

ARMY & NAVY NEWS & NOTES

EFFECT OF NEW ARMY BILL ON NATIONAL GUARD FAR REACHING

Provisions Are Rigid But Should Be Incentive to Seek Advancement

That the National Guard will be vitally affected through the big-army bill that has been passed by both houses of Congress and is now awaiting the action of the President is evident from copies that have just been received here in the Congressional Record.

Requirements as to pay of officers and enlisted men are proving of much interest to local guardsmen, who say that while the provisions are evidently rigid they should prove a strong incentive for men to work for rank of both commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

One of the most rigid requirements of the bill is that a company must be maintained at a minimum strength of 65.

Minimum of attendance at drills is to be decided upon by the President, and no member of a company can be credited with being present at a drill unless at least that number is present.

No less than 48 drills must be attended during the year, and each drill period must include not less than an hour and a half of time, the bill in this regard reading as follows:

Each company, troop, battery and detachment in the National Guard shall assemble for drill and instruction, including indoor target practice, not less than 48 times each year, and shall, in addition thereto, participate in encampments, maneuvers, or other exercises, including outdoor target practice, at least 15 days in training each year, including target practice, unless such company, troop, battery, or detachment shall have been excused from participation in any part thereof by the Secretary of War. Provided, that credit for an assembly for drill or for indoor target practice shall not be given unless the number of officers and enlisted men present for duty at such assembly shall equal or exceed a minimum to be prescribed by the President, nor unless the period of actual military duty and instruction participated in by each officer and enlisted man at each such assembly at which he shall be credited as having been present shall be of at

least one and one-half hours' duration and the character of training such as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

Inspection is to be held by order of the Secretary of War at least once each year by inspectors general and if necessary by regular army officers to determine the condition of the National Guard, and this report shall decide whether or not the federal equipment held by the guard shall be retained.

Regulations As To Pay.

Payment is to be made in semi-annual periods, and unless a man has been present at least 24 times during the first semi-annual period he cannot draw pay.

Pay for officers shall be made after their fulfillment of certain qualifications, which are to be determined by the President. Captains of the line and officers above shall receive \$500 a year; first lieutenants, \$240 a year, and second lieutenants, \$200 a year. All staff officers, and chaplains and aides, with the exception of regimental adjutants and medical officers act usually commanding sanitary troops, get paid on a basis corresponding to 50 per cent of the pay of line officers of the National Guard.

Enlisted men will receive 25 per cent of the pay allowed men of their rank in the army. This will be about \$2.75 for the lowest paid man each month, while this pay will be increased for various grades of service up to \$11.33 a month for first sergeants. Enlistment Period Lengthened.

Enlistment terms are for a period of six years instead of three years as now, but the last three years are considered as a reserve period. Officers and med shall serve in the reserve without pay except for periods of training when they are working with the active portion of the guard.

One of the features in the changes of organization is the establishment of machine gun companies as regular companies instead of detachments. This will make 13 companies in a regiment. The machine gun company will have one captain, one first lieutenant and two second lieutenants.

Office of regimental quartermaster is done away with by the bill. Battalions have a first lieutenant and a battalion adjutant, the battalion quartermaster being eliminated.

LIEUT. McANDREW IS POSSESSOR OF GREAT MARKSMANSHIP RECORD



1st Lieut. J. A. McAndrew, 2nd Infantry, Fort Shafter, who made a record for that post last Saturday when he scored a total of 275 out of a possible 300, winning the badge of expert rifleman. This is the highest score ever made at Shafter, and among the highest ever made in the army.

Lieut. McAndrew has been doing record work ever since he left West Point in 1904. He was a member of the Southwestern Division Pistol team in 1906; of the Philippine Division Pistol team in 1906, and again in 1907. In the latter year he won the title of Distinguished Pistol Shot.

Wind and rain were prevalent most of the time during the target practice of the 2nd Battalion.

Lieut. Woodfin G. Jones and Lieut. George Halloran also made their badges as expert marksmen with scores of 260 and 253 respectively.

EVANS SEES PRACTISE AT FORT KAMEHAMEHA

Brig.-gen. Robert K. Evans and members of his staff paid a visit of inspection yesterday to coast defense headquarters at Fort Kamehameha. All the batteries were visited, the men in each being put through drill before the general.

INSPECT OFFICERS' MOUNTS.

In accordance with orders just received from the war department, private mounts of army officers in the Hawaiian Department will be inspected at least once each year. Certificates of inspection will be given the quartermaster after this work has been done. In case animals are found unsuitable or unfit, the owner will be allowed 30 days in which to dispose of them.

Scarlet fever causes the loss of nearly 9000 lives, 82 per cent occurring before the tenth year of life. Spain is credited with producing more than three-quarters of the world supply of olive oil.

GENERALS AND SCHOOLS AND OTHER THINGS AT SCHOFIELD

By PRIVATE J. STANDFAST BUNK.

Wednesday it was General Evans, Friday it was General Police, today it is General Fatigue, and all this month it is the inspector-general, and he is the biggest nuisance of the bunch. There's a heap of generals in this army of ours and they don't all wear stars on their shoulders either.

I'll have to take off my lid to the new department K. O., for havin' more sense than is common to an officer of his age and experience. He knew that when he came out to this here post the troops would have to turn out to give him a review and a salute with the cannons, so he comes out on the last day of the month when we have to have a review anyway fer muster which was decent of him, and all he had extra was a few flourishes on the bugles and a parade of the police wagons and laundry truck all washed and decorated up for his benefit.

Just now it's schools and more schools—and drills as well when we ain't reviewin' or pollicin'. There's more different kinds of schools on this post than you'll find in the biggest educational centers in the world. It sure does take a heap of schools to educate a soldier to fight, and after he's educated there ain't nothin' to fight.

When you go into the army all you got to know is how to read and write the English language (which Shakespear didn't know any too well), but when your term is up you're almost as bad off as a college graduate.

On the first of July there's goin' to be some big changes in the army and maybe there won't be no time for schools, with lieutenants bein' promoted to majors and majors to brigadier-generals. But whatever happens you can bet a month's pay that privates will be privates, educated or not educated, and take it from Bunk, the privates is the backbone of the army.

PRIVATE WRITES OF APPRECIATION FOR CAPT. SCOTT

By PVT. MAX POINDEXTER.

Friends, it is rather hard to lose a companion, as we must, as is our chaplain, O. J. W. Scott. But he has done his duty, he has fought his fight, he has finished his course, and now he is called away from us.

As it has been quoted before, it is rather for us, the soldiers, to be able to give him all of the honors that he deserves, and more, too. My mind cannot yield words sufficient to express my gratitude of thanks to him, and his beloved family. He has labored for nine long years to make us a regiment among regiments, and he has.

He was first in peace, first in war, first in the heart of his countrymen. Of course, when I say in war, I do not mean on the field of battle. But when anything was wrong among his men he was the first to show out his hands to save the fallen ones. And in love, he loved his regiment throughout the entire command, and they loved him.

When he asked, "Men, can we do a thing?" they joined hands with him and it was done. Of course, there are some of us that do not appreciate anything that is done for us, but the 25th as a whole is a lot of men that will give due courtesy.

It is not exaggerating to say that the whole island mourns the loss of the honorable Capt. O. J. W. Scott and his family. He has dedicated his life for his cause, and the entire world has missed him out second to none with the late B. T. Washington as a leader.

When he lands on the mainland shore we hope that he will not forget us, but continue to pray for our regiment. In the reception given for him at the 25th Infantry amusement hall on May 23, in his speech he made these remarks that sounded like a clap of thunder on the ears of his men. He said, "I may be assigned to some other regiment but I shall still be attached to the 25th Infantry."

The 25th sends many votes of thanks to him, and sends before him blessing upon blessing. And behind him he leaves the sad and mourning men of the 25th Infantry.

We truly hope that when he takes his abode in his new regiment that they will regard him the same as we have—the guardian angel of the regiment. And we say with a strong, firm accent that if they are not satisfied with him he is still welcome in his old abode in the 25th Infantry. With a vote of thanks in our peculiar way we again thank our parting comrade, Chaplain Scott.

COAST DEFENSE POST HAS NEW POSTOFFICE AND WOMAN TO RUN IT

Officers and men at Fort Kamehameha, headquarters for coast defenses on Oahu, are to have the benefit of a postoffice, such an institution being started Thursday.

Mrs. Cathleen McNellis has been named as postmistress, and the office is to be in the headquarters building at the post. There will be two deliveries daily. Heretofore, it has been necessary to go to Watertown for the daily mail.

RESERVES CANNOT JOIN GUARD.

Members of the army reserve will not be allowed to join the National Guard, according to word that has been received at army headquarters in a War Department order which states that "the enlistment or commissioning of an army reservist in the organized militia is prohibited."

Men, drilled, and many of them ready for active service.

"For this reason, I tendered the secretary of war men for immediate service on the Mexican border. We could send a regiment."

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HAWAII COULD SEND REGIMENT, SAYS GOVERNOR

In accordance with plans that have been in preparation for some time by the Pacific Coast League, a defense and preparedness organization, there marched in San Francisco today a great crowd of citizens similar to those that have already marched in New York and are planning to march in Washington.

Expressing sympathy with the movement, and at the same time showing that the territory of Hawaii is already alert to the preparedness idea, Governor Pinkham has just forwarded a letter to the league in answer to an appeal they have made to him for such a demonstration. The governor's letter says:

"James Reade Watson, Esq.,
"Secretary, Pacific Coast League,
"505-506 Paelean building,
"San Francisco, Cal.

"Dear Sir: Your favors of the 17th and 20th instants at hand.
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