

# **History of Company K, Infantry, California National Guard 1920-1921**

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COMPANY K

Company K, Infantry, California National Guard

Reference: Adjutant General's Files

Location: Hollywood, Los Angeles County

Mustered in August 6, 1920\*

Redesignated August 23, 1921\*\*

Commanding Officers

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Commission</u>
Joseph H. McDonald, Captain	Aug. 5, 1920	Aug. 14, 1920
Norman W. McMillen, First Lieut. (resigned July 5, 1921)	Aug. 6, 1920	Aug. 14, 1920
George E. Foster, First Lieut.	Aug. 6, 1921	Aug. 11, 1921

**Activities:**

Company K, Infantry, was organized at Hollywood, and mustered into State Service on August 6, 1920. The officers elected to command the unit were J. H. McDonald, Captain, and N. W. McMillen, First Lieutenant.

The activities of the company consisted principally of weekly drills and monthly target practice. The first annual encampment attended by Company K was held at Yosemite National Park, July 10 to July 24, inclusive, 1921. Five hundred eighty members of the California National Guard left Los Angeles on the night of July tenth, for the encampment. Thirty officers, with Major E. E. Kirk commanding, accompanied the party. A total of two thousand five hundred men, representing all districts of the State, attended the encampment, which was the first annual encampment held since 1915. Company K encamped with the 160th Infantry on the old Camp Ahwanee grounds, below the village of Yosemite. During the fifteen days of the encampment, the troops were given much valuable training and instruction by a number of experienced Regular Army officers. Many of these officers had seen service overseas during the World War, and were well qualified as instructors for the National Guardsmen.

Aside from the encampment of 1921, the activities of Company K were limited to routine drills and School of the Soldier. The unit was redesignated on August 23, 1921, as Company K, 160th Infantry.

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\*Company K, Infantry, mustered in as a unit of the California National Guard, August 6, 1920.

General and Special Orders 1920, General Orders No. 42, par. 1, page 64.

\*\*Company K, Infantry, redesignated Company K, 160th Infantry, August 23, 1921.

General and Special Orders 1921, General Orders No. 15, page 32.