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Kansas Adjutant General general correspondence

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Correspondence including general orders from Adjutant General Charles I. Martin and telegrams between commanding officers of the Kansas National Guard. Also included are appointments of non-commission officers, strength reports detailing desertions and injuries, and descriptive cards of cavalry horses, including their age, size, purchase date and location. Topics discussed include the recruiting of qualified Kansas National Guard members for service in the regular army, instructions for removing enemy sympathizers within ranks and monitoring German nationals in service, and furloughs or personnel transfers. A payroll list with signatures of received payments for members of Troop B, 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry, drafted into service on August 5, 1917, can also be found in this material.

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NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

Wichita, Kan. Aug. 31, 1917.

From Commander Troop B,
To Squadron Commander
Subj Reducing Non-Commission Officers.

1-Recommend Corporal Ralph C. Lord be reduced to grade
Private account A. W. O. L.

James N. Sherman *✓*
Captain Cavalry
Commanding Troop B.

Reduction made S. O. #25

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9th Indorsement

Squadron Headquarters, 1st Sqdrn. Cav., Kansas, IOLA, Kans., TO:
Commanding Officer, 2nd Colorado Infantry, Pueblo, Colorado.
In compliance with the 8th Indorsement Private Clarence R. Stride
is discharged from his enlistment in the 1st Squadron Cavalry
Kansas. Discharge enclosed herewith. No final statements issued.

Major Com'dg. Squadron.

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Hq. Central Department,
Chicago, Ill.

8th. Ind.

Hq. Central Department, Chicago, September 5, 1917.— To Commanding Officer,
1st. Squadron, Kan. Cav., Iola, Kansas, who will discharge this man from his
enlistment in the 1st. Cavalry, Kansas National Guard only, and send all pa-
pers to the Commanding Officer 2nd. Colorado Infantry, Pueblo, Colorado.

This soldier is not entitled to travel pay.

By command of Major General Carter.

John H. Gregory, Jr.

S/JAC.

Adjutant General U. S. R.
Asst. to Department Adjutant.

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4th Indorsement (COPY)

Sq. Hq. 1st Kan. Cav. IOLA, KANS. Aug 27-17. TO C.O. Troop A Fort Sill, Okla. Your attention is called to paragraph 2. 2nd Indorsement. If Private C. R. Stride signed his enlistment papers he necessarily took the oath at the same time and would in consequence be duly enlisted in your organization. Do Private Stride's papers show his signature? Prompt reply is requested.

Sgd. Cyril Fuller
1st Lieut., 1st Squadron
ADJUTANT.

5th Indorsement

Tr. Hq. 1st Kan. Cav., Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma. TO: C. O., 1st Squadron 1st Kan. Cav., Iola, Kansas. Referred to Lieut. E. R. Martin who was in command of Troop at that time.

Sgd. R. E. Baker,
Capt., 1st Kan. Cav.,
Commanding Troop.

6th Indorsement

Tr. Hq. 1st Kan. Cav., Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma. TO: C. O., 1st Squadron Cavalry, Kansas, Iola, Kans.
I certify that Clarence R. Stride was enlisted in Troop A 1st Kansas Cavalry on April 18th 1917, and that he took the oath and signed both the declaration of applicant and the oath of enlistment before me.

Sgd. E. R. MARTIN
1st Lieut., 1st Kan. Cav.

7th Indorsement

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C. O. 1st Sqdrn. 1st Kan. Cav., IOLA, KANS., Aug. 31st 1917 TO: Commanding General, Central Department, CHICAGO, ILL.
Forwarded with request for instructions as to the action to be taken in this case.

Sgd. LUTE P. STOVER
Major Comdg. Squadron.

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State of Colorado
Office of the Adjutant General
Denver, Colo.

1st Ind. (COPY)

Adjutant General of Colorado, Aug. 13th 1917. TO: Commanding Officer, 2nd Infantry, Pueblo, Colo.

Transmitted: For your action.

By command of General Baldwin
Sgd. A. H. Williams,
Major, Adjutant General's Dept.

2nd Ind.

Hq. 2nd Colo. Infy. Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 22d 1917. to the Adjutant General of the State of Colorado, Denver.

1. C. R. Stride enlisted with Machine Gun Company, 2nd Colorado Inf., on the 13th day of July 1917, and is now with his organization.
2. States that he enlisted in Troop A, Kan. Cav. April 18th 1917, but did not take the oath at anyt time.
3. Private Stride was assigned to Company G, Colo. Inf., for drill purposes while Machine Gun Company was being organized.

Sgd. JESSE G. NORTHCUTT
Col. 2nd Colo. INF.

3rd Ind.

Adjt. Gen'l State of Colorado, Aug. 24th 1917, to Major Lute P. Stover, 1st Kan. Cav., Iola, Kansas.

RETURNED:

Inviting attention to 2nd Indorsement hereon and suggesting that this paper be forwarded to the Commanding General, Central Department, for final action.

By command of Gnereal Baldwin:
Sgd. A. H. WILLIAMS
Major Adjutant General's Department.

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FIRST SQUADRON CAVALRY
FIRST KANSAS CAVALRY

Headquarters, Iola, Kans.
August 10th 1917.

FROM: The Squadron Commander
1st Squad., 1st Kan. Cav.

TO: The Adjutant General,
State of Colorado,
DENVER, COLO.

SUBJECT Status of C. R. Stride.

1. These headquarters desire to verify the statements of N. J. Stride, father of C. R. Stride, who states that his son, although an enlisted man of the National Guard of Kansas, enlisted in the National Guard of Colorado (date unknown) and has been assigned to Company G, 2d Regiment Infantry, Camp Gunter, Pueblo, Colorado.

2. A verification of the status of this man is respectfully requested.

Major, 1st Kansas Cavalry
Commanding Squadron.

1st Lieut., 1st Squadron.
Adjutant.

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You will report for duty with Troop A Kans Cav Aug 5
1917 at Eureka, Kansas. Advise me at once upon receipt of
this.

E. R. Martin

C. O. Troop A Kans Cav.

COPY OF LETTER RECEIVED FROM N. J. STRIDE FATHER OF
PRIVATE STRIDE.

Ellinwood, Kans 7/20 1917

E. R. Martin,
Eureka, Kansas.

Sir:

My boy C. R. Stride wrote you several times and not
having heard from you joined the colors in Colo and any
communications addressed to him below will reach him until
August 5th.

Private Stride
Co G Sec Reg
Camp Gunter

Pueblo, Colo

Respectfully,

N. J. Stride

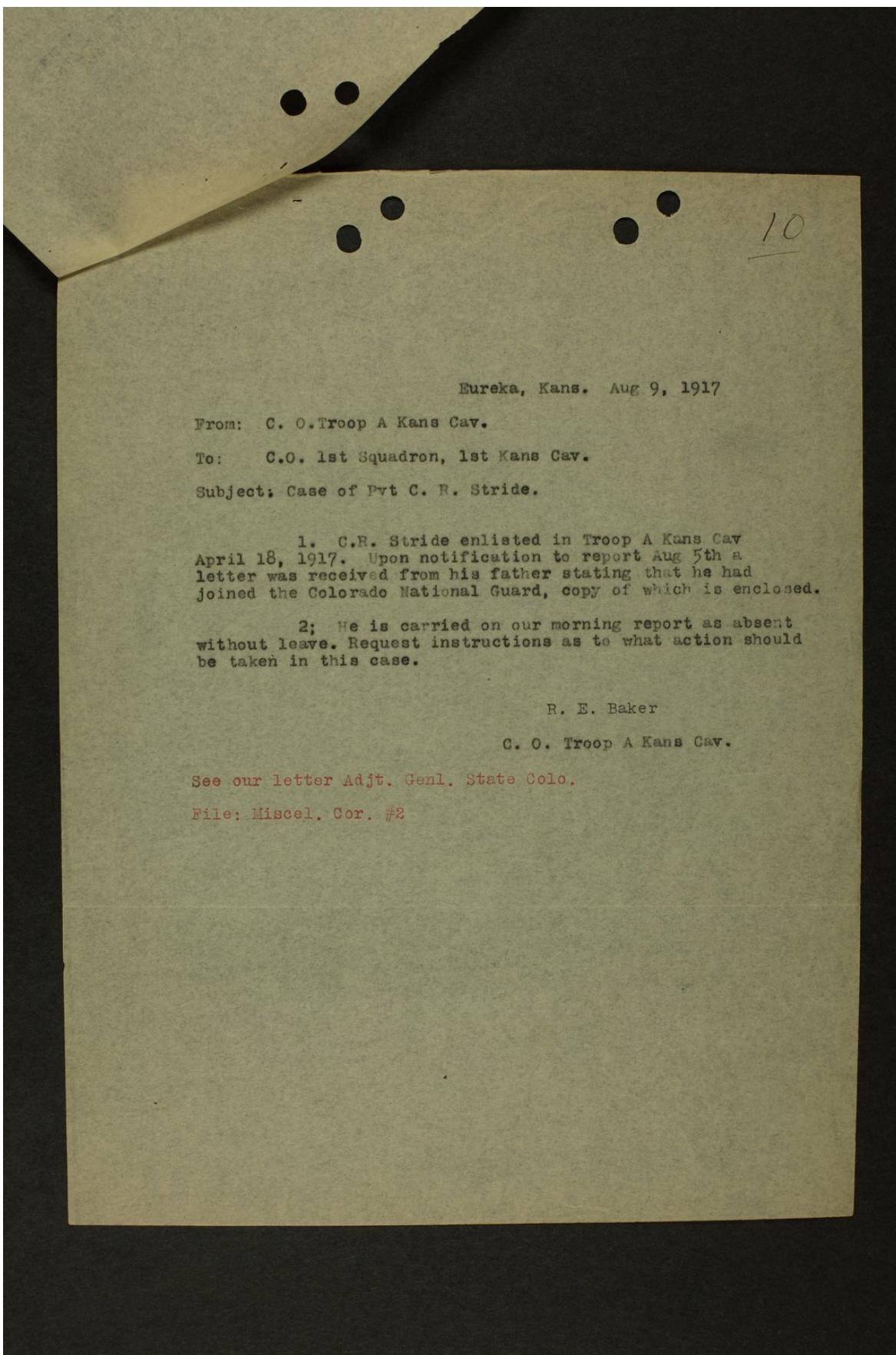
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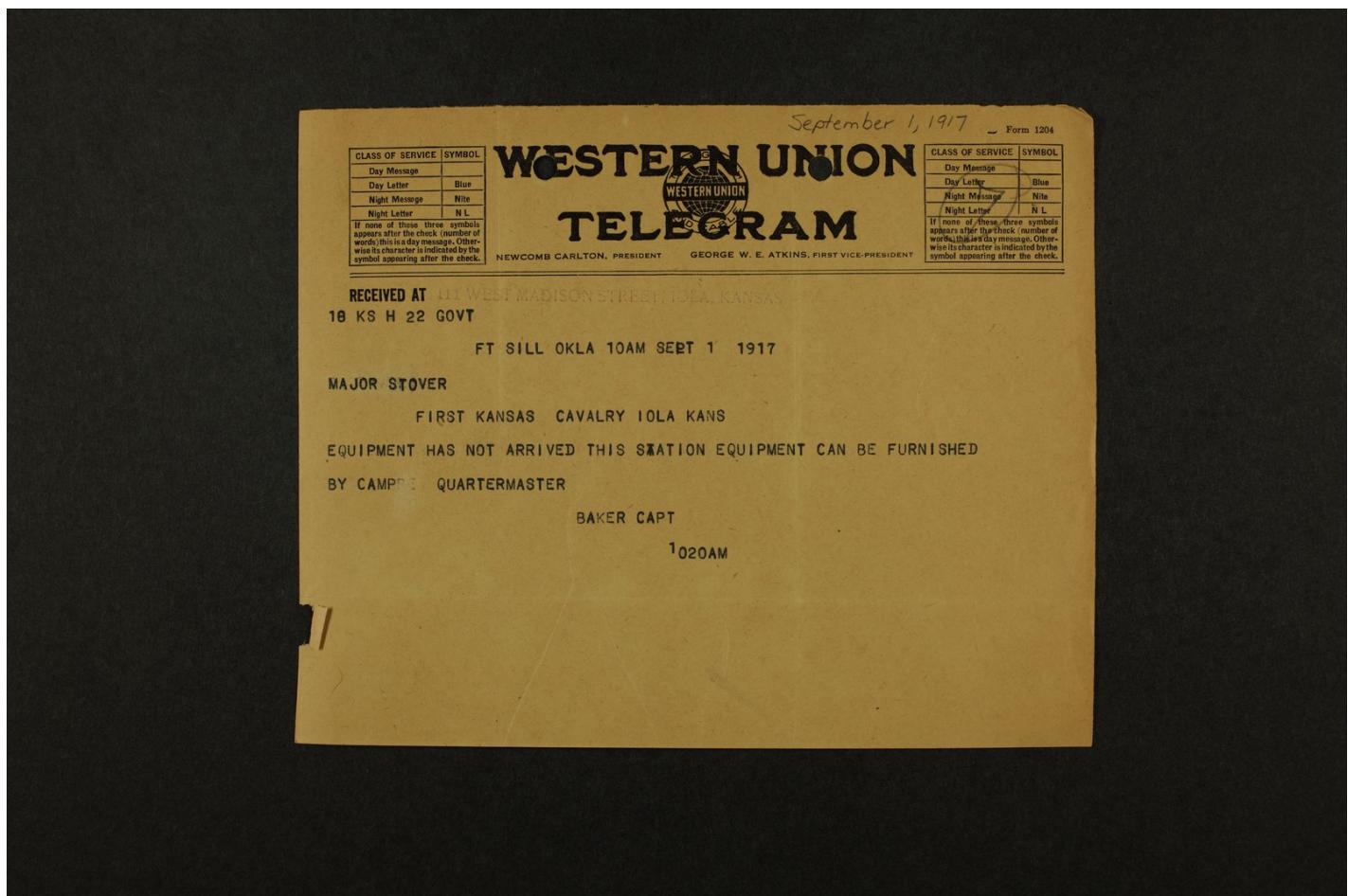
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Washington, D. C. Sept. 1, 1917.

Commanding General,
Central Department.
Chicago, Illinois.

Comptroller of Treasury decided August 18th that National Guardsmen drafted into service United States August 5th, 1917 are entitled to count prior service in National Guard or Militia for longevity or continuous service increase in pay. Advise all concerned within territorial limits your department that no increase in pay will be claimed or paid for such prior service until receipt of instructions regarding this matter soon to be issued by War Department.

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Hq. Central Dept., Chicago, Ill. September 2, 1917. -- To all concerned for information and guidance.

By command of Major General Carter,

T. W. Winston,

Licut. Colonel, U. S. A. Ret.,
Acting Department Adjutant.

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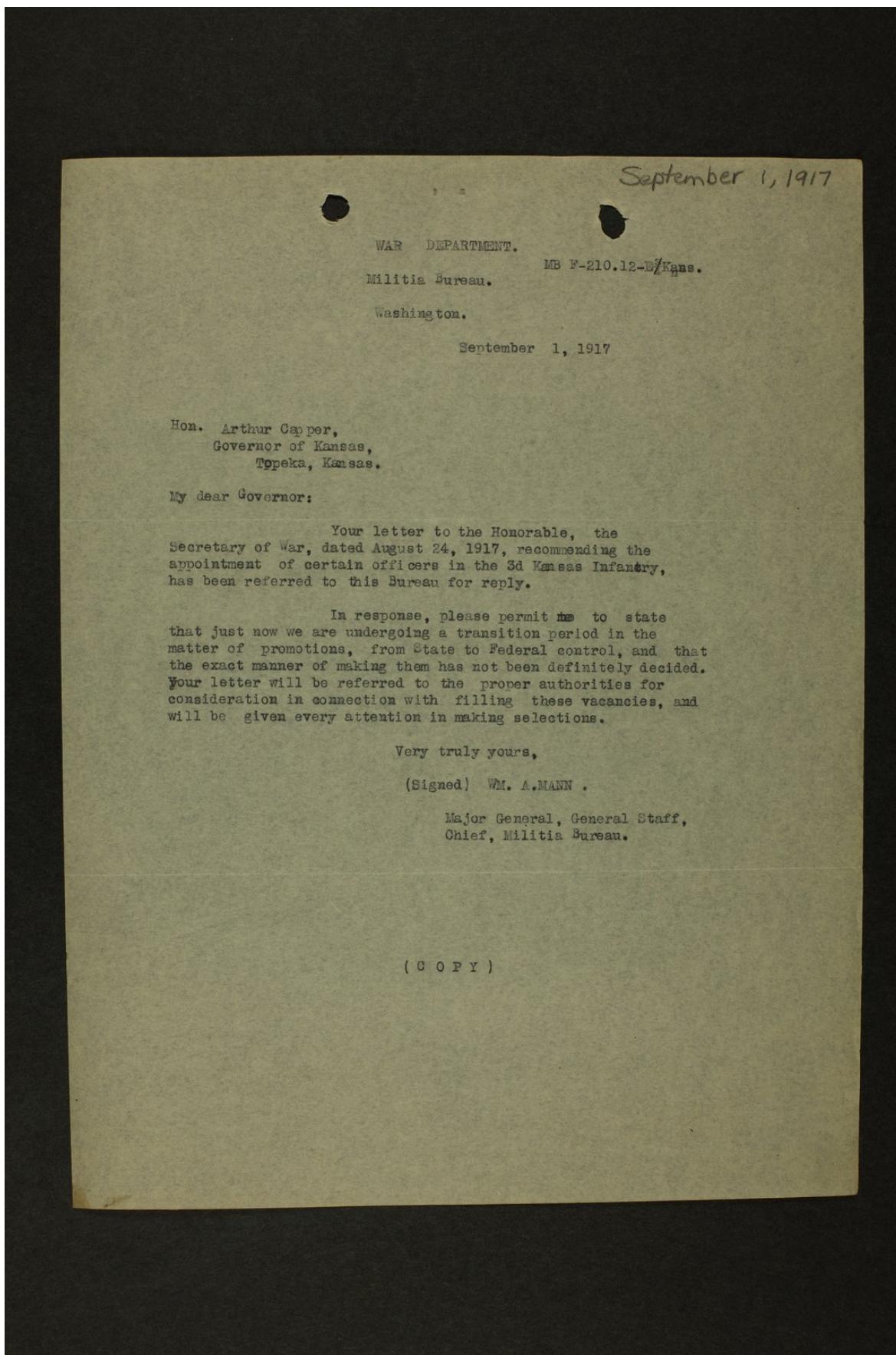
Copy sent to each of Troop
Commanders Sept. 5th 1917.

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NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

Wichita, Kan, Sept. 1st, 1917.

From C. O. Troop B, Kansas Cavalry.
To S. C. 1st Squadron, Kansas Cavalry.
Subj. Appointment Non-Comm. Officers.

1-I would like to have warrants issued for the following non-commissioned officers.

2-To be Sergeants
Claude F. Cunningham, vice Andrews transferred.
Dale W. Critser, original vacancy.

3-To be Corporals
Ralph B. D. Colver, vice Daugherty reduced.

James N Sherman
Captain Cavalry,
Comm. Troop B.

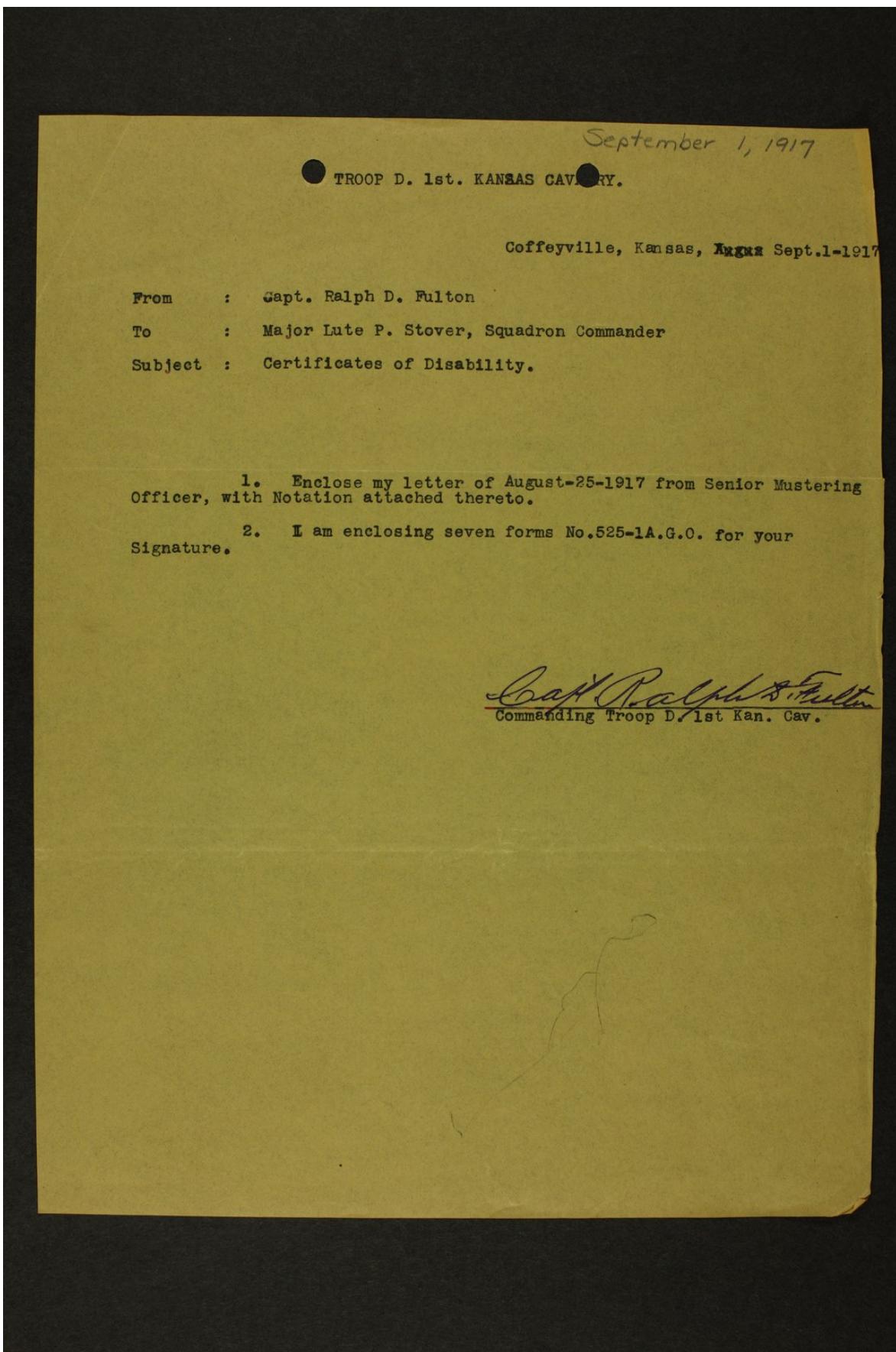
Appointments made S.O. 26
Sept. 6th 1917.
Warrants not yet issued.

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TROOP D. 1st KAN. CAV.

Coffeyville, Kansas Sept.-1-1917.

From : Capt. Ralph D. Fulton

Ft Scott

To : Squadron Commander,

Subject : Recomending Jacob W. Wright, Recruiting Detail

1. I reccommend for your approval Jacob W. Wright
for recruiting detail .

2. Trooper Wright has all the qualifications required
in paragraph 2 of your letter No.72

3. I enlisted a recruit to-day and will carry him on
the morning report as a recruit until we get to Mobilization Camp.
I called Lieut. Cornell of the Hospital Corps by Phone to-day
and he advised carrying this recruit as above stated.

Ralph D. Fulton
Commanding Troop D. 1st Kan. Cav.

See Special Order No 27.

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST SQUADRON
FIRST KANSAS CAVALRY

Iola, Kans.
Sept. 1st 1917.

SPECIAL ORDERS
No. 25

1. Upon the recommendation of the
Troop Commander, Corporal Ralph C. Lord, Troop
B, 1st Kansas Cavalry, is hereby reduced to
the grade of private.

By order of

Major Stover.

OFFICIAL.

1st Lieut., 1st Squadron.
ADJUTANT.

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST SQUADRON
FIRST KANSAS CAVALRY

Iola, Kansas.
Sept. 3rd 1917.

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FROM Squadron Commander
1st Kansas Cavalry
TO Senior Mustering Officer
for Kansas.
SUBJECT Date of Indorsement

1. Information is desired as to date of
4th Indorsement on S. C. D., of the following members
of Troop D, 1st Squadron Cavalry, Kansas.

Frank J. Forth
Ted W. Wells
Samuel Crittenden
Willie T. Wilson
William T. Warner
Herman M. Tiarks
Walter F. Holmes.

2. The information is necessary to complete
the discharges of the above men; the troop commander
does not seem able to supply this information.

Lute P. Stomp.
Major, 1st Squadn. Cav.

1st Ind.

Senior Mustering Officer, Topeka, Kan. Sept. 4, 1917. To
Commanding Officer, 1st Squadron Kansas Cavalry, -Iola, Kan.

1. Date of fourth indorsement in all cases is Aug. 22, 1917.

2. Specific cause of discharge or disability is as follows:
Johnson, defective vision; Cook, tumor on neck in front of
larynx; Barber, defective vision; Jordon, defective vision;
Jordan, Harry E. pulmonary tuberculosis; Agard, defective
vision; Hillman, defective vision; Severn, gonorrhea and
orchitis; Stockton, hemorrhoids and varicocele; Sallyards,
chronic appendicitis;

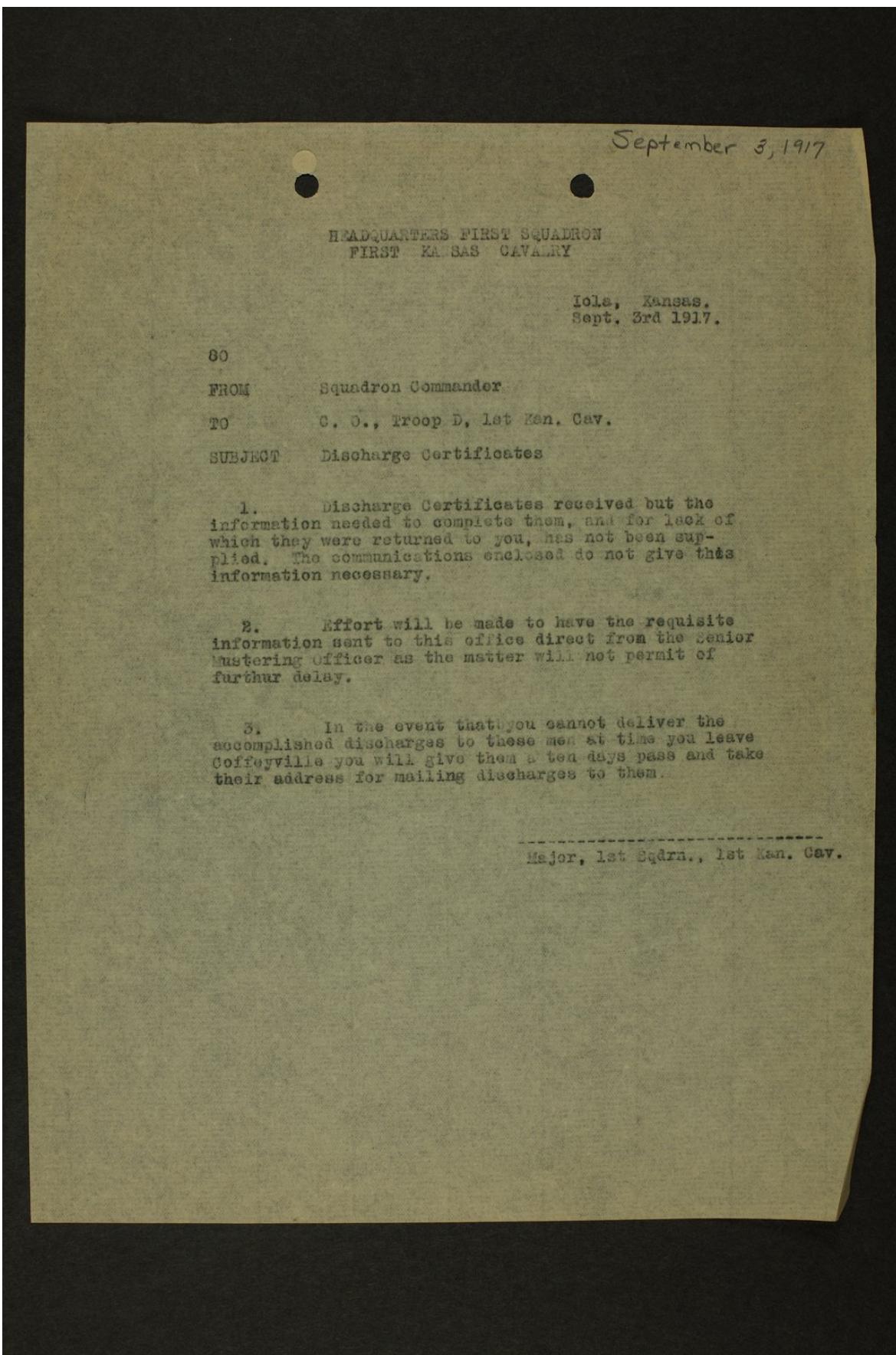
Sidney Smith
Major, 1st Ky. Inf.

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NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

Dodge City, Kans.
Sept. 3, 1917.

Wichita

From Commd. Officer, Troop 'C'.
To The Squadron Commander
SUBJECT Recruiting detail.

1. In compliance with your instructions regarding Recruiting Detail, will designate Leo B. Otto, for this purpose. He is a very competent young man, soldierly in appearance, and I feel satisfied he will perform his duties in a very efficient manner.

Joseph R. Gau
Capt. 1st Squadron Kans. Cav.
Commd. Trbop 'C'.

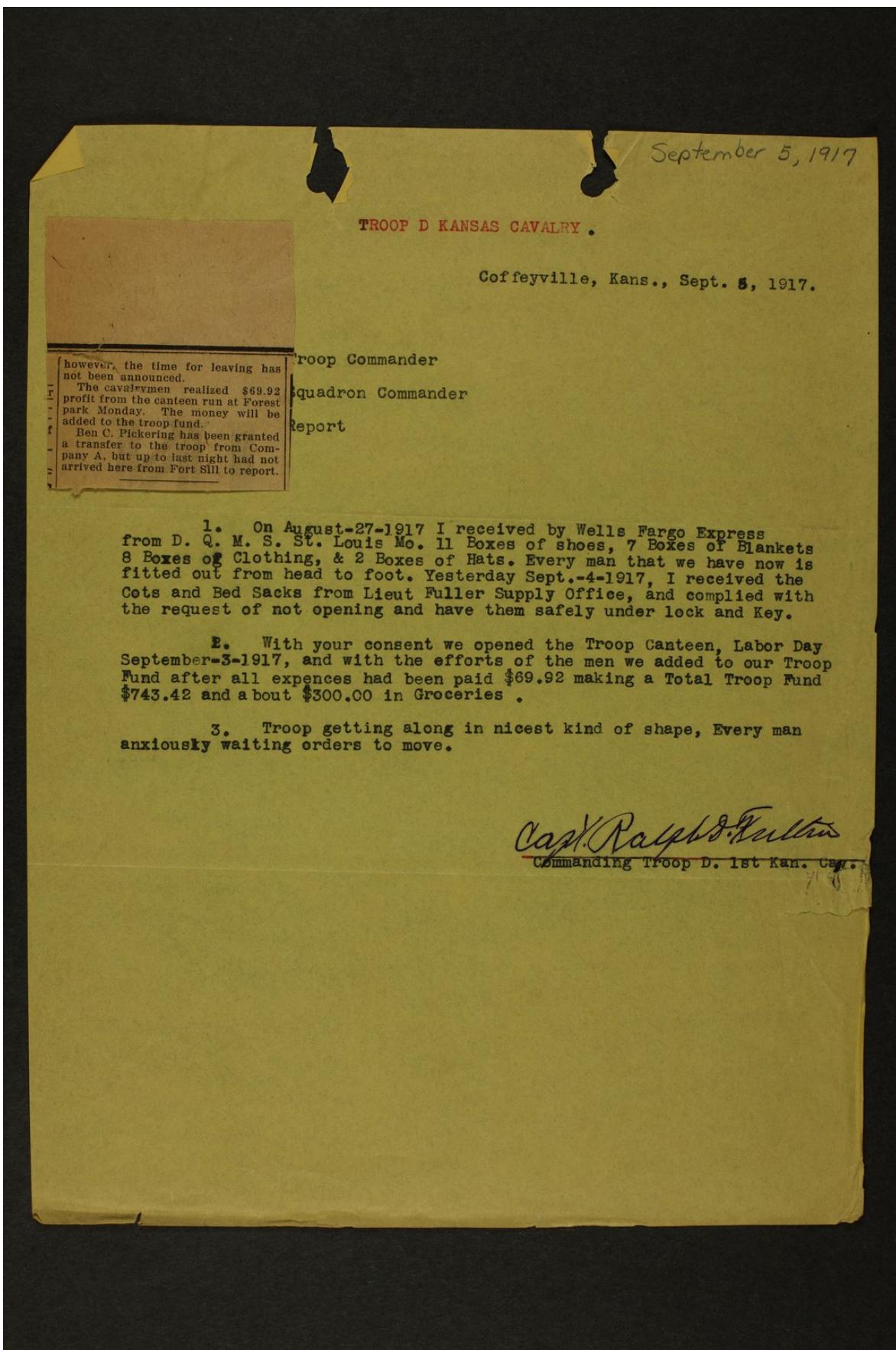
See Special Order No 27

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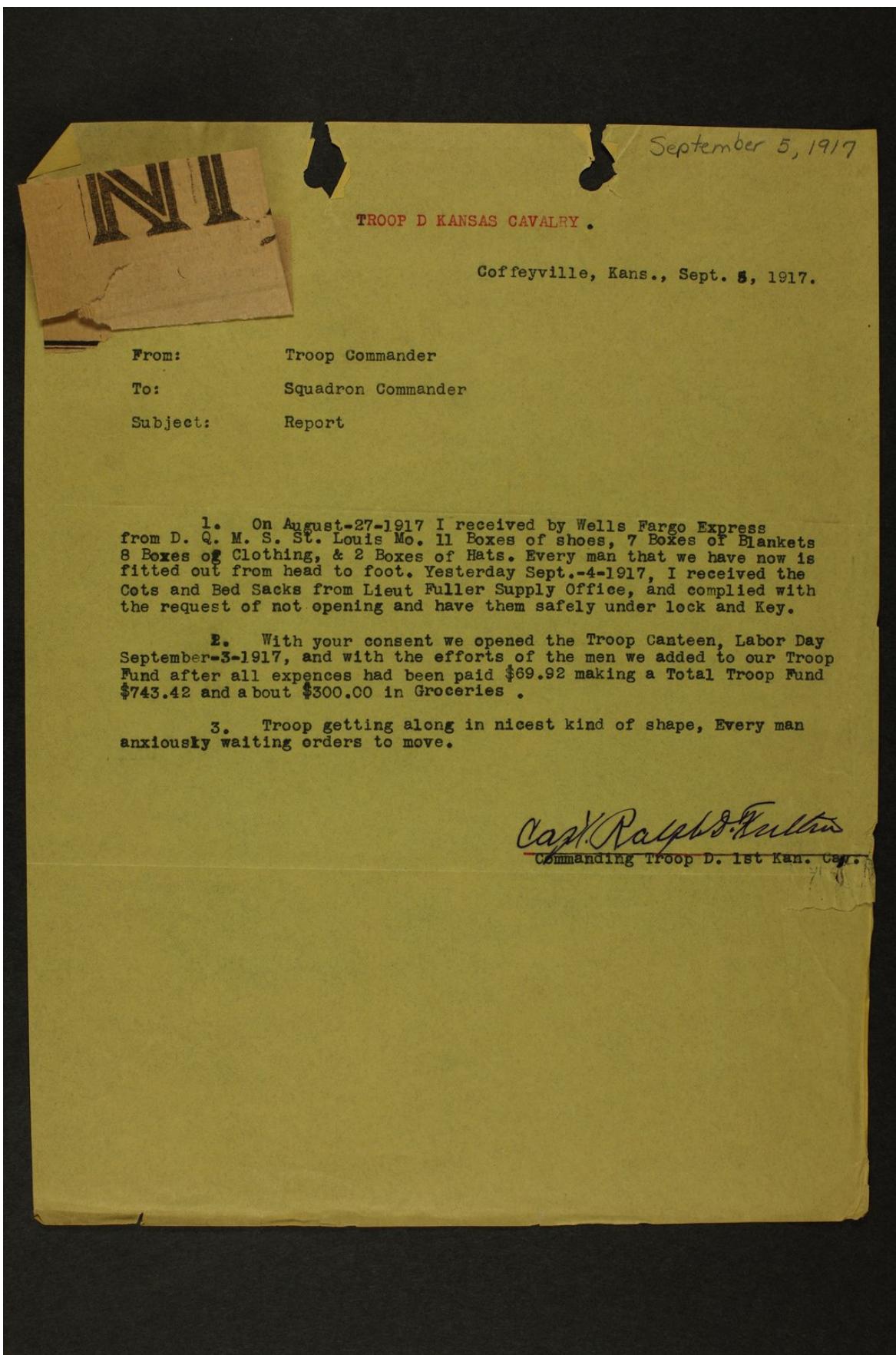


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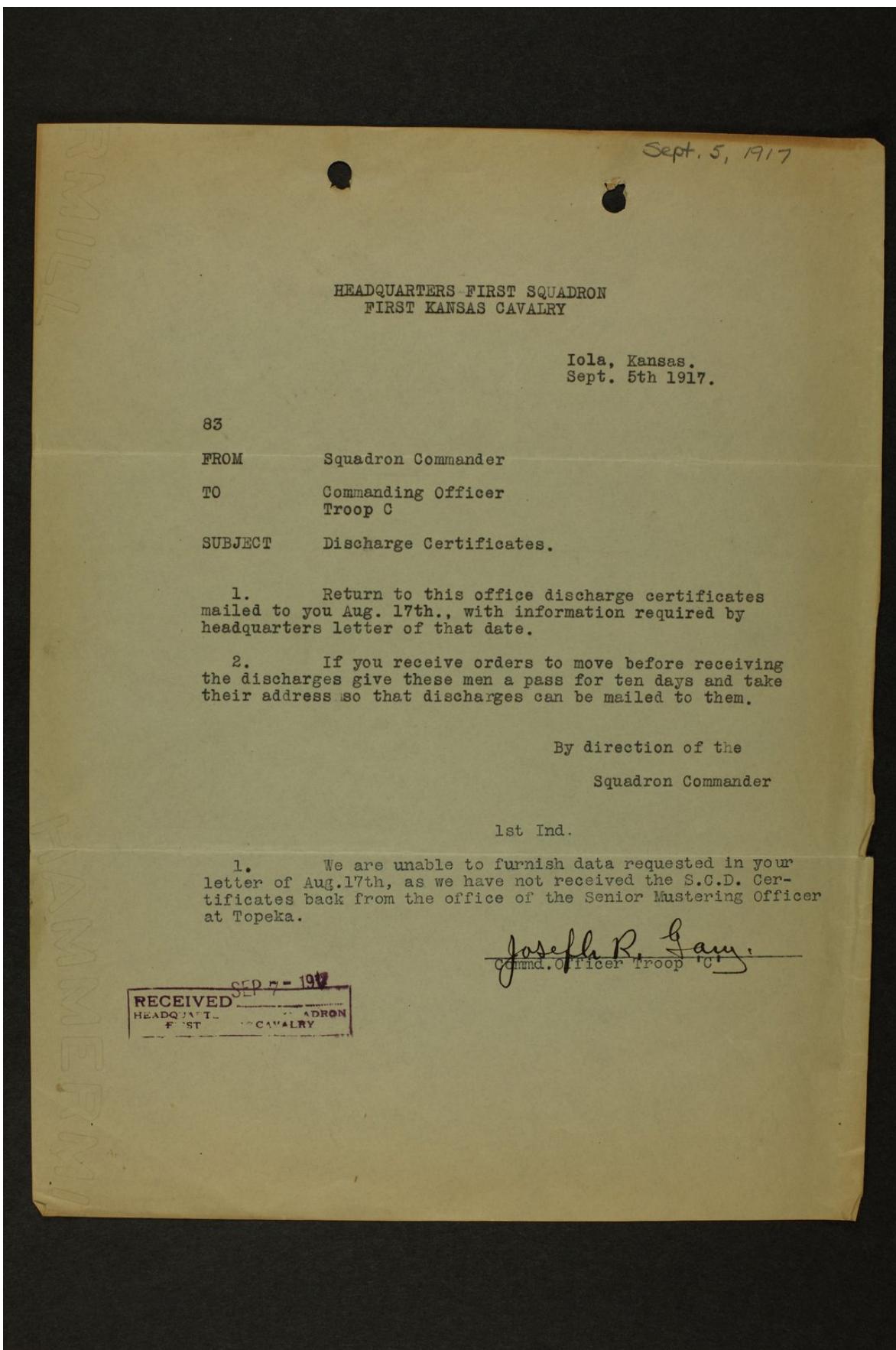


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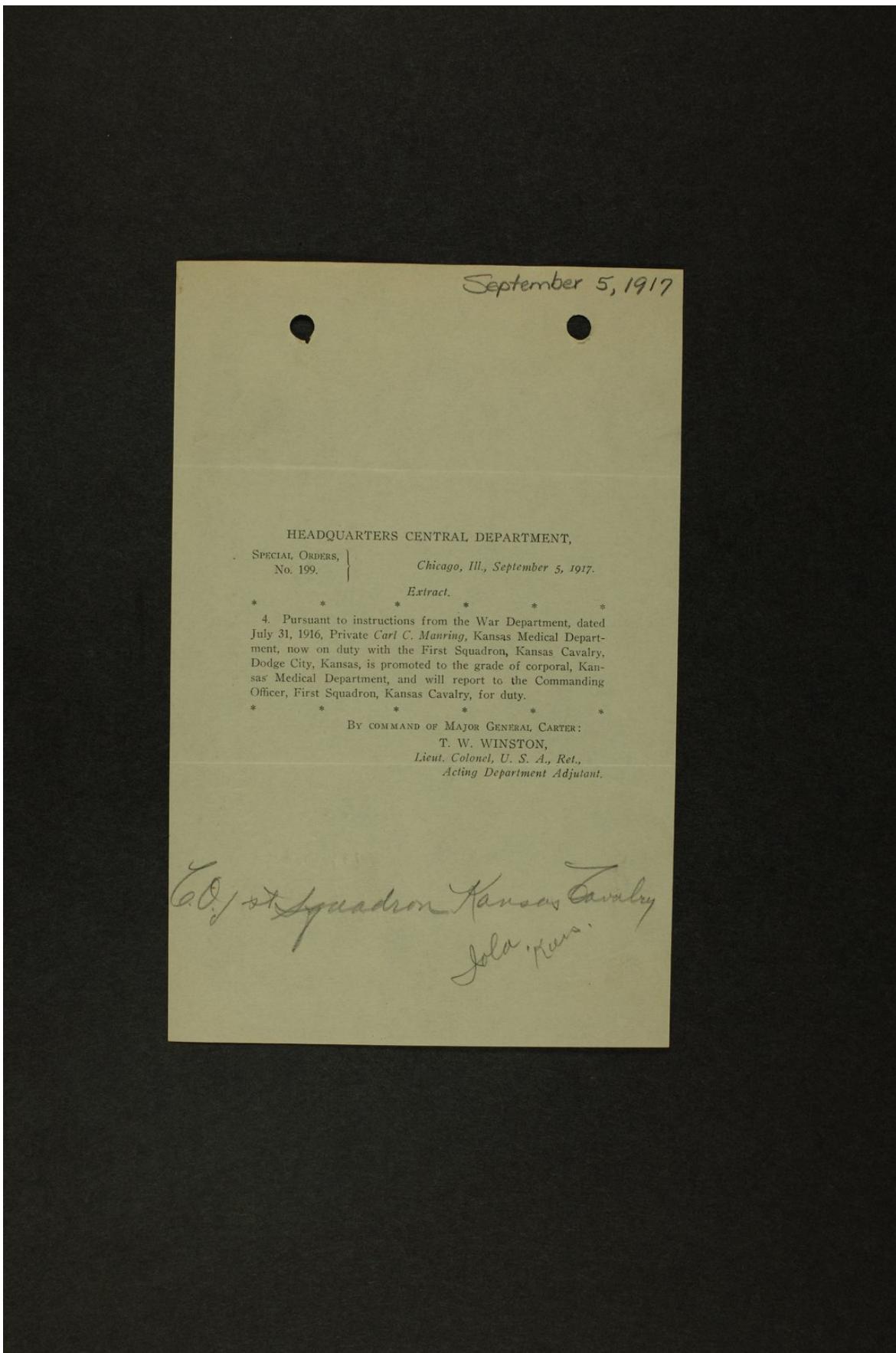


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El Dorado, Kans., Sept. 5, 1917

From Comdg Officer Co. F 3rd Kans Inf.

To Comdg Officer 3rd Kansas Infantry, Topeka, Kansas.

Subject:--Enlistment of Thurlow S. Crans.

1.- Private Crans states that he never took the oath of enlistment with Troop A. Kansas Cavalry at Hays, Kansas.

2.- Refer to the attached correspondence in regard to Private Crans.

3.- Please return attached correspondence for our records.

Ivring A. Otter
Capt Comdg Co. F 3rd Kans Inf

1st Ind.

Headquarters, 3rd Kan Inf., Topeka, Kans., Sept. 6th, 1917. To:
Commanding Officer, First Squadron Cavalry.

1. Forwarded for your action.

W. McD. Rowan
Col. 3rd Kansas Infantry

John J. Haskell
Capt. 3rd Kansas Inf.
Adjutant

4th Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST SQUADRON
FIRST KANSAS CAVALRY

Iola, Kansas.
Sept. 6th 1917.

Special Orders
No. 26

1. Upon the recommendation of the Troop Commander and with the approval of the Squadron Commander, the following appointments are made in Troop B, 1st Kansas Cavalry:

To be Sergeant:

Pvt. Claude F. Cunningham, vice ✓
Andrews, transferred
Pvt. Dale W. Critser, to fill ✓
original vacancy.

To be Corporal:

Lvt. Ralph B. D. Colver, vice ✓
Daugherty, reduced.

By order of the Squadron Commander.

OFFICIAL:

1st Lieut., 1st Squadron
ADJUTANT.

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Sanitary Detachment, 1st Kan. Cav.

Dodge City Kan. Sept, 6 1917.

From; Squadron Surgeon.

To; Squadron Commd.

Subject; Equipment.

The following equipment was received here on

September 4th,

Number of each
Wanted
Uniforms
Shoes.
Hats.
Overcoats.
Slickers.
Shelter halves.

No,
Issued
Total. No. on hand

Article
Squadron Surgeon.
Shirts, Flannel OD
Shoes, marching
Breeches, cotton, OD.
Coats, OD. cotton
Hats.
Cords, hat
Drawers summer
Undershirts summer
Stockings cotton
do light wool
Tags, identification, with tape
Blankets, OD wool
Cots
Leggins
Mess equipment:
spoons
knives
forks
meat cans
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Slickers
Shelter halves
Overcoats
Shelter tent pins

RETURN WITHOUT DELAY

No other equipment on hand

SUPPLY OFFICER
FIRST SQUADRON
KANSAS CAVALRY

Lieut. Samuel E. Simpson
Sanitary Detachment, 1st Kan. Cav.

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CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT IN THE
POSSESSION OF TROOP 'C', 1ST
KAN. CAVALRY. ---Sept 6, 1917.

	RECIEVED	ISSUED	ON HAND.
Belts,	105	97	8
Blankets,	210	194	16
Breeches,	101	97	4
Coats,	96	94	2
Cords, Hat	105	97	8
Drawers,	283	194	89
Hats,	105	97	8
Laces, Shoe	210	None	210
Leggins,	105	97	8
Shoes,	210	97	113
Shirts,	193	190	3
Stockings,	420	388	32
Tags, Identifi	105	None	105
Tape	105 Yd	None	105 Yd.
Undershirts	210	194	16

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FORM 3

NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

Wichita, Kansas.
Sept. 6, 1917.

Troop "B" 1st. Kansas Cavalry

Statement Of Clothing and Equipment

Breeches, service	100 Pr.
Coat,	92
Drawers	291 Pr.
Hat,	100
Leggins	100 Pr.
Shirts	183
Shoes	185 Pr.
Stockings	405 Pr.
Undershirts	220
Hat Cords	105
Blankets	210
Tags, Identification	105
Tape, Identification	105 Yds.
Laces	210 Pr.

Signed
James H. Sherman
Captain Kansas Cavalry,
Commanding Troop "B".

5 men transferred to Kan. Am Train
with uniforms - Receipt for same not returned.

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Form 1204

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT 111 WEST MADISON STREET, IOLA, KANSAS
52. KS H 30 GOVT

WD CHICAGO ILLS 5PM SEPT 6 1917

COMMANDING OFFICER

FIRST SQUADRON COMPANY KANSAS CAVALRY IOLA KANS

TELEGRAPHIC REPORT STRENGTH YOUR COMMAND OFFICERS AND MEN SEPARATELY
AS OF AUGUST THIRTY FIRST NOT RECEIVED SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY

WINSTON ACTING DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT

7 PM

Answered Aug. 7

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TROOP D. 1ST KANSAS CAVALRY.

COFFEYVILLE, KANSAS Sept-6-1917.

From : Captain Ralph D. Fulten,
To : Major Lute P. Stover,
Subject : Recommendation for Non-commissioned Office.

1. Please make confirmation of the following Troopers under your order #5 as No.5 Continued to be Sergeants

Pvt. James R. Ray (as of 8/17/17)

Pvt. John W. Ransom (as of 9/1/17) ✓

Pvt. Jesse B. Wilmoth (as of 7/26/17)

TO BE CORPORALS

1st Cl. Pvt. Ellis J. Clark (as of 7/26/17)

1st Cl. Pvt. J. Lester Smith (as of 9/1/17)

1st Cl. Pvt. James C. Wallingford (as of 9/1/17)

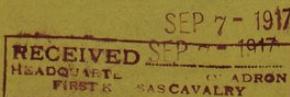
2. To be reduced from Corporals to Privates ~~xxx~~

Corp'l Vernon S. Cook (as of 9/1/1917)

Corp'l Arthur W. Dana (as of 9/1/1917)

Ralph D. Fulten
Commanding Troop D. 1st Kan. Cav.

P.S. Please have corrections made on Pay Roll after Confirmation.



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FORM 3

First Squadron Cavalry.
NATIONAL GUARD OF KANSAS

Headquarters, Iola, Kansas.
September, 7th 1917.

From : The Squadron Commander.

To: Troop Commander Troop C

Subject: Discharge Certificates.

1. This office has written the Senior mustering Officer for the date of endorsement on the S.C.D. of the following men:

Ross J. Bader
Leslie Tomkin
Guy W. Hill
Wynn Cummings.

11. To expedite the discharge of these men you will send to this office the discharge certificates and the fact of the endorsement will be shown on them when we receive the information from Topeka.

Ruth P. Stover
Major, Commanding.

1st Ind.
Comm'd. Officer Troop C. 1st Kan. Cav. Dodge City, Kans., To: The Adjutant, First Squadron Kan. Cavalry.

1. Enclosed find Discharge Certificates of the above named men, as per your request.

Capt. 1st Kan. Cav.
Comm'd. Troop 'C'

(4 Inc)