

Theodore the Wolf



"If you'll tell me just what you're looking for perhaps I can help!"

Privates of 362nd to Get Sniper Training

Modern warfare's Superman, the "sniper," will come into the spotlight soon for the 362nd Inf. Plans are being outlined for a thorough course in this interesting phase of training.

The history of the present world conflict is filled with many exciting accounts of how deadly and necessary these tree-men are. Our bandy-legged little enemy, the Japanese, employed sniper tactics with deadly viciousness in the early days of the Philippines and other island campaigns.

The sniper has played an important role in the Russian war, and guerrillas all over Europe have caused untold damages in personnel and morale.

Men selected for training in this school will all be privates. Experts and Sharpshooters will compete on the rifle range. Men with the best shot-groups will emerge from range competition as the chosen ones.

The sniper's job is one that calls for a Tarzan-like fellow, capable of climbing trees, accurate shooting and quick thinking. His targets are tanks, gun crews of mortars and machine guns, scouts, observers and enemy officers.

To qualify one must be a rifle expert, a camouflage expert, physically above average, keen sighted and familiar with scouting and patrolling.

These rigid qualifications certainly earn the sniper his title . . . Superman.

Cannon Co., 275th, Gives Out 3-Day Passes as Prizes

Impersonations, guitar solos, vocal music by a trio, drawings for three-day passes, a drawing for a war bond and ample refreshments featured the pre-New Year's party staged by the officers and men of the 275th Cannon Co.

Pvt. Nicholas Guarino was the featured performer, bringing down the house with his clever impersonations of important company personnel.

Pvt. Bell and Sgt. Sanders on the guitars accompanied the vocal trio consisting of Cpl. Burton Biby, Pvt. Dick Engeswick and Pvt. Dan Dougherty in their renditions of popular songs.

The climax of the evening were the drawings whereby ten lucky men were selected to receive three-day passes over the New Year's week-end.

The drawing for the War bond was won by Pvt. John Morton.

2nd Bn., 362nd Inf. Likes Camp Adair & Nearby Towns

Having lived in their new home for two months, the 2nd Bn., 362nd Inf., reports they like Camp Adair very much and find it an immense improvement over their last camp. Moreover, there are more nearby towns to go to.

Sgt. Benson of Hq. Co. got tired pushing baby buggies in Albany, so he asked for and got a three-day pass to visit his old stomping grounds in Medford.

Reports are that Cpl. Leroy Johnston didn't enjoy his recent three-day pass. Why?

Sgt. Charles E. Colman has stopped writing to Dubuque, Ia., and even Cpl. Sterns is now over the effects of the holidays.

MORAL: LOSE IT IN BOSTON

In Boston, Emily McIntyre, a waitress, found a wallet containing \$91 and a woman's picture. She turned it over to the police who located its owner, CPO Stephen Byork of Philadelphia. Elated, Byork said: "All I want is my mother's picture. The girl can keep the \$91."

In Washington, Jack Hodges, a bellboy, found a wallet containing \$2,800. When he turned the wallet over to its owner, he received a magnanimous reward—a dime. (CNS).

882nd FA Bn. CO Commends Man For Good Work

Pfc. James R. McKenzie, Btry B, 882nd FA Bn., was personally commended by his battalion commander, Lt. Col. E. F. Arnbrecht, for his excellence as a radio operator.

Observing Pfc. McKenzie while he was pursuing his normal duties as radio operator at the battalion OP in their last service practice, Col. Arnbrecht was more than pleased with his performance.

In a letter of commendation to Pfc. McKenzie, Col. Arnbrecht stated:

"You were observed by me 30 Dec. at the Bn. OP during Service Practice while you were pursuing your normal duties as radio operator."

"I wish to commend you for the excellent procedure which you transmitted and received 'fire commands.' During this time you performed your duties in an admirable manner and reflects in a fine way upon you and your organization."

"Keep up this fine performance in all your duties as a soldier. It is incumbent upon all of us to do our duties well so that we may beat the enemy whenever and wherever."

Army to Retire 25,000 Officers

Washington (CNS)—The Army soon will retire 25,000 officers whose services it no longer requires. Another 25,000 will be shifted from administrative jobs to operations jobs, according to the War Department.

In This Picture Little 'Butch' Ponders a Weighty Problem



CHARLES (BUTCH) CAUSEY JR. is about to christen the newly-decorated day room of Co. F, 275th Inf., by breaking a couple of flash bulbs over the helmet of Pfc. Manuel Sigman. "Should I play safe and use the helmet," muses "Butch". "or shall I have a go at the schnozzola, instead?" His dad, Lt. Charles Causey, commands the company.

Trailblazer Photo



"I think the special service officer had something to do with it, sir."

Co. A Acknowledges Co. K as Its Better in 276th Rifle Marksmanship

270th Engrs. Earn Portland Weekend

Two companies of the 270th Engr. Bn., A and C, will reap the rewards of top performances this weekend when they leave Camp Adair today for two days in Portland.

The companies were rated high companies in the recent 4th Army tests given the 70th Division.

The high-rated engineers will leave camp by motor convoy at 1:30 p. m. They will start the return trip from Portland to Camp Adair at 2 p. m., Sunday.

In Portland, the vacationing soldiers will be furnished with meals and lodgings by the George White Service Center, and the city of Portland has planned a full bill of entertainment. Approximately 325 men will make the trip.

It is now Tec5 Alfred A. Jungles in Co. E, 276th, and the same for Frank C. Moomau.

"You mean they beat us? Man, those guys can shoot!"

Thus Co. A, 276th Inf., doffed its laurel wreath this week to Co. K, a mighty rough bunch on bulls eyes.

Two weeks ago, Co. A hung its M-1 range firing record out for all to see, challenging any company in the Bloody Axe Regiment to show a better one.

Co. K snapped up the challenge. Research in its range firing records showed it could outdo Co. A. For proof, Co. K puts records of the two outfits side by side.

They stacked up like this: Co. A, the books show, has 61 expert riflemen, 85 sharpshooters, 46 marksmen. Co. K has 65 experts, 91 sharpshooters, 35 marksmen.

Co. K had the edge in individual honors, too. Its high man, Pvt. H. K. Mode, scored 200, nosing out Co. A's Pvt. Jack Lebrecht and his 198.

When men of Co. A claimed regimental high honors two weeks ago, they promised to step down cheerfully if another company could outdo them.

They were cheerful about it. Observed a Co. A man: "Yeah, they shoot good, too. I'm in favor of having good men like us everywhere in this Army!"

Fire and movement is good stuff, EM of the 276th are learning, IF . . .

Other day, a 3rd Battalion squad was running a combat problem, using our favorite anti-Jap ammo.

"Get your head down, get it down," a squad leader growled at one of his men.

The men obediently ducked. As nose met sod, the thrup-thrup-thrup of BAR fire split the area just evacuated by one GI noggin, model EM.

"Fire and movement is good stuff IF the fire comes at the right time and the movement is quick enough."

And they call it, "Simulating."

ROCK-A-BYE LOCKER

Pfc. Mattson does things in the literal fashion. The orders were to fall out with full field equipment, to bring everything.

Mattson reported to the quadrangle with field pack, overshoes, gas mask and with his foot-locker in his arms.

Sgt. Adair took a look, blinked and in a melancholy voice, roared at Mattson to get that "damned locker back where it belongs."