



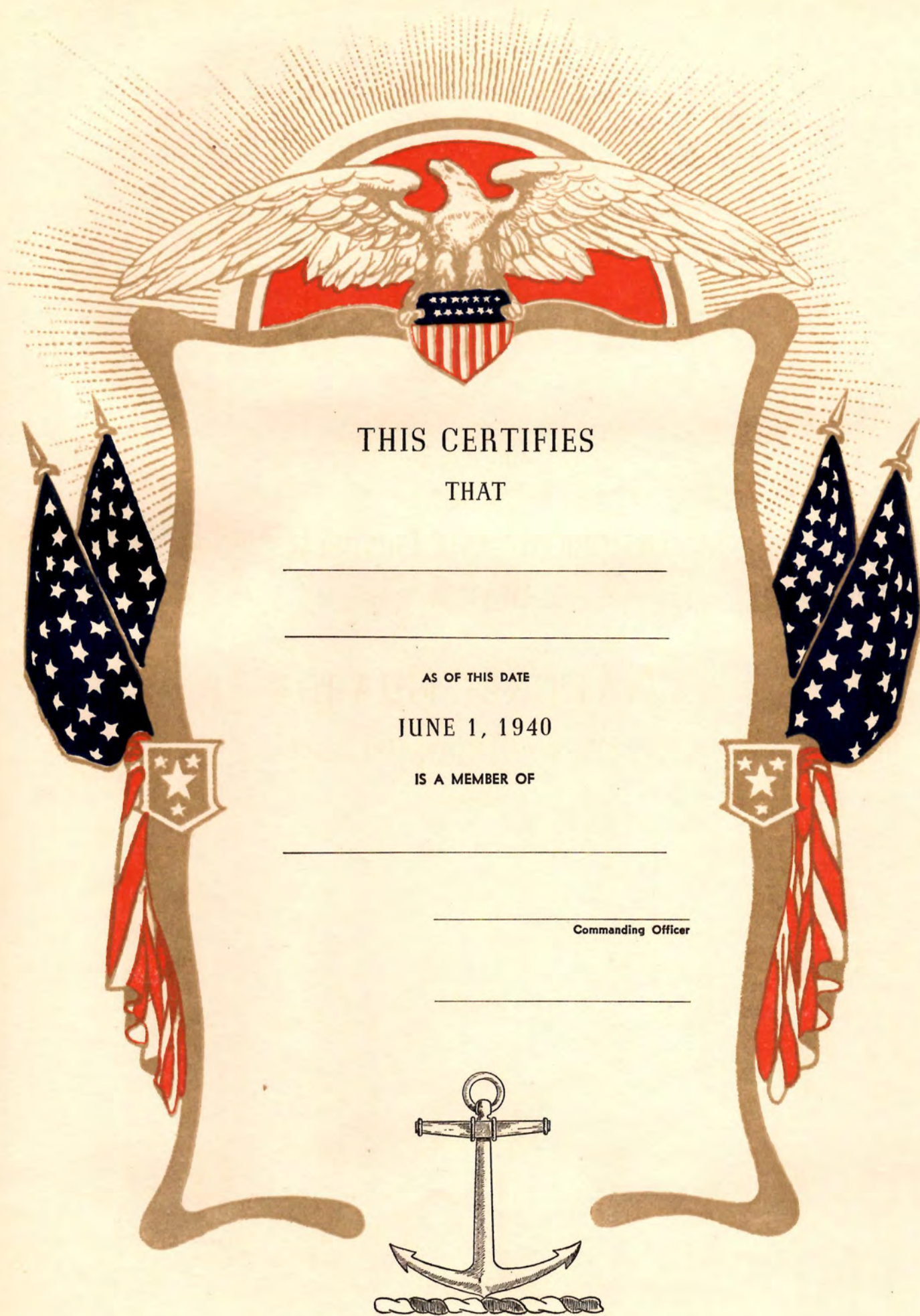
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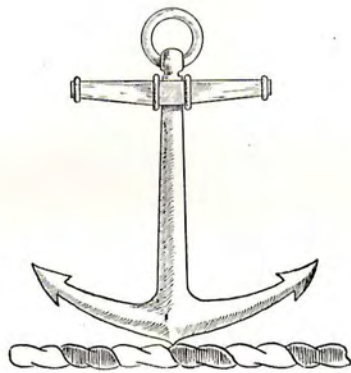
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To: Members of the Rhode Island National Guard:

I am happy to extend my congratulations to the officers and men of the Rhode Island National Guard on the occasion of publication of the Historic Annual, a volume which should be of value in giving wider knowledge of the Guard's activities and personnel.

The National Guard here has always done its job well in times of disaster and crisis which happily do not often visit our State, and I know that it now stands ready to take its most important place in the scheme of National defence whenever the need arises and mobilization of our armed forces is necessitated by a threat from abroad.

I congratulate you all upon the excellence of your performance in all military fields, and welcome into the fold the One Hundred and Fifty Second Observation Squadron.

Sincerely,

William H. Vanderbilt.
William H. Vanderbilt

Governor and Commander-in-Chief



WILLIAM H. VANDERBILT

Governor of Rhode Island

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD

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GREETINGS



When publication of the Historic Annual of the Rhode Island National Guard was first proposed, few of us realized that its distribution would be made after our induction into Federal service, but since this has happened it makes this publication of greater interest and value, coming as it does at the beginning of a new page in the history of the Guard.

The manuscript for this publication was prepared by Captain Arthur S. Hassell, Field Artillery, State Staff. It is an interesting story, complete in detail of the progress and changes in organizations that have occurred since 1638, together with some reference to the many important services the Guard has been privileged to render both to the State and Federal governments in peace and war.

The Guard, by its induction into Federal service, is now beginning the writing of a new volume in its long history. We look forward with courage and with determination to render a service which will produce a volume even more commendable than the one we now possess.

HERBERT R. DEAN,
Brigadier General,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.



NATIONAL GUARD: Enlisted in the Third Division, Naval Battalion, May 25, 1899. Honorably discharged at expiration of term of service, May 24, 1902. Enlisted in Troop B, First Battalion Cavalry, B. R. I. M., September 24, 1903. Transferred to non-commissioned staff, First Battalion, Cavalry, B. R. I. M., June 18, 1906. Honorably discharged on expiration of term of service, September 23, 1906. Reenlisted in Troop B, First Squadron, Cavalry, B. R. I. M., and assigned to Staff as Sergeant Major, September 24, 1906. Reduced to ranks at his own request and returned to Troop B from Staff, February 11, 1910. Commissioned Second Lieutenant and Quartermaster and Commissary, First Squadron, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., November 21, 1911. Commissioned First Lieutenant, Troop A, First Squadron, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., April 1, 1912. Commissioned Captain, Troop A, First Squadron, Cavalry, January 19, 1914. (First Squadron, Cavalry, ceased to exist, and Troops A, B and C to constitute a Cavalry Detachment from April 31, 1914. Cavalry Detachment organized as First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G., July 4, 1916.) Detailed as Aide-de-Camp on Staff of Commander-in-Chief (Governor Beeckman), January 5, 1915. Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty, June 19, 1916. Mustered in, June 24, 1916. Mustered out, October 31, 1916. Placed on waiting orders, R. I. N. G., November 24, 1916. Detailed as Aide-de-Camp on Staff of Commander-in-Chief (Governor Beeckman), January 2, 1917. Resigned as Captain, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard, January 30, 1917. Commissioned Captain, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard, and assigned Aide-de-Camp to Commander-in-Chief (not recognized by War Department), August 31, 1917. Commissioned Major, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard, and assigned

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HERBERT R. DEAN

BRIGADIER GENERAL

RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL
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THE

Adjutant General



STATE CAPITOL

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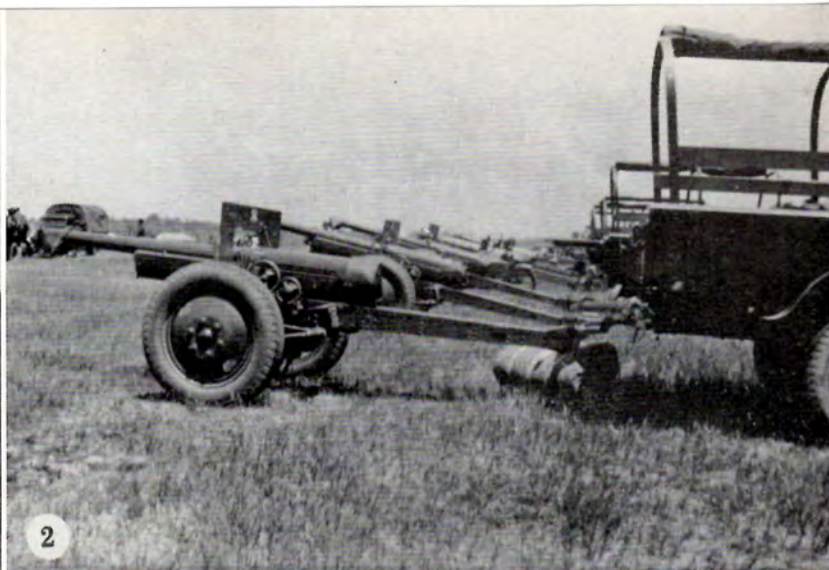
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GENERAL'S OFFICE

- 1. Staff Sergeant Ernest T. Perreault, Master Sergeant Ephraim J. Chagnon, First Sergeant Horace B. Doyle.
- 2. Captain John C. Wall, Assistant Adjutant General.
- 3. Miss Mable F. Smith.
- 4. Miss Bertha Allen.
- 5. Ellery E. Hudson.
- 6. Miss Hildur E. Ohman and Miss Doris M. Crowshaw.

Adjutant General Dean at his desk.

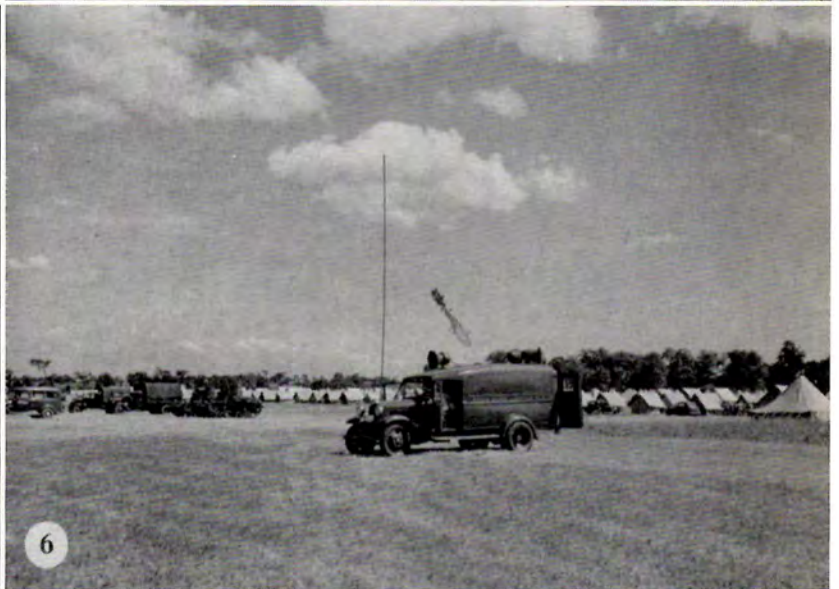






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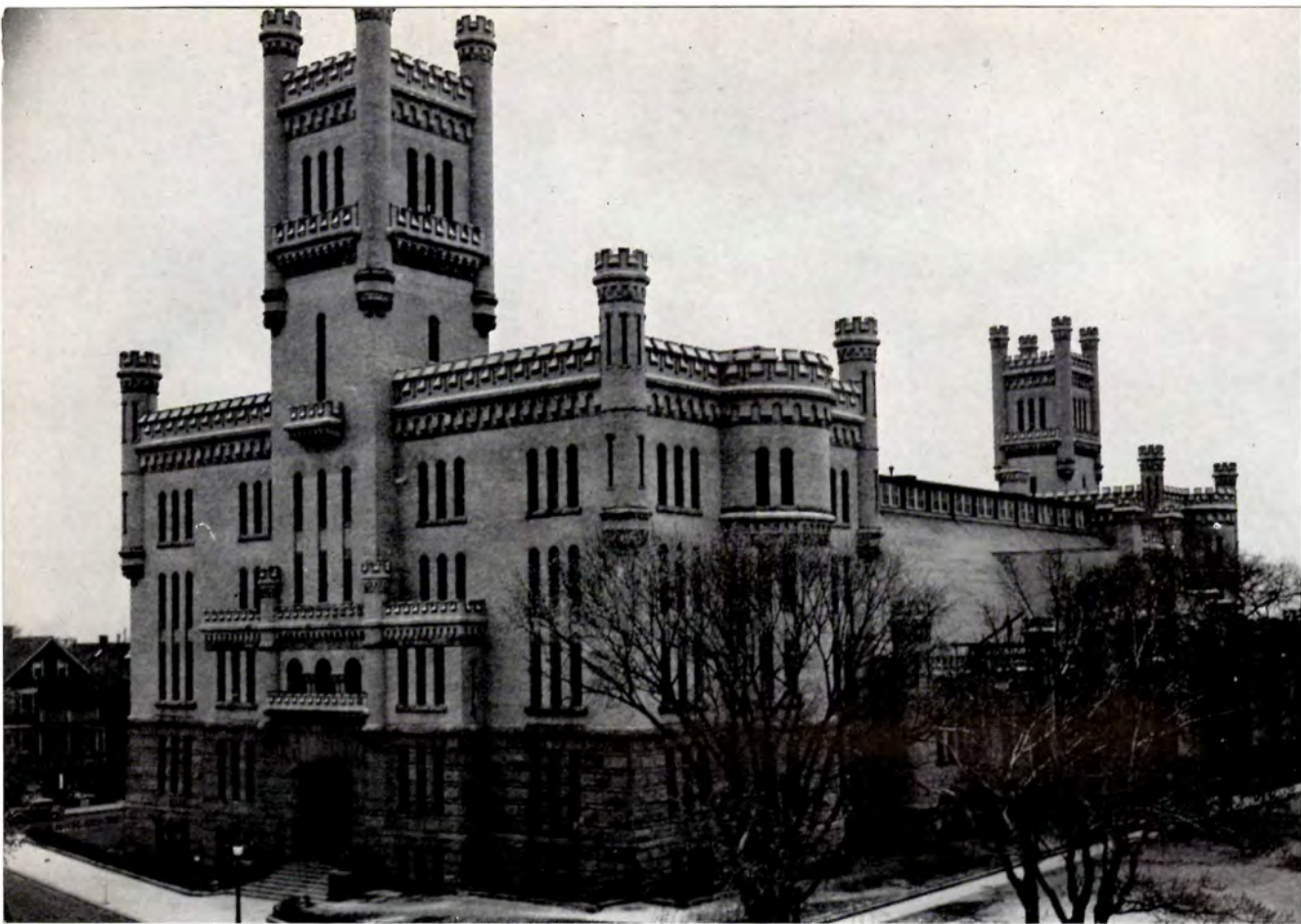


PLATTSBURG MANEUVERS



(1) "On the Road," 103rd Field Artillery. (2) Battery D, 103rd Field Artillery, Stuck in the Mud. (3) Battery C, 103rd Field Artillery, Stopping Enemy Advance. (4) Umpire Central, 43rd Signal Company. (5) Company H, 66th Infantry, Light Tanks, Fort Devens, Massachusetts. (6) Sound Truck, 43rd Signal Company.





Cranston Street Armory, Providence.

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Westerly.



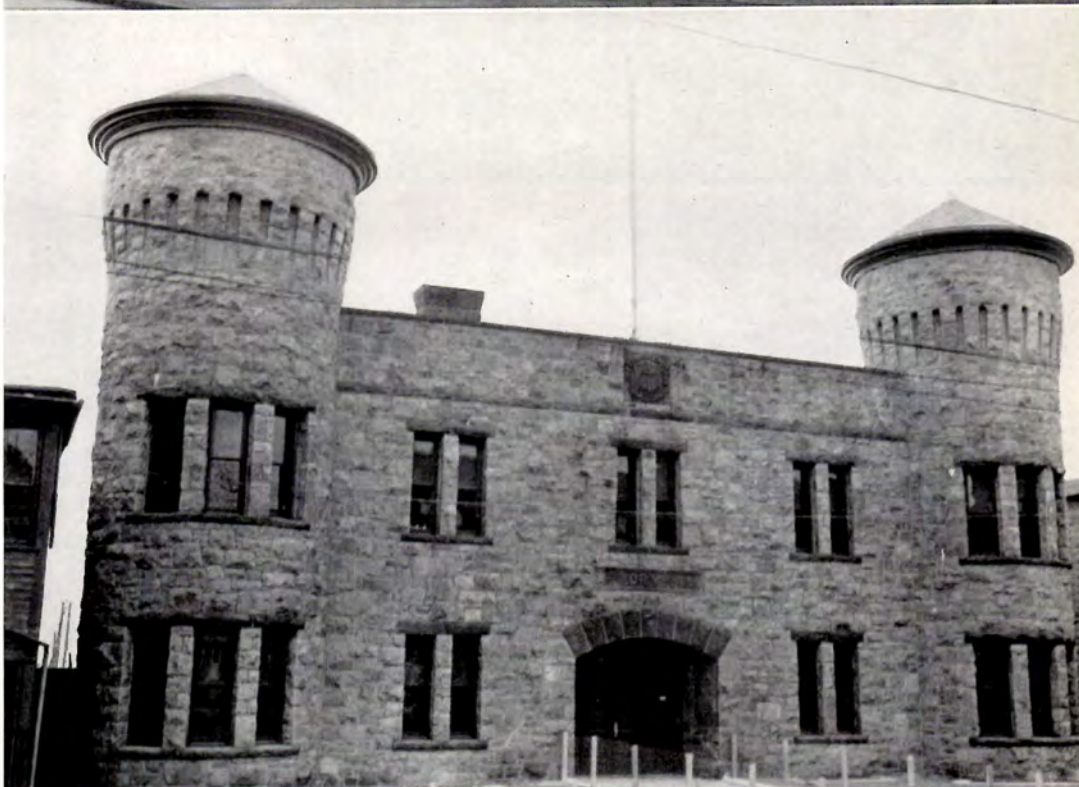
Pawtucket.



Woonsocket.



Newport.



Armory of Mounted Commands,
Providence.





Bristol.

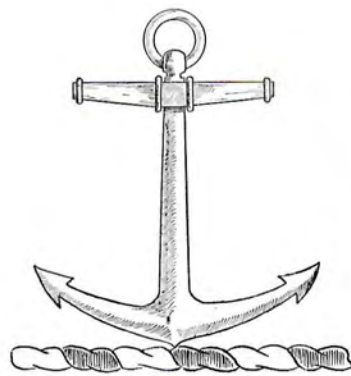


A R M O R I E S



East Greenwich.





Personnel

RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD



HAROLD R. BARKER

BRIGADIER GENERAL

Commanding 68th Field Artillery Brigade



NATIONAL GUARD: Enlisted in Battery A, Field Artillery, March 3, 1913. Discharged to accept Second Lieutenant commission, October 14, 1915. Commissioned Second Lieutenant, Light Battery A, Field Artillery, October 15, 1915. Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty, June 19, 1916. Mustered in, June 24, 1916. Mustered out, November 2, 1916. (Light Battery A, Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., changed to Battery A, R. I. Field Artillery, N. G., January 2, 1917.) Appointed First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, assigned to Battery A, January 18, 1917. Appointed Captain, Field Artillery, assigned to command Battery A, May 19, 1917. Called into Federal service for World War duty, July 25, 1917. Drafted into the service of the United States, August 5, 1917.

WORLD WAR: Appointed Major, October 20, 1918. Organizations and staff assignments: 103rd Field Artillery to discharge April 29, 1919. Principal stations: France; Camp Devens, Massachusetts. Engagements: Defensive: Champagne-Marne; Offensives: Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne; Defensive Sectors: Chemin-des-Dames, Toul-Boucq, Pas Fini, Rupt, Troyon. Served overseas from October 9, 1917, to April 10, 1919. Honorably discharged April 29, 1919. Cited for bravery.

POST-WAR: Major, Field Artillery, O. R. C., February 21, 1920. Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, O. R. C., July 8, 1922. Colonel, Field Artillery, O. R. C., May 12, 1926, to April 7, 1930.

NATIONAL GUARD: Appointed Colonel, 103rd Field Artillery, assigned to Regimental Headquarters, January 14, 1930. Extended permanent Federal recognition, February 3, 1930. Appointed Colonel, Field Artillery, N. G. U. S., June 11, 1934. Relieved of command of 103rd Field Artillery, attached to Headquarters, 68th Field Artillery Brigade, January 13, 1937. Appointed Brigadier General, Field Artillery, assigned to Headquarters, 68th Field Artillery Brigade, February 24, 1937. Extended permanent Federal recognition, February 24, 1937. Appointed Brigadier General, Field Artillery, N. G. U. S., April 20, 1937.



ZENAS R. BLISS
Major, Executive Officer



BERNARD F. REDIHAN
Captain, Adjutant



FRANKLIN C. BUTLER
Captain, Plans and Training Officer

HEADQUARTERS 68TH FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

On the same day, March 7, 1930, when Major Herbert R. Dean became Brigadier General of the Line, the 68th Field Artillery Brigade Headquarters was organized with the new brigade commander in charge.

Not long thereafter, in 1934, the brigade was called to service in the Rhode Island textile strikes. It was the Brigade Headquarters for the Provisional Brigade organized to stem the troubles in the textile industry.

In 1935, the Brigade participated in the Army Maneuvers at Pine Camp as part of the 43rd Division.

Brigadier General Dean was replaced by Brigadier General Harold R. Barker in 1937. Throughout its more than 10 years of existence, the 68th Field Artillery

Brigade Headquarters has performed its annual 15 days of field service faithfully.

In 1939, the Brigade Headquarters joined the 43rd Division once again to participate in the First Army Maneuvers held at Plattsburg, N. Y., and vicinity.

The Brigade Headquarters' most recent call came when the governor of Rhode Island appealed for help in alleviating the damage and suffering caused by the disastrous hurricane occurring September 21, 1938. Again it served as Brigade Headquarters for the Provisional Brigade which was required to maintain the law and order and to assist in rehabilitation of the devastated areas.

LEON P. SUTTON
First Lieutenant
Munitions and Supply Officer, Aide



JOHN M. DOLL
First Lieutenant
Assistant Intelligence Officer



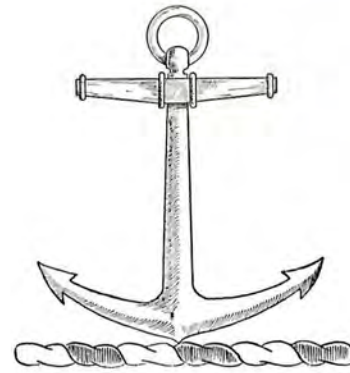
HERMAN A. PETERSON
First Lieutenant
Assistant Plans and Training Officer
Aide



DONALD M. TURNER
Second Lieutenant
Assistant Intelligence Officer



STATE STAFF AND DETACHMENT



The State Staff of the Rhode Island National Guard is organized under the authority of the Army Appropriation Act of May 12, 1917. As authorized by the Secretary of War (NGR 15-30) it consists of a group of nine officers, including the Adjutant General and the United States Property and Disbursing Officer. This allocation is based on the numerical strength of the national guard of the state.

Under the direct command of the Adjutant General, it performs, in general, the duties of a

Technical, Administrative, and Supply Staff. The basic purposes for which the State Staff is authorized, are set forth in NGR 15-3b. Under this authorization the staff is organized to function as both a state and federal unit.

As a state unit, in addition to its routine administrative and planning duties, the State Staff, under command of the Adjutant General, will have charge of the actual operation, control and coordination of all state emergency plans and activities necessary for the protection and welfare

JAMES D. WELLS
Lieutenant Colonel
Quartermaster Corps



EDWARD J. NOONS
Lieutenant Colonel
Judge Advocate General's Department





ARTHUR S. VAUGHN
Major, Quartermaster Corps



C. GORDON MacLEOD
Major



VERNON R. WIXON
Major

of the state during periods of public emergency. Staff sections and sectional functions, for this purpose, are established in the "Manual for Emergency Employment of the Rhode Island National Guard."

As a federal unit, the three principal duties which the State Staff, within the state, will prob-

ably be called upon to perform are, (a) Mobilization of the National Guard, (b) Operation of the Civilian Volunteer Recruiting Plan, (c) Operation of the Selective Service System. For the purpose of carrying out these duties the staff has been divided into approbation sections and the necessary sectional functions have been established.

LLOYD C. WILSON
Major, M. C.



ARTHUR S. HASSELL
Captain
Commanding State Detachment





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FIRST ROW: W. A. Purcell, E. T. Perreault, E. M. Fiske, W. H. Gregson, E. J. Chagnon, S. G. T. Shearman, M. S. Gannon, L. J. Berube.

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COMMISSIONED OFFICER

Captain ARTHUR S. HASSELL

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant E. J. CHAGNON
Technical Sergeant S. G. T. SHEARMAN
Technical Sergeant W. H. GREGSON
Staff Sergeant E. M. FISKE
Staff Sergeant E. T. PERRAULT
Staff Sergeant M. F. GANNON

PRIVATES

ANISIEWSKI, A. A. O'CONNOR, E. A.
BERUBE, L. J. PARKER, W. H., JR.
CLARKIN, F. J. PETERSON, E. M. L.
MACOMBER, C. P. PURCELL, W. A.
MCMANUS, J. M. RUSH, T. V.
WESTCOTT, H. N.



STATE DETACHMENT

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

FACTUAL HISTORY

Until March 6, 1940, the State Detachment consisted of only five men: Master Sergeant E. J. Chagnon, Technical Sergeant S. G. T. Shearman, Technical Sergeant W. H. Gregson, Staff Sergeant E. M. Fiske and Staff Sergeant E. T. Perreault. These men are full-time em-

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Non-Commissioned Officers.

Master Sergeant E. J. Chagnon and Staff Sergeant E. T. Perreault Issuing Equipment.

Group at Map Study in Office.





PETER LEO CANNON
Lieutenant Colonel
Judge Advocate General's Department



WILLIAM J. THIBODEAU
Major
Adjutant General's Department



LOUIS A. NORMANDIN
Major, M. C.
Medical Inspector



JOHN P. McGUIRE
Major
Chaplain

OFFICERS, 43RD DIVISION

The detachment of Headquarters, 43rd Division, allotted to Rhode Island comprises four officers assigned to the division staff: Division Judge Advocate, Division Signal Officer, Division Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Division Chaplain. When the division was organized in 1924, an allotment of five staff officers was made to Rhode Island: Division Signal Officer, Division Quartermaster, Assistant Adjutant General, Assistant Division Chaplain and Division Postal Officer (commissioned in A. G. D.). The original assignments were Lieutenant Colonel Winfield S. Solomon, Signal Officer; Lieutenant Colonel Horace L. Manchester, Quartermaster; Captain Peter L. Cannon, Assistant Adjutant General; Captain John P. McGuire, Chaplain, and First Lieutenant William J. Thibodeau, Postal Officer.

Lieutenant Colonel Manchester retired in 1926 and was succeeded by Major (formerly Captain) Cannon. Captain Edward J. Noons was assigned as Assistant Adjutant General but was transferred to the State Staff in 1928, being succeeded by Captain Wilfred C. Tabor, who resigned in 1931. Captain (formerly First

Lieutenant) Thibodeau succeeded him. First Lieutenant Andrew B. Cavanagh became Postal Officer but resigned in 1932, when that section was allotted to Connecticut.

In 1933, Major Cannon was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. In 1934, Captain McGuire was promoted to Major. In 1935, Captain Thibodeau was promoted to Major and is still Assistant Adjutant General. In 1938, after the organization of the 118th Quartermaster Regiment, its commanding officer became Division Quartermaster. At that time, Lieutenant Colonel Cannon was assigned as Division Judge Advocate. These division staff officers participated in the First Army Maneuvers, Pine Camp, New York, 1935, and at Plattsburg, New York, 1939.

On April 25, 1940, Lieutenant Colonel Solomon was retired upon reaching the age of 64, after more than 15 years as Division Signal Officer. The vacancy has not yet been filled. Officers now assigned to the 43rd Division Staff from Rhode Island are Lieutenant Colonel Peter L. Cannon, Judge Advocate; Major John P. McGuire, Chaplain, and Major William J. Thibodeau, Assistant Adjutant General.

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)



BLAZONRY

Shield: Gules, over all and on a saltire azure fimbriated argent a maple leaf of the last charged with a Rhode Island Red rooster proper; in dexter on a chief embattled of the third a pine tree vert.

Description: The shield is red for Artillery. The pine tree symbolizes service as New England troops during Revolutionary War; the maple leaf represents service during War of 1812; the blue saltire is for Civil War service as Infantry; the embattled chief represents service as Coast Defenses during the World War; and the Rhode Island Red rooster indicates the allocation of the regiment to Rhode Island.

The only harbor defense unit of the Rhode Island National Guard, the 243rd Coast Artillery (HD) boasts a background rich in military tradition, tracing its history back to the days of the Revolution, when the antecedent organizations of its present batteries played an important role in the development of the nation.

Battery E of Westerly was first chartered by the General Assembly in its January, 1755, Session as "The Artillery Company," and it was later known as the "Washington Guards" and "The Westerly Rifle Company."

Battery F of Woonsocket started in October, 1774, as the "Gloucester Light Infantry" and later became known as the "Woonsocket Infantry" and the "Woonsocket Guards."

Battery H of Pawtucket started in December, 1774, as the "North Providence Rangers," later known as "The Fayette Rifle Corps," "Pawtucket Light Guard" and "Tower Light Battery."

Battery G of Providence started in 1855, when the Governor granted the members a charter as the "Mechanic Blues." It was later named the "Slocum Light Guard."

Organized in Providence in May, 1818, the "First Light Infantry Company" is the parent unit of the regiment's present Headquarters Battery and Batteries A, B and D of Providence.

The Searchlight Battery traces its history to the "Varum Continentals" of 1860.

The remaining elements of the 243rd Coast Artillery—Medical Department Detachment (1921), Battery C

(1926) and Battery I (1940)—are the regimental youngsters.

With such a colorful and ancient lineage, the 243rd Coast Artillery could have easily created an ornate regimental coat-of-arms, but it chose, instead, to employ a simple device, which would, for all its simplicity, symbolize the regiment's history from the Revolutionary War through the World War.

The shield of the coat of arms is red, the artillery color. A pine tree in the upper left corner bespeaks service with New England troops during the Revolution. A maple leaf in the lower center is emblematic of the regiment's service during the War of 1812. Surmounting the maple leaf is a rooster—naturally, the famed "Rhode Island Red." Because elements which went into the making of the 243rd Coast Artillery had fought during the Civil War as infantry troops, the symbolic saltire on the regimental shield is of blue. The embattled notched chief of the shield represents the organization's services as coast defense elements protecting the Rhode Island shore line during the World War. The motto, "Game to the last," is a tribute to the fighting spirit of the Rhode Island Red rooster, a spirit which was exemplified in the men of the regiment through the acid tests of three bitter wars.

The regiment is especially proud of its firing and efficiency records. To date, it is the only National Guard unit to have won the Coast Artillery Association Trophy as "Best Coast Artillery Regiment of National Guard" for a total of three times. This high honor was won for the

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EARL C. WEBSTER

Colonel

Commanding 243rd Coast Artillery (HD)

Enlisted and mustered in in the Third Company, Coast Artillery Corps, July 14, 1915. Honorably discharged, October 15, 1915. Enlisted and mustered in in the Third Company, Coast Artillery Corps. Called into Federal service for World War duty, July 25, 1917.

WORLD WAR: Mustered in, August 4, 1917. Drafted into the service of the United States, August 5, 1917. Appointed Second Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, March 27, 1918. Organization: 73rd Coast Artillery Corps, to discharge, December 28, 1918. Principal stations: Narragansett Bay, R. I.; Fort Wetherill, R. I.; Fort Adams, R. I.; Camp Mills, N. Y.; A. E. F.; Camp Devens, Mass. Served overseas, September 25, to December 22, 1918. Honorably discharged, December 28, 1918.

NATIONAL GUARD: Appointed Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, assigned to Third Company, November 11, 1919. Resigned, May 5, 1920. Appointed First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, May 7, 1920. Assigned to Headquarters, July 1, 1920. Assigned to the Eighth Company, February 8, 1921. Extended Federal recognition and assigned to the Eighth Company, February 14, 1921. Assigned to the Seventh Company, April 1, 1921. (Seventh

Company, Coast Artillery Corps, changed to 351st Company, Coast Artillery Corps, January 31, 1922.) Appointed Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, assigned to the 348th Company, Federally recognized, July 1, 1922. Relieved of command of 348th Company, placed on waiting orders, June 29, 1923. Assigned to Headquarters, 243rd Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps), and recognized Captain, Headquarters, 243rd Coast Artillery, December 22, 1923. (243rd Artillery, Coast Artillery Corps, redesignated 243rd Coast Artillery, Harbor Defense, July 11, 1924.) Appointed Major, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), assigned to Headquarters, First Battalion, November 24, 1926. Appointed Lieutenant Colonel, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), assigned Headquarters, March 2, 1932. Assigned to duty as Regimental Executive, March 2, 1932. Extended permanent Federal recognition, March 3, 1932. Appointed Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, N. G. U. S., May 18, 1934. Assigned to command 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), April 12, 1935. Appointed Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, assigned to Headquarters, April 12, 1935. Extended permanent Federal recognition, February 2, 1936. Appointed Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, N. G. U. S., June 11, 1936.



JOHN F. DATSON
Lieutenant Colonel, Executive Officer

Officers
STAFF AND
REGIMENTAL
UNITS

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)



RAYMOND E. WILMARTH
Captain
Searchlight Battery



BERNARD E. CONWAY
Captain, Supply Officer



ALFRED D. HAIGH
Captain, Adjutant



JOSEPH P. McNAMARA
Captain, Chaplain



WILLIAM N. FRITSCH
Captain, Headquarters Battery



GEORGE I. COOK
First Lieutenant
Searchlight Battery



PETER E. DONNELLY
First Lieutenant
Plans and Training Officer



DANIEL N. BLACK
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



DANIEL A. O'CONNOR
Second Lieutenant
Comm. Officer



THOMAS W. McGRATH
Second Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



THOMAS L. FORTIN
First Lieutenant
Searchlight Battery



HAROLD I. ROGELL
Major, M. C.



EUGENE A. HAGAN
Captain, M. C.



FRANCIS E. HANLEY
Captain, M. C.



G. EDWARD CRANE
Captain, M. C.



FRANCIS A. HEFFERMAN
Captain, D. C.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT

243rd Coast Artillery (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Thomas Leg Splint Application.
2. Demonstration in Artificial Respiration.

3. Litter Drill.
4. Non-Commissioned Officers.



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THIRD ROW: W. C. Newton, W. F. Boyd, R. R. St. Angelo, J. F. Nerney, H. L. Boudreau, R. P. Krikorian, C. W. Dawson, E. C. Cravin.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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Captain G. EDWARD CRANE, M. C.
Captain EUGENE A. HAGAN, M. C.
Captain FRANCIS E. HANLEY, M. C.
Captain FRANCIS A. HEFFERMAN, D. C.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Staff Sergeant LAURISTON A. WILCOX

SERGEANTS

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JENNINGS, STEPHEN T.

CORPORAL

WILCOX, THOMAS L.

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NERNEY, JOSEPH F. PICERELLI, ANTHONY D.
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DITUSA, SALVATORE RYAN, JOSEPH B.
ST. ANGELO, ROCCO R.

FACTUAL HISTORY

The Medical Department Detachment was organized, mustered and given Federal recognition as the Sanitary Detachment, C. A. C., in 1922. The following year, all coast artillery units were organized into the 243rd Artillery, (Continued on page 81)

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT
DETACHMENT

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

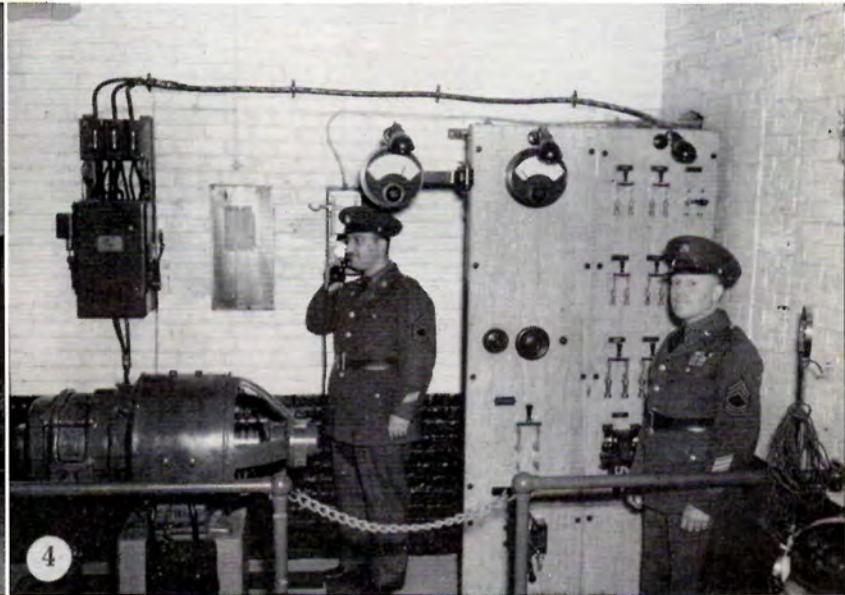
HEADQUARTERS BATTERY

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Corporal G. Belanger with Colonel Webster's Car. (2) Master Sergeant Bruce, Senior Master Sergeant in the State. (3) Regimental Color Guard. (4) Fire Control. (5) Non-Commissioned Officers. (6) Planning Section. (7) Communications Section. (8) Truck Drivers.





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HEADQUARTERS
BATTERY

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain WILLIAM N. FRITSCH
First Lieutenant DANIEL N. BLACK
Second Lieutenant THOMAS W. MCGRATH

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant WILLIAM B. BRUCE
Master Sergeant HANS A. PHOLE
Master Sergeant WILLIAM J. F. DONAVAN
First Sergeant GEORGE E. BLICKER
Technical Sergeant ANTHONY GALLONIO
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CONATY, BERNARD J. FERGUSON, FRANCIS J., JR.
CRANE, WARREN A. FOLEY, WILLIAM J.
CRANE, WILLIAM M. GILLIAGAN, ARTHUR E.
DEMARIA, ANTHONY HADDOCK, GEORGE J.
DEVINE, JAMES F. JOHNSON, ARVID J.
DERESTO, JOHN A. KNAPTON, HARRY B.
DUDOLEVITCH, PETER F. LACROIX, GEORGE J.
DAIGNEAULT, JAMES J. LAMOTHE, JOSEPH E. A.
ESPOSITO, ANIELLO LAURENZO, JAMES

PRIVATES

LEFEBVRE, EDWARD G.	PAQUIN, ALBERT J., JR.
LEMA, RICHARD	PECK, BERTWELL
LOBIANCO, SALVATORE R.	PELLICCIO, ANTHONY A.
LONG, THOMAS J.	PHILLIPS, HOWARD L., JR.
LYNCH, JOSEPH T.	POWERS, RICHARD T.
LURY, ERNEST L.	QUEEN, HEZEKIAH E.
MAGLIOCCHETTI, ANTONIO	QUARTARO, BERNARD P.
MAJOR, EVERETT P.	RABBITT, MARTIN T.
MATTHEWS, ERIC F.	RANDALL, RAYMOND S.
McFARLAND, JOSEPH J.	RICCITILLI, WARREN A.
McTIERNAN, PHILIP R.	REGINE, NICOLAS M.
MOORE, WARREN B.	ROSE, ALBERT J.
MORRA, ALPHONSE	RUSHTON, GEORGE H.
MOURA, EUGENE S.	SALISBURY, REXFORD
NASSA, ANGELO	SPOONER, THOMAS W.
ORSINI, LOUIS E.	WATSON, CARL W.
	WOJCIK, WALTER F.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Chartered in May, 1818, with three other units totalling 100 men, Headquarters Battery, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD) was first known as the First Light Infantry Company.

In 1842, the company's complement was increased to 200 men. On May 2, 1861, it furnished C and D Companies, Rhode Island Detached Militia, for service in the Civil War, but returned to its status as First Light Infantry when mustered out of United States service two months later. In 1872, the present Headquarters Battery became Company C, F. L. I. Regiment, R. I. M., because it was expanding.

In 1875, it was redesignated Company C, First Battalion Infantry, R. I. M. In 1887, it became Company C, First Regiment Infantry Brigade, R. I. M. In 1898 it became Company C, First R. I. Volunteer Infantry and served in the Spanish-American War from May, 1898, to March, 1899.

In 1908 it was converted into a Coast Artillery Company, designated as Third Company, C. A. C., First Artillery District, R. I. N. G. On July 35, 1917, it was called into Federal service for the World War and drafted into the army on August 5, 1917. It was redesignated Tenth

Company, Narragansett Bay, on August 31, 1817, and demobilized on December 21, 1918.

In 1919, the old Third Company was authorized to reorganize and to start recruiting. As a consequence, on June 1, 1921, the Headquarters Detachment was organized and given Federal recognition in place of the old Third Company, C. A. C.

On October 1, 1923, Headquarters Detachment became Headquarters Battery, 243rd Artillery, C. A. C. On April 4, 1924, it was redesignated Headquarters Battery, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), R. I. N. G. At this time, Headquarters Battery consisted of a Service Section and the Regimental Band.

On March 1, 1940, the Regimental Band was made a separate unit under the command of the Regimental Adjutant.

State service in which Headquarters Battery has participated are as follows: 1831, Olney Street Riots, Providence; 1842, Dorr Rebellion, Statewide; 1902, riot duty in Pawtucket; 1920, riot duty in Bristol; 1922, riot duty in Pawtucket; 1934, riot duty at Saylesville; 1937, insurrection, and 1938, hurricane duty.

Among honors won by Headquarters Battery are: Best-drilled outfit in regiment, 1913-14; highest drill attendance percentage in regiment, 1912-13, 1915-16, 1928-29; second highest drill attendance, 1934-35; national trophy award in rifle practice, 1930; Governor's trophy in rifle practice, 1930, and most proficient battery on paper work in regiment, 1934-35.

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SECOND ROW: A. DeMaria, E. F. Matthews, R. S. Randall, A. E. Gilligan, G. H. Rushton, T. W. Caruolo, J. A. DeResto, J. Laurenzo, E. G. Lefebvre.

THIRD ROW: S. R. LoBianco, R. Salisbury, P. F. Dudolevitch, A. J. Paquin, Jr., P. H. Simoens, L. E. Orsini, M. T. Rabbitt, A. Magliocchetti, W. B. Moore, B. Peck.





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SECOND ROW: C. G. Wheeler, G. E. O'Donnell, N. Testa, E. Senerchia, S. DiPaola, P. DiCarlo, P. Davoli, D. Florio.

THIRD ROW: J. F. Souza, A. Ciummo, E. M. Oliva, H. A. Dunlevy, H. Markowitz, E. Coia, E. Mountain, A. E. B. Rocchio.



FRANK WOLLBERG
Warrant Officer

COMMISSIONED OFFICER

Captain ALFRED D. HAIGH, Commanding

Warrant Officer FRANK WOLLBERG

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Technical Sergeant MAURICE J. MOUNTAIN, JR.

Staff Sergeant ALFRED ARCHAMBAULT

SERGEANTS

CICIONE, AUGUST A. LAMONTE, HARVEY L.
JESSOP, KENNETH L. MAYER, LEONHARDT

CORPORALS

COLLAMORE, JOHN H. HAMEL, PHILIP J.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

DiNUNZIO, DANTE DUNLEVY, HENRY A.
DiPAOLA, SYVIO SENERCHIA, ERNESTO

PRIVATES

ALBANESE, EUGENE M. KNOWLES, FRANCIS J.
CIUMMO, ALBERT MARKOWITZ, HYMAN
COIA, EMILIO MOUNTAIN, EARLE
DAMBROSCA, JAMES V. O'DONNELL, GEORGE E.
DAVOLI, PETER OLIVIA, EDMUND M.
DiCARLO, PASQUALE ROCCHIO, ANTHONY E. B.
FLORIO, DOMINIC SOUZA, JOSEPH F.
GALLO, WILLIAM Q. TESTA, NICHOLAS
WHEELER, CLIFFORD G.

FACTUAL HISTORY

On March 1, 1940, Band Section, Headquarters Battery, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), was redesignated as Band, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), becoming a distinct organization. It had previously served as part of the Headquarters Battery.

BAND

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



BAND

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



1. Non-Commissioned Officers.
2. Trombones.
3. Trumpets.
4. Clarinets.
5. Drums.



SEARCHLIGHT BATTERY

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)
EAST GREENWICH, RHODE ISLAND



SHOWN IN PHOTOGRAPH

FIRST ROW: W. L. Rice, J. A. Eugenio, C. R. Costello, N. J. Belisle, J. W. Lord, R. B. Fisher, G. E. Currier, H. H. Benedick, H. E. Karolie, L. Valliere.

SECOND ROW: E. Studley, W. H. Champlin, F. R. Lord, A. A. Leonard, F. Taylor, J. E. Beaucage, J. R. Allen, L. Taylor, A. H. Michaud, E. J. Kelly.

THIRD ROW: G. W. Angell, V. Christofor, P. W. Baker, F. T. Healy, W. Davies, W. R. Gadoury, A. Palazzo, H. F. West, F. T. Martino, N. J. Hall.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain RAYMOND E. WILMARTH
First Lieutenant GEORGE I. COOK
First Lieutenant THOMAS L. FORTIN
Second Lieutenant HARRY R. SEAMAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant FREDERICK J. POTTER
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Staff Sergeant CHARLES W. BRADSHAW
Staff Sergeant GEORGE L. BUSH

SERGEANTS

BENNETT, FREDERICK L. PHILLIPS, HIRAM B.
COSTELLO, CHARLES R. REMINGTON, WILLIAM M.
EUGENIO, JOSEPH A. RICE, WALTER L.
JACKMAN, CHARLES M. SISSON, RUSSELL A.
ORTELT, ROBERT J. SMITH, DONALD A.
WILDING, CHARLES L.

CORPORALS

BELISLE, NAPOLEON J. LORD, JOHN W.
LORD, FRANK R. DAVIES, WILLIAM
WALTON, GEORGE W.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

BEAUCAGE, JAMES E. MICHAUD, ALFRED H.
COLLIZA, ADOLPH A. MINER, ASA B.
FISHER, RALPH B. OATES, FREDERICK, JR.
GADOURY, WILLIAM R. PELLEY, FRANK A., JR.
KAROLIE, HENRY E. ST. JEAN, ROLAND J.
MAPLES, MELVIN P. WOLSLEGEL, DONALD J.

PRIVATE

ALLEN, JAMES R. CHAMPLIN, RALPH H.
ANGELL, GEORGE W. CHAMPLIN, WILLIAM H.
ANTONIO, PASCO J. CHRISTOFOR, VICTOR
AXELSON, DONALD L. CURRIER, GEORGE E.
AXELSON, WILLIAM C. DI STASIO, PALMERINO J.
BAKER, PAUL W. DOD, WILFRED J.
BIGELOW, FRANK P. ELDRED, WILLIAM R.
BENEDICK, HERBERT H. FORREST, LEONARD H.





PRIVATES

FORREST, NORMAN J.	PALAZZO, GEORGE A.
GRACE, THOMAS L.	PECKHAM, HAROLD B.
GREER, JOHN J.	PIERCE, RAYMOND
HALL, NORMAND J.	PIERSON, JOHN A.
HEALY, FRANCIS T.	PLYMPTON, H. E., JR.
HEHIR, HEWITT G.	RAYMOND, EDWARD A.
HODGSON, WALTER	RICHARD, JOHN J.
INSANA, ANTHONY	ROGOWSKI, JOSEPH S.
JEHU, JOHN T.	SHANLEY, WILLIAM F.
KELLEY, EDWARD J.	STUDLEY, EARL
LEMOINE, DANIEL	SWIFT, ROBERT J.
LEONARD, ALFRED A.	TAYLOR, FRANK
MAHONEY, MICHAEL E.	TAYLOR, LESLIE
MARDEN, RALPH E.	TUCKER, BERNARD O.
MARTINO, FRANK T.	VALLIERE, LEONEL
NOEL, ROBERT L.	VASHEY, JOHN F.
ORTELT, RALPH H.	VIAU, HENRY F.
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SECOND ROW: F. Oates, Jr., M. P. Maples, G. W. Walton, F. A. Pelley, Jr., A. B. Miner, F. P. Bigelow, J. J. Greer, R. H. Champlin, J. H. Walton, T. L. Grace.

THIRD ROW: N. J. Forrest, R. L. Noel, W. F. Shanley, J. S. Rogowski, R. J. St. Jean, M. E. Mahoney, W. C. Axelson, W. R. Eldred, P. J. Antonio, R. J. Swift, J. T. Jehu.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Principally recruited from the 16th Company, Rhode Island National Guard, Searchlight Battery was organized in the Varnum Armory, East Greenwich, on June 30, 1920. It was first designated 16th Company, C. A. C.

In 1921, the unit was redesignated Third Company, C. A. C., and, in 1922, 347th Company, C. A. C.

From February 21 to April 15, 1922, this unit was in state service on textile riot duty in Pawtucket.

In 1923, all units of the Coast Artillery Corps, Rhode Island National Guard were organized into a regiment

designated 243rd Coast Artillery Corps. The 347th Company, C. A. C., became Battery I, 243rd C. A. C.

In 1924, the 243rd C. A. C. was redesignated 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

From August 31 to December 3, 1926, a detachment of Battery I was in state service on textile riot duty, Manville.

This battery was in the state service as a unit of the 243rd C. A. (HD), from September 11 to September 23, 1934, in Saylesville, on textile riot duty, and again from September 21 to October 1, 1938, on hurricane duty.

The unit was redesignated Searchlight Battery, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), on April 15, 1940, as a result of the reorganization of the 243rd C. A. (HD).

Among honors won by this battery are: most generally efficient unit of the regiment, 1935-36; Rhode Island championship for indoor rifle marksmanship, 1938; largest number of qualified gunners in the regiment for 1938 and 1939; regimental athletic championship, 1939; and regimental swimming championship for 1938 and 1939.

SEARCHLIGHT BATTERY

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

EAST GREENWICH, RHODE ISLAND

1. Truck Drivers Examination.
2. Staff at Work.
3. Searchlight Detail.
4. Non-Commissioned Officers.
5. Athletic Champions.
6. Non-Commissioned Officers' School.





WALTER F. PARKER
Captain, Battery A



JOSEPH F. FRAPPIER
Captain, Battery B



ALBERT A. MOREN
Captain, Battery C



ERNEST W. MOORE
Major, Commanding

Officers
FIRST BATTALION
243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)



JOHN R. DOLAN
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



CYRIL J. WELLS
First Lieutenant, Battery A



JOSEPH DeRITA
First Lieutenant, Battery B



GEORGE A. BATES
First Lieutenant, Battery C



ERNEST H. HILLIER
Second Lieutenant, Headquarters



JAMES J. DeSONIE
Second Lieutenant, Battery A



JAMES A. WARD, JR.
Second Lieutenant, Battery B



JAMES J. GARVIN
Second Lieutenant, Battery C



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SECOND ROW: R. R. Cacchiotti, J. F. Guglielmo, W. F. Lytle, W. S. Capozzoli, R. Fiore, R. J. Hart, A. C. Brooks, Jr.

COMMISSIONED OFFICER

First Lieutenant JOHN R. DOLAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Staff Sergeant GERALD L. LAMBERT
Sergeant REXFORD H. SALISBURY

CORPORALS

LAVIN, EDWARD F. MARRA, JOSEPH

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BROOKS, ARTHUR C. CARROCCIA, JOHN, JR.

PRIVATES

BANIGAN, EUGENE A. FIORE, ROLAND
 CACCHIOTTI, RALPH R. GUGLIELMO, JOSEPH F.
 CAPOZZOLI, WILLIAM S. LYTLE, WILLIAM F.



HEADQUARTERS BATTERY

First Battalion

FACTUAL HISTORY

Youngest unit in the regiment, Headquarters Battery, First Battalion, was organized and Federally recognized on April 22, 1940, with a personnel of one officer and 12 enlisted men.

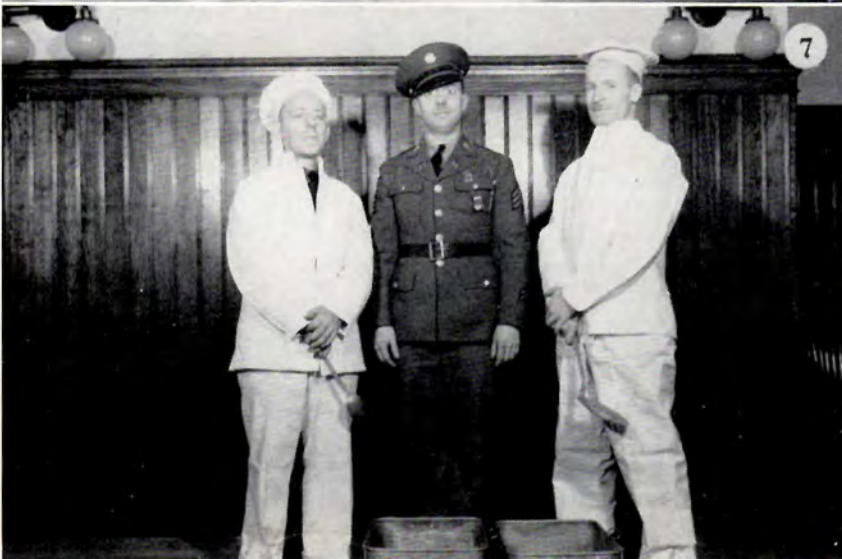
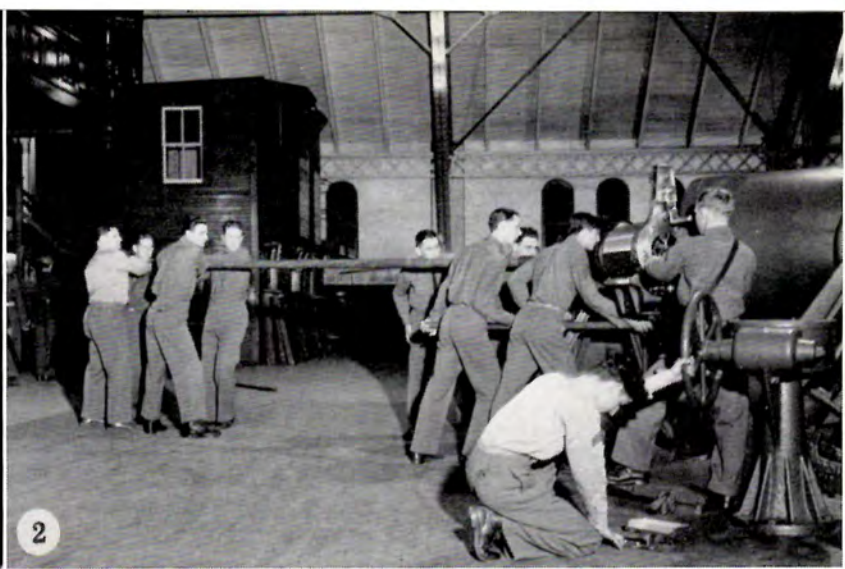
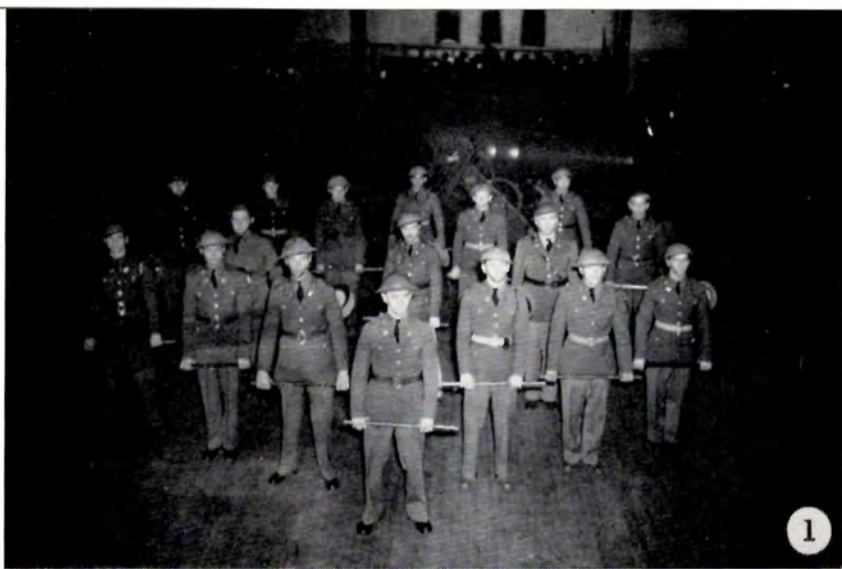
Two non-commissioned officers were transferred in the grade of sergeant and corporal from Headquarters Battery, 243rd Coast Artillery, (HD).

Three privates were transferred from Battery A, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

Seven privates were transferred from Battery B, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

The duties of this unit are to act as radio and telephone communication agents and as administrative unit for the battalion.

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



BATTERY A

FIRST BATTALION
243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Riot Section. (2) 12-inch Mortar. (3) Plotting Room. (4)
Non-Commissioned Officers. (5) Plotting Room. (6) Indoor
Rifle Team. (7) Battery Cooks.

BATTERY A

First Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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FIRST ROW: E. J. Marchant, G. V. Levesque, D. R. Tefft, G. J. Johnson, A. F. Barrett, C. M. Bazar, A. W. Randall, F. B. Applin.

SECOND ROW: A. A. Alberico, A. J. Roy, S. Kuzirian, T. D. DiLugio, H. N. Thatcher, Jr., R. Mancini, M. I. Spadaro, B. B. Britton, R. M. Caldarone.

THIRD ROW: R. R. Devolve, W. E. Maguire, J. Amaral, Jr., C. A. Peanstiehl, R. E. Hewes, E. A. Boffa, A. J. Nassi, J. O. Rancourt, J. H. Trafford.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain WALTER F. PARKER
First Lieutenant CYRIL J. WELLS
Second Lieutenant JAMES J. DESONIE

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant EDWARD J. MARCHANT

SERGEANTS

BARRETT, AUSTIN F.	LEVESQUE, GEDEON V.
BAZAR, CLARENCE M.	RANDALL, ARTHUR W.
JOHNSON, GILBERT J.	SAMPSON, ALBERT P.
TEFFT, DONALD R.	

CORPORALS

BRIER, JULIUS	HAWES, JOSEPH S.
DiFUSCO, VINCENT H.	HEROUX, FRANCIS E.
FORSTOT, MARSHALL	LePAGE, ERNEST R.
MARCELLO, ALFRED A.	

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

APPLIN, FRANK B.	MAGUIRE, WILLIAM E.
CALDARONE, ROBERT M.	MARCELLO, M. T., JR.
CLEMENTS, THOMAS E.	MARRAFINO, ALFRED
DEVOLVE, RUSSELL R.	SMITH, EVERETT F.
DOLAN, WILLIAM M.	SPADARO, MARIO I.
HILLIER, ALFRED S.	THATCHER, HENRY N., JR.
LAURO, VINCENT J.	WEEKS, CHARLES R., JR.

PRIVATES

ABBATEMATTEO, A. C.	BRITTON, BENJAMIN B.
ALBERICO, ANGELO A.	CARDI, JAMES V., JR.
AMARAL, JOSEPH	COLICCI, RAYMOND
AMARAL, JOSEPH, JR.	DeCESARO, EDWARD
BALLINGER, RALPH E.	DeFAZZIO, ANTHONY A.
BENNETT, JOHN W.	DiLUGIO, THOMAS O.
BOFFA, EMILIE A.	DiLUGIO, THOMAS B.
BOUFFARD, NELSON J., JR.	ERSKINE, WILLIS E.





PRIVATES

FURIO, ALBERT
GUADAGNI, WILLIAM J.
HEALY, ARTHUR D.
HEWES, RODNEY E.
KURDA, ARCHIE
KUZIRIAN, SARKIS
LANDOLFI, PASCO
LEVESQUE, LOUIS P.
MAGNANIMI, ALFRED F.
MANCINI, ROCCO
MUZZY, JOSEPH R.
NAPOLITANO, JOHN
NAPOLITANO, RALPH A.

NASSI, AUGUSTINE J.
PATNAUDE, ALFRED J.
PFANSTIEHL, C. A.
PINELLI, MICHAEL J.
PONTICELLI, ALFRED
RANCOURT, JOHN O.
ROSE, MANUEL M., JR.
ROY, ARMAND J.
SINGLETON, HENRY J.
TRAFFORD, JOSEPH H.
TRAVIS, ANTHONY J.
VERDOLOTTI, PAUL N.
VOLPE, MATHEW M.

ZOMPA, PHILLIP

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SECOND ROW: R. E. Ballinger, M. M. Rose, Jr., A. J. Travis, P. N. Verdolotti, L. P. Levesque, M. M. Volpe, A. J. Patnaude, C. R. Weeks, Jr., M. J. Pinelli, A. S. Hillier, A. A. DeFazzio.

THIRD ROW: J. Amaral, E. F. Smith, M. T. Marcello, Jr., P. Landolfi, E. DeCesaro, P. Zompa, H. H. Dutch, V. J. Lauro, W. E. Erskine, W. J. Guadagni, J. Napolitano.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery A, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), is 122 years old. It was organized in the First Light Infantry Company in 1818, and served in the Civil War with the First Rhode Island Detached Militia.

Redesignated in 1875 Company A, First Battalion, Infantry, R. I. M., it has survived various reorganizations and was converted into a Coast Artillery Company in 1908, designated First Company, C. A. C., First Artillery District. It served in the Spanish-American War as Company A,

First Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry. It served in the World War as Ninth Company, Narragansett Bay. In 1920, it was redesignated First Company, C. A. C. In 1923 and 1924, changes occurred, leading to the present designation, Battery A, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

Since then it has answered eight state calls for riot duty.

Battery A is a 12-inch mortar battery, with its enviable string of E's having been won in 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938.

It has consistently attracted a high grade of personnel, largely from R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C. units.

Captain Walter F. Parker is present commander.



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SECOND ROW: L. Vito, W. J. Bennett, R. J. Markey, A. N. Imbruglio, W. A. Beurne, F. L. Lombardi, P. Palumbo, J. M. Prior.

THIRD ROW: B. J. Santo Padre, J. M. Dutra, G. E. Ellis, M. M. Torkomian, J. F. Barone, J. Poulos, P. E. Hudson, A. F. Tourtellot.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JOSEPH F. FRAPPIER
First Lieutenant JOSEPH DERITA
Second Lieutenant JAMES A. WARD, JR.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant GEORGE E. WOOD

SERGEANTS

BEATON, ALBERT W. FORREST, JOSEPH L.
BOOD, EARLE C. PATALANO, LOUIS L.
DWYER, JOHN H. PRIOR, JOSEPH M.
SANTO PADRE, B. J.

CORPORALS

BORRELLI, MICHAEL POULIOS, JOHN
BROWN, ROBERT G. RUSSELL, EDWARD J., JR.
DUTRA, JOSEPH M. SAN ANTONIO, AMADEO
MCNALLY, HENRY R. VITO, LOUIS

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BARONE, JOHN F. SALISBURY, DONALD F.
CHAVES, JOHN M. SULLIVAN, JAMES E.
D'AMICO, JOHN TOURTELLOT, ALBERT F.
ELLIS, GEORGE E. VITALE, HECTOR F.
GOMES, RAYMOND G. VITALE, JOSEPH
IMBRUGLIO, ANTHONY N. WOOD, HAROLD J.

PRIVATES

BENNETT, WILLIAM J. HEWITT, CHARLES W.
BOUCHARD, RAYMOND E. HOCKMAN, GROVER C., JR.
BOURNE, WALTER A. HORTON, CARLETON D.
BRITTON, MERRILL E. HUDSON, PRESTON E.
CARCIERI, FRANK C. IACCHEI, GEORGE N.
CHARLAND, JOSEPH IANNAZZI, VINCENT
CONWAY, JOHN J., JR. LAROSA, JAMES
DEDONATO, JOSEPH G. LAW, JOHN W., JR.
DEMENDONCA, JOHN B. LOMBARDI, FRANK
ELLIS, ERNEST J. LONGO, FRANK E.
FAGELLA, VINCENT J. MALAFRONTA, DOMINIC J.
FRANCIS, RAYMOND S. MANDARELLI, MICHELE



BATTERY B
First Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES

MARANDOLA, PETER	PIROS, JOSEPH
MARANDOLA, JOSEPH	RAVO, CARMINO J.
MARCOCCIO, ANDREW C.	RENZI, EDWARD
MARKEY, RAYMOND J.	ROSS, VICTOR
MOWRY, ELMER R.	SILVA, JOSEPH S.
NARDOLILLO, ANTHONY	SMITH, JOHN L.
PALUMBO, PETER	STETSON, PERCIVAL L.
PAQUIN, EMIL A.	TAYLOR, JAMES A.
TORKOMIAN, MELKON M.	

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery B, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), was organized in 1872 out of the First Light Infantry Regiment, R. I. M. After six designations, it was converted into a Coast Artillery Company, designated Second Company, C. A. C., First Artillery District.

The Second Company was called to World War service April 6, 1917, and was drafted into the army August 5, 1917. While the designated unit remained at Fort Warren, Massachusetts, many of its men served as volunteers and replacements in the famous "Yankee" Division and in other organizations.

In 1919, after demobilization, it was authorized to reorganize, and ten months of recruiting was started in the old Second and Fourteenth Companies. It received Federal recognition as the Second Company in

June, 1920. Following several redesignations, it got its present designation in 1924.

Since 1920, the battery has served in civil disturbances in Pawtucket, Bristol, Riverpoint and Saylesville. Following the hurricane of September 21, 1938, the battery served in both Bristol and Westerly.

The battery has received E's in target practice in 1931, 1932, 1936 and "Very Good" rating in 1933 and 1937.

Among other honors won are: regimental swimming championship, 1938, and most proficient battery in the regiment, 1938-39. In 1933 it was awarded the trophy for highest number of qualified gunners.

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SECOND ROW: A. San Antonio, J. J. Conway, Jr., J. Vitale, J. Iatosa, M. E. Britton, J. Piro, J. A. Taylor, V. Iannazzi, R. G. Brown, J. Charland.

THIRD ROW: H. R. McNally, J. L. Smith, G. C. Hockman, Jr., P. Marandola, R. G. Gomes, H. J. Wood, D. O'Connor, E. R. Mowry, E. A. Paquin, V. Ross.



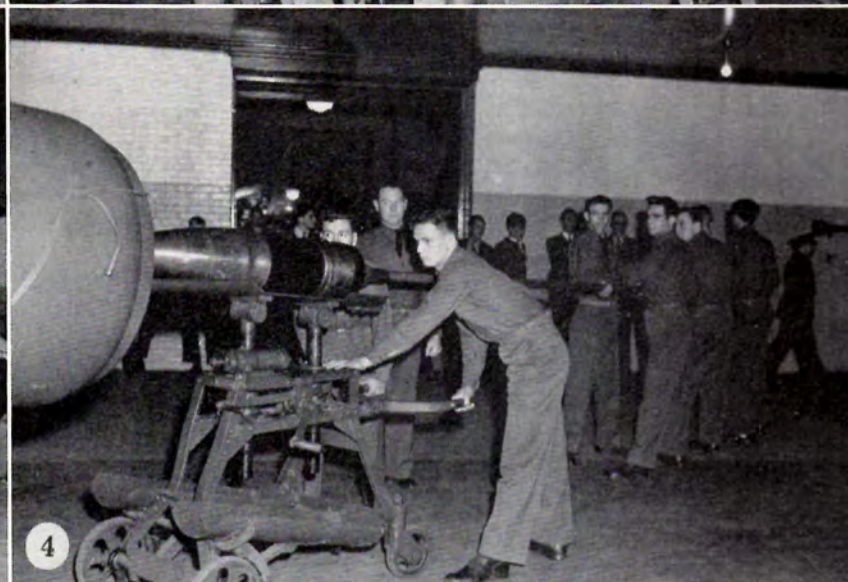
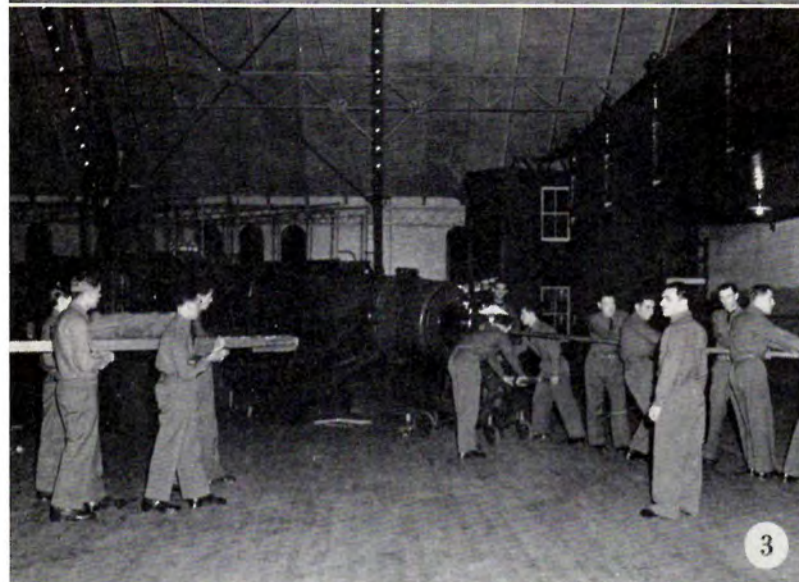
BATTERY B

FIRST BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Non-Commissioned Officers.
2. Setting Range, Pointing Gun and Traversing Detail, all at Work.
3. Gun Crew at Work.
4. Loading Projectile.
5. Unloading Projectile.
6. Planning.





BATTERY C

FIRST BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND



1. Rifle Team.
2. Gunnery School.
3. Colonel Webster Inspecting Battery.
4. Non-Commissioned Officers.
5. Plotting Room.



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SECOND ROW: E. G. Capizano, D. A. Gelinas, A. Ascoli, J. Sardinha, J. Normandin, R. E. Bullock, A. V. Texeire, J. Ayres, M. T. Medeiros, J. R. Correia, R. M. DeBlois.

THIRD ROW: L. J. Celone, T. J. Principe, A. F. Lombardo, J. V. Coccia, J. B. Vollaro, E. J. Cardoza, B. M. West, S. F. Silvia, R. M. Vargas, N. W. Iacovelli, M. B. Topazio, J. J. Sousa.



BATTERY C
First Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain ALBERT A. MOREN
First Lieutenant GEORGE A. BATES
Second Lieutenant JAMES J. GARVIN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant MANUEL MORRIS, JR.

SERGEANTS

ASCOLI, LAWRENCE	MOREN, ANTHONY A.
BISBANO, JOHN N.	MOREN, GEORGE M.
CORREIA, HENRY E.	RUGGIERO, JOSEPH F.

CORPORALS

ALFRED, JOHN S.	SILVIA, CHARLES
CARMONE, MICHAEL V.	SILVIA, JOHN F.
DEL TORO, ANTHONY	WELLS, NELSON J.
FERRARA, FRANK	WEST, CHARLES E.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

AROUCA, JOSEPH A.	DALLAIRE, ROLAND E.
BULLOCK, RUSSELL E.	GELINAS, DONAT A.
CIRILLO, DOMINICK F.	IASIELLO, ANTHONY P.
CORREIA, FRANK B.	LOMBARDO, ALFRED F.
CORREIA, WILLIAM H.	PARISI, MICHAEL D.



PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

RUGGIERI, DOMINICK A. SAVINO, GABRIEL J.
VARGAS, RAUL M.

PRIVATES

ASCOLI, ANGELO	LAPANE, WILLIAM
AYRES, JOSEPH	MEDEIROS, MANUEL T.
BEAULIEU, GIRARD N.	NORMANDIN, JOSEPH
BERGERON, PETER	PELCHAT, LUCIEN J.
BERNIER, OSCAR E.	PIMENTAL, JOSEPH M.
BORGES, JOSEPH	POISSANT, NELSON
BOUDREAU, RAYMOND F.	PRINCIPE, JOHN M.
BRULE, AMBROSE A.	PRINCIPE, THOMAS J.
CAMINSKY, GEORGE K.	PROTO, NICHOLAS
CAMPANELLA, SAMUEL R.	RELLE, EDWARD H.
CAPIZANO, EDWARD G.	RYBKA, ALFRED
CARDOZA, EDMUND J.	SARDINHA, JOSEPH
CARDOZA, JESSE C.	SCOLARO, DOMINIC J.
CAROMILE, LOUIS	SILVIA, SYLVESTER F.
CELONE, LOUIS J.	SIMOE, JOHN R.
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CORREIA, JAMES R.	SOUSA, VIRGIN S.
DAMICO, MICHAEL	SYLVARIA, HARRY M., JR.
DEBLOIS, RENE M.	TEXEIRE, AMERICO V.
ELLIS, WARREN R.	TOPAZIO, MICHAEL B.
FORMISANO, VICTOR J.	VALLANTE, EDMUND A.
FURTADO, DANIEL F.	VITAL, JOSEPH P.
GERVAIS, RAYMOND	VIVEIROS, JOHN
IACOVELLI, NICHOLAS W.	VOLLARO, JOSEPH B.
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THIRD ROW: F. B. Correia, J. M. Principe, W. H. Correia, A. A. Brule, N. Proto, V. J. Formisano, J. P. Vital, J. C. Cardoza, O. E. Bernier, P. Bergeron, D. F. Furtado, R. E. Dallaire.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery C, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), was organized and Federally recognized November 3, 1926.

It was called to Saylesville, to serve riot duty in the textile strike from September 11 to 23, 1934.

In 1933, Battery C won the coveted Regimental General Proficiency Trophy.

Among honors won by the battery are: Service Rifle Team championship, 1932, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1939; Small Bore Rifle Team championship, 1932-35, 1939.

Its present commander is Captain Albert A. Moren.



FRANK B. RHODES, JR.
Major, Commanding



RAYMOND FLETCHER
Captain, Battery D



ELVIN J. ANDREWS
Captain, Battery E



JAMES A. MURPHY
Captain, Battery F

OFFICERS, SECOND BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)



ELMER R. SHERMAN
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



CHARLES K. BAKER, JR.
First Lieutenant, Battery D



FRANCIS N. SPRY
First Lieutenant, Battery E



RENE L. LaBARRE
First Lieutenant, Battery F

JAMES R. SOUTHER
Second Lieutenant, Headquarters



STANLEY W. SMITH
Second Lieutenant, Battery D



FREDERICK O. ROEVER
Second Lieutenant, Battery E



JOHN C. REMBIJAS
Second Lieutenant, Battery F



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A. Hargraves, B. Spector, W. P.
Carpenter, R. W. Moulton.

SECOND ROW: W. A. Wilcox, S.
Cleinman, G. M. Bettencourt, E. A.
Trevitt, J. L. Clarke, Jr.



COMMISSIONED OFFICER

First Lieutenant ELMER R. SHERMAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Staff Sergeant BERNARD SPECTOR

CORPORALS

CLEINMAN, SAMUEL WILCOX, WILLIAM A.

PRIVATES

BETTENCOURT, GEORGE M.	HARGRAVES, RAYMOND A.
CARPENTER, WILLIAM P.	KIDD, FREDERICK A., JR.
CLARKE, JAMES L., JR.	MOULTON, RAYMOND W.
DABNEY, WILLIAM H.	TREVITT, EDWARD A.



FACTUAL HISTORY

Headquarters Battery, Second Battalion, 243rd Coast Artillery, was organized and Federally recognized April 29, 1940. It is the unit which furnished the communication, intelligence and administrative personnel for the battalion.

Now commanded by First Lieutenant Elmer R. Sherman, the battery has a strength of 12 enlisted men, including two staff sergeants, one sergeant, two corporals, two privates first class and five privates.

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY

Second Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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SECOND ROW: M. A. Labriole, F. J. Mack, M. E. Horridge, A. A. Alukonis, W. F. Reilly, H. Dowding, Jr., G. R. Whitaker, W. R. Ehrhard, Jr., F. E. Bouchard, L. F. Angell, Jr., E. J. Heon.

THIRD ROW: C. B. Lannon, J. E. Guertin, Jr., J. E. Watson, H. E. Browney, R. J. Carr, R. H. Smith, J. Bage, K. F. Tedford, K. A. Hicks, M. M. Crehan, Jr., F. J. Trainor, Jr.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain RAYMOND FLETCHER
First Lieutenant CHARLES K. BAKER, JR.
Second Lieutenant STANLEY W. SMITH

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER

First Sergeant FRANK KASSED

SERGEANTS

BAMPTON, NORMAN CROCE, FLORIO
BOND, NORMAN CURZIO, FRED H.
CLARKE, GEORGE H. O'DONNELL, JOHN P.
SMITH, JOHN S.

CORPORALS

BRETT, JAMES A. JORDAN, GEORGE F., JR.
BYRNES, RALPH S. MELONE, PASCO M.
EVERSON, KIRKE B., JR. SCOTT, RAYMOND G.
IACCHEI, JOSEPH A. VAUGHAN, CLINTON B.
WELLS, EDMUND L.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ANTONELLI, RALPH E. LOVEGREEN, HAROLD W.
BAGE, JOHN MACK, FELIX J.
BERTRAND, ERNEST S. MADEIROS, DAVID J.
DANEKER, NORMAN L. MCAULEY, HERBERT T.
FERRI, DOMENICO PIERCE, GORDON I.
FERRI, HENRY RAFFERTY, RAYMOND E.
HEATON, JOSEPH F. SMITH, RALPH H.
LABRIOLE, MICHAEL A. VEIRA, MANUEL, JR.
LANNON, CHARLES B. WATSON, JAMES E.
WHITMAN, CHAS. E., JR.



BATTERY D
Second Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



PRIVATES

ALUKONIS, ADAM A.	HICKS, KENNETH A.
ANGELL, LEONARD F., JR.	HORRIDGE, HOMER F.
BENNETT, HENRY G.	HORRIDGE, MORRISON E.
BOUCHARD, FREDERICK E.	HORRIDGE, WILLIAM T.
BREEN, MAURICE F., JR.	LAPLANT, ARMAND J.
BROWNEY, HAROLD E.	OKOLOVITZ, JOHN F.
CARR, RICHARD J.	PERKINS, MERTON A.
CREHAN, MATHEW M., JR.	PHILIPS, PAUL W.
CROCE, ERNEST	PINELL, AMEDEE A.
DOWDING, HERBERT, JR.	REILLY, WALTER F.
DYER, EDWIN P., JR.	SCHEUREN, VICTOR A.
EHRLHARD, WM. R., JR.	SHIELDS, ROBERT F.
FONTAINE, HARRY G.	TAFT, ARTHUR G.
GEO, CARL S.	TEDFORD, KENNETH F.
GROSSMAN, DAVID	TENBRINK, JOS. W., JR.
GUERTIN, JOSEPH E., JR.	THURBER, GEORGE E.
HARRIS, MILTON C.	TRAINOR, FRANCIS J., JR.
HEON, ERNEST J.	TURNER, FRANK, JR.
HEON, RICHARD E.	WHITTAKER, GILBERT R.

ZOMPA, HENRY

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SECOND ROW: J. F. Okolovitz, H. G. Fontaine, C. E. Whitman, Jr., M. F. Breen, Jr., V. A. Scheuren, G. E. Thurber, P. W. Philips, W. T. Horridge, D. J. Madeiros, H. T. McAuley, M. Veira, Jr.

THIRD ROW: N. L. Daneker, H. F. Horridge, M. C. Harris, D. Ferri, F. Turner, Jr., H. W. Lovegreen, A. J. LaPlant, R. E. Rafferty, H. Ferri, E. P. Dyer, Jr., H. G. Bennett.

August 5, 1917, redesignated Thirteenth Company, Narragansett Bay, and sent to Fort Greble, from where many of its members served overseas.

It was demobilized December, 1918, but authorized to reorganize in 1919. On January 6, 1920, the old designation, Fourth Company, was restored, followed by redesignation as the 348th Company, C. A. C.

Battery D, 243rd C. A. C., was the designation given when reorganization of the 243rd Regiment came in 1923. A year later, the regiment became the present 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

The battery has served on riot duty seven times: The Olney Street Riots, 1831; the Dorr Rebellion, 1842; Pawtucket, 1902; Bristol, 1920; Pawtucket again, 1922; Saylesville; the Narragansett Race Track insurrection, and after the hurricane of 1938.

The battery mans the twelve-inch gun.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery D, 243rd Coast Artillery, dates back to May, 1818, when it was Company D of the First Light Infantry.

In May, 1861, it became Company D, First Regiment, Rhode Island Detached Militia, serving as an infantry unit at the First Battle of Bull Run. Two months later, the unit was again designated the First Light Infantry Company.

In 1908, it became the Fourth Company, C. A. C., First Artillery District. It was drafted into the Army

BATTERY D

FIRST BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Plotting Room.
2. First Gun Section.
3. Gas Mask Instruction.
4. Buglers and Drummer.
5. Non-Commissioned Officers.
6. Base End Detail.



BATTERY E

SECOND BATTALION
243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)
WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Supply Room. (2) Office. (3) Non-Commissioned Officers.
(4) Plotting Room. (5) Gun Section. (6) Historical Display.
(7) Softball Team.





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SECOND ROW: J. W. Ferrier, A. J. Ballato, R. J. Roberts, J. M. Sciro, C. V. Dobroski, S. F. Christie, C. M. Brayman, T. H. Mellow, Jr., C. A. Taylor.

THIRD ROW: E. J. Whitford, F. W. Shea, J. A. Gibson, R. Norbury, R. Scott, W. Hamm, G. P. O'Neil, J. P. Jeffery, K. G. Wright.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain ELVIN J. ANDREWS
First Lieutenant FRANCIS N. SPRY
Second Lieutenant FREDERICK O. ROEVER

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant BENJAMIN C. BLIVEN

SERGEANTS

BATON, GEORGE R.	JOHNS, FREDERICK E.
BLIVEN, JOSEPH H.	LAWTON, ALBERT, JR.
HOLT, ALBERT	STEADMAN, JOHN C.
	STENHOUSE, JOHN W.

CORPORALS

BALL, ROBERT A.	LANGWORTHY, DAVID M.
DiGANGI, PAUL F.	NICHOLS, CLIFFORD R.
FURCOLO, NICHOLAS J.	PIZZA, THOMAS J.
GOUVIN, PAUL H.	SLATTERY, EDWARD F.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

CARD, FRANCIS E.	MELLOW, THOMAS H., JR.
CHAFFEE, LeROY E.	NORBURY, ROY
FERRARO, ARTHUR S.	PAGE, FREDERICK E.
HALLECK, MICHAEL	SCIRO, JOSEPH M.
HAMM, WILLIAM	STAPLIN, PERCY W.
	STEADMAN, JAMES H.

PRIVATES

ALMEIDA, JOHN W.	BOYD, ARTHUR M.
ANTOCH, HENRY J.	BRAYMAN, CLARENCE M.
BALLATO, ANTHONY J.	BROWN, WALTER B.
BATON, DONALD M.	CONTI, ROSARIO J.

BATTERY E
Second Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES

CHRISTIE, SAMUEL F.
DOBRIDNIA, LEON F.
DOBROSKI, CHESTER V.
FERANDO, JAMES J.
FERRIER, JOHN W.
FORTUNE, WARREN T.
GARDINER, THEODORE W.
GIBSON, JOHN A.
HIRST, ROBERT S.
JEFFERY, JAMES P.
JONES, MERLE A.
KENYON, WILLIAM H.
LATTIMORE, LOUIS L.
LIGUORI, JOHN H.
LONGE, MILTON C.
MAINE, CHARLES H.
MAINE, GEORGE W.
MARSHALL, WALTER H.
MATZKO, THEODORE M.
MAYHEW, CHARLES F.
MICELLI, JOSEPH J.

NICHOLS, CARLTON L.
O'NEIL, GRANT P.
PENDLETON, JOHN T.
PENDLETON, RAYMOND E.
PERKINS, LEON A.
PERRA, DOMENIC J.
ROBERTS, RAYMOND J.
SCOTT, ROBERT
SHEA, FRANCIS W.
TAYLOR, CHARLES A.
TREBISACCI, JOHN S.
TREBISACCI, NATALE E.
VARS, CHARLES A.
VEZINA, WILFRED A. P.
WHITFORD, EMIL J.
WHITFORD, GEORGE C.
WILCOX, MALFRED K.
WILCOX, RICHARD E.
WRIGHT, KENNETH G.
WRIGHT, WILLIAM H.
ZEGA, STEPHEN

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery E, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), is the oldest unit in Rhode Island and ranks among the first dozen in the nation. Its history goes back to the creation of the artillery itself, in January, 1755.

Some of the more important of the rapid changes the unit has undergone are: The Washington Guards, Coe's Company of Woods State Corps, Westerly Rifles, Company I, First Rhode Island Detached Militia, Company B, Ninth R. I. Detached Militia, Company B, Westerly Rifles R. I. M., Company E, First Regiment B. R. I. M., Fifth Company, First Artillery District, and Fifth Company, C. A. C.

Much of the tradition of the old "outfits" has been reborn into the museum instituted in 1935 in celebrating of the battery's 180th birthday. Here are many articles of clothing and equipment actually used by former members, as well as many pictures of early members and early accounts and documents. Outstanding are three uniforms worn by former commanders in different periods.

During the World War and until 1924, the unit suffered by having been broken up and demobilized. In the latter year, the unit was in danger of losing its official recognition, so skeletonized had it become. But the regimental motto, "Game to the last," pulled it through these trying times, to save its recognition and to place it among the leading units of the regiment.

Three times Battery E has heeded the call to state service since the World War: Pawtucket riot duty, 1922; Saylesville, 1934, and hurricane duty, 1938.

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THIRD ROW: J. J. Micelli, C. F. Mayhew, F. E. Page, D. M. Baton, C. L. Nichols, F. E. Card, W. H. Marshall, L. E. Chaffee, W. B. Brown, J. S. Trebisacci.



BATTERY F

Second Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)
WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND



FIRST SERGEANT RICHARD A. AHMUTY
(Retired)

Enlisted Company H, First Regiment of Infantry, B. R. I. M., June 1, 1904. Appointed Corporal, May 24, 1905; Sergeant, October 3, 1906. (Company H, First Regiment of Infantry, changed to Eighth Company, Coast Artillery Corps, First Artillery District, November 4, 1908.) Appointed First Sergeant, (Continued on page 141)

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JAMES A. MURPHY
First Lieutenant RENE L. LABARRE
Second Lieutenant JOHN C. REMBIJAS

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant FRED GOSSELIN

SERGEANTS

BERGERON, DAVID C. FONTAINE, FRANCIS J.
DUBE, MAURICE C. FULLAM, LEO F.
FLYNN, JOHN T. HIGHCOVE, WALTER J.
SOUCY, WALTER G.

CORPORALS

BERGERON, GEORGE T. MENAIGRE, ARAM A.
BLAIS, PAUL LUSSIER, EDGAR J.
CAMPBELL, RUSSELL A. O'COIN, ALBERT A.
JALETTE, GEORGE J. REMBIPAS, MICHAEL F.
SZYMCZUK, ANTHONY

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BEAUDET, JOSEPH A. LANDRY, WILLIAM L.
BEAUDET, OMER A. LAVIGNE, ROLAND J.
BOURGET, ALDAGE J. LEFEBVRE, ALBERT O.
BRUNELLE, ARTHUR J. MASSART, LEONARD H.
DERAGON, HUBERT J. MERCHANT, ARTHUR B.
DROLET, EMILE J. MOWRY, FORREST A.
FALARDEAU, EDWARD A. RENAUD, ALBERT R., JR.
GILBERT, CHESTER A., JR. TURCOTTE, ALBERT E.
GUY, HILAIRE G. WALSH, RAYMOND L.

PRIVATES

ALLARD, ROMEO T. BEAUCHAMP, OSCAR H.

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SECOND ROW: A. E. Turcotte, R. R. St. Jean, R. L. Walsh, F. A. Mowry, J. M. Vaznaian, H. G. Guy, A. O. Renaud, R. J. Lavigne, O. A. Beaudet.

THIRD ROW: G. B. Hardenbrook, L. A. Cournoyer, O. E. Loiselle, R. T. Allard, E. A. Falardeau, A. B. Merchant, D. W. Lambert, C. A. Gilbert, Jr., N. Brown, L. H. Massart.





PRIVATES

BIBEAULT, LEONEL C.	LAMBERT, DONAT W.
BLANCHETTE, HORMIDAS D.	LAMBERT, ELISEE J.
BLANCHETTE, WILLIAM A.	LANDRY, WILLIAM A.
BROWN, NORMAN	LATOUR, GASTON U.
COLEMAN, PAUL H.	LEMIEUX, ROBERT O.
COTE, ROGER P.	LEVEILLE, LAURIER L.
COURNOYER, EDW. J., JR.	LIZOTTE, ADRIEN J.
COURNOYER, LAURENCE A.	LOISELLE, OREANCE E.
DAGESSE, LAURIER R.	MARTIN, ARTHUR J.
DUCHARME, PAUL L.	MOULSON, EDWARD C.
DUMONT, EMILE L.	O'CONNOR, CHARLES J.
FRAPPIER, LEO J.	PROVOST, WILFRED J.
GARIEPY, DAMASE E.	RAINVILLE, ALBERT J.
GURA, JOHN P.	RAVENELLE, HARVEY A.
HANSON, HAROLD N.	RENAUD, ADELARD O.
HARDENBROOK, GEORGE B.	ROBITAILLE, MAURICE J.
HEBERT, RAOUL C.	ST. JEAN, RAYMOND R.
JALETTE, LUCIEN A.	THIBAUT, CLAUDIC R.
LABOSSIERE, CHAS. A., JR.	TRINQUE, HERMAN J.
LALIME, HENRY A.	VAZNAIAN, JOHN M.

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SECOND ROW: W. J. Provost, L. J. Frappier, L. L. Leveille, D. E. Gariepy, E. J. Lambert, W. A. Landry, E. L. Dumont, C. R. Thibault, P. L. Ducharme, L. R. Dagesse, R. O. Lemieux.

THIRD ROW: E. J. Cournoyer, Jr., A. J. Martin, H. J. Trinque, L. A. Jalette, W. A. Blanchette, C. J. O'Connor, A. J. Lizotte, H. A. Revenelle, H. N. Hanson, M. J. Robitaille, H. A. Lalime.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery F, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), had its beginning in October, 1774, as the "Gloucester Light Infantry." Two years later it became the Fifth Company of the First Regiment of Infantry mustered "for the defense of the United States in general." And by May 6, 1780, it was mustered out.

In 1814 it was in U. S. service as Captain Gladding's Company of Woods State Corps. "Woonsocket Infantry" was what it was called in 1840, only to be changed to "Woonsocket Guards" two years later. Just before the Civil War it became Company I, Sec-

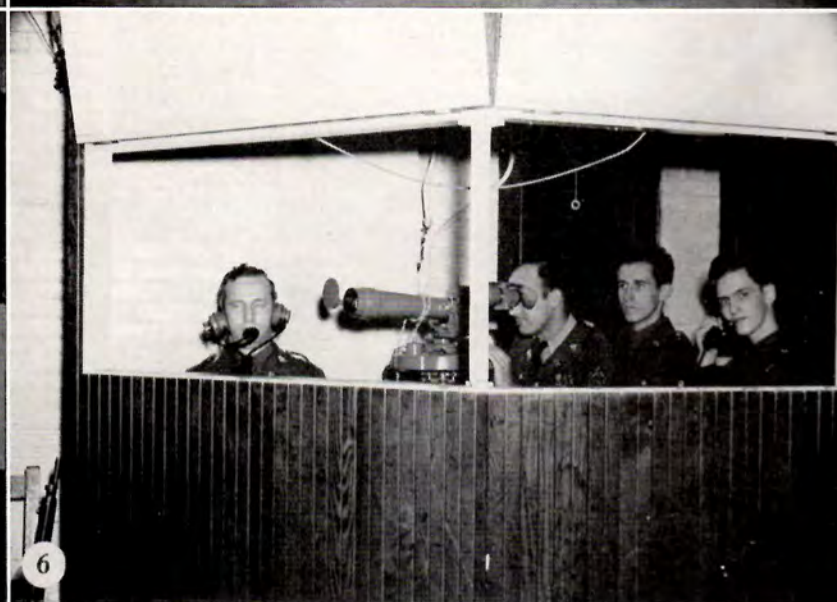
ond Regiment, Rhode Island Volunteers; and by 1898 it had five more title changes and had become Company D, First Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry.

The unit was converted into a Coast Artillery Company in 1908 and designated 12th Company, C. A. C., Second Artillery District, R. I. N. G. In December, 1914, its status was shortened to 12th Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G.

Into the Federal service for the World War it went on April 6, 1917. It was drafted into the Army August 5, 1917, and redesignated the 12th Company, Narragansett Bay, August 31, 1917. Demobilization came on December 21, 1918.

In April, 1920, authorization was given for reorganization, and recruiting was started. The unit was mustered and given Federal recognition May 19, 1920, as the 12th Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G.

Four more title changes came during the early 1920's, and in 1924 it was redesignated 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), its present status.



BATTERY F

SECOND BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Non-Commissioned Officers. (2) Supply Room. (3) Plotting Room. (4) Softball Team. (5) Gun Section. (6) Base End. (7) Communication Section.



ELMER V. EASTWOOD
Captain, Battery G



PHILIP A. THIBAUDEAU
Captain, Battery H



EDWARD L. WALKER
Captain, Battery I



JOHN L. DANEKER
Major, Commanding

OFFICERS, THIRD BATTALION

243rd Coast Artillery (HD)



ALBERT CARLOTTI
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



EVERETT McMILLAN
First Lieutenant, Battery G



WILLIAM C. COMMON, JR.
First Lieutenant, Battery H



HARRY R. SEAMAN
Second Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery

HALKEY K. ROSS
Second Lieutenant, Battery G

NAPOLEON G. LEVESQUE
Second Lieutenant, Battery H





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FIRST ROW: C. A.
Palin, C. N. Rose, L.
C. Cloutier, E. F.
Martin, A. E. Herbert.

SECOND ROW: A. D.
Brown, L. E. O'Don-
nell, Jr., C. E. Angell,
Jr., A. H. Murray, E.
Whittaker.



HEADQUARTERS BATTERY

Third Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICER

First Lieutenant ALBERT CARLOTTI

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant CALIXTE A. PALIN
Staff Sergeant ALFRED E. HERBERT
Staff Sergeant ORION R. HESFORD
Staff Sergeant CHARLES N. ROSE

CORPORALS

CLOUTIER, LEO C. DiFUSCO, MANRICO P.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ANGELL, CHARLES E., JR. O'DONNELL, L. E., JR.

PRIVATES

BROWN, ALAN D. GELINAS, RAYMOND D.
COLE, WILLIAM J. MARTIN, EARL F.
DODD, FREDERICK B., JR. MURRAY, ALEXANDER H.
WHITTAKER, EDMUND

FACTUAL HISTORY

Headquarters Battery, Third Battalion (AA), 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), was Federally recognized on April 22, 1940, at the Cranston Street Armory, Providence. It consists of one officer and 18 enlisted men.

The function of this unit is to provide a spotting section which will correlate all data for the firing of the annual target practices of the three batteries in the Third Battalion.



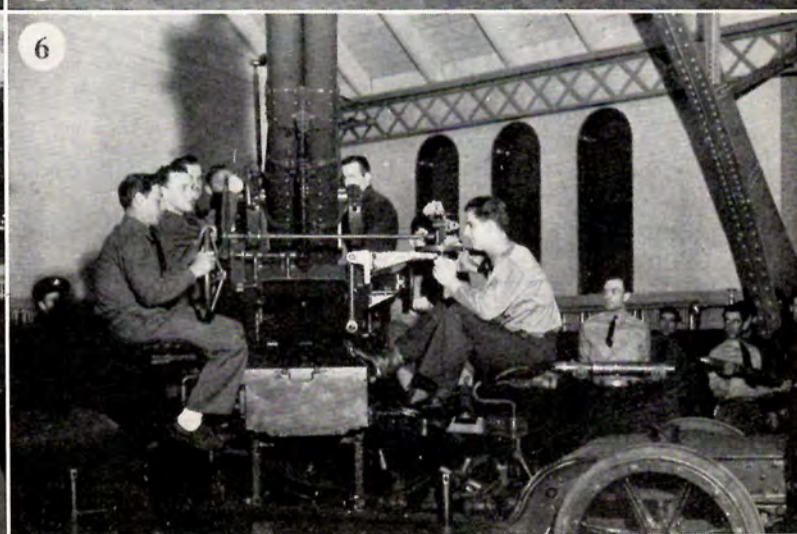
1. .30 Calibre Machine Gun Simulating Anti-Aircraft Fire.
2. Switchboard.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Fuse Being Cut.
5. Gun Section Loading.
6. Gun Section Loading.

BATTERY G

THIRD BATTALION

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND





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FIRST ROW: J. E. Hillier, J. W. Orcutt, A. R. Remington, W. A. Warren, E. L. Chase, C. E. Bennett, C. J. Clark.
SECOND ROW: R. S. Hamer, R. E. Brown, C. H. Berard, M. L. Jackson, D. Cianci, A. Notarianni, G. Johnson, F. E. Howayeck.
THIRD ROW: S. Koshgarian, F. Matheu, F. E. Marsh, L. J. Bowen, P. A. Miozza, H. B. Smith, J. Rebello, T. J. Lessard.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain ELMER V. EASTWOOD
First Lieutenant EVERETT E. McMILLAN
Second Lieutenant HALKEY K. ROSS

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant HORACE L. DOYLE

SERGEANTS

DALPE, EDWARD L.	HOLDEN, WILLIAM A.
DEMING, FRED L.	POTTER, GEORGE E., JR.
DeNUCCIO, LOUIS L.	SIMONE, EVERETT J.

CORPORALS

CAHOON, EARL D.	ORCUTT, JOHN W.
CHASE, EARL L.	REMYNGTON, ALBERT R.
HILLIER, JAMES E.	WARREN, WILFRED A.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BENNETT, CHARLES E.	HOWAYECK, FRED'K E.
BERARD, CHARLES H.	LESSARD, THEODORE J.
BOWLEY, RALPH W.	PRIEST, ARTHUR L.
CAPPELLO, FRED A.	REBELLO, JOSEPH
CASSIDY, THOMAS F.	RICO, ERNEST J.
CRESSY, DONALD E.	SMITH, HARRY B.
DANDENEAU, RAYMOND L.	ST. PIERRE, MARCEL P.
HAMER, ROBERT S.	WEXLER, SAUL D.

PRIVATES

APTT, WILLIAM R.	BROWN, ROBERT E.
BASSETT, RAYMOND P.	BURDETT, EDWARD H.
BEATON, GILBERT A.	BUTERA, SALVATORE C.
BOWEN, LOUIS J.	CARVILL, VINCENT J.

BATTERY G

Third Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES

CIANCI, DOMENIC	MARTIN, RAYMOND W.
CLARK, CHRISTY J.	MATHEU, FRANK
DESANO, EDMUND A.	McKENNA, JOSEPH T.
DILULLO, ISADORE	McMAHON, JOHN J.
DUTRA, JOSEPH W.	MIOZZA, PAUL A.
EHMAN, HENRY M.	NOTARIANNI, ALFRED
FENNESSEY, JOHN J.	PERRY, WALTER M.
FLEMING, EDMUND A.	PHILLIPS, ROBERT S.
FLYNN, THOMAS F.	PRIEST, NORMAN B.
HALL, LAWRENCE E., JR.	RICCI, FRED A.
HATHAWAY, GEORGE C.	RICCI, ERNEST C.
JACKSON, MELVIN L.	SALERA, JACK H.
JOHNSON, GEORGE	SILVA, MAXIE C.
KENDALL, CLARENCE	SLOCUM, ROBERT L.
KOSHGARIAN, STEPHEN	SORMANTI, SERAFINO A.
MARRO, ALFRED	WALESKA, CHESTER
MARSH, FREDERICK E.	WILHELM, WILLIAM L.

FACTUAL HISTORY

From the Mechanics Rifles, organized in October, 1854, stems Battery G, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD). Rhode Island granted it a charter the same month.

In 1861, the unit was redesignated Company B, Second Regiment, R. I. Volunteers. In April, the Mechanics Rifles offered its services to President Buchanan twice, being accepted finally when it marched into Washington.

The regiment returned to Rhode Island after the First Battle of Bull Run and disbanded, only to reenlist in other units and petition for reorganization as the Slocum Light Guard. In 1870 the request was granted.

From 1875 through 1914, redesignations were rapid. Then, in July 25, 1917, the unit was called to Federal service for the World War, serving as the Twenty-First Company until demobilization on December 21, 1938.

Authorization to reorganize came in 1919 and Federal recognition followed on January 5, 1920. In 1922, the unit was mustered and redesignated 351st Company, C. A. C. It became Company G, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD) with the 1924 regimental reorganization.

Honors bestowed on the battery have been: Excellent AA rating since 1932; the AA Efficiency Trophy, 1938-39; the Lieutenant Governor Raymond E. Jordan Trophy for Anti-Aircraft, 1938; and the regimental trophy for paper work proficiency, 1937-38.

Battery G was changed, after the World War from a heavy artillery battery to a machine gun battery and, in May, 1940, to an anti-aircraft, 3-inch gun battery.

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SECOND ROW: S. A. Sormanti, F. A. Cappello, W. R. Aptt, R. L. Dandeneau, R. L. Slocum, H. M. Ehrman, C. Kendall.

THIRD ROW: E. A. DeSano, J. T. McKenna, T. F. Cassidy, R. W. Bowley, S. D. Wexler, R. P. Bassett, S. C. Butera, E. A. Fleming.





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SECOND ROW: T. C. Zonfrillo, L. D. Lemay, E. L. Croteau, V. R. McCarthy, W. C. Bishop, O. C. Brouillette, E. Pidgeon, R. J. Durocher, U. A. Guilbeault, R. J. Blair, A. Charest.

THIRD ROW: N. R. Ouellette, J. A. Stanlewicz, G. E. Pinault, R. R. St. Gelais, F. B. Dodd, Jr., R. J. Beaumont, W. J. Cole, R. D. Gelas, J. E. Breault, A. F. Baenziger, E. E. Romani.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain PHILIP A. THIBAUDEAU
First Lieutenant WILLIAM C. COMMONS, JR.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant WILLIAM E. MAYETTE

SERGEANTS

BALTHAZAR, PAUL R.	GRUSLIN, ARMAND
BRABBIN, HAROLD	MARSH, FRANK A.
DICKINSON, LESLIE W.	MERCIER, LEO

CORPORALS

BESSETTE, MAURICE J.	JENKS, RUSSELL E.
BILIOURIS, CHARLES	LAFOND, DELPHIS E.
PERREAULT, RAYMOND E.	

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALDRICH, LEON R.	GUILBEAULT, ULRIC A.
ALESSANDRO, ANTONIO E.	JORDAN, FRANCIS M.
BAENZINGER, ALBERT F.	LABRIE, ARMAND R., JR.
BEAUMONT, ROLAND J.	LEMAY, L. D.
BLAIR, ROLAND J.	LOVELY, GEORGE F.
DUROCHER, ROMEO J.	OUELETTE, NORRIS R.
FLYNN, FRANCIS E.	PALMER, JAMES N.
FORTIER, JOSEPH V.	PINAULT, GEORGE E.
GALLAGHER, JOHN W.	SZYMANSKI, ANTONI

PRIVATES

ABBOTT, HOWARD L.	DODD, F. B., JR.
BISHOP, WILLIAM C.	DOUCETTE, PATRICK L.
BOURQUE, LAURENT J.	DOWELL, RAYMOND
BREAULT, GERARD A.	DUFOUR, OVILA A.
BREAULT, JOSEPH E.	DURAND, RALPH
BROUILLETTE, OSCAR C.	EVEN, FERDINAND L.
CHAREST, ARMAND	FLANAGAN, JOHN F., JR.
COCHRAN, GILBERT	GELENAS, R. D.
COLE, W. J.	HEBERT, WILFRED J.
CROTEAU, EDWARD L.	HORIBIN, WILLIAM B.
DENTON, WARREN A.	KEOUGH, JOHN F.
	KIROUAC, RAYMOND L.

BATTERY H

Third Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD), PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND



PRIVATES

KRATOCHWIL, FRANK S.	MURRAY, LEROY F.
LANDRY, ALBERT H.	NAZOLINO, JOSEPH
LAPRADE, NORMAN F.	O'CONNELL, DANIEL E.
LEBEAU, ERNEST R.	PAGE, WILLIAM F.
LEMAY, HENRY D.	PIDGEON, EDWARD
MACK, GEORGE F.	RATTRAY, GORDON C., JR.
MATHIEU, MAURICE	RECORE, WILLIAM F.
MCBRIDE, JOHN J.	ROMANI, EDMUND E.
MCCARTHY, VINCENT R.	SAWYER, NORMAND F.
MIGNEAULT, LOUIS J.	STANLEWICZ, JOSEPH A.
MOBRIANT, CHARLES E.	ST. GELAIS, RAYMOND R.
ZONFRILLO, THOMAS C.	

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SECOND ROW: J. N. Palmer, D. E. O'Connell, J. V. Fortier, W. B. Horibin, A. Szymanski, R. Dowell, H. D. Lemay, N. Cragg, P. L. Doucette, R. Durand, J. F. Flanagan, Jr., G. C. Rattray, Jr.

THIRD ROW: A. R. LaBrie, Jr., M. Mathieu, G. A. Breault, W. J. Hebert, W. A. Denton, N. F. Laprade, L. J. Migneault, L. J. Bourque, R. L. Kirouac, J. J. McBride, J. Nazolino, H. L. Abbott, O. A. Dufour.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery H was started in December, 1774, when a body of men from the Company of Militia in North Providence and the Eastermost Company of Militia in Smithfield petitioned the legislature for a charter, which was granted them under the name "North Providence Rangers."

In 1776 it became the Second Company of the Artillery Regiment, as defense against the British. It was mustered out in 1780.

Records show that during the 1800's the unit saw U. S. service as Captain John Wood's Company of Woods State Corps (1814); became "The Fayette Rifle Corps" (1824) in tribute to General Lafayette; was called the "Pawtucket Light Guard" (1857); became Company F, Second Rhode Island Volunteers (1861); was designated as the "Tower Light Battery" (1864); was redesignated as Company F, Second Battalion, Infantry, R. I. M. (1879); was redesignated

Company H, First Regiment of Infantry, B. R. I. M. (1887).

In 1908 it was converted into a coast artillery company. Nine years later, on July 25, it was called into Federal service for the World War, drafted into the Army August 5, 1917, and redesignated 22nd Company, Narragansett Bay, August 31, 1917. It was demobilized December 21, 1918.

The old Eighth Company, C. A. C., which served during the war as 22nd Company, Narragansett Bay, got the authority to reorganize. It was mustered and given Federal recognition June 16, 1920, as the Eighth Company, C. A. C. In 1921, when the companies were renumbered, it remained the same.

Two more changes brought it up to date, and in 1923 it became Battery H.



LEFT TO RIGHT

First Row

PVT. GERARD O. VALLIERE	PVT. EDWARD JACQUES
PVT. MARTIN R. BLAIS	PVT. DANIAN P. DUFFY
PVT. ANTONIO C. PADULA	PVT. LEONARD C. THEROUX
PVT. LAWRENCE E. MARTIN	PVT. HECTOR L. FONTAINE
PVT. LOUIS A. TOUCHETTE	PVT. JOSEPH J. CAIANIELLO



Second Row

PVT. STANLEY M. KAWA	CAPT. EDWARD L. WALKER
SGT. ARTHUR H. NICHOLLS	LIEUT. ROBERT J. ORTELT
SGT. DONALD R. JOHNSON	SGT. HARRY V. PONTARELLI
SGT. FRANCIS J. CLEARY	SGT. JOSEPH S. ROGOWSKI
SGT. CHARLES W. JOHNSON	SGT. ALFRED A. LEONARD
LIEUT. KENNETH H. TOURVILLE	SGT. NAPOLEAN J. BELISLE

BATTERY I

Third Battalion

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)



Third Row

CORP. JOHN F. VASHEY	CORP. EMERY C. WOOD
CORP. WILLIAM E. FULLER, JR.	CORP. FRANCIS J. MENARD
CORP. GORDON C. JOHNSON	CORP. GERMAIN DION
CORP. MILTON G. JOHNSON	CORP. ANGELO PALAZZO
CORP. JOHN WARREN	CORP. ALFRED H. MICHAUD
CORP. ROLAND J. ST. JEAN	CORP. NORBERT E. TOUCHETTE

Fourth Row

PVT. JOSEPH A. GIRARD	PVT. FRED C. HADFIELD
PVT. HERMAN F. MACDONALD	PVT. ROLAND W. MORIN
PVT. ANGELO A. MARTONE	PVT. EDMOND H. MORIN
PVT. PETER PETRACA	PVT. PETER PETRACA
PVT. RUSSEL E. WHITE	PVT. NORMAND E. BRINDAMOUR
PVT. RICHARD P. O'ROURKE	PVT. JOHN MATTIELLO
PVT. WAITE ALBRO	PVT. CHARLES W. HUDSON

Fifth Row

PVT. ERNEST C. WALKER	PVT. LEO E. PELTIER
PVT. GEORGE PONCELET	PVT. JAMES MCGILL
PVT. JOHN A. LUCIER	PVT. CLIFFORD E. FISH
PVT. LAWRENCE L. LAFLEUR	PVT. HAROLD E. MACNORTON
PVT. PASCO T. GALLUCI	PVT. WILLIAM A. CHAMPLIN
PVT. DONALD E. BATES	PVT. CONRAD A. FALHMAN
PVT. JAMES F. MARTIN	PVT. CONRAD A. MOREL
PVT. ALEXANDER J. CASTALDI	PVT. NORMAN C. GORTON
PVT. CARL A. DAHL	PVT. EMIL R. VANASSE
PVT. CARMINE SENERCHIA	



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BATTERY H

THIRD BATTALION

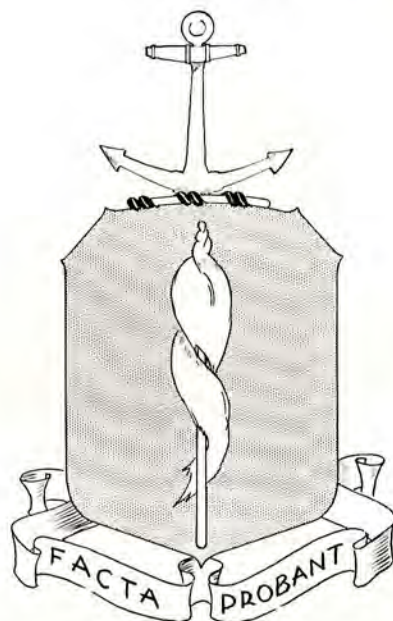
243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD)

PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

1. Range Section.
2. Second Gun Section in Action.
3. Altimeter Section.
4. Communication Section.
5. First Gun Section Loading.
6. Non-Commissioned Officers.



118TH ENGINEERS



The official coat of arms for the 118th Engineers (Combat) consists of a shield showing a white distaff on a red field, the whole surmounting a scroll bearing the motto "Facta Probant" ("Deeds prove us"). The distaff typifies the organization of the first unit of the regiment in Pawtucket, a leading textile city. The colors are those of the Engineers. The crest is the Anchor and Ur prescribed for all Rhode Island units.

Compared with many units of the National Guard and of the United States Army, the 118th Engineers (Combat) is of very recent origin. Its history begins with the organization and Federal recognition of Company A of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, in June, 1926. Also in that year, Companies B and C were organized, and in December, 1926, the War Department authorized the formation of these companies into a battalion and the organization of Battalion Headquarters. Major S. Frank Nolan of Providence was Federally recognized December 8, 1926, and assumed command of the battalion. The present Regimental Band was started at this time by enlisting musicians in Companies B and C and placing them under the present band leader, then Staff Sergeant, Jovite LaBonte, for training.

The battalion trained at Quonset Point, Rhode Island, and at Niantic, Connecticut, during the next two summers. Soon after its return to home stations in 1928, authority was received to expand the battalion to a full regiment. Major Nolan was appointed Regimental Colonel and Lieutenant Colonel Thomas H. Hammond, Coast Artillery, was detailed to assist in its organization.

Units of the Second Battalion were organized and located as follows: Company D, Woonsocket, February 11, 1929; Company E, Providence, January 16, 1929, and Company F, Newport, May 7, 1929. The Medical Department Detachment was recognized March 27, 1929. Many of the additional officers required by the expansion of the battalion to a regiment were obtained by promotion and appointment of men from the ranks. When Colonel Nolan

resigned in March, 1929, Lieutenant Colonel Hammond was promoted to Colonel and assumed command.

To provide for more efficient operation of the regiment, Company C was redesignated Headquarters and Service Company in January, 1930. During the summer, 1930, the regiment participated in the first Divisional Camp of the 43rd Division at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. In April, 1931, Lieutenant Colonel F. Snowden Skinner, Engineer Reserve, formerly Major, Corps of Engineers, was appointed Lieutenant Colonel and assigned as regimental executive.

The organization of the regiment was finally completed by the formation of a new Company C, which was recognized in April, 1936, at Providence. In September, 1936, Colonel Hammond retired with the rank of Brigadier General, and Lieutenant Colonel Skinner was promoted to Colonel and assigned the command.

In its short history, the regiment has twice been mobilized for active duty and on both occasions gave an excellent account of itself. From September 11 to September 22, 1934, it was called for duty during a strike of textile workers in Saylesville and Woonsocket. Following the hurricane and flood which struck the state on September 21, 1938, the regiment was called into active service. All units mobilized rapidly in spite of the fact that communications were almost non-existent and performed valuable services to their local communities during the first night of the storm and the following day. Detachments of the regiment were assigned to stations along the coast on salvage and police operations until the regiment was demobilized Oc-

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F. SNOWDEN SKINNER

Colonel

Commanding 118th Engineers

West Point Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, March, 1910-June, 1914. Was commissioned Second Lieutenant, assigned Company C, First Battalion, Engineers, Washington Barracks, D. C., June, 1914-February, 1915. Commissioned First Lieutenant, assigned Company C, First Battalion, Engineers, Washington Barracks, D. C., February, 1915-October, 1915. Attended Engineers School, Washington Barracks, D. C., October, 1915-January, 1917. Assigned Company Officer, Second Engineers, for service in Mexico and El Paso, Texas, January-June, 1917. Commissioned Captain, assigned Company Commander, Fifth Engineers, for service at El Paso and Corpus Christi, Texas, June-September, 1917. Was Regimental Adjutant with 23rd Engineers at Camp Meade, Maryland, September, 1917-January, 1918. Commissioned Major. Was Battalion Commander, 319th Engineers, at Camp Fremont, California, January-September, 1918. Was second in command, 319th Engineers, enroute to and in France, September-December, 1918. Commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, and placed in charge of construction with Engineers Section, Brest, France, December, 1918-February, 1919. Was Lieutenant Colonel, Office of Section Engineer (road work), Langres, France, February-April, 1919. Office of Section Engineer, Gievres, France, April-July, 1919. Office of Section Engineer, Brest, France, July-October, 1919. Served as Lieutenant Colonel, Captain and Major, Milwaukee (Wis-

consin) Engineers Office, Assistant to District Engineer, November, 1919-March, 1921. Major, District Engineer, Chicago Engineers Office (Milwaukee, Wisconsin), May-June, 1921. Major, District Engineer, Milwaukee (Wisconsin) Engineers Office, June, 1921-September, 1923. Attended Ft. Leavenworth (Kansas) Command and General Staff School, September, 1923-June, 1924. Was named Distinguished Graduate. Was instructor in the Ft. Humphreys (Virginia) Engineers School, June, 1924-September, 1927. Attended Army War College, Washington, D. C., September, 1927-July, 1928. Was District Engineer, Providence Engineer Office, July, 1928-August, 1930. Resigned from the U. S. Army, August, 1930. As Lieutenant Colonel, Engineers, O. R. C., was inactive at Providence, March-April, 1931.

NATIONAL GUARD: Was appointed Lieutenant Colonel, 118th Engineers (Combat), R. I. N. G., and assigned to Headquarters, April 1, 1931. Was extended permanent Federal recognition, April 25, 1931. Appointed Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, N. G. U. S., May 24, 1934. Appointed Colonel, Corps of Engineers, and assigned to command 118th Engineers. Was extended permanent Federal recognition, October 29, 1936. Appointed Colonel, Corps of Engineers, N. G. U. S., December 18, 1936. Detailed Aide-de-Camp on Staff of Commander-in-Chief (Governor William H. Vanderbilt), January 3, 1939.



FRANCIS A. LENNON
Captain
Plans and Training Officer



EDWARD P. CLARK
Captain
Adjutant



ROBERT B. STRONG
Captain
Headquarters and Service Company

OFFICERS, STAFF AND REGIMENTAL UNITS

118th Engineers

ARTHUR F. JENNINGS
First Lieutenant
Chaplain



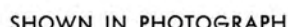
ROBERT T. FOX
First Lieutenant
Headquarters and Service Company



GEORGE UDELL
Second Lieutenant
Headquarters and Service Company



118TH ENGINEERS
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



THIRD ROW: H. W. LaBonte, E. LeClair, J. J. Perera, C. A. Cash, A. Saccoccia, J. F. Mulligan, J. B. Christoph, Jr., H. H. Godin.

<i>Captain</i>	ROBERT B. STRONG
<i>First Lieutenant</i>	ROBERT T. FOX
<i>Second Lieutenant</i>	GEORGE UDELI

<i>Master Sergeant</i>	JAMES J. KANE
<i>Master Sergeant</i>	JOSEPH L. LAVALLEE
<i>Master Sergeant</i>	LLOYD W. MYER
<i>First Sergeant</i>	HENRY W. CORNELL
<i>Technical Sergeant</i>	EDWARD J. BRACEY, JR.
<i>Technical Sergeant</i>	JOHN F. FAY
<i>Staff Sergeant</i>	ANDREW P. MELCHER
<i>Staff Sergeant</i>	GEORGE F. SULLIVAN

MORAN, THOMAS W.	HERON, ALBERT N.
CHARBONEAU, WALTER A.	MCGLINCHY, JOHN E.
GARDNER, MILTON T.	SKIPP, HERBERT M.
TRUNDY, HARRY E.	

ALMY, BENJAMIN F., JR.	LECLAIR, GERARD G.
CIPOLLA, ROLAND H.	RUSCITO, ANGELO M.
DAILEY, WILLIAM G.	WILSON, GEORGE W.

ADAMS, SUMNER C.	GCBELLE, WILFRED J.
BOYAJIAN, BURGESS O.	GOODWIN, WILLIAM G.
COOMBS, ALBERT W.	GREENHALGH, R. G.
GLASBERG, SEYMOUR W.	RONZIO, JOSEPH R.

BELTRAMI, ALBINO L.
BONENFANT, LEO A.
BOYD, WILLIAM H.
CASH, CHARLES A.
CHRISTOPH, JOS. B., JR.
DeFUSCO, ALBERT
DeFUSCO, CARMINE
ERICE, LORENZO
EGAN, LAWRENCE J.
FAGAN, JOSEPH R.
FERRIERA, ALLINO
FITZROY, ROLAND H.
FRIGON, GERARD T.
GALESHAW, FRANCIS T.
BEARY, WILLIAM B.
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GODIN, HENRY H.
GRISWOLD, EDMUND H.
HAMEL, RAYMOND N.
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LABONTE, HENRY W.
LECLAIR, ERNEST
LAPAGE, AIME A. J.
LEFEVRE, ARTHUR R.





PRIVATES

LINDELL, GEORGE J.
MALPINO, ANGELO
MARSHALLIS, LOUIS
MARTEL, PHILLIP J.
MONAHAN, FRANK A.
MORRIS, EDWARD D.
MULLIGAN, JAMES F.
PALMER, FORREST B.
PERERA, JOSEPH J.
ROUSSEL, LEO P.

RUGGIERI, LOUIS
SACCOCIA, ANTHONY
SIMONI, OLINDO W. A.
TETREAUULT, GEORGE L.
THERRIEU, HENRY J. G.
TINGLEY, STEPHEN I.
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SECOND ROW: L. P. Roussel, L. Ruggieri, W. G. Goodwin, S. C. Adams, A. A. E. Westberg, B. F. Almy, Jr., F. B. Palmer, A. M. Ruscito, A. W. Coombs.

THIRD ROW: A. R. Lefebvre, B. O. Boyajian, Stephen I. Tingley, J. A. Traverse, F. S. Whiting, S. W. Glasberg, F. A. Monahan, G. L. Lindell, J. R. Fagan, E. E. Kimbark, Jr.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Headquarters and Service Company, 118th Engineers (Combat), was originally organized and Federally recognized as Company C, 118th Engineers, in March, 1927. The unit received its present designation in January, 1930. Its first field training as a Headquarters and Service Company was in August, 1930, when the 118th Engineers participated in the divisional camp of the 43rd Division at Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

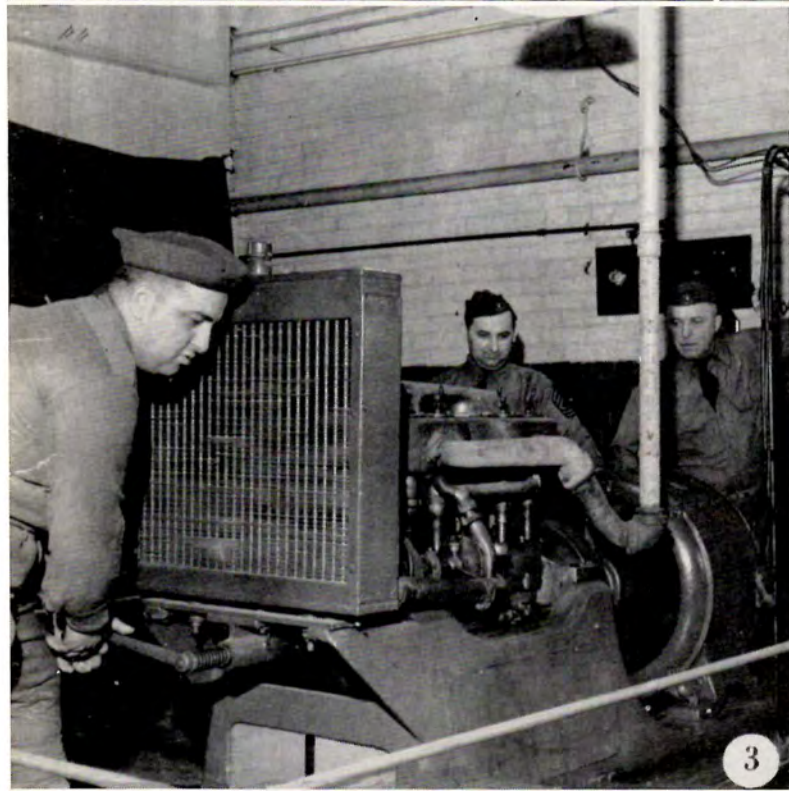
During the textile strike of 1934 in Saylesville and Woonsocket, Rhode Island, this company served for 10 days following the mobilization of the regiment. Upon completion of the duty, the company was commended highly by the Regimental Commander for the excellent way in which the unit functioned.

The next time the company was called upon to show what it really could do and how well it could function under trying conditions was its attendance, with the rest

of the regiment, at the First Army maneuvers at Pine Camp, New York, in 1935. The company came through this real experience with flying colors, being praised from all sides for the excellent way in which it handled all situations as they arose.

When a hurricane and flood hit Providence and the southern part of Rhode Island on September 21, 1938, the company was called out to assist the civil authorities in the protection of property and the rehabilitation of the citizens whose homes had been destroyed. It served for 11 days on this duty.

At the First Army maneuvers, Plattsburg, New York, 1939, the company was called upon to operate the Division Water Point, Division Electric Lighting System, Division Map Reproduction, Division Motor Pool, Division Engineer Supply and its own regimental supply. The company received a Division citation for the excellent manner in which all details were executed.



HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY

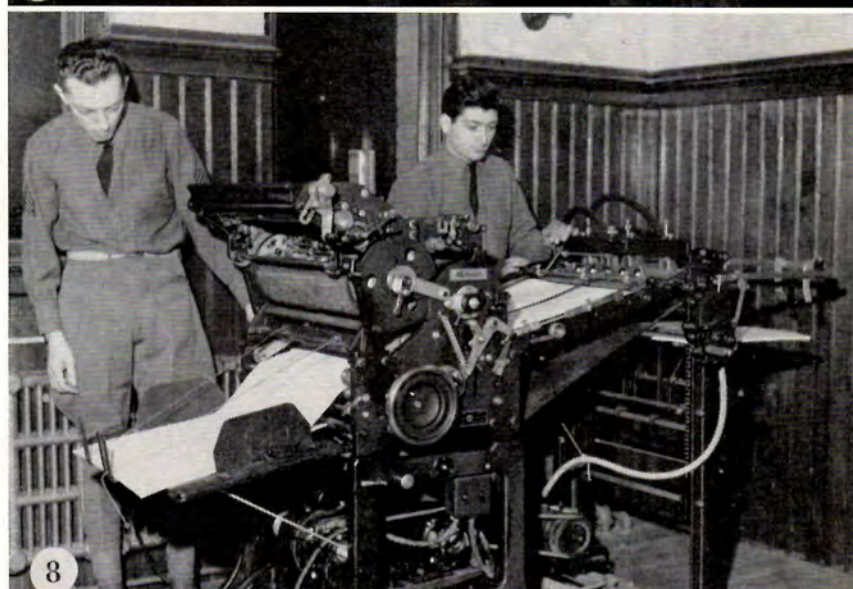
BAND

118th Engineers

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



1. Regimental Supply Room Headquarters and Service Company.
2. Transportation and Drivers, Headquarters and Service Company.
3. Generator, Headquarters and Service Company.
4. Clarinet Section, Band.
5. Water Supply Equipment, Headquarters and Service Company.
6. Non-Commissioned Officers, Band.
7. Trumpet Section, Band.
8. Multilith Machine, Headquarters and Service Company.
9. Heavy Section, Band.
10. Non-Commissioned Officers, Headquarters and Service Company.





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THIRD ROW: F. R. Pereira, E. S. M. Mitchell, W. G. Mitchell, Jr., M. A. Spaziano, J. Hughes, Jr.



JOVITE LA BONTE
Warrant Officer

BAND

118TH ENGINEERS, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Warrant Officer JOVITE LA BONTE

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR DE CESARE

SERGEANTS

AUGUST, JOSEPH A. PEREIRA, FRANK R.
HOGUE, RENE J. P.

CORPORALS

LA BONTE, JOHN H. LABOSSIERE, EMERY A.
BELISLE, THEODORE POIRIER, RUSSELL L.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BROWNELL, THOMAS S. MIGNANELLI, MANUEL
GOLATO, NICOLA O. RUGGIERI, JOHN
SPAZIANO, MARIO A.

PRIVATES

ABRUZZESE, ANTHONY J. NICHOLS, CLYDE A.
DESIDERATO, CALISTO NICHOLS, THOMAS F.
HALLAM, ROBERT S. PELOSI, JOHN
HUGHES, JOHN, JR. SIRAGO, FRANK P.
MITCHELL, EDWARD S. M. TORELLI, FREDERICK J.
MITCHELL, WM. G., JR. WADDINGTON, JOHN

FACTUAL HISTORY

Formerly serving as the Band Section, Headquarters and Service Company, 118th Engineers (Combat), this unit became a distinct organization and was redesignated Band, 118th Engineers (Combat), on May 15, 1940. Until this date, it had served as part of Headquarters and Service Company, 118th Engineers.



CHARLES H. GANNON
Major, M. C.



GEORGE O. VEZINA
Captain, D. C.



GEORGE A. KEEGAN
First Lieutenant, M. C.



MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT

118th Engineers

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates
First Class.



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THIRD ROW: F. E. Bunting, A. P. Courtemanche, J. M. Andrews, Jr., E. A. Cote, V. C. Benson.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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Staff Sergeant ANTHONY R. PARKINSON

SERGEANTS

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PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BRIGGS, NORMAN E. DUVAL, LEO A.
TROTTER, ARCHILLE E.

PRIVATES

ANDREWS, JOHN M., JR.	COTE, EUGENE A.
BASSETT, GERARD H.	DAVIS, FRANK E.
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BUNTING, FRANK E.	PENNEY, FRANK L.
COURTEMANCHE, A. P.	RAPPENNO, FREDERICK D.
	ROSENFELD, HERBERT E.

FACTUAL HISTORY

First organized March 27, 1929, under the command of Major Charles H. Gannon, the Medical Department Detachment, 118th Engineers, consisted of a Major, M. C., a Captain, M. C., a Captain, D. C., and 20 enlisted men.

The detachment was called upon by the Governor of Rhode Island for duty during the hurricane disaster of September 21, 1938. This service lasted for three weeks, and the officers and men performed duty where needed throughout the state, administering first aid and giving inoculations.

In 1938, the Adjutant General Trophy for the Medical Detachment with the highest percentage of attendance in the state was awarded to this detachment. The guidon banner for the cleanest specialist area at camp was won by this detachment in 1936, 1937 and 1938.



MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT

118TH ENGINEERS, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



FRANK O. LIND
Major, Commanding



JOHN M. MCGREEVY
Captain, Company A



HAROLD T. HIMEON
Captain, Company B



LUTHER F. COBB, JR.
Captain, Company C



CHARLES K. WARNER
First Lieutenant, Headquarters



EARL R. REYNOLDS
First Lieutenant, Company A



ANTONIO CAMARDO
First Lieutenant, Company B



LEROY M. GLODELL, JR.
First Lieutenant, Company C



WILFRED J. BOUDREAU
Second Lieutenant, Company A



PERCY E. TUCKER
Second Lieutenant, Company B



ARMANDO SPADETTI
Second Lieutenant, Company C



Officers
FIRST BATTALION
118TH ENGINEERS

COMPANY A

First Battalion

118TH ENGINEERS
PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND



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SECOND ROW: J. A. Daley, C. R. Parent, H. G. Marcoux, W. D. Love, P. Mulligan, L. W. Abrams, K. L. Bachand, S. E. Shea, F. L. Parker.

THIRD ROW: N. Oldrid, D. F. Hoey, W. J. Parent, R. A. Stempien, J. L. Collinson, H. A. Brodeur, H. S. Booker, L. Hunt, J. T. Grant, R. A. Masse.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JOHN M. MCGREEVY
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BATTISON, THOMAS
BOOTH, FRED
JABOTTE, ROMEO J.
PRATT, ALFRED L.
MAJOR, JAMES E.
MILLIGAN, ALVA R.
PHILLIPS, MELBOURNE S.

CORPORALS

ERRINGTON, WALTER H.
LEONARD, EDWARD L.
LAMBERT, HENRY
ROCHEFORD, ANDREW D.
LAMBERT, VICTOR A. J.
MARSH, ARLAND D., JR.
MILLAR, EARL J.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ABRAMS, LAWERENCE W.
BILODEAU, ROGER W.
BOOKER, HENRY S.
BRODEUR, HERMAN A.
COLLINSON, JOHN L.
CASWELL, HOMER S.
CORMIER, CECIL J.
DALEY, JOSEPH A.
DRAPE, RUSSELL F.
DUNN, CHARLES V.
FOLAN, MARTIN J.
GAUVIN, DAVID R.
KANE, JOHN R.
MASSE, RENE A.
PARENT, CALIXTE R.
PARENT, WILLIAM J.
ROBILLARD, LEO E.
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STEMPIEN, RAYMOND A.
THOMAS, EDWARD S.

PRIVATES

ALLARD, ALBERT J.
BACHAND, KENNETH L.
BEDARD, RENE
BEDNARSKI, STANLEY
COTTON, WILLIAM C.
CURRY, PHILIP J.
DALEY, JOSEPH A.
FOLAN, MARTIN J.
GAUTHIER, WILFRED J.
GRANT, JOSEPH T.





PRIVATES

GRUNDY, RAYMOND F.	MONASTESSE, LEO W.
HERVIEUX, HENRY E.	MULLIGAN, MALACHI F.
HOEY, DAVID F.	OLDRID, NORMAN
HUNT, LEONARD	PARKER, FRANCIS L.
KINDER, WILLIAM F.	ROULLIER, LOUIS A., JR.
KRIEGER, RICHARD H.	SHEA, SAMUEL E.
LOVE, WILLIAM D.	SUROWIEC, ADOLF
MARCOUX, HENRY G.	SURLEY, JOHN S.
MATHURIN, LEO A.	TEMPLE, GEORGE F.
MICHALISKI, STANLEY, JR.	WALLACE, WILLIAM J.
WILSON, CHARLES F.	

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THIRD ROW: J. St. Germain, W. F. Kinder, W. C. Cotton, S. Bednarski, G. F. Temple, A. Surowiec, G. R. Gauvin, E. S. Thomas, C. F. Wilson, M. J. Folan.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Organized in the early summer of 1926, Company A, 118th Engineers, was Federally recognized June 23 of that year. The unit was recruited and organized by Captain Henry E. Connors, who commanded the 15th Company, C. A. C., at the outbreak of the World War. He was assisted by First Lieutenant George W. Huntley and Second Lieutenant George P. Nickerson. On March 14, 1929, when Captain Connors was promoted to Major, Lieutenant Nickerson was promoted to Captain and assumed command of the unit.

Under Captain Nickerson's command, the unit served on riot duty in Woonsocket in the fall of 1934 and took part in the First Army Maneuvers, Pine Camp, New York, 1935. Captain Nickerson was promoted to Major in 1936 and Captain John M. McGreevy as-

sumed command on September 25, 1936. Captain McGreevy and First Lieutenant Reynolds both served as enlisted men in the company.

Mobilized on the night of the hurricane in 1938, the unit was assigned to the Westerly area for the duration of the emergency. The company took part in the First Army maneuvers, Plattsburg, New York, 1939, and received both Division and Corps citations. When the company was rated "Superior" by the Federal inspector in 1940, it became the only unit in the regiment so honored.

Always rated high in rifle marksmanship, the company reached the peak in 1938 and 1939, winning the National Trophy and the First National Defense (DuPont) Trophy both years.

The non-commissioned officers have all been with the company for a long time. First Sergeant Mulligan has been with the outfit since its organization.

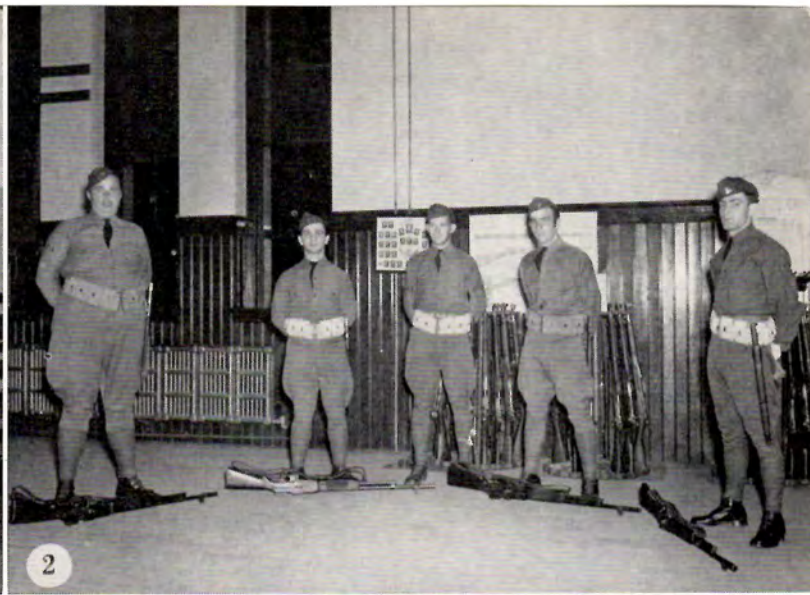


COMPANY A
FIRST BATTALION
118TH ENGINEERS
PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

1. Non-Commissioned Officers.
2. Rifle Marksmanship.
3. Blacksmith Instruction.
4. Knots and Lashings.
5. Carpenters.
6. Rigging.



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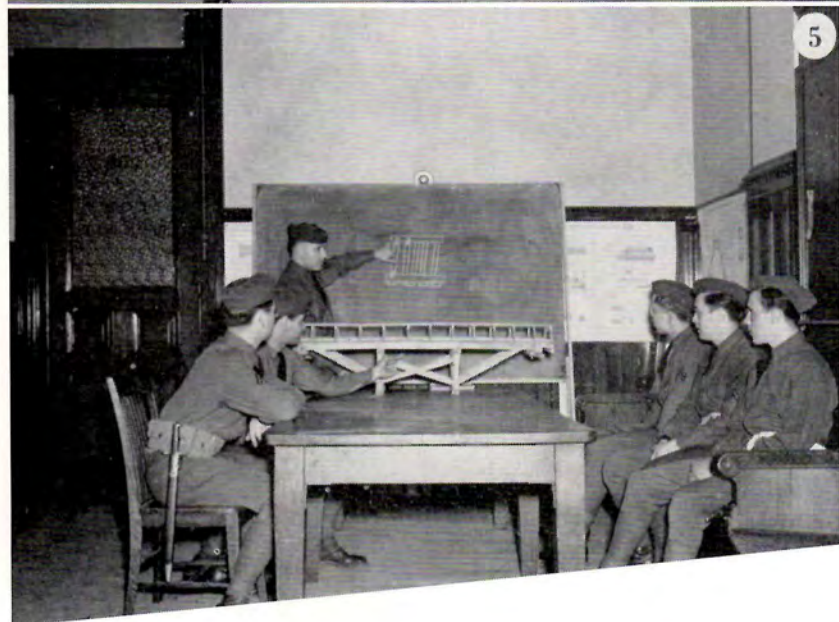
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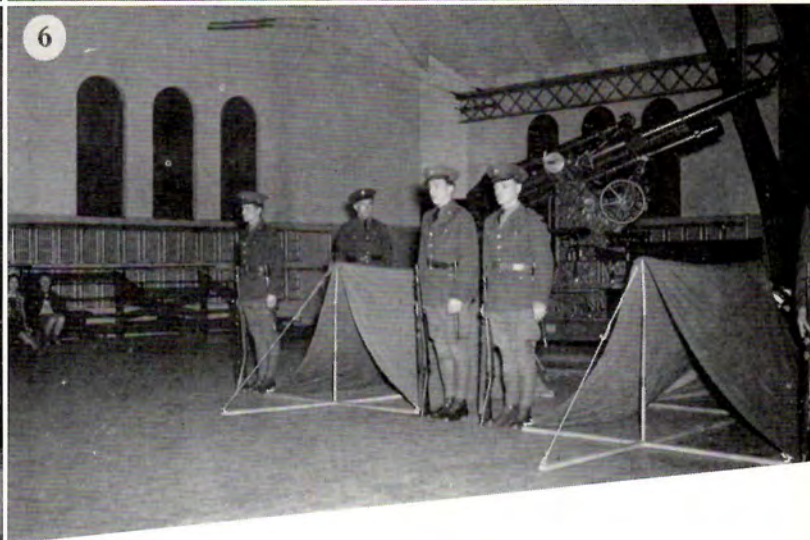
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1. Non-Commissioned Officers.
2. Automatic Rifle Group.
3. Cooks and Mess Sergeant.
4. Rifle and Pistol Team.
5. Engineering Class.
6. Tent Pitching.

C O M P A N Y B
FIRST BATTALION
118TH ENGINEERS
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMPANY B

First Battalion

118TH ENGINEERS
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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SECOND ROW: A. J. Mangiantine, J. E. McGirl, L. E. Fredette, W. P. Ward, Jr., R. L. Balmforth, E. T. Marianetti, W. F. Sousa, F. E. Mercier.

THIRD ROW: C. F. Neri, A. Parisi, J. T. McDermott, A. E. Hockenhuill, H. E. Williams, W. H. Landrie, Jr., C. L. Thackeray, C. J. Thomas.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain HAROLD T. HIMEON
First Lieutenant ANTONIO CAMARDO
Second Lieutenant PERCY E. TUCKER

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant HAROLD G. FLETCHER
Staff Sergeant JAMES J. BAXTER
Staff Sergeant ALBERT F. TAYLOR

SERGEANTS

BERNARD, ALBERT J.	HAMEL, WILFRED T.
COTY, HENRY E.	JOHNSON, GUSTAF A.
GENDREAU, ERNEST E. J.	MOORE, ARTHUR R.

CORPORALS

CONNAUGHTON, EUGENE F.	HARTLEY, STEWART L.
EMOND, LOUIS C., JR.	KWIATKOWSKI, THEODORA
FOSS, LAURISTON A.	SWAIN, KENNETH F.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALBERIGO, LOUIS J.	MCDERMOTT, JOHN T.
AIELLO, PATSY	NICHOLLS, CHARLES
FREDETTE, LIONEL E.	NIGHTINGALE, CLARENCE
HOCKENHULL, ALBERT E.	ONORATO, JOSEPH L.
HOLLIS, HAROLD E., JR.	PICKERING, EDWARD H.
HOPKINS, ALAN C.	SIMMONS, ROBERT V.
KOBERNICK, WILLIAM Y.	SOUSA, WILLIAM F.
MASTROFINE, DESMOND D.	WARD, WILLIAM P., JR.
	WILLIAMS, HAROLD E.

PRIVATES

AIELLO, JOSEPH	CHARLTON, RALPH E.
ALLEN, JOHN G.	DENONCOUR, ERNEST J.
BALMFORTH, ROBERT L.	DENONCOUR, RAYMOND J.
BRADY, CHARLES L.	DESANTIS, EARL J.
CALVITTO, VINCENT	EVON, DONALD C.





PRIVATES

FALLENS, STANLEY L.	MARIANETTI, ENIO T.
FLYNN, RAYMOND F.	MCGILL, JAMES E.
HAMEL, NORMAN F.	MERCIER, FRANCIS E.
HOARD, WILLIAM E., JR.	NERI, CHRISTOPHER F.
JACQUES, FERDINAND S., JR.	PARISI, ANTHONY
LANDRIE, WILLIAM H., JR.	PETRUCCI, LEO C.
LIZOTTE, LEO R.	PERSON, JOHN A.
MACDONALD, WM. S., JR.	SAURINA, JOSEPH
MALLETTE, JAMES E.	THACKERAY, CHARLES L.
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ZANNI, ANTONIO	

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SECOND ROW: D. D. Mastrofine, R. J. DeNoncour, E. J. DeNoncour, R. E. Charlton, C. Nicholls, W. S. MacDonald, Jr., C. L. Brady, R. V. Simmons.

THIRD ROW: H. E. Hollis, Jr., A. C. Hopkins, P. Aiello, S. L. Fallens, J. E. Mallette, E. J. DeSantis, J. G. Allen, L. R. Lizotte.

FACTUAL HISTORY

The first engineer company organized in Providence and always among the first in all its missions, Company B, 118th Engineers, was Federally recognized September 29, 1926. It has given to the commissioned personnel of the regiment 10 of its members, five of whom are still active.

Among the unit's permanent trophies are the following: V. F. W. and A. L. Trophy, won in competitive drill with Company E, 118th Engineers, 1929; Colonel Hammond Proficiency Cup, 1930; Plaque won in competitive drill with Company A, 118th Engineers, 1931; Camp Track Meet Trophy, 1933, 1934, 1936, and Engineer Trophy, 1934, 1937. Among the non-permanent trophies the unit has won are the following: The

Remington Trophy and the Second National Defense Trophy.

The outfit served 13 days during the textile strike at Saylesville and Woonsocket, Rhode Island, rendering meritorious work in the usual engineer tasks. At the call for duty during the hurricane of 1938, it was again the first troops to move and report for service in the hard hit downtown Providence section. After two days in the area, it was moved to Oakland Beach for duty with the civil authorities to protect property and conduct searches for missing persons. This was one of the most demolished areas. This tour of duty lasted 11 days.

The organization has both a pistol and rifle club, whose members hold many medals and cups. For many years, it has had representation on the Camp Perry Team. It had several members in the drill company representing Rhode Island at the World's Fair in New York, 1939.



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THIRD ROW: C. Derosa, S. Spicuzza, R. Germani, V. Colello, P. N. Mastifino, Jr., J. Labriole, J. Maiorono, J. W. McCann, J. Silipini.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain LUTHER F. COBB, JR.
First Lieutenant LEROY M. GLODELL
Second Lieutenant ARMANDO SPADETTI

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant THOMAS G. CARAMANTE
Staff Sergeant HENRY P. COURTEMANCHE
Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. HEALEY
Staff Sergeant CHRISTOPHER TOTOLO

SERGEANTS

BUTTERWORTH, JOHN T.	LEPORACCI, MATTHEW
CIMINO, FRANK	MAGGI, RAYMOND V.
DESIDERATO, JERRY	PERRY, JOHN F.
KUHN, NICHOLAS, J.	PERRY, WILLIAM A.

CORPORALS

COTRONEO, SALVATORE T.	SPAULDING, NORBERT V.
MARSOCCHI, HORACE J.	TURILLI, MICHAEL A.
PATRONE, EMANUEL E.	VIETRI, ALBERT I.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALBA, WILLIAM	LABRIOLE, JOHN
BERUBE, HENRY J.	MCCANN, JOSEPH W.
CESINO, PASQUALE	NOTARDONATO, PHILIP
DEROSA, CARLO	PALAZZO, AMADEO A.
FENTON, ROBERT J.	RICCITELLI, WM. R., JR.
GRIMALDI, ALEC	SPETRINI, MICHAEL
SWAN, ROBERT G.	

PRIVATES

ALLEN, CLIFFORD P., JR.	COLELLO, VINCENT
BELLUSCIO, VINCENZO	D'ATTILIO, WILLIAM R.
CARLEY, FREDERICK B., JR.	DECORPE, DOMONECO

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COMPANY C

First Battalion

118TH ENGINEERS, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES

DeStefano, John	MAIORONO, JOSEPH
DiGiacomo, Albert	MANZO, JAMES V.
FEMINO, ALFRED	MARTIN, TINY
GAUTIERI, SHERMAN A.	MASTIFINO, PASCO N., JR.
GERMANI, RAYMOND	PETERS, JAMES G.
GLASBERG, IRVING	PINTO, FRANK D.
GUGLIELMI, BERNADO	RUDDERHAM, FRANCIS F.
JACKVONY, MICHAEL	SACCHETTI, LUIGI
JOHNSON, JOHN F.	SILIPINI, JOSEPH
KENT, RICHARD E.	SPICUZZ, SALVATORE
LABRIE, ROLAND J.	STRADONE, GUIDO
LABRIOLE, FRANK T.	SWEET, MILTON H.
LIFSCHITZ, EUGENE J.	TRAGAR, GERALD
TROMBLEY, MANUEL	

FACTUAL HISTORY

Company C, 118th Engineers, was organized at Providence in March, 1936, and Federally recognized April 8, 1936, under the command of First Lieutenant (later promoted to Captain) John M. McGreevy, who was succeeded in October, 1936, by the present commander, Captain Luther F. Cobb, Jr.

Following the hurricane of September 21, 1938, this unit was one of the first to go on duty in the devastated business district of Providence. In the afternoon of the following day, the unit was ordered to proceed to Conimicut to prevent looting and to perform engineer duties in connection with rescue work. This tour of duty lasted 11 days.

The First Army maneuvers, 1939, gave the company an excellent opportunity to demonstrate its full capabilities. A Certificate of Commendation was presented the company by Major General Morris B. Payne, Commander, First Army Corps. The citation reads in part as follows: "For untiring and highly efficient performance of duty by its

personnel during the entire period of the First Army Maneuvers, 1939. The officers and men of Company C merit especial commendation for the excellent way in which they executed the preparation of approaches and the construction of the pontoon bridge over the Saranac River, for the 43rd Division, during the night 23-24 August, 1939, and for their willing and cheerful work at night under difficult circumstances. The efficient performance of the above duties of Company C, 118th Engineers, contributed greatly to the success of the Division Problem and reflects great credit to this organization."

During the past two years, two enlisted men have qualified for Second Lieutenant commissions. For the past three years, the outfit has been rated "Excellent" at Federal inspection. The unit has won the Remington Trophy, 1937; Regimental Tactical Trophy, 1937; Regimental Kitchen Trophy, 1937-38-39; Regimental Baseball Championship, 1937-38; Regimental Track Championship, 1937-38; Regimental Athletic Trophy, 1938. A member of the unit won the Adjutant General's Trophy for Rifle Marksmanship in 1937 and 1939. The company motto is: "Show the Way."

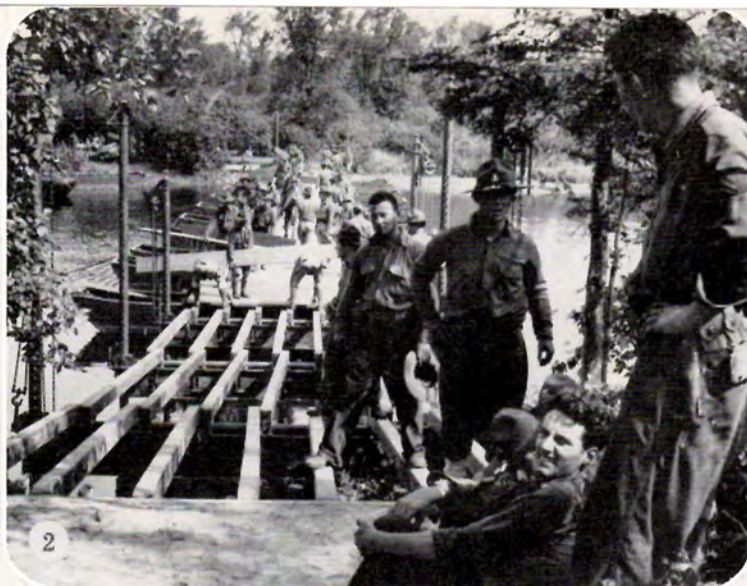
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COMPANY C

FIRST BATTALION

118TH ENGINEERS

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Non-Commissioned Officers.
2. Pontoon Bridge Construction.
3. Engineer Tool Room.
4. Truck Drivers.
5. Automatic Riflemen.
6. Bayonet Group.



GEORGE P. NICKERSON
Major, Commanding



NORTON J. OSBORN
Captain, Company D



LEWIS H. HAMMOND
Captain, Company E



RICHARD F. DUGAN
Captain, Company F

OFFICERS, SECOND BATTALION 118TH ENGINEERS



PRESTON M. BEAUREGARD
First Lieutenant, Adjutant



JOHN J. SULLIVAN
First Lieutenant, Company E



RICHARD L. SAILLANT
First Lieutenant
Company D



DONALD R. WILSON
Second Lieutenant, Company D

JOHN F. HEALEY
Second Lieutenant, Company E

JOSEPH L. SULLIVAN
Second Lieutenant, Company F



PRIVATES

HURTEAU, GEORGE O.
LARUE, ELMER M.
LECLAIR, ADRIEN R.
LECLAIR, HERBERT R.
LECLERC, GERALD L.
LEDUC, OMER A.
LEFEBVRE, ADELARD J.
MAHER, JAMES F.
MAKOLANDRA, JOSEPH P.
MAKOLANDRA, WALTER B.
MASSE, MAURICE A.
MILLER, EMILE
MURON, WILFRED J.
PACHECO, LUCIEN F.

PARENTEAU, GEORGE E.
REMILLARD, NORMAND L.
RENAUD, ARTHUR H.
ROBEY, THOMAS
ROUSSEAU, ALBERT J.
ROY, OSCAR
RUTKA, WALTER
SEVIGNA, LIONEL A.
SHUNNEY, JOHN J.
SIMARD, ALFRED A.
STEPHENS, JOHN K.
ST. PIERRE, ADELARD A.
THATCHER, GEORGE F.
THERIEN, WALTER G.

FACTUAL HISTORY

With the expansion of the 118th Engineers came the organization and Federal recognition of Company D in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, on February 11, 1929. Of those members sworn in at that time, the following six are still on the rolls: Second Lieutenant Donald R. Wilson, First Sergeant Nelson W. Martineau, Staff Sergeant Edgar A. Martineau, Staff Sergeant Douglas M. Brand, Sergeant William J. Hopkins and Sergeant Arthur N. Dupuis.

Company D conducted itself admirably during the textile riot duty of September, 1934, even though it was called out to quell a domestic disturbance at its home station. When it was again called out on guard duty after the hurricane of September, 1938, 42 members of the company, realizing their duty, reported at the armory before any assembly notice was given out. The next 14 days proved to be the hardest task yet to be performed. The assignments given to this company took it from Woonsocket to Provi-

dence, Newport, Tiverton, Bristol and Portsmouth, the last four days being spent on patrol duty from Newport over the Mount Hope Bridge and up the Bay as far as East Providence, a distance of approximately 40 miles.

At the First Army maneuvers, Pine Camp, New York, 1935, special commendation was received from Lieutenant Colonel Dowler, the Federal Inspector, for excellent conduct in the field, especially for the engineering performed in connection with advance guard problems.

In addition to its military proficiency, the athletic and rifle teams have always been outstanding in this company. It won the Regimental Baseball Championship three years, the Basketball Championship two years, the Adjutant General's Indoor Rifle Team Championship in 1940, and the Chief of Militia Bureau's Indoor Rifle Team Match, 1930. In 1939, Sergeant Edward F. Pacheco won the Rhode Island Citizens Military Rifle Championship on the outdoor range at Rumford.

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SECOND ROW: H. L. Gabriel, J. P. Makolandra, A. W. Glaude, O. A. Leduc, E. M. LaRue, A. R. LeClair, R. L. Galipeau, R. L. Chevrete, E. Miller, A. H. Renaud.

THIRD ROW: A. A. St. Pierre, E. A. Bessette, A. J. Belrose, G. F. Thatcher, W. J. Muron, A. J. Lefebvre, A. F. Clark, F. Godin, D. A. Arsenault, B. R. Ravenelle, L. J. Braconnier.





COMPANY D

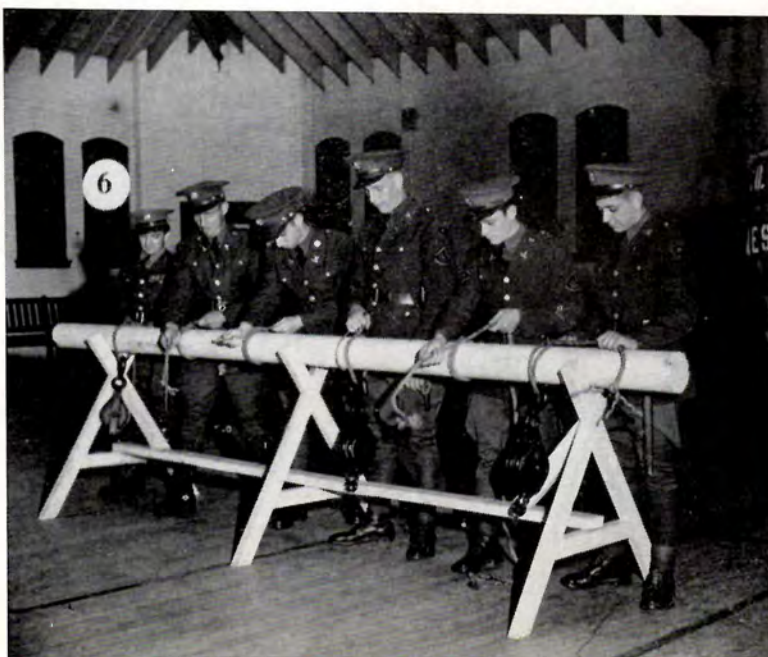
SECOND BATTALION

118TH ENGINEERS

WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND



1. Instructions on Bayonet.
2. Non-Commissioned Officers.
3. Supply Room.
4. Machine Shop.
5. Demolition.
6. Rigging.



COMPANY E

SECOND BATTALION

118TH ENGINEERS

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



1. Truck Drivers.
2. Knot and Lashing Instructions.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Rifle Marksmanship Group.
5. Engineers' Tool Section.



COMPANY E

Second Battalion

118TH ENGINEERS
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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SECOND ROW: P. A. Harrop, E. P. Tubman, C. W. Johnson, H. B. Webster, R. L. Bemont, E. P. Thompson, P. C. Larrow, A. Nicholls, P. Siravo.

THIRD ROW: R. A. Limoges, M. DeFebio, P. D. Rea, R. P. Harvey, A. F. DeSimone, H. W. Kirk, A. E. Bright, H. W. Giroux, L. E. Martin.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain LEWIS H. HAMMOND
First Lieutenant JOHN J. SULLIVAN
Second Lieutenant JOHN F. HEALEY

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant JOSEPH ANDRADE
Staff Sergeant PASCO SIRAVO
Staff Sergeant HOWARD B. WEBSTER

SERGEANTS

HARROP, PAUL A. PANNETON, CHARLES E.
JOHNSON, CHARLES W. TETU, ROBERT G.
MCCAUGHEY, JOHN H. THOMPSON, EDMUND P.

CORPORALS

COONEY, JOSEPH LARROW, PHILIP C.
GOLATO, ALFRED NICHOLLS, ARTHUR
HANDY, JOSEPH L. TUBMAN, EDWARD P.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALBA, MICHAEL, JR. HASKINS, WILLIAM E.
BANNON, EDWARD J. JOHNSON, GORDON C.
BLANEY, HAROLD E. JOHNSON, MILTON C.
CARBONE, ARTHUR L. MCGANNON, HAROLD J.
DEFEBIO, MICHAEL PARKER, JAMES D.
FITZROY, GEORGE STUDLEY, ANDREW

PRIVATES

ANDREWS, HARRY R. EGAN, LAWRENCE J.
ANTHONY, HERBERT E. FLOOD, CARL A., JR.
ANTHONY, RAYMOND H. GAGNON, HAROLD A.
BEMONT, RICHARD L. GEARY, WILLIAM B.
BLAKE, JOHN H., JR. GIROUX, HENRY W.
BRIGHT, ALLEN E. GIROUX, JOSEPH L.
BULLOCK, OMES A. HARVEY, RUSSELL P.
BURNS, ROBERT E., JR. HERON, ARMAND
CASEY, JAMES P. KIRK, HENRY W.
DESIMONE, ALFRED F. LEBLANC, OVILA E.
DIPALMA, PETER LIMOGES, RICHARD A.





PRIVATES

LITTLEFIELD, RUSSELL J.
LYNCH, JOHN J.
MALLORY, WILLIAM E.
MARTIN, LAWRENCE E.
MCGRADY, ROBERT T.
MITCHELL, ERNEST L.
MORRISSETTE, L. W.
PAQUETTE, GEORGE A.
PARKER, GEORGE A.
PERTUSO, FRANK

REA, PHILIP
ROBLEY, FREDERICK A.
RUSSELL, R. E.
SALZILLO, VINCENT J.
SANSONE, RALPH A.
TOPP, LEONARD M.
TURMAN, PHILIP E.
VALLENTE, VINCENT
WICKSTROM, WILLIAM R.
ZUCHERO, JAMES J.

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THIRD ROW: E. J. Bannon, H. R. Andrews, G. A. Parker, G. A. Paquette, E. L. Mitchell, R. E. Russell, R. E. Burns, Jr., J. J. Lynch.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Federally recognized on January 16, 1929, as part of the Second Battalion, 118th Engineers, Company E then included mostly men from two sections of the state: Georgiaville and Bristol. It was commanded by Captain Henry A. Walsh.

It took part in the 43rd Division encampment at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, in 1930, and as part of the regiment, it saw service during the textile strikes in Saylesville and Woonsocket, Rhode Island, in September, 1934. During the First Army maneuvers, Pine Camp, New York, 1935, it completed many various assignments allotted to Engineers during large scale activities.

During its active duty following the hurricane of 1938, it saw service in downtown Providence, as well as at Narragansett and Charlestown Beach, Rhode Island, and at the latter location assisted in the recovery of many bodies lost along the ocean-front.

For its services in the First Army maneuvers, Plattsburg,

New York, 1939, it received the following Corps Commendation:

"Company E, 118th Engineers (Combat), 43rd Division, Rhode Island National Guard. For untiring and highly efficient performance of duty by its personnel during the entire period of the First Army Maneuvers, 1939. The officers and men of Company E merit especial commendation for the excellent way in which they executed the preparation of approaches and the construction of the pontoon bridge over the Saranac River, for the 43rd Division, during the night 23-24 August, 1939, and for their willing and cheerful work at night under difficult circumstances. The efficient performance of the above duties of Company E, 118th Engineers, contributed greatly to the success of the Division Problem and reflects great credit to this organization." Other honors won by the unit include: Competitive Drill Trophy, 1930-32; Cleanest Area Ribbons, Second Battalion, 1933-34-35; Cleanest Kitchen Trophy, 1933-34-35-36; Regimental Baseball Championship, 1932, and Regimental Tactical Trophy, 1938.

COMPANY F

Second Battalion

118TH ENGINEERS
NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND



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SECOND ROW: C. J. Carpetas, G. P. Silvia, C. A. Grinnell, F. J. Brawner, J. R. Manville, S. Pavlines, S. J. Brawner, Jr., G. E. Romaine, R. C. Peckham, H. A. Vieira, G. M. Botelho.

THIRD ROW: E. R. Robinson, Jr., J. J. Andrews, H. A. McDonald, Jr., A. Botelho, G. Raspotnik, A. B. Negus, C. W. Roberts, F. Ridder, W. C. Smith, A. H. Kelly, J. R. Sullivan, E. S. LaPierre.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain RICHARD F. DUGAN
Second Lieutenant JOSEPH L. SULLIVAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant WILLIAM R. HARKIN
Staff Sergeant MARTIN J. FOLEY
Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. RUSSO

SERGEANTS

BOILEAU, ARTHUR D. FLETCHER, BENTON, JR.
CARTY, CHARLES M. GILL, DONALD J.
DUNHAM, ARAD M. MCCRAW, WILLIAM H.
SILVIA, ARTHUR J.

CORPORALS

CABRAL, MANUEL O. LAWSON, ARTHUR E.
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PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BRAWNER, SIDNEY J., JR. O'NEILL, FRANKLIN J.
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CARPETAS, CONSTANTINE J. RASPOSTNIK, GEORGE
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GRINNELL, CLARENCE A. ROMAINE, GEORGE E.
HUMES, CHARLES B. SMITH, WILLIAM C.
KELLY, ANDREW H. SULLIVAN, JOHN R.
MACDONALD, HENRY A., JR. VARS, WILLIAM H.
WATSON, WILLIAM L.

PRIVATES

ANDREWS, JOHN J. BUNKER, MICHAEL A.
ARRUDA, GEORGE J. BURDICK, CHARLES W.
BENEVIDES, MANUEL, JR. COLLINS, JOHN J.
BOTELHO, ANTONE DECONTO, JOSEPH R.
BOTELHO, GEORGE M. DONAHUE, FRANCIS C.
BRAWNER, FREDERICK J. FERREIRA, JOHN
BRENNAN, JOSEPH A. GALVIN, CHARLES H.





PRIVATES

HORAN, HUBERT F.	RIDDER, FRANK
HORAN, RAYMOND A.	ROBERTS, CHARLES W.
JANICO, MANUEL G.	ROBINSON, EARL R., JR.
LAPIERRE, EVERETT S.	ROMAINE, FRANCIS B.
MANVILLE, JOSEPH R.	SARRIS, GEORGE
MARREN, ROBERT J.	SCHULTZ, CHARLES T.
MOTTA, EDWARD	SILVIA, GEORGE P.
NEGUS, ARTHUR B.	SILVIA, HENRY A.
PAVLINES, SPIRO	STEWART, GEORGE W.
PECKHAM, RAYMOND C.	SYLVIA, GEORGE E.
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THIRD ROW: R. Pincince, C. J. Schultz, H. F. Horan, G. Sarris, J. J. Collins, G. E. Sylvia, J. R. DeConto, F. B. Romaine, V. E. Brawner, W. H. Vars.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Company F, 118th Engineers, Federally recognized May 7, 1929, is stationed in Newport, Rhode Island, a noted summer resort. Although its armory, which is situated on the water front, was under five feet of water during the hurricane and tidal wave of September 21, 1938, the company was mobilized and performing rescue work in the City of Newport in 55 minutes. Because of the location of its armory, the company performs many of the tasks required in a river crossing in the rear of its armory. On drill nights, the men construct foot bridges and execute problems with squad boats.

The outfit has its own indoor rifle range and, through cooperation with the United States Navy, has the use of its outdoor range during the entire summer. For eight years, the company has been commanded by Captain Richard F. Dugan, who transferred from the Quartermaster Corps and who has more than 15 years of commissioned service.

Among the honors won by the company are: Guard of Honor to Governor at Camp, 1930; Cleanest Area Ribbon, Second Battalion, 1931-1939; Remington Trophy, awarded for showing the greatest increase in figure of merit in small arms firing over previous year, 1932-1934-1935-1936-1937; State Championship, Chief of Militia Bureau, Indoor Rifle Team Match, 1937-1938-1939; Division Commander's Trophy, Division Award for Greatest Proficiency in Marksmanship, 1936-1937-1938; Basketball Championship, 1933; First National Defense Trophy, 1934-1935-1936-1937; Second Dupont Trophy, 1933-1939; Regimental Rifle Marksmanship Trophy, 1934-1935-1936; Engineering Trophy, 1936; S-3 Trophy Small Arms Championship, 1937; General Hammond Trophy, Regimental Championship in Musketry, 1938; National Defense Trophy, highest figure of merit in target practice with the rifle in Rhode Island National Guard, 1934-1935-1936-1937; Commendation from Division Commander for Especially Meritorious and Outstanding Service During First Army Maneuvers, 1939; Commendation from Corps Commander for Especially Meritorious and Outstanding Service During First Army Maneuvers, 1939.



COMPANY F

SECOND BATTALION

118TH ENGINEERS

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

An Assault Wave.

1. Building Bridge.
2. Non-Commissioned Officers.
3. Building Bridge.
4. Company Front.



CONTINUATION OF HISTORIES

STATE DETACHMENT (Continued from page 6)

ployees of the Adjutant General's office and the U. S. P. & D. O. In the fall of 1939, the strength of the unit was ordered increased to 26 men, and on February 12, 1940, Captain Arthur S. Hassell, F. A., I. G. D., State Staff, was appointed to command the detachment and recruit it to its authorized strength.

At its first drill as a unit on March 6, 1940, the following men were added to the five named above: A. A. Anisiewski, L. J. Berube, F. J. Clarkin, M. F. Gannon, C. P. Macomber, J. M. MacManus, E. A. O'Connor, W. H. Parker, Jr., E. M. L. Peterson, W. A. Purcell, T. V. Rush and H. N. Westcott.

With a supply room, locker room and office in the Cranston Street armory, the detachment has a training program built around its chief functions of assisting the State Staff in general administration, supply, transportation and recruiting of the Rhode Island National Guard.

A series of inspections and lectures by officers of the State Staff and the Adjutant General was started May 8, 1940, by Major C. G. MacLeod, F. A., I. G. D., and Executive Officer of the Staff. First examinations for existing vacancies in the grades of sergeant, corporal and private first class were held June 12, 1940, and were based on information given in the lectures by the State Staff officers and by a practical demonstration of infantry drill. The detachment's first camp, July 27 to August 16, was with the State Staff at Fort Wright, Fishers Island, New York.

As a unit, the State Detachment is only an "infant," but 135 years of service are represented among the first 17 enlisted men of the detachment. Nine had service in the field artillery, three in the Coast Artillery, one in infantry, six in quartermaster corps, one in ordnance, two in medical corps, two in engineers, one in cavalry and one in signal corps. Technical Sergeant S. G. T. Shearman, oldest in point of service, first enlisted in April, 1907, and was re-enlisted on April 4, 1940.

243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD) (Continued from page 8)

first time in 1932, and then for two consecutive years, 1936 and 1937.

In 1936 the regiment scored the remarkable rating of 95.78 per cent—an unusually high rating for a regiment with nine firing batteries. The Coast Artillery Association Trophy is won not by accurate firing alone, however, as the records made by coast artillery regiments at Federal inspection in armories, field inspection at camps, and the handling and maintenance of arms and armament during the regular target seasons, carry an equal weight in the final ratings.

On its colors, the 243rd Coast Artillery bears no fewer than 16 battle streamers, emblematic of its participation in as many engagements. Under the provisions of General Orders No. 16, War Department, 1921, the 243rd Coast Artillery is entitled to bear on its colors the following streamers and battle inscriptions:

Revolutionary War, Rhode Island, 1776; War of 1812;

Civil War: Bull Run, Peninsula, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Virginia, 1863; Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, District of Columbia, 1864; Petersburg, Shenandoah, and Appomattox.

In the Revolutionary War, as part of a brigade raised "for the defense of the United States in general and Rhode Island in particular," an artillery regiment took part in the Battle of Rhode Island and in an engagement with a British ship off Dutch Island.

During the War of 1812, the organizations which later became Batteries E, F and H were in Federal service at Fort Adams, Rhode Island.

The list of authorized streamers of the Civil War will show that the volunteer companies from which this regiment grew compiled an illustrious record on almost every battlefield of that war.

The Spanish-American War saw the predecessors of five batteries of the present regiment—Batteries A, B, E, F and Headquarters—organized as companies of the First Infantry, Rhode Island Volunteers.

Eight companies of the present regiment served as units of the coast defenses of New England throughout the World War, and a large number of the regiment's officers and men were transferred to other coast artillery elements which served overseas. At the present time, there are men in the regiment from practically every branch of the military and naval services which made up the American Expeditionary Forces, and a number of men who had combat service, from 1914 to 1918, with the Canadian, British, French and German forces.

Thus, the 243rd Coast Artillery, in its embryonic form and through all the stages of its development, in peace and in war, has rendered faithful and meritorious service to its state and nation, personifying always its motto, "Game to the last."

Today, under the leadership of Colonel Earl C. Webster, it is acknowledged to be one of the outstanding regiments of the National Guard of the United States. May its future be as glorious as its past.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT, 243RD COAST ARTILLERY (HD) (Continued from page 12)

C. A. C., regiment. The detachment then became Medical Department Detachment, 243rd Artillery, C. A. C.

In 1924, with the change in designation of the regiment, it became the Medical Department Detachment, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD).

Since its recognition, this detachment has served in several major emergencies for the state. In 1922, riot duty in the Pawtucket textile strikes; in 1934, riot duty in the Saylesville textile workers' strikes; in 1937, insurrection duty at the Narragansett Race Track; in 1938, hurricane duty at Providence and Westerly.

At Federal Inspection, in 1937, this detachment tied for first place in the inspecting officer's ratings. In 1940, the detachment was rated third in the inspecting officer's ratings. In 1938-39, the detachment was awarded a diploma in recognition of its having won first place in paper work.

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY



SHIELD: Gules, a chevron between six fleurs-de-lis, four and two, and a field piece on a mount, under muzzle of cannon a pyramid of cannon balls, or.

CREST: That for the regiments of the Rhode Island National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (or and gules) an anchor paleways or.

MOTTO: Play the Game.

The shield is red for artillery. The field piece and cannon balls on a mound are taken from the old Providence Marine Corps Artillery coat buttons, the cannon being changed to face dexter; this device also alludes to the Civil War service at Bunker Hill, Virginia. The gold chevron represents the Cavalry origin of the Second Battalion, while the six fleurs-de-lis represent the service of the 103rd Field Artillery during the World War.

Under the provisions of par. 11 a, AR 260-10, the 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, is entitled to silk streamers in the colors of the World War for its standard with the following inscriptions: Champagne-Marne, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Ile-de-France, Lorraine.

Upon the conversion of the cavalry units of the Rhode Island National Guard into field artillery on January 2, 1930, a complete regiment of field artillery was formed, which was extended Federal recognition as the 103rd Field Artillery. Through its component units, this regiment traces its history back to the days of the Civil War.

Upon the first call for troops for the defense of the nation in 1861, the First Rhode Island regiment of infantry was immediately organized from existing militia companies, and attached to this regiment was one battery of light artillery, known as the First Light Battery, Rhode Island Volunteers. This battery was the existing organization known as the Providence Marine Corps of Artillery, recruited to full strength at the armory of the Providence Marine Corps of Artillery and equipped with guns, caissons, battery wagons and material of the Providence Marine Corps of Artillery. The First Light Battery was mustered in May 2, 1861, and mustered out August 6, 1861, participating in an engagement at Bunker Hill, Virginia, July 15. The Providence Marine Corps of Artillery sent some nine batteries of artillery into the Civil War, all of which were members of said corps.

When the call came in May, 1898, for volunteers for the Spanish-American War, the officers and men of Battery A, Light Artillery, Rhode Island Militia, enlisted for Federal service as Light Battery A, First Rhode Island Volunteer Artillery. The organization was mustered in on June 25, 1898, and mustered out, October 26, 1898. All

officers and men of the Rhode Island Militia, who responded to the call, were granted leave of absence and returned to their militia status upon termination of their services.

In the summer of 1916, the following units were called into Federal service for duty on the Mexican Border at El Paso, Texas:

Light Battery A, Field Artillery (present Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery), mustered in June 24, 1916; mustered out, November 14, 1916.

Troop A, First Squadron, Cavalry (present Battery E, 103rd Field Artillery), mustered in June 24, 1916; mustered out October 31, 1916.

Troop B, First Squadron, Cavalry (present Battery F, 103rd Field Artillery), mustered in June 24, 1916; mustered out October 9, 1916.

Troop C, First Squadron Cavalry (present Battery D, 103rd Field Artillery), mustered in June 24, 1916; mustered out October 31, 1916.

Troop M, First Squadron Cavalry (present Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery), mustered in June 28, 1916; mustered out November 6, 1916.

Upon muster out, the units returned to their former status in the National Guard.

On July 25, 1917, the following units were called into World War service and all drafted into the United States Army on August 5, 1917:

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FRANCIS W. ROLLINS

Colonel

Commanding 103rd Field Artillery

Enlisted and mustered in in Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery, March 18, 1915. Transferred to Battery B, May 19, 1917. Called into Federal service, July 25, 1917. Drafted into United States service, August 5, 1917.

WORLD WAR: Organizations—Battery B, First Field Artillery, R. I. N. G. (Battery B, 103rd Field Artillery), to August 26, 1917; Officers' Training Corps, Plattsburg Barracks, New York, to November 26, 1917. Assignments: Second Battery, Officers' Training Corps, Leon Springs, Texas, to April 23, 1918; Field Artillery Replacement Depot, Camp Jackson, South Carolina, to May 27, 1918; Second Corps Artillery Parks, to March 10, 1919; 152nd Depot Brigade, to September 25, 1919; 431st Service Battalion, to October 2, 1919; Recruit Educational Center, Camp Upton, New York, to honorable discharge, October 29, 1919. Principal stations: Leon Springs, Texas; Camp Jackson, South Carolina; Camp Stuart, Virginia; A. E. F.; Camp Upton, New York. Engagements: Oise-Aisne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne Offensives. Served overseas, July 10, 1918-February 28, 1919.

POST-WAR: Captain, Field Artillery, O. R. C., January 3, 1922; Major, Field Artillery, O. R. C., April 30, 1923-April 27, 1927.

NATIONAL GUARD: Appointed Captain, Field Artillery, assigned to Battery A, November 20, 1920. Extended Federal recognition, April 8, 1921. Appointed Major, First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, and assigned to Headquarters, November 20, 1922. Extended permanent Federal recognition, December 8, 1922. Directed to assume command, First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, August 12, 1925. Transferred to Regimental Headquarters, January 8, 1930. Appointed Lieutenant Colonel, 103rd Field Artillery, and assigned to Regimental Headquarters, January 14, 1930. Extended permanent Federal recognition, March 27, 1930. Detailed for Aide-de-Camp duty on Staff of Commander-in-Chief, January 6, 1931, serving until expiration of term, January 3, 1933. Appointed Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, N. G. U. S., May 24, 1934. Appointed Colonel, Field Artillery, and assigned to Headquarters, January 14, 1937. Extended permanent Federal recognition, February 5, 1937. Appointed Colonel, Field Artillery, N. G. U. S., April 7, 1937.



WILLIAM A. WATSON
Captain, Adjutant

HERBERT E. MacCOMBIE
Captain, Chaplain



PHILIP ROSE
Captain, Headquarters Battery

ERNEST J. WOODS
Captain, Service Battery



HUGH S. McLEOD
Lieutenant Colonel, Executive Officer

Officers

STAFF AND REGIMENTAL UNITS

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY



GEORGE H. SCHWEDERSKY
First Lieutenant
Liaison Officer



BRADFORD A. CLARK
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery



WILLIAM N. BAILEY
First Lieutenant
Service Battery



RICHARD W. ARMINGTON
Second Lieutenant
Service Battery

DANIEL F. SULLIVAN
Second Lieutenant
Service Battery





COMMISSIONED OFFICERS
Major JOSEPH C. KENT, M. C.
Captain THOMAS A. MARTIN, M. C.
Captain EMERSON A. TORGAN, M. C.
First Lieutenant ROBERT W. DREW, M. C.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS
Staff Sergeant HENRY P. MCGREEVY

SERGEANTS
CORRIVEAU, LEO LABELLE, GEORGE A.
 PICARD, JOSEPH C.

CORPORAL
DROZ, WALLIS C.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS
DUFFY, FRANK O. JANSEN, RUSSELL L.
 STEVENSON, LOUIS

PRIVATES
BAILEY, HAROLD W. FOLEY, THOMAS W.
BERG, KNUTE A. LASALLE, JOSEPH E.
BOURASSA, JAMES E. LEAMY, HAROLD H.
BRIGHTMAN, CHARLES R. METCALF, EDWARD G.
BYRON, PERCIVAL P. MOORE, THOMAS B.
DROZ, MARVIN A. SCOTT, EDWARD J.
DUFFY, JOSEPH A. THORNTON, ALLEN H.
EVANS, ALFRED P. VARDNER, HAROLD J. J.

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SECOND ROW: A. H. Thornton, C. R. Brightman, J. E. LaSalle, M. A. Droz, E. J. Scott, R. L. Jansen, L. Stevenson, H. H. Leamy.

THIRD ROW: P. B. Byron, K. A. Berg, E. G. Metcalf, F. O. Duffy, J. A. Duffy, H. J. Vardner, J. E. Bourassa, T. W. Foley.



FACTUAL HISTORY

On May 1, 1922, steps were taken to recruit the necessary personnel for the Field Artillery Sanitary Detachment (Medical Department Detachment). On November 16, 1922, this unit was extended Federal recognition as Medical Department Detachment, First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G.

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MEDICAL DEPARTMENT
DETACHMENT

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



JOSEPH C. KENT
Major, M. C.



EMERSON A. TORGAN
Captain, D. C.



THOMAS A. MARTIN
Captain, M. C.



ROBERT W. DREW
First Lieutenant, M. C.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT

103rd Field Artillery

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Thomas Leg Splint.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.

2. Dental Overhauling.
4. Artificial Respiration.





1. Mess Time.
2. Transmitting a Message by Radio.
3. Organization of the O. P.
4. Non-Commissioned Officers.
5. The Motor Section Learns "What It Is."
6. Establishing Communication.

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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FIRST ROW: D. J. Cronin, Jr., L. A. Cornell, T. Luchka, H. E. Brown, E. F. Rose, L. J. Cadoret, S. Nazarian, A. F. Croteau, G. M. Converse, E. J. Lavallee, S. J. Kobernick.

SECOND ROW: J. J. Massa, A. Soprano, L. Sherman, R. Pollock, A. H. Smith, G. P. McCormick, T. R. Billeri, G. Knight, G. P. Howarth, N. C. Goodwin.

THIRD ROW: J. Castriotta, H. Greco, P. Spires, E. Gazerro, H. H. Dawson, J. H. Egarr, A. P. Kalagian, J. Q. McQuilton, K. F. Blinkhorn, J. A. McSheehy, Jr., H. T. Mitchell.



HEADQUARTERS
BATTERY

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain PHILIP ROSE

First Lieutenant BRADFORD A. CLARK

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant WILLIAM A. STANG

First Sergeant JOSEPH ANDRADE

Staff Sergeant ERNEST T. BLINKHORN

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS J. GRADY

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM F. MURRAY

SERGEANTS

BLINKHORN, JOHN W. CORNELL, KENNETH W.

CHAPMAN, WILLIAM G. HOLTON, WILLIAM W.

JOHNSTON, ROBERT L., JR.

CORPORALS

BROWN, FRANK O. LEVIN, MAX

CARNAGHAN, RAYMOND S. NAHOD, WALTER

GAGNER, HUBERT A. O'CONNELL, EDMUND F.

JOHNSON, DAVID S. TETREAU, NORMAND E.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BROWN, HENRY J.	HILL, WILLIAM T.
BROWN, HOWARD E.	MCQUILTON, JOHN Q.
CASTRIOTTA, JOHN	MITCHELL, HENRY T.
CONVERSE, GERARD M.	NAZARIAN, SIPPI
CORNELL, LOUIS A.	ORLECK, JACK
CROTEAU, ARTHUR F.	VOSE, CARLTON F.

PRIVATES

ANDERSON, LEON E.	KALAGIAN, ARTHUR P.
BLINKHORN, KENNETH F.	LACHUT, MICHAEL
BILLERI, TINDERO R.	LAMARRE, JAMES E.
CADORET, LEO J.	LAVALLEE, EMILE J.
CLARK, GEORGE H.	LUCHKA, THOMAS
COLWELL, JOHN T., JR.	MAGNER, FRANCIS J.
CRONIN, DANIEL J., JR.	MASSA, JOSEPH J.
DAWSON, HERBERT H.	MARCOTTE, VICTOR G.
DURAND, FRANCIS Z.	MCCORMICK, GEORGE P.
EGARR, JOHN H.	MC SHEEHY, JOSEPH A., JR.
GAZERRO, EUGENE	POLLOCK, REUBEN
GOODWIN, NORMAN C.	PLANKA, HERBERT M.
GRECO, HAROLD	ROSE, ERNEST F.
HART, MELVIN R.	SHERMAN, LEONARD
HOWARTH, GEORGE P.	SMITH, ARNOLD H.
KNIGHT, GEORGE	SOPRANO, ALBERT
KOBERNICK, SAMUEL J.	SPIRES, PETER
STANSFIELD, CLIFFORD V.	

FACTUAL HISTORY

On January 2, 1930, authority was granted for the organization of Headquarters Battery, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, and on April 20, 1930, this unit was extended Federal recognition.



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SECOND ROW: D. S. Johnson, F. O. Brown, W. Nahod, M. Levin, N. E. Tetreault, H. A. Gagner, R. S. Carnaghan, G. H. Clark, J. E. Lamarre.

THIRD ROW: H. M. Planka, W. T. Hill, M. R. Hart, M. Lachut, F. Z. Durand, J. T. Colwell, Jr., L. E. Anderson, J. Orleck, H. J. Brown, C. V. Stansfield.





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SECOND ROW: N. F. Dean, G. A. Voas, L. Laroche, J. Persichino, F. E. Wildgoose, W. A. Miles, D. W. Gardner, P. W. Fusco, A. Blinkhorn, C. A. Miles.

THIRD ROW: W. E. Taylor, Jr., M. S. Cabral, Jr., W. Houliker, J. S. Perry, P. S. Cannone, W. McHale, Jr., E. S. Holliday, Jr., J. M. Paiva, T. R. Petrarca, J. I. Mycroft, A. C. Anderson.



SERVICE
BATTERY

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain ERNEST J. WOODS
First Lieutenant WILLIAM N. BAILEY
Second Lieutenant RICHARD W. ARMINGTON
Second Lieutenant DANIEL F. SULLIVAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant HERBERT B. GRAY
Master Sergeant CHARLES HACHADORION
First Sergeant FRANK CULLINGWORTH
Staff Sergeant GABRIEL VESCUSO

SERGEANTS

DEAN, NORMAN F. DESOCIO, FAUSTO F.
O'BRIEN, HENRY F.

CORPORALS

DAILEY, EDWARD J. MILES, CHESTER A.
DESANTIS, ALFRED WHITFORD, ALBERT A.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

CABRAL, MANUAL S., JR. MCKAY, PETER E.
FUSCO, PELLIGRINO W. MILES, WILLIAM A.
GARDNER, DOUGLAS W. MYCROFT, JOSEPH I.
LAROCHÉ, LEO PERSICHINO, JOSEPH
RICCI, MARIO A.

PRIVATES

ANDERSON, ARTHUR C. PAIVA, JOHN M.
BLINKHORN, ALDRED E. PERRY, JOSEPH S.
CANNONE, PASCO S. PETRARCA, THOMAS R.
HOLLIDAY, EDWARD S., JR. POINT, ALBERT
HOULKER, WILLIAM E. SKILLINGS, FRANKLIN H.
MASSELO, MICHELE V. TARTAGLIA, JOHN F.
MCHALE, WILLIAM, JR. TAYLOR, WILBERT E., JR.
JEFF, JOHN H. VOAS, GEORGE A.
WILDGOOSE, FRANK E.

FACTUAL HISTORY

On January 2, 1930, authority was granted for the organization of Service Battery, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, and on November 7, 1930, this unit was extended Federal recognition.



1. Headquarters Section.
2. First Battalion Section.
3. Second Battalion Section.
4. Maintenance Section.
5. Recreation Room.
6. Non-Commissioned Officers.

SERVICE BATTERY

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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103RD FIELD
ARTILLERY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



103rd Field Artillery Band with
Instruments.



Non-Commissioned Officers.



"Little Rhody Guardsmen"
Orchestra.





NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Technical Sergeant FRANK C. LANNING
Staff Sergeant DORRANCE W. BROWN

SERGEANTS

DU RANDE, GEORGE H. EXLEY, GEORGE A.
HUNTER, JOHN H. WRIGHT, JOHN B.

CORPORALS

FISKE, CHARLES R. SECARD, WILLIAM J.

PRIVATES

AMMORIGGI, LOUIS M.	ESPOSITO, JOSEPH I.
BELLEMER, KENNETH O.	GUGLIELMINO, PAUL, JR.
BOUCHARD, MAURICE R.	GIOVANNUCCI, DANIEL L.
CLARK, ELBERT V., JR.	LAMBERT, CLAYTON W.
CLARK, WALTER H.	SCORPIO, ANTHONY
COLLINS, FRANCIS X.	SZALA, THEODORE J.
COLUCCI, JOSEPH	TOURTELLETTE, CYRIL W.
D'AMICO, HENRY	REDFERN, ALDEN L.
DONAHUE, RAYMOND L.	VANSLETTE, JEAN A.
ESPOSITO, ANTONIO A.	WALLACE, CHARLES W.
WOLFORD, CLYDE E.	

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G. A. Exley, W. J. Secard, J. H. Hunter, F. X. Collins.

SECOND ROW: C. W. Lambert, E. V. Clark, Jr., C. E. Wolford,
W. H. Clark, C. R. Fiske, L. M. Ammoriggi, R. L. Donahue,
A. L. Redfern.

THIRD ROW: J. Colucci, P. Guglielmino, Jr., K. O. Bellemer,
J. A. Vanslette, A. Scorpio, C. W. Tourtellette, J. I. Esposito,
C. W. Wallace.



FACTUAL HISTORY

With its designation being changed from Band Section, Service Battery, 103rd Field Artillery, to Band, 103rd Field Artillery, on July 1, 1940, this unit also became a distinct organization on that date. It served formerly as part of the Service Battery, 103rd Field Artillery.

BAND

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



ROBERT W. KENNY
Captain, Adjutant



JOHN S. BLAIR, III
Captain
Headquarters Battery and
Combat Train



STEPHEN L. NICHOLS
Captain, Battery A

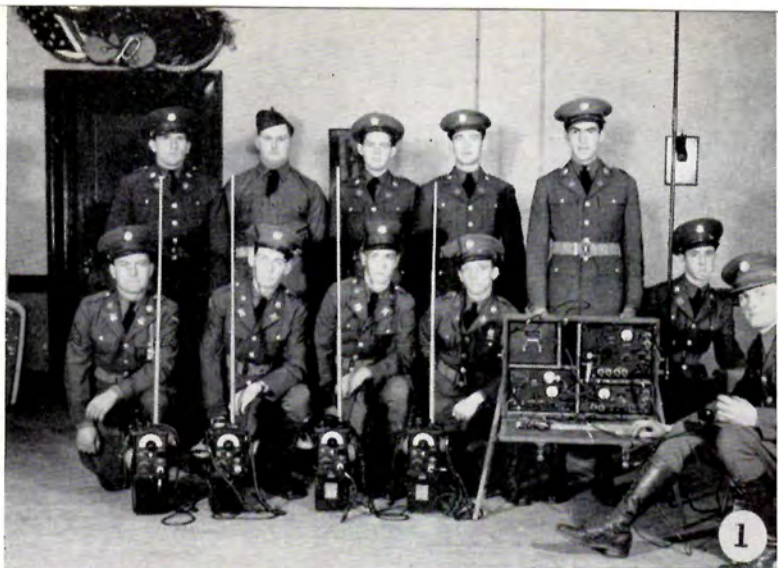


WILLIAM B. McCORMICK
Major, Commanding

OFFICERS, FIRST BATTALION
103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

First Row: HOWARD F. WILLIAMS, Captain, Battery C; WALDO H. FISH, JR., First Lieutenant, P. & T. O.; DONALD L. MADIGAN, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery and Combat Train; GEORGE O. HIRSCH, First Lieutenant, Battery A; ROBERT E. LEE, First Lieutenant, Battery B.
Second Row: JOHN WATTERS, First Lieutenant, Battery B; HOWARD D. WILCOX, JR., First Lieutenant, Battery C; RICHARD D. RUSDEN, Second Lieutenant, Liaison Officer; ROBERT G. RAYMOND, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery and Combat Train; WILLIAM B. FOSTER, Second Lieutenant, Battery A.
Third Row: THOMAS B. PECKHAM, Second Lieutenant, Battery A; ALBIN C. STEVENS, Second Lieutenant, Battery B; ROBERT W. HYDE, Second Lieutenant, Battery B; WARREN K. COVILL, Second Lieutenant, Battery C; EDWARD J. BOHANNON, Second Lieutenant, Battery C.





HEADQUARTERS BATTERY AND COMBAT TRAIN FIRST BATTALION 103RD FIELD ARTILLERY PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

(1) Radio Section. (2) Headquarters Section. (3) Scout Section. (4) Telephone Section. (5) Motor Section. (6) Non-Commissioned Officers. (7) Instrument Section.



SHOWN IN PHOTOGRAPH

FIRST ROW: J. L. Calise, J. A. Gammella, E. Ferrara, H. H. Calhoun, Jr., C. Durkin, A. J. Morris, G. W. Stansfield, F. R. Sabins, P. Gasbarino, F. Neri.

SECOND ROW: E. N. Tetreault, Jr., M. Greenstein, J. E. Hodson, W. C. Cook, A. A. DiMundo, A. Wallace, K. W. Lewis, E. J. Pesaturo, J. T. Kieltyka, C. Dixon.

THIRD ROW: A. E. Barney, R. G. Bellemore, R. J. Desjardins, S. W. Winslow, F. R. Smith, Jr., H. J. Wilcox, D. J. Flanagan, T. Chester, L. Deisman, B. A. Correia.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JOHN S. BLAIR, III

First Lieutenant DONALD L. MADIGAN

Second Lieutenant ROBERT G. RAYMOND

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant FRANK NERI

Staff Sergeant ROBERT ARMOUR

Staff Sergeant PAUL GASBARINO



SERGEANTS

MORRIS, ANTHONY J. REO, COSMO D.

O'BRIEN, CLIFFORD J. SABINS, FREDERICK R.

POLLITT, CHARLES L. STANSFIELD, GEORGE W.

ST. LAURENT, RAYMOND P.

CORPORALS

DURKIN, CHARLES FERRERA, EDMOND

CALHOUN, HOWARD H., JR. KIRBY, WILLIAM B.

RANDLE, JOSEPH A.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BAKER, NELSON A., JR. CALISE, JOSEPH L.

BELLEMORE, RAYMOND G. COOK, WILLIAM C.

BENNETT, RALPH L. DIXON, CHARLES

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY
AND COMBAT TRAIN
First Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

DiMUNDO, AMERICO A.	LEWIS, KENNETH W.
GAMMELLA, JOSEPH A.	WALLACE, ANDREW
KILLAY, JOSEPH F.	WILCOX, HENRY J.

PRIVATES

AZEVEDO, JOHN J.	LAYCOCK, ROY E.
BARNEY, AMOS E.	LAVOIE, LEO A.
BRISSETTE, ALPHONSE	LIVINGSTON, STANLEY R.
CHESTER, THEODORE	MALLETTE, FRANK R.
Cravens, JAMES E.	MUSCO, SILVIO R.
CHARLEBOIS, HENRY O.	MELONE, MATTHEW A.
CORRIEA, BENARD A.	PARRILLO, FRANK
DESJARDINS, RAYMOND J.	PESANTURO, EDMOND J.
FLANAGAN, DAVID J.	POTRZEBA, THADDEUS
FLANAGAN, JOHN H.	RUBINO, DANIEL F.
FUSCO, LEO	SALINGER, RICHARD W.
GREENSTEIN, MILTON	SMITH, WILLIAM H.
GENERVER, WILLIAM R.	SMITH, FRANK R., JR.
HODSON, JOSEPH E.	SWEETMAN, C H., JR.
KELLEY, THOMAS J.	TETREAULT, E. N., JR.
KIELTYKE, JOSEPH T.	WEISMAN, LOUIS
KRISS, SEYMOUR S.	WINSLOW, STANLEY W.
ZEOLI, JOSEPH	

Guard, and was Federally recognized November 17, 1921. On December 9, 1921, it was redesignated as Headquarters Detachment and Combat Train, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, and on April 20, 1925, it received its present designation as Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard.



FACTUAL HISTORY

On November 12, 1921, this unit was first organized as Headquarters Detachment and Combat Train, Field Artillery, Rhode Island National

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SECOND ROW: L. Fusco, D. F. Rubino, F. R. Mallette, S. R. Livingston, R. E. Laycock, M. A. Melone, J. E. Craven, N. A. Baker, Jr., R. L. Bennett.

THIRD ROW: J. H. Flanagan, J. J. Azevedo, A. Brissette, J. F. Killay, W. B. Kirby, W. R. Generver, S. S. Kriss, J. Zeoli, S. R. Musco, J. H. Sweetman, Jr.



BATTERY A

First Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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FIRST ROW: J. E. Prest, F. D. Fuller, W. J. Loughery, C. E. Prest, W. Robinson, W. E. McDonald, K. O. Kullberg, S. A. Ronn.

SECOND ROW: J. W. Riddensdale, W. E. Doyle, Jr., H. O. Palin, W. G. Byrne, J. S. Eliason, R. A. Charette, J. McLeod, Jr., R. E. DiResto.

THIRD ROW: E. R. Bury, G. C. Atkinson, Jr., J. H. Congdon, II, M. J. Barnes, R. T. Anderson, G. W. Poulton, E. S. Knowles, G. F. Slade, W. E. Brais.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain STEPHEN L. NICHOLS
First Lieutenant GEORGE O. HIRSCH
Second Lieutenant WILLIAM B. FOSTER
Second Lieutenant THOMAS B. PECKHAM

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant JAMES E. PREST

SERGEANTS

CAHILL, JOHN E. JAYNE, RICHMOND M.
HASSELL, KENNETH J. LEMOI, WILLIAM O.
HOWARD, ARTHUR H. PREST, CHARLES E.
RONN, SIGFRED A.

CORPORALS

CASSIDY, CHARLES J. KULLBERG, KENNETH O.
FULLER, FRANK D. LOUGHERY, WILLIAM J.
IRONS, BURTON G. McDONALD, WILLIAM E.
WHITE, ALBERT F.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ANDERSON, ROBERT T. HICKEY, STEPHEN J.
BRAIS, WILLIAM E. MCLEOD, JOHN, JR.
BURY, ERNEST R. MILLER, CHARLES A.
CHARETTE, ALBERT F. PERKINS, GEORGE H.
D'ALOIA, PAUL F. POULTON, GORDON W.
DESSAINT, RAYMOND J. ROBINSON, WILLIAM

PRIVATES

ATKINSON, GEO. C., JR. JOHNSTON, HOWARD E.
BALLOU, RALPH H. HARRISON, ARTHUR P.
BARNES, MATTHEW J. KNOWLES, EDWIN S.
BYRNE, WILLIAM G. KRUPA, BERNARD J.
CHARETTE, ROYAL A. LINHARES, JOHN R.
CHURCH, ARTHUR L. MALLINSON, MATTHEW E.
COLLEY, GORDON T. MCSALLY, PAUL E.
CONGDON, JOHN H., II MILLER, CHARLES F.
CONTI, AUGUSTO W. MOTTA, JOHN
CREED, ROBERT A. MOURET, JOHN R.
CRUDDEN, FRANCIS M. NORDIN, ROBERT C.
CUTE, HERBERT J. PALIN, HURBAIN O.
DAWSON, HAROLD POWERS, JAMES S.
DULONG, WILLIAM A. RIDDENSDALE, JAMES W.
DOYLE, WILLIAM E., JR. ROBERTS, THOMAS C.
DIRESTO, RAYMOND E. SLADE, GEORGE F.
ELIASON, JOHN S. SOLOMON, W. S., III
HYDER, LEONARD G. WHITEHEAD, RALPH F.





FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery, traces its history back to the Providence Marine Corps of Artillery, which was chartered on October, 1801, "for the purpose of improving in the use of cannon and in the tactics employed in the attack of ships and batteries."

In 1861, upon the first call for troops for the defense of the nation, the corps furnished one battery of light artillery known as First Light Battery, Rhode Island Volunteers, which was mustered in on May 2, 1861, and mustered out on August 1, 1861.

On May 1, 1875, it formed part of the First Battalion, Light Artillery, Rhode Island Militia, as Company A. Upon reorganization in 1879, the Battalion of Field Artillery was disbanded and Company A became Battery A, Light Artillery, and continued as the only field artillery battery of the state.

Practically the entire membership of Battery A entered Federal service in 1898 as Light Battery A, First Rhode Island Volunteer Artillery. Its organization in the militia was maintained by men provisionally enlisted under the name of Battery A, Light Artillery, Brigade Rhode Island Militia. The battery resumed its ranks of the militia after the Spanish-American War. On November 4, 1908, it was redesignated Light Battery A, Field Artillery, R. I. N. G.

Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty on June 19, 1916, it was mustered in on June 24, 1916, and

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SECOND ROW: P. F. D'Aloia, S. J. Hickey, C. E. Miller, J. R. Linhares, R. C. Nordin, A. L. Church, A. W. Conti, M. E. Mallinson, R. H. Ballou.

THIRD ROW: R. A. Creed, G. H. Perkins, C. A. Miller, B. J. Krupa, J. S. Powers, H. Dawson, T. C. Roberts, P. E. McSally, R. F. Whitehead.

mustered out November 14, 1916, returning to its former National Guard status. It was redesignated Battery A, Rhode Island Field Artillery, National Guard, January 2, 1917, and on June 15, 1917, it formed part of the First Separate Battalion, Field Artillery.

Called into Federal service for the World War on July 25, 1917, it was drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Curtis Guild, Boxford, Massachusetts, it became Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F. It was demobilized at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 29, 1919.

Reconstituted as Battery A, Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., on November 10, 1920, it was extended Federal recognition April 8, 1921. The Field Artillery was designated as the 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., on November 25, 1921.

Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery, is entitled to a silver band for its guidon engraved: Virginia, 1861.

BATTERY A

FIRST BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Third Gun Section.
2. B. C. Detail.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Fourth Gun Section (Gun in Recoil).
5. Second Gun Section, Direct Laying.
6. First Gun Section Loading.



1. Instrument Detail and Communication Section.
2. "Cutting," Second Gun Section.
3. Truck Drivers and Automatic Riflemen.
4. First Gun Section Loading.
5. Non-Commissioned Officers.
6. Fourth Gun Section "Standing to Rear of Piece."

BATTERY B

FIRST BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND





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FIRST ROW: J. G. Mangasarian, E. R. Cody, R. Baggesen, R. C. Tucker, A. V. D'Errico, H. L. George, W. G. Smith, A. J. Pellerin.

SECOND ROW: W. W. Matullo, R. C. Robidoux, A. Brierly, N. E. Bizier, C. L. Petersen, C. G. Proulx, R. J. Atwell, E. R. Elliano, L. W. Jensen.

THIRD ROW: A. A. Walsh, H. P. Martin, J. W. Bates, R. A. Seifert, A. E. Germain, J. B. Underwood, E. A. Bevan, Jr., R. D. Anderson, R. J. Bates.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Lieutenant ROBERT E. LEE
First Lieutenant JOHN WATTERS
Second Lieutenant ROBERT W. HYDE
Second Lieutenant ALBIN C. STEVENS

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant NORMAN F. CHAPMAN

SERGEANTS

ANDERSON, EDWARD A.	PRENTISS, WILLIAM B.
BAGGESEN, RANDOLPH	TUCKER, RAYMOND C.
D'ERRICO, ANTHONY V.	ZIDE, PETER P.

CORPORALS

CODY, EDWARD R.	MANGASARIAN, JOHN G.
GEORGE, HERBERT L.	ZIDE, GEORGE P.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALLAN, VINCENT P.	GERMAIN, ARTHUR E.
ANDERSON, ARCHIBALD	GIROUX, ARMAND N.
BURKE, ADELBERT J.	GRIGLEVICH, JOSEPH M.
DAVIS, WALTER E.	MATULLO, WALTER W.
DUFFANY, HARVEY A.	MCCOURT, FRANK A.
FAUBERT, HARVEY E.	PELLERIN, ARTHUR J.
GEORGE, SAMUEL	ROBIDOUX, ROLAND C.
SMITH, WILLIAM G.	

PRIVATES

ANDERSON, RICHARD D.	ATWELL, RICHARD J.
ARNOLD, JOSEPH W.	BAGGESEN, CHARLES R.



BATTERY B

First Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

PRIVATES

BATES, JOHN W.	LESSARD, LOUIS
BATES, ROBERT J.	LYNCH, EDMUND B.
BEVAN, EDWARD A., JR.	MARTIN, HAROLD P.
BIZIER, NORMAN E.	MATULLO, CHARLES
BOWERING, ALBERT B.	MONUTEAUX, EDWARD W.
BRIERLY, ALBERT	PETERSEN, CARL L.
COOK, FRANK E.	PROULX, CLARENCE G.
COUSINEAU, ARTHUR M.	RICHARDSON, PAUL B.
D'ELENA, ALBERT S.	RUSSELL, JAMES W.
DEIGNAN, JAMES J.	SEIFERT, RAYMOND A.
DUFFANY, NORMAN A.	SARRAZIN, JEROME J.
ELLIANO, EDMUND R.	TILLSON, LINCOLN B.
JENSEN, LEROY W.	UNDERWOOD, JERROLD B.
KAWAN, GEORGE	WALSH, ALBERT A.
KHOURI, TAFT	WHEELER, GLENN N.
KELLY, ALBERT E.	WHITE, ALBERT B.
KOURNPATES, GEORGE C.	WHITE, ARTHUR G.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery B, 103rd Field Artillery, traces its past history to Company B, First Battalion of Field Artillery, Rhode Island Militia, which was organized May 1, 1875, and disbanded May 28, 1879.

Again organized on June 15, 1917, as Battery B, it formed part of the First Separate Battalion, Rhode Island Field Artillery, National Guard. Called into Federal service for the World War on

July 25, 1917, it was drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Curtis Guild, Boxford, Massachusetts, it became Battery B, 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F. It was demobilized at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 29, 1919.

Granted authority to reorganize as Battery B, Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, May 28, 1921, it was extended Federal recognition June 16, 1921, and redesignated Battery B, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, November 25, 1921.

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SECOND ROW: A. B. White, A. M. Cousineau, W. E. Davis, E. B. Lynch, N. A. Duffany, S. George, C. R. Baggesen, G. N. Wheeler, A. B. Bowering.

THIRD ROW: L. B. Tillson, P. B. Richardson, C. Matullo, J. J. Deignan, V. P. Allan, A. N. Giroux, J. W. Arnold, H. E. Faubert, T. Khouri, G. C. Kournpates.





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SECOND ROW: F. Vales, A. F. Vinhaterio, Jr., A. F. Landy, R. C. Trahan, W. R. Maillette, J. J. Vales, W. R. Doyle, H. W. Baker, A. H. Rousseau, W. Dick, C. F. Kirkwood.

THIRD ROW: H. P. Harnois, M. Leite, N. C. Anderson, W. F. Snow, E. F. Williams, J. A. Ward, E. J. Campbell, J. L. Kelvey, R. T. Gardiner, A. A. Cabral.



BATTERY C

First Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain HOWARD F. WILLIAMS
First Lieutenant HOWARD D. WILCOX, JR.
Second Lieutenant EDWARD J. BOHANNON
Second Lieutenant WARREN K. COVILL

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant LEROY F. A. DAILEY

SERGEANTS

ACHESON, GEORGE J.	MULLANEY, JOSEPH A.
BROWN, THOMAS J.	OLDHAM, GEORGE R.
GRACIE, EDWIN F.	OTERI, GAETANO
MARTIN, ANTHONY J.	RILEY, FREDERICK B.

CORPORALS

BECKWITH, HAROLD A.	HIGSON, JAMES W.
DIPALMA, ANGELO P.	MACIEL, FRANK H.
GRACIE, EMANUEL H., JR.	MULLANEY, JOHN M.
VINHATERIO, JOSEPH F.	

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BOULANGER, PHILIP P.	MONTECALVO, C. N.
CREAMER, FRANCIS J.	O'BRIEN, MAURICE C.
DOYLE, WILLIAM R.	PALMIERI, RALPH J.
BARDINER, RAYMOND T.	RIPA, EUGENE T.
HARNOIS, HENRY P.	RODERICKS, ROBERT J.
KIRKWOOD, CLETUS F.	TRAYNOR, FRANCIS J.
LANDRY, ARTHUR F.	VALES, JOHN J.

PRIVATES

AMARAL, ALFRED	BELGERS, MAX W.
ANDERSON, NEAL C.	BUCCO, WILLIAM M.
BAKER, HOWARD W.	CABRAL, ALFRED A.



PRIVATEES

CAMPBELL, EVERETT J.
COIA, VINCENT C.
CONTI, CHARLES F.
DICK, WALTER
GALLAGHER, RONALD J.
GEREMIA, LOUIS W.
GRECO, ARTHUR B.
HARDIMAN, JOHN P.
HENSON, JOHN J., JR.
ISIDORO, JOHN M.
KELVEY, JOHN L.
LAVALLEY, ALFRED B.
LEITE, MANUEL
LOMBARDO, VICTOR A.
MACIEL, ANTHONY H.
MAILLETTE, WILLIAM R.
MARCOCCIO, ELEUTERIO

MARCOCCIO, UMBERTO J.
MARONEY, DANIEL J., JR.
MELLO, HAROLD J.
NAPOLITANO, A. A. M.
NATALIZIA, CORRADO C.
PERRY, MANUEL
PORTER, RICHARD L.
ROUSSEAU, ALFRED A.
ROUSSEAU, ARTHUR H.
ROY, JOSEPH H.
SNOW, WALTER F.
TRAHAN, ROBERT C.
VALES, FRANK
VINHATERIO, A. F., JR.
WARD, JOHN A.
WEST, RUSSELL
WILLIAMS, EDGAR F.

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SECOND ROW: V. A. Lombardo, V. C. Coia, U. J. Marcoccio, J. M. Isidoro, A. A. Rousseau, R. West, R. J. Gallagher, R. J. Rodericks, A. Amaral.

THIRD ROW: R. L. Porter, F. J. Traynor, M. W. Belgers, P. P. Boulanger, A. B. Greco, M. C. O'Brien, J. H. Roy, C. C. Natalizia, A. B. LaValley, C. N. Montecalvo.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery C, 103rd Field Artillery, was organized June 15, 1917, as part of the First Separate Battalion, Rhode Island Field Artillery, National Guard. Called into Federal service for the World War on July 25, 1917, it was drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at

Camp Curtis Guild, Boxford, Massachusetts, it became Battery C, 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F., and was demobilized at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 29, 1919.

Reconstituted on November 12, 1921, as Battery C, Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard, it was extended Federal recognition November 15, 1921, and redesignated as Battery C, 103rd Field Artillery, Rhode Island National Guard on November 21, 1921.



BATTERY C

FIRST BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Drivers' Instructions.
2. Gunnery School.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Instrument Detail.
5. Communication Detail.
6. Gun Crew.





CHESTER A. FILES
Major, Commanding



RENE L. DeBLOIS
Captain, Adjutant



ARTHUR E. H. DARCY
Captain
Headquarters Battery and
Combat Train



JOHN C. WALL
Captain, Battery D



MARK P. RANCOURT
Captain, Battery E



MARIO DeMAIO
Captain, Battery F



RICHARD N. RAINEY
First Lieutenant
Liaison Officer

Officers

SECOND BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY



JOHN J. PRYBYLA
First Lieutenant, P. & T. O.



RAYMOND N. LEE
First Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery and
Combat Train



DIXWELL GOFF
First Lieutenant, Battery D



GEORGE F. BASHAW
First Lieutenant, Battery F



NATHAN M. SOUTHWICK, JR.
Second Lieutenant
Headquarters Battery and
Combat Train



VICTOR J. MULLEN
Second Lieutenant, Battery D



GEORGE W. HANLEY
Second Lieutenant, Battery E



EDWARD A. RYAN
Second Lieutenant, Battery E



HOWARD E. BOTTOMLEY
Second Lieutenant, Battery F



EDWARD J. KEEGAN
Second Lieutenant, Battery F



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SECOND ROW: J. R. Campbell, N. A. Johnson, O. Lavallee, R. T. Johnson, Jr., E. J. Hawkins, F. H. St. John, G. H. Leedham.
THIRD ROW: E. L. Richard, R. L. Thompson, F. A. Bosworth, Jr., J. B. Coleman, A. Kalowski, Jr., A. V. Smith, R. J. Adams.

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Second Lieutenant NATHAN M. SOUTHWICK, JR.

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Staff Sergeant ARTHUR GREENBERG
Staff Sergeant JOHN W. HUSSEY

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FIRTH, ERNEST G. MORENO, EDWARD M.
HUSSEY, JAMES T. PINELLE, LEO

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WOCYKIN, ADAM, JR.

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BERGERON, LEO E. LEEDHAM, GEORGE H.
CAMPBELL, JOSEPH R. MESSIER, JOHN B.
DEGRAFFT, WILLIAM E. QUINTAL, DONAT J.
JOHNSON, NICOLAS A. ROUSSEAU, GEORGE L.
KALOWSKI, ALEX., JR. ST. JOHN, FRANCIS H.

PRIVATES

ARNOLD, LEWIS B., JR. BRONOVITSKY, ALEXANDER
BAIRD, CHARLES E. BUDLONG, JOHN, JR.
BELANGER, GERARD A. CHILLE, PETER
BENOIT, FRANCOIS J. COLEMAN, JOHN B.
BOGDAN, ADOL DEL SIGNORE, JOSEPH
BOSWORTH, F. A., JR. HAWKINS, EDWARD J.
BOYNTON, WILLIAM D. JOHNSTON, HARRY R.

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY
AND COMBAT TRAIN
Second Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



PRIVATES

JOHNSTON, ROBERT T., JR.	PRZEKOP, STANLEY
KAY, CHARLES A.	RICHARD, EDMUND L.
KOSLOWSKI, DOMENIC J.	ROBINSON, GEORGE P.
LAVALLEE, OVILA	SMITH, ALBERT V.
LEBLANC, LEO J.	URSILLO, DOMENIC M.
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SECOND ROW: G. A. Belanger, N. J. LaRose, L. E. Bergeron, F. J. Benoit, L. J. LeBlanc, N. W. Morton, C. A. Kay.

THIRD ROW: J. Del Signore, D. J. Koslowski, A. Bronovitsky, P. Chille, J. Budlong, A. Bogdan, L. B. Arnold, Jr.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, was first organized as Troop M, First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G., and its recognition by the War Department announced July 4, 1916. Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty on June 27, 1916, it was mustered in on June 28, 1916, and mustered out November 6, 1916, returning to its former National Guard status.

On January 2, 1917, it was redesignated Troop M, First Separate Squadron, Cavalry. Called into Federal service for the World War on July 25, 1917, it was drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Curtis Guild, Boxford, Massachusetts, it became Headquarters Company, 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F. The men were demobilized as individuals at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, on various dates in 1919.

Authorized on August 22, 1921, to organize as Headquarters Detachment, First Cavalry Squadron, R. I. N. G., the unit was Federally recognized May 29, 1922. It was redesignated Headquarters Detachment, Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, on February 24, 1927. On April 1, 1929, upon the reorganization of the Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, to Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, it was merged with Troop F to form the Machine Gun Troop, 122nd Cavalry.

Upon the conversion of the Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, into the 103rd Field Artillery, on January 2, 1930, a special number of enlisted men was transferred from Battery F, 103rd Field Artillery (the former Machine Gun Troop, 122nd Cavalry), to form the Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery. Federal recognition was extended on February 3, 1930.

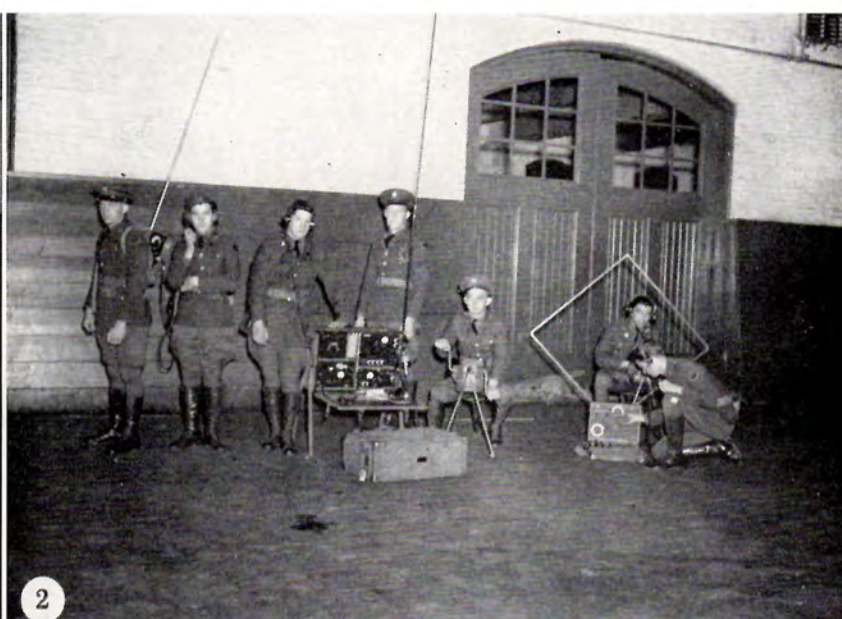
HEADQUARTERS BATTERY AND COMBAT TRAIN

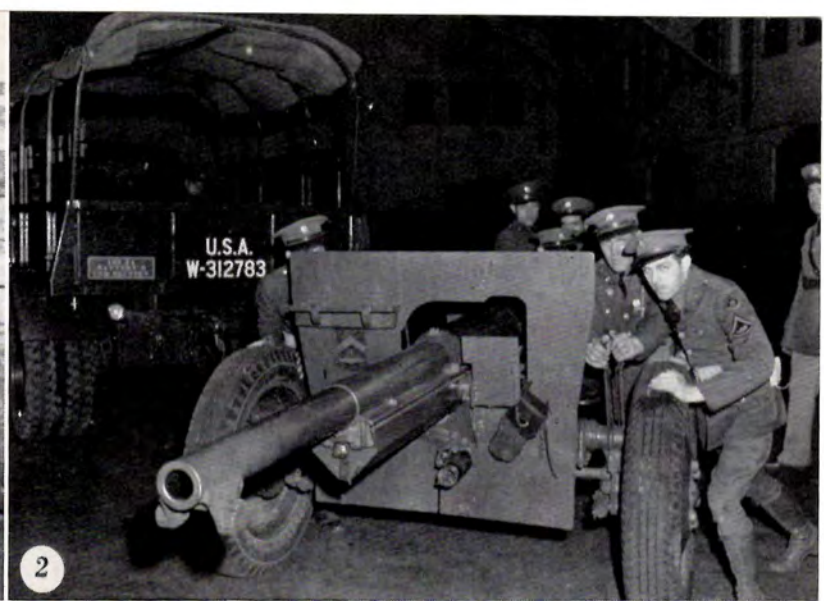
SECOND BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Instrument Section.
2. Radio Section.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Telephone Section.
5. Motor Section.
6. Message Center.





1. Communication Section.
2. Action Front.
3. Guns in Action.
4. Wire Detail.
5. Transport Section.
6. Non-Commissioned Officers.

BATTERY D

SECOND BATTALION
103RD FIELD ARTILLERY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Second Battalion
103RD FIELD ARTILLERY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



THIRD ROW: H. B. Paine, A. A. Ochsner, B. S. Ballou, R. L. Hadley, J. A. Abbott, A. Hammar, R. L. Pollitt, T. N. Galinetti, C. E. Gorton, F. B. Gorton.

<i>Captain</i>	JOHN C. WALL
<i>First Lieutenant</i>	DIXWELL GOFF
<i>Second Lieutenant</i>	VICTOR J. MULLEN

First Sergeant GEORGE J. BUDLONG

BIRMAN, RAYMOND A.	PACKHAM, FRANK W.
CREASEY, ELMER C.	PILON, HENRY L.
McKENNA, LEO F.	STAPLES, ERNEST A., JR.
WATSON, FRED J.	

ALGER, RALPH B.	DELUCIA, JOHN
BUDLONG, JOHN A.	DEMING, WALTER F.
CHAPMAN, BERTRAM N.	PATENAUDE, LEON E.

BESTWICK, MAURICE G.	GAUTHIER, VICTOR
BROWN, HAROLD A.	HAGGSTROM, W. R. G.
EICHENFELDT, ROBERT	HALLEM, WILLIAM A.
DeSANTO, ANTHONY J.	HAMMAR, ARTHUR
DUNCAN, HENRY	OTRANO, ANTHONY
FAIRBROTHER, ALBERT E.	ROOK, LESLIE
WILLOUGHBY, WALTER B., JR.	

ABBOTT, JOSEPH A.	CORRIVEAU, WILLIAM H.
ALDRICH, HAROLD E.	DiNOBILE, ROCCO
BALLOU, ROY E.	FITZPATRICK, H H., JR.
BALLOU, BENJAMIN S.	GALINELLI, THOMAS N.
BASSETT, OSCAR, JR.	GAUTHIER, NORMAN A.
BILODEAU, PAUL E.	GINISH, STANLEY L.
CALDARONE, LOUIS A.	GORTON, CHARLES E.
CARD, ALVIN H.	GORTON, FRANCIS B.
COLVIN, THOMAS E., JR.	HADLEY, ROBERT L.
COLWELL, LESTER M., JR.	JARVIS, WALTER R.





PRIVATES

LEEDHAM, JOHN B.
MACLAUGHLIN, A. R.
MCCARTHY, JAMES J., JR.
MCMANUS, FRANCIS H.
METZ, ROBERT H.
OCHSNER, ALBERT A.
PAINE, HAROLD B.
PERRY, JOHN
POLLITT, ROBERT L.

SCHIAVULLI, DOMENIC A.
SMITH, CHARLES
SPINNEY, ANDREW M.
TAFT, EDWARD W.
THURSTON, RALPH W.
VAFEADOS, ARTHUR
WATSON, GILBERT
YOUNG, WILLIAM D.
ZEPPA, LAWRENCE

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SECOND ROW: S. L. Ginish, A. E. Fairbrother, M. G. Bestwick, N. A. Gauthier, W. R. Jarvis, R. Eichenfeldt, L. Rook, L. M. Colwell, Jr., W. H. Corriveau, P. E. Bilodeau.

THIRD ROW: R. DiNobile, L. A. Caldarone, H. H. Fitzpatrick, Jr., R. W. Thurston, J. B. Leedham, R. H. Metz, J. J. McCarthy, Jr., A. R. MacLaughlin, A. Vafeados.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery D, 103rd Field Artillery, traces its history to the First Machine Gun Platoon, organized May 28, 1885. On June 18, 1887, the First and Second Machine Gun Platoons were merged and designated First Machine Gun Battery, which was changed to Light Battery B, Field Artillery Brigade, Rhode Island Militia, November 4, 1908, and to Troop C, First Squadron of Cavalry, Rhode Island National Guard, January 12, 1910. The First Squadron of Cavalry was changed to the Cavalry Detachment, R. I. N. G., April 30, 1914.

Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty on June 19, 1916, it was mustered in June 24, 1916, and mustered out October 31, 1916, returning to its former National Guard status. The Cavalry Detachment was redesignated First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G., July 4, 1916. This unit was redesignated Troop C, First Separate Squadron, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard, January 2, 1917.

Called into Federal service for the World War on July 25, 1917, it was drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Bartlett, Westfield, Massachusetts, it became Company C, 103rd Machine Gun Battalion, 26th Division, A. E. F. Demobilization was at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 30, 1919.

Reconstituted as Troop C, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., August 27, 1919, it was extended Federal recognition October 16, 1919. The unit was redesignated Troop C, First Squadron Cavalry, R. I. N. G., February 11, 1922; Troop C, Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, R. I. N. G., February 24, 1927, and Troop C, Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, R. I. N. G., April 1, 1929.

Converted to Battery D, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., January 2, 1930, it was extended Federal recognition on January 6, 1930.



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SECOND ROW: P. Dolbashian, W. F. Rousseau, A. DerVartanian, G. M. Bowman, R. F. Ferri, B. P. Bedrosian, A. C. Cardente, A. Ferri, C. H. Abel, P. A. Andoscia, L. A. Iavarone.

THIRD ROW: W. N. Harnish, D. A. Deaett, C. T. Roderick, D. B. Hatch, F. H. Peterson, E. J. Murphy, H. Erickson, R. B. Peterson, H. N. Daigneault, F. A. Boyce, W. E. Lawson.



BATTERY E

Second Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain MARK P. RANCOURT
Second Lieutenant GEORGE W. HANLEY
Second Lieutenant EDWARD A. RYAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant HENRY H. JOHNSON

SERGEANTS

ENOS, MANUEL	GREENHALGH, JOHN T.
GAYDA, WALTER A.	McAULIFFE, FRANCIS A.
GOLDEN, PATRICK J.	TAYLOR, CLAYTON M.
GRADY, HAROLD J.	VONSTORCH, FRANK R.

CORPORALS

GRADY, EDWARD F.	MURRAY, WILLIAM R.
JOY, MERTON A.	OWENS, RICHARD
LOVATT, RAYMOND J.	RODRIGUES, EDMUND P.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

ANDERSON, CARL T.	HATCH, DAVID B.
BERRY, STANLEY W.	HOYLE, HAROLD S.
CASE, FREDERICK E.	MORVILLO, VINCENT L.
DANNIN, JOSEPH J.	PACHECO, SERAPHINE
DeMAIO, ANTHONY	PERRY, EDWARD F.
DOYLE, THOMAS J.	PUZZULLI, VICTOR E.
EWART, WILLIAM J.	RAFTERY, WARREN A.
FALVO, GEORGE P.	REBELLO, RICHARD
FERRI, ANGELO	RODERICK, ARTHUR R.
	WELLS, DONALD L.

PRIVATE

ABEL, CARL H.	BARONE, JAMES P.
ANDOSCIA, PHILLIP A.	BEDROSIAN, BEDOS P.
BANKER, JAMES E.	BOUSFIELD, JOHN R.

PRIVATES

BOWMAN, GLENN M.
BOYCE, FRANK A.
CARDENTE, ALBERT C.
CACE, JOSEPH P.
COOK, SIDNEY M.
DAIGNEAULT, HENRY N.
D'ANGELO, RALPH
DEAETT, DONALD A.
DERVARTANIAN, ANDREW
DESIMONE, PETER
DOLBASHIAN, PAUL
ERICKSON, HAROLD
FERRI, RUSSEL F.
HARNISH, WILLARD N.

IAVARONE, LOUIS A.
JOHNSON, WILLARD G.
KANE, RAYMOND F.
LAWSON, WILLIAM E.
MCNAMARA, CHARLES T.
MURPHY, EDWARD J.
MYRE, MAURICE R.
ORLANDI, WILLIAM V.
PETERSON, FRANK H.
PETERSON, RAYMOND B.
RANDALL, WILLIAM J.
RODERICK, CERVICO T.
ROUSSEAU, WILLIAM F.
WILDE, EVERETT M.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery E, 103rd Field Artillery, traces its history to the North Providence and Pawtucket Cavalry, organized May 12, 1864. This organization was redesignated Pawtucket Horse Guards, March 6, 1871, and changed to Company C, First Battalion of Cavalry, Rhode Island Militia, May 1, 1875. On May 28, 1879, it became Company A, First Battalion of Cavalry, and on November 4, 1908, it was designated Troop A, First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G. On April 30, 1914, the First Squadron of Cavalry was designated as the Cavalry Detachment.

Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty on June 19, 1916, it was mustered in June 24, 1916, and mustered out October 31, 1916, returning to its former National Guard status. On July 4, 1916, the Cavalry Detachment was designated First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G.

Redesignated Troop A, First Separate Squadron, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard, January 2, 1917, it was called into Federal service for the World War on July 25, 1917, and drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Bartlett, Westfield, Massachusetts, it became Company A, 103rd Machine Gun Battalion, 26th Division, A. E. F. Demobilization was at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 30, 1919.

Reconstituted as Troop D, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., August 27, 1919, it was extended Federal recognition October 16, 1919. It was redesignated Troop D, First Squadron Cavalry, R. I. N. G., February 11, 1922; Troop A, First Squadron Cavalry, R. I. N. G., July 22, 1922; Troop E, Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, R. I. N. G., February 24, 1927, and Troop E, Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, R. I. N. G., April 1, 1929.

Converted to Battery E, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., January 2, 1930, it was extended Federal recognition January 8, 1930.

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THIRD ROW: J. P. Barone, T. J. Doyle, G. P. Falvo, R. Rebello, E. M. Wilde, H. S. Hoyle, V. L. Moruillo, R. F. Kane, S. M. Cook, V. E. Pezzulli, J. P. Case.





BATTERY E

SECOND BATTALION

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Moving into Position. (2) Critique. (3) Battery O. P. (4) Ready for Action. (5) Critique. (6) Firing a Problem. (7) Non-Commissioned Officers.

BATTERY F

SECOND BATTALION
103RD FIELD ARTILLERY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



(1) Non-Commissioned Officers. (2) Battery O. P. (3) Pieces in Action. (4) Truck Drivers. (5) Instruction Materiel. (6) Switchboard and Wire Detail. (7) Cannoneer's Post.





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SECOND ROW: P. R. Werner, H. A. Turgeon, R. H. Skinner, W. B. Fitzpatrick, J. P. Arruda, J. Colenda, P. H. Hogan, L. A. Pleuffe, R. F. O'Neil, W. B. Martineau.

THIRD ROW: F. Amaral, Jr., C. H. Patterson, J. N. Brisson, R. L. Gardner, C. P. O'Rourke, W. W. Jollie, M. F. Lussier, R. D. Croft, V. M. Gelinas, R. J. Prohaska.



BATTERY F
Second Battalion

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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First Lieutenant GEORGE F. BASHAW
Second Lieutenant HOWARD E. BOTTOMLEY
Second Lieutenant EDWARD J. KEEGAN

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant JOHN S. KELLEY

SERGEANTS

AUBIN, ARMAND E. GILL, COLIN C.
BROWN, HOWARD F. JANSON, OSCAR
BUTLER, MICHAEL J. ROBERTS, RAYMOND J.
SHIELDS, PETER

CORPORALS

CARROLL, JOHN F. GLEDHILL, J. W.
DRISCOLL, JEROME F. HOMENICK, WALTER
FARRELL, WILLIAM A. MELLO, ANTONIO
SARGANIS, SARDANO

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BELL, LOUIS GRADWELL, JOHN
CHAPMAN, WILLIAM J. GRAY, RICHARD
GARDNER, ROBERT L. HOGAN, PETER H.
GELINAS, VICTOR M. LUSSIER, MARCEL F.
O'Rourke, CHARLES P.

PRIVATES

AMARAL, FRANK, JR. FIORENTINI, PARIS J.
ARRUDA, JELLO P. GAZERRO, CARLO A.
BOLTON, WILLIAM H. GRAY, PERCY
BRISSON, JOSEPH N. JAVERY, OLIVER B.
BURKE, PATRICK J. JOLLIE, WALTER W.
COLENDIA, JOSEPH MACAULAY, WALTER
CORDERIO, JOHN, JR. MALLONEY, JAMES H.
CROFT, RANDELL DeB. MARTIN, JOHN C.
CULLEN, EDWARD T. MARTIN, PATRICK
DORSEY, HARRY E. MARTINEAU, WILFRED B.
FITZPATRICK, WILLIAM B. McNAMARA, CHARLES T.



PRIVATEES

NICKERSON, NORMAN J.	SHAW, ROLAND T.
O'NEIL, RAYMOND F.	SOARES, JOSEPH
PATTERSON, CLARENCE H.	SWEET, CLARENCE J.
PLACE, LLOYD C.	TAYLOR, ROBERT J.
PLUFFE, LEON A.	THORPE, FRANK
PROCTOR, EARL H.	TURGEON, HARRY A.
PROHASKA, ROBERT J.	UPTON, ROBERT
ROGERS, WILLIAM H.	VINE, MELVIN W.
SANDERSON, WILLIAM H.	WALLACE, SHERMAN E.
SKINNER, RICHARD H.	WERNER, PETER R.
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THIRD ROW: P. J. Burke, P. Gray, J. J. White, W. H. Bolton, R. Gray, C. T. McNamara, W. H. Sanderson, J. H. Malloney, R. J. Taylor, E. T. Cullen.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Battery F, 103rd Field Artillery, is descended from the Providence Horse Guards, chartered in 1842. On April 7, 1863, two companies of cavalry, namely: Company A and B, were formed, the Providence Horse Guards becoming part of the Second Brigade. It was changed to Company B, First Battalion of Cavalry, May 1, 1875, and redesignated Troop B, First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G., November 4, 1908. On April 30, 1941, the First Squadron of Cavalry was changed to Cavalry Detachment, R. I. N. G.

Called into Federal service for Mexican Border duty on June 19, 1916, it was mustered in June 24, 1916, and mustered out October 9, 1916, returning to its former National Guard status. On July 4, 1916, the Cavalry Detachment was changed to First Squadron of Cavalry, R. I. N. G. On January 2, 1917, this unit was redesignated Troop B, First Separate Squadron, Rhode Island Cavalry, National Guard.

On July 25, 1917, it was called into Federal service for the World War and drafted into the U. S. Army on August 5, 1917. Stationed at Camp Bartlett, Westfield, Massachusetts, it became Company B, 101st Supply Train, 26th Division, A. E. F. Demobilization was at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, April 30, 1919.

Reconstituted as Troop B, First Cavalry Squadron, R. I. N. G., August 22, 1921, it was extended Federal recognition December 20, 1921. The unit was redesignated Troop F, Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, R. I. N. G., February 24, 1927, and redesignated Machine Gun Troop, 122nd Cavalry, R. I. N. G., April 1, 1929. Converted to Battery F, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., January 2, 1930, it was extended Federal recognition January 3, 1930.



Top, Left to Right:
EDWIN M. DIXON
Captain
EDMUND A. SAYER
Captain

Left:
ROBERT E. BITGOOD
First Lieutenant



MAJOR PAUL L. SMITH
Commanding 152nd Observation Squadron
Served in the U. S. Army Air Corps during the World War. For 20 years thereafter, he continued an active interest in aviation, both military and civil, becoming one of the ranking aviators in New England, which comprises the First Corps Area. He is a past president of the New England Department of the Air Reserve Association of the United States. Ever since the World War, he has advocated an Air Corps unit for the National Guard of his home state, and when the squadron was authorized in 1939, he accepted an invitation to transfer from the Air Corps Reserves to become its first commanding officer.

OFFICERS, 152ND OBSERVATION SQUADRON
AIR CORPS, RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD



AUGUSTUS BECKER
First Lieutenant



REGINALD F. SCHUELER
First Lieutenant



JOHN F. BARRETT
Second Lieutenant



MELVIN T. HOLBROOK, JR.
Second Lieutenant



JOHN F. LOSEE
Second Lieutenant



ARTHUR L. MILLER
Second Lieutenant



CHARLES J. TUBBS
Second Lieutenant



ALEXANDER I. PETT
Second Lieutenant



EDWARD F. KERNAN
Second Lieutenant



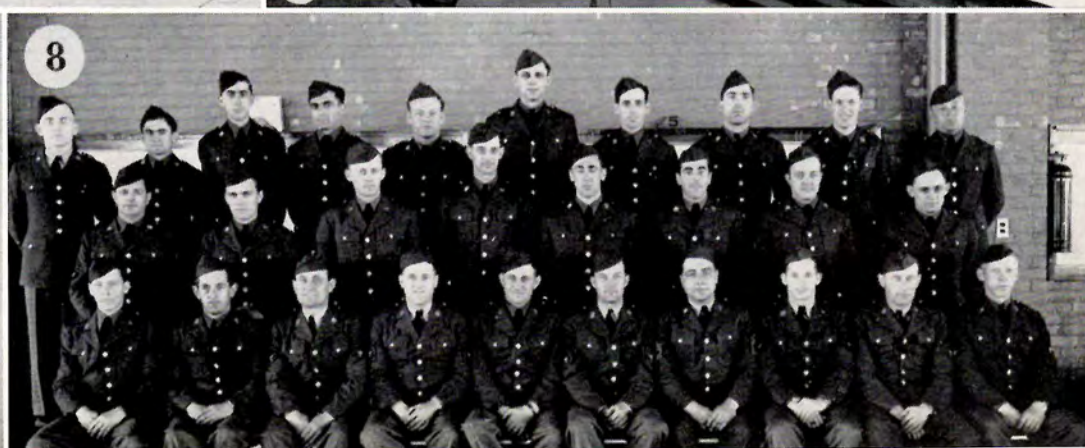
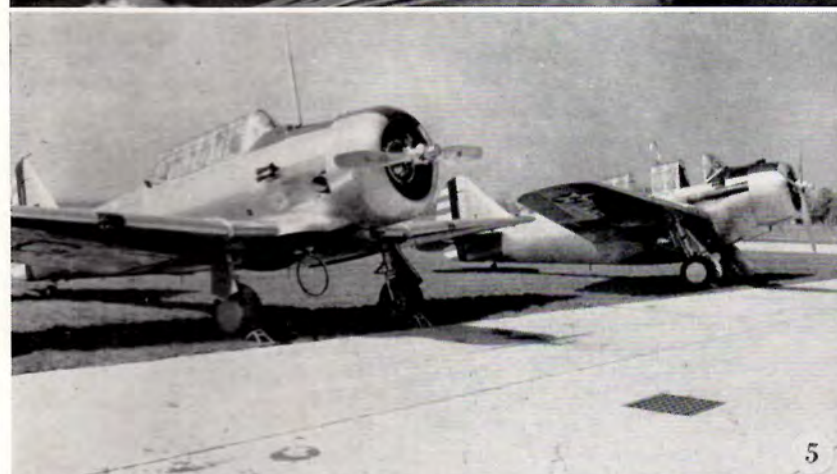
ROBERT D. STEWART
Second Lieutenant

1. Mounting a Synchronized Machine Gun.
2. Medical Department Detachment, Putting Patient in Ambulance.
3. Inspecting a Parachute.
4. Medical Section Lined Up.
5. BC-1A and O-47-A Observation Planes.
6. .30 Calibre Machine Gun Instruction.
7. First Sergeant Israel T. Richards, 152nd Observation Squadron.
8. Non-Commissioned Officers.

152ND OBSERVATION SQUADRON

AIR CORPS, RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD

HILLSGROVE, RHODE ISLAND





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SECOND ROW: E. B. Lampron, H. W. Gardner, R. D. Bateson, W. T. Sampson, II, R. M. Coleman, J. T. McCarthy, D. E. Englebrook, B. J. Filliatreault, R. D. Taylor, E. W. Zarr, G. P. Kennedy.

THIRD ROW: R. Lauter, W. B. Cain, D. G. MacDonald, J. E. Hutson, H. A. Swanson, L. F. Vaughan, R. F. Anderson, M. A. Szarko, J. H. Hutchinson, A. A. Storti, C. H. Holt, Jr., R. DeGregorio.



152ND OBSERVATION
SQUADRON

AIR CORPS, R. I. N. G., HILLSGROVE, RHODE ISLAND

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Major	PAUL L. SMITH
Captain	EDWIN M. DIXON
Captain	EDMUND M. SAYER
First Lieutenant	AUGUSTUS BECKER
First Lieutenant	ROBERT E. BITGOOD
First Lieutenant	REGINALD F. SCHUELER
Second Lieutenant	JOHN F. BARRETT
Second Lieutenant	MELVIN T. HOLBROOK, JR.
Second Lieutenant	JOHN F. LOSEE
Second Lieutenant	ARTHUR L. MILLER
Second Lieutenant	CHARLES J. TUBBS
Second Lieutenant	ALEXANDER I. PETT
Second Lieutenant	EDWARD F. KERNAN
Second Lieutenant	ROBERT D. STEWART

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant	ROBERT K. ASHWORTH
Master Sergeant	ROBERT DEGRECORIO
Technical Sergeant	ERNEST O. LINDBLOM
Technical Sergeant	THOMAS V. MEEGAN
First Sergeant	ISRAEL T. RICHARDS
Staff Sergeant	GERALD P. KENNEDY
Staff Sergeant	ROBERT LAUTER
Staff Sergeant	MORRIS M. FOX
Staff Sergeant	THOMAS VIRNELLI

SERGEANTS

DIONNE, HENRY E.	KASEK, MICHAEL J.
EGAN, JOHN F.	KULLBERG, RICHARD H.
FROST, HAROLD R.	MACDONALD, DANIEL G.
HIGGINS, WILLIAM A.	VAUGHAN, LEON F.
HOLT, CHARLES H., JR.	WHITNEY, WILLARD M.

CORPORALS

ARMSTRONG, DONALD S.	IACONO, FRANK L.
BARAO, MANUEL C., JR.	JONES, WILLARD B.
CALUORI, ERNEST	MCMULTY, LAWRENCE P.
COFFILL, HAROLD C.	PERCIVAL, RICHARD, JR.
COLEMAN, ROBERT M.	PONTARELLI, HABATINO
GAGNON, JOSEPH M.	POPIEL, STANLEY
	WYLIE, JAMES

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

CAIN, WILLIAM B.	FILLIATREULT, BERNARD J.
CHAGNON, GEORGE J.	MAGSON, ARTHUR
CRAWFORD, THOMAS A.	MCCARTHY, JOHN T.
DOWNES, PHILIP E.	MCLAREN, WILLIAM W.
ENGLEBROOK, DONALD E.	MOTTOLA, ALFRED B.
FARIA, EDMUND E.	NEVINS, PAUL E.



PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

O'DONNELL, EDWARD C.	SAMPSON, WILLIAM T., II
PARENTE, JOSEPH L.	SCANLON, JOHN W.
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POTTER, IRA H., JR.	WHITE, EDWARD C.
	WOOLLEY, ERNEST D.

PRIVATES

AMES, FORREST C.	GREENE, EDWIN A.
ANDERSON, RUSSELL F.	HUTCHINSON, JOHN H.
APTT, EDWARD B.	HUTSON, JOHN E.
ATKINSON, WILLIAM A.	JONES, ALBERT J.
BATESON, ROBERT D.	KERNAN, EDWARD F.
BOWIE, EUGENE C.	KEVILLE, MARSHALL M.
BRISSON, LEO L.	LAMPSON, ERNEST B.
BURGESS, LESTER P., JR.	LAPOLLA, DANIEL
BURSLEY, GRANT B.	LAURENDEAU, EDWARD F.
CADY, MELVYN A.	LEVESQUE, WILLIAM J.
CARACCIA, ANTHONY L.	MARTIN, WILLIAM C.
CALDWELL, WILLIAM S.	MCILROY, JAMES E.
CHAMBERS, GEORGE, JR.	McKENNA, THOMAS D.
COPPOLA, ITALO A.	MERTHEW, RALPH S.
COYLE, JAMES P.	MILLER, SEYMOUR
DAME, DONALD T.	NORTH, ARNOLD, JR.
DETERRA, JOSEPH B., JR.	PETERSEN, EVERETT A.
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GARDNER, HERBERT W.	PROULX, LEONIDE
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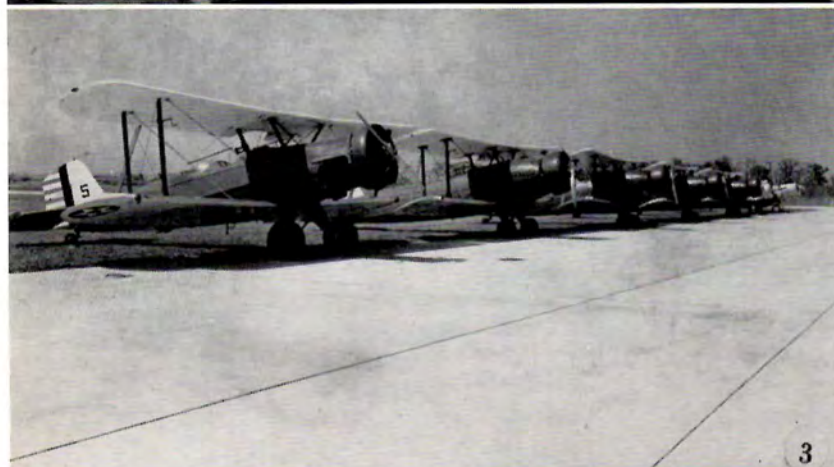
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152ND OBSERVATION SQUADRON

AIR CORPS, RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD

HILLSGROVE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Mounting Flexible Machine Gun.
2. Medical Section on the Alert.
3. 152nd Observation Planes "On the Line."
4. Airport.
5. Communication Section Standing By.
6. Instructions in Folding Parachutes.
7. Preparing to Take Off.
8. At Work in the Office.

COMPANY D

118TH QUARTERMASTER REGIMENT

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

The Rhode Island allotment of the 118th Quartermaster Regiment is Company D, which is officered by Captain Charles W. Beech and Second Lieutenant James H. Richardson. Other units of the 118th Quartermaster Regiment are stationed in Connecticut, Maine and Vermont.



CHARLES W. BEECH
Captain, Commanding



JAMES H. RICHARDSON
Second Lieutenant

1. Company Office.
2. Non-Commissioned Officers.
3. Recreation.

4. Mechanics: Sergeant Joseph P. LeBreache, Private John Beal, Private First Class Ignazio Dilorio.
5. Supply Room.
6. Drivers and Helpers.



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SECOND ROW: G. R. Newsham, J. Arthur, A. E. Breton, A. A. Nadeau, J. Gallant, J. Lenihan, W. Reynolds.
THIRD ROW: G. D. Neveu, T. Newsham, C. F. Dyer, G. F. Breslin, J. Beal, F. Healey, A. P. Cady.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain CHARLES W. BEECH
Second Lieutenant JAMES H. RICHARDSON

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant GEORGE H. McVEY

SERGEANTS

BROWN, DAVID W.	PENDLEBURY, JOHN
DeMaio, JOHN	ORCUTT, HOWARD
LeBreache, JOSEPH P.	WHITMAN, ANDREW E.
WELLS, AUBREY E.	

CORPORALS

BEAL, HAROLD	DeSANTO, ROGER
BURNS, EDWARD	PATT, EDWIN E.
SULLIVAN, GILBERT	

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BEAL, GEORGE	LENIHAN, JOSEPH
BRESLIN, GEORGE F.	MARTIN, JAMES
BYRNES, ALBERT W.	MELLON, FRANCIS H.
DUNN, JOHN	MCCARTHY, THOMAS A.
DiIorio, IGNAZIO	REYNOLDS, WILLIAM

PRIVATES

ARTHUR, JOHN	BEAL, JOHN
BEAL, ARTHUR F.	BRETON, ANDREW E.



COMPANY D

118TH QUARTERMASTER REGIMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I.



PRIVATES

CADY, ALSTEAD P.
DEQUATTRRO, PASCAL
DEQUATTRRO, PHILLIP
DYER, CHARLES
GALLANT, JOHN
GEMMA, ALFRED
GILLIGAN, ROBERT
GOODWIN, PETER K.
HEALEY, FRANK
LAMORE, WILLIAM

MAIORANI, JOSEPH F.
MCKIERNAN, WILLIAM F.
MURPHY, JAMES P.
NADEAU, ARTHUR A.
NEWSHAM, GEORGE R.
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NEVEU, GEORGE D.
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SCHOFIELD, DONALD

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THIRD ROW: T. A. McCarthy, W. F. McKiernan, J. Martin, A. F. Beal, P. DeQuattrro, W. Lamore, Phillip DeQuattrro.

FACTUAL HISTORY

As one of the newer organizations within the Rhode Island National Guard, Company D, 118th Quartermaster Regiment, was authorized March 1, 1937, and Federally recognized April 23, 1937. As a part of the 43rd Infantry Division, its authorized strength is two officers and 48 enlisted men, its peace time strength two officers and 78

enlisted men, and its wartime strength three officers and 113 enlisted men.

Its principal function is the transportation of Class I Supplies and small arms ammunition within the Division. Since its inception, the company has received the highest ratings possible at its various inspections.

Present company officers are Captain Charles W. Beech, commanding, and Second Lieutenant James H. Richardson, junior officer.



JOHN H. SERROR
Captain



RICHARD J. TIERNEY
First Lieutenant



EDWARD J. WURTZ
First Lieutenant

43RD SIGNAL C O M P A N Y

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PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



RAYMOND W. ANDERSON
First Lieutenant

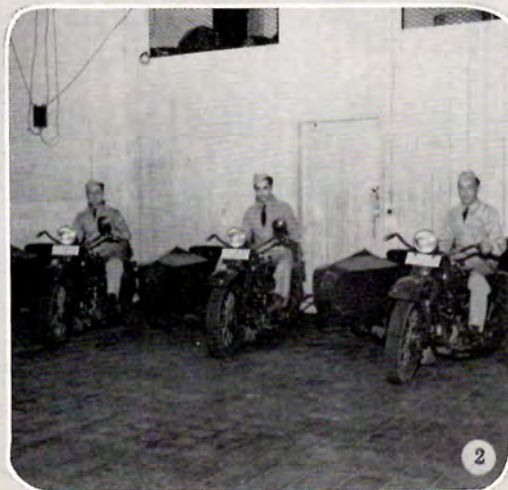


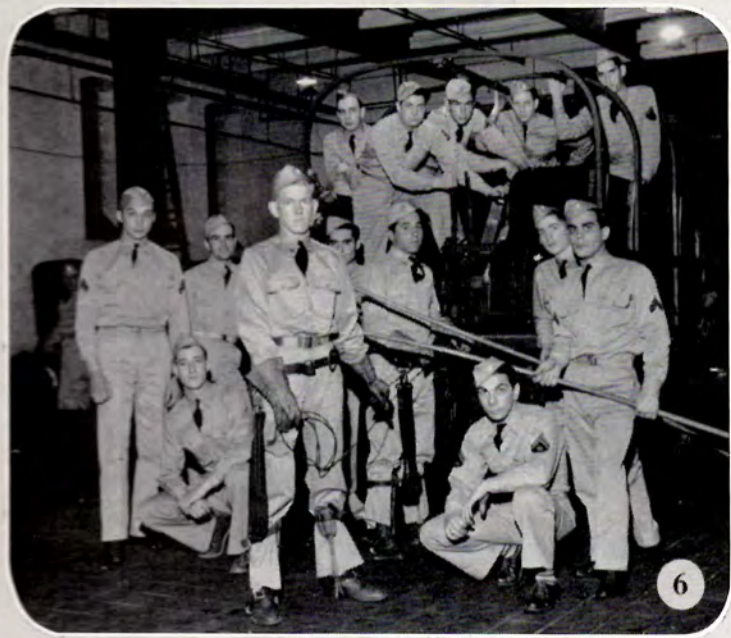
RAYMOND J. KELLY
Second Lieutenant



MATTHEW V. McCORMICK
Second Lieutenant

1. Message Center.
2. Motor Dispatch Service.
3. Message Center.
4. Telephone and Telegraph Section.
5. Trucks and Drivers.
6. Construction Section.
7. Headquarters Section.
8. Radio Section.
9. Non-Commissioned Officers.







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SECOND ROW: V. Simoli, J. W. Kelley, J. N. McDonough, W. J. Hanrahan, Jr., W. Rickard, E. R. Nelson, J. A. Brides, A. G. Barrett, G. Francis, C. E. Brown, F. Sousa.

THIRD ROW: G. M. Smith, M. Zangari, W. G. Parker, Jr., W. A. Oakland, W. T. Varley, D. F. Gainey, T. W. Engley, J. G. Baldwin, A. G. Mellin, W. D. Wyman, W. C. Kellogg, P. D. Bruno.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JOHN H. SERROR
First Lieutenant RICHARD J. TIERNEY
First Lieutenant EDWARD J. WURTZ
First Lieutenant RAYMOND W. ANDERSON
Second Lieutenant RAYMOND J. KELLY
Second Lieutenant MATTHEW V. MCCORMICK

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Master Sergeant SILVIO CROCE
Technical Sergeant RALPH D. LEACH
First Sergeant CHARLES H. BALDWIN
Staff Sergeant JAMES E. BALDWIN
Staff Sergeant BERNARD P. DAVIS
Staff Sergeant GUS R. ROSSI
Staff Sergeant TOM L. RUBERY
Staff Sergeant ARTHUR V. WHITEHEAD

SERGEANTS

BUXTON, EDWARD C. JAMES, RAYMOND E.
HOPKINS, WALLACE W. PECKHAM, BENJAMIN G.
HOWARD, DAVID S. SILVA, JOSEPH A.
TILLINGHAST, FRANK J.

CORPORALS

BALDWIN, JOSEPH G. KELLY, FRANCIS J.
BOUDREAU, HONOREAND J. KILROY, JOHN W.
BRIGHT, RALPH LINHARES, HCRACE
CHACE, HENRY T. PHILLIPS, LLOYD S.
GAY, SUMNER N. POWERS, WILLIAM H., JR.
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PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ALDRICH, DONALD R. LATHAM, IRVING H.
ATHERTON, EVERETT L. LUSSIER, RENE E.
BARRETT, ALBERT G. MALO, ARTHUR A.
BRIDES, JOHN A. MANSOLILLO, JOSEPH J.
BRUNO, PAT D. McDONOUGH, JOHN N.
BUDLONG, THOMAS F. NELSON, ERNEST R.
ENGLEY, THOMAS W. OAKLAND, WILLIAM A.
FORBES, HAROLD J. O'BRIEN, WILLIAM V.
GAINAY, DAVID F. ROCHIRA, BENJAMIN
KELLOGG, WILLIAM C. SMITH, GEORGE M.
KOWALESKI, ALPHONSE J. SOUSA, FLARENCIO
LANGSHAW, JOHN N. STACKUS, GEORGE H.
TAFT, HOWARD F.

43RD SIGNAL
COMPANY

SPECIAL TROOPS, 43RD DIVISION, PROVIDENCE, R. I.



PRIVATES

ALLEN, LEO F. X.
AMBROSE, RALPH
AMBROSE, THOMAS F.
BAGLEY, EARL S.
BAGLINI, OLINTO C.
BARKS, GILBERT T.
BARNETT, BURTON E.
BARNETT, WILLIAM R.

BATTLE, DONALD J.
BENNETT, THOMAS L.
BROWN, CHARLES E.
COONEY, ROBERT
CULLEN, JOHN J.
D'ALESSANDRO, F. P.
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SECOND ROW: D. F. Warner, T. L. Bennett, D. J. Kearns, O. C. Baglini, L. F. X. Allen, T. H. Weaver, D. J. Battle, H. F. Taft, H. C. Tetzner, R. G. Dunbar, H. A. O'Neill.

THIRD ROW: G. A. Jengo, R. E. Lussier, R. Ambrose, W. V. O'Brien, J. A. Gagliardi, A. A. Malo, J. P. Murray, I. F. Ambrose, E. E. Hanrahan, R. Moctram, B. E. Barnett, J. S. Lapolla.

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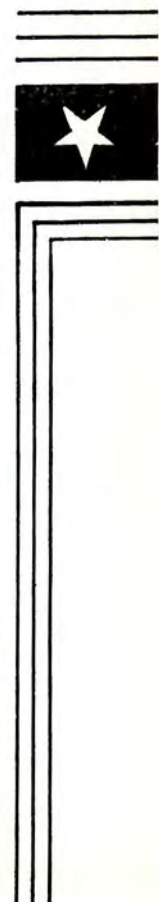
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PRIVATES

FRANCIS, GEORGE
FUSCO, JAMES
GAGLIARDI, JOSEPH A.
GALLIGAN, WILLIAM E.
GRIFFITHS, HORACE E.
HANRAHAN, EDWARD E.
HANRAHAN, WM. J., JR.

HERSEY, CHARLES W.
JENGO, GUIDO A.
KELLEY, JAMES W.
KEARNS, DANIEL J.
KINSLEY, PERCIVAL J., JR.
LAPOLLA, JOSEPH S.
MARTIN, BERNARD N.

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THOMAS A. EGAN
Captain, M. C., Company D



ROBERT W. HALL
Captain, M. A. C., Company D



MORRIS L. GROVER
Captain, M. C., Company H

OFFICERS, 118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT

Besides Major Louis A. Normandin, Jr., M. C., who is stationed at the Division Surgeon's Office in Providence, the State of Rhode Island is assigned Companies D and H of the 118th Medical Regiment, which are officered by five Captains, a First Lieutenant and a Second Lieutenant.

Assigned to Company D are Captains Thomas A. Egan, M. C., and Captain Robert W. Hall, M. A. C., while Company H has the following officers: Captains Morris L. Grover, M. C., Jacob S. Kelley, M. C., Francis J. Harris, D. C., First Lieutenant James P. Healey, M. C., and Second Lieutenant Albert W. Robertson, M. A. C.

Major Louis A. Normandin, Jr., M. C., was ap-

pointed Medical Inspector, Division Surgeon's Office, 43rd Division, April 1, 1935. Prior to that time the office had been allocated to the State of Connecticut.

Major Normandin participated in field training period at the First Army Maneuvers at Pine Camp, New York, 1935; at Niantic, Connecticut, 1936; at First Army Maneuvers, Plattsburg, New York, 1939. In each of the training periods he acted as Medical Inspector.

During the Armory Drill period his assigned duties consist of the supervision of the training of Companies D and H, 118th Medical Regiment, and medical departments of the 118th Engineer Regiment, and 103rd Field Artillery located in Rhode Island.

FRANCIS J. HARRIS
Captain, D. C., Company H

JAMES P. HEALEY
First Lieutenant, M. C.
Company H

ALBERT W. ROBERTSON
Second Lieutenant, M. A. C.
Company H





COMMISSIONED OFFICERS
Captain THOMAS A. EGAN, M. C.
Captain ROBERT W. HALL, M. A. C.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS
First Sergeant FRANCIS X. ASSELIN

SERGEANTS
BODAY, JOHN C. LEDDY, JOHN F.
CARR, MAURICE J. MALKOWSKI, HENRY F.
KLICH, FRANK C. ST. CLAIR, LEON
VEAUDRY, HECTOR R.

CORPORALS
MILLER, HAROLD J. WALEIKO, STANLEY

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS
AINLEY, ARTHUR D. KARPOWICH, WALTER
BISORDI, ALBERT C. LOPARTO, EUGENE
CHAMPAGNE, ALCIDE J. MALKOWSKI, EDWARD J.
DAY, JOHN J. MALLON, BERNARD J.
FONTAINE, OMER SPANIAK, THEODORE S.
URBANOWICZ, VINCENT P.

PRIVATES
BARTKIEWICZ, FRANK R. MOONEY, ALBERT J.
BENNETT, CLARK H. PAINE, GEORGE A.
BERGERON, JOSEPH J. PAWLOWSKI, STANLEY
DUBREUIL, RAYMOND C. PRIBBITT, MATTHEW
GOCZYNSKI, STANLEY L. RECORVITZ, JOHN
JURGELON, PETER J. RENNOX, GEORGE E.
KOUTROS, LOUIS P. RIDDENDALE, NORMAN J.
MCFARLANE, JOHN SKRYDALEWICZ, JOSEPH J.
MCCAFFREY, JAMES D. THOMAS, JOSEPH J.
MCCLURG, ALBERT C. THORNLEY, MALCOM
MENNUCCI, GIULIETTO C. VINCENT, JOSEPH J.
MOON, LAWRENCE R. WILSON, ALDEN G.
WOODWORTH, JOSEPH J.

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eiko, M. J. Carr, H. F. Malkowski, F. X. Asselin, J. F. Leddy,
E. C. Klich, H. R. Veaudry, H. J. Miller, W. Karpowich.

SECOND ROW: O. Fontaine, S. L. Goczynski, T. S. Spaniak,
C. H. Bennett, A. J. Mooney, L. P. Koutros, E. J. Malkowski,
M. Pribbitt, A. J. Champagne, R. C. DuBreuil, J. Woodworth,
J. J. Day.

THIRD ROW: J. Recorvitz, A. C. McClurg, G. A. Paine, J. J.
Thomas, G. E. Rennex, M. Thornley, J. J. Skrydalewicz, J. D.
McCaffrey, L. R. Moon, A. G. Wilson, G. C. Mennucci, F. R.
Bartkiewicz.



FACTUAL HISTORY

One week before the cornerstone of the present State
House in Providence was laid, on October 8, 1896, Com-
pany D, 118th Medical Regiment, was organized as the
hospital corps of the Rhode Island Militia. It was made
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COMPANY D

118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT, PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND



COMPANY D

118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT

PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

1. Loading Litter.
2. Gas Mask Drill.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.
4. Artificial Respiration.
5. Loading an Ambulance.
6. Regimental Champion Basketball Team.



1. Application of the Thomas Leg Splint.
2. Litter Squad in Action.
3. Carrying a Patient to an Aid Station.
4. Preparing Patient for Examination.
5. Non-Commissioned Officers.

COMPANY H

118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

COMPANY H

118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



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FIRST ROW: G. Hargreaves, G. A. Tillinghast, E. L. Foley,
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SECOND ROW: L. H. Cinq-Mars, T. F. Murphy, H. G. Meri-
thew, E. F. Opaluch, F. C. Skalko, L. G. Sherman, A. E.
Tillinghast.

THIRD ROW: F. B. De Lellis, J. H. Cinq-Mars, H. J. Gilbert,
V. M. Raponi, F. H. Connery, M. A. Ennis, E. Desautel.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain MORRIS L. GROVER, M. C.
Captain FRANCIS J. HARRIS, M. C.
First Lieutenant JAMES P. HEALEY, M. C.
First Lieutenant HOWARD G. LASKEY, M. C.
First Lieutenant ALBERT A. STITT, M. C.
Second Lieutenant ALBERT ROBERTSON, M. C.

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant WILLIAM H. SPAULDING, JR.
Staff Sergeant JOHN R. BANNISTER
Staff Sergeant WILFRED J. Desgranges
Staff Sergeant HENRY DESAUTEL
Staff Sergeant WILLIAM DOWNIE

SERGEANTS

GILBERT, IVAN	MORRIS, CHARLES
HARGREAVES, GEORGE	NICKERSON, PHILIP
MC CREA, RAYMOND	PATTERSON, CHARLES

CORPORALS

CASE, EDWIN	DESAUTEL, EDWARD
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PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

BANNISTER, EARL A.	GUYER, HENRY
BROADBENT, ROBERT	MERITHEW, HORACE G.
BROWN, KENNETH J.	MURPHY, THOMAS
CHARRON, OVILA J.	NORCROSS, HORACE L.
CINQ-MARS, JOSEPH	SHERMAN, LOUIS G.
CRAWLEY, JAMES J.	SKALKO, FRANCIS C.
DELILLIS, FRANK B.	SOUZA, EVERETT
GILBERT, HENRY	STEVENSON, LINDEN
OPALUCH, EDWARD	

PRIVATES

ARSENAULT, PHILIP J., JR.	BRISSETTE, ALBERT
BENOIT, WILLIAM J.	BRESCIA, ANTHONY
BOUDREAU, ERNEST	CHARTIER, EDWARD A.





PRIVATES

CHARTIER, GEORGE L.	MC COART, JOSEPH
CICERCHIA, ANTHONY P.	MCDONOUGH, JOHN T.
CINQ-MARS, LEON H.	MERITHEW, LLOYD E.
CONERY, FRANKLIN H.	PETERS, EDWARD R.
DE LILLIS, ALBERT L.	PRAVAZZO, ANNUNZIO A.
ENNIS, JOHN N.	RICCI, ANTHONY B.
FERRY, ANGELO T.	RIENDEAU, LORENZO R.
FOLEY, EMMETT, JR.	ROSE, DANIEL P.
GORMAN, JAMES F.	SCUNCIO, VINCENT
GOULD, FRED	SMITH, ROBERT J.
HAYES, EDWARD J.	TAYLOR, EDWARD A.
JARVIS, ARTHUR J. H.	TAYLOR, GILBERT G.
LEFORT, GERALD M.	TILLINGHAST, ALFRED
LOMBARDI, VERGIGLIO J.	TILLINGHAST, GUY
WARD, WILFRED H.	

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SECOND ROW: L. Stevenson, R. Cragg, E. A. Case, E. A. Bannister, A. Brissette, R. Broadbent, J. J. Crawley, P. Nickerson, H. Desautel.

THIRD ROW: E. D. Boudreau, P. Arsenault, G. G. Taylor, L. R. Riendeau, A. J. Gemme, E. Souza, A. Ricci, W. Desgrange.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Company H, 118th Medical Regiment, traces its origin to the 153rd Field Hospital which served overseas as part of the 118th Sanitary Train during the World War I. Following this experience and after demobilization in 1919, the unit remained dormant until 1921 when it was revived largely through the efforts of Major Harmon P. B. Jordan, M. C., who became its first commanding officer when it was Federally recognized as the

153rd Hospital Company, 118th Medical Regiment, September 20, 1921.

Major Jordan commanded the company from 1921 to 1926. He was succeeded in command by Captain George E. Ronne, M. C., 1926-1927; Captain (now Major) Louis A. Normandin, 1927-1934; Captain (now Major) Lloyd C. Wilson, 1934-1938. The present commanding officer is Captain Morris L. Grover, who has been an officer attached to the company since March, 1932. He assumed command on December 21, 1938, after being relieved of command of Company D (ambulance) on the same date.

Authorized peace-time strength of the unit is six officers and 66 men.



JAMES E. HOLIDAY
Captain



DONALD A. LEIGHTON
Second Lieutenant



118TH ORDNANCE COMPANY

Special Troops, 43rd Division

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

1. Machine Shop.
2. Service Section Installing Generator.
3. Non-Commissioned Officers.

4. Automotive Section.
5. Welding.
6. Small Arms Section.





COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Captain JAMES E. HOLIDAY
Second Lieutenant DONALD A. LEIGHTON

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

First Sergeant RICHARD J. HARTNETT
Technical Sergeant HENRY A. MATHIEU

SERGEANTS

GALIANO, ERNEST J. PARKHURST, LLOYD E.
KNOWLES, FRANCIS S. SLOAN, JOHN F.

CORPORALS

BRAMLEY, VINCENT A. HARTNETT, JOHN F.
RHODES, HAROLD

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

AMELIO, EDWARD M. O'DONNELL, LEO C.
BAILEY, JOHN C. SISSON, VICTOR A.
ERICKSON, OSCAR SMITH, THOMAS J.
MORGAN, CHARLES C. SPINNEY, EDWARD L.
SWENSON, NORMAN W.

PRIVATES

BARBER, WARREN A. MATTHEWS, ARLINGTON
BONNELL, DONALD J. MCKENNA, EUGENE F.
BOYLAN, FRANK F. NOEL, GERALD
BREAUULT, RONALD D. RAYMOND, JAMES W.
CARDEN, GEORGE P. ROBBERTSON, ARTHUR V.
GLEW, JOHN E. SEQUIN, ARTHUR E.
GUERTIN, VICTOR E. SPILO, LLOYD H.
JACOY, ARTHUR W. SWEENEY, DANIEL B.
JOSEPH, MANUEL P. WARNER, NORMAN G.
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SECOND ROW: E. M. Amelio, R. Matthews, E. L. Spinney, J. C. Bailey, A. Matthews, J. E. Glew, L. C. O'Donnell, A. E. Sequin, M. P. Joseph, V. E. Guertin, J. W. Raymond, N. G. Warner.

THIRD ROW: G. Noel, W. A. Barber, F. F. Boylan, R. D. Breault, C. C. Morgan, T. J. Smith, D. J. Bonnell, N. W. Swenson, A. V. Robbertson, O. Erickson, E. F. McKenna, A. W. Jacoy.



118TH ORDNANCE
C O M P A N Y

FACTUAL HISTORY

The 118th Ordnance Company was organized April 4, 1939.

Its first field training period was held at Plattsburg, New York.

In the fall, 1939, machine tools and Ordnance Company
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SPECIAL TROOPS, 43RD DIVISION, PROVIDENCE, R. I.



WILLIAM ALEXANDER
Lieutenant Colonel
Field Artillery



RUSSELL T. GEORGE
Major
Coast Artillery Corps

OFFICER INSTRUCTORS



ROBERT D. INGALLS
Major, C. E.



ELLSWORTH YOUNG
Major, Coast Artillery Corps



JAMES D. GIVENS
Major, Air Corps



JOHN M. WILLEMS
Captain, Field Artillery

SERGEANT INSTRUCTORS



FRED R. RAU
Staff Sergeant



LORENZO DOWELL
Staff Sergeant



THOMAS N. CROWLEY
Staff Sergeant



ARTHUR H. NEDOW
Staff Sergeant

CONTINUATION OF HISTORIES

BRIGADIER GENERAL HERBERT R. DEAN

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Aide-de-Camp to Commander-in-Chief (not recognized by War Department), October 20, 1917. Commissioned Major, Rhode Island Quartermaster Corps, National Guard (recognized by War Department), January 12, 1918.

WORLD WAR: Mustered into Federal service, January 21, 1918. Organizations and staff assignments: 304th Cavalry to August 15, 1918; 43rd Field Artillery to September 12, 1918; 18th Ammunition Train to February 4, 1919; 54th Field Artillery to February 21, 1919. Principal stations: Leon Springs, Texas. No overseas service. Honorably discharged, February 21, 1919.

POST-WAR: Major, Field Artillery Reserve, February 21, 1919, to January 31, 1920. Colonel, Cavalry Reserve, March 26, 1923. Certificates of capacity as Brigadier General of the Line, 1927.

NATIONAL GUARD: Appointed Brigadier General, Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., and assigned to Headquarters, 68th Field Artillery Brigade, February 3, 1930. Extended Federal recognition, March 7, 1930. Appointed the Adjutant General, State of Rhode Island, in addition to duties as Commanding General, 68th Field Artillery Brigade, August 1, 1931. Appointed Brigadier General, Field Artillery, National Guard of the United States, April 21, 1934. Relieved of command of 68th Field Artillery Brigade, at his request, and transferred to and assigned as Brigadier General, Adjutant General's Department, State Staff, January 8, 1937. Extended permanent Federal recognition, January 9, 1937. Appointed Brigadier General, A. G. D., State Staff, N. G. U. S.

FIRST SERGEANT RICHARD A. AHMUTY

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May 12, 1912. Honorably discharged November 5, 1914. Enlisted in Sixth Company, Rhode Island Coast Artillery, National Guard, July 6, 1917. For the World War, called into Federal service, July 25, 1917; drafted into service of United States, August 5, 1917; mustered in, August 25, 1917, and honorably discharged from World War service, March 13, 1917. Enlisted in 12th Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G., April 7, 1920. Appointed First Sergeant, May 24, 1920. (Unit redesignated Sixth Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G., September 1, 1921; 350th Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G., January 31, 1922.) Honorably discharged, May 18, 1923. Enlisted in 350th Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G., August 11, 1923. Appointed First Sergeant, August 18, 1923. (350th Company redesignated Battery F, 243rd Artillery, C. A. C., R. I. N. G., October 1, 1923. Regiment redesignated 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), R. I. N. G., July 11, 1924.) Honorably discharged, August 10, 1925. Enlisted in Battery F, 243rd Coast Artillery (HD), October 7, 1925. Appointed First Sergeant, January 1, 1926. Reduced to private, January 1, 1926. Appointed private, first class, February 1, 1928; First sergeant, April 1, 1928. Honorably discharged, October 6, 1935. Placed upon the Retired List of Enlisted Men of the Rhode Island National Guard with the rank of first sergeant, November 30, 1935.

118TH ENGINEERS

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tober 1. In the spring of 1939, the regiment furnished about 30 members of the provisional company formed as a guard of honor for the Governor of Rhode Island at the World's Fair in New York.

The regiment participated in the First Army Maneuvers, Pine Camp, New York, 1935, and again at Plattsburg, New York, 1939. During the latter maneuvers, the conduct of the river crossing in the army maneuver, including the construction of a heavy pontoon bridge was assigned to the regiment. For its excellent execution of this difficult task, the regiment was cited by the corps commander, and several units and individuals of the regiment were cited by both corps and division commanders for their work in connection with this operation.

The regiment is proud of the fact that three of its officers have graduated from the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and 10 from the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

The entire regiment is keenly interested in rifle marksmanship with the result that companies and individuals have won many trophies since 1930. Each year many of the members of the team representing the state at the National Matches are members of this regiment.

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

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UNITS OF FIELD ARTILLERY

Headquarters, First Battalion (present Headquarters,

First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized as individuals on various dates in 1919.

Battery A (present Battery A, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized on April 29, 1919.

Battery B (present Battery B, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized on April 29, 1919.

Battery C (present Battery C, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized on April 29, 1919.

UNITS OF FIRST SEPARATE SQUADRON, CAVALRY

Headquarters (not now in existence), demobilized April 30, 1919.

Troop A (present Battery E, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized April 30, 1919.

Troop B (present Battery F, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized April 30, 1919.

Troop C (present Battery D, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized April 30, 1919.

Troop M (present Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery), demobilized as individuals on various dates in 1919.

All of the Field Artillery units of the Rhode Island National Guard became a part of the 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F., upon muster into Federal service, serving in France from about October 9, 1917, to April 10, 1919. The Headquarters, Troop A and C, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., became Headquarters, Companies A and C, respectively, of the 103rd Machine Gun Battalion, 26th Division, A. E. F., upon muster into Federal service, serving overseas from October 2, 1917, to April 17, 1919.

Troop B, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., became Company B, 101st Supply Train, 26th Division, A. E. F., and Troop M, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., became Headquarters Company, 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F., upon muster into Federal service, serving overseas from about September 25, 1917, to August 1, 1919, and October 9, 1917, to April 10, 1919, respectively.

The above units, now component parts of the present 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., participated in the following battles in France: Champagne-Marne, Aisne-Marne, Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Ile de France, Lorraine, Cambrai, Defensive Sector. The 103rd Field Artillery, 26th Division, A. E. F., was the first National Guard heavy regiment in action against Germany.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DETACHMENT, 103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

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Upon the conversion of the cavalry into field artillery, the Medical Department Detachment, Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, R. I. N. G., recognized on June 21, 1922, was converted to the Medical Department Detachment, Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., January 2, 1930.

(The Medical Department Detachment, First Squadron, Cavalry, R. I. N. G., was redesignated as Medical Department Detachment, Second Squadron, 110th Cavalry, R. I. N. G., on February 24, 1927. On April 1, 1929,

it was redesignated as Medical Department Detachment, Second Squadron, 122nd Cavalry, R. I. N. G.)

On January 2, 1930, the Medical Department Detachments, First and Second Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G., formed the Medical Department Detachment, 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G. On January 20, 1930, it was extended Federal recognition as Medical Department Detachment (less Headquarters, Medical Department Detachment), 103rd Field Artillery, R. I. N. G.

152ND OBSERVATION SQUADRON, AIR CORPS, R. I. N. G.

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PRIVATES

SHEWCHUK, DIMITRY S.	TAYLOR, GEORGE L.
SMITH, WILLIAM E.	TAYLOR, ROBERT D.
STORTI, ALFRED A.	TRAINOR, EUGENE J.
SUTCLIFFE, RUSSELL N.	WEIR, GEORGE A., JR.
SWANSON, HENRY A.	WILLIAMS, PAUL A.
SYDLOWSKI, HENRY J.	WILLIAMS, ROBERT E.
SZARNO, MAURICE A.	ZARR, EUGENE W.
	ZORA, JOHN D.

FACTUAL HISTORY

Shortly after the World War, about 60 Rhode Island residents, who had served their country as commissioned officers in the Air Corps of the Army and Navy, formed the Aero Club of Rhode Island to perpetuate memories. Some 30 signed up for a squadron which Rhode Island might have had, but the state was not prepared to provide an airport and hangar as required by the Federal government, so the new unit was assigned to Hartford, Connecticut.

Down through the years, agitation for a Rhode Island Air Corps unit was kept alive, and eventually a beautiful new airport and a half-million-dollar hangar were constructed, largely through the efforts of Theodore Francis Green, Governor of Rhode Island and later United States Senator. By this time, civilian aviation had come of age, and the Federal government had shown no indication of creating new observation squadrons for the National Guard since 1930.

Then, early in 1939, it was made known that two new squadrons would be authorized in the summer of that year. Brigadier General Herbert R. Dean, the state's Adjutant General, who had cherished the hope for many years that Rhode Island might have an air unit; Governor William H. Vanderbilt, heartily in accord with the idea, and Senator Green swung into action. The two new squadrons were assigned late in the summer of 1939, one to Rhode Island, the other to Mississippi. The Rhode Island unit was designated as the 152nd Observation Squadron.

Of the three-score World War aviators who formed the Aero Club 20 years before, only one, Paul L. Smith, the club secretary, had continued an active interest in aviation. To him, the addition of an air corps unit to the Rhode Island National Guard was a dream come true, for he had been one of its staunchest advocates. Then a Captain, U. S. Army Air Corps Reserves, and a newspaper editor, he was extended an invitation to command the new squadron by Governor Vanderbilt and General Dean. Captain Edwin M. Dixon, another World War aviator, who helped to organize the New Jersey squadron in 1930, was called from the reserve ranks to recruit the new unit and act as

its engineering officer. Captain Edmund A. Sayer, Providence Surgeon, who is a graduate flight surgeon, was named to command the medical detachment.

After a few brief weeks of preparation, Federal recognition was granted, October 13, 1939. From all walks of life, almost entirely civilian, recruits were drawn for both enlisted and commissioned personnel. The enlisted ranks were filled without difficulty, nearly 100 per cent with high school graduates, and a long waiting list soon developed. Commissioned personnel was not so easy. There were plenty of good aviators in the state, but none had military experience. However, at the time this historical sketch is written, the squadron has 12 Federally recognized officers and five more in process, almost all of them college men. The squadron has been ordered to participate in the 1940 maneuvers and hopes to have its commissioned ranks well filled by August.

Early in December, 1939, only a few weeks after Federal recognition, the squadron was ordered into the field for a week's active duty. The amazing progress of the new unit, then with inadequate equipment, brought commendation from the Adjutant General and from the Commanding General of the First Corps Area.

Major James D. Givens of the Regular Army Air Corps was assigned as the squadron's instructor. Largely through his personal efforts, equipment was speeded from all sources. The first plane was an O-47A. Then six O-38's were taken from storage and transferred to the squadron as the new pilots quickly qualified for ratings. One of the first BC-1A's out of the factory was turned over to the squadron.

Six months after Federal recognition, the squadron received its first armory inspection—and a superior rating. The technical inspection was rated excellent, and all higher authority indicated that the new unit was progressing much faster than original expectation. Extra armory drills ordered during the winter months after Federal recognition helped in large measure to whip the outfit into shape.

In May, 1940, the entire Rhode Island National Guard, including the 152nd Observation Squadron, was photographed for this historical volume. The officers and enlisted men of the squadron are proud of their association with the veteran armed forces of the state, and will continue to strive to do their part in upholding the high traditions of the Rhode Island National Guard.

43RD SIGNAL COMPANY, SPECIAL TROOPS, 43RD DIVISION

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PRIVATES

MASTROIANNI, ANTHONY	SCRIVEN, ALBERT D.
MAXWELL, RAYMOND R.	SIMOLI, VINCENT
MAZZA, VINCENT	TALAN, CHARLES J.
MELLIN, ALGOT G.	TETZNER, HERMAN C.
MILLER, GORDON A.	VARLEY, WALTER T.
MOTTRAM, RONALD	WARNER, DANIEL F.
MURRAY, JOSEPH P.	WEAVER, THOMAS H.
O'NEILL, HARRY A.	WINE, HARVEY
PARKER, WINFIELD G., JR.	WOODS, OSWALD A.
RICKARD, WILLIAM A.	WYMAN, WILLIAM D.
RYAN, STEPHEN F.	ZANGARI, MARIO

FACTUAL HISTORY

The 43rd Signal Company was organized in 1923, when four men, who had been associated with the Cranston

Blues, were authorized to form a signal company. The leader of the group, John J. Finnegan, formerly Captain in the Blues, was assisted by Dexter T. Knight and William H. Potter, commissioned officers in the Blues, and George Creighton, non-com in the Blues. The unit was Federally recognized March 21, 1923, with the following officers: First Lieutenants Dexter T. Knight, Lee Howard (veteran of World War Canadian forces), Edmund J. Rex (formerly commissioned in U. S. Naval Reserves); Second Lieutenants William H. Potter and John R. Ferguson (World War veteran). George Creighton, who had served two enlistments in the United States Cavalry, was First Sergeant. Most of the non-coms were World War veterans. Since 1923, more than 400 men have at one time or another been members.

The first field training period was in August, 1923, at Fort H. G. Wright, Fishers Island, and since then, the Signal Company has had field training in all six New England states and at Pine Camp, New York, 1935, and Plattsburg, New York, 1939. In 1934, the unit saw service in Woonsocket and Saylesville, Rhode Island, during the textile strike. At the Army Maneuvers, Plattsburg, New York, 1939, the company was presented a Guidon Streamer as an award for their work in camp. The Signal Company has also won two silver cups for parade appearance: one donated by the Sesqui-Centennial Committee, 1926, and the other by the National Encampment, V. F. W., Providence.

The company was on duty following a hurricane in 1938. During the fall and winter of 1939, the unit drilled two nights each week and spent seven additional days and nights in the field on overnight bivouacs.

Several sets of brothers have been enrolled at the same time in the unit. At one time, there was one set of four brothers, three being members at present. There are also four sets of two brothers and the son of a former commander. First Lieutenant Richard J. Tierney and Second Lieutenant Raymond J. Kelly came up through the ranks.

The Signal Company colors are orange and white, the insignia being crossed flags with a flaming torch between. One flag is white with a red center and the other red with a white center. With a record of 17 years meritorious service, the Signal Company looks to the future confident that whatever is in store for it will be accomplished with the same efficiency and esprit de corps as has marked its work in the past.

COMPANY D, 118TH MEDICAL REGIMENT

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a National Guard organization November 4, 1908, and received the designation Ambulance Company No. 1 on June 25, 1915.

During the World War the company entered the Federal service and was attached to the Yankee Division and named 104th Ambulance Company, 101st Sanitary Train. Mustering out of the service in April, 1919, it was reorganized in October of that year as the First Ambulance Company, under the command of Captain Harmon P. B. Jordan.

In September, 1921, it was redesignated as the 152nd Ambulance Company (animal drawn). Ten years later, it became known as the 152nd Ambulance Company, 118th Medical Regiment (motor drawn).

The late Major Charles C. Purdum held the command of the company from 1922 until 1927 when he became Ambulance Battalion Commander. Succeeding commanding officers were Captain Robert W. Hall, Captain Francis Harris, Captain Harry M. Kechjian, Captain Morris L. Grover and Captain Thomas A. Egan, the present commander.

Captain Robert W. Hall, the company's M. A. C. officer, began his career as a private in January, 1913, going through the grades of corporal and sergeant until March, 1917, when he entered Federal service as a first sergeant in the World War.

At the Pine Camp training period in 1935, Company D used Model 1916 ambulances and was commended for its accomplishment of the job despite the frequent breakdowns due to the age of the vehicles. In September, 1938, it rendered effective ambulance service during the fortnight following the hurricane and tidal wave.

The company's two weeks' training period in the Plattsburg Maneuvers of 1939 was taken up with the evacuation of actual casualties.

Commendations came to the company from Governor Aram J. Pothier, the Adjutant General and the mayor of Pawtucket for efficient ambulance service rendered the severely wounded in the Mackinac disaster of August 18, 1925; and again on July 26, 1927, for "exceptional ambulance service" when Colonel Charles Lindberg visited Rhode Island.

Honors won by the company: Basketball Championship of the R. I. N. G. League from 1932 to 1938, for which it received the General Dean Trophy; the 118th Medical Regiment Trophy, 1936 and 1938; top rating in competitive close order drill and all-around efficiency award, 1934; highest honors in Pistol Competition, 1922, 1925 and 1926.

Honors taken by individual members of the company: Pistol Championship award, Major Purdum, 1921; Pistol Championship Match in the State Competitions, Captain Robert W. Hall, 1922, with a score of 204.

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equipment arrived in time for utilization in the winter drills.

The company has, in its authorized peace strength of 37 enlisted men, the following skilled tradesmen who work in their trades in and around Providence: 19 machinists and tool makers, one cabinet maker, two chefs, two welders, one carpenter, two electricians, two auto mechanics, three clothing salesmen, two office workers, one clocksmith, two chauffeurs.

Early in 1940, the company was ordered to Aberdeen for its first 10 days of field training, and then to northern New York for maneuvers.

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