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SOME GOOD RULES

FOR NON-COMS.

To the Editor Trench and Camp:

I noticed an article in the October second edition of Trench and Camp headed, "General Rules for Rookies." This article should be read by every recruit that reaches camp. It will undoubtedly save them trouble. The first duty of a soldier is to "obey orders." Discipline is essential in the training of a soldier. If that article proves beneficial to "Rookies," and I am sure that it will, then I believe that the corporals and sergeants entrusted with the training of rookies will be benefited by reading some of the rules (unofficial) that I have found very useful in the training of recruits. Being an ex-sergeant of engineers, and at present acting first sergeant of a recruit company, I have been thrown in contact with men from most every walk of life. No two men are alike. North Carolinians remember this:
 You cannot command the respect of your men if you have no respect for yourself.

If you form your squad, platoon, or company with a cigarette in your mouth, buttons unfastened, sleeves rolled up, hat on one side of your head, then you can not expect anything better of your men.

If you find it necessary to reprimand a member of your company do it firmly but kindly, swearing at a man isn't necessary. The U. S. army is composed of men not dogs.

You know that it is against the army regulations to gamble, then do not slip around behind the bath house and shoot craps with some non-com from another company. It isn't setting a very good example for your men.

Remember that the stripes on your arm do not make you one iota better than some private in the rear rank. It is merely the insignia of rank; those stripes were awarded you by your commanding officer because he thought you capable of instructing others. Prove to those under you that you are capable.

If a new recruit is assigned to you for instruction explain to him in a kindly manner the things that he should learn, some men are not as apt as others. It requires patience, that same rookie will learn faster and have more respect for you, than if you start in a bulldog manner.

Learn the peculiarities of your men, you will find it helpful in their training.

Inculcate into the minds of the men under you the meaning and necessity of military courtesy, let them understand that it is an honor to salute and not a disgrace or hardship. Let them know that every time they raise their hand in salute that the man they are saluting has to salute several times to each of theirs.

Settle all controversies that arise among your men and avoid the ill feeling that is sure to follow if these controversies are allowed to run on unheeded.

Encourage sports and games that will keep the men from loafing around camp. While engaged in such games they do not have time to get homesick, homesickness is the worst thing that ever happens to a soldier.

See that they are supplied with writing material and that their mail is promptly delivered. A letter from mother, sweetheart or a friend back home, is just as important as pay-day.

Treat your men with courtesy at all times. "A soft answer turneth away wrath."

Fraternize, mix, let them know that you are one of them, if you are the right kind, you can do that without

losing your prestige as an officer. Do not let your being a non-commissioned officer cause you to think that you have to be drastic in your manner. The commander of this camp has been in the service 40 years, and I can assure you that if a buck private in the rear rank had the permission of his company commander to speak to the "colonel" he would receive the same courtesy that a captain or major would receive.

Conduct yourself in such a manner that if one of the members of your company was transferred or discharged that he would walk over and shake hands with you as a comrade.

Remember that discipline is absolutely necessary.

Practice what you preach. Remember that we are fighting and not cultivating autocracy.

This is not submitted in a manner of authority it is submitted merely as a help to others, with best wishes for Trench and Camp.

RUPERT E. WEST,

Acting first sergeant, 13th company, Camp four.

FORTY-FIRST BATTALION HEARD FROM.

Saturday 78 men joined the Forty-first battalion United States guards, coming from Camp Sheridan, Ala. This organization is fast filling up and now has close to 300 men with a promise of a transfer of additional men during the week which will lift the battalion to 75 per cent of the strength allowed.

The interesting family of Lieut. George H. Koen arrived during the week, which included Mrs. Koen and four children, including little Anne, two years of age. Mrs. Koen is a guest at the Stonewall hotel, and assigned to Company C.

C. W. Yancey, second lieutenant from Tampa, Fla., is a new arrival. Albert F. Hazlewood, second lieutenant from Charleston, has arrived and assigned to Company D.

Another new officer reporting during the week and assigned to this organization is John E. Dorroh, second lieutenant, from New Orleans.

Maj. George B. Wilcox has recovered from a slight illness and has returned to the battalion.

Lieutenant Westmorland, who has been in the army so long that he has learned how to soldier on everything, was appointed, insurance officer last week and told to hustle and this week he is in the hospital.

Capt. Thomas J. Nottingham, Company D, holds the title of "chaplain" for the battalion and has his meetings regularly in the company mess hall. Captain Nottingham is a very "pious" man and his services are almost indispensable.

The Forty-first battalion has put a ban on phonographs as the C. O. is a stickler for proper respect being shown officers and Lieutenant Koen thinks that his name sounds too much like "Your Tenant Cohen," and so appealed to the powers that be to keep all records and phonographs out of camp.

This battalion has a well known and justly famous "collector"—Lieutenant Parrick has been appointed Liberty bond officer and is taking the job seriously.

Y. M. C. A. ENTERTAINS.

To show their appreciation for the splendid work done by the boys in preparation of the temporary quarters, a nice entertainment was given Friday evening, to which the boys who did the work were invited. The evening was highly enjoyed. Mrs. Pernie in her usual graceful manner, was hostess, assisted by Miss Ash, the business and information secretary. Piano music, singing, recitations and Victrola for entertainment and ice cream and coffee for refreshments, were served, much to the delight of the quarantined boys. Work on the new hostess house is progressing rapidly and hope is entertained that by December they will be permanently located in their new home.

It seems to be not generally known that the hostess houses in all army camps are the gift of the National Young Women's Christian association, formally presented in each case to the government through the camp's commanding officer. A hostess house is never built without the written invitation of the camp commandant. The staff of the hostess house is appointed by the hostess house committee of the national board of the Young Women's Christian association, with headquarters at 600 Lexington avenue, New York.

The purpose of the hostess house is primarily to provide a suitable place where relatives and friends of soldiers in camp may meet them.

It has a public telephone, rest and emergency rooms, nursery and cafeteria. The information secretary through the courtesy of the personnel office, will locate a man and acquaint him with the news of his guests' arrival. If notified, the emergency secretary will meet guests at the railway station and help soldiers to find boarding places of their families.

The staff of a hostess house consists of a director hostess, who is sometimes assisted by a receiving hostess, a business, information, emergency secretary and a cafeteria director. The hostess house also has a local committee of representative women in the nearest town.

For all soldiers it aims to be the connecting link between camp and home and every man in khaki is welcome there.

PIONEER INFANTRY GETTING INTO FIGHTING FORM

The fighting 810th Pioneer infantry, as it will be known when given a chance at the square heads over there, will soon be in good fighting form under the supervision and leadership of their colonel, William A. Kent. This division is made up of colored troops and is about completed and when you ask one of the dusky colored lads if they are "rarin' to go," the answer is invariably: "We is sure gwine to get us one German."

They are drilling hard every day in all the rudiments of warfare, including bayonet practice and gas warfare and it is a treat to watch them stick their bayonets into the bodies of imaginary Germans which are swung from a rail above the ground.

They put so much life and pep into their work as well as play and the negro trooper don't intend to let any of the opportunities get by him. They drill in the mornings, in the afternoons and at night like it so well that often you can hear them out in squads and platoons knocking off the orders and time and when they go to town they form a regular company and march back and forth. When the German meets an obstacle of this character he is going to know that the colored boys have the fighting spirit all right.

For the last week they have been playing push ball and Company A has been cleaning up all the other companies at the sport and the challenge is still open to the company that can beat them.

One of the games was staged last Monday, the 30th, between A and B companies and lasted 25 minutes, being the first game between colored troops in the camp. Company A was under command of Capt. Wilson Williams and Company B was led by Lieut. W. L. Green. The platoons were commanded as follows: Company A, first, Lieutenant W. H. Griffith; second, Lieutenant Edwards; third, Lieutenant Robert R. Ayers; fourth, Lieutenant Boyd; Company B, first platoon by Lieutenant William D. Bell; second, Lieut. Willis W. Golden; third, Lieutenant Campbell and fourth Lieutenant Baker. Warfare ideas were introduced even in this game, the different commanders holding men in platoon reserves until it was seen necessary to call them into action.

Company A gained about ten yards on Company B and there the game ended. However, on Wednesday Company A played C and got a tough buck. The game was most exciting and Athletic Director Bergman of the Y. M. C. A. expects to have them going all over the camp from this on.

Along with all these activities among the 810th the officers and athletic directors are teaching the men the art of boxing which gives them the same movements that are used in bayonet fighting. Colonel Kent is taking particular interest in this work and has ordered a detail of three men from each company to learn boxing and it is expected that some real artists will be developed and a public exhibition given.

J. T. Mangum, camp general secretary and state recruiting official for Y. M. C. A., spent the greater part of last week in headquarters in Atlanta conferring with camp secretaries over the southeastern department.

Have you sent a copy of the international "Y" magazine home yet? Association Men is sent a year for half price to the homes of the soldiers and the amount is only 75 cents—twelve issues. Let the folks back home know what is going on both at home and abroad through the fine magazine of the Y. M. C. A. Get it at the "Y" building.

POWDER IN SHOES AS WELL AS GUNS

Foot-Ease to Be Added to Equipment of Hospital Corps at Fort Wayne.

Under the above heading the Detroit Free Press, among other things says: "The theory is that soldiers whose feet are in good condition can walk further and faster than soldiers who have corns and bunions increased in rawhide."

The Plattsburg Camp Manual advises men in training to shake Foot-Ease in their shoes each morning.

One war relief committee reports, of all the things sent out in their Comfort Kits, Allen's Foot-Ease received the most praise from the soldiers and sailors. It is used by American, French and British troops, because it takes the friction from the shoe and freshens the feet. There is no foot comforter equal to Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic, healing powder to be shaken into the shoes and sprinkled in the foot-bath, the standard remedy for over 25 years for hot, tired, aching, perspiring, smarting, swollen, tender feet, corns, bunions, blisters or callouses.

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Melvin W. Sheppard, Athletic Director for the U. S. Army at Camp Greene. He is Full of Life and Ideas for the Soldiers, Besides Holding Several Athletic Records.

WELFARE WORKERS HERE.

During the past week three prominent men of national reputations were in Camp Greene inspecting the religious work of the camp as they are doing all camps in the country. The party included Bishop John Sterling, of the diocese of New York; Dr. W. B. Eckman, of Scranton, Pa., and Dr. H. C. Day, moderator of the Congregational church. They spent two days going over the religious situation thoroughly, visiting the various centers where such work is being conducted within the camp and they passed the opinion that the work in this camp was on a high standard and expressed themselves with the fine things that are being done for the soldier boys.

SOME ATHLETIC DISCOVERIES BEING MADE AT "Y" NO. 106

While the quarantine is on "Y" No. 106 is taking inventory of athletes and other resources. A few of the men discovered are Corporals Otis T. Threlkeld and R. E. Wallace, who came here from Fort Caswell, and bring a good record for boxing. Private John A. Fisher, of Fort Slocum, brings a good record as a wrestler. "Kid" Rogers, who has been in Camp Greene for six months, is a good boxer. There are many other boxers and wrestlers around "Y," but 198 all of whom are now training for stunts when quarantine is lifted.

A BUCK PRIVATE'S JOKE.

Question: What is better than an officer's uniform with an eagle on his shoulder?
 Answer: A buck private's uniform with a chicken on his knee.



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