

## SECTION 24. ORGANIZATION OF THE CORPS

1. **General: The S. M. A. Corps of Cadets** is composed of a Brigade of Infantry consisting of:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Band Company

Five lettered companies A-F

A Junior School Company (G)

2. **The Brigade:** At the Brigade level is the Brigade Commander, who at SMA may also be addressed as the First or Senior Captain. He is the highest ranking cadet and in overall command of the Corps. He may be assisted by an Executive Officer, an Adjutant (S1), a Training Officer (S3), an Intelligence Officer (S2), and a Supply Officer (S4).

3. An organizational chart is shown as Figure 6.

4. **The Companies:**

- a. Each lettered company is composed of two platoons of three or four squads each. The company is normally commanded by a captain, and the platoons by lieutenants. As a rule each platoon will have the following noncommissioned rank:

Platoon Sergeant—Sergeant First Class

Squad Leader—Staff Sergeant

Ass't Squad Leader—Sergeant or Corporal

In addition to the ranks enumerated above, each company will have as a senior NCO a First Sergeant and a Guidon Bearer whose grade will be either Corporal or Sergeant.

- b. As a member of a company, cadets will be directly concerned with their Company Commander, 1st Sergeant, Platoon Leader, and Platoon Sergeant, and Squad Leader. Cadets should know these Cadet Officers and noncoms as soon as possible. A word of caution: Learn the proper channels. The Cadet Officers and Noncoms will explain them. For example, if a cadet should want to discuss a problem with his Company Commander, it is considered the courteous thing to see the Platoon Leader first (since he may know the answer) and get permission from him to talk the Company Commander.

- c. The Cadet Officers and Noncoms are not bent on abusing cadets or making "life hard". It is their responsibility to see that cadets "Toe the line". Cooperation with Cadet Officers and Noncoms will make life pleasant for all concerned.

- d. Cadets will find that the life at SMA will be greatly tied to the company. To a large extent cadets will be quartered together; will eat together and engage in sports and games together. No company is any better than its weakest member. Join the spirit of cooperation and common effort for achievement as a member of the unit. Work for the Company, take pride in the Company, help make it the best Company on the Hill.

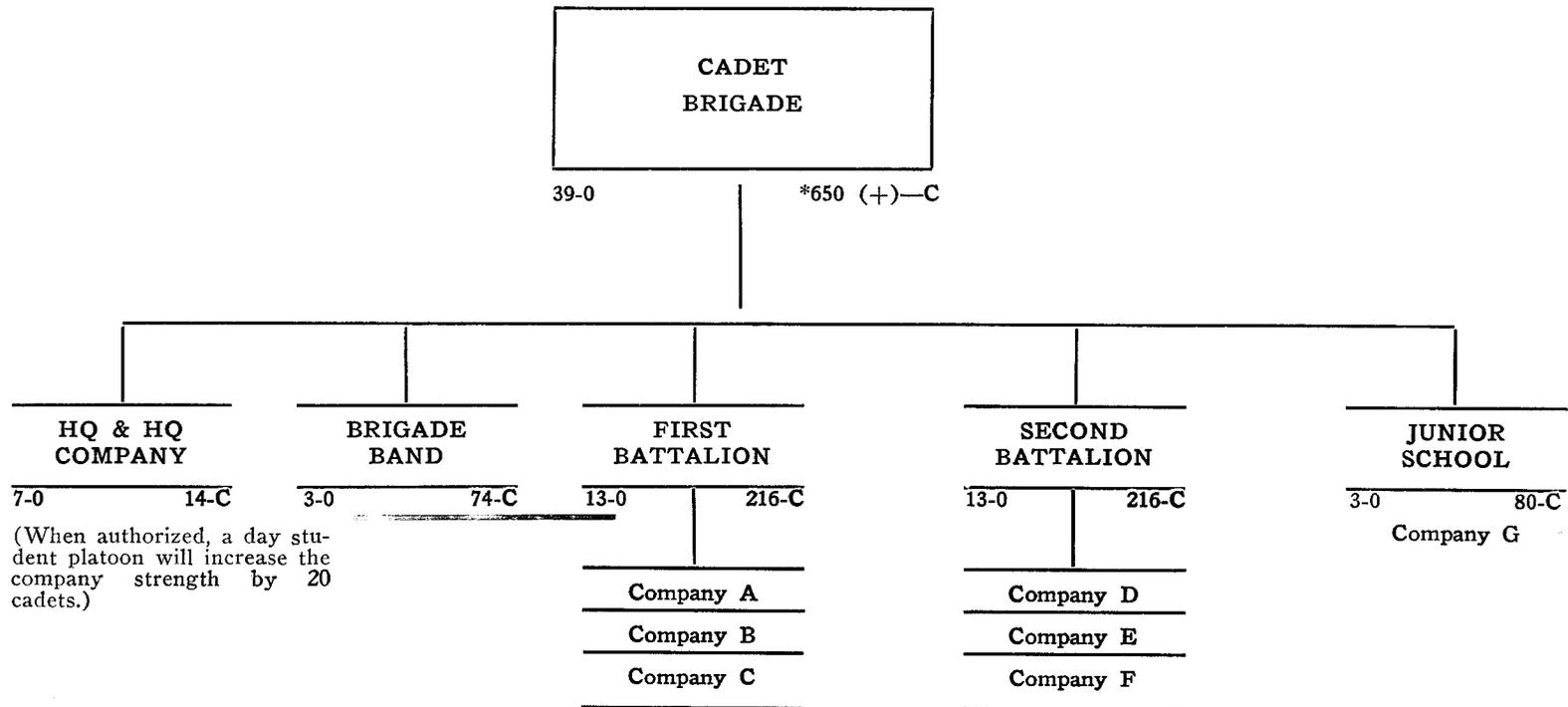
- e. Each Company has assigned to it a member of the Military Department as a Tactical Officer.

His primary duty is to instruct and supervise the Company and its members in the performance of duty. He is available to cadets, however, to discuss any problems.

5. **The Band:** The brigade Band is organized as a company and functions as such in administrative matters. Its organization is similar to that of a lettered company.

6. **Headquarters Company:** The Headquarters Company is composed of a Company Headquarters Detachment and three other detachments, the Ordnance and Medical Detachments, and the Color Guard. The Ordnance Detachment assists in the operation of the Armory, erection of Public Address set at drill assemblies, etc. The Medical Detachment assists in the operation of the Infirmary. The Color Guard assists in arranging for training aids to be at proper place at the proper time and maintains the training aids room. A fourth unit, the Day Student Platoon, may be included in the company. When used, this platoon acts as the control unit for all day students.

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\*Note: Strength will vary depending upon enrollment.

Figure 6