

Review & Presentation DSM to General Babbitt

Captain Hughes took this photo during a Review and Presentation for General Edwin Burr Babbitt. General Babbitt was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for "exceptionally meritorious and conspicuous services" in World War I. The date and location of this photo is not mentioned but it appears to have been taken at Camp Holabird. Babbitt had commanded a brigade during World War I and served with the Army of Occupation after the war. Captain Hughes, who was also with the Army of Occupation, had returned to the U.S. with the 13th Field Artillery and was stationed at Camp Holabird, Maryland. Hughes left Camp Holabird February 14, 1920, after six months training in the Motor Transport School. James C. Hughes, as part of the 35th Division, left Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and traveled to Hoboken, New Jersey, where he boarded the troop ship "Ceramic" on May 18, 1918. Hughes arrived in Liverpool, England, on June 1, 1918 and then landed at Le Havre, France, on June 9, 1918. Hughes fought in the battles of St. Michael and the Meuse-Argonne. He was at Verdun on Armistice Day, November 11, 1918. He took no photos of the actual fighting. He did take many photographs after the war as part of the Army of Occupation until he left France on July 18, 1919. A full biography of James Clark Hughes is available on Kansapedia.

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