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4th Battalion Holds Maneuvers August 5th and 6th

North Fulton Park, in Atlanta, was the scene of extensive maneuvers of the 4th Battalion on 5th and 6th of August, 1944. Six companies took part in the maneuvers.

Captain Ben H. Hutchinson was the Commanding Officer of the Offensive Force. Other officers in attendance included Captain Byron J. Turner, S-1; Captain James R. Johnson, S-2; 2nd Lt. Carl A. Balding, Asst. S-2; Captain Joseph R. Thompson, S-4; 2nd Lt. Herman Kalech, Asst. S-4; Sgt. Herbert Saul, Mess Sergeant; and Sgt. Morris M. Ween, Clerk.

Company A was represented by 3 officers and 23 enlisted men; Company B, 1 officer and 22 enlisted men; Company C, 3 officers and 22 enlisted men; Company E, 3 officers and 28 enlisted men; Company H, 2 officers and 20 enlisted men; and Medical Detachment, 2 enlisted men.

The Company Commanders were: 2nd Lt. Thomas K. Wrigley, Co. A; 2nd Lt. William H. Gatlin, Co. B; 2nd Lt. William C. McWilliams, Co. C; 1st Lt. Jack C. Kirk, Co. E.; 1st Lt. John C. Hambright, acting second in command, Co. E; Captain Swint, Co. H.

There were five patrols during maneuvers beginning Saturday night:

1st Patrol—moved out at 21:10—returned to Hq. 00:30. Mission was carried out and information on terrain and outposts of defending forces was turned in to Hq. Patrol moved into defensive area on Lake Forrest Drive and moved on up to bivouac of the defense. One man was captured from this patrol at point due north of main intersection of roads in defensive area. This man was released and joined up with his patrol and all men reported to camp. The Guardsmen on

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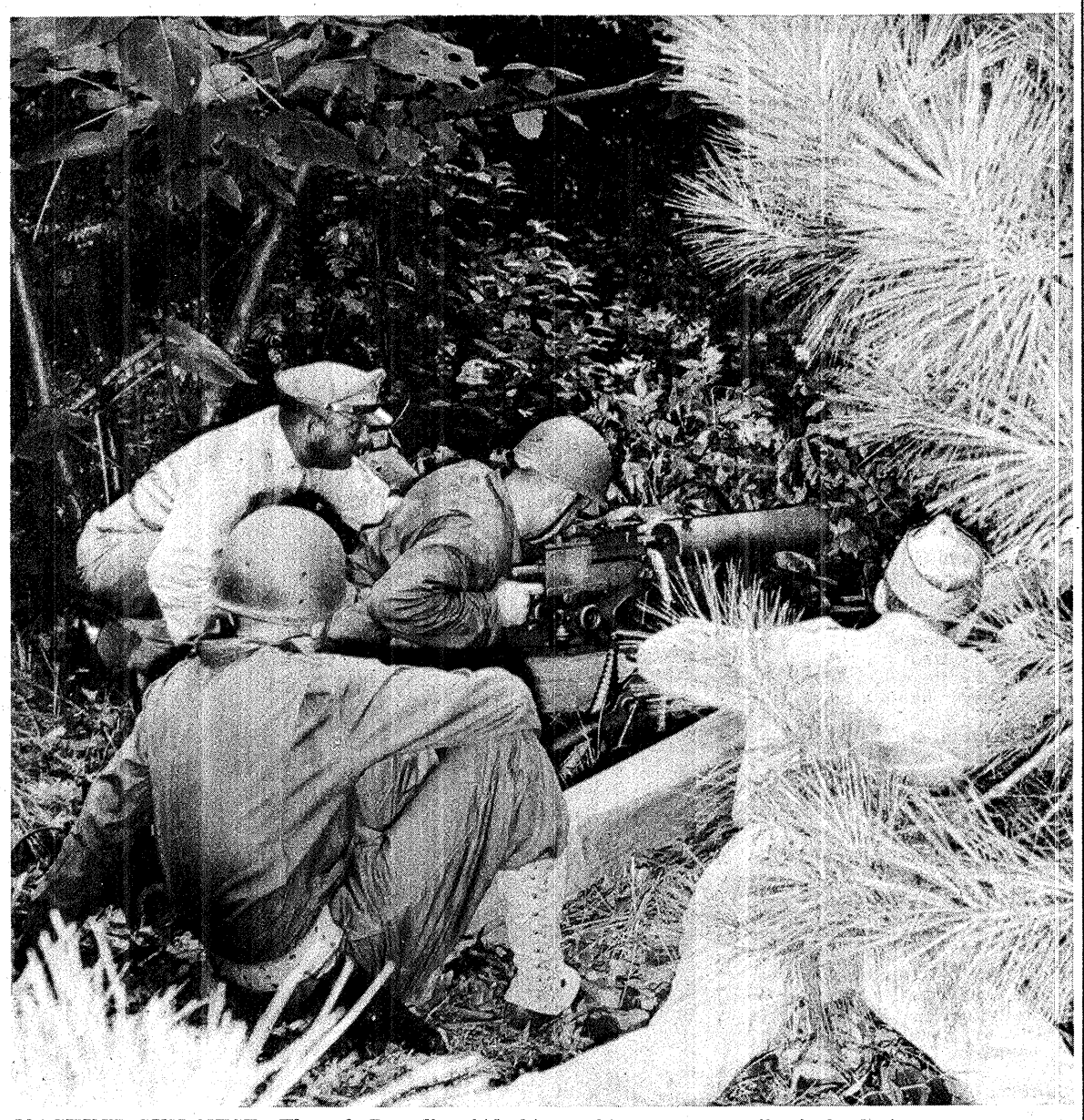

MACHINE GUN NEST—The 4th Battalion hid this machine gun very effectively during maneuvers at North Fulton Park, August 5th and 6th. Major J. E. Mathis and Lt. C. B. Wooten look on as Sgt. Watson fires machine gun. (1st A.S.-G.S.G. Photo.)

Pelham Company Gets New Home From City Council

In response to a request from a committee of State Guardsmen that the city co-operate with them in securing permanent quarters for the Pelham Company, the council voted to finance the construction of necessary lockers in the west side of the city hall.

It was pointed out that several thousand dollars worth of government property including uniforms, rifles, shot guns and machine guns as well as records should be secured at all times, and due to the present demand for business property it was no longer possible to secure suitable buildings without incurring heavy rentals for which no provisions had been made to cover.

The Pelham Company is one of the outstanding Guard units in the state and members of the council were delighted to aid the officers and men in securing a permanent home.

Members of the committee presenting the request to the mayor and councilmen were Captain D. H. Cheves and Sergeants Luther Howell and J. B. Chism, Jr.

Plans are underway for an increased membership, and it is understood nothing under a full strength Company will be satisfactory to them.

One veteran pointed out that "it is far from play, and it requires a sense of duty, honor, patriotism and plenty of manhood to develop an outstanding group of guards; but that is exactly what Pelham has."

At some later date to be announced, it has been suggested that the entire Company will be honored in some manner by the people of the city which will be definite proof of the high regard they are held for their long patience, their excellent training and their willingness in co-operation with the state and nation to enable this community to be prepared for any emergency that could or may arise during or as an aftermath of the present world war.

"Everyone of the boys is doing a fine and unselfish job." said Captain Cheves, "and there exists a spirit of co-operation and fraternal respect throughout the entire company."

Appreciation of Service Rendered

The following letter was received by Col. R. W. Collins, C.O., Georgia State Guard, from Captain W. L. Runte, of Company C, 9th Battalion, Texas State Guard, Port Arthur, Texas:

"Commanding General,
Georgia State Guard.

"Please accept the profound thanks from the Commanding Officer and personnel for your spirit of hospitality in accepting reservations of Sergeant Wiley B. McAfee and Sergeant George A. Frensley to attend your State Guard school.

"The wealth of training received by these two non-commissioned officers constantly makes its presence known to all members of this command.

"Being TEXANS and knowing the meaning of southern hospitality we say "HATS OFF" to you GEORGIA, with a sincere wish that we can some day repay this favor.

"Please accept this letter as a standing invitation to visit our Company anytime you may visit PORT ARTHUR.

"W. L. RUNTE, Capt. Inf.
"C/O Co. C, 9th Bn., TSG"

Your Blood
MAY SAVE A BUDDY'S LIFE—WON'T YOU GO TO YOUR NEAREST BLOOD DONOR SERVICE AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN? THIS IS URGENT!

19th Battalion Opens Rifle Range; Army Has Issued Ample Ammunition

The 19th Battalion announces with pride the completion of a thoroughly modern, officially approved rifle range located within a few minutes of its Armory in Valdosta.

Through the courtesy and generous co-operation of Sgt. Julian McKey of headquarters medical detachment the old National Guard range located about two miles beyond the Strickland Cotton Mills on his property near the Willacoochee river has been remodeled and turned into a first class modern range for the Georgia State Guard.

It has been many years since this range has been used and it had grown up into such a jungle that Captain Nelse Holcombe who has fired at it many hundreds of times could hardly find it.

The County Commissioners and Warden Hood put the convicts into the jungle and cleared it out, repaired the fifteen-foot bank backed by two feet of concrete, built three firing positions, ditched and drained the area and opened up a road for automobiles to drive right into the range.

It is located in the heart of a beautiful wooded area with unusually steep hills for South Georgia all around.

A substantial target house is located near target positions and range is equipped for firing twelve men at a time on the .22 calibre and four to five at a time on the Enfield .30 calibre rifles.

Firing positions are 50 feet, 1,000 inches and 100 yards with facilities to increase to 300 yards if desired.

Facilities are also available for pistol, tommy gun and heavy Browning machine gun firing.

The Army has issued ample ammunition and the range was put into commission Saturday afternoon, July 30th. On Sunday afternoon Sgt. Arthur Lowry, a life member of the American Rifle Association and a fine shot and instructor, who has recently been appointed assistant range officer to Captain G. D. Arnold, took the headquarters Signal and Machine Gun Detachments to range for an afternoon of instruction and firing.

On Saturday afternoon Lieut. Col. Eager and Sgt. Lowry christened the range by both making at 100 yards almost identical scores and both better than the 180x200 which is needed to qualify as expert rifleman.

Arrangements are being made to have every guardsman in the 19th Battalion fire at different ranges both the .22 and .30 calibre rifles and the gunners to fire tommy guns and Brownings.

At this time the machine gun section is being organized under command of Captain Arthur French with Lieut. Harry B. Anderson second in command and first sergeant.

Ralph Williams, an old World War I machine gunner in command of the gun squads. Gunners and assistants are now needed.

The headquarters company meets Tuesday nights at Chamber of Commerce during summer and is devoting most of its time now to firing and to field maneuvers. Enlistments are invited in either signal or machine gun sections and veterans of World War I or the present war are particularly desired. Every young man who can't quite make the first team is urged to join the guard and do his part toward security at home while the boys are over seas.

Former older guardsmen who found the heavy drilling of the Rike Company a little too strenuous will find that one of the sections of headquarters company will give them every opportunity for patriotic service without being too hard on them physically.

There are a few openings for older men and 16 and 17 year old boys in Company D, under the command of Captain Arnold.

"In God We Trust"

A Message from the Chief of Chaplains
By MAJOR LOUIE D. NEWTON

I am interested to know how many Georgia Guardsmen who entered the armed services have been killed in action or in training, and how many have been reported missing or have been taken prisoners.

If the Battalion Chaplains have such a list, I will greatly appreciate it if they will file such information with me at the Headquarters Office, 935 E. Confederate Avenue, S. E., Atlanta.

Captain Satterwhite, Editor of **The Georgia Guardsman**, joins me in the plan to publish a list of these honored Guardsmen. And I believe it will be regarded as vital information for every reader of this magazine.

At the proper time, we will have a worthy memorial service for the Guardsmen who have made the supreme sacrifice in this war. It is essential, therefore, that the information be compiled on deaths, imprisonments, and those reported missing in action.

Which leads me to say that every Chaplain in the Georgia State Guard counts it a privliege to remember our men in prayer daily—those within our ranks here at home, and those who have entered the various branches of the armed services.

I have received a number of letters from our men, now scattered throughout the world, and they have each expressed appreciation for the letters of remembrance which they have received from their buddies in the Georgia State Guard.

It has been my sad duty to conduct the funeral of a number of men in the armed services, and I know that there is a ministry which every Guardsman may render to the bereaved loved ones, wherever you may know such friends.

This war will be over some day, and it will be a happy reflection to have kept in touch with all of our men who entered the armed services. Permit me, then, to suggest that we keep in touch with them through letters, and that we remind them that we are supporting them with our prayers.

And please remember to check your lists and send me the names of any who were formerly in your battalion who have been killed, or who may have been taken prisoners, or who may be reported missing in action. Thank you.

THE GEORGIA GUARDSMAN IS YOUR PAPER—THE NEWS AND PICTURES YOU SEND IN MAKE THE PAPER. DID YOU GET YOURS IN FOR THIS ISSUE?

Naval Air Base St. Simons, Georgia
1944 Encampment of State Guard Band

Tune up Guardsmen, get together,
Watch those trombones slip—
Reeds and brass and bold percussion
Headin' for a trip.

Dublin's spreading water oak
Sheltered forty tooters
To aid the War Loan victory drive
And help the Guard recruiters.

Waycross, too, responded with
More wild applause than grammar,
While Helen Joy, and Charlotte, too,
Disported with their glamour.

But when we reached St. Simons
Before the brink of dawn
We found out just how dark it is
When Moses' light is gone.

Then Sergeant Drukenmiller
Came in without a bed
And decided he'd a sentry be—
So all intruders fled,
Until the snoring chorus
Got all steamed up and hot,
And there was Roy a-snorting bass
And leading all the lot.

Now Corporal Cass set up two cots
While fumbling in the dark,
But quick as he would turn around
Some rookie on a lark
Would grab them up 'till Corporal Cass
Saluting Captain Mike,
Inquired, "Which one of them is mine,
G. I.'s look all alike."

And when he found the cots all gone,
His patience tested sore—
He calmly spread his mattress down
And slept upon the floor.

Then Corporal Cass went hunting
For the train that left at four
When mosquitos, hunting breakfast,
Found him sleeping in his "lower."

"There'll be shower baths, conveniences,
And Waves across the way,"
The Captain sold his bill of goods,
"With naught to do but play."

The waves we found were on the beach
And not across the street.
The only shower we got was when
The bowl leaked on our feet.

Of all the things we thought we'd see,
With all the G. I. issues—
Our Captain, in the paper game,
Brought not a sheet of tissues.
Shades of lacerating cobs—
It's really getting tough—
Palmetto, there's a plenty,
But ain't the bristles rough?
Sarge Janoulis all downhearted
Sat and wondered why he smarted.

"Sleep all morning if you wish,
You'll be like pigs in clover."
But try to sleep when daylight finds
The bombers roaring over!

Sure, we had artesian water—
Flowing sulphurous and hot
As the language that described it.
Chattahoochee it is not!

All the junior constellation
Hived in silence—partial—
Until an early morning threat
They'd face a quick court martial.

Now Greenberg with his clowning—
The everlasting goof—
Just turned his head a moment
And his cot was on the roof.

Sergeant Peck at breakfast
Was very injudicious;
He ate so much he couldn't pay
And had to wash the dishes.

And Armour with the rifle
Had bullets on the spot,
And when we counted up the score
We found him sizzling hot.

That fish fry at the Village
With our host and hostess Preece
Marked a day we'll long remember;
May their worthy line increase!

And don't forget that burning day
When on our chartered boat
We fed more shrimps to hungry "cat"
Than our bateau would float.

But croakers, squirrel, blow-fish, "toads"
And crabs joined in our lark,
'Till "Swing conductor" Thomas
Caught an adolescent shark.

And capable "Red" Williams
Who almost learned to curse
And drove our bus so splendidly
'Till shifting to reverse.

Our casualties were heavy
A burr bit Sergeant D.
Private Greenberg's finger got
So proud they lanced it—free.

Diving fast, mosquitos led
A Poisonous attack,
But Sergeant Sutton drove them off
With spray-gun, gas and flak.

Cass, Janoulis, Greenberg—three
We're sure were never taken;
But they were missed in action when
The Guard arrived in Macon.

Now Mackey Teat and Charlie Ray
Their trombones love to tickle,
And Altos, Harry Gibson,
With Cohen and young Mickel

While Yerlow, Thompson, Buckshot Ben,
And Peck in slides arrayed,
Whip up a stirring climax
When the Stars and Stripes is played.

Minsk and Sutton boom their basses,
Morris and Gillette,
Form a pair of baritones
That we'll not soon forget.

Clarinets Janoulis and
Gonnella, what a pair!
With Rudy Brown and Greenberg,
Who never had a care.

And Moulton, too, and Martin,
And Cass on piccolo,
Condon sobs on Saxophone,
And Pierson Saxes too.

While Brisendine and Harris
As stars on snare drums loom,
While Young Frank Thomas swings his stick
And the ringing bass drum booms.

But best, the trumpets, headed by
The Drukenmiller names,
Llowellyn, Siegel, Pharres,
Armour, Bicknell and young James.

Sutton as our quartermaster,
Doubling on slide,
Keeps "Old Faithful" looking silly,
With coupons on the side.

Keystone of his fond supporters—
Peerless in our land,
Captain Greenblatt leads with ardor
Georgia's State Guard Band.

June 22, 1944 G. S. P.

Flag Day exercises held by Col. Frank Fling, of the 4th Battalion, G. S. G.

Georgia State Guard Band playing at Flag Day exercises at Atlanta Elks Club

Guard Band Plays At Grant Park

It was USO Day at Grant Park.

And a show a la Atlanta, which featured a concert by the State Guard band, visits to the Cyclorama and a circus performance by the elephants, Alice and Coco, jamb-packed the park recently with soldiers, sailors, Marines, paratroopers and civilians.

The band, led by Capt. M. A. Greenblatt, played a medley of military airs, classical numbers and several popular hits.

Barbara Cook, teen-age prima donna in Mrs. I. W. Curry's USO Camp Shows, added patriotism and glamour to the occasion when she ended the concert with the national anthem.

The grand climax came when the elephants, directed by Johnny Dilbeck, animal keeper of the zoo, stood on hind legs, danced on a tub, ate apples a soldier and sailor fed them, and saluted the American flag which first one, then the other, elephant carried.

The program was the first of a series planned by the USO-Service Men's center and the six agencies, YMCA, YWCA, NCCS, JWB, Traveler's Aid and the Salvation Army, that make up the United Service Organizations.

A SMART ANSWER

He was taking his examination for a driver's license, and when the officer asked him:

"What would you do if you were driving at high speed and your brakes failed to work?"

He answered:

"Hit something cheap."

That wasn't the regular answer, but a mighty good substitute.

GEORGIA STATE GUARD HONOR ROLL

Men from Company B of the 4th Battalion who are now serving our country in the armed forces:

W. W. Baker, Pfc.
H. R. Beck
S. Blass
J. W. Clark, Cpl.
C. D. Chandler
T. M. Carmichael
R. D. Drummond
R. W. Elam
L. Y. Ford, Cpl.
M. H. Hurst, Cpl.
C. D. Jones, Sgt.
M. T. LaHatte
R. C. Kieth
A. A. Meneely
G. M. Mixon
T. R. Meek
C. W. Padgett
L. B. Plant
H. Parker, Capt.
P. H. Robinson
W. H. Scott
A. W. Slaughter
R. A. Thompson
J. G. Ward
E. R. Warren, Pfc.

Company B, 4th Bn., Adopts Merit System

What is believed to be the first merit system in the Georgia State Guard has been inaugurated by Company B, 4th Battalion. Awards will be made to enlisted men as well as non-commissioned officers who attend drills regularly and are outstanding in discipline and execution of orders. Only one each award will be given each month, the man to receive the award to be selected by officers of the Company. Interest in the system is running high, and keen competition is expected.

Company B participated in one of the most successful Battalion maneuvers on August 5th and 6th at North Fulton Park. Assigned to the right flank of the offensive force, Company B, together with other battalion units, has been highly commended for perfect execution of orders by staff officers who judged the battle from every angle. As result of proper and thorough training, the timing of the attack by Company B was most outstanding.

A medical journal advances the theory that "man is slightly taller in the morning than he is in the evening." We have never tested this, but we have certainly noticed a tendency to become "short" toward the end of the month.

"YARDBIRD"

Golly ding, John, but we'uns have a heap of doings to do. After seeing our fellers at Benning—especially on that there shooting range and seeing how little most of 'em know'd. Some didn't know how to use that strap or sling and position were something awful. So guess a heap a work here must be did. Maj. Bear Mathis will be coming around to see ye and hopping to get things straight, so do a heap a studying and work.

Then there's heaps a talk about our shooting irons being rusty and dirty. Bet these boys fighting in France and Italy could tell us a right smart about the importance of keeping these weapons clean. Shore would be bad if'en the guard was called out with their stuff all a mess, tell 'em over and over. Then check 'em to see that these bang busters are shining and slick.

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Company A, of the 4th Battalion Provides Diversified Training for Its Personnel

As the pictures on this page will indicate, Company A, 4th Battalion, is making great progress in training its personnel and not letting any grass grow under its feet.

Taking advantage of special training furnished by the U. S. Army headquarters at Fort Benning, Ga., ably represented by Sgt. Rittenour and Cpl. Latchford, Company A, 4th Battalion, continues its long established policy of holding regular monthly maneuvers at its camp-site, formerly the site of old Unit 182, now incorporated in Company A.

Company A has been under the capable leadership of Capt. Earl W. Hathcock until his recent promotion as assistant S-3 Battalion Staff, 4th Battalion. He has been very active and efficient in the progress of Company A. Although Company A feels the loss of Capt. Hathcock, we are justly proud of Capt. J. R. Thompson, our present acting C. O., who is one of the original organizers and active members of Unit 182, one of the oldest, if not the oldest, established units in Fulton County. Capt. Thompson has always shown a keen interest in State Guard affairs, and by his leadership and devotion to the interests of his men, is held in high esteem by all of them. He is a faithful and conscientious worker, and we are proud to have him as our Commanding Officer. Ably assisting Capt. Thompson is his staff of officers and non-commissioned officers. Among the non-coms are Sgts. Schaul Greinoman, Harry Sugarman, Seymour Kessler A. B. Clein, Jas. L. Smith, Supply Sgt. Herbert Saul; Corporals M. A. Feldman, Roy Bullard, Wm. Massey, Lewis Smith, Max Cohan, Ben Tesler, M. Jacobstein, Oscar Kersh, Joe Tannenbaum, H. Friedland and 1st Sgt. T. E. Busbin.

Lt. Chas. Held, an ex-Leatherneck with a great deal of military experience, is another one of our capable officers, whom Company A is very proud to have in its organization. Lt. Held is another one of the original members of the Guard in Fulton County, and has been very active since its inception. He is the former C. O. of Unit 183, which is now part of Company A.

Lt. Herman Kalech, who is platoon leader and proper officer of Company A, is also one of the original members of the Guard, having been active and loyal since its inception. It is because of his hard work and unswerving loyalty to the interests of the Guard that Company A now has a camp-site and barracks of which it is justly proud.

Lt. T. K. Wrigley, who served 18 months overseas in World War I, also a former member of the National Guard, is a thoroughly competent and experienced officer. He has charge of rifle, markmanship, qualifications, positions, sighting, triangulations, etc. He is ably assisted by 1st Sgt. T. E. Busbin, Sgt. Jas. L. Smith, and other non-commissioned officers.

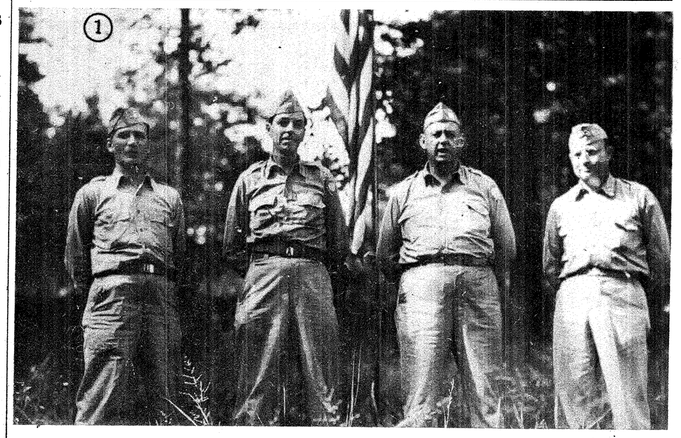
Lt. J. Q. Waters, who is the gas officer of Company A, was formerly second in command of Unit 168, now a part of Company A. It is his important duty to give lectures and demonstrations in chemical warfare and gas mask drills, in which he is very proficient.

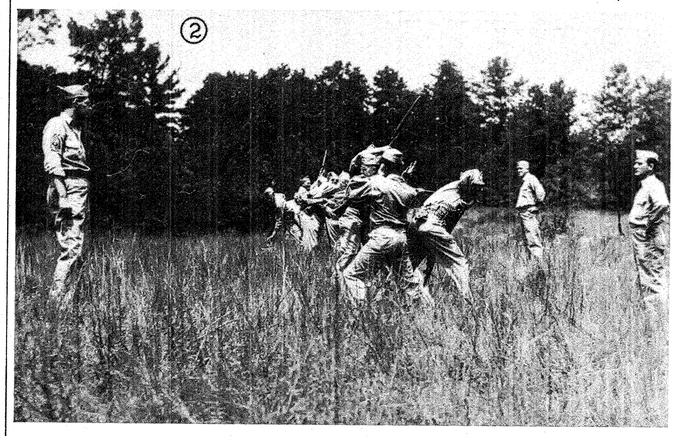
Company A is justly proud of its officers, non-commissioned officers, and enlisted men, particularly its large percentage of original charter-members of the Guard in Fulton County, who have faithfully attended drills and maneuvers regularly, rain or shine.

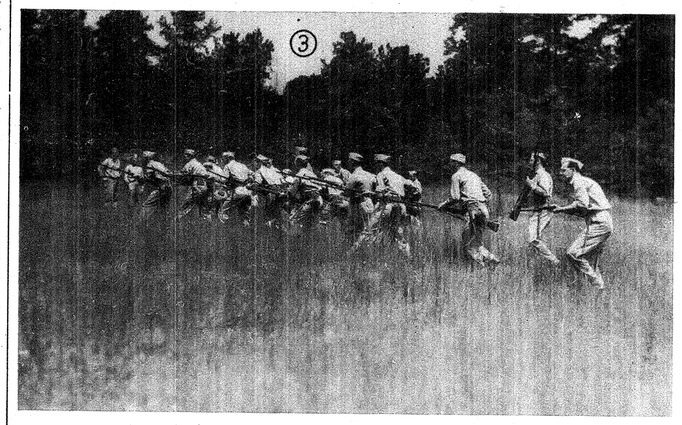
In addition to regular drills every Thursday night, held at Company Armory Headquarters, Tech High School, Henry Grady Field, Company A holds a monthly non-commissioned officers meeting, as well as an outdoor maneuver the third Sunday in every month, on which day instructions are given on all phases of military science, such as rifle marksmanship, with actual firing on the rifle range; hand grenade practice; scouting and patrolling; bayonet practice; riot formations; military courtesy; military sanitation; close and extended order formations; chemical warfare, etc. We also eat and play a little.

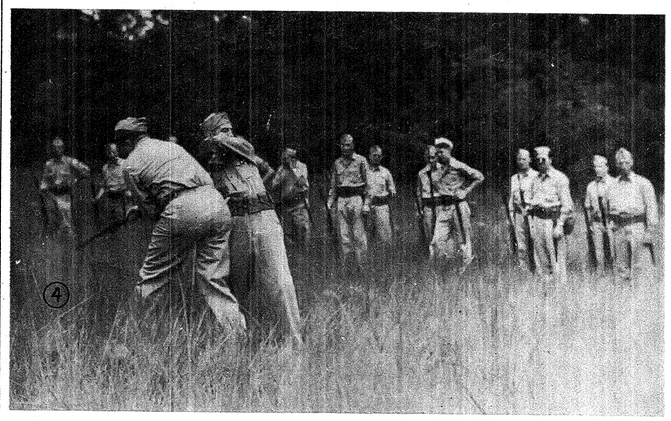
On a recruit outdoor maneuver all of the men had an opportunity to fire the Thompson sub-machine gun, and each and every man got a great kick out of it.

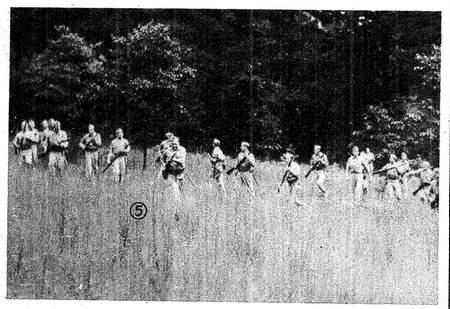
Company A has held the interest of its men up to the present time and will strive to build an efficient, well-trained organization in the future, sticking to its motto "we are always ready when called."





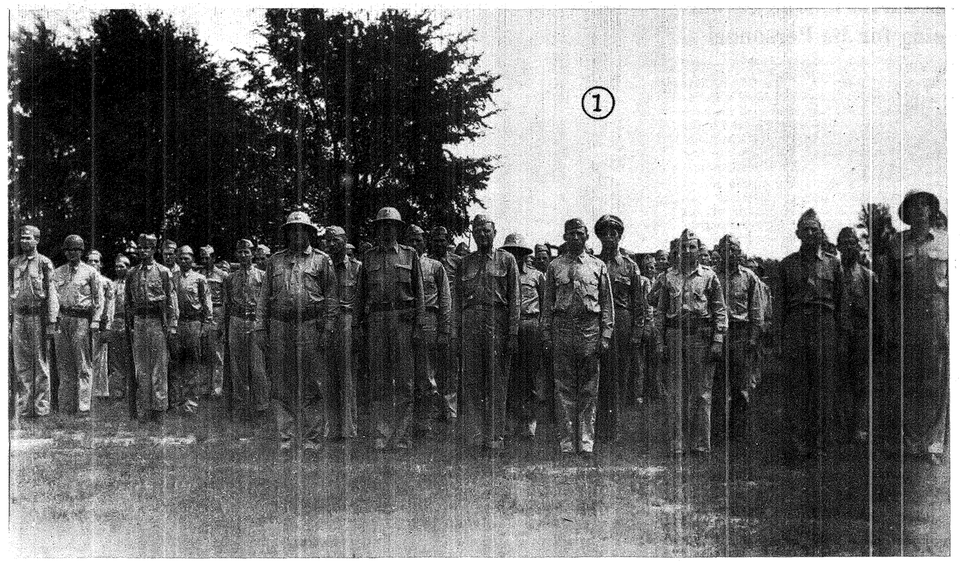


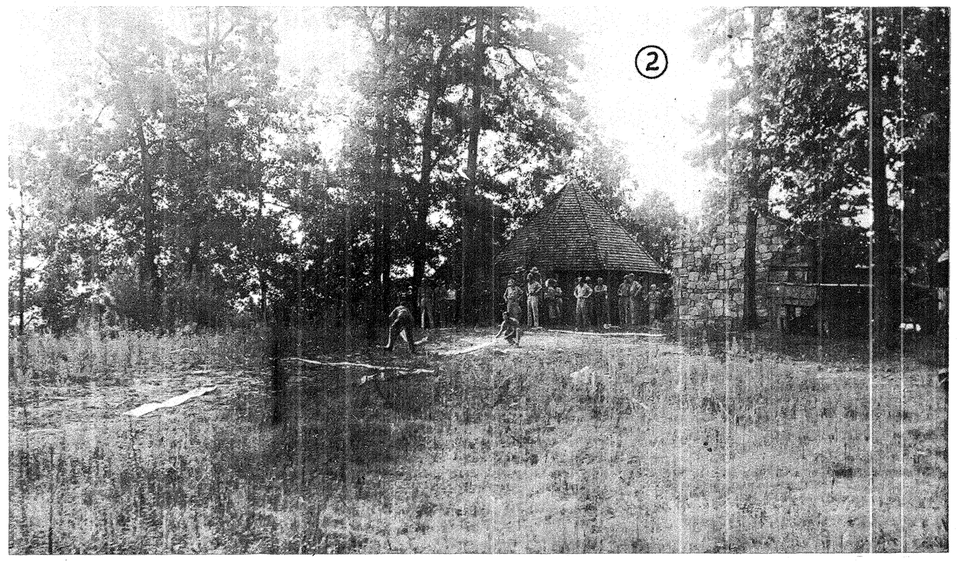


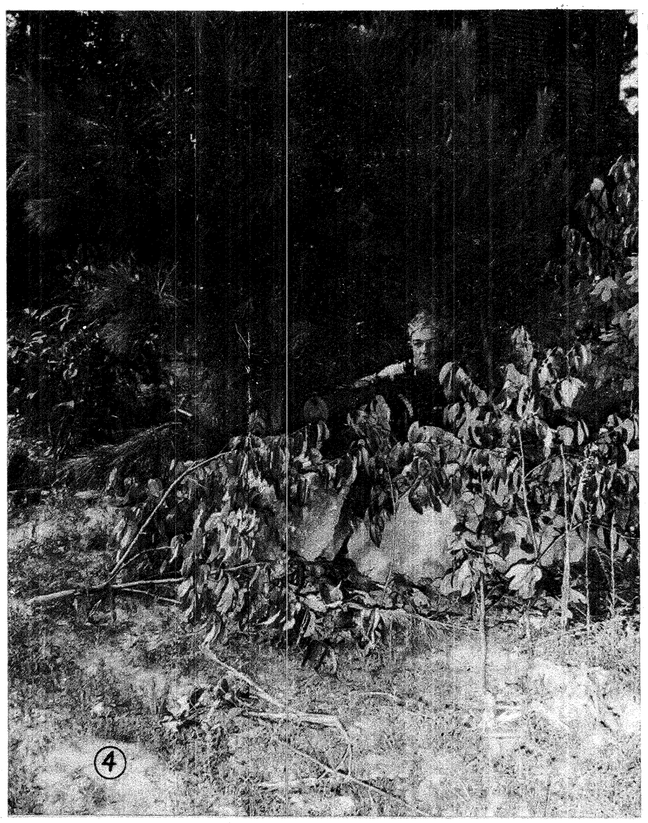


1—Officers of Company A, 4th Battalion: from left to right, Lt. Herman Kalech; Lt. T. K. Wrigley, Capt. J. R. Thompson, Lt. J. Q. Waters. Lt. C. E. Held not shown in picture. 2—Disarming tactics with Lt. H. Kalech in charge, assisted by Sgts. Busbin and Kessler. 3—Platoon wedge formation, Lt. T. K. Wrigley in charge. 4—Judo instruction by Lt. C. E. Held. 5—Going into diagonal formation from wedge, with Lt. T. K. Wrigley in charge. 6—Chemical warfare and gas mask drill, Lt. J. Q. Waters in charge.

4th BATTALION ON MANEUVERS North Fulton Park 5th and 6th August







1. Colonel Frank Fling and Staff, with Officers of the G.S.G. Air Force, and 4th Battalion Officers and men.
2. Panels used in visual communications by 1st Air Squadron, G.S.G., during maneuvers of the 4th Battalion.
3. Captain R. H. H. Perkins, S-3; Captain E. W. Hathcock, Asst. S-3, driving, with Lieutenant W. G. Warren, Asst. S-4, in rear.
4. Sergeant C. M. Maltby commands a very good view of the action during maneuvers in this well concealed machine gun nest.
5. Lieutenant Elmer Rose, of Fort Benning, giving instructions on how to use the bayonet to Company H, Jonesboro, 4th Battalion.
6. Part of camouflaged unit in action during maneuvers.
7. Gas mask demonstration held during maneuvers.

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the 1st Patrol were: 1st Sgt. Davidson, Corp. LeMaster, Pvts. Wheeler, Murrary, Curbow, Mitchell, Reese, Gambling, Fowler.

2nd Patrol—moved out at 22:40—returned to Hq. 01:00—6th Aug. Patrol scouted their area west of Lake Forrest Drive and moved in around rear of defensive bivouac. Possible machine gun positions were reported. There was no contact with the enemy. All men in patrol returned safely on schedule. The Guardsmen on the 2nd Patrol were: Sgt. Smollen, Pvts. Alexander, Bernhardt, Kemp, Tuggle, Samples, Standard, Ellsberry.

3rd Patrol—moved out at 23:17—5th Aug.—returned to Hq.—02:00—6th Aug. This patrol scouted both sides of Wieuca Road west from LD to intersection, made contact with enemy between riding circle and bivouac. Scouted area due south and east of enemy bivouac. Patrol withdrew and all men returned to camp with no casualties. The Guardsmen on the 3rd Patrol were: Sgt. Wicegood, T/5s Johnson and Mahffee, Pfcs. Jones, Sr., and Jones, Jr., Pvts Leach, Fuss, Pearson, Butler, Wise and Crowe.

4th Patrol—moved out at 02:30—6th Aug.—returned to Hq.—04:30—reconnoitered area north and northwest of enemy bivouac. No casualties and no contact with enemy forces. The Guardsmen on the 4th Patrol were: Sgt. Danneman, Lt. Gatlin, Corp. Morris, Pvts. Brown, L. Danneman, Vickers, Wheeler, Garrett, Rogers, Lemon.

5th Patrol—moved out at 03:00—6th Aug.—returned to Hq. 05:00. Made way inside bivouac area; surrounded enemy Hq.—Hq. refused to surrender to patrol — help was called in enemy Hq. and patrol was captured and returned to camp within one hour after capture. The Guardsmen on the 5th Patrol were: Sgts. Kessler and Sugarman, Cpls. Feldman, Bullard and Cohen, Pvts. Rosen, Koskey, Lemmon, Purcell and Landrum.

The following field order was given the companies participating at 06:00, 6th August:

Field Order No. 1

Map: G.S.G., 4th Bn., North Fulton Park Area, Sheet No. 52 and Sheet No. 88. Scale 1 in. = 1000 ft.

1. a. A force of approximately 75 infantrymen, reinforced Signal Det., Medical Det., and G.S.G. Air Force Squadron holding defense position in North Fulton Park within circular area marked in green on map, this circular defense area having a radius of approximately 2500 ft. from intersection Wieuca Rd. and Lake Forrest Dr. Main point of defense is Defense Force Hq. at Boy Scout huts N.W. center of defense area. Defense is equipped with four machine guns, Browning, cal. 30.

b. Two companies of the 5th Bn., G.S.G., will hold our LD and protect our bivouac area. Remainder of 5th Bn. mobilized to support Offensive Force, but not expected until late this afternoon.

2. Offense Force will attack and capture Defense Force bivouac area and Hq. at Boy Scout huts. Offense Force will cross LD indicated by green circle on map at 08:30 in a diversionary attack consisting of a three pronged armored attack from South, East, and West, coordinated with Co. "E" infantry attack from S.E.; this preliminary phase is followed immediately by attack of main force of infantry from Northwest. Time of attack: 4 tanks (simulated) and Co. "E" infantry at 09:45. Companies "C," "A," and "B" abreast attack from N.W. at 09:48, with Co. "C" on right, Co. "A" in center, and Co. "B" on left; Co. "H" in reserve. Direction of approach march determined by Dudley Lane, which remains between Co. "A" and Co. "B" until objective is reached.

3. a. Co. "A" will send one heavy tank (simulated) with cannon and one gunner north on Rickenbacker Drive and east on Wieuca Rd. to destroy Defense Hq. machine gun emplacements, reaching objective at 09:45. Other personnel of Co. "A" will travel by motor north on Rickenbacker Drive, east on Wieuca Rd., north on W. Wieuca Rd. to Roswell Rd., north on Roswell Rd., west on Long Island Drive, west on Mt. Perrian Rd., southeast on Dudley Lane for a distance of four-tenths mile (4/10 mi.). Detruck and at 08:30 infiltrate under cover in southeast direction on south side of Dudley Lane to attack Defense Hq. at 09:48.

b. Co. "B" will send one medium tank (simulated with cannon and one gunner to carry out same mission as heavy tank from Co. "A." Other personnel of Co. "B" will travel by motor to LD along same route as Co. "A" (par. 3. a.). Co. "B" will detruck and at 08:30 infiltrate under cover in southeast direction on south side Dudley Lane to attack Defense Hq. at 09:48.

c. Co. "C" personnel will travel by motor to LD along same route as Co. "A" (par. 3. a.). Co. "C" will detruck and at 08:30 infiltrate under cover in southeast direction, keeping on right flank of Co. "A," on north side of Dudley Lane to attack Defense Hq. at 09:48.

d. Co. "E" will send one heavy tank (simulated) with cannon and one gunner to attack Defence Hq. from west and destroy machine gun emplacements. Other personnel of Co. "E" will travel by motor north on Roswell Rd., west on Interlocken Dr. to intersection Lake Forrest Dr. Detruck and advance under cover on east side Lake Forrest Dr. to vicinity intersection of Wieuca Rd. and Lake Forrest Dr., from which point they will capture and occupy Signal Detachment area at Riding Circle at 09:45, immediately after attack by tanks.

e. Co. "H" will send one medium tank (simulated) with cannon and one gunner to destroy Signal Det. installations at Riding Circle, approaching from south on Lake Forrest Dr. Other personnel of Co. "H" will travel by motor to LD along same route as Co. "A" (par. 3. a.). Detruck and follow Co. "A" toward objective. Offensive Force Command Post will advance with this reserve company.

f. Medical Detachment personnel with reserve at CP.

x. Contact between Companies "C," "A," and "B" will be maintained from right to left. Extra ammunition will be issued in Assembly Area. Packs will be left in Assembly Area under guard. Breakfast at 06:30, 6 August.

4. Annexes: None.

5 a. Axis of signal communication for Companies "A," "B," "C," and "H" is north of Dudley Lane, advancing from LD to objective with Reserve Co. "E" CP with company advance party.

(Signed) Ben H. Hutchinson
Captain, Georgia State Guard
Commanding Officer
Offensive Force
4th Battalion, for Maneuver.

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The complete journal for the maneuvers, as filed by the clerk, is as follows:

19:00—IP Department— consisting of Companies A, B, C, E, and H, with 10 trucks—2 jeeps.
19:30—TP arrival.
19:23—Hq. set up, temporary quarters set up in truck.
20:00—Guards posted; tents set up by each company in designated locations, latrine detail in operation.
20:35—Co. Commander meeting in charge of Capt. Hutchinson at temporary Hq.; full instructions issued in re. latrine use; complete roster details; patrol details and instructions; orders issued not to fire ammunition until specifically told to do so—all ammunition held by EM to be checked in and returned when necessary. Captain Johnson in command of patrols.
21:00—Staff meeting completed.
21:10—1st patrol—Co. B—8 men—reports for duty and briefed by Capt. Johnson.
21:40—Patrol inspected by Capt. Johnson.
21:50—1st Patrol departs—Truck Driver Frady.
22:00—Patrol No. 2 briefed by Capt. Johnson.
22:10—Driver Frady returns from 1st patrol detrucking — password "Tuesday—5."
22:20—Briefing of 2nd patrol completed.
22:25—2nd patrol inspected by Capt. Johnson.
22:40—Driver Frady departs Hq. with 2nd patrol.
22:48—3rd patrol—11 men—reports for briefing.
23:04—Inspection by Capt. Johnson of 3rd patrol.
23:08—Driver Frady returns from detrucking 2nd patrol.
23:17—3rd patrol departs—Driver Goldberg.
23:26—Driver Frady departs to pick up patrol No. 1.
23:45—Driver Goldberg returns from 3rd patrol.
23:55—Driver Frady returns with patrol No. 1 not at designated meeting point.
00:15—6th Aug.—Frady departs again for pickup of patrol No. 1 and No. 2.
00:23—Hq. moved to Lodge at Lakemoore.
00:33—Patrol No. 1 returns to Hq. Corp. LeMaster and Sgt. Davidson questioned by Capt. Johnson. See patrol report in supplement on "Patrol Activity."
01:00—2nd patrol reports in; see patrol report in supplement on "Patrol Activity."
02:00—3rd patrol reports in; see patrol report in supplement on "Patrol Activity."
02:30—4th patrol moves out.
03:00—5th patrol moves out.
04:30—4th patrol reports in; see patrol report in supplement on "Patrol Activity."
05:00—5th Patrol reports in; see patrol report in supplement on "Patrol Activity."
06:00—Reveille.
06:30—Breakfast; battalion S-3 and Asst. S-3 were guests.
07:15—All officers briefed for main offensive maneuver, Capt. Hutchinson in command. Full details given each Company Commander as to disposition of forces, mission, entrances into enemy territory, tactics of timing, etc.
07:53—Briefing completed.
07:56—Ammunition issued.
08:02—All troops participating in offensive maneuver move out in trucks to LD.
08:20—One truck of Co. "H" stalled by motor trouble.
08:25—Truck from Co. "C" picks up Co. "H" personnel that had been delayed by stalled truck.
08:29—Detrucked at LD. 2 trucks camouflaged at LD. Other trucks return to bivouac area. "Enemy" planes over bivouac area.
08:31—Infantry of Offensive Forces advance to carry out mission; harrassed by "enemy" planes. Four bombs dropped on bivouac area.
09:30—Tanks (simulated) move into position for attack.
09:45—Tanks (simulated) attack Defense area; Co. "E" infantry attacks. Mission accomplished.
09:48—Main infantry attack from Northwest as machine gun jams. Mission accomplished. No serious injuries reported.
10:00—Rest period.
11:00—Demonstration by machine gun platoon.
11:15—Critique on Maneuver.
12:00—Return to bivouac area of Offensive Force.
12:30—Dinner; about 20 visitors, including G.S.G. State Inspector, Battalion Commander and Staff; also visiting personnel from U. S. Army and Navy.
13:30—Strike tents and break camp.
14:15—Troops entruck for parade ground.
14:30—Review of 4th Battalion.
15:15—Return to home stations.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
Office of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau
Washington 25, D. C.

21 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO: The Adjutant General of Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia. Through Commanding General, Fourth Service Command, Atlanta, Georgia.

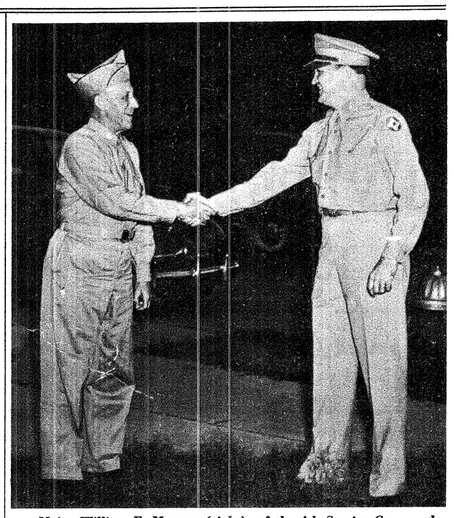
1. My attention has been invited to the Annual Inspection Report of the 19th Battalion Staff, Georgia State Guard, Valdosta, Georgia, dated 27 April 1944, which includes a superior condition of administration.

2. It is also noted that the Staff attended 100 per cent.

3. It is gratifying to note this high degree of proficiency attained by this Staff, and I am pleased to commend them for their efforts in maintaining an efficient command.

(Signed) JOHN F. WILLIAMS,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Acting Chief, National Guard Bureau.

Other letters of commendation were received by the 19th Battalion from Major General Uhl, U. S. Army; Colonel R. W. Collins, C. O. Georgia State Guard; and Lieutenant Colonel W. G. Eager, Georgia State Guard.



Major William E. Morgan (right), of the 4th Service Command, addressed the members of the 10th Battalion Georgia State Guard Tuesday night, July 17th, on their importance in the war efforts. He was introduced by Lt. Colonel George Hains, battalion commander. Major Morgan, who is now official adviser to ten of the 19 battalions composing the Georgia State Guard, will be closely associated with the Augusta companies. His headquarters is at Fort Benning, where he is post adjutant. He stressed to his audience the necessity of keeping up full strength until Germany has been completely disarmed. "The next four or five months," he told them, "will be your most crucial period. With her back to the wall, Germany will be desperate enough to attempt anything." (10th Bn. P.R.O. Photo.)

Company I Receives Training In Maps

Company I, the Louisville unit of the Georgia State Guard, this month began extensive training in maps, including orienting, compass reading and sketching. The course is under the supervision of the company commander, Captain C. F. Stone.

So much interest was manifested in the program, both in attendance and in enthusiasm, that Captain Stone plans to include additional subjects.

Company I is conducting a membership contest. It has been divided by the company commander into three squads, the winner of which will be honored by the other two.

The company meets every Monday night at Louisville. It is especially anxious to interview men who wish to volunteer their services for the duration in the protection of the home front. All members serve without pay, but are thoroughly trained, equipped and armed under the direction of the War Department.

17th Bn., Promotes First Lieut. McCall

First Lt. Frank S. McCall of Company B of the 17th Battalion of the Georgia State Guard, has been promoted to captain and assigned to command his company, according to special orders received from headquarters in July.

Former commander of the company was Capt. Robert B. Jackson who has been transferred to the detached officers' list on entering the armed forces.

Capt. McCall joined the State Guard about two years ago as a private. He rose through the ranks to first lieutenant.

A native Savannahian, he lives at 511 Kentucky avenue, and is employed by the Union Bag and Paper Corporation. Captain McCall attended Virginia Military Institute.

10th Battalion Gives Promotions

The Headquarters Company of the 10th Battalion Georgia State Guard announced the following promotions Tuesday, August 15th: W. F. Hamilton, Jr., cpl. to sgt; H. F. Perkins, T/5 to T/4; Paul O. Arndt, L. L. McMichael and T. W. Tinley, pfc to T/5; Thomas E. Lamb, pvt to cpl; C. C. Benson, III, Donald Hull and Ernest B. Merry, pvt. to pfc.

First Lieutenant T. G. Smith, who read the promotions, stated that they were awarded for "devotion to duty and interest in the Georgia State Guard." He said that all future promotions would be made on a similar basis.

After a period of close-order drill, the Signal Detachment of the Headquarters Company separated into teams and practiced for an hour, with the Wilson flag panel, in the rapid sending and receiving of messages.

Three Units Receive Commendations

Three units of the 10th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, were recipients early this month of commendatory letters from two major generals of the Army of the United States and the commanding officer of the Guard on their superior rating on the recent federal inspection. They were Company A, the Headquarters and Signal Unit and the Medical Detachment. The letters were from Major General John F. Williams, acting chief of the National Guard Bureau, in Washington; Major General F. E. Uhl, commanding officer of the Fourth Service Command, in Atlanta; and Colonel R. W. Collins, chief of the Georgia State Guard.

All three of these letters, addressed to Lt. Col. George Hains, commander of the 10th Battalion, expressed the highest commendation to the officers and men of the superior units. Major General Williams paid particular tribute to "the excellent state of training and administration," and Major General Uhl especially noted the "degree of efficiency," as shown in the inspection reports. Col. Collins stated the gratitude of his headquarters for the "unselfish devotion to national defense" proven by the personnel of the three outstanding units.

Company A, the Headquarters and Signal Unit, and the Medical Detachment were the only three of the eleven elements of the 10th Battalion to merit this rating, which is the highest the U. S. Army bestows. It is the first time in the history of the battalion that any of the commands has been so honored.

All three of these units are composed of Augusta men. Company A, the only infantry company to receive the award, is commanded by Captain Henry M. North, Jr., assisted by First Lieutenant W. J. Baird and Second Lieutenant Adrian Cohen. The Headquarters and Signal Unit, by Captain Elbert P. Peabody, assisted by First Lieutenant. The Medical Detachment by Major W. D. Jennings, the battalion surgeon, and First Lieutenant C. S. Bohler, Jr., Medical Administrative Officer.

The letters were read to the battalion Tuesday night, August 1st, by Lt. Col. George Hains. He expressed his gratitude and joy over the honor and glory the awards had brought to the 10th Battalion. "So far as we know," he stated, "not one of the other 18 battalions in Georgia had three of its companies to receive the Army's highest rating. It reflects the efficiency of each and every man of these superior units."

Lecturer: "Three thousand four hundred and twenty-six elephants were needed last year to make billiard balls. Now are there any questions?"

Heckler: "Yes. How do they train the beasts to do such delicate work?"

10th Battalion Medical Detachment

The Medical Detachment of the 10th Battalion Georgia State Guard reviewed on Tuesday, August 1st, its knowledge of the control of hemorrhages under the guidance of S/Sgt. George H. Baldowski, Jr., its first-aid instructor. The lecture dealt with the functions of the heart in relationship to the arteries, veins and capillaries.

Assisting Sgt. Baldowski, as demonstrator, was Cpl. A. A. Evans, while Pfc. James Stafford acted as patient. The period was divided between oral instruction and practical problems.

First Lieutenant C. S. Bohler, Jr., Medical Administrative Officer of the detachment, announced that a new table of organization just issued by the Guard headquarters, allows the recruiting of several qualified Augustans. They are urged to see him at the Richmond County court house.

The Medical Detachment was one of the three units of the 10th Battalion to receive the army's highest rating in the recent federal inspection. It, with the Headquarters and Signal Detachment, and Company A, merited the grade of "superior."

Promotions in Co. A, 10th Bn. Announced

The promotions of 12 men were announced Tuesday, July 18th, by Captain Henry M. North, Jr., commander of Company A of the Georgia State Guard. They are Dennis M. Harvey, from platoon sergeant to 1st sergeant; Alfred S. Harries, from sergeant to platoon sergeant; S. W. Clark, from corporal to sergeant; Harry Wilenski, from corporal to sergeant; James B. Teasley, from PFC to corporal; S. P. Walker, from PFC to corporal; T. W. Crook, from PFC to T/5 (gunner); C. R. Miller, from PFC to T/5 (gunner); E. L. Babbitt, from private to PFC; O. W. Deas, from private to PFC; R. I. Jennings, from private to PFC; and L. L. Tramel, from private to PFC. These advancements were necessitated by the transfer of First Lieutenant Edwin M. May to commander of the machine-gun platoon and the promotion of First Sergeant Adrian Cohen to Second Lieutenant.

Capt. North announced also the enlistment of three Augustans in Company A. They are Elton L. Hathaway, G. Luke Leonard and Charles W. Poole. These recruits were instructed at the meeting in the School of the Soldier by Second Lieutenant Cohen.

First Sgt. Dennis M. Harvey lectured to the company on military courtesy, the military salute and the manual of arms. During the latter part of the program, Platoon Sgt. Harries gave instruction in Interior Guard Duty.

The headquarters of the 10th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, announced recently the appointment of C. Breault Pendleton, prominent Augusta photographer, to the Public Relations Office with the rank of Technician Third Grade. Before his transfer, he was a member of Company A.

T/3 Pendleton is a veteran of World War I, having enlisted at its outbreak in the 318th Infantry, then at Camp Taylor, Ky. Shortly thereafter, he was shifted to the Army Air Corps, Kelly Field, as photographer. From there, he went overseas, where he served a year in France. His only son is a corporal in the present war, serving with the Army Combat Engineers.

The 10th Battalion was the first in the Georgia State Guard to organize a public relations office. At the suggestion of Lt. Col. George Hains, battalion commander, the state headquarters authorized the establishment of such office in each of the 19 battalions composing the Guard.

T/3 Pendleton is the first official staff photographer to be appointed. His selection was based not only on his professional reputation but also on his previous unselfish service with the Georgia State Guard.

(10th Bn. P.R.O. Photo)

Typical of the rigorous training received by the 10th Battalion, G. S. G., is this picture of First Lieutenant T. C. Smith (left) instructing the Headquarters and Machine Gun Company in the art of judo. He is shown demonstrating with Cpl. Fred Hamilton the method of crippling an enemy by breaking the arm at the elbow. All members of the Georgia State Guard are thoroughly trained, under the guidance of the U. S. Army, in all phases of combat fighting. (10th Bn. P.R.O. Photo.)

Co. F, 10th Battalion Promotes Seven

Company F, of the 10th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, announced Monday night, July 24th, at its headquarters in Columbia County, the promotions of seven of its members. They are: Glenn Segars, from second to first lieutenant; R. E. Watkins, corporal to second lieutenant; Homer Milford, sergeant to platoon sergeant; Emory Gibbs, corporal to sergeant; Walter Gibson, corporal to sergeant; Otis Huffman, private to corporal; and Wilbur Herrington, private to corporal.

Following the reading of the promotions, First Lieutenant Glenn Segars, commanding the company in the absence of Captain G. B. Lamkin, who was on sick leave, segregated the 40 men present into three squads for range-firing. Sgt. Emory Gibbs was placed in charge of Squad One; Roy Tankersley, Squad Two; and Sgt. Walter Gibson, Squad Three. The competitive shooting was held in the auditorium of the Evans, Ga., high school. T/Sgt. Homer Milford assisted as coach.

Each man was allowed three shots from a prone position on the 50-foot range. The following men tied with a score of 13 out of a possible 15 on the standard rifle target: Sgt. Roy Tankersley, Pvts. Carl Timmons, Jeff Owens and Randolph Watkins.

Lt. Col. George Hains, commander of the 10th Battalion, was present at the rifle competition. He addressed the men on the forthcoming overnight bivouac, which is planned for the near future. All members of the battalion will march out to a designated camping area for a night under canvas, after which they will spend the following day in range firing.

"Gosh! That sounds like the warden, and I've been afraid of firearms ever since my birth."

"Was your mother frightened by a gun?"

"No, but I think my father was."

Capt. Roscoe West Heads Officers Club At Augusta

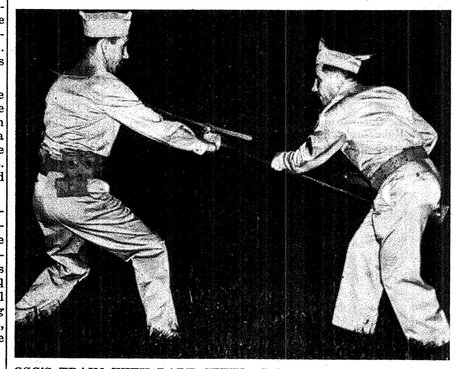
The Augusta officers of the 10th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, inaugurated Thursday night, August 10th, at the Town Tavern, an Officers' Club, and elected Captain W. Roscoe West, commander of Company B, its first president. Other officers selected were Second Lieutenant Dorrah Nowell, vice-president; Captain James C. Harrison, Jr., secretary; and First Lieutenant E. M. May, treasurer. By unanimous vote, the second Wednesday of each month was designated as meeting nights for the association.

Lt. Col. George Hains, commander of the 10th Battalion, is adviser to the club. In addressing the group at its first meeting he paid tribute to the unselfish service these unpaid volunteer officers are rendering to the war effort. "Whatever your other duties," he urged them, "place the Georgia State Guard first in all things until the war is over. Hitler is on the verge of defeat, Hirohito may fall next week. But we cannot accept these victories as a sign that our job is done. We must carry on until another organized force is here to take our places. I quote you," he concluded, "those wonderful words of Ben Hill: 'He who lets his country live, lets all things live; and all those living bless him'."

Captain West, in his acceptance of presidency, plead for the cooperation of all officers of the battalion. "This club can perform its mission only with the help of every one of you," he told them.

The four officers, with Lt. Col. Hains, were elected to draft the by-laws. These are to be read at the next meeting, which will be held September 13.

This photograph, snapped on the indoor rifle-range at Richmond Academy, shows one of the reasons why Company B of the Georgia State Guard merited "Exellent" on the recent federal inspection of the 10th Battalion. Shown improving their marksmanship are, left to right, T/5 T. E. Schneider, Pvt. B. C. Hayes and Cpl. E. S. Newton. Checking their positions is First Lieutenant G. N. Galloway. The range practice followed a lecture on sighting and aiming by Second Lieutenant R. E. Heath. Captain W. Roscoe West is commander of the company. (10th Bn. P.R.O. Photo.)



GSG'S TRAIN WITH BARE STEEL—Infantrymen of the 10th Battalion Georgia State Guard, as part of their basic training, learn to fence with unsheathed bayonets, as shown by this photograph of two members of Company A. Pfc. L. L. Trammel (left has just saved himself from being jabbed with a razor-edge bayonet by butting the rifle of Sgt. Harry Wilensky out of position. Pfc. Trammel, immediately after the camera snapped, brought down his own bayonet to simulate slashing his opponent across the neck. (10th Bn. P.R.O. Photo.)

1st Bn. Medical Detachment Attached To C Company

A broken jaw, smashed by the stock of a rifle in enemy hands; internal and external bleeding from wounds inflicted by bayonet or shrapnel; fractured bones; shock; transportation of injured by stretcher or ambulance; purification of water for drinking purposes; the construction of latrines and soakage pits; general camp sanitation—all these vital duties, and more, fall in the province of the Medical Detachment, attached to Company "C," First Battalion, Georgia State Guard.

Based at Lindale and sponsored by the Pepperell Manufacturing Company, these Medics are on call at a moment's notice through an efficient alarm system. That they are fully qualified to carry out their assignments in any emergency is borne out by the accompanying photographs, taken on one of the outfit's numerous week-ends in the field.

Headed by First Lieutenant Harry F. Greer, the Medical Detachment was actuated early in 1943. The job of training the personnel in the exigencies of First Aid was given to Dr. J. E. Knight, who holds the rating of Technical Sergeant. His work, with the officers' help and full cooperation of the enlisted men, has been noteworthy.

Using the rugged North Georgia terrain to advantage, the Medics have been on maneuvers that taxed their skill and ingenuity. The men have, in the field, improvised splints and applied them; have transported patients on stretchers, or litters, over ditches, hills and fences, through streams, wooded areas and spaces wide open to enemy fire. All phases of the tough training program are carried out under the expert and critical eyes of T/Sgt. Knight, Lieut. Greer and others. Critiques are staged and mistakes are corrected on the spot. Through this method, it is a rarity for a man to be guilty of the same miscue a second time.

Although the Medics are not fully armed, enough guns are available for posting guards and other security measures when bivouaced.

Through the courtesy of R. D. Harvey, Pepperell Manager, the Detachment has a large field hospital tent and ample First Aid supplies to care for a good number of men.

Both in 1943 and 1944, the outfit was awarded a "Superior" rating by the officers conducting Federal Inspections. Lieut. Greer, in all modesty, attributes this excellent performance to the close cooperation of Lieut.-Col. Mark A. Cooper, Battalion Commander, and Capt. Robert J. McCamy, who commands Company "C."

A young lady, finding herself stranded in a small town, asked an old man at the station where she might spend the night.

"There ain't no hotel here, but you can sleep with the station agent."

"Sir, I'll have you know I'm a lady."

"So is the station agent."

Newton Guards Given Dinner

Members of company G, Newton, of the Georgia State Guard, and their ladies enjoyed a barbecue dinner last month at Captain Jack E. Simmons' mill. Fifty guard members and as many visitors were present.

Promotions in Company G were announced at this meeting: To first sergeant, J. R. Rhodes; to staff sergeant, George E. Redmond and Jesse F. Griffin; to sergeant, Robert D. Mansfield, Jack D. Price, T. A. Rogers, Roy Rooks, Edgar L. Crosby, Sam R. Lanier, Jr., Jesse M. Griffin and Charlie Burch; to corporal, Ruben T. Hatcher, Elbert E. Hines, Harry G. McGahee, Carl J. Kelley, Leon B. Duke, George I. Daniel, Henry F. Johnson; to T5, Oliver T. Parker, William O. Musgrove, John C. Durham, J. Melvin Campbell, Ben Holley and John H. Burch; to T4, Idus Peterson, William C. Mills was made mess sgt., with grade of staff sergeant.

First class privates were: Cal A. Hall, Jr., William L. Adkins, Robert B. Short, Jr., Floyd E. Kelley, Jamie E. Kelley, Robert E. Kelley, Albert E. Wright, Joseph C. Simmons, Alton B. Bailey, Charles L. Griffin, Jr., James E. Steward, Melvin T. Parr, Robert H. Morris, Billy O. Roberts, James D. Tenniele, Sar R. Lanier, Sr., and Wilburn A. Tucker.

Company G meetings are held each Monday night. Any persons interested in becoming members are invited to attend the next meeting.

Macon Guardsmen Make Survey

Macon members of the State Guard made a survey last month of the area in the city which the guard would be called on to protect in case of an emergency. The excursion was planned by Lt. Monk Colquitt as a surprise event for the men at their regular meeting. Areas covered included Vineville, South Macon and the downtown area.

Men were served refreshments after returning to the State Guard Armory and sang World War I songs.

During the meeting it was announced that Company C would henceforth be designated as a chemical warfare unit.

As a farmer was passing a sanitorium housing mental cases, one of the patients poked his head over the fence and called out: "Whatcha got in your wagon, mister?"

"Fertilizer," replied the farmer.

"Whatcha gonna do with it?"

"Put it on my rhubarb."

"Migosh! I put sugar on mine and they call ME nuts."

Colonel Collins Was Guest Speaker To Rotary Club

Col. R. W. Collins, C.O., the Georgia State Guard, was guest speaker at Dublin Rotary club July 20th. Other visitors included Alfred Curry of Thomasville, and secretary of the Rotary club of that city.

President Russell M. Daley announced that a special invitation had been issued members to attend a charter night celebration for a new club at Camilla, and a letter from Bill Thompson, U. S. Naval officer, and son of Dr. Wm. C. Thompson, was read, in which he thanked the club for having written him a pile of postcards which he received in one big batch when he came ashore after sea duty.

Rotarians were invited by President Blakeley Parrot of the Lions club to form a bowling team that would play the Lions and other clubs here. This reminded Lawrence Cowen to again invite Rotarians to make use of the recreation ground at the Methodist church.

Col. Collins, who saw active duty in the Spanish-American war and in World War I, and was for a time military instructor for troops of the present war, outlined the reasons for formation of the State Guard, pointing out there was no organization left when the National Guard was called to active duty in 1940. He explained that even the mere fact that there is now a well organized and trained group like the State Guard is a safeguard against it being needed. Col. Collins asked Rotarians to do their part in helping to keep order so that it would never actually be necessary to use the Guard.

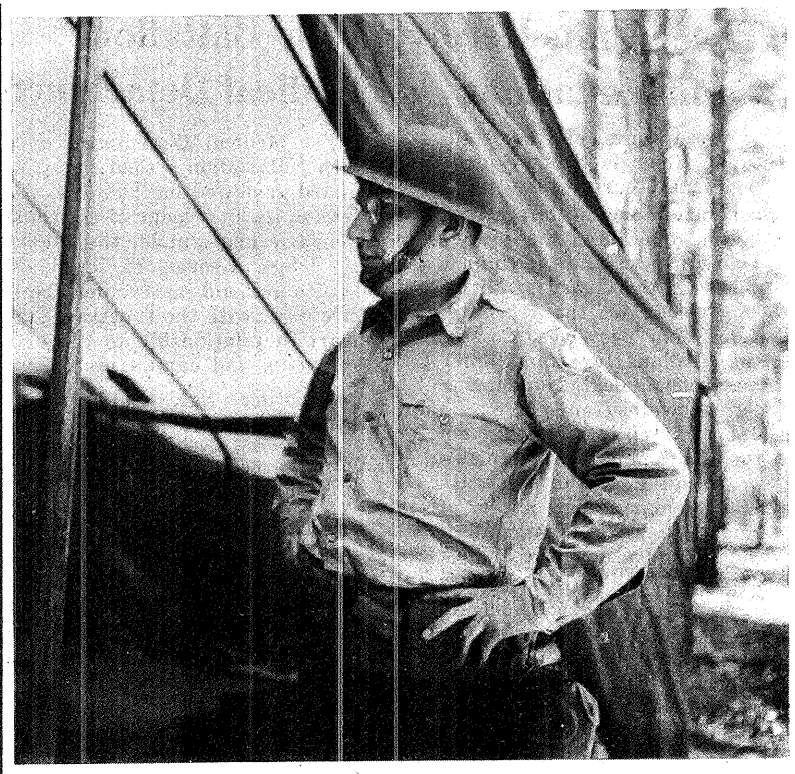
Col. Collins pointed out that the Guard is subject to the call of Selective Service and that its ranks are constantly being depleted of younger men by calls to the armed forces of the United States. This makes it necessary to constantly recruit men, he said.

15th Battalion Commended

Lt. Col. L. W. Smith, commander of the 15th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, reported that the group has received commendation from the U. S. Army following the recent federal inspection

The commendation read in part: "You are to be commended for the fine showing of the staff and unit under your command during the federal inspection. . . . Too much praise cannot be given Company E, Sylvester, for its near perfect attendance and administration. Their devotion to duty deserves official commendation."

Lieutenant Colonel Smith went on to say that the principal need of the 15th now is men. He pointed out that numbers of the personnel of the outfit have left for the armed services or have moved on to other localities to take war jobs. He expressed the hope that all men of the district who can will offer their services to the State Guard.



Lieut. Harry F. Greer, head of the Medical Detachment.

Lined up for inspection after pitching tents.

Staff Sgt. Lonnie Coley is given First Aid for "bayonet cut," by Pvt. Kathleen Shiflett, standing, while Pvt. Jackie Fuller makes record. After losing 22 men to the Army, Navy and Marines, the outfit opened enlistment to qualified girls. Several responded, and like the two pictured above, are performing like veteran campaigners.

1. Lt. Greer applies four-tail bandage to Corp. Hoyt Roberson's "broken jaw."

2. Litter squad prepares to load "patient" in ambulance.

3. 1st Sgt. C. D. Chapman looks on while Lt. B. W. Moak, kneeling, and Lt. Greer, standing, enjoy a drink from the Lister Bag. All water, regardless of where it comes from, is chlorinated and tested by the Medics, assuring purification.

4. A "casualty" on the way to the field hospital.