

NATIONAL GUARD HIGHLY PRAISED BY U. S. OFFICERS

Major Wallace, U. S. A., Says Pennsylvania Troops Display Efficiency at Mt. Gretna.

Governor to Remain Several Days to See Drills—War Department Men to Give Him Flattering Report—War Strength Maneuvers.

From a Staff Correspondent. MT. GRETTA, Pa., July 12.—The War Department, represented on the field by Major Wallace, U. S. A., senior instructor in military tactics, is keeping a close watch upon this camp and it is interesting to military men to say that officials of the department have expressed keen pleasure at the reports submitted of the high efficiency of the citizen-soldiers of the State.

When a report of the work of the last few days is submitted to Governor Brumbaugh, who by virtue of his office is commander-in-chief of the troops, he will read that officials of the Department of War have been informed that the Pennsylvania National Guard takes front rank among the volunteer organizations of all the States.

Governor Brumbaugh will arrive in Camp Sobell this afternoon at 4 o'clock. He will be accompanied by Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, who has gone to Harrisburg to meet him. No formal reception has been planned as yet, but General Stewart will notify Major General Dougherty what the Governor's wishes are respecting a military reception.

A battalion probably will be detailed as an honorary escort to meet the Governor's car and march before it to camp headquarters.

Governor Brumbaugh will live under canvas in camp. His tent immediately adjacent to that of General Dougherty, is ready for him. It is unlikely he will make an inspection of the encampment before tomorrow morning.

STORM SEVERE. The soldiers seemed to enjoy the experience of a night under canvas in a heavy storm. The company streets were flooded, and it was in no sense a comfortable night, but it is all a part of camp life and was taken with good nature. The storm was the heaviest in this part of the State for years. Telephone and telegraph service was crippled for a time and railroad communication between Mt. Gretna and Lebanon was halted for a few hours.

Philadelphia excursionists were fortunate in getting out of camp before the tie-up, but visitors from other sections of the State were forced to seek quarters wherever they could be found.

C. J. McGranery, 100 South 53d street, Philadelphia, Miss Elizabeth Cook, of Philadelphia, and Miss Grace Smith of Philadelphia, all of whom were slightly injured yesterday when a car on the narrow gauge railroad, which skirts the encampment, toppled from the rails, reaching their homes last night.

Major Wallace has mapped out a strenuous program of work for the week to come. As the Governor will remain here possibly until Thursday and will view all the maneuvers of the troops, General Dougherty has issued orders that officers and men alike be in the best of physical condition. The Governor will view all the maneuvers of the troops, General Dougherty has issued orders that officers and men alike be in the best of physical condition.

But eventually General Dougherty and his staff and Major Wallace gave an order and to the amazement of the troops they were ordered into what is technically known as "war strength companies in close order drill."

It was the first time during this encampment that such a drill had been ordered. It may be significant that the men will be thoroughly instructed in this particular maneuver every day this week.

When the order was given there followed such hustling and bustling about that the uninitiated might have imagined a military reception. In a moment all the men were in the ranks, battalions of four companies had formed into one company in close order and the work of the morning was begun.

It would be impossible for a civilian adequately to describe the formations, evolutions, charges and marches of the troops. It would demand technical knowledge to pass judgment upon the performance, and this is at hand. The verdict of the officers and ex-officers who are on the field was that the troops acquitted themselves well. Not a man had been guilty of a blunder during all the three hours of drilling under the intense heat. General Dougherty was highly pleased with the work when he returned to headquarters.

The troops will attempt nothing unusual in the way of drilling. Major Wallace wants to obtain a high degree of proficiency in ordinary field work by the end of the week. He is of the opinion that this close order drill in war strength companies is excellent training for the men and consequently will pay much attention to it, but other forms of field work will be neglected.

OREY ANTI-LIQUOR ORDER. Meanwhile, the question of having liquor within the camp is still holding general attention. In this connection, General Christopher F. O'Neill, commanding the 1st Brigade, in authority for the statement that not a man of his command has broken the general order prohibiting possession of "wet" goods.

MILLIONS SAVED BY HIS REFORMS, COOKE DECLARES

Public Works Director Says He Has Loosened Contractor-Lords' Grip on City.

Million a Year for Three Years, His Record, He Says, and This Year It Will Be More. Councils Scathingly Attacked.

SALENT POINTS IN REPORT OF DIRECTOR

Saving of \$4,200,000 to the taxpayers during the four years of the present administration, made possible by scientific efficiency methods.

Waste and graft eliminated among the 4000 employees of the Department of Public Works through the introduction of reforms.

The contractor overlords have been driven out, and Philadelphia is no longer a "closed city" in the matter of municipal contracts.

Philadelphia should conduct its own street cleaning work.

A needless cause of expense to the taxpayers is the high rates of the Philadelphia Electric Company. Councils have failed to provide money for a legal fight to force a rate reduction.

Councils still stand in the way of the highest efficiency. A specific instance is their failure to pass the ordinance authorizing the substitution of 11,000 gas for gasoline lamps, which would save the city \$70,000 annually without one cent of cost.

Scientific management, supplanting contractor rule in the Department of Public Works, has meant a saving of \$4,200,000 for the taxpayers of Philadelphia during the four years of the present administration, according to the fourth and last annual report of Director Morris L. Cooke, just submitted to the Mayor.

Even greater savings might have been effected, Director Cooke believes, had it been possible utterly to eliminate political influences and to secure proper co-operation from Councilors. Of the total savings accomplished \$3,000,000 was saved during the years 1912, 1913 and 1914, and for the present year the estimate is \$1,200,000. The figures were reached by a comparison of expenditures under the present administration with those under former ones.

BLAME ON COUNCILS. The failure of Councils to act upon the "gasoline-to-gas" ordinance, which would save the city annually \$70,000 without the outlay of a single cent, is strongly scored by the Director. Councils' refusal to act for the best interests of the people in this matter not only has meant an annual loss to the city, but has withheld much needed improvement in the lighting system, he says.

The recommendation is made that the city conduct its own street cleaning work in the future. The Director explains that Philadelphia is the only one of 25 large cities in which this work is done by contract. The report continues, "So long as the Messrs. Vane-Edwin and Williams continue to be the dominant forces in our legislative halls this abuse is likely to be continued."

The "absurdly high rates" of the Philadelphia Electric Company are cited as a great cause of needless expense to the city. In reference to the efforts of the department to better this condition the report states:

"We have made a number of attempts to secure from Councils at first the moderate sum of \$500,000 and later \$500,000 in order to adequately present the case against the Philadelphia Electric Company before the Public Service Commission. Not one penny has been appropriated by Councils for the Philadelphia Electric case.

Director Cooke places particular emphasis upon the introduction of "humanitarian" reforms among the employees of the department, which has meant a "new violation" in the direction of affairs. Waste and petty graft that have been virtually eliminated and the morale of the staff of 4000 employees has been elevated. To this has been added the standardization of business methods and the installation of safety and labor-saving devices.

FINANCIAL REFORMS. Giving in brief the financial reforms accomplished, the report states:

"The 4000 odd employees of this department have effected economies which make our operation and maintenance expenses more than \$1,000,000 a year less in 1914 than they were in 1911. At the same time, judged by the test of willing and efficient service, money expended and volume of work accomplished, the year just closed has been the best in the history of the department.

"During the three years ending December 31, 1914, we expended \$34,577,000. Those of us who are in responsible charge of the work of the department believe that this money has been honestly expended—yes, not excepting any one dollar in this vast sum.

"The total savings in operation and maintenance for three years up to date have been well over \$2,000,000, and for the year 1915 we estimate \$1,200,000 more.

This is divided by bureaus as follows: Highways, \$1,180,000; Water, \$1,302,500; Lighting, \$770,000; and City Property, \$750,000. In this no mention is made of a vast saving effected through obtaining dedications of street beds as against the old method of the city having to pay heavy damages for opening streets.

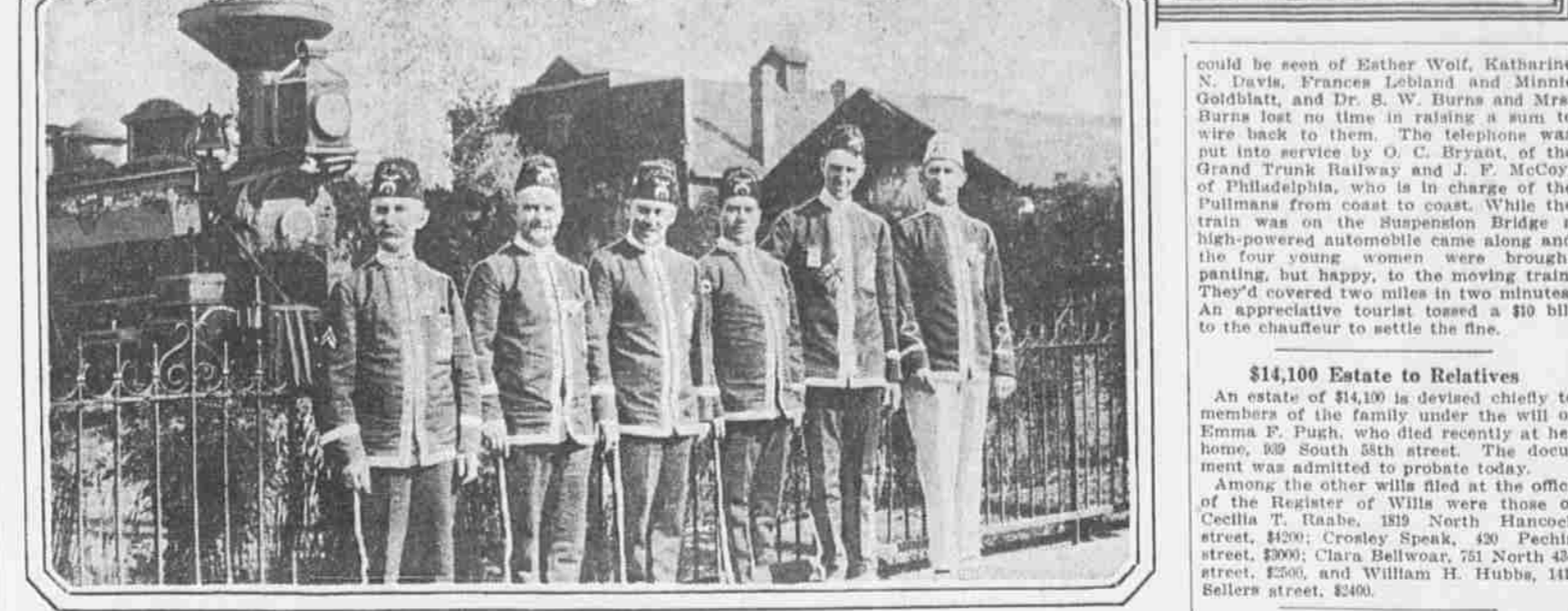
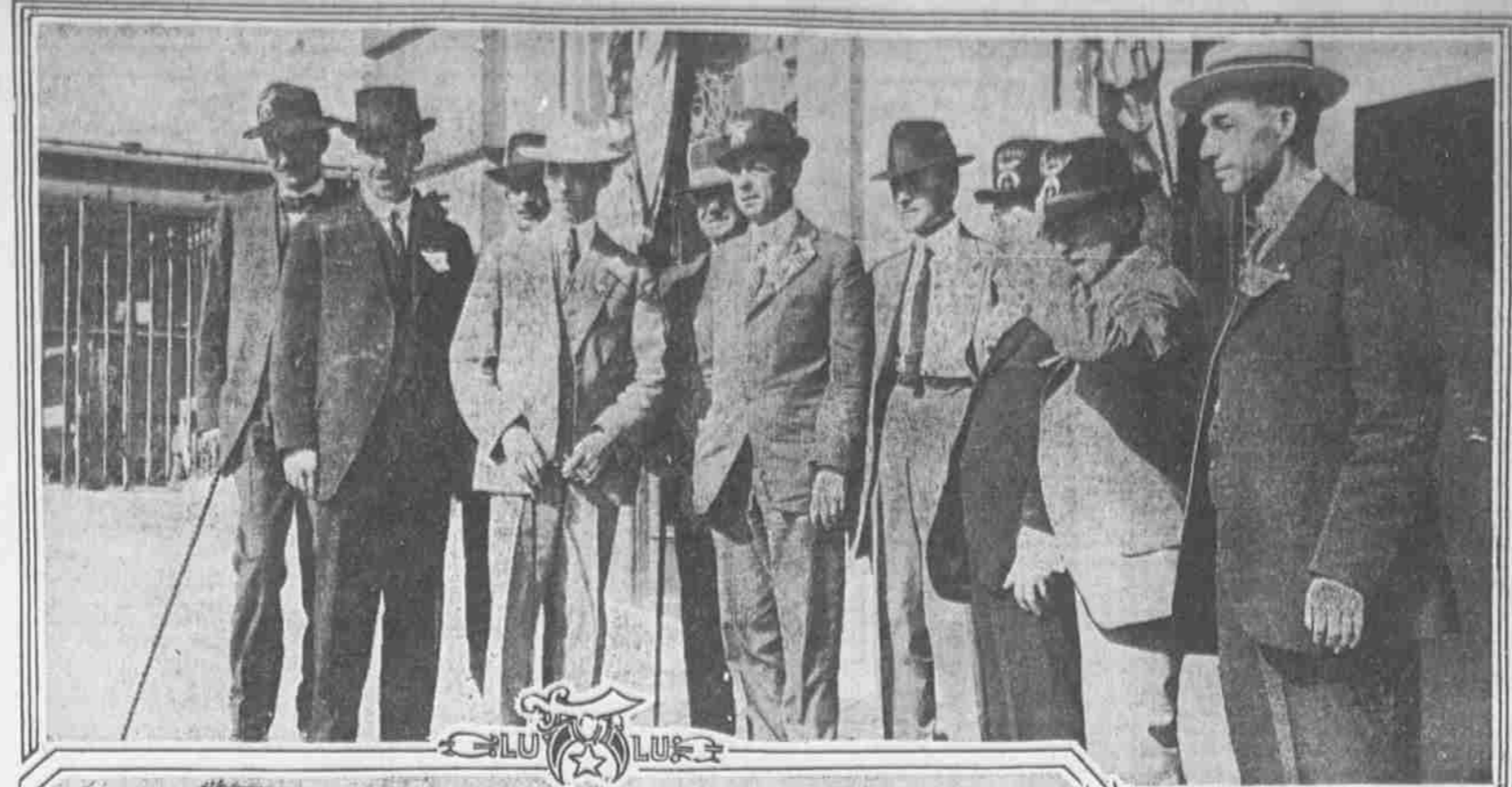
"We have only mentioned in this statement the larger savings effected—those which can be proven from the books. Some typical items are as follows:

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LU LU CARAVAN TOURISTS STOP OFF IN CANADA ON WAY TO SEATTLE



The picture above shows a group of prominent Shriners as they were photographed on the station platform at Winnipeg, Canada, including Potentates W. Freeland Kendrick, of Philadelphia; Cassland, of Montgomery, Ala.; Taylor, of Winnipeg; and Past Potentate Chapman, also of Winnipeg. Mr. Kendrick is in the light suit and white hat. Below are members of Lu Lu Patrol in fatigue uniform standing in front of an old locomotive at Winnipeg.

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BUREAU OF CITY PROPERTY. Saving in cleaning City Hall, 70,000. "Also, through better systems of inspection, the department has been able during 1914 to reduce payments for contractual services in those cases where specifications have not been lived up to.

A considerable part of the total saving has been effected through the elimination of the domination of the "contract for over-lords," the report states. The result has been increased competition, increased efficiency and the end of the "closed city" situation as regards municipal contracts.

Particular credit is given to the work of Chief Davis, in the Water Bureau. Under his direction the number of water meters in the city has increased in the last two years from 466 to 77,500.

Criticizing Councils for their obstructive methods and laying particular emphasis on the size of Councils, the report states: "The real stumbling block in the way of a proper co-ordination of the administrative and legislative functions lies in the number of Councilmen. In a board of directors of nearly 150 members, even those who want to be useful would have little opportunity of being so. So it is with Councils. The whole body is organized so that a very few strong-willed and corrupt men at points of vantage arrange everything.

"A bare half-dozen absolutely distinct Councils are made up, to a very great extent, of men who are so obscure that they cannot be punished."

The continued employment of Philip H. Johnson, as city architect, is deplored by Director Cooke. It is taken for granted that the whole body is organized so that a very few strong-willed and corrupt men at points of vantage arrange everything.

The establishment of additional city markets and trolley freight lines will reduce the present high cost of living to a considerable extent, in the belief of the Director.

City's Bathhouses Popular. There were no less than 287,000 visits to municipal bathhouses in the week ending last Saturday, a larger number than in any previous week of the season.

LEDGER TOURISTS ENJOYING DELIGHTS OF TRAVEL DE LUXE

Plenty of Thrills on Journey Between Philadelphia and Chicago, Where Happy Party Arrived This Morning.

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The Sherman House (College Inn) is the headquarters of the Ledger party. They lunched there, and will dine there tonight before heading out for the real West, their next stop being Omaha, which they will reach tomorrow morning at 10:15.

SIGHT-SEEING IN CHICAGO. Lake Michigan, or that part of it skirted by the Lake Shore drive, was motored over by the tourists today. They rolled through the five miles of Lincoln Park, visiting the Zoo and the famous municipal bathing beach, where the city supplies lockers for 1000 persons who like to swim all together.

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