

## Kansas Adjutant General correspondence by companies, 1905-1910

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This correspondence is from the following companies of the First Infantry of the Kansas National Guard: Company A from Clay Center under Captain Guy R. Martin and Captain Theodore E. Schwarz, Company B from Burlingame under Captain Max Carnaveaux, Company C from Burlington under Captain Mont B. Hackley, Company D from Paola under Captain George R. Reynolds, Company E from Fredonia and Parsons under Captain Dennis J. Sheedy and Captain Charles A. Allen, Company F from Hiawatha under Captain Albert H. Herman, Company G from Fort Scott under Captain Lloyd V. Rawlings, and Company H from Lawrence under Captain Samuel G. Clarke and Captain John W. Morrow.

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State of Kansas )  
 ) ss  
County of Miami )

Richard Douthatt, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says; that he is a member of Company D, First Regiment, K.N.G., stationed at Paola, Kansas, and that he was a member of said organization on the Fourth (4) day of July, 1907. That the circumstances occasioning the bad order condition of the Krag Rifle Cal..30, #240814, which has heretofore been condemned and returned to the Adjutant General are as follows to-wit:

The Company participated in the Fourth of July celebration held in Paola, Kansas, July 4th, 1907. All of the Company camp equipment was transported from the Armory to the picnic grounds and the camp pitched. I was detailed to assist in the loading and unloading of the baggage and as the property was being returned to the Armory, I was riding on the baggage wagon endeavoring to hold several pieces on the wagon as we were crossing a rough piece of road. In doing this, the gun above referred to, which had been issued me, slipped from my grasp and slid off the wagon, the end of the barrel going between the spokes of the wheel, resulting in the bent barrel. I was careful with the gun and under ordinary circumstances the accident would not have happened, but in crossing the rough road and in my endeavor to keep the several pieces of baggage on the wagon, I lost hold of the gun with the result as above indicated.

Richard  
D. R. Douthett

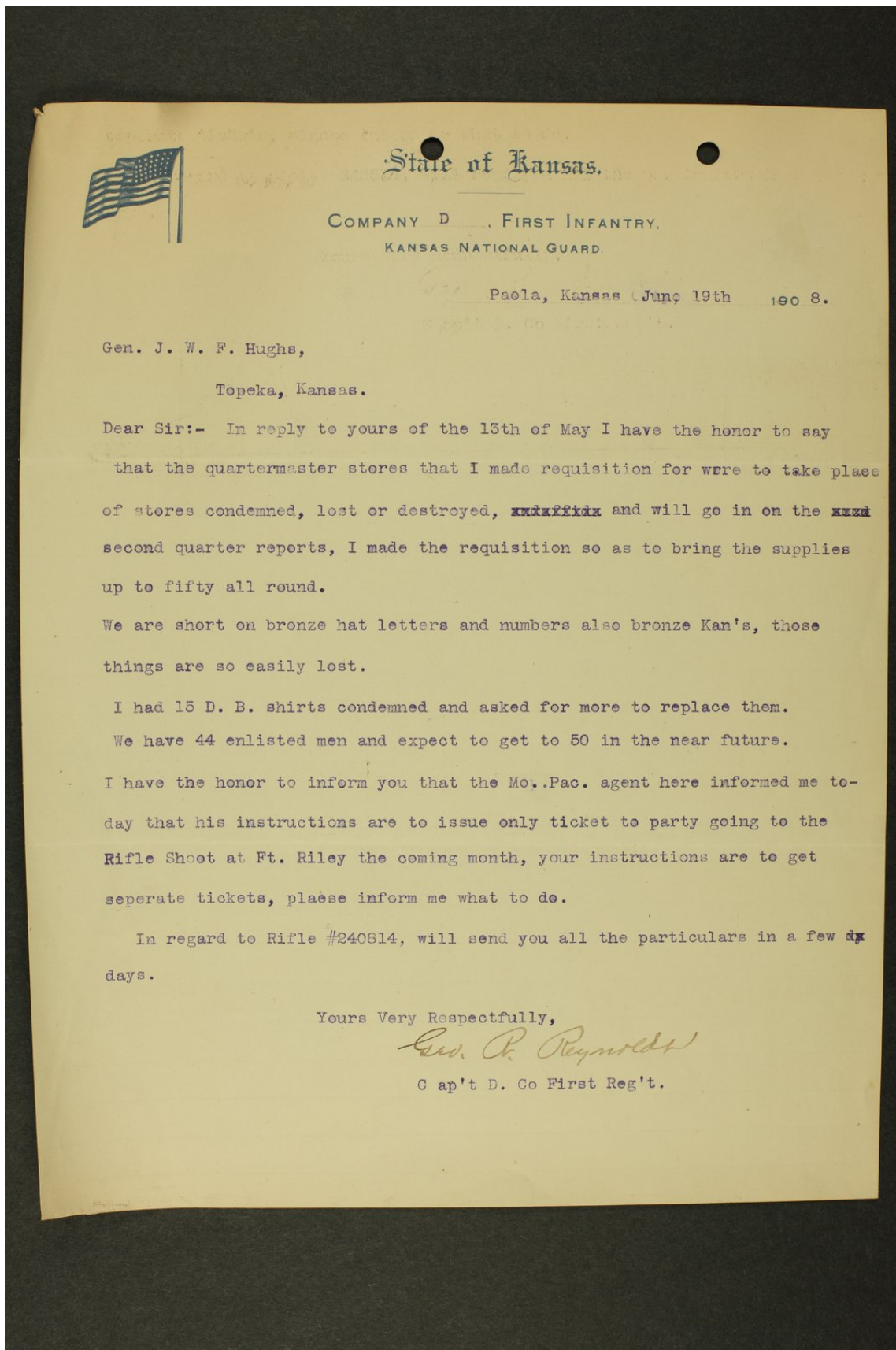
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of July, 1908.

Insall Tibbs

My commission expires My Commission Expires March 14th, 1911

Notary Public.

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State of Kansas.

COMPANY *D*, FIRST INFANTRY,  
KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD.

*Parler Kan June 16 1908*

*Gen J. W. F. Hughes.  
Topeka,*

*Dear Sir - I have the honor to ask  
that you send me 2000 white Posters  
as now and entirely out please send them  
by return mail.*

*I was out to Burlington last week  
and qualified as am 4 feet, on that  
range can you send me my badge now.  
Major Kitchen said he would notify you  
and Col Flanders also qualified as an expert.*

*How about those Akin Targets? are we  
going to get one?*

*Would be a great convenience to receive  
the posters by return mail.*

*Very Respectfully,*

*Geo. R. Reynolds*

*Capt D Co 1st Regt.*



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State of Kansas.

COMPANY *D*, FIRST INFANTRY,  
KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD.

*Topeka June 9 1908*

*Gen. J. W. F. Hughes.*

*Topeka, Kans.*

*Dear Sir :- I have the honor to ask  
that you return Memorial Day's payrolls,  
as I neglected to certify to them.*

*Very Truly Yours!*

*Gen. R. Reynolds*

*Capt D Co 1<sup>st</sup> Infy.*





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L. S. VICKERS, PRESIDENT

W. J. FLEMING, VICE PRESIDENT

GEO. R. REYNOLDS, SECRETARY

### MIAMI COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

SEPT. 29-30, OCT. 1-2, 1908

NO BETTER TRACK IN KANSAS  
MEMBER OF KANSAS GRAND RACING CIRCUIT

PAOLA, KANSAS, May 6th 1908

Gen. J. W. F. Hughs,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:- I have the honor to enclose the corrected Monthly Report for April, I readily found the mistake, thanks for sending it back as I want it to be correct.

I am sending you requisition for Ordnance Stores and Quartermasters Supplies, I would thank you if you will send the supplies for the Target Range as soon as you can as we are entirely out of supplies of that kind and we are going out on the range as soon as we get them.

The boys are anxious to get out to see how the new GUN shoots.

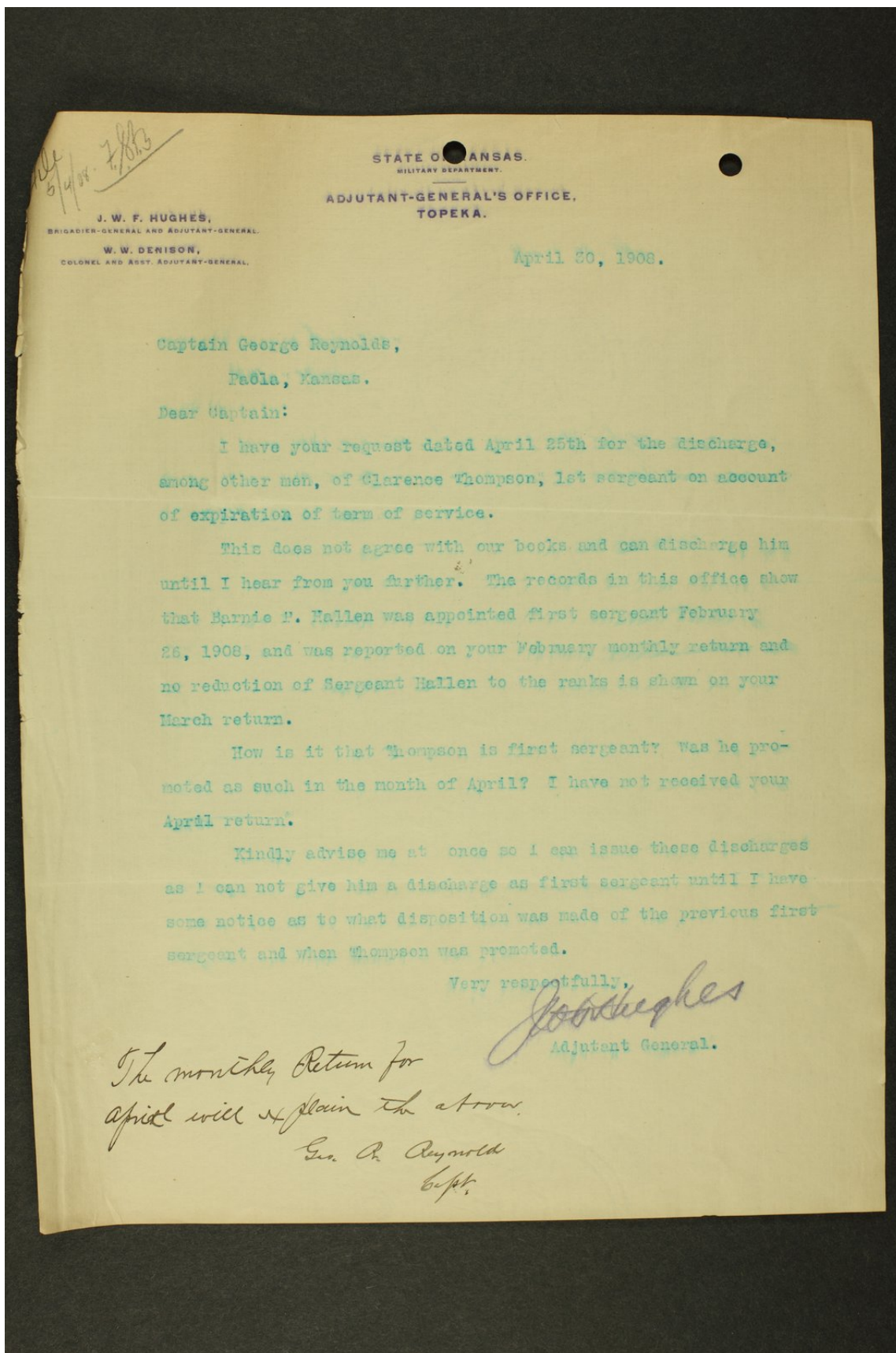
Very Respectfully Yours,

*GEO. R. REYNOLDS*

Cap't D Co. First Reg't K. N. G.



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STATE OF KANSAS.

HEADQUARTERS NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Topeka, March 27, 1908.

Dear Sir:

Please advise me hereon as follows:

1st. How many woven clip cartridge belts, cal. 30 have you on hand?

Twenty (20) clip cartridge belts (woven)

2nd. How many webb belts with loops, cal. 30 have you on hand?

Thirty-seven (37) web cartridge belts, with loops.

The new rifles with equipment have already been ordered shipped from the Rock Island Arsenal and I am expecting same next week, but can not send out the new clip belts until I find out how many you have on hand, so kindly give me a quick answer.

Very respectfully,

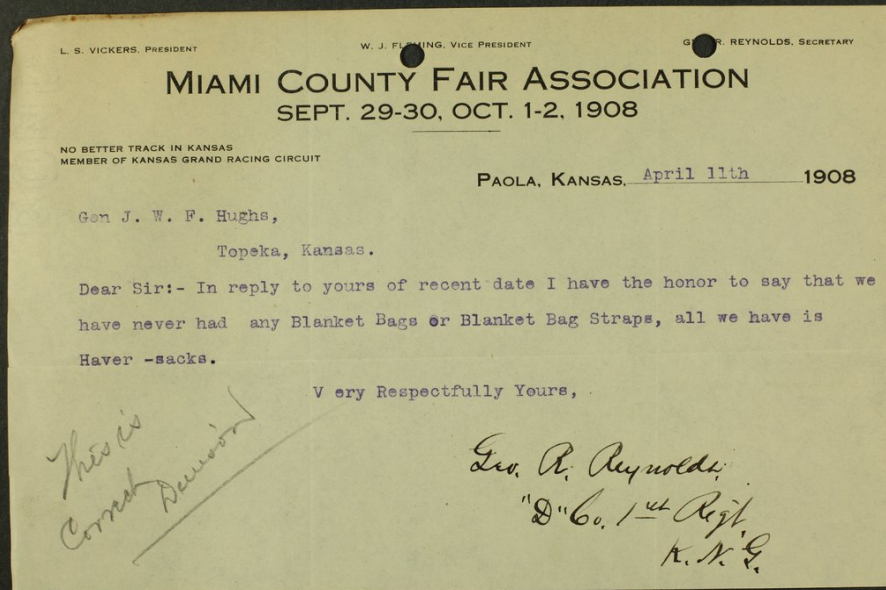
*J. W. Hughes*

Adjutant General.

*D-1* Gen. R. Reynolds, Capt. & Co. 1<sup>st</sup> Inf.  
*April 1<sup>st</sup> 1908,*  
*Paula, Kansas*



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State of Kansas.

COMPANY 'D' . . . . . FIRST INFANTRY.  
KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD.

Paola, Kansas April 6th 1908.

Gen. J. W. F. Hughs,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:- I have the honor to ask you to forward me ~~the following~~ information as to the following, our Field Range was condemned at Ft. Riley last fall, must I ship it in with the rest of the condemned property?

In the re-enlistment of a Non-commissioned Officer, can he be carried as such with-out the regular company and regimental orders? and must he pass the usual examinations and all other requirements of the Rules and regulations of the Kansas National Guard?

We are getting ready for our spring Target Practice, Col. Metcalf informs me that there is some money in you possession that is available for ranges, under certain conditions, if so are we entitled to any of it? will say for your information that we have rented a good range (800) eight hundred yards long, and need some money to fix it up can you put us in a way to get it? we pay \$12 00 per year and for \$250 00 we can make a fine range all complete.

Would thank you for a reply at your earliest convenience,

Very Respectfully Yours,

*Geo. R. Reynolds*

Cap't 'D' Co. First Reg't K. N. G.





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Paola, Kansas, Feb. 20th 1908.

Gen. J. W. F. Hughs,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:- I have the honor to inform you that the lease on our Armory will expire in the near future and do you not think that it would be a good idea to have it renewed in plenty of time? I have seen and talked to the parties owning the building, and they inform me that they are willing to renew on the same terms as the last lease called for.

If you will send me the proper blanks I will see that the buisness is attended to at once.

Some time ago I aske d for a box of black pasters for spotters in armory practice and as yet you have not sent me any, will you please send them at once.

Do you suppose you could get the State printer to make us some Targets out of heavy book board for Skirmish practice? we are unable to get anything of the kind here.

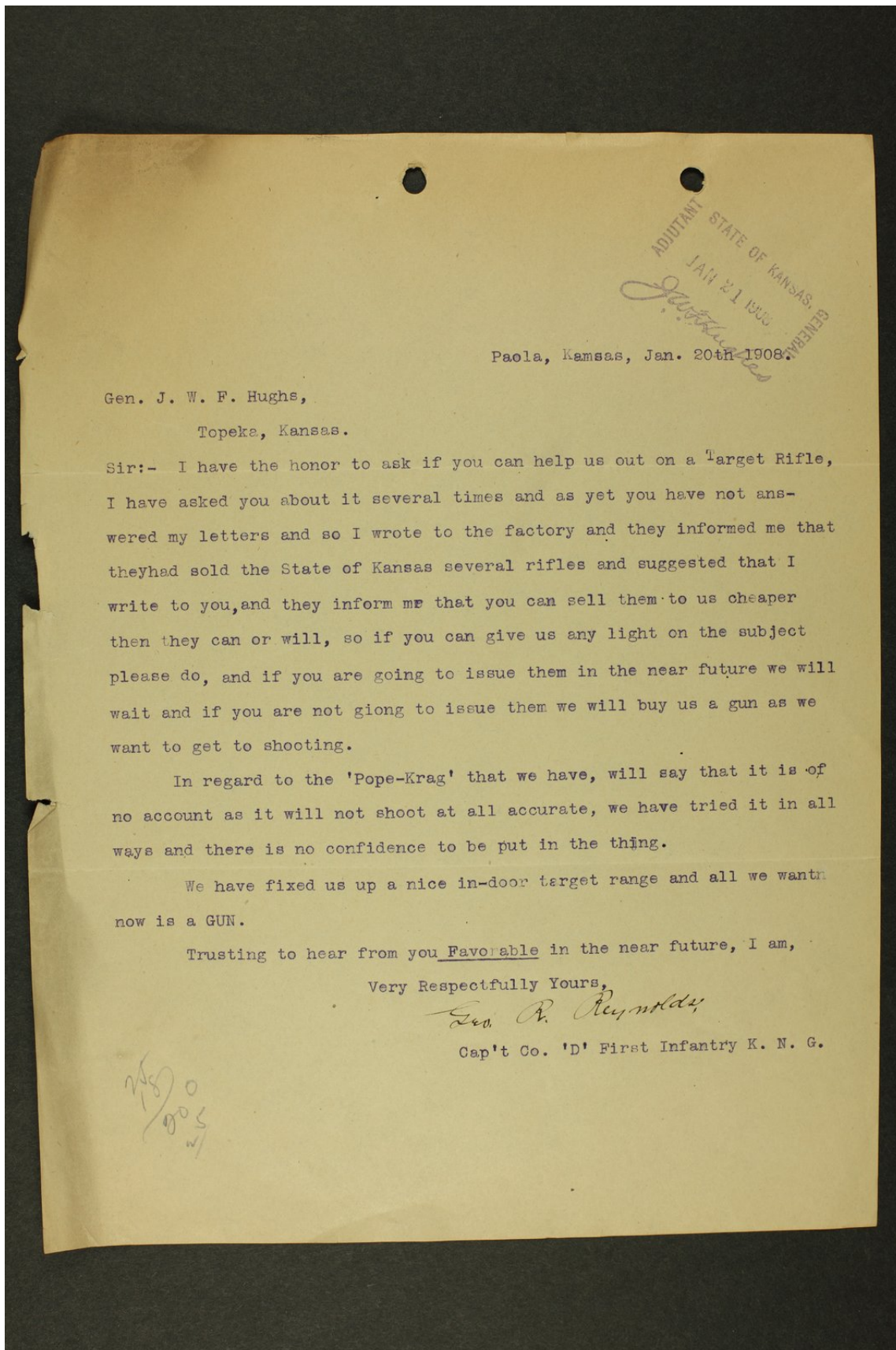
Will you please return to me my Dec. Monthly Return as I am inclined to think that I made a mistake.

Very Respectfully Yours,

*Gar. R. Reynolds*

Cap't Co. D. First Infantry K. N. G.

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Paola, Kansas, Jan. 20th 1908.

Gen. J. W. F. Hughs,

Topeka, Kansas.

Sir:- I have the honor to ask if you can help us out on a Target Rifle, I have asked you about it several times and as yet you have not answered my letters and so I wrote to the factory and they informed me that they had sold the State of Kansas several rifles and suggested that I write to you, and they inform me that you can sell them to us cheaper then they can or will, so if you can give us any light on the subject please do, and if you are going to issue them in the near future we will wait and if you are not going to issue them we will buy us a gun as we want to get to shooting.

In regard to the 'Pope-Krag' that we have, will say that it is of no account as it will not shoot at all accurate, we have tried it in all ways and there is no confidence to be put in the thing.

We have fixed us up a nice in-door target range and all we want now is a GUN.

Trusting to hear from you Favorable in the near future, I am,

Very Respectfully Yours,

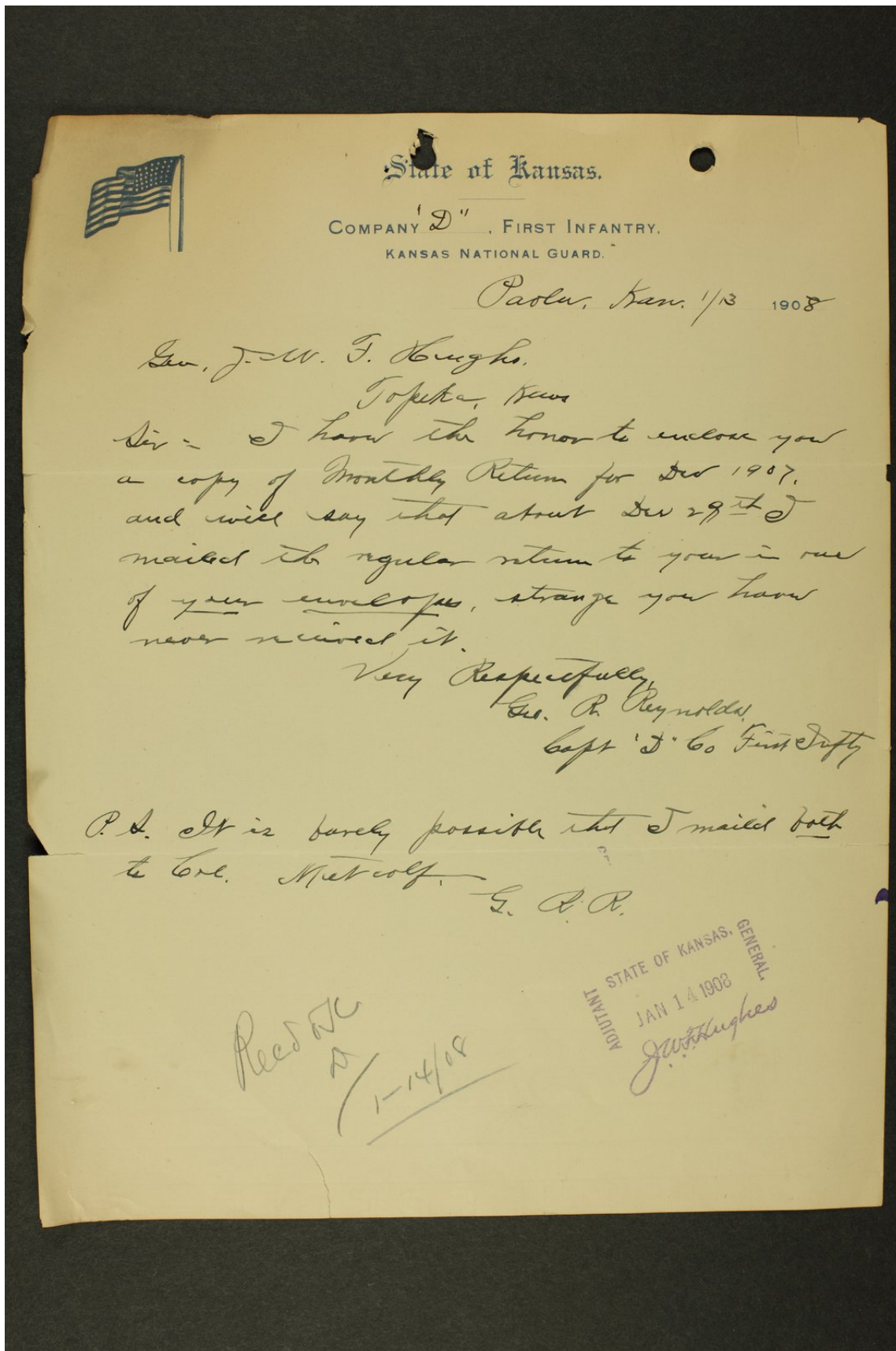
*Geo. R. Reynolds*

Cap't Co. 'D' First Infantry K. N. G.

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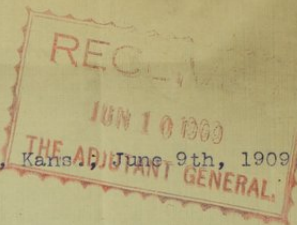
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T. J. HUDSON                      D. J. SHEEDY  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

Fredonia, Kans., June 9th, 1909.



The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I notice through the news papers that one day of the encampment at Fort Riley will be devoted to field day exercises.

We shall be pleased to receive a copy of the program at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

*Dennis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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T. J. HUDSON                      D. J. SHEEDY  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

Fredonia, Kans., June 7th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

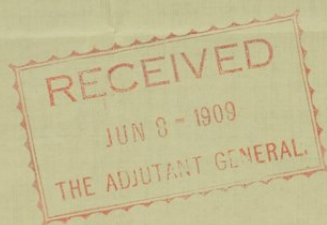
Dear Sir:

I have the honor to forward you herewith corrected clothing and equippage report supported in part by affidavits.

This is the best we can do this time and if not satisfactory to the War Department the Company Commander will have to bear the loss.

Very respectfully yours,

*Donnis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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T. J. HUDSON  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

D. J. SHEEDY

Fredonia, Kans., June 2nd, 1909.

The Adjutant General,

Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request information regarding liability of members of the K. N. G. to pay poll or road tax.

The legislature for the year 1909 amended Section 6033 of the General Statutes of 1901, making all male persons between the ages of twenty one and fifty liable for poll or road tax, except those individuals that are public charges.

The tax commissioners of our county insist that the members of the K. N. G. are not exempt. As I view it, Section 4045 of the General Statutes of 1901 has not been repealed and the language of that section is as follows:- "All members of the K. N. G. shall be exempt from ~~dead~~ labor or poll taxes during their term of service and the certificate of a commissioned officer shall be sufficient evidence of membership and such exemption."

I shall be pleased to have you take this matter up with the Attorney General and have his opinion on the matter at an early date. Thanking you in advance for an early reply, I am.

Yours truly,

*Dennis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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T. J. HUDSON                      D. J. SHEEDY  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

Fredonia, Kans., June 1st, 1909.

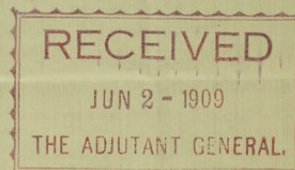
The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to hand you herewith receipt  
for four conical wall tents, poles and etc. also receipt  
for paper target pasters and score book and etc.

Yours respectfully,

*Dennis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. M. G.





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T. J. HUDSON  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

D. J. SHEEDY

Fredonia, Kans., May 17th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.



Dear Sir:

I have the honor to forward to you requisition for certain ordnance supplies for my company. I have made requisition for the necessary targets that will be required for special course "C" as I understand it.

We shall be pleased to receive these targets as soon as possible. We have on hand a few of the "A", "B" and "C" targets, we have never been able to receive any of the skirmish ~~and~~ targets although we made ~~for~~ repeated demands for same last year.

Trusting we shall receive these targets within a short time, I am,

Yours very respectfully,

*Domest Shedy*  
Capt. E Co 1st Inf. K. N. C.



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T. J. HUDSON  
HUDSON & SHEEDY,  
LAWYERS,  
FREDONIA, KANSAS.

D. J. SHEEDY

Fredonia, Kans. May 10th, 1909.

Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have just received by freight a box marked, "four conical wall tents, also four poles and tripods and a box of pins."

As I have made no requisition for anything of this nature I desire to know before signing the receipt whether there has been a mistake made or not. I have already four conical wall tents and the necessary equipment lacking one tent pole and tripod.

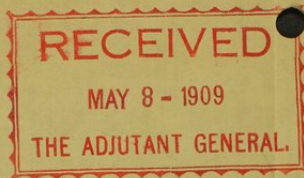
Kindly let me hear from you at once.

Yours truly,

*Dennis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf.-K. N. G.

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D. J. Sheedy.



Fredonia, Kans., May 7th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,

Topeka, Kans.

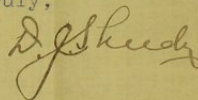
Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of general order No. 5 showing result of the election for officers of first infantry on Tuesday, Apr. 27th, 1909.

I am very glad indeed that Col. Wilder S. Metcalf and Lieut. Col. Chas. S. Flanders, were re-elected, and regret that circumstances were such that I was unable to attend. We were in the midst of a four days trial of a personal damage case and it was just impossible for me to leave then.

Mr. Schoolcraft, our second lieutenant, was tied up because of the absence of his father, he and his father run the Fredonia Lumber Yard. Mr. Stryker, first lieutenant, on Monday night, Apr. 26th, 1909, assured me that he would go, and did intend to go but from some cause on the morning of Apr. 27th, could not get off.

Yours truly,

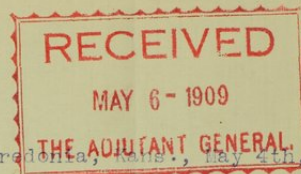






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D. J. Sheedy.



Frederick, Kans., May 4th 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of three  
expert medals for the following members of my Company:-  
Lieut. Bruce E. Stryker, Sergt. Fritz W. Koch and Sergt.  
Robert Wooten.

Very respectfully,

*Dennis J. Sheedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.

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B. A. Shedy.



The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of Apr. 28th, in reference to affidavits covering the loss of supplies, and I can assure you that I am very much surprised to be requested at this late date to furnish additional affidavits.

I can furnish affidavits covering the most of the property therein listed that is lost, but as a large number of my Company have moved elsewhere it will take quite a time to get these affidavits.

I am satisfied that the property was lost as described in the voucher, otherwise I would not have made the affidavit, hereafter if I am encamped at Fort Riley or elsewhere I shall require these affidavits at the hands of my men then and there.

I believe the Company Commanders should have been cautioned to do this at the encampment, however, I shall endeavor to comply with the requirements in furnishing additional affidavits.

Very respectfully,

*Donnis J. Shedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.





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Fredonia, Kans., Apr. 15th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of a package of new forms of enlistment blanks and note the instruction in reference to the approval of the Company Commander.

I also have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the lease of certain land from George Wooten to the State of Kansas, to be used as a target range.

Is not the Company Commander also entitled to a copy of the lease?

Very respectfully,

Donnis B. Heady  
Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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Fredonia, Kans., Apr. 14th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,

Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to hand you herewith pay-roll for Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G. for the first quarter ending March 31st, 1909, with the amount of stoppage filed in per request of your endorsement on April 9th, 1909.

I have not signed or acknowledged the certification on the back of the pay-roll as I cannot do so at this time as the men have not yet been paid.

Very respectfully yours,

*Dennis L. Shedy*  
Capt. E. Co. 1st Inf. K. N. G.





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Fredonia, Kans., Apr. 14th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I enclose you  
herewith monthly return of Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.  
for the month ending March 31st, 1909, signed by James S.  
Gallagher, as acting 1st Sergt.

Very respectfully,

*Dennis Shreeley*  
Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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Fredonia, Kans., Apr. 8th, 1909.

Gen. Chas I. Martin,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 6th, I have the honor to report that the acting 1st Sergt. of Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G. is living in the country and I shall have to wait till he comes to Fredonia to sign the monthly return of Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G. per your request.

Very respectfully,

*Dennis J. Shedy*  
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Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.





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Fredonia, Kans., Apr. 8th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I enclose herewith duplicate copies of the pay-roll of Company E. for the first quarter ending Mar. 31st, 1909, also duplicate copies of pay-roll of Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G. for semi-annual inspection of said Company on April 6th, 1909.

Dennis J. Sheedy  
Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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Fredonia, Kans. April 3rd, 1909.

Gen. Chas. I. Martin,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I am enclosing herewith monthly return of Company E. 1st Inf. K. N. G. for the month ending March, 31st, 1909.

The report is not signed by Chas. A. McDonald, 1st Sergt., of Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G., for the reason that Sergt. McDonald is out of town and has been for more than two weeks past.

Very respectfully yours,

*Dennis J. Shedd*  
Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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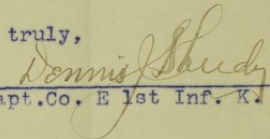
Fredonia, Kans. Apr. 3rd, 1909.

Gen. Chas. I. Martin,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I am enclosing you herewith enlistment papers of Alfred E. Shelton and Harry A. Marshall, also requisition for stationery and blanks for my Company.

Yours very truly,

  
Capt. Co. E 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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Fredonia, Kans., Mar. 27th, 1909.

The Adjutant General,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to enclose you herewith leases for the proposed range for Company E. 1st Infantry, K. N. G. stationed at Fredonia, County of Wilson and State of Kansas.

With the consent of the leasor we have changed the lease so that it reads from May 1st, 1909 to the first day of May, 1914.

Trusting the leases are now made <sup>met</sup> to your approval, I am,

Yours truly,

Dennis Throck  
Capt. Co. E. 1st Inf. K. N. G.



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### Requisition for Quartermaster Supplies

REQUIRED FOR

*Co. E. First Inf.*  
(organization)

By

K. N. G.

That there may be no delay in filling the requisition promptly, the same must be made out and forwarded so as to reach the Adjutant-general at least *one month* prior to the date on which the articles are required. Unless this is done, delay in the receipt of the articles may result.

Approved — *March 20* 190*9*

*Walter S. Metcalf*  
Colonel Commanding *Hustling*

Approved — Disapproved 190

Adjutant-general.