

It Takes Physical Endurance To Be A 'Wolf Scout'



STREAM-CROSSING using fields expedients in one direction, and wearing a full uniform and full field equipment on the return trip is one of the more difficult tests in which candidates compete for assignments as "Wolf Scouts" for the Timber Wolf Division. The above pictorial layout, from photos made by Post Public Relations, shows three candidates in various stages of the test.

Only 9 Out of 54 Pass First Wolf Scout Test

Rigorous Ordeal Is Sample of the 'Real Thing' Met Overseas

CHOSEN RUN COURSE

Tests to determine which soldiers can qualify as full-fledged and competent "Wolf Scout" aren't cut out for sissies!

Attesting to this statement is the information, revealed today, that only nine men out of 54 candidates competing successfully passed the first phase of the "Wolf Scout" qualification tests.

One of the most difficult phases of the tests, used to determine the red-blooded soldiers who will become rough and ready "Wolf Scouts" in the Timber Wolf Division, is the one to test ability of EM to cross and recross a coursing stream, fully clothed and equipped and ready to carry on with his mission, once he reaches the opposite bank.

His Own Ferry

In the first leg of the stream-crossing phase of the exam, which requires about two hours for completion, the candidate wades and swims the stream, ferrying his equipment by using field expedients. In other words, he floats his equipment across in a raft made from his shelter half, reinforced with his rifle and tent-pole, or branches.

On the other side, his mission is to gain the bank, discover the location of an enemy machine gun nest, chart a map of the same, and recross the stream, fully dressed and equipped. Upon his return trip, he reports to "headquarters" and gives all information he has been able to uncover.

Taking the stream's current into consideration, there is between 40 and 50 yards to swim, and occasionally men have to be pulled out of the river.

Candidates proceed at their own speed, and an average of two hours is considered a reasonable length of time in which to complete the problem.

Course To Date

To date, selected men from seven Timber Wolf organizations—Mountaineers, Sea Gulls, Boneheads, Redlegs, Bees, Pill Rollers and Division HQ. Co.—have run the tests. They will be continued until every organization in the Division has run the course.

The second in the series of qualification tests, which will serve to determine the men suited to being designated "Wolf Scouts," was brought to a conclusion late Tues-

day afternoon, after a three-day ordeal.

These tests were conceived by Brigadier General Bryant E. Moore, assistant divisional commander, whose own war experiences in the South Pacific have shown the need for well-trained, mentally-alert and physically-perfect scouts.

Next week, the "Sentry" will feature a pictorial and descriptive account of the experiences a typical "Wolf Scout" undergoes in his stream crossing qualification test.

Sentry Photographer Jumps to Corporal as Signal Corps Promotes

Five promotions in the Post Signal Corps were announced recently by Captain Norval Reetz, commanding officer of the organization.

Among the group, the boys who give you those crisp news pictures for the Sentry had one rating. Pvt. Ernest Smith, in charge of the office in the photo lab, jumped from Pvt. to Cpl. Other promotions were Sgt. Linck to S/Sgt., Pfc. Alfred Cornwell to Cpl., Pfc. James Lepley to Cpl. and Pvt. Frank Prosser to Pfc.

Tables are Turned; General 'Yoo-Hooed'

CAMP HALE, Colo.—Jinx Falkenburg nearly got in wrong by yelling yoo-hoo.

She had gone on a five mile hike with a detachment when the column stopped on a mountain road to rest and a jeep pulled up. Jinx waved and called: "Yoo hoo, handsome."

Soldiers were both delighted and chagrined. "Don't you know who that is?" they asked. "That's Brig. Gen. Rolfe, commander of the camp."

That evening Jinx apologized to the general. "He was very nice about it," she said. "He told me he would have liked to yoo-hoo back but was afraid it wouldn't be good for discipline."

ACTIVE PLATOON

The 407th service and supply platoon attached to SCU 1911 has been quite active since its arrival on the Post. In charge of the group is Lt. Stanley H. Miller. Mr. Lewis, a warrant officer is second in command.

This 407th platoon is working with the Post ordnance. The boys supplement the work that other sections can't perform. It is also their duty to handle all spare parts.



Cadre From Dix Planning Party

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of the city slickers. Noo Joisey was never like this.

Legend Experienced
Tent city! A legend to most, but a reality to us. A drama enacted in a wheat field—every Private an actor, every non-com a director. The officers were the producers. Lights out meant candles snuffed. Basic training meant freight car details. "Oh me—war is hell!"

But while we did the hard work time was marching. On August 15, 1942, Gottlieb made his Pfc. and rocked the Army to its foundations. The four hundred was on its way! Ratings followed ratings. Now we are all Pfc's.

Remember the leaky tents, the chlorinated water, various pits and ditches, field kitchens. And the nightly fire squad, during which time cows, goats, sheep and others not since identified were challenged and questioned? These boys knew their stuff!

Remember that fellow in Company B who didn't have any glasses?

Finally—The Facts!

Yes, we have our memories of Tent City, and now we want to live them over again. So, June 28, 1943, we are planning a big reunion at Service Club number 1, where old friends meet. Only members of the original four hundred are invited and will be admitted. A nominal fee will be in order. (In order—to pay the bills.)

To wit: All you Ft. Dix-ites, victims of S.O. No. 169 Par. 1, gather ye that evening and celebrate.

It was a long way to come to see boids but we got 'em now.

Let us all, members of the "Blind Battalions" Battalion, get together on our first anniversary and make spectacles out of ourselves. Think of it—a whole year—and not one of us dead!

Oregon is a great place. YOU BET! I'll cover it.

"Buy Bonds Now! Later Is Too Late!"

Another WAAC Came to Camp Adair; But She's Only Visiting, Boys, Sorry!

Another WAAC at Camp Adair! Like a post man, T/4 Marion Atom came to Service Club 1 and toured the post on her furlough. She was escorted by her boyfriend, S/Sgt. Halbett of the Timber Wolf Geysers.

Sgt. Atom arrived here from Washington, D. C., where she is stationed. Her former home was

in Philomath, Oregon. Sgt. Atom is a member of the War Department Service Group and pounds a typewriter for her GI rations.

Her uniform is sun tan. The hat is of the same color while a utility bag, swung over her left shoulder, is a deep brown. On the hat is an eagle which had an "alerted" appearance as if it was ready to take off and do big things!

Corps of Engineers Needs Specialists

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date School, and upon completion of the course will receive commissions as second lieutenants in the Corps of Engineers.

Auto mechanics, carpenters, shovel operators, electricians, tractor drivers, drillers, lumberjacks, and sawyers are among the specialists needed.

New Athletic Director Played Semi-Pro Ball

A man who really likes his sports, Daniel Strelnick, is the newly assigned athletic field director of the American Red Cross for the Timber Wolf Geysers.

Strelnick, played six years of Rugby football with such outfits as the French and Queens Rugby teams. He received his university training at Ohio State and participated in football. After leaving college, Strelnick became a semi-professional in the "Pigskin" sport and played for the Armour Meat Packing Company.

His hobbies are leathercraft, stamp collecting, and sports.

WANT YOUR PORTRAIT?

For a nominal sum, one of the EM associated with the "Soldier-Artist Workshop" will do a pencil sketch of you. For slightly more, you can have an ink drawing, and oil paintings are also available. Make appointments directly with the shop, in Club 1, or with the hostess on duty in case the shop is closed.

Speaking of Food... Did You Get Yours?

The George White Center in Portland reports that during the last week they have served 7,751 cups of coffee and 2,425 half-pints of milk. Sandwiches disappeared down assorted hatches to the total of 29,453 as did 6,657 pieces of pie.

NEW ENTERTAINER

The Sunday morning piano concert at Club 1 this week was furnished by Pvt. Alphons Zwan of a QM truck company, commanded by Lt. Ronald J. Lee.

He was a correspondence clerk in a civil service position in Washington, D.C.

Prior to his induction into the Army, he studied classical music under a private tutor.

See Timber Wolf vs. Coast Guard Ball game tomorrow, 5:30 p. m.

SWAPS COLUMN

Losses—Founds
Wants—Sales
et cetera

Pfc. Richard Waldon reports the loss of a field jacket around 1st North between Rail Transportation and Service Club 1. Pfc. Waldon can be reached by calling Post Headquarters Special Service Office phone number 2942.

LOST—By Pvt. Euclid Bertrand, a billfold containing \$89 on a bus coming from Portland Sunday evening. Five dollar reward. Initials E. C. B. engraved on the back. Eagle on the billfold. Contact at Post Quartermaster; telephone 2922.