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CORPL. HANNA WRITES WINNING SHORT STORY

Private Koehler Gets Second
Loving Cup and Private
Cohn's Story Was Third.

"TINY TYPES IN HEAVEN," written by Corporal Judson Hanna, Supply company, Thirtieth Infantry, wins first prize in the short story contest which has been conducted by Trench and Camp during the month of January. Private Charles E. Kehler, Battery E, Sixteenth field artillery, wins second prize with his story "Avenged," and Private Manuel Cohn, Battery B, Thirtieth field artillery, wins third prize with his story "The Bohurk." Each of the winners received one of the three beautifully engraved silver cups presented to Trench and Camp by Harry Newcome, former physical director at building 103.

"TINY TYPES IN HEAVEN."
(By Corp. Judson Hanna, Supply company, Thirtieth Infantry, Camp Greene, N. C.)

Craig was sitting on a box of ammunition waiting at the tin-type, when the shell struck us—the first shell the Germans had sent us that morning. I never saw a cleaner hit. It came dropping down from the clouds square in one end of the trench, messng it up something terrible, besides killing three of our men outright and wounding half a dozen others in their dugouts. And Craig. A fragment of shell had scraped his forehead, doing things to it we didn't like to look at. We found that he was still breathing, and made him as comfortable as we could till the stretcher bearers came.

"He oughtn't to have sat on that ammunition box. It's unlucky," Eads says, spreading a blanket over Craig. "Unlucky, you crab," says Vaux. "What do you mean?"

"Like attracts like," says Eads.

"There's an affinity between ammunition. A box of cartridges just naturally attracts shells. Like lightning rods draw lightning. Haven't you ever noticed how a shell picks out an ammunition wagon, or a pile of other shells stacked up by a big gun?"

Eads was the lad with the imagination. We all said so.

"Wot you're looking for now, you heathen, is me to Vaux."

"Great blessed tin-type," says Vaux, scrapping around in the mud where Craig had been sitting. "He'll want that picture," he says.

"Maybe," says Eads, "and again maybe not."

"Maybe not, you biffing calamity-howler!" Vaux says crossly. "Craig ain't going on this trip. Wot, him and me with a girl-like what he's got, and a baby, too? It's only the rotters gets killed."

"Maybe that explains why you ain't dead," Eads says sarcastic.

"Sure," says Vaux. "Well, how about Sergeant Jackson? He was a rotter? Tell me that."

"No," says Vaux. "Jack was an exception. Exceptions only amplify the rule. I wonder you lasted so long, Eads."

"Me being an exception? Thanks, Vaux. I wasn't looking for no bouquets from you."

Eads got down in the mire and began digging around in the mud for the tin-type. "Not that the boy will be wanting it," he says. "But, well, I hope the fritzies haven't mussed it. Craig certainly thought a lot of that picter."

Pretty soon ten or a dozen men were hunting for that tin-type, pawing through the muck and splinters of wood and other things I won't mention. Then a Lieutenant comes up and watches us a minute and says, "My Gawd, what are you chaps doing?"

"Looking for Craig's tin-type, sir," says Eads.

"Oh!" says the Lieutenant; and pretty soon he's poking around in the mess with his billie-stick as keen as the rest of us.

We all liked Craig. We liked him.

OVER 243,000 MEN VISIT CAMP VS DURING MONTH

Nearly 2,500 Educational Classes
Attended by Total of 34,000
Soldiers at Camp Greene in
January.

Read the summary of statistics for Y. M. C. A. buildings at Camp Greene and you will know how popular are the huts, how diversified are the activities, and how many soldiers there spare time. All figures are for the month of January. Estimated attendance at buildings—

Lectures—
Number 175
Attendance 15,857

Classes—
Number 2,457
Attendance 34,797
Number books circulated 3,747

Clubs—
Number 10
Attendance 590

Physical Activities.

Sports—
Participants 1,174
Spectators 9,296

Religious Activities.

Meetings—
Number 95
Attendance 40,500

Bible Classes—
Number 50
Attendance 2,343

Scriptures distributed 558

Personal Christian interest—
views 904

Christian decisions 868

War call signs 419

Social Activities.

Entertainments—
Number 48
Attendance 31,600

Motion Pictures—
Number 69
Attendance 66,280

Miscellaneous—
Letters written 263,112
Hospital calls 718
Money orders sold \$31,621.28

HUNDREDS THRILLED BY MILITARY BAND MUSIC

The twenty-five members of the Twenty-five Massachusetts regimental band, who toted their instruments with them in their cross-country tramp to the base hospital Y. M. C. A. Thursday night, were awarded the hundred medical and thirty-five nurses who had also braved the deep mud in order to hear the music.

The regiment band scored a big hit. The applause after each number shook the building. Mud and sand and mud and all weariness of limb were forgotten when the band struck up the lively air. Sergeant Binet displayed his ability as a leader and the school of his men when he directed them through two descriptive numbers beauty. "Babe" Rogers, who sang to beat the band, was called back after each of his vocal numbers.

The base hospital men are willing to exchange all kinds of promises regarding proper conveyance if the regimental band will return for another evening.

NOTES OF 55TH INFANTRY

Well the machine gun boys have left us and we were sorry to see them go. Especially B. C. Adams who came back to us from the N. A. Camp Upton for he was a good scout.

Corp. L. J. Young is attending the engineering school and claims that digging trenches is not fatigue. We want to know what it is here.

Poet D. P. Hines has left us in sadness, but we hope he will write some good poems to cheer us up.

The boys are glad to see Captain Terrel out again after being sick for a week.

What we want to know is what is the matter with the honorable editor of The Trench and Camp as we did not get them till late in the week.

The only wish this company has is that the weather will soon change so that we can stretch our legs on a ten mile hike and try out the talent of song leading of Privates J. J. Smith and F. E. Swett.

CHANGES PLAN OF WORK TO MAKE PAPER BETTER

Board of Departmental Editors
Henceforth to Revitalize
Trench and Camp.

The old order changes yielding place to new. For God reveals Himself in many ways lest one good custom should corrupt the world. Bid farewell to the old Trench and Camp. Beginning with next week's issue Trench and Camp will appear revitalized and transformed.

For some time past, the editor of Trench and Camp has been considering ways and means of making the paper more readable, more instructive and more representative of the soldiers it aims to serve. The plan outlined below appears the most effective and practicable.

In the future the paper will have a board of editors composed of the same editor, Harold M. Thorburn, and four departmental editors: Charles M. Oliver, educational and literary; Dr. Harry H. McKeen, religious; Charles R. Edwards, news, and an athletic director, athletics.

It is hoped that more news and better news can be printed in this way.

One word more, neither this plan nor any other plan will bring results unless every man will help by writing every thing in to the Y. M. C. A. personal item of personal and general interest, and by giving Trench and Camp every atom of your literary store. Every soldier should be proud of his paper. For your representative you want the best paper you can publish. Most of the copies go back to the folks at home. If you return to camp it will be a fine thing to look over old Trench and Camp copies and tell what you did at Camp Greene. Give us your best efforts and let the character of your contributions represent your character.

CAMP GREENE SECOND IN INSURANCE RECORD

BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Washington, Feb. 17.—On the basis of official reports so far received at the Bureau of War risk insurance, 50 per cent of the American army is insured. No camp has yet reported less than 92 per cent of its personnel insured. Eight camps out of 32 are 99 per cent insured or better, according to those in charge.

It is now certain that the goal of one million men insured by February 1st has been attained. The total amount of insurance actually on the books of the war risk insurance bureau is now \$8,879,104,000. This represents 1,02,029 applications actually on file. The average amount of insurance applied for is \$8,205. Camp Lee is first and Camp Greene second. Camp Greene has a total of \$13,176,200 of \$9,870 to a man.

OFFICERS IN SIXTY-FIRST DOING FINE WORK IN ENGLISH CLASSES

The educational work in the Sixty-first regiment is progressing unusually well. Chaplain Mulligan, the lieutenants and teachers in charge have certain tasks assigned them to produce the results evidenced by the samples of writing now in the hands of the educational director of Y. M. C. A. 105, which one would scarcely believe could be brought about in a month's time. Edward M. Director, Major Myers, said that he believed many of the one hundred and fifty now receiving instructions in this month would get them till late in the week.

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COMMANDER IS HONORED BY MEN

Departing Commander Was
Popular With His Battery.

Interesting Entertainment Staged
by Men of Battery C,
Sixteenth Field Artillery.

Battery C, Sixteenth field artillery, on evening of February 2nd, turned out. In the afternoon through the mud, valiant men from this battery were seen moving about. They stated they were busily engaged in their headquarters, getting things ready for the departure of their commander. They were busy painting about. They were busily engaged in their headquarters, getting things ready for the departure of their commander. They were busily engaged in their headquarters, getting things ready for the departure of their commander. They were busily engaged in their headquarters, getting things ready for the departure of their commander.

"Lieutenant Dockum,"

Sixteenth Field Artillery.

Down the hall on both sides were guidons, while through the center, ran two rows of American flags. The decorations were beautiful and showed a skill and taste in arrangement most commendable.

In front of the rostrum, space was reserved for the band, while just beyond the entrance of the audience. The remainder of the space was filled with the members of the battery.

The invitations extended to the regimental and battery commanders were accepted and the men were honored with the presence of the following officers:

Colonel Newbold, Lieutenant Colonel Bishop, Major Blaum, Lieutenant Commander Dockum, Lieutenant Ryan, Ripley, Rydout, Davis, Boyd.

The "party" was given by the men in honor of Lieutenant Dockum, who has been appointed to the school of fire at Fort Bliss. That Lieutenant Dockum was most popular and highly regarded by his men was demonstrated unfeebly by the enthusiasm as he entered the hall, and too in the manner in which the entertainment was conducted. Speeches were made by the officers of the regiment and battery, speeches that were delivered by soldiers in a manly straight-from-the-shoulder fashion, speeches that went to the heart of the men and appealed to their imagination. There were left that gave birth to inspiration. Battery C is one of the most efficient organizations in camp and it took no close observer to see that both officers and men were proud of their organization.

A most interesting program was arranged. The excellent band rendered music during the evening and even number was enjoyed. The program followed:

1. Selections by the band.
2. Songs by Private Koskowich.
3. Selections by string quartet.
4. Speeches by Colonel Newbold, Lieutenant Colonel Bishop, Major Blaum.
5. Selections by trio from the band.
6. Singing—First, band; Second, Battery D; Third, Battery C; Fourth, Lochin, Battery C; Blaum.

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