

PX Lowers Prices on Everyday Necessities

All Exchanges Open 7 Days Per Week Now

Thirty-four everyday necessities were lowered in price, last Monday, in all the Camp Adair Post Exchanges, Lt. John L. Morrison, Exchange Officer, has announced.

The merchandise reduced included the large-volume items that are in constant demand by the men of the Post. The reductions were in line with the Exchange's policy to give the enlisted man the most for his money, and further substantiate its claim that Exchange prices are the lowest that can be found anywhere.

All 15c tobaccos were reduced to 12c, and 12c candy bars are now selling for 10c. Substantial savings can now be made in various brands of tooth pastes, tooth powders and tooth brushes. Towels and handkerchiefs were also on the list of lowered prices.

Other miscellaneous items now selling for less include playing cards, pocket combs, Kleenex, razor blades, dental floss and Shinola shoe kits.

Lt. Morrison further announced this week that beginning November 1, all PXs will be open seven days a week, thus being able to serve Camp Adair's enlisted men at all times.

Woodcraft Lodge Invites Soldiers

Members of the Neighbors of Woodcraft Lodge who are stationed at Camp Adair will be welcomed by the Corvallis members at their regular meeting at 8 o'clock in the Odd Fellows Hall.

After the meeting, there will be a social hour and a dessert lunch will be served. Visitors should bring their last receipt if they do not recall the password.

Chemical Gadget Makes Seawater Fit to Drink

The newest way to remove salt from sea water so castaways can have a drinkable liquid has been rigged up by the Naval Medical Research Institute.

A man needs only to fill up a bag with sea water, add a chemical (which is a secret formula, incidentally) and shake up the contents. In about two minutes after a man starts sucking on the outlet tube he gets his fresh, drinkable water.

The thing has already been tested at sea and produced a pint of water in 20 minutes. Rubber life rafts only have enough room to carry about a pint of emergency drinking water. But if they stored the new chemicals in the same amount of space, they could provide seven quarts of drinking water.

NEW CHAMP

Lt. E. P. Dee, is the Army's new sit-up champ. His record is 4,004 sit-ups in 3 hours, 15 minutes. Lt. Dee is athletic director for the 5th Battalion, Drew Field, Fla.

WILY M/SERGEANT BIRKES KNOCKS HELL OUT OF RATS

The Post Sergeant Major, M/Sgt. Cleve Birkes, who four months ago posted a sign stating that all rats and other rodents should be turned into the office, reported this week that upwards of 400 of the varmints have been collected and sent to their reward, and that, furthermore, there doesn't seem to be any more rats around Post Hqs.

Officer Literally Gets Bird — Not Pheasant, But Old Chicken Hawk

When is a pheasant not a pheasant or how a Trailblazer lieutenant got the bird might very well be the title of this bit of nonsense.

Perhaps our hero, Lt. H. T. Harwell of Co. I, 274th Inf., is city-bred and unwise in the ways of the wild. If so, he is learning quickly and thereby hangs our tale.

As an expression of their "regard," some of Lt. Harwell's cronies recently presented him with an elegant bird—a pheasant, they said.

Visions of a sumptuous repast with the feathered beauty as the "piece de resistance" undoubtedly danced through the lieutenant's mind as he accepted the gift with grace and good faith.

What are dreams but things to be shattered, and Lt. Harwell's dinner proved to be no exception to the rule. The pheasant was not a pheasant after all, but a chicken hawk—somewhat similar in appearance but decidedly different in taste!

Only 8 of 19 Units Reached Bond Quota

Civilian Guards Top All Units with 14%

Camp Adair's recent war loan drive went over the top, but—

Only eight of the 19 units in Civilian Personnel at this Post are reaching the desired 10% by per centage of payroll participation, Ed Day, in charge of Employee Relations department, revealed yesterday.

Tops, with 14 per cent, are the Civilian Guards, while trailing the field are Post Engineers, Rail Transportation and Laundry. In one instance a unit fails by a margin of only .2 per cent of going over the line.

In no instance, it was indicated, is any group so far below that just a little more "umph" in payroll participation wouldn't hoist them over the top. The standings follow:

Civilian War Bonds, Payroll Deduction Plan	Percentage Of Payroll	Needed Each Payday to Make 10%
1. Civilian Guards	14	
2. C & E Repair P/a	12.3	
3. C & E Repair P/d	11.5	
4. Laundry P/a	11.3	
5. Engineer Prep.	11.2	
6. Headquarters	11	
7. Hospital P/d	10.8	
8. Ordnance P/d	10.1	
9. QM P/d	9.8	6.00
10. Post Engineer P/a	8.5	163.00
11. Special Services	8.3	39.00
12. Ordnance P/a	8.2	63.00
13. Hospital P/a	8.1	99.00
14. QM P/a	7.9	15.00
15. Rail Transportation P/d	7.8	17.00
16. Signal Property	7.8	510.00
17. Post Engineer P/a	7.7	14.00
18. Rail Transportation P/a	7.5	301.00
19. Laundry P/d	7.1	

Pvt. Swanson of 276th Rifle Kingpin of His Outfit



PVT. ARTHUR SWANSON, ex-Chicagoan, was king for a day among marksmen of the 70th Division when he qualified as rifle expert with a record score of 197. A member of Regimental Medics and formerly of the Roseland Gun Club, Chicago, Pvt. Swanson says excellent individual Army instruction has boosted the marksman rating he then held.—Trail-blazer photo.

Portland Trip Rewards Rifle Accuracy

3rd Bn. Best in 274th

The entire 3rd Bn. of the 274th Inf. will spend a weekend in Portland as a result of their winning the inter-battalion rifle range competition recently.

Announcement of the award was made by Col. Thomas R. Gibson, regimental commander, who complimented Maj. Paul D. Harter, 3rd Bn. commander, on the superior demonstration of his men with the M-1 rifle.

Tentative plans call for a huge program on the weekend of November 6, when it is expected that the entire personnel of the battalion will go to Portland. Transportation will be provided by the 274th Inf., a convoy of 86 trucks leaving Camp Adair. In Portland, the group will go to the Municipal Auditorium to bivouac overnight.

Arrangements have been made for a varied program of entertainment in Portland. Tickets have been obtained from one of the large theater operators for admission to a first-run show, and local civic organizations and the USO have announced their intentions of maintaining a schedule of social events that will lend a festive air to the event.

Disclosure that his battalion had won the competition brought the comment from Maj. Harter that the success of his men probably lay in the "preparation of mind." Maj. Harter, who has participated in more than a thousand rifle and pistol competitions, is considered one of the outstanding men in the country with these weapons. He has won 153 medals and 17 trophies for individual and team shooting, as well as the Army Distinguished Pistol Medal and the Navy Distinguished Rifle Medal.

ROSES ARE RED, TOO, BUT NOT THAT RED, S/SGT.

This will serve to introduce Camp Adair's newest cinch candidate for a GI shave — right over the top of his head. It all happened when S/Sgt. Thomas McCain, Mess Sgt. of Co. H, 274th Infantry, made a trip to Salem Monday night and came back on the last moments of his pass with his hair dyed a brilliant, screaming, horrible red.

"I have," said the Sergeant, "a hazy recollection of how it happened, but I," said the Sergeant, "I am not talking."

Friends of the Sergeant called the Sentry on this story, which would go to prove the old theory that sergeants have no friends.

In the training of men under his command, Maj. Harter has always stressed mental alertness, plenty of practice, and the desire to win... a formula which has proven itself time and again.

In the official tally of the scores, 70 men qualified as Experts, and the battalion average was also high in the Sharpshooter class. The Weapons Platoon of Co. K took top honors in the platoon competition and was awarded a ten-dollar cash prize by Maj. Harter.

Highest individual score was made by Donald W. Cubitt, of the same organization, who garnered 195 out of a possible 210.

Classes Via Records For Language Study

New Course To Start Soon at SCU Rec Hall

Record classes in five foreign languages will begin on the Post within the next two weeks, Lt. Walter E. Sindlinger, Assistant Post Special Services Officer, announced yesterday. The five languages will be Russian, French, Spanish, German and Japanese.

Classroom will be the SCU 1911 Recreation Hall, where the recreation Hall, where the records, with which classes will be principally taught, will be available at any time after the classes begin, Lt. Sindlinger said. To supplement the records, mimeographed sheets will also be distributed, and this first phase of the courses will be self-instructing.

After the preliminary self-taught course, advanced instruction will be given by persons qualified to teach the five languages.

The classes will be organized some time next week. Those who have already signed up will be notified of class hours. There will also be an opportunity for all others interested to register.

YES, WE HAVE RUBBER NECKS

Knoxville, Tenn. (CNS)—Surprised shoppers looked through the glass in a revolving door and saw a pretty girl removing her scanties from around her ankles. She then placed the whatchamacallits — which apparently had dropped because of weak elastic—in her pocketbook and walked away cool as a cucumber.

Weapons Platoon Proves Marksmanship on Rifle as Well as on Heavier Guns



BEFORE HE COULD snap this picture, the Trailblazer photo had to remove the gunnery medals from the manly chests of these Co. K, 274th Inf., lads of the weapons platoon lest the glare destroy the film. For these fellows, not content with sticking to their heavy stuff, qualified en masse on the M-1 rifle, too.

Relaxing down there in the front row are, left to right, Pvts. Frank Westbrook, Walter Blaire, Lauren Brown, John Chapman, Donald Cubitt, Robert Heinlein, Glenn Johnson, James Esteppe, Merle Coyle, Thurman Merrit and George Sayre.

Middle row, left to right, are Pvts. R. T. Brown, John McCracken, Strie Kristoff, Fred Naberhause, William Chastain, James Judd, Robert Kalina, Merrit Jensen, Loney Lunsford, John Blissitt, Kenneth Bogue, Rudolph Jancigan and Turner Isaacs.

In the back row, left to right, are Sgt. Irving Pacholski, Pvs. Edward Jasper, Guy Rose, Frank Hrible, Lacy Dickens, Lauritz Peterson, Earl Bay, Herbert Heurichson, Kenneth Dillard, Earl Orashan, Sgt. Clyde Rytting and the platoon lead-man, S/Sgt. Clifford