

COMMENTS ON FIRST DRESS PARADE - Sunday, April 8, 1962

- (1) Colors not centered on Zouave Wall (Battalion comdr could signal to them from Platform)
- (2) Presentation of Troops (Bn. Comdr. forgot to call battalion to att-present, arms, etc.)
- (3) Remember that when the Reviewing Officer is not a General the same ceremony will be followed w/o playing of Ruffles & Flourishes, etc.
- (4) "Trooping of the Line" by the Band---music ended too soon---should repeat one refrain or play another short march
- (5) National Anthem - too much delay getting started---as soon as Adjutant calls the Bn. to att. and commands "Present, Arms". ~~music should start~~, the music should start (don't wait for salute as sun might prevent drum major from seeing same--start the music as soon as the Adjutant ~~has~~ commands "Present, Arms" and troops have executed same.)
- (6) Entrance Gate should be kept open (a car parked in same and we got it out barely in time for the Corps to enter the field)
- (7) Tactical Officers to be on duty to take care of any cadet who faints or gets sick. Only the Company First Sgt. should take action---also others remain in ranks and pay no attention to the cadet who has falled out)
- (8) Fifth Platoon too close to automobiles parked on Cincinnati side of field.
- (9) Christensen to practice marching at "Carry Saber"--was not coordinated properly
- (10) Adjutant to give commands in a louder tone of voice.
- (11) Bn. Comdr. to give command "Pass in Review" in a louder tone of voice.
- (12) ZOUAVES to approach their "entrance gate" without attracting attention---passed in rear of reviewing stand doing Zouave cadence and disturbed those in the stand---that is, detracted from the combat platoon's demonstration then in progress.
- (13) BAND to play one more chorus of "Soldier's Chorus" while troops are entering the field---music ended too soon (before 5th platoon had formed).
- (14) ~~XXXXX~~ TROOPS marched too close to the Reviewing Officer. Audience can see them better if they do not march too close to reviewing stand.

COL. WESLEY'S COMMENTS

- (1) B-company "accordioned" in marching to parade ground (on Ashby). Advance units must not retard progress of those behind when making turn off Ashby onto Rouse Ave
- (2) Left flank of B-company was too close to autos parked on Cincinnati side of field
- (3) Interval between color guard and right flank of B-company too great (see No. 1 above)
- (4) Right flank of marching units too close to Reviewing Officer when passing in review
- (5) Cadet Nauret out of step during march past. Should receive extra drill and if unable to keep step assigned some other duty during parade.
- (6) Several cadets were not in perfect alignment while passing in review.
- (7) Drum Major to get cap that fits or use chin strap to obviate knocking his cap off.
- (8) Penalize those cadets who leave helmet liners, gloves, etc. on campus after parades; also any who neglect to return rifles promptly to armory.
- (9) Kuhlmann, H. (boy who fainted) not to participate in dress parades (some other duty); also not to march with Mck Rifles as long as someone else to take his place.

PRELIMINARY INSPECTION IN RANKS BEFORE ESCORT TO THE COLORS should include check for pants too long or too short, etc. and written reports turned in to Commandant so that corrections can be made.

NOTE:- As soon as band leaves the field the drum beats should cease.