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915 MEDINAH BLDG.
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HUMAN STATUE OF LIBERTY
18,000 OFFICERS AND MEN
AT
CAMP DODGE, DES MOINES Ia.
COL. WM. NEWMAN, COMMANDING
COL. RUSH S. WELLS, DISBAND

This remarkable "living photograph" comprises 18,000 soldiers and officers posed at Camp Dodge in July 1918. Photographers Arthur Samuel Mole and John D. Thomas first roughed out the pattern on the ground and calculated how many men in light or dark uniforms were needed for each part. Once the men were assembled, the photographers stood on a 75-foot tower and yelled through megaphones to direct soldiers to move this way or that, until the precise formation was achieved. For more amazing details, visit this site: iowanationalguard.com. Click on "History," then "History Home," then "Human Photos." The Gold Star Museum at Camp Dodge in Johnston, Iowa, has an original print.