

Personal Items and Promotions

Second company, 146th M. G. Battalion, formerly Company K, Second Idaho Infantry, celebrated their second anniversary, October 8, by a feed of doughnuts and coffee in their mess hall at 9 o'clock p. m. There were speeches and songs before and after the feed.

Private Archie Kelth, of the 162d Ambulance corps, is a thorough Scotchman, with a good voice. He sings the old Scotch songs with feeling and the real Highland color. Private Newland, of Company C, 118th Engineers, is making a quick recovery from a few days' illness at the base hospital. He is an expert teacher of conversational French and has led the class promoted by the Y. M. C. A. in Company C.

Private Hugh Kyle, Company A, 118th Engineers, is rapidly recovering at the Charlotte Sanatorium from an operation. His family is widely scattered, his mother and sister being at home in Portland, Ore., his brother in France and his father in China. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hay Halley, of 469 East Boulevard, Charlotte, are entertaining relays of men from the 118th Engineers at their home, and making weekly visits to Camp Greene with home delicacies that the men greatly enjoy.

So far as known, the Signal Corps has the rare distinction of having the oldest man in point of service. J. C. Rogers, who came to Camp Greene with the 14th troops, is the man. He served 20 years in the regular army as a comfortably located on his ranch in Idaho. When the call came for men, he felt that his duty lay with the army and although 62 years young, he took the physical examination and passed it where large numbers of younger men failed.

Lieutenant Cordner, a Lieutenant, formerly with Co. I of the Second North Dakota Infantry, have been assigned to Company G of the First regiment and Company K of the 164th, respectively.

Lieutenant Paulson has been transferred from the Beach company of North Dakota to Company A of the First regiment. Secretary Galava, of the Camp Greene Knights of Columbus, arrived on the grounds Thursday. Father Manley, for the past three weeks connected with the Knights of Columbus as priest at their building in camp, left Saturday for El Paso, Texas, where he is to be chaplain in the regular army.

Members of Company D, 164th Infantry, have subscribed an average of \$100 per man, to the Liberty loan.

In Company C, 163d Infantry, the following promotions have been made: Corporal Orval E. Dixon to sergeant; First Class Privates Fred E. Asselin, Harvey J. Verdun and Elijah P. Curtis to corporals; and Privates Gerald P. Murphy, Charles F. Cabell, Oskar A. Peterson, Harvey Taylor and Clarence P. Kazum to first class privates. Curtis was also made company clerk. It is interesting to note that all of the bona fide Frenchmen are now non-commissioned officers.

Captain Sternhagen has ordered all "non-coms" in Company G, 163d Infantry, to attend French class. The class has been stated much as the outgrowth of the class conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Haller for the Y. M. C. A. Corporals Asselin and Verdun, who assisted Mr. and Mrs. Haller, are conducting the new class, together with other Frenchmen in the company. It is expected that all privates will join soon.

Tuesday night was the big night as far as social matters were concerned. Fendall's Jazz orchestra made a big hit with its raggy music. They are entered in the Fider's convention to be held in Charlotte October 19 and 20 and they are already planning what they will do with the prize money. Sergeant Gerard of the 163d Hospital, sang two selections which were heartily received by the men. Sergeant Gerard has a fine baritone voice of remarkable strength and volume and will, no doubt, favor us with his singing on many occasions this fall. Company A's trio did far better work as a duo. They needed a silent partner, rather than the added emphasis.

The 118th Infantry band is using Y. M. C. A. building No. 104 as a hall for practicing, and each morning this band renders an impromptu concert, which principally benefits the Y. M. C. A. men at the association's administration building, nearby.

NOTES ON COMPANY L.

Sergeant Crevelin, of Company L, third District of Columbia infantry, has rendered many excellent vocal selections for the entertainment of the soldiers. Captain Beckstein of Company L, third District of Columbia infantry, said that this was the finest group of Y. M. C. A. secretaries he ever had met. We can say in return that he has a mighty fine group of men in his company.

Lieutenant Bosdick of United States regulars, now with third District of Columbia infantry, is champion checker player in our neighborhood. He challenges all comers.

COMPANY I SECOND WASHINGTON INFANTRY

Company I, of the 161st Infantry, has so far subscribed \$10,000 to the second Liberty loan of 1917. Almost every man has entered his subscription and more are expected to come across, for the campaign is by no means over. Lieutenant Foerschler is in charge of the drive, aided by Sergeant Raymond and Privates Tingland and Webster. At least \$12,000 will be raised in this one company. Company G, of the same regiment, is still in Washington and has wired that \$41,000 has been subscribed.

Private Keenan is today (Saturday) dishing out beans for the first time in three months. The question before the house is how did he get away with it while all the other boys were enjoying regular turns at this favorite indoor sport.

Privates Willcox and Horn went out the other day and got 15 pounds of hickory nuts. Private Willcox is now instructing Horn to scare up his own nuts in the future.

Cobbler Waldo is doing shoe work for the football team. Coach Keenan's football team has recently been organized and is putting in some strenuous practice each day when not otherwise engaged combing the law. Sergeant Max Raymond has been elected captain.

Privates MacMoran, New and Wagner took a trip recently in quest of persimmons. The fruit took strong while being eaten but the later results were not quite so happy.

Privates Hanson and Moore and Corporal Auld are back on the old job as mule skiners this week. It is reported that when Moore handles the our head at once Hanson looks on with eyes green with envy, Corporal Auld, while riding in mount, has often been mistaken for a major general. He sure does look the part.

Privates Stone and Van Der Vickle are rather slow when it comes to pulling off high finance. They ordered a stove in town the other day and didn't receive it until three days later.

First Class Private D. R. Johnson, the renowned jackknife carpenter of the 16th squad, has manufactured a door for his wigwam. The door may be all right, but it inclines in the same direction that Johnson does.

Company I has an old football player who has eaten 'em up on the college football gridirons. Cook George Hebert, of the University of Michigan, is the power of the newly organized team. He weighs about 185 pounds and makes an impression when he hits the line. It will not take him long to get into his old form. His strenuous duties handling halves of beef and flour barrels has increased the power of his biceps. Men on other teams are given fair warning, for it will be hard to find a man in the division who will have anything on this line bucker.

Private Fox, it is reported, is more of a comedian than a prize fighter. Sergeant Jones is by far the busiest man in the company these days. He has 29 "shave tails" on his trail all day.

The boys have been royally entertained by the program at the "Y" this week. The company feels greatly indebted to them. There is a mutual bond of sympathy between the men of the company and some of the "Y" secretaries. They sat with us. Sergeant Rex Raymond is the captain and manager of the new football team. He is ready to arrange a game with all comers. He is well posted in all branches of athletics and is going to be a big help whipping the team into shape.

Private Saucy, speaker of three languages, has been requisitioned as teacher of French for Company I. He has about 20 out each evening and the boys are learning to twist their tongues around the jaw-breaking French words. Steady progress is reported by those who attend.

Private Snodgrass has been appointed a member of the censorship committee of the "X." It is his duty to report on his impression of the entertainments staged at No. 106. There are four other guardsmen from the other companies near the "X" who serve on this committee.

CO. D, 2D N. DAKOTA

The Devil's Lake boys were very happy these last few days when receiving letters from their girl friends, whom they got acquainted with on the way to North Carolina.

Albert Floyd received seven letters in one day. Alva Bones received five letters and three cards. Clyde Bonny receives five letters every day and is kept busy these last few days answering them, and he is very scarce around the camp.

Clayton Donohue is on the sick list this week with a stiff neck. Alva Bones is one of Company D's most comic entertainers.

The company D, Second North Dakota, boys, are feeling very blue now over their company being broken up. There were only 25 men transferred. But we all hope that the other companies do not have to break up as Company D did.

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