“Co. B” During the War

Co. B of the 105th Infantry, composed very largely of men from our city, and which contained every man of Co. B, Second Regiment, N. Y. State National Guard who went overseas, was organized in October, 1917, at Spartanburg, S. C.

The original Co. B of the Second Regiment had been inducted into U. S. service before the beginning of the war on March 30, 1917. On April 2nd it left for Little Falls where it made its headquarters while doing guard duty for public utilities in the Mohawk Valley. In August the regiment reassembled in Schenectady, leaving later for New Rochelle, from which place it was sent in September to Spartanburg, S. C.

The Company formed at Spartanburg underwent intensive training until May 17, 1918 when it embarked for France at Newport News on the “President Grant.” On two occasions the steamship was attacked by submarines, but through the efficiency of the convoying destroyers escaped injury.