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TO THE OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OF ARIZONA.

As we look back over the work of the Arizona National Guard during the year 1934, I feel that all who have helped to improve the conditions of the Guard may well feel proud of the results obtained and I want to thank the Officers and Enlisted Men for their splendid co-operation in helping to make this improvement. And in this connection I feel that we are fortunate in having such outstanding officers in the higher command of the State forces, as well as the excellent federal Instructors who have helped us to attain the apparent improvement so noticeable to all of us.

This past year has seen many improvements at our training camp at Flagstaff, more especially the floors for enlisted men's tents and draining of the camp site. The improvements in rifle ranges throughout the State (and to say that other improvements in our camp and target ranges are being planned) With the installation of our new water tank at camp we hope our water supply will be all sufficient for our purposes.

During the year our Battery has been motorized to such an extent that they are independent of any other mode of transportation, having six 1½ ton trucks and two station wagons. The Infantry unuts have been partially motorized having twentyfive 1½ ton trucks and four station wagons. This solves our transportation problems for sometime to come in camp and throughout the State.

Drill attendance has been excellent in spite of the economy cut in drill pay and the loyalty of the Officers and men in attending payless drills was splendid. The interest displayed in the work of the armory training period has been excellent.

The accomplishments of the armory training period were very definitely demonstrated during the field training period, the best, I believe we have ever had. The personnel of the Guard as a whole, is today higher than at any time in the past. There has never in my time been a finer spirit of co-operation, loyalty and interest by both Officers and Men than during the past year. My desire is to see this spirit continue and increase to the end that the Arizona National Guard may retain its high rating as among the best in the country, so that when, if ever we are called to defend our State or Country, we may all answer here, and do our bit in a satisfactory manner.

Let us resolve in this New Year to make our own particular unit, and ourselves individually, a more efficient part of the State and National Defenders.

In our spirit of co-operation let our motto be the Golden Rule.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year. Carry On.

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