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MAKE A RECORD

210 Signal Battalion Shows What It Can Do.

Establishes Communication With Battle Front.

MAKE A SCORE OF 98

Operation Completed in Five Minutes.

Station Can Send a Distance of 300 Miles.

BY W. S. TRAVIS.
The signal unit of the Tenth division demonstrated its ability Thursday afternoon of last week to set up communication as far away, if desired, as the big wireless station at Nauen, Germany, in less than three minutes, and to hook up headquarters with the battle front with wire in a minimum of time. The 10th field signal battalion held a field meet on the flats north of the camp water tanks and records made showed that the communication feature of the division was getting into shape as well as any other organization.

Wireless Contest.
The wireless contest came when four sections of men from A company, under the command of Lieutenant Kaighin, put up umbrella antennae and wireless stations, put their equipment in shape for sending and took them down in less than five minutes, with the fourth section, in charge of Corporal Smith, completing the whole operation in five minutes, forty-four seconds, and making a score of 98 out of a possible 100 on the operation. These stations, when fully equipped, can send and receive messages and can receive, when properly tuned, almost as far as wireless waves can be sent.

Company, the wire unit, had two sections complete in laying grounded lines with wire carts, installing four stations, in which the section won in eleven minutes thirty-six seconds, with a score of 96 per cent. Company C, the outpost company, had one detail from each of four platoons put up switchboards and run lines using camp telephones, in which the first section won in fourteen minutes ten seconds.

Stretcher Race.
The medical detachment of the battalion competed in a stretcher race in which wounded men were splinted and bandaged and brought in on stretchers, and the first litter section won this in five minutes ten seconds from time of leaving camp.

In addition to these features infantry drill was tried out and the other features of camp life thoroughly tested. In the contest, the first section of the squad in the battalion, A company, won, B was second, and the second platoon of C came next. After a stiff arduous examination by Major Richards, battalion commander, and his staff, A company had four men standing and B one, after the rest had gone down, falling down on the ground. O'Grady drill and straight manual of arms and infantry drill. The test for best drilled soldier in the battalion included all these things and entry duty beside, and shortly simmered down to Corporal Davis of Fourth Platoon, C company, and Sergeant Goodbread of A company, who were given command a lone soldier can do, till finally Davis won on pack equipment.

Cooks Mess on Job.
The cooks and mess sergeants had a chance, and B company won the contest by setting up a field kitchen and having a fire going in less than five minutes, and their chimney in 55 seconds. The stove honors also went to B, with Corporal E. Sadding his horse in 50 seconds. In every feature of the meet the whole organization showed itself possessed of the good spirit which dominates the whole division, and casts real credit upon it and its commander.

A NEW BOOK RECORD

October Best Month in Camp Library's History.

All previous records for book loans at the Camp Library were broken on Saturday, October 19, and Sunday was just a little better. The month of October also promises to be the busiest in the first year of the library. A capacity attendance evening has been the regular thing for weeks, and the camp librarian hopes to induce his national board to authorize an addition to the building.

The classes of books most in demand now include technical books, in addition to military and technical works. On several days this month, mathematics books have circulated better than any other class of books. The lowest class in circulation is religion and the next lowest fine arts, the proportion being ten cents was about one volume to each two hundred taken from the library.

The library staff was strengthened last Monday with the arrival of Prof. J. H. Miller of Kansas City. Professor Miller has recently been director of extension work for Kansas State Agricultural college, and for ten years was at the University of Nebraska as publisher of the Northwestern Journal of Education.

The wearing of overseas caps in Camp Funston is prohibited, according to bulletin from camp headquarters. Enlisted men returning from abroad will turn in their caps to the sub-depot quartermaster, who will issue service hats in lieu thereof.

SOLDIERS CAN VOTE

Ballots Will Be Sent to Camp.
In order that they may be of service to the election authorities of the several states where soldiers in service are permitted to vote, it has been requested by camp headquarters that each organization commander in Camp Funston ascertain the number of voters who expect to exercise their right of franchise in the coming fall election. This is deemed imperative so that the election officials may know how many ballots to forward to the camp.

ASSOCIATION MEN

Y Magazine Contains Interesting Data.

Best Way To Keep Posted on War Events.

Men of the army— isn't it true that one of the greatest problems you have in the army is trying to keep the Folks Back Home satisfied with information— information about this great war that you are taking part in? The Folks Back Home want to know more about your personal welfare, how you eat— how you sleep— how you drill, etc.

Never before in all your life men, have the Folks Back Home been so anxious about you and things you are taking part in— when you went to school and college they were very anxious about you— but they are more anxious about you now than any time in your life.

One of the best ways you can solve this problem and give the Folks Back Home not only the best and most valuable information, but many of the most interesting war pictures gathered by government permission and published in Association Men, the Red Triangle magazine, is to hand in a subscription to it. The Y. M. C. A. has been publishing this magazine for more than twenty years and today it is the leading human interest story magazine on the market.

It is published every month, has about eighty pages, many pictures and human interest war stories and 80 per cent of the entire contents is overseas war activity. It sells at all news stands for 15 cents, but the Y. M. C. A. will send it for you to the Folks Back Home every month for less than 75 cents to publish it— only 75 cents for a whole year.

If you want Association Men, the Red Triangle magazine, sent to the Folks Back Home, hand your subscription together with 75 cents to any Y. M. C. A. secretary.

FUNSTON IS FIRST

Takes Leading Place Among the Several Training Camps.

I. G. McCormack, leader of the Y. M. C. A. war activities of Kansas, is in Wichita today. Mr. McCormack has been in Red Triangle work in the cantonments of this country for fourteen months. Before his coming to this war work he was university pastor at Ohio State university.

Since Funston ranks as the largest military training camp in the country, Mr. McCormack is leader of the Y. M. C. A. activities there, he occupies an authoritative position in regard to the work of the Red Triangle in the camps of this country. A splendid record made at Camp Funston is in regard to the number of men each week who are going to the Christian life. Before the influenza epidemic this number averaged 500 in every feature of the meet of the Y. M. C. A. in the past few weeks. The reading rooms in the huts are closed, and the secretaries' work is the record by the men of the hospitals. The secretaries are busy with the sick all the time. At present, nine of the Red Triangle men are ill with influenza, and one man has died as a result of the disease.

While in Wichita today Mr. McCormack conferred with pastors in the city, with the President Rollins and other workers in regard to the student army training corps at Fairmount college.—Wichita Beacon.

THEY MAKE HISTORY

Work of All-Kansas Can Never Be Forgotten.

Eloquent testimony by Col. James H. Reeves, commander of the 323rd infantry regiment, as to the bravery and soldierly conduct of the All-Kansas regiment is contained in a letter to Bishop James Wise of Topeka, in which the colonel asserts the part this regiment is playing in the war will go down as one of the imperishable history of the state.

US FIGHTING FELLERS

BY GUM — WE DON'T CARE— HOW MUCH DISCOMFORT WE HAVE TO SUFFER, NOR HOW COLD IT GETS "OVER HERE" — JUST SO WE CAN MAKE IT HOT FOR THE KAISER "OVER THERE"



GEN. WINN GOES UP

Commander of 89th Is Major General.

Kilbourne and Nutman Are Generals.

Word from overseas announces the promotion of Brig. Gen. Frank L. Winn, who assumed command of the Eighty-ninth division when Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood was relieved at the port of embarkation, to the rank of major general. It is believed that he is still in command of the division.

Charles E. Kilbourne, chief of staff of the Eighty-ninth division, who went to Europe with General Wood last fall on an inspection trip and was wounded at the same time General Wood received slight injuries, has been promoted from the rank of a colonel to that of a brigadier general.

Colonel Nutman, commander of the 34th Machine Gun battalion of the division, has been promoted to the rank of a brigadier general.

BOYS ENJOY FLOWERS

K. C. Floral Company Sends Roses to Sick.

One of the most appreciated kindnesses in Camp Funston lately was the sending of a large quantity of pink and white roses to be distributed among the sick men in the various hospitals.

As a result, last Sunday saw nearly every ward in the base hospital and the various emergency hospitals brightened and the men's hearts gladdened by the presence of the beautiful flowers.

The roses, hundreds of them, were sent in care of W. W. Spangler of Y. M. C. A. No. 14, by the William Rock Floral company of Kansas City. They were distributed by the Y. M. C. A. representatives, assisted by Mr. Gelfand and Mr. Tanserman.

The Rock Floral company can be assured that their very kind act was highly appreciated by the medical corps, nurses, patients and welfare workers in camp.

IS A MAJOR NOW

Promotion Comes to Dr. C. H. Mielke.

Word from overseas announces the promotion of Dr. C. H. Mielke, who was in charge of the infirmary of the 34th Machine Gun battalion of the 89th Division, from the rank of a lieutenant to that of a major.

Before entering the service, Major Mielke was a physician at Alma, Kan. It is understood that the promotion was won as the result of an act of bravery on the battlefield.

ARMY CITY "OVER TOP"

Over-subscribes Loan by More Than \$5,000.

Army City, the newest town in Kansas, is also one of the most patriotic. In the fourth liberty loan that city went over the top by more than \$5,000 and a bond was purchased for every resident of the town, men, women and children. Every business man took liberally of the bonds and not one escaped his duty.

The quota for the fourth loan was three times the amount allotted for the third liberty loan. The last Red Cross quota was more than trebled by the people of Army City.

CANTONMENT LIFE

A Very Interesting Record of Camp Happenings.

It Is Valuable for Historical Purposes.

"Cantonment Life," a book of interesting views of Camp Funston for its historical value, recently published by Baird Engraving company of Kansas City, tells in pictures how the soldiers of Camp Funston live and are trained and transformed in a few months from civilians to hardened soldiers.

The book contains eight double-page panoramas and several smaller panoramas. An interesting scene is "Night in the Zone," depicting evening entertainment in the play section of the camp.

The book is highly endorsed. It has been highly endorsed by prominent men all over the country, including Governor Arthur Capper of Kansas; Chas. F. Hornor, director speakers' bureau of the war loan organizations; Jewell Mayes, secretary of the state of Missouri board of agriculture; Raymond Fosdick of the war department commission on training camp activities; Purd B. Wright, former camp librarian at Camp Funston, and many other well known men. The letter by Mr. Wright is reproduced in this issue and will be found on the back page.

"Cantonment Life" should be in every home which has been and will be represented in Camp Funston. The work is a splendid compliment to its publishers, Baird Engraving company of Kansas City, and will be invaluable as a historical war record in years to come. The book is on sale at the camp exchange store on the Zone and at all of the branch exchanges in camp. It can also be secured by writing the publishers, Baird Engraving company, Kansas City, Mo. Turn to the back page of this issue and read the letter written by Mr. Wright.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Secretary E. F. Boyle has returned from a visit with his parents at Stillwater, Mo.

Secretary T. F. Cain, formerly assistant at No. 2, has been promoted to building secretary, at building No. 4, and has entered upon his new duties. Tom, as he was affectionately known by the boys, is a competent speaker and we are pleased to learn that his worth has been at last recognized.

The material having arrived for the new building at Fort Riley, the contractor, are at work under the direction of Secretary Lannan.

Several improvements are being made at the base hospital, where he has been acting as chief clerk to the general secretary, J. H. Gallagher.

Secretary McCracken has returned from the base hospital, where he has been acting as chief clerk to the general secretary, J. H. Gallagher.

C. O.'S GET 25 YEARS

Six Conscientious Objectors Disobeyed Orders.

A true conscientious objector is a man who belongs to a bona fide religious sect that disbelieves in killing men. The privileges and exemptions granted to members of these sects have been grossly abused by fakers and slackers who claim to be objectors in order to dodge the service to which the men of the country have so nobly responded.

Six of these self styled objectors have been tried by court-martial at Camp Funston and found guilty of disobedience of orders and other offenses. They were sentenced to hard labor for life, but Maj. Leonard Wood, commander of the Tenth division and Camp Funston, has exercised clemency in these cases, and has reduced the sentences to twenty-five years at Leavenworth.

WAR WORK CAMPAIGN

\$170,500,000 Will Be Raised for War Work.

Now that the liberty loan is out of the way, there is more big task for the American people—to provide comforts of life for our boys thru the united war work campaign. John R. Moore, director general of the campaign, in a statement issued announced the state quotas.

The total amount to be raised, one hundred seventy million five hundred thousand dollars, was fixed by the war department and approved by the president. It will be administered under government direction for the seven recognized war work agencies, the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., National Red Cross, the United States Jewish Welfare board, War Camp Community service, American Library association, and the Salvation army.

"The amount is the largest ever asked as a gift from any people in the history of the world," said Doctor Moore, "and it is a magnificent task. It means that the four million men who will be under arms in our army and navy during the period of our war will be given a minimum of that it means less than 15 cents a day per man. Surely there is no father or mother or friend of a soldier in this great country who will say that 15 cents a day is too much to spend on his church, his home over there, his library, his theater and his club."

"The president summed up the whole appeal in a recent letter in which he spoke of the work of these seven great agencies as 'the most important contribution that we can make to the maintenance of the splendid morale of our forces.' There has never been in history so spectacular an example of the supreme importance of morale as is now being presented on the western front. The forces that confront each other there are not widely dissimilar in numbers or equipment, and the army is constantly withdrawing and the other irresistibly moving forward. The difference is spelled in that single word—morale."

"Napoleon said that morale is as other factors in war as three to one. Commenting on the work of these agencies, quoted with approval, the statement of one of his colonels who had spent his evenings in and I will have a better fighting force than ten men would be without it."

It is a wonderful twenty-four billion dollars to keep our boys under arms next year, surely it is worth a hundred and seventy million and more to add to their fighting edge and to bring victory 100 per cent nearer.

This is the appeal of the seven agencies, and particularly to those four million homes where service flags fly. And we know what America's answer will be.

Y. M. C. A. NO. 9

Physical Secretary Arthur L. Leech of Y 9 expects to be inducted into Uncle Sam's service on October 31, and will be sent to Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., to enter the officers' training camp. His service will be in the field artillery.

The clever adaptation of "Life's" mule-driving cartoon to Mule Skinner Scammanhorn drew the pleased attention of many hundreds of soldiers while it was shown at Y 9 desk.

Dan Coombs, a mathematical wizard who has delivered lectures before the University of Missouri and the University of Kansas, and who is widely known thruout the United States, has been assigned to duty as instructor in mathematics. He will conduct classes at Y 9 on Wednesday and Saturday nights. He instructs the men in "short cut" in arithmetic, algebra and geometry, along such practical lines as they will use in artillery and machine gun work.

The machine gun company of the Seventieth infantry will have a social affair Friday evening. Besides serving supper they will put on an attractive program, which will include music and numerous athletic stunts, chief among which will be a boxing bout between Jack Burke and Kid Brown, two of the fastest fighters in camp, who have staged exhibitions at many western cities and camps.

The men in this unit are feeling cheerful over the almost complete ending of the "flu" trouble. Men by the hundreds were discharged on Saturday and Sunday from the emergency hospitals, so on Monday the barracks were being put back into shape for their normal use. The last of the Y visiting of barracks hospitals is done on Monday. For Saturday and Sunday the visiting done by the Y men consisted in large part of the distribution of great numbers of beautiful roses contributed by the William Rock Flower Co. of Kansas City.

The regimental religious service on Sunday, conducted at Y 9 by the chaplains of the 20th infantry, was attended by about 400 men. A highly pleasing feature was the music by the 20th infantry regiment's fine band, led by Lieutenant Goetze. Chaplain Branham presided, and Chaplain Fite made his first address here, giving a most interesting and practical exposition of the Lord's Prayer. The two regiments served by Y 9 are now well supplied with good chaplains, the 20th infantry having three and the 70th infantry two.

The soldier who hunted half a day for the key to the flag staff is wiser now.

"Give me paper, give me paper," was the insistent call of a soldier who was in danger of being loaded up with "iron money" by a Y secretary who was making change. When queried for his reason he replied, "I'm from Missouri and we haven't had much practice in toting money around."

IN A GREAT WORK

677,722 Soldiers Visit Y Huts

In Month. These Men Write Total of 609,359 Letters.

AN INTERESTING REPORT

68 Educational Lectures Attended by 28,725.

43,998 Took Part in Various Sports.

The reports of activities of the Army Y. M. C. A. just compiled for the month of September by I. G. McCormack, camp general secretary, show that during the month the attendance at the twenty Y huts in camp was 677,722.

Educational Report.
Sixty-eight educational lectures were given which were heard by 23,725 soldiers; 442 educational classes were held with a total enrollment of 7,174. The twenty Y buildings circulated a total of 7,528 books. The membership in the thirty-five educational clubs was 12,160.

In the Physical Department.
In the physical department the records show that 43,998 men took part in the various sports, which were witnessed by 91,011.

Religious Department.
In the religious department the records show that 259 religious meetings were held with a total attendance of 61,150. One hundred fifty-four Bible classes were held with an attendance of 7,491. Scriptures distributed during the month amounted to 6,650 and 1,237 personal Christian interviews were held, which resulted in 256 Christian decisions. A total of 1,509 war roll cards were given.

Social Department.
The social department reported the holding of eighty-one entertainments, attended by 57,447. Motion picture shows proved a favorite pastime among the Camp Funston soldiers. Records show that a total of 70,837 men attended the 165 motion picture shows given during the month.

The number of letters written in the Y. M. C. A. buildings during the month was 609,359. A total of 8,759 money orders were sold to soldiers, which shows that a great per cent of the men are sending home as much money as they can possibly spare.

SNORES DISTURB ARMY

Many Types of Snores in Funston.

BY W. S. TRAVIS.
You can't be a soldier boy to bed after a hard day's work, and he will sleep if all the bands in camp are playing. Camp Funston soldiers will close with a smile if all the buglers in the division tout their meanest blast before his bed; and if you have a grudge against him, you place him in the middle of the back when he's asleep and he will never know the difference. The only thing that will keep a boy awake is to have a buddy with a fog-horn snore.

If there is any one class of men that snore in unison, send 'em over outside of German propaganda to disturb things around here, it is the man that snores. There are all types of snorers in Camp Funston, and every barracks is cursed with three or four, and they are generally scattered pretty well. There are those who roll like a heavy home, and there are those who snore like a leaky water-tank; there are those who buzz like the little coffee mill, and there are those who snore like a leaky water-tank; there are those who moan and groan and wheeze in a diabolic combination that would cause any family to leave home, and there are those who just lie back and throw their arms as far apart as they can reach, and open their mouths and let something clear back inside on something that should let their wind thru, and growl and grumble and give great guttural groans till all peace hath fled. But no matter to which class the man belongs, he does it with the greatest regularity, and that regularity is what makes it so bad—there is no chance to sneak in between and go to sleep. It's simply awful.

There ought to be some action taken to put all the snorers in one company, and when they get so they can snore in unison, send 'em over and have 'em hooked to horns to snore thru and keep the German troops awake till they're all worn out. Here's hoping.

JEWISH WELFARE BOARD

Another outdoor gathering was held last Sunday afternoon and turned out to be a grand success; a number of the boys who were victims of the Spanish influenza and now fully recovered, were present and enjoyed the sociability which the occasion offered. Mr. Gelfand, field representative, addressed the men.

A community branch of the Jewish welfare board has recently been organized in Kansas City and will cooperate with the field representative at Camp Funston in serving the men in uniform and especially will aim to provide hospitality and comfort to the soldiers while visiting in that city. Headquarters have been established at the Y. M. C. A. building, 3123 Troost avenue, and Mr. Herman Passamaneck, executive secretary of the organization, is also secretary of the Y. W. C. A. A very cordial invitation is extended to all soldiers to make use of the building and utilize its facilities during their stay.