courtesies."

The Hartford Times made this comment: . . . "The six thousand persons who witnessed the drill of the Gate City Guard yesterday unanimously said that it was the most perfect ever seen in this city. The applause was hearty, long and earnest. . . . Our city never looked more beautiful than it did yesterday. The wilderness of flags and mottoes, the thunder of cannon, and the cheers of the populace combined to make a fitting welcome to the gallant Georgians."

The Boston Journal said: "The arrival of the Gate City Guard, of Atlanta, has been the talk of our citizens for more than a week past. Yesterday morning they arrived, and they certainly deserve their enviable reputation. . . . Gladly do we welcome them among us."

Lawrence Daily American made this comment: . . . "The Grand Army of the Republic displayed their flags in honor of the Gate City Guard, also the inscription, 'Welcome, Southern Friends.' In another part of the city was an immense flag, with the words, 'Welcome, Atlanta Boys.' Many a Georgia button was cut off by ladies and kept as mementoes."

**T**HE SPLENDID results of this memorable tour evidenced themselves in many ways, chief of which was the complete dissipation of whatever prejudices that may have existed on the part of all who participated in the regrettable affair of 1861-1865 between the North and the South.

And so it came to pass that in 1909, on the 52nd Anniversary of the Gate City Guard, a suggestion was made that a Monument be erected in the City of Atlanta commemorating the "Mission of Peace" of 1879.

Colonel Burke was later dispatched to see their old friends throughout the North and East, and invite them to visit Atlanta at the unveiling.

Then followed the dedication of the Peace Monument

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# PEACE THROUGH PREPAREDNESS

by Col. Sam E. Dockrell, Director  
The Centennial Legion

“REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR” was a slogan that stirred our nation to a valiant defense, a miraculous recovery and eventual victory in the recent war. That same phrase, but with added meaning, should be our watchwork today. We can never again afford the folly of not being prepared.

But as the tragedy of the “day that will live in infamy” recedes into history, the lesson that emerged from smoke and flame and showering steel is in danger of being forgotten.

That is why all military, patriotic and veterans organizations are hailing the first observance of National Security Week, which took place in February. The purpose is to remind all Americans that we must face up to the truth of our times—that preparedness is the only safeguard of peace.

We pray that the day will come when all nations live in harmony, when the United Nations will be strong enough to guarantee world order. Meanwhile, we must rely on our own defenses. With our commitments in the United Nations and to other democratic nations, our military obligations are world wide.

## TIME OUR ALLY

In 1941, our greatest defense was time. After Japan delivered her notorious stab in the back, we had time to regain our strength and time to strike back. But should there be another such onslaught and our enemies had the atom bomb time would no longer be our ally. The enemy's first target would not be Pearl Harbor, but New York, Chicago, San Francisco or Pittsburgh.

During National Security Week, patriotic organizations made an all-out effort to bring these hard, cold facts about our national defense to the attention of all Americans.

All patriotic organizations are agreed that the peacetime establishment of the regular armed forces—Army, Navy, Air and Marines—be maintained at a minimum necessary to meet all peacetime requirements as well as our occupation duties; that the National Guard and reserve components of the armed services be sufficient in number and be kept at a high standard of efficiency to take the field immediately; that stockpiles of strategic material be adequately maintained; that our transportation system within the country be maintained to meet demands of our armed services, and that the Merchant

Marine be developed as a vital part of our National defense; that our Intelligence service be expanded and maintained on a permanent basis; and that scientific research in nuclear energy, radar, and in other scientific and technical fields be kept ahead of all others in order to contribute to the best interest of the nation in peace as well as in war.

## UMT ONE ANSWER

A UMT bill is already before the 81st Congress. This measure would build up a reservoir of trained men for times of emergency. It would also eliminate the necessity of uprooting young men for an extended period of military service, as is now done by the peacetime draft. In true democratic fashion, this proposal provides for civilian control; it assures educational, moral and employment safeguards for trainees. Here's how it works:

All 18-year-old men will receive four months of basic training. They'll have it a lot easier than wartime inductees because they'll be stationed in camps as near to their homes as possible. Furthermore, this instruction will be given at a time of year when it will inconvenience the smallest number. After this initial period, the “UMTees” will revert to full civilian status. But they will be obliged to complete the equivalent of a year's training in one of nine ways. These range from enlistment in one of the regular services for a prescribed period, to three years of service in a Class-A unit of the Organized Reserve Corps. Other options include National Guard service, four years of specialist training while at college, enrollment in one of the service academies or 4 years of ROTC training.

Equally as important as UMT is the plan for a permanent peacetime system of civil defense. The Hopely Report, recently made public by the office of the Secretary of Defense, recognizes that in any future war, the primary targets would include civilian as well as military installations. It recommends the establishment of civilian defense units, which would be prepared for immediate action, if needed.

## UNITY PARAMOUNT

Another initial question is the state of our national unity. There can be no question but that combined operations won World War II. As every patriot knows, the best way to judge the morale of a nation or an army

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# GENERAL HANCOCK

## A PERSEVERING AND TACTFUL

## LEADER WITH GREAT FORESIGHT

**B**RIGADIER GENERAL Frank A. Hancock (retired), Commander of The Centennial Legion of Historic Military Commands, has a record covering over 48 years of service in the Maryland National Guard and the Army of the United States.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., on May 25, 1875, General Hancock is the son of John Henry Hancock and Emily Ann Arnold Hancock. Through his mother he is descended from Mareen Duvall, a prominent French Huguenot who arrived in America in 1659 and settled in Prince Georges County, Maryland on a tract of land patented to him.

General Hancock's father lived in Richmond, Virginia, during the Civil War and in the last months of that conflict served in the Confederate Army in the defense of Richmond. In later life he lived in Baltimore where he was engaged in business as a retail and manufacturing druggist.

Educated in the public schools of Baltimore and a graduate of Baltimore City College, Frank Arnold Hancock entered Johns Hopkins University in the class of 1897 where he received his bachelor of arts degree. He spent the following three years in the graduate department of Johns Hopkins studying chemistry in which he specialized. From 1899 to 1906 he was a member of the faculty of the University of Maryland Medical school, teaching chemistry. Following World War I he was connected with the Hancock-Smiths, Incorporated, manufacturing concern engaged in the production of a liquid antiseptic and mouth wash.

### MILITARY CAREER

In 1900, as a young man, Frank Hancock enlisted as a private in the Fifth Regiment, Maryland National Guard and since then worked his way upward through every grade to a colonelcy.

As a Captain in 1916 he was called out for service on the Mexican border with the Fifth Regiment and was on duty for nine months in the vicinity of Eagle Pass, Texas. He was promoted to Major on March 15, 1917 and the battalion which he commanded was detailed to guard the water supply of the City of Baltimore for two months.

He was mustered into the United States Army on April 13, 1917 and served through WWI as a major commanding the Second Battalion 115th Infantry spending a year in France in this capacity. During July, August and the early part of September, 1918, he commanded a battalion in the trench area along the border of Alsace, while from the middle of September through October he was in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. During

this operation his battalion fought north of Verdun on the right bank of the Meuse river in the area over which the German Crown Prince had so desperately fought from February to August 1916 and saw 22 days of continuous action.

### COMMANDED 5TH REGIMENT

Upon his return to America he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel of the Fifth Regiment. In 1934 he was promoted to colonel commanding the Fifth Regiment and served as commanding officer until he reached the army statutory retiring age on May 25, 1939, he was promoted to Brigadier General. His service record shows 39 years and four months service with the Fifth Regiment, MNG.

Immediately after his retirement General Hancock became a member of the Fifth Regiment Veteran Corps. When the Maryland National Guard was called out in February, 1941 under the Selective Service Act, he was called back into the service of the State and named Quartermaster General of Maryland. He remained in this position until July 1, 1947, when he was again retired, having reached the retirement age prescribed by the State of Maryland.

### NOTED ATHLETE

General Hancock was a sports enthusiast, an all-around athlete of distinction, and participated in the growth of athletics in the city of Baltimore. While at Johns Hopkins he played for two years on the varsity football team and was also a member of the track team. He was also a leader in wrestling and boxing activities and played basketball on the team of the Central YMCA during the four years that this team was champion of his section of the country. He was a member of the Ariel Rowing Club and was one of the crew of the four-oared shell that won the national championship in 1896. In 1920 he was captain of the Maryland State Rifle team at the National matches at Camp Perry, Ohio.

### SPORTS DIRECTOR

In recognition of his outstanding career in athletics and his ability as a leader in this field, the Board of Park Commissioners of this City of Baltimore appointed him Director of Athletics in which position he had jurisdiction over the athletic facilities of all the parks and the Baltimore Stadium, which had just been completed at the time of his appointment. He retained this position for

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123<sup>rd</sup> ANNIVERSARY BALL  
 OLD GUARD  
 OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
 NEW YORK STATE MILITIA  
 HOTEL COMMODORE, JAN 29, 1969

# Old Guard Ball

**B**ERIBBONED GENERALS, gold braided admirals, scores of lesser Army, Navy, Air Corps officers in strict military formal dress, and the rank and file, members of many patriotic organizations in authentic uniforms dating from colonial times to date, and their lovely ladies in dazzling modern evening gowns, were among the 2,000 persons who danced at the Hotel Commodore on the occasion of the Old Guard of the City of New York which celebrated its one hundred and twenty third anniversary on January 29.

During the evening, Major Jean Adam Brunner, Commandant of the Old Guard, was host at a reception to the large gathering of distinguished guests prominent in military, public, social and business life. The Guest of Honor was Lieut. Gen. George A. Stratemeyer, U. S. Air Corps, Continental Air Command, who was in command of the air force in the Burma-India campaign and also in China.

The ceremonies began with a finely executed exhibition drill by a special detail from the 71st Regiment, N.Y.N.G. following which Major Brunner escorted Lieut. Gen. Stratemeyer and party to the reviewing stand.

Members of the Old Guard in their white and gold uniforms, and wearing their traditional bear skin shakos, led the parade at midnight followed by members of the

Centennial Legion of Historic Commands and representatives of other patriotic organizations, resplendent in dress uniforms and reflecting every American war since the Revolution down to World War II. When all the units were assembled the spotlight was centered upon The American Flag, while Miss Lucy Monroe, celebrated concert soprano sang the National Anthem, after which the review took place. Later dancing was resumed until three o'clock, when the strains of "Good Night Ladies" terminated one of the most successful festivities of the new year.

Among the organizations which participated in the grand march were Centennial Legion units from Boston, Hartford, East Greenwich, R. I., Providence, New Haven, Philadelphia, Worcester, Mass., Atlantic City, and Baltimore. Also the Veteran Corps of Artillery and numerous New York Veteran and National Guard units from the various regiments.

Boxholders and guests included Major General L. C. Jaynes, U.S.A., Vice Admiral Walter S. Delany, U.S.N., Major General Brenden A. Burns, N.Y.N.G., Brig. General Hugh J. Cox, N.Y.N.G., Brig. General William H. Kelly, Rear Admiral Oliver M. Read, U.S.N., Commander L. A. Gillies, U.S.N.R., Colonel Alfred D. Reuter-shan, N.Y.N.G., Colonel N. D. La Morte, N.Y.N.G.,

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# CITIZENS ALSO HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES

**H**AROLD RUSSELL, war hero and film star, recently told about a town in the Middle West, where only about 30% of the citizens ever took the trouble to vote. Suddenly, at the last election, a strange thing happened—fully 70% of the people turned up at the polls. How come? Russell explained it this way: shortly before Election Day, the Freedom Train came zooming into town, carrying on board its cargo of Americana—manuscripts and papers recording the story of our freedom.

There's nothing like a glimpse of those musty old documents to give a man a new slant on democracy—to make him sit up and take notice of his rights, rights—as veterans so well know—which were paid for throughout history in sweat and blood.

The long, painful struggle for freedom began way back in 1215 when a group of barons ganged up on King John of England and forced him to sign the Magna Carta. This put the skids on royal authority and started the liberty ball rolling in the right direction.

Some 400 years later, the Pilgrims, in their tiny "Mayflower," risked death on a stormy ocean, endured disease and starvation to find religious freedom in the New World.

From 1770 down to our own time, bloody battles were fought to defend the principles contained in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution—the dignity and equality of man. The Emancipation Proclamation came to life only after a tragic civil war. Our own recent victory over Nazi barbarism and Japanese aggression took a heavy toll in young and innocent lives. And these are only a few highlights.

Thanks to a lot of backbreaking work and human sacrifice, we Americans enjoy more freedoms than any other people in the world. What do we do in return? Today, too many of us are perfectly content to sit back and accept our liberties, so dearly purchased, without lifting a finger; too many of us think nothing of avoiding and evading our responsibilities.

Out of 95,000,000 citizens qualified to vote in the last election, some 45,000,000, or less than 50% bothered to go to the polls—and that was in a vital presidential election. It isn't uncommon for a handful of voters—sometimes as little as 20%—to cast ballots at a primary election.

It's just this kind of neglect that made it a cinch for Hitler and his hatchetmen to take over Germany. And,

in the same way, the USSR is controlled by a handful of Communists, a small minority of the Russian people. Democracy doesn't stand a chance unless every citizen learns that for every right he enjoys, he has a corresponding duty. For instance:

Freedom to speak as you please, to worship according to the dictates of your conscience, means insisting on your neighbor's right to do the same.

The right to blast office holders, to blow off steam about your pet political peeve, means that you must keep informed about public issues and must vote intelligently, not only in presidential elections, but also every year.

The right to be tried by a jury of fellow citizens means you must serve gladly as a witness or juror when you are called upon.

The right to go about your business peaceably without interference requires you not only to serve in the armed forces when Uncle Sam needs you, but to be physically and militarily alert at all times by being a member of a National Guard or Army, Navy, Air or Marine Reserve unit.

The right to public education, police and fire protection, communal sanitation, libraries and parks, paved streets and smooth highways, requires citizens to pay the government those taxes legitimately due it.

The right to choose your job, to live where you please, to enjoy college education or vocational training, means that you must speak up for the same "open door" to opportunity for all Americans, regardless of race, religion, or national origin.

The right to enjoy all these benefits means that we must shoulder our responsibilities as citizens. We must take an active part in public affairs. We must back worthwhile candidates. We must speak up for far-sighted legislation. We must work faithfully in local groups, PTA's, church clubs, and civic movements to promote the welfare of our community and our nation.

Today, millions throughout the world are stripped of their liberties by despotic governments and silenced by gag rule. Their plight is a warning to us. We have nothing to fear if only we lick the disease that saps the strength and vitality of democratic institutions—a deadly disease called indifference. Centennial Legionnaires should take the lead in their respective communities in performing their responsibilities to their government and their fellow-man.



# ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY OF BOSTON

ON FEBRUARY 9, 1638, the first permanent American military organization was formed. This was the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston.

Massachusetts Bay Colonists suffered heavily due to lack of trained soldiery, when Pequot tribesmen waged war on them during the years 1633-1637. At the war's end it was determined to establish a militia. The artillery company was the result. In other colonies men had fought in groups against Indians, but the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company was the first regularly organized military unit.

Six years after the city of Boston was founded—1630—John Winthrop, the Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony signed the charter granting the existence of the Ancients. Indeed, a number of colonists were those who had been members of the Honorable Artillery Company of London, and aided materially in the formation of this new group. It is a matter of record that the London Company and the Vatican Guards are the only two organizations in the world having an existence longer than that of the Ancients.

## GOVERNOR RELUCTANT

The granting of the charter by Governor Winthrop and his Council came only after much deliberation, fearing that it might be dangerous to allow a standing authority



ANOTHER VIEW OF HISTORICAL RELICS

of military men which might easily overthrow civil power. The men were finally allowed to form a Company but subordinate to all authority.

Centennial Legionnaires are well acquainted with the history of the Ancients, but perhaps not too many are acquainted with the museum and the armory maintained in historic Faneuil Hall, the "cradle of Liberty." Here lies a collection of the largest, oldest and most valuable of military and historical documents, relics and mementoes within the great Commonwealth of Massachusetts, having a value running into hundred thousands of dollars.

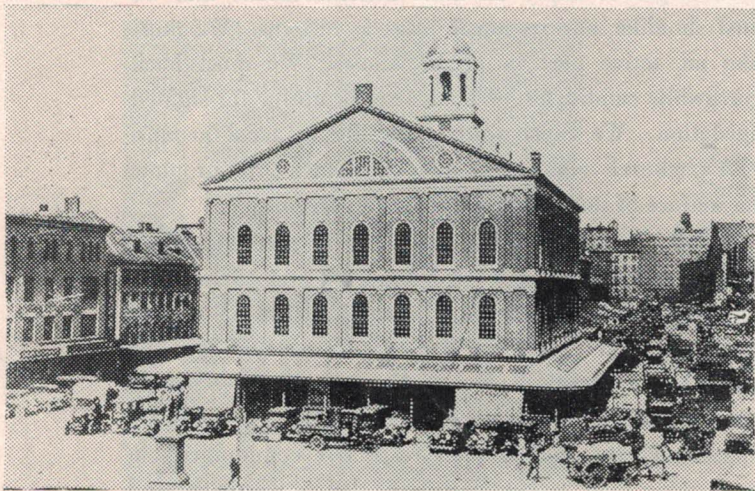
A visitor to Faneuil Hall is always guided through the museum and armory and records for the year 1948 show that the 48 states of the United States was represented, as were visitors from 57 foreign countries.

The items on display are not mere replicas, or copies, but the real thing, in the way of uniforms, muskets, bullets, flags, paintings, signatures, documents and hundreds of others, preserved from the days when this country was young and in the making.

## PRECIOUS DOCUMENTS

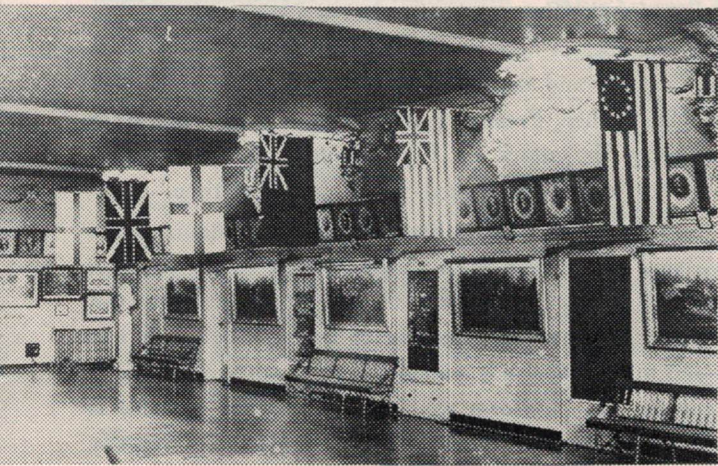
The signatures of many great men may be seen on precious documents, kept under lock and key in the display cases in a long room of the museum. These include the signatures of George Washington on the commission of Maj. William Langdon; that of Robert E. Lee on a payroll sheet at Fort Hamilton, N. Y.; Admiral D. G. Farragut, Admiral Fitzhugh Porter, Daniel Webster, Thomas Jefferson, John Quincy Adams, John Adams and many others.

A stroll around the museum and armory affords much pleasure for anyone who might be militarily inclined, for the flags of the other days, the gaudy uniforms, with their gold and unusual color schemes; the elaborately



FANEUIL HALL, THE "CRADLE OF LIBERTY"





PICTURES AND FLAGS IN THE ARMORY

carved swords and the many pictures, large and small, of battle scenes, various units and other groups, draw a vivid contrast with the equipment and conditions of today.

#### TRAGIC CORD

Another exhibit which always attracts the attention of visitors is the cord and tassel from Ford's theatre, where the crazed actor, J. Wilkes Booth, shot and fatally wounded President Abraham Lincoln. The cord and tassel held the curtain in the box from which Booth tried to jump to the stage. The heel of his shoe caught in the curtain and caused him to break his ankle in the fall. A pistol used by Booth is also an exhibition, and may have been the one he used in the assassination of Lincoln.

The records show that the Saltonstall family, of which the present United States Senator Leverett Saltonstall is a descendant, has held membership in the company for 300 years.

Although sometimes lightly referred to as "Charlie McCarthy's grandfather," Caleb Chase of the coffee firm of Chase & Sanborn, is highly respected and revered by the members and a life-sized painting of him is on one of the armory walls. Long an active member of the famous military organization, he provided in his will that a sum of \$10,000 be given to the company to "defray the assessments of those members who might not be financially able"—and his act has kept many good men within the ranks of the company throughout the years.

#### CONSTITUTION STAIRWAY

An important addition to the museum and armory was made in 1937, when the Constitution stairway was installed at one end of the hall, leading up to the assembly room and quarters of the officers of the company. The stairway is a replica of the massive stairs in old colonial

mansions and each of the 13 steps bears the name of one of the 13 original colonies of the United States.

There are too many things to enumerate in print. One must see them, and rather leisurely, too, to be able to grasp the magnitude of the entire collection and the importance of so many of the individual relics.

#### PERMANENT FUND

It is comforting to know that "The Ancients" have established a permanent fund to provide for the perpetuation and care of this precious and almost invaluable historical display and to keep it open to the public.

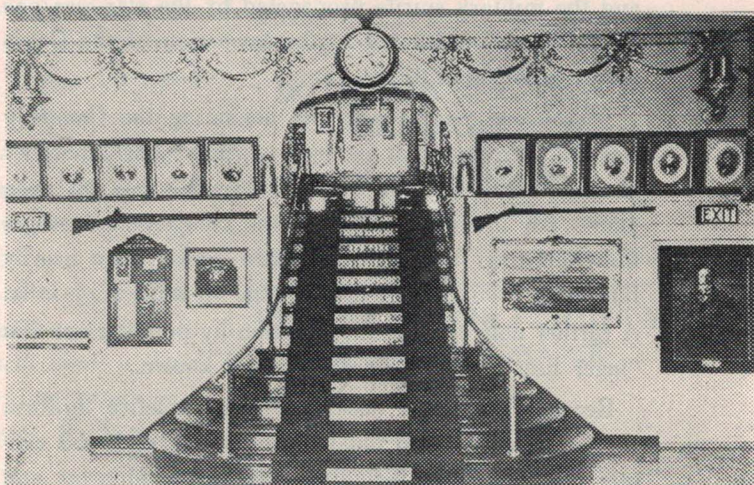
Upon the shoulders of Brigadier General Fred E. Pereira, custodian of the museum and armory of the Ancients, rests the responsibility for the protection and showing of the famous collection. He is answerable not only to the Ancients, but also to the City of Boston for their preservation. General Pereira also serves as executive secretary of the Ancients, and as such carries on the business duties of the organization, arranges for the various field days, trips and meetings.

One of the most colorful of the demonstrations by the Ancients is its annual parade in June to the Boston Common where the drumhead election is held for officers of the Company for the ensuing year.

On the Common each member deposits his ballot on the drum head, after which they are immediately counted. Those elected are immediately commissioned by the Governor of Massachusetts and the captain receives the insignia of office and takes command.

A number of Centennial Legion units are generally guests of the Ancients during this celebration, the members of which are loud in their praise of the hospitality accorded to them.

Officers of the Ancients for 1948 are Eugene A. Hudson, captain; Lawrence F. Squire, first lieutenant, and George A. Turain, second lieutenant.



THE FAMOUS CONSTITUTION STAIRWAY



# *Activities of the New Haven Grays*

The New Haven Grays of New Haven, Conn., Capt. Harold W. Dagle commanding, held its One Hundred and Thirty-Third Annual Ball at the Goffe Street Armory, March 4th, 1949.

This is one of the gala military Balls of the social season in New Haven. Active members appeared in their traditional dress uniforms of gray, not unlike the uniform worn on dress occasions one hundred and thirty three years ago. Delegations from many of the Centennial Legion organizations were in attendance.

The New Haven Grays was formed by an association of young gentlemen who were dissatisfied with the terms of enlistment required by the Guards and the Matross Company, those being the only uniformed companies in New Haven at that time. The object of the founders of the Grays was to permit any person who joined them to leave at any time by merely asking for discharge, and to discharge any member who should be remiss in his duty. They naturally expected that a company formed on such principles would be very popular, and the result verified their fondest expectations. The Company was officially founded at New Haven, Connecticut, on September 10, 1816, Capt. A. Staples, commanding.

The formation of the New Haven Grays was one of the lasting effects of the period which saw its inception. The War of 1812 was drawing to a close. Madison was President. The Nation had been fighting on land and sea for a period of three years and the struggle was felt in every city, town and hamlet. There was no telegraph nor railroad. The post boy brought news from the front. New Haven had its Long Wharf and its vessels in the East India trade. The British had invaded New Haven and the military spirits propagated by the war was one of the causes which led to the formation of the Grays in the Summer of 1816.

Within six months after its beginning the Company was fully equipped at its own expense. Early outdoor exercises were held on Hillside Avenue, then an open plain. An interesting note in the company records is that following these drills the men flocked to a nearby farmhouse where they drank huge quantities of milk. A further note clarifies the situation by pointing out that "lager beer" was then not very well known.

Records show that because of its attractive uniform the Grays were called out to escort many esteemed visitors to the City, including Presidents Monroe and Andrew Jackson, and General LaFayette.

Life for the Grays was not always a series of parades. On a number of occasions they were called upon to quell public riots and disturbances. Its first war service was in 1861, when President Lincoln called for volunteers following the attack on Fort Sumter. It has engaged in every war of the United States since that time.

In September, 1865, State regulations required the wearing of the Blue State Uniform when on active duty. From that time forward the "Gray uniform" was reserved for special occasions. Because of this new order, it was voted to hold one independent parade each year at which time the gray uniform would be worn. The practice is still carried out. In September of each year the Company turns out with Veterans to parade to cemeteries and decorate the graves of departed comrades.

The Grays are exceptionally proud of the part some of its members have played in their community, having produced from its ranks Governors, general, colonels, staff officers, senators and mayors.

Its affiliation in the Connecticut National Guard is through Company A, 102nd Infantry. Membership in the Grays entails enlistment in Company A.

## *Richmond Blues On The March*

**T**HE RICHMOND BLUES are on the March again. This historic organization made its first post-war, out-of-town appearance when it participated in the inaugural parade of President Truman in Washington, January 20. The Blues served as a unit of the guard of honor of the Honorable William S. Tuck, Governor of Virginia, and they were enthusiastically received along the entire line of march. The Washington Posts' pictorial section covering the inauguration and parade showed only three military units: U. S. Military Academy, Naval Academy, and the Richmond Blues.

The Blues will celebrate their 160th anniversary May, 13-15, 1949 and are sending invitations to all of the centennial units. Lt. Col. Wm. C. Wharton, Commanding, announces the program as follows:

Friday, May 13, from 9 p.m. until ?. A review followed by a full dress ball.

A buffet dinner will be held Saturday evening, May 14 while sightseeing tours will be arranged during the day.

Sunday, May 15, the Blues march in full dress uniform to historic St. Paul's Church and back to the Armory. All guests of the Blues are invited to participate in this parade and service.



# Kenneth Frank Cramer, Major General

## Chief, National Guard Bureau

### of The United States

**K**ENNETH FRANK CRAMER was born in Gloversville, New York, October 3, 1894, the only son of Frank Henry and Stella Brown Cramer. His boyhood was spent in Gloversville where he attended public school and learned the glove trade from his father, a manufacturer of fine gloves.

He was graduated from Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, magna cum laude with membership in Phi Beta Kappa, and a degree of Bachelor of Literature in 1916. His scholastic record won for him the Boudinout Fellowship in American History so he returned to the University as a graduate student to earn a degree of Master of Arts in 1917.

Following his discharge from the Army as a first lieutenant of Infantry, June 4, 1919, General Cramer taught school in the Newark and Woodbridge, New Jersey High Schools.

Miss Ruth Rose Fuller of Gloversville became his bride, January 3, 1920.

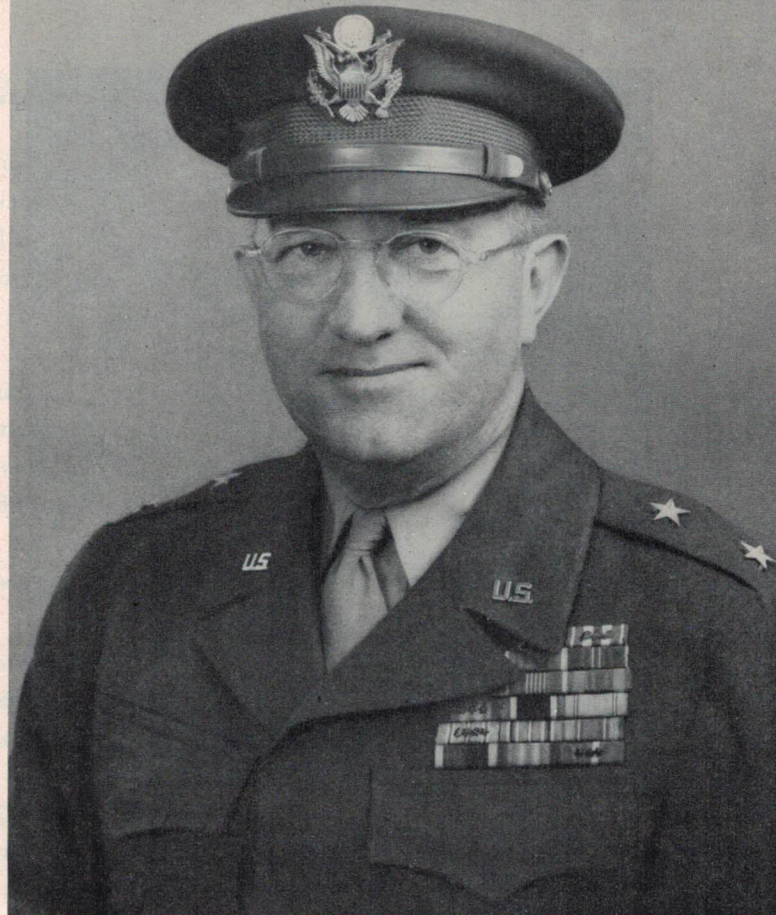
General Cramer left the teaching profession to enter the wholesale coal business in 1920. In 1923 he formed a partnership, the firm being named the Harnden-Cramer Coal Company, Incorporated of New York. In 1927, General Cramer established the K. F. Cramer Coal Company, Incorporated, in Hartford, which firm he still owns and operates.

General and Mrs. Cramer's permanent residence is at 75 Center Street, Wethersfield, Connecticut. They have two daughters, Margaret Fuller and Dorothy Ruth.

#### CIVIC OFFICES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Connecticut House of Representatives, 1929-33; Connecticut Senate, 1933-35; Secretary, Connecticut delegation, Republican National Convention, 1936; Metropolitan District Commission, Hartford County, Connecticut since 1929; Veterans Home Building Commission, 1931-37; Secretary, Commission to Reorganize Connecticut State Government, 1935-37; Acting Adjutant General, Connecticut, January to March 1939; Assistant Adjutant General, Connecticut, since January 1939; Wethersfield Board of Education, 1927-37; Honorary Member, Second Company, Governor's Foot Guard; Honorary Staff, Governor's Horse Guard; Honorary Member, 118th Medical Battalion.

American Legion—(Department Commander, Connecticut, 1927; National Executive Committee, 1932-33; National committee National Defense.) Military Order of the Purple Heart, Department Commander; President,



Major General Kenneth Frank Cramer

24th Infantry Division Veterans Association; 78th Division Veterans Association; Executive Council United States Infantry Association; Member National Board For Promotion of Rifle Practice; Board of Directors, National Guardsman Publishing Company; Reserve Officers Association (President, Hartford Chapter and Department Vice President.) War Department General Staff Committee, National Guard and Reserve Policy.

Mason (32° and Shriner); Society of Mayflower Descendants; Sons of the American Revolution; General Society of the War 1812; Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War; Princeton Gateway; Charter Oak Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1927-36; Hartford Rotary; Hartford Exiles; Barbed Wire Club; Army and Navy Club, Washington.

#### MILITARY PROMOTIONS

Commissioned Second Lieutenant, Infantry, August 15, 1917; promoted to First Lieutenant, Infantry, January 31, 1919. Commissioned First Lieutenant, Infantry Reserve, April 4, 1922; promoted to Captain, Infantry Reserve, December 19, 1924, to Major, Infantry Reserve June 1, 1931. Majorcy vacated August 4, 1931. Accepted commission, Captain, Infantry Reserve, August 5, 1931 with date of rank from September 10, 1931, which terminated May 24, 1934. Federally recognized as Captain, Infantry, Connecticut National Guard, May 1, 1931. Promoted to Major, January 22, 1936; Lieutenant Colonel, March 12, 1939; Colonel, November 1, 1940.

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## Rifle Matches



Left to right: Col. Raymond A. Spittler, Commandant Old Guard Battalion, Lt. Col. Roy Nowell, Commandant, Gate City Guard of Atlanta, Lt. Col. A. L. Henson, Chairman of Executive Committee of Old Guard Battalion.

## Old Guard Battalion of Atlanta

THE OLD GUARD BATTALION is one of the oldest military organizations in the Nation. It was organized in May 23, 1893 by members of the Gate City Guard when it withdrew from State service.

The Gate City Guard was organized in 1857 as part of the militia of the State of Georgia to preserve order within the state. It was mustered into service of the Confederate States of America. Cut to pieces during the war the Gate City Guard was reorganized in 1870 and permanently reorganized in 1876. In 1893 when it withdrew from state service the Old Guard Battalion was organized.

Both organizations have functioned since that date and its members have served with honor and distinction in the armed forces of the United States.

The Centennial Legion Rifle Matches, under the sponsorship of the Old Guard City of New York will be held again this Summer at Camp Smith, Peekskill, N. Y.

The dates assigned to the Old Guard for use of the Camp facilities are Monday, June 13 to Friday, June 17, inclusive. It was impossible to include Saturday in the arrangement due to the fact that other troops had previously arranged for that day.

All of the necessary tentage, cots, blankets and pillows will be furnished by the State of New York. Rifles and ammunition must be furnished by those units of the Centennial Legion taking part in the matches. Those units which are members of the National Rifle Association may make application for allotments for rifles and ammunition from that organization.

Feeding arrangements will be taken care of by the Old Guard.

Although plans for the matches are still in preliminary stage, the Old Guard will be pleased to have as many Centennial Legion teams as possible enter for the matches or come to Camp Smith for the entire period. The rifle matches most likely will be held on Thursday and Friday.

Major Jean A. Brunner, Commander, Old Guard City of New York, 307 West 91st Street, New York City, would like to know as soon as possible how many teams will be entered, the number accompanying each team and the length of time each will be at camp.

The following information is of importance for those attending:

Commanding.....	Major Jean Brunner
Adjutant.....	Capt. Walter Moher, Capt. Wally Reid
Executive Officer.....	Major Lang, Capt. Geo. Caruso
Ordnance Officer.....	Capt. Leo Rothschild
Range Office.....	Capt. Roy W. Rollins
Mess Officer.....	Capt. Augustus Hoffman
Supply Officer.....	Capt. Nat Rogers
Safety Officer.....	Capt. I. Fischl
Asst. Supply.....	Lt. Maroldi
Asst. Mess.....	Lt. Pils
Asst. Ordnance.....	Capt. Geo. Theiss
Asst. Range.....	Lt. Elmer Jost, Lt. Manisa
Asst. Safety.....	Lt. Gieger
Telephone Range.....	Sgt. Brockel
Pit Detail.....	Capt. Owens, Lt. Baker, Lt. Lund, Lt. Hendricks, Sgt. Damaschky
Cocktail Party.....	Capt. Rizza, Lt. Baker, Capt. Mauer, Lt. Guth, Capt. Rosenblum



# FIRST TROOP PHILADELPHIA CITY CAVALRY

**T**HE FIRST TROOP Philadelphia City Cavalry, the oldest component of the Army of the United States in existence, will celebrate its 175th anniversary this year. Its record is a memorable one, having served in all but one of the wars of the United States.

## FIRST ORGANIZED RESISTANCE

Under the original name of the Light Horse of the City of Philadelphia, the group was organized on November 17, 1774. It was the first military organization formed in the Colonies for the avowed purpose of resisting the oppression of the British crown.

The Light Horse's war record started when the unit reported to General Washington in time to take part in the decisive Battle of Trenton in 1776, after Washington's Army crossed the Delaware on Christmas night.

## HAD TO WADE IN ICY WATER

The craft in which the Light Horse was embarked were unable to reach shore and the cavalymen were forced to wade ashore, leading their horses through the floating ice.

The Troop went on to take part in the battles of Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown.

It returned to service during the Whiskey Rebellion in 1794 and again in the War of 1812.

## SERVED IN PUERTO RICO

The Mexican War was the only one in which the Troop did not take an active part. In the war between the States it was attached to the Second United States Cavalry and was active in campaigns, in Northern Virginia, and at Gettysburg.

During the Spanish-American War the Troop served in Puerto Rico and, in the Mexican Border disturbances, was stationed near El Paso, Texas.

Early in World War I, the Cavalry Regiment was ordered disbanded. The Troop ordinarily would have been a unit of this regiment. Rather than go out of existence entirely, the Troop formed the basis, along with several other units, of the 103d Trench Mortar Battery.

This unit acquitted itself so well in the Oise-Aisne and Meuse-Argonne offensive and in Belgium that General John J. Pershing later commented:

"No National Guard organization in the country did more relatively in the World War than the First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry."

## CALLED OUT DURING FLOOD

On March 20, 1936, the Troop was called into State service because of flood conditions in the Johnstown and Pittsburgh areas.

The Troop returned once more into the service of the nation when the major part of the Pennsylvania National Guard was federalized in February, 1941. It was designated as Troop "A" of the 104th Cavalry Regiment (Horse-Mechanized).

The Unit served on patrol and anti-sabotage duty during the national emergency and the early days of World War II. Its composition underwent several changes.

Finally in March, 1945, the 104th Cavalry Squadron, as it was then known, made a beach landing from LCI's at Le Havre, France. It served in the line as infantry between the 44th Division and French troops.

## CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO SERVICES

After VE-day, the group prepared for duty in the Pacific, but the Japanese surrender came before it embarked for this theater.

The records show that the Troop contributed one brigadier general, nine colonels, 24 lieutenant colonels and 35 majors to the Army; two captains nine commanders and 12 lieutenant commanders to the Navy, one lieutenant colonel, and two majors to the Marines, one commander to the Coast Guard, and one war correspondent.

During the war ten troopers died in service.

In June, 1946, the Troop voted to take the 28th Division Reconnaissance Troop vacancy in the National Guard. It is as such that it took part in the summer maneuvers at Indiantown Gap in 1948.

Every year since the death of George Washington in 1799, except when national emergencies prevented, the First Troop has marked the anniversary by a full-dress turnout at church services.

## *Fayetteville Independent*

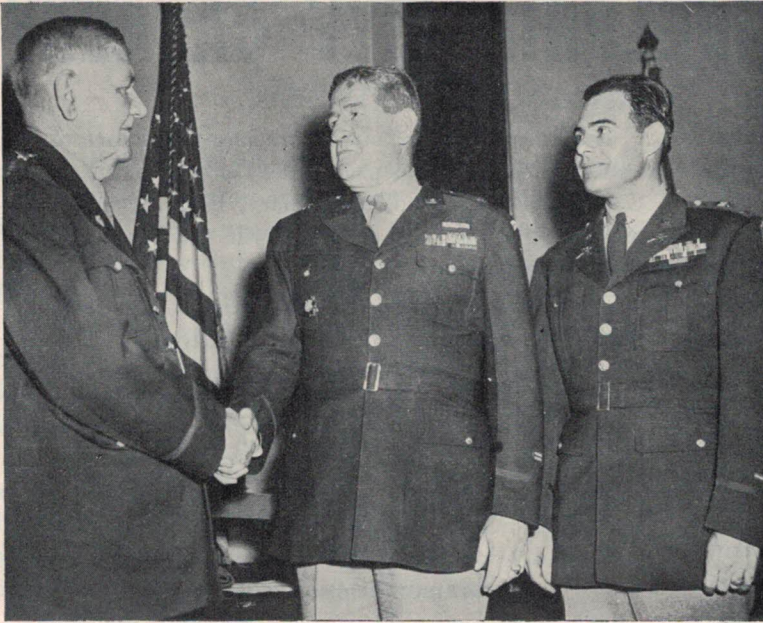
### *Light Infantry*

The Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry is proud of the spirit of the men in the Company and reports it better than at any time in the past year. Meetings have been well attended, the Company is growing, and it is hoped that it will once again take its place as a leader in the affairs of Fayetteville.

This speaks well of the officers and men that are active in the affairs of the Company.

The Company, organized in 1793, was made up of a group of Scotch Highlanders who had settled the area in and around Fayetteville.





#### GENERAL EDWIN COX HONORED

Brigadier General Edwin Cox (center) is congratulated for his faithful service as Commander of the 176th Combat Team, First Infantry, Virginia National Guard, by Major General S. Gardner Waller, Adjutant General of Virginia, as the new Commander, Colonel Charles L. Southward, looks on with an approving smile.

The occasion was a dinner given on January 8 attended by all officers of the Combat Team and a number of guests prominent in Virginia public and civil life.

The First Infantry, Virginia National Guard, is the second oldest military organization in the United States having been organized in 1680.

## FIRST CORPS OF CADETS

The First Corps of Cadets, organized in 1741, now boasts a total strength of 481—31 officers, two warrant officers and 448 men. Comprising the 211th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mech) Massachusetts National Guard, the Corps' officers are Lt. Col. Richard C. Storey, president; Major Robert Amory, Jr., vice president and Captain William R. Spaulding, secretary and treasurer.

November 9, 1948, marked the second anniversary of the Federal recognition of the Corps' first unit. Col. Storey points out that enlistments in the National Guard were greatly stimulated by passage of the Selective Service Act and this enabled the Corps to increase its strength. At the same time it afforded an opportunity to discharge those members of the Corps who, for one reason or another, were not making adequate contribution to the progress of the Unit.

Two classes of membership exist in the Corps—Active members and Fine members. Active members automatically include all persons who have been lawfully enlisted or commissioned in the 211th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, Mechanized, of the MNG, and such membership shall continue throughout their period of active service in that organization. Fine members automatically include all persons, who, after completing three full years of active service with the 211th shall resign or be honorably discharged and choose not to reenlist. Fine membership shall also be extended, upon invitation, to such public-spirited citizens sincerely interested in the welfare of the Corps as shall be approved by the Committee on Fine Members.

## NEW HONORS FOR 175th INFANTRY

New luster has been added to the already impressive list of honors of the 175th Infantry, 29th Division, lineal descendent of the famous Maryland Line, and oldest military organization of the State.

Announcement of the new recognition accorded the famous Maryland unit was made today by Colonel William C. Baxter, Regimental Commander, in making public a letter received from Newton B. Drury, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Mr. Drury wrote Colonel Baxter that two uniform pins, bearing the insignia of the famous Maryland outfit would be placed on display in the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park museum. Placed with a diorama in which the 1st Maryland Regiment of the Continental Line is depicted in a charge against the 2nd Battalion, British Guards, a legend will point out the kinship of the present 175th with its illustrious ancestor.

Expected to attract thousands of visitors annually, the Guilford Courthouse National Park museum will be formally opened to the public in the spring of 1949, according to Mr. Drury's letter to Colonel Baxter.

Eighth oldest Military Organization in the United States, the famed 175th is thrilled, from Colonel to newest recruit, by this latest recognition. Possibility of pilgrimages to the Guilford Courthouse as part of the indoctrination of all new personnel of the regiment, are under consideration in order to impress all ranks with the proud traditions of the regiment.

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PUTNAM PHALANX OFFICERS AT OLD GUARD BALL

Standing left to right: 2nd Lt. Richard Lockwood, Captain Wm. B. Johnson, Captain Leo. P. Flamion. Kneeling left to right: Major Joseph A. Bullock, Colonel Sam E. Dockrell, Major David K. Goodwin, Adj.

## Veterans Corps, Fifth Regiment

The 5th Regiment Veterans Corps, Maryland National Guard, held its annual Commander's Dinner on December 25, 1948 in the Board Room of the Veteran Corps quarters. The dinner was served in the usual excellent style by a well known Baltimore caterer.

A number of distinguished guests, in public and military life, were present.

The Veterans Corps turned out in force, and all tables were completely filled.

### NEW HONORS

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On 13 January 1949, the Army Historical Division officially recognized the continuity of the history of the Fifth Infantry (175th), Maryland National Guard, and gave official blessing to battle honours earned by the Organization.

Streamers for the Regiment's honors have been requisitioned and are listed here:

#### REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Long Island New York 1776 Monmouth	Trenton Princeton South Carolina 1780, 1781	Brandywine Germantown North Carolina 1781
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#### WAR OF 1812

Blandensburg	Maryland 1814
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#### CIVIL WAR (Confederate Service)

First Manassas Valley	Petersburg Appomattox Gettysburg	Peninsula Cold Harbor
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#### WORLD WAR I

Alsace	Meuse-Argonne
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#### WORLD WAR II

Normandy (with Arrowhead) Northern France French Croix de Guerre with Beaches of Normandy	Rhineland Central Europe
1st Bn French Croix de Guerre with Star embroidered St. Lo	
2nd Bn French Croix de Guerre with Star embroidered Brest	

## First Light Infantry Regiment

Colonel William M. P. Bowen of the First Light Infantry Regiment of Providence, R. I., will not be content until the Command has an armory of its own. To that end the officers and men of this unit, organized in 1818, are working feverishly to obtain one.

The original charter was granted the First Light Infantry Regiment by the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations at its session at Newport beginning the first Wednesday in May, 1818. Its anniversary observance is May 11th. Its record of service in time of emergency and in peace, is outstanding and its members, glorying in its traditions, are determined that the many historic documents, battle flags and souvenirs, collected over the years, shall have their own resting place where they may be displayed to visitors.

### GENERAL HANCOCK

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22 years—from 1923 to 1945 when he retired. He had been closely identified with all phases of athletics in Baltimore for many years, especially with athletics of the Fifth Regiment, of which he was director, and for 30 years in charge of the Hopkins-Fifth Regiment Games.

#### FRATERNAL AFFILIATIONS

General Hancock is not married. He is a Democrat in his political affiliation and his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Protestant Episcopal Church of which he is a communicant. He is a member of the American Legion and of Post No. 1 of the 29th Division Association. He belongs to Baltimore Lodge, BPOE, John H. B. Latrobe Lodge, AF&AM; Baltimore Chapter Royal Arch Masons, Beauseaut Commandery, Knights Templar, and Boumi Temple, AAONMS.

General Hancock is also an honorary member of the Old Guard, City of New York and of the Amoskeag Veterans, Peterboro, N. H. He has been Commander of The Centennial Legion for 14 years.





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## EUROPE IN 1950

Many of the members of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, the First Company, Governor's Foot Guards and the Putnam Phalanx who visited France and Belgium 500 strong in 1926 promised themselves, immediately after the trip, that some day there would be a return engagement by the same and other Commands of The Centennial Legion. (A general strike prevailing in England prevented the group from visiting that country.)

Such talk was revived recently by a small group who attended the traditional Ball of the Old Guard, City of New York.

The pomp and ceremony attached to the pilgrimage of 1926 was matched in detail by the warm spirit of hospitality and friendliness shown by the populace, royalty and officials of all of the places visited by the three Commands. Guards of Honor greeted them at each stopping off place and the parades in which the Commands participated were as colorful as their uniforms, which drew "oohs," "ahs" and "bravos" all along the line of march.

Led by Colonel Mills F. Neal of the Richmond Blues, they visited the battlefields of France and Belgium as well as other historic places of interest, placed wreaths on the tombs of Unknown Soldiers and brought fervently to mind the visit of many of the men during World War I when they came over in plain olive drab field uniforms as members of the American Expeditionary Force.

A reading of the clippings of the French and Belgian newspapers in connection with the 1926 visit leaves one with the feeling that he would have liked to have been part of that pilgrimage—or certainly, the next. How about you? If enough interest is created perhaps those who are talking of a Pilgrimage to Europe in 1950 by The Centennial Legion might find themselves on an Arrangements Committee. We shall be pleased to print your views.

## INFORMATION PLEASE

The Georgia Hussars, organized 1736 request information thru Centennial Legion Units of records or past information regarding this Command. Many of our old records have been misplaced. Please send to this unit by Air-Mail, Post Office Box 1163 Savannah, Georgia. The 213th Anniversary Banquet was held February 18, 1949. The president of the association is Harry L. Dickey and the historian is William H. Bryan.

## ARTILLERY CORPS, WASHINGTON GRAYS

The Artillery Corps Washington Grays was organized May 13, 1813, and titled "Captain Condy Raguet's Company of Washington Guards." It was attached to the Fourth Detachment Pennsylvania Militia. Federalized the day of its existence it was known successively as the Light Infantry Corps, Washington Grays, Light Artillery Corps, Washington Grays and finally on June 3, 1843, renamed Artillery Corps, Washington Grays, a title it has retained continuously since then.

Honorary members of the Corps include such notable personages as General Lafayette, whom they paraded and accompanied as far as Chester, Pa., on his journey to Washington, D. C.; General Andrew Jackson; the statesman Henry Clay and General U. S. Grant.

The Corps has served with distinction in all of the wars and expeditions of the United States since its formation and its continuity as a service organization is maintained through the membership of Headquarters Company, 103rd Engineers, PNG. Members of this unit after having honorably served one full enlistment are eligible for admittance to the Corps upon receiving the unanimous vote of the organization.

### CHANGES IN UNIFORM

Up to 1930 the uniform of the Grays underwent many changes. During that year a uniform was adopted which compares with that worn by the organization during the year 1827. The tailed, gray dress coat is trimmed in gold, gold buttons and epaulettes; gray trousers with a two-inch black stripe, bordered with white piping; black tar pot hats with visors, pom-poms for the men and white feathered plumes for the officers, white spats with black shoes, white cross belts for the men and baldrics for the officers.

The Corps made its first appearance in the new uniform in a parade in Philadelphia on April 19, 1930.

The Corps is very active in the matter of local civic celebrations and parades, particularly on Memorial Day, when visits are made to local cemeteries and representative graves of its departed members are decorated.

Horace Inman, beloved by all within the command, was again reelected commander for the year 1949.



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It gives a full account of the Regiment's most important actions during that time: the Brooklyn Trolley Strike in 1895, the Spanish American War in 1898, the Mexican Border Service in 1916 and preparation for World War I.

The appendix includes a list of 7th men who served as officers in the Spanish American War, a Roster of the Regiment as it left for the Mexican Border in 1916, a list of 7th men commissioned in World War I and a list of Officers of the Regiment from 1806 to 1922.

There are reproductions of the Regimental Commanders during the period covered, together with cuts of uniforms worn, reproduced from sketches by General Falls.

Since the edition is limited you'd better order at once. Send check for \$3.50 made out to Veterans of the Seventh Regiment, along with your name and address.

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## PEACE THROUGH PREPAREDNESS

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is to see how well the people work together. Those who would weaken the United States are always trying to foment conflict and group tensions, hoping that Americans of different races, national ancestries and different religious faiths may be incited to working against each other instead of pulling together. We must remain alert to this subversive technique of "divide and conquer," whether from Communists or Fascists and we must oppose every such underhanded attack on our country's security. We must not always await a war to demonstrate our cohesiveness. We must have similar unity in our daily peacetime lives.

### BE PREPARED

All patriotic organizations recognize that our best hope for peace lies in being prepared for every emergency. Had we not been caught napping in 1941, Japan would never have dared to come within a thousand miles of the Hawaiian Islands.

A bully never attacks anyone he can't lick, and if bully nations are kept in line there will be no World War III. Our policy-makers realize this is our attitude toward aggressive Russia today. That was the message of National Security Week. There'll never be another Pearl Harbor if we can help it. It's one that all of us must never permit America to forget. But more important, this is a program that every one of our historic military commands must work day and night to put over!

# The Veteran Corps of Artillery, S. N. Y. -- 1790

The Veteran Corps of Artillery had a very successful and active year during 1948. The uniformed detachment comprises some sixty officers and men and their Field Music of fourteen fifes and drums admits to having no superior in their line.

The Corps held some thirty-four drills and pistol nights and, in their 1812 full dress uniform, acted as escort and guard of honor on such parades as the Massing of the Colors, Army Day, Memorial Day and the New York City 50th Anniversary Civic—besides several patriotic church services.

Their Headquarters are in the Seventh Regiment Armory, where they drill on Tuesdays and enjoy the privileges of the famous lounge and Mess Hall for themselves and their friends.

The Corps was formed in New York City on Evacuation Day—November 25, 1790—by veterans of the Revolution and sent detachments to different strategic points in the northern states where the Tories were active in bringing back the British. In the War of 1812 the Corps manned the Forts at the Battery and West 14th Street and the Hudson River.

Lieut. Colonel Edwin B. Conklin, is commandant.

## Lexington Minute Men

The "Line of the Minute Men" was fittingly celebrated on Patriot's Day, April 19, by The Lexington Minute Men when a memorial to the men who stood their ground against the British was dedicated on the grounds of the Old Buckman Tavern.

The memorial was erected at a point nearly opposite the Boulder on the Green which marks the spot where 77 men gathered on April 19, 1775, to form the line of defense of what was to be the Battle of Lexington.

A bronze plaque inscribed with the names of these 78 heroes who responded to the "alarm" of Paul Revere and William Dawes, Jr., was placed on the memorial.

The Lexington Minute Men, Inc., is desirous of having the names and addresses of the descendants of any of the original Minute Men regardless of where they may now reside. While no obligation will be placed upon any male descendant, those who are males and citizens of the United States, may enroll as associate members of The Lexington Minute Men. Enrollment is limited to 144, since that was the number made up of Captain Parker's Company in 1775.

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## *Veteran Guard Ball*

The Veteran Guard, Third Regiment Infantry, National Guard of Pennsylvania, held their 55th annual Military Reception and Ball at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, in Philadelphia, on January 14th. This Ball is the outstanding military social event in Philadelphia, and has been given each year since it was inaugurated in 1890, except for the four years during World War II, when the regiment was in active service in the Southwest Pacific.

Among the honored guests who led the Military March were Brig. Gen. Norman Randolph, G-1 of the 2nd Army; Maj. Gen. Daniel B. Strickler, Commanding General of Pennsylvania's 28th Infantry Division; Maj. Gen. Norman D. Cota, the wartime commander of the 28th Division; Brig. Gen. Brenton G. Wallace, Commanding General of the 28th Division Artillery; and Colonel Arthur D. Kemp, Commanding Officer of the 111th Infantry Regimental Combat Team.

The Third Regiment Infantry, NGP is a parent organization of the present 111th Infantry Regiment, PNG, and the history of the regiment as established by the State of Pennsylvania, and approved by the War Department at Washington, dates back to 1747, when the "Associators" were founded by Benjamin Franklin. Twenty battle streamers and two silver bands have been awarded to the Regiment for its services in the wars of our country.

The Commander of the Veteran Guard Ullmann C. Hendler, who was decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart for services in World War I. Lieut. John E. Crowe is Senior Vice Commander, and Lieut. Colonel Joseph Moss is the Junior Vice Commander.

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## *Amoskeag Vets Admit Famous War General*

Major General Isaac D. White, commanding general of the famous 2nd Armored "Hell-On-Wheels" division during World War II, was made an honorary member of the Amoskeag Veterans at their annual muster here Tuesday evening.

As has been the case for many years, members of the battalion gather on Washington's Birthday as the dinner guests of their commander, Major A. Erland Goyette.

The business meeting consisted of the election of officers with Major Goyette being chosen C. O. for the 25th year, carrying with it the military rank of major. This is the highest rank that the organization offers.

Increases in rating were noted in Co. A and Co. B of the battalion, together with one change on the commissioned staff of the commander. In Co. A, Perkins Bass, recruited a year ago as a private first-class, was advanced to the rank of Corporal, as was Albert S. Bates in Co. B. Dwight T. Dart and Edward Ellingwood continued to hold the top rank of Captain in the respective companies.

Other officers in Co. A, all re-elected, include Elsworth W. Bunce, 1st Lt.; Matthew P. Cavanaugh, 2nd Lt., Charles M. Cummings, M/Sgt.; Thomas S. Nichols, 1st Sgt.; Bertrice H. Grant, T/Sgt.; and Maurice M. Blodgett, S/Sgt.

In Co. B there are also the following commissioned and non-commissioned officers: George E. Tuttle, 1st Lt.; Albion J. LaFleur, 2nd Lt.; Scott E. Emory, M/Sgt.; Henry C. Lord, 1st Sgt.; Lester D. Morris, T/Sgt.; and Richard Johnson, S/Sgt.

In the commander's staff the only change noted from a year ago was the appointment of Lt. Robert T. Brooks as assistant quartermaster. Other officers remained the same and include the following; Chief of Staff, Capt. Martin J. Keenan; Adjutant, Lt. Marshall P. Wilder;

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Lieut. Brackett requests that all correspondence be addressed to him. If it is necessary to reach by telephone his number is Melrose 4-3263.

**DUSTING OFF***(Continued from Page 3)*

on October 10, 1911, in Piedmont Park which was one of the momentous events in the history of Atlanta, and marked a distinct epoch in the life of the Old Guard.

This dedication brought to Atlanta Veteran Military organizations from Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Hartford, New Haven and Boston, many sending special trains, to transport the troops and bands. At the conclusion of the dedication twenty-four thousand troops passed in review.

SOME OF you may ask—Why do I consider the erection of this Monument one of the outstanding events in the history of the Centennial Legion? This monument is, to my knowledge, the only one in the world where the victors and the vanquished have their names inscribed on the same scroll of fame.

*In the next issue Colonel Lanard will dust the cobwebs off his old manuscripts and bring to light some interesting stories of men who have served in Centennial Legion Commands during the past centuries. In this article you will find a little humor, some history, adventure and, perhaps, a tear or two. We hope you will enjoy reading—*

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*First and Second Company,  
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Governor Chester Bowles, Connecticut's 72nd chief executive, was hailed by 2,500 citizens of the State at the inaugural reception and ball given in his honor in the State Armory here, by First Company, Governor's Foot Guard.

The party, which shone with traditional pomp and panoply, attracted many residents of New Haven and vicinity, including a contingent from Second Company, Governor's Foot Guard, and their wives.

The huge drill shed of the Hartford Armory was decorated with the State colors of gold and blue. At one end was built a wide raised dais under a canopy of white bunting, which provided space for the official gubernatorial party in its pavilion. The sides of the hall proper were divided into about 50 boxes. From the ceiling of the hall were suspended festoons of lights, which gave the entire scene the appearance of a fairyland.

The official party did not make its appearance, however, until well into the evening, for there were a number of traditional preliminaries to be attended to before that time. Wives of military leaders, jurists, members of the Governor's staff, and elected officials were first escorted to their boxes, and it was 10:15 before Mrs. Bowles was escorted to the gubernatorial box by Capt. C. G. Wahlberg, First Company. Behind them were Mrs. Raymond F. Gates, wife of the commandant of First Company, Governor's Foot Guard, escorted by Capt. J. B. Carvalho.

Finally—and the hour was now 11 P. M.—the sounds of "Hail to the Chief!" were struck up; the lights went on all over the Armory, throwing out a golden pattern from the garlands of electric lights strung from the ceiling. It was time for the Governor, the big moment which had been awaited so long. The Governor, his staff and his party lined up with their Foot Guard staff officer escort

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in the doorway of the drill shed, and a cry broke forth from the distinguished guests and just plain Connecticut folks who had waited so long for the greeting.

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### Foot Guard Company Gets Rifle Charter

The first Company Governor's Foot Guard Rifle and Revolver Club, of Hartford, has been granted a National Rifle Association charter. Made up of rifle and revolver enthusiasts the club will be headed by Major Raymond F. Gates, president, of Rocky Hill.

Other officers of the club are: Capt. Howard L. Butler, first vice-president, of Hartford; Lt. Herbert A. Preissner, second vice-president, of Hartford; Capt. Robert G. Springer, chief instructor and secretary, and Lt. Warren S. Whitney, treasurer.

### AMOSKEAG VETS

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Judge Advocate, Lt. Algie A. Holt; Surgeon, Lt. Donald M. Clark; Assistant Surgeon, Lt. Karl S. Kyes; Paymaster, Lt. Fay Lewis; Quartermaster, Lt. J. Frend Webb; Chaplain, Lt. Richard A. Day; Commissary, Lt. Albert J. Picard; Ordinance, Lt. Herbert MacDonald.

The non-commissioned staff consists of: Ordinance Sgt., David K. Winton; Quartermaster Sgt., Ernest L. White; Commissary Sgt., Philip M. Darling; Color Sgts., John Bellows and John E. Cass; and Color Guards, Sgt. Edwin F. Trufant, Jr., and Sgt. Thomas J. Craig.

Following the business meeting the commander decorated Lt. J. Fred Webb, Cpl. Perkins Bass, Sgt. John E. Cass, and Sgt. Philip M. Darling with medals and service bars entitling them to affiliation with the Centennial Legion of Historic Military Commands.

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The INTRODUCTION gives a brief account of the Roman, German, French and other Legions of modern armies and the reason for the adoption of the title 'The Centennial Legion.'

CHAPTER I, 1638 to 1775 tells of the formation of the 'Ancients' of Boston; of the early troubles in the Colonies and the reason for the formation of the Militia; starting with Ann Hutchinson in Boston, then Bacon's Rebellion, Clayborne's Rebellion, Governor Oglethorpe's troubles with the Indians and Spaniards, the Mutiny Act, Boston Massacre, the march to aid Fort William Henry, the Boston Port Bill, and then comes Lexington, Concord Bridge and Bunker Hill; here we find the Newport Artillery, the Foot Guards, the Kentish Guards, the Minute Men of Lexington and many other commands, during these years all giving a good account of themselves.

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CHAPTER III, 1848-1876, tells of many tragic and thrilling incidents of the Civil War. Then comes the period of reconstruction and the great reunion of the North and South at Philadelphia in 1876. Here the Centennial Legion is formed. This chapter contains the complete details of the proceedings leading up to and the formation of the Legion. It also contains a brief account of the original thirteen commands.

CHAPTER IV, 1877 to 1918. Here we find the Gate City Guard making its peaceful invasion of the North. The Yorktown Centennial; the Constitutional Centennial, the death of Major McLean, then the Spanish-American War. For the next twenty years events are set forth wherein the Legion units exchanged visits including the unveiling of the Peace Monument at Atlanta in 1911; then comes the World War.

CHAPTER V, 1919 to 1929. You witness the reorganization of many of the war units. You march at the Carpenter celebration and receive your Flag at Valley Forge. Then comes flag day at the Sesqui-Centennial and the birth of the rejuvenated Legion at Independence Hall.

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CHAPTER VII, 1933 to 1938 opens with the Old Guard Ball, the Tercentenary of Connecticut; then Rhode Island. We next meet at Governors Island and after making many other visits we join the Ancients of Boston in the reception to the Honourable Artillery Company of London on its visit to America in June of 1938.

CHAPTER VIII, contains an autobiography of each National commander.

CHAPTER IX, covers the Centennial Legion Shoot since 1926.

CHAPTER X contains a brief history of each unit of the Legion. There are over 50 separate accounts setting forth many interesting events in the lives of different commands. In this chapter you stand on the deck of the Prison Ship Jersey and hear the British call down the hatchway 'Rebels bring up your dead.' You see Arnold burn Groton, and the woman of Forty beat the Marshal of New York. You wander with the Gate City Guard lost in the mountains. You see Washington City burned by the British. You see Monuments erected. You parade in great Pageants; a thousand other soul stirring events are here set forth. No person with red American blood in his veins can read this chapter without a feeling of pride that he is permitted to know the sires of such a sacred heritage.

CHAPTER XI contains a description of all State Flags and many of the Historic flags carried by the Legion units.

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**OLD GUARD BALL**

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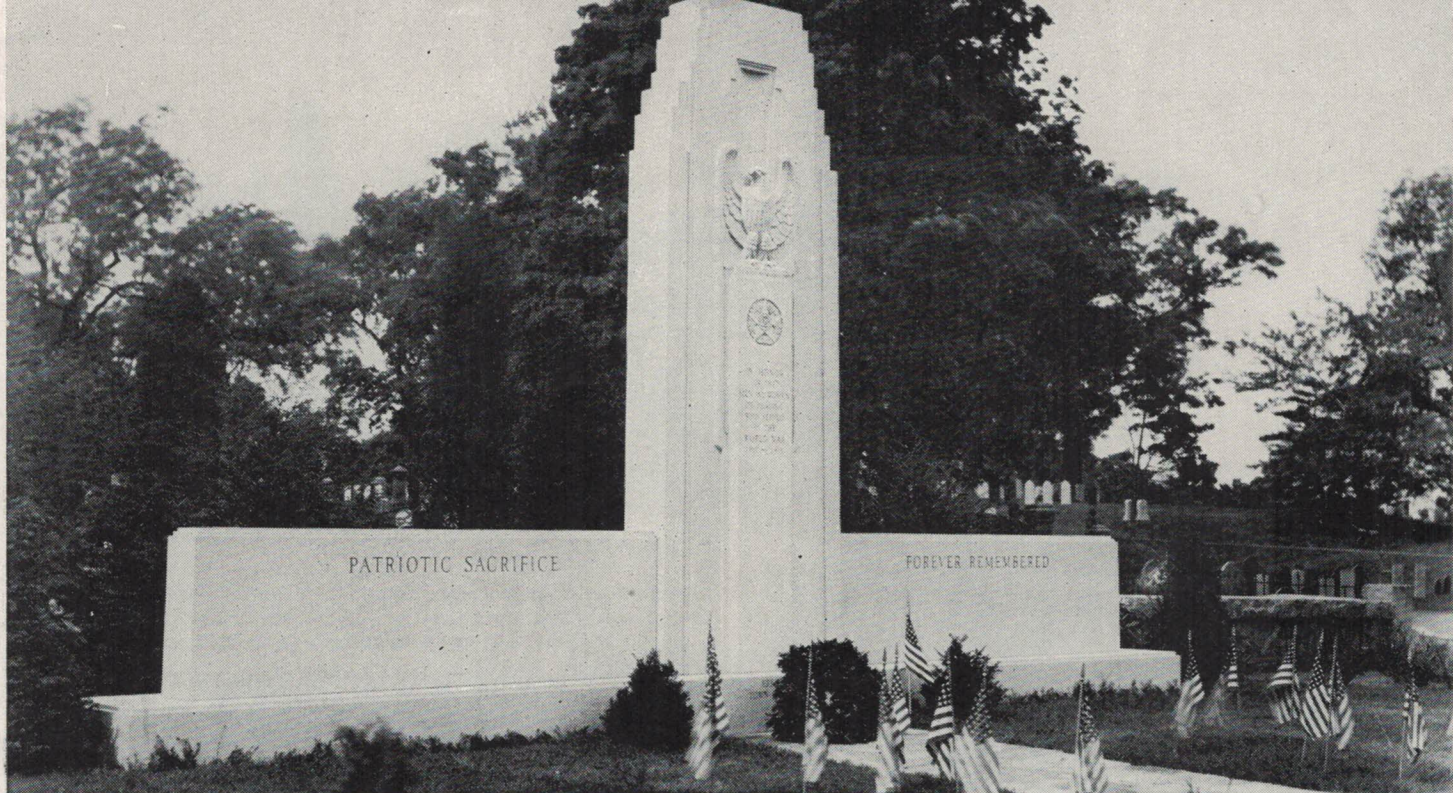
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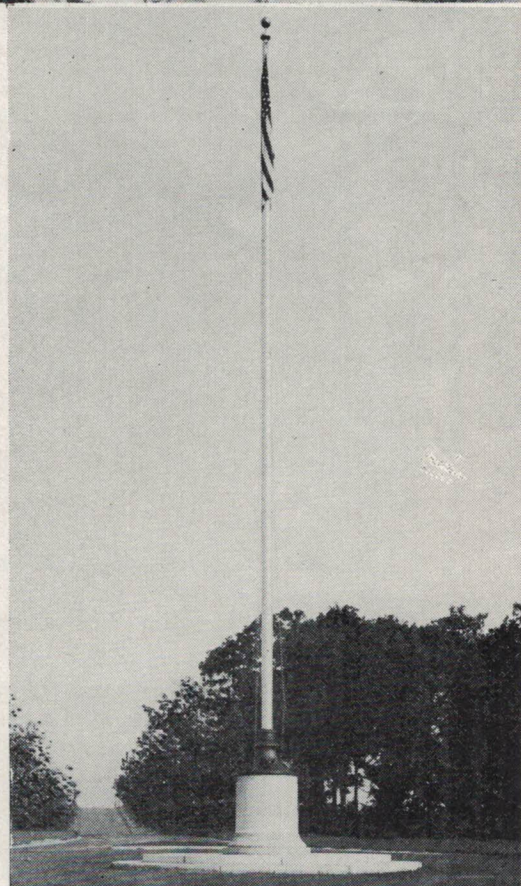




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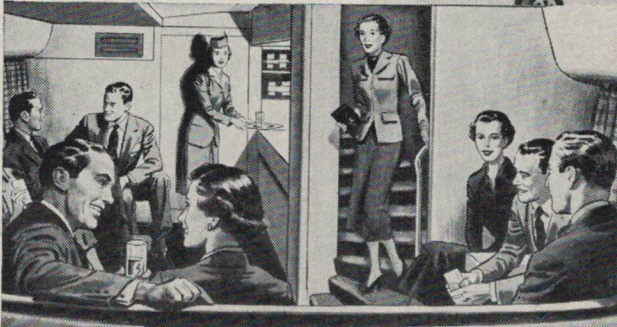
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