

### 3rd Bn, 274th Inf. Plans Another Drill Competition

Another of the highly competitive close order drill contests will be held by the 3rd Battalion of the 274th Inf. Saturday, Nov. 27.

Platoons will perform before a board of judges selected by Major Paul D. Harter, 3rd Battalion Commander, and the winning unit will be selected on the basis of appearance, in addition to proficiency in executing the Manual of Arms.

In the first of these contests, the first platoon of Co. K, under S/Sgt. Boland, took coveted top honors by a close decision.

### Free Movies for Hospital Medics

Free movies are shown twice a week at the Station Hospital for the men of the Medical Detachment, who otherwise have no nearby entertainment between weekends.

On Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Pfc. John Laurica checks over his 16-mm. projector in the Medics classroom and gets set for a capacity crowd.

The movies, which are provided for by the Hospital Fund, have been booked for the remainder of the year, and it is hoped that, at that time, a new schedule will be arranged for 1944.

### 770th Ord. Gives Conduct Awards

There are eleven proud men buzzing around the company area of the Trailblazer Division's 770th Ord. Co. Reason: they were presented with Good Conduct Medals by their Company commander, 1st Lt. Clyde A. Ruebel.

The men who so proudly proclaim: 1st-Sgt. William M. Jackson, T/Sgts. Percy A. Springer, Aristide Gagnon, Marlin Hintermeister; S/Sgts. Joseph Barrett, Harold Stuver, George Wilson; T/3s Isadore Ariatti and Orval Price; Sgt. Ward Hutchison, Pfc. Ralph Rainwater, — T/5 Douglas E. Everman.

#### C BTRY NOTES

Acting Cpl. Louis Pezceli, C Btry 882nd FA, former Cleveland, Ohio, man is one of the few Btry C men who have had previous military training. Acting Cpl. Pezceli received an honorable discharge on May 5, 1940, and was called again for service on August 16, 1943. During his first hitch in the army, Acting Cpl. received the rating of buck Sergeant. Serving in the new army, he thinks the training the present army is getting is a lot harder than was his previous experience.

He seems to be thriving on hard work, as he has gained 32 pounds since he came back into service. In civilian life, Acting Cpl. Pezceli was a supervisor for the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company. His favorite pastime is bowling. — Pvt. Michael Ventura.

Remember — next week's Sentry will be out on Thursday, Thanksgiving day.



"Rupp says it's the only way he can read an aerial map."

### Sergeant of 275th Motor Pool Says It's Best and Toughest in Division

Whenever Dimples, Kay, Yvonne, or Dottie need some attention; or if "Lulubelle," should blow a muffler on the way over from Bend, they can always be taken care of at the 275th Motor Pool.

The "gals" are 1½ and 2½-tonners, and any trouble they might run into never stumps Captain Lustgarten, Sgt. Dillard or any of the 20 other master-mind mechanics of the 275th.

These men take pride in their ability to keep a total of 222 vehicles rolling all the time. Hauling 1000 to 1500 men out to the ranges daily might be a first-rate problem to other motor pools, but according to Sgt. Dillard, that comes under the heading of minor headaches for the 275th.

They consider themselves experts at figuring out how to haul 500 men in ten trucks. And the way their phone keeps ringing is ample testimony to the unlimited calls for their services.

Sgt. Dillard claims his outfit is the best and toughest motor pool in the division: As proof he cites an instance: he led ten 1½- and 2½-tonners over a certain hill in a blackout drive one night. Every one made it. The next day he went back to check on what they had gone over. He couldn't make the same place in a jeep.

### Cooks Test Their Diet

Last week the cooks and bakers of the 275th were given a chance to work up a sweat outside of the mess-hall.

The boys who dish out the stuff that keeps you GIs energetic enough to make that obstacle course three times after a good hike, had the opportunity to test the efficiency of their caloric dispensations when they cavorted over the obstacle course.

Of course, none of them fell or dropped into the swinging-rope water pit. It was just that some of the boys were so sweated up by the time they reached it, that they

couldn't resist the temptation of a cool, refreshing dip.

It isn't that the cooks and bakers have any objections to going over the obstacle course. It's just that—well, as one of them puts it: "After all, man's place is in the kitchen!"

### Decorated Vets Arrive

Last Friday, your reporter was confronted by a group of soldiers outside of Regimental Hqs., all wearing the insignia of the Alaskan Defense Corps. Their chests were bedecked with ribbons, "Asiatic-Pacific," "American Theatre of Operations," "Pre-Pearl Harbor," expert medals in bayonet and rifle. Hash marks decorated their sleeves; and they ranged in rank from corporal to staff sergeant.

These men are seasoned, experienced soldiers who have already given real service to "Uncle." They are now prepared to carry on with the 70th.

The 275th extends a hearty welcome to them confident that they will be soldiers of whom the regiment will be proud.

#### TOO, TOO BAD DEPT.

Joliet, Ill. (CNS)—An inmate of the State prison here has asked for his release on the grounds that this Northern Illinois city is too far from his relatives in St. Louis.

### Co. K, 276th, Buys \$941 of Bonds to Build Its Own Ship for Trip Across

By Pfc. Arnold J. Fine Starting a campaign to build its own transport for the trip "over there," Co. K, 276th, purchased \$941.75 worth of war bonds last payday.

The transport building idea was the brainstorm of 1st/Sgt. Charles R. Gunn and caught on like wildfire, with 103 men of the company investing their extra dollars. Careful checkup of the total revealed that the average contribution was more than \$9 a man.

Sgt. Gunn believes that if all the regimental companies unite on the drive, the monthly collections would run well into the five figure mark.

A list of the bond buyers is to be placed prominently on the bulletin board.

### Axe-Grindings

Four enlisted men in the 276th Bloody Axe Regiment jumped from privates to T/4. They are Pvt. Ivan F. McElwain, Cannon Co.; Pvt. William R. McLaurin, Hqs. Co. 2nd Bn.; Pvt. Joseph P. Rogusa, Co. M.; and Pvt. Richard H. Hopkins, Co. M.

Most of the companies returned from their two weeks on the range

with interesting statistics and stories. Individual M-1 honors were captured by Pvt. Roy V. Cedarlund, Co. H, whose service record will contain an Expert's report. Pvt. Cedarlund scored 205 out of a possible 210—and buddy, tha's shootin'.

Members of the Cannon Co. understand what is meant by the term "Boom Sticks" after firing the 105-mm. howitzers. The commands "Shell HE"; "Charge 4"; "Range 2000"; "Def 15 right"—"Fire at will," brought thrills to the first timers.

Told among the AT Co. fillers during a break were the details of a skirmish between a rugged dough-boy and six sailors. Afterwards the soldier was heard bragging about the effective job he accomplished in splattering five of them all over the floor. "How many?" inquired his topkick. "Five," answered the tough dogface. "What's the matter," replied the Sarge, "are you limited service?"

Co. D's mortar platoons are raving over the abilities of their Sgt. Ken Krohn who came thru with a possible 200 out of 200.

### 274th Post Office Ready for Rush As Christmas Bundles Start Coming

The first of the "Do Not Open Until Christmas" packages arrived at the Regimental Post Office of the 274th Inf. last week, presaging record-breaking volume of holiday mail.

Special orders have been issued to every mail clerk in the regiment that will save many a headache when the incoming flow gets heavy. It is expected that all unit clerks will call for their company mail every two hours during Christmas week, and the personnel of the Post Office will keep their department open daily as long as the volume warrants.

On Christmas day, every attempt will be made by the 274th to have all packages and cards delivered before 5 p.m. so that the men who remain in camp will have the greetings and gifts intended for them by the folks at home.

All men are reminded that outgoing mail and packages should be posted not later than December 1 to insure delivery in the United States before the holiday.

### Alaskan Fillers Arrive

Receipts of Alaskan Defense

fillers last week-end saw more than 50 of these men assigned to the 274th with several of them wearing gold stars on service ribbons, signifying action in a major engagement.

Service records in the 274th Inf. Personnel Office indicate that the largest percentage of the men are Regular Army enlistees with varying degrees of service and training behind them.

One man has served for nearly 23 years, and others, from six to 15 years. Unusual among the AGCT scores listed on their classification forms was the high mark of 152 for a former railroad employee.

### Old Home Week

Officers and wives of the 274th Inf. played host to friends in the 361st Inf. at a party and dance in honor of the "parent" regiment last Saturday night at the 274th Officers Club.

Music for the affair was provided by the much-sought 274th orchestra with leader-pianist Pvt. Ken Davies exhibiting an expanded musical repertoire.

### These 22 EM Won Good Conduct Medals



THE FOLLOWING 22 EM of Hq. Co., SCU 1911, were presented good conduct medals at formal retreat ceremonies Monday: back row, l to r, S/Sgt. George R. Green, Los Angeles; Sgt. Stanton E. Selway, Deadwood, S. D.; Sgt. James Shackleton, West Orange, N. J.; S/Sgt. Adolph V. Bangl, Jamaica, N. Y.; Sgt. Bernard K. Bohl, Plainfield, N. J.; Pfc. Thomas Borrelli, Astoria, L. I.; Sgt. Jack G. Wolff, Brooklyn; middle row, Pvt. Donald G. Johnson, Dubuque, Iowa; Pfc. John L. Kuchan, Anaconda, Mont.; Pfc. William J. Brown, New York City; Sgt. William C. Wennes, Tacoma, Wash.; T/5 Clifton L. Sheldon, Westmont, N. J.; T/5 George M. Simmons, San Francisco; front row, Sgt. Charles H. Wild, Flagstaff, Ariz.; S/Sgt. Fernando Y. Reyes, Las Pinas, Philippine Islands; S/Sgt. Ralph M. Salvano, Hoboken, N. J.; Sgt. Bernard Axelrad, New York City; T/4 June W. Rush, Tule Lake, Calif.; Cpl. John J. Lyons, East Orange, N. J.; Pfc. John Kostelnik, Wolf Run, Ohio; T/Sgt. George B. Stuart, New York City. Not pictured is M/Sgt. Lawrence T. Sinnott of Baltimore, Md., QM vet who has seen 27 years service in the armed forces.

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