THE BATTALION AT "PARADE REST"
1st Sentinel: "Halt! Who goes?"
Advancing Party: "Friend with a bottle!"
1st Sentinel: "Advance, bottle! Halt, friend!"
Military Organization

Battalion of Four Companies, Signal Corps and Band

Commandant of Cadets
First Lieutenant, EDGAR S. STAYER, 23d U. S. Infantry

Cadet Officers
Major, L. I. HANDY, JR.

Staff
Adjutant, WAINER
Ordnance, EATON
Quartermaster, HUBBARD
Commissary, GARRISON

Non-Commissioned Staff
Sergeant Major, MAIER
Ordnance Sergeant, KIRBY
Quartermaster Sergeant, GILBERT
Color Sergeants, VANDEGRIFT, WALLS

Band
Drum Major, MILLINGTON
Chief Musician and 1st Lieutenant, FISHER
Principal Musician and Corporal, LENDERMAN

Second Lieutenants
VAN ARSDALEN
RAUGHLEY, R. F.
LIND

Sergeants
AYERST
HARVEY
JACOBS

Corporals
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**SIGNAL CORPS**

**Second Lieutenant**

HODGSON

**First Sergeant**

SPRUANCE

*Military Term Illustrated*

"Breaking Ranks"
Military Life at "Old Delaware"

Prior to 1889 military instruction at Delaware College was in charge of civilians. In 1889, under the provisions of an act of Congress known as the "Morrill Act," General Leroy Brown was detailed, for a period of three years, as the first military instructor of the college. At the time of his appointment General Brown was a first lieutenant of the 11th U.S. Infantry. In 1892 General Brown was succeeded by Captain E. C. Brooks, 6th Cavalry. His term lasted two years, and for three years after his term Major James H. Frier, 10th Infantry, was commandant of the cadets.

In 1897 Major Walter Gordon, General Staff, was appointed to succeed Major Frier. In April, 1898, Major Gordon resigned his appointment to become Lieutenant-Colonel of the First Delaware Infantry in the Spanish-American war. He was succeeded by First Lieutenant Charles H. Cabaniss, retired. Captain Avis, retired, (who has since died), was appointed to succeed Lieutenant Cabaniss. For two years after the expiration of Captain Avis' appointment, Major Treadwell W. Moore, 1st Infantry, occupied the position of military instructor.

The next commandant, Major Edward W. McCaskey, 21st Infantry, is remembered by the students now at "Old Delaware." He was detailed at the end of Major Moore's appointment and held the position until the present instructor, First Lieutenant Edgar S. Stayer, 23d Infantry, was assigned. Lieutenant Stayer's term expires at the end of the present collegiate year, the fourth of his appointment.

In 1889, when General Brown was detailed to the college, the cadet corps consisted of one company of infantry numbering thirty-six (36) men. At the present time, the corps consists of a band, battalion of four companies, and signal corps, numbering, all told, one hundred and fifty-six. Since the present commandant has been in charge the military department has acquired an efficiency and standing never before attained. From the report of the War Department Inspector last year the college was ranked as second among class "B" colleges, as far as military efficiency is concerned. A class "B" college is one in which military instruction is merely a single feature and in which the students are not continually in uniform and under military discipline.

Such an efficiency would not be possible, however, were it not for the interest displayed by the students in the various drills and exercises. A rifle club was organized in 1909 and teams entered in several matches. The medals worn at these matches are distributed numerously throughout the battalion. Every year, on Commencement Day, a competitive company drill is held for the "Roberts Medal." Last June Company B repeated its successes of former years and captured the trophy for the fifth successive year. A new feature of military instruction has been introduced by the organization of a signal corps this year. Although military training is merely a single feature of the course of instruction at "Old Delaware," as great importance is attached to it as to any other feature.