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FIRST ANNUAL PICNIC—Sunday, September 13, 1942—Viking Park on the Sandy River—Sports Program—Prizes for Events and Gate—Admission 25c—Free Coffee, Bring your Container and Sugar

CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON

CIVILIAN DEFENSE COUNCIL

Local Property Officer

Room 108A City Hall

Telephone ATwater 6141

July 22, 1942.

Captain John J. Keegan,
Bureau of Police,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Captain Keegan:

For your information, I am quoting Section 35C of the United States Criminal Code, which is called to the attention of all persons dealing with government property:

"Whoever shall take and carry away or take for his use, or for the use of another, with intent to steal or purloin, or shall wilfully injure or commit any depredation against any property of the United States, or any branch or department thereof, or any corporation in which the United States of America is a stockholder, or any property which has been or is being made, manufactured, or constructed under contract for the war or navy departments of the United States, shall be punished as follows: If the value of such property exceeds the sum of \$50, by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than ten years, or both; if the value of such property does not exceed the sum of \$50, by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment in a jail for not more than one year, or both. Value, as used in this section shall mean market value or cost price, either wholesale or retail, whichever shall be the greater."

This information may be of some assistance to you in clarifying to the members of your Defense unit the responsibility that is attached to the possession of government-loaned property and the penalty for misuse of same. It is also their responsibility to return such equipment to the Property Officer if they should withdraw, for any reason, from the Citizens' Defense Corps. Your very truly,

THOS. D. FARRELL,
Local Property Officer.

Women to War

The following members of the Oregon Women's Ambulance Corps were inducted August 13, 1942, in the W. A. A. C.: Capt. Jane E. Reeves, Lieut. Pauline Kidwell, Lieut. Helen MacLean, Lieut. Carol Roland, First Sgt. Jeanne Holm, and Pvt. Marcella Williamson. They will probably leave for training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, about September 1.

To All Members of the Veterans' Guard and Patrol:

A picnic will be held at Viking Park on the Sandy River, Sunday, September 13, 1942. Permission has been granted by the War Fund Committee to hold this picnic, providing that we hold the sale of tickets within our own membership.

Do not solicit anyone on the outside. Only members of the Veterans' Guard and Patrol shall handle or sell tickets to members of Patrol.

Do not bring any liquor into the park at this picnic.

JOHN J. KEEGAN, *Commander.*

Rubber Drive

The Veterans' Guard and Patrol members who participated in the President's scrap rubber drive from Col. Sam Plunkett's Division on the west side did just another bang-up job and another service to their country.

Volunteers were requested to solicit and place barrels in lobbies of some 100 downtown buildings, requesting superintendents to cooperate and solicit their tenants.

Capt. A. M. Aldridge, who supervised the job and was contact man between the Veterans' Guard and Patrol and the oil companies, reports several tons of rubber were picked up by different oil company trucks through this medium. He wishes to thank the members who participated and also the Mayor's office and Com. Keegan for their approval and through them Col. Hume, Col. Heinrichs and Major Paul Nolan for their assistance.—*Arthur Aldridge.*

TO MEMBERS OF ALL UNITS OF VETERANS GUARD AND PATROL:

There will be no dances, picnics or other forms of entertainment permitted without first obtaining the approval of this office.

A committee has been set up by Mayor Riley to control all such activities for Civilian Defense units and permission must first be obtained by this committee, and through my office as stated.

JOHN J. KEEGAN,
Commander, V. G. and P.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE VETERANS' GUARD AND PATROL:

Permission is hereby granted to any company desiring to patrol the territory within their respective districts on written request to the Commander, under the following conditions:

The men will wear at least the uniform cap of the V. G. and P. and badge displayed on outside of shirt or coat.

Firearms may be carried, but handle with great caution.

The men will be on the alert to any and all law violations, but do not interfere in traffic regulation except in case of traffic accident or to assist the regular officers.

Pay particular attention to the protection of women and children from loiterers, perverts, prowlers, etc.

The men will contact local post commander as often as designated by their commanders.

No drinking will be allowed on duty.

Any information of interest to the intelligence section should be immediately reported to company commander, who will telephone same to the intelligence office at GHQ, AT. 6508 or Local 12.

JOHN J. KEEGAN, *Commander.*

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MAJOR E. G. WENDLING, Editor

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Editorial

Lift 'Em Up—Put 'Em Down

The plan proposed by Captain John J. Keegan for members of the V. G. and P. to patrol the various areas of the city in which their companies are located has met with most generous response. This is in the line of ordinary routine training and the experience will be worth much when and if a war emergency exists. The mere fact that the several hundred volunteers are patrolling the streets as an aid to the Portland police department will, in itself, deter those who have in mind the commission of a crime from actually carrying out their purposes. In addition, the experience of association with regular police officers and learning the routine of police affairs will give the boys experience that could not be gained by other activity.

Volunteer Duty

During the past month, the Veterans' Guard and Patrol was out in large numbers aiding the city and county police in their search for the unfortunate woman who was lost on the slopes of the west side hills in the vicinity of Linnton. The search continued for several days before the body of the victim was recovered. Physicians announced that she had succumbed to exposure and shock. The assignment to this detail has nothing to do with the purpose for which the V. G. and P. was organized, but it demonstrates the ability of its members to step into the breach and aid the duly constituted authorities.

The police department is daily learning of the worth and value of these men and women who have volunteered their time and lives, if need be, to assist in the protection of property and life. Many examples have been sighted where these volunteers have assisted at fires and accidents and where they have demonstrated their worth and ability to a major degree. Their training in first aid and military discipline has convinced the Office of Civilian Defense that this is a worth-while organization.

Air Patrol

MAJOR HUGH L. ANGLE

The Veterans' Guard and Patrol Air Patrol, under command of Maj. Angle, is really getting action. They are soon to open their own headquarters on Russell street, near Union. They will have their own telephone system and will be all moved in in the near future. The Air Patrol is to hold open house when all offices are complete.

All the members are looking forward to the coming picnic. A social gathering goes a long way towards closer relationship.

The boys of the Air Patrol are looking forward to active duty soon. The U. S. army continues to thin down our ranks. The latest one to go is Officer B. E. Badley. Maj. Angle has made application for a commission in the air corps training center.

Staff Meeting

The final staff meeting of the month was held Friday, July 31, with Commander John J. Keegan in charge. Practically every company in the regiment was represented by its captain and many important matters were brought up for discussion. Commander Keegan read a request from Mayor Earl Riley that members of the V. G. and P. should donate their services to guard the four control stations. Col. Hume announced that mail addressed to several companies was not being picked up at Staff Headquarters and urged that this subject should receive immediate attention as many important orders are coming out of Headquarters, and should reach the various outfits.

A unanimous vote of confidence was extended Commander Keegan for his splendid work in conducting the V. G. and P. in their various activities and the outstanding record this organization has established.

Oregon Women's Ambulance Corps

CAPTAIN JANE E. REEVES

During the past month, a number of promotions were announced by Captain Reeves, and our organization is now in excellent shape and ready for any emergency. Following are the promotions: Sgt. Janet Hutchinson, Platoon Sgt.; Corps. Mildred Cooper and Ruby Wolf, Acting Sgts.; Acting Corp. Patricia Brennan, Corp.; Pvts. First Class Virginia Gibson, Lillian Leong, Frances Peterson, Marjah Lash, and Pvt. Barbara Walker, Acting Corps.; and Pvt. Macha Hampton, Helen Hinman, Agnes Stein and June Misner, Pvts. First Class.

In response to the state-wide call for berry pickers, many of our girls volunteered their services and headed for the fields on two separate Sundays.

A benefit dance was sponsored by Portland Headquarters Company at Blue Lake Park, Friday, August 7. Proceeds from the dance will be used for the purchase of needed supplies for the Corps and equipment for the new barracks located at 326 S. W. 11th avenue. Lt. Helen MacLean was chairman in charge of arrangements and was assisted by Sgts. Mildred Cooper, Janet Hutchinson and Marjorie Nixon and Pvt. First Class Helen Hinman. Joe Dardis' orchestra played.

Members of the Corps will soon be wearing their new dress uniforms. The uniform is blue, and features a smartly styled jacket of military cut. It will be worn on all dress occasions, while the present uniform will be worn for field work and at drill.

Sgt. Virginia Wentz.

Citizen of the Week— Capt. Jane E. Reeves

During the past month the street cars of the Portland Traction Co. carried pictures of the "Citizen of the Week," who was our own Captain Jane E. Reeves, Commander of the Oregon Women's Ambulance Corps. This signal honor was well deserved and we congratulate Captain Reeves upon her selection.

Division No. 3

LIEUT. COL. EARL L. CALDWELL

The recent call for company turnout to assist in the search for Mrs. Kennedy was ample op-

portunity for a real try-out of the emergency communication's system. The call for patrolmen was received from GHQ a few minutes before 4:00 p. m. and in less than two hours some 200 men had reported for duty. There was a total of between 300 and 400 patrolmen from Division No. 3 turned out on this call. Division No. 3 headquarters was well satisfied with the willingness, efficiency and thoroughness with which this detail was handled.

The Division has inaugurated a war gas and bomb school, under the direction of Lieut. J. H. Pratt, Division gas officer. Lieut. Pratt has given the subject of chemical warfare a thorough study and is well qualified to handle the work assigned him. The present class is made up of three members from each company in the Division. Two classes each week were held for the first three weeks and then one class a week for the balance of the course. On completion of this course those men in turn will instruct their respective companies on the subjects. It is hoped that this knowledge will never be needed in Portland, but if it is we feel sure Division No. 3 N. C. O.'s and company personnel will be glad they spent their time on this subject and proud of the results they will obtain.—James R. Forsyth.

Battalion No. 1

MAJOR C. C. DEAL

Major C. C. Deal has returned from the Civilian Defense School at the University of Washington in Seattle. It is anticipated that he has an interesting report of the school to make in the near future.

A Divisional review was held July 28th at the Armory. Both Battalions 1 and 2 made a creditable showing, even though it was the first review with the new streamlined army regulations. It is anticipated that this will be a monthly occasion.

A Battalion meeting was held July 21st at Portland Post No. 1 auditorium. Mr. Baker of the London fire department gave a lecture and showed pictures of the fire and bombing suffered by London. This meeting was well attended.

Company No. 1 states there has been considerable activity in recent meetings. At one we had Mr. Harold Leavitt give us interesting and educational demonstrations and instructions on ju jitsu. The Oregon State Board of Health provided an educational meeting with motion pictures on social diseases. Some necessary changes have been made in the organization of the company. One is in the command of the company, wherein Capt. Kerr, due to work which takes him away from town frequently, has asked to be relieved of the command and will, with the approval of Major Deal, have First Lieut. George Israel be made Acting Captain. The other officers and non-commissioned officers are as follows: Lieut. Jack Stewart Acting Lieuts. Ray Hamner and Carl Westran, Sgts. Paul Roper and Leonard Nelson, Acting Sgts. Joy Hedburg, George Tuley, Joe Tosi and George Erickson; Corp. E. S. Erbs, Acting Corps. Fred Belieu, James Vincent, Ed Thirkell, Joe Muti and Ed Pokorny, Ken Banister, Harry Jackson, A. C. Shute Jr., Marcus Church, J. W. Bremmer and Harry Payton.

A nightly patrol was organized at our August 5th meeting to begin Monday, August 10th, for a five-man patrol each night from 8:00 to 12:00 p. m.

We are steadily getting new members and

eliminating deadwood and we feel we are making solid progress.—*First Sgt. Mike Bruno.*

Battalion No. 2

MAJOR RALPH BOWEN

Capt. Aldridge of Company 9 has resigned. He has changed his V. G. and P. uniform for that of the Army. He sure makes a splendid officer and all of us wish him well.

Once in a while some member of the patrol gets down in the dumps for fear that too many men are dropping out of the organization. One such person was pleasantly surprised when informed that a goodly number of his company members were at school, and when they reported the following week and 11 men were called out of ranks for presentation of their stars, you should see the light in his eyes. This reporter got a wink from him, which was an acknowledgment that hereafter he was not going "to holler before he got hurt."

Capt. Webber is so well liked by his company (No. 6) that when he was ill one evening and could not report, some of his men looked as though they just could not work up any enthusiasm for the evening's duties. That would have been a swell time to talk membership behind his back and bring in some new recruits for the following Tuesday night. What say? This is no crack at Company 6—it could be a lesson for others too.

Capt. Larsen of Company 8 has one man who really gets a thrill out of drilling. He is Lloyd Morris. A guy who is on his feet all day, walks to and from work and still loves to drill at night. What a guy!

What keeps Company 10 in a huddle so much each Tuesday night. For men of intellect there are none better in any other company, so why can't they get through with detail in quick time and show some of these other companies how an outfit really should drill. What say, you guys? And when Julian Sommers of the same company was presented with his star after graduating from police school, his first thought was to exercise authority over his wife. From the underground comes word that Meyer Rubin, his buddy, will have to control him. Take it easy there, pardner, women are much too tough for any police star, especially your own wife.

The Women's Emergency Corps gave us a real treat when they put on an exhibition for us. It was tops and those members who were absent that night really missed a great show. While it is our job to concentrate on what the V. G. and P. has to do, it is good to know that other groups are spending as much time as we are and more in some cases, and no squawk. Credit should be given to this fine organization of patriotic and unselfish women for the work they are doing and especially for giving us a thrill. We enjoyed having them with us and we hope to have them again soon. A program of coordination of duty with members of the Patrol was outlined during the evening.

Capt. Paul Gray wishes to be remembered to everyone in the Battalion. It is difficult for him to attend sessions just now, but he hopes to drop in soon and surprise us.

Corp. Davenport assisted with a tow rope and his car in pulling a damaged car to the shoulder of St. Helens Road. Two cars collided and he gave valuable and able assistance in handling matters until the regular police arrived.

A most impressive ceremony took place when standards were presented to all companies of Battalions 1 and 2. The armory was filled with dignitaries, among whom were Mayor Earl Riley, Commander Keegan, Col. Hume, Lieut. Col. Heinrich, Lieut. Col. Plunkett, and the

very special guest, Lieut. Robert S. Clever, bombardier of one of the bombers that spat hell over Tokio with General Jimmy Doolittle. After the presentation of the standards, the battalions marched past the reviewing officials and were seated in the balcony, there to hear a few words from the various speakers. When Lieut. Clever was introduced, the whole assembly stood and cheered for this little bit of dynamite, whose answer to the question when he was to do it again, replied that "he already has his ticket but did not know just when the train would leave." This is the breed of men coming from all of the training points in Shangri-la. This was the prize evening so far in the history of our battalion. May we have more like it.

We would like more visits from Commander Keegan and they don't have to be on special occasions. His presence is an inspiration and if he dropped in only for a few minutes to just walk around and present himself, the men would like it very much.

R. G. McDaniels of Company 8 apprehended a suspicious character while on patrol, for which he was cited.

Major Bowen Honored

Major Ralph Bowen, commanding Battalion No. 2, was recently elected Commander of Rose City Post, American Legion. This is another honor for members of the V. G. and P., many of whom are Past Commanders or in line for the high-ranking office of their Legion Post. Major Bowen will be installed Monday, September 14, at a joint meeting with the Auxiliary. It is hoped that a large delegation of the V. G. and P. will be in attendance on this occasion.

COMPANY 10-A

CAPT. DAVE WILSON

A test assembly of Company 10-A, under the direction of Lieut. Ken Sturges, who was in charge, due to the illness of Capt. Dave Wilson, was made Tuesday evening, August 4.

Lieuts. Muessig, Carlson and Moreland, and Sgt. Newburn started the calls to their respective district members at 7:15 p. m. with instructions to report immediately to headquarters. Fifteen minutes from the time the first call was made eight members had reported for duty at headquarters; in 30 minutes 15 men were present and in 45 minutes 32 men were available for duty.

In view of the fact that these men were drawn from a radius of about five miles, the response was considered quite satisfactory, although it is believed that this mark would be surpassed considerably had it not been for a misinterpretation of the orders in one district. *Ken Sturges.*

Battalion No. 3

COMPANY No. 16

CAPT. WM. KNIGHT

The 16th Company has a new commander because of Capt. Ralph Bertrand going into the armed services. Lieut. Knight is now the company commander with the rank of Captain. The 16th Company will give Capt. Knight the same cooperation and hearty good feeling enjoyed by Captain Bertrand.

In token of their appreciation for the splendid leadership shown by Capt. Bertrand, 16th Company presented him with a beautiful military wrist watch and we hope the Captain will use it to its best advantage.

We are greatly indebted to Sgt. Gibbs for the showing of the splendid picture, "Cannons

on Wings." This picture was very instructive and highly interesting and is the type of instruction we need.

Congratulations to Lieut. Bill Dame, who is new in charge of the 3rd Platoon. We all know that Lieut. Dame will bring the 3rd Platoon up in strength so as to be equal to the other platoons.

It is the Captain's request that all men, as rapidly as possible, obtain a new uniform. Any man who needs help in procuring his uniform please make it known to the officers of the company, who will see to it that proper help is given.

Remember Navy Post is your battle station. In the event of any emergency, report there as rapidly as possible.—*S. N. Seidenverg.*

COMPANY No. 14

CAPT. F. W. KASSEBAUM

The 14th Company has been busy following the plans and training program. Streamlining of the company has been completed and recommendations forwarded for appointments of all officers. Sgt. Jack Rahn gave a very good lecture on gas and was followed by Sgt. Wm. Blitsch on war traffic.

Twenty-five men turned out in the search for the lady who was lost on the west side hills. Standard and advanced first aid classes are now in progress. On July 23rd the company was inspected by Lieut. Col. Heinrichs. The company is practicing mob and riot duty formations and find it good exercise.—*O. W. McCoy.*

Battalion No. 4

MAJOR ROBERT N. MUNLY

A special treat was served at 4th Battalion meeting held at Navy Post, since the principal speaker was Mr. Baker, an auxiliary fireman of London. He gave a detailed description of the bombing of London along with pictures of the fire. 18th Company had the opportunity to secure Mr. Baker's presence, so decided to share him with the Battalion. Commander Keegan and Commissioner Peterson gave short talks, while Sgt. McMullen ably held down the job of master of ceremonies.

COMPANY No. 18

CAPT. BILL ROMANS

During the month 18th Company has been busy with drill and police instruction. Also gun inspection was held through the courtesy of Joe Craig.

Sgt. Boehi has been transferred to the Battalion Staff and we know he will do a swell job in his new post. Lieut. Childs was called into the service for officer's training.—*W. K. Romans.*

COMPANY No. 17

CAPT. C. W. MEHREN

Twenty-eight members of the company have graduated from the advanced first aid class conducted by Instructor Jack Ancorn and have received their cards.

The commissioned officers of the company, Capt. C. W. Mehren, Lieuts. H. E. Risley, Herbert Stott and J. V. Johnston, have been in attendance at company meetings all through the summer. The rank and file are proud of their officers and are showing their appreciation by cooperating with them.

At the regular meeting of July 15, Traffic Officer L. M. Chase gave the company some instructions in traffic problems that may confront them during an emergency. Officer Chase gave a very interesting and instructive lecture which was followed by a question period.

On July 22, after a short drill, the company was called to order in the assembly room of the Beaumont school to receive instructions

from Officer Dan J. Mitola regarding duties of the Veteran Guard and Patrol during an emergency. Officer Mitola reviewed the manner and method of approaching apprehending a law violator and instructed the members in the proper behavior of a police officer. His talk was interesting as well as being instructive.

COMPANY No. 19

CAPT. BERT NEWGARD

If, as a famous Confederate general once was quoted as saying, that battles are won by "gettin' thar fustest with the mostest men," then Capt. Bert Newgard's Company 19 will win more than their share. When the emergency call for volunteers from Battalion 4 to search for a missing berry picker was sounded on July 21 at 4:04 p. m., Company 19 had seven searchers ready for duty at the specified time, 5 p. m., long before the first member of any other company put in an appearance. Yes, sir, you've got to go into action quickly to get ahead of the Albina boys.

COMPANY No. 20

CAPT. VANDERLUGT

Having completed the standard first aid course, the 20th Company is now up to its elbows in the schedule of training for July to date. The company finds itself well advanced in the required hours as outlined by the plans and training officer.

A major change in the command of the company was made in the past month. Capt. Vanderlugt introduced Lieut. Chase, who replaced Lieut. Garfield Johnson. Lieut. Johnson was transferred to Battalion Headquarters as plans and training officer. We keenly feel the loss of Lieut. Johnson, but extend Lieut. Chase our congratulations and cooperation. It appears that the personnel of the 20th Company is in the spotlight. Twice within a period of three months officers have been transferred to the Plans and Training Office—first, Lieut. Tom Piggott, and now Lieut. Garfield Johnson. The company considers the promotions as a credit to the whole group.

Corp. Welsh has been on the sick list for several weeks, but will be back on the active list shortly.

Private Ferdinand Miller has left our organization to be of greater service with the army as pilot instructor with the Air Corps.

Battalion No. 5

MAJOR B. L. KAYS

Summer vacations have cut into our attendance, but not enough to slow our progress or do away with our regular weekly meetings. In place of instruction on important subjects to depleted ranks, Company 23 has spent the last month examining its accomplishments and preparing for the future. A master chart was prepared by Corp. H. Nemiro, detailing each man's qualifications, equipment on hand, and hours of instruction on gas, bombs, traffic, first aid, and so forth. From this chart the company's weakness can be instantly spotted and corrected. Company instructors, having definite goals in view, are already hard at work filling up the gaps and smoothing out the roughness. By the time our fall program is completed, Company 23 will have every right to feel itself the most adequately and roundly informed and prepared company in the battalion.

In keeping with this, First Lieut. Hawkins and Sgt. Troxel have started a day platoon for the benefit of night workers, thus enabling all members to keep equally advanced.

The armed forces have claimed three more

of our men: Corp. Wm. Hartman and Donald M. Cooke to the army; Corp. Bruce R. MacPike to the navy. Congratulations and the best of luck, gentlemen; you did a fine job while you were with us. We know you will do an even finer job where you are going!

Star No. 3525. We ask all members of the Veterans' Guard and Patrol to be on the lookout for this star. It was stolen from the home of Pete Jensen. If you see it, get in touch with your captain or police headquarters immediately. Star No. 3525.

C. A. Jensen and Kenneth L. Harrison have been promoted to Corporals.

K. L. Harrison.

Battalion No. 6

MAJOR H. C. DANA

The members of the Battalion are rapidly rounding into a high state of efficiency and we in Battalion Headquarters are very proud of the manner in which the members of all the companies are acquitting themselves. They do a splendid job of everything they are called upon to do and every company in the Battalion has something to contribute to our publication in the way of news this month.

COMPANY No. 26

CAPT. P. F. SHERMAN

To build up to our quota, we have appointed the following Sergeants: George Loving, Chas. M. Coyle, F. C. Fitzgerald, Roger T. Thompson and J. B. Foulmal.

The following men were promoted to Corporal: Frank A. Bacon, Sam P. Sprawkins and A. J. Torango.

At least 40 members of our company reported and searched for the woman lost on Bonny Slope near the Skyline Blvd. in the evening of July 21, and while we didn't find her, the ground we covered was thoroughly searched. The Company Commander thanks all the men who took part in the search for cooperating and getting there promptly after being notified. With the men from the other V. G. and P. companies we believe there were at least 300 men participating in the hunt.

Over 50 per cent of the members at our August 3rd meeting voted as favoring patrol duty in our company area, rather than travel to distant parts of the city, when it is decided this is necessary.

COMPANY No. 27

CAPT. J. ECKLEY

The company holds a general assembly each Tuesday night, followed by a little squads right, under the command of Sgt. Westphal, who is also our Plans and Training Officer. Elmer says that Co. 27 has really got to get down to work from now on.

On the night of Tuesday, July 21, we had a group of 48 men in the field to assist in the search for Mrs. Kennedy.

It might be of interest to let you know that the skipper, Joe Eckley, has just returned from his vacation at DeLake and is loaded with dynamite, so look out, Co. 27 is going places.

Master Sgt. McPherson is now the proud father of a baby girl. "Mac" says that it has been told 999 times, but let's make it a thousand. Mary Beth was born at Emanuel hospital on Saturday, August 1, and weighed six pounds, seven and one-fourth ounces. Now how are we going to get recruits when they persist in girls?

Incidentally, the boys are doing a swell job of patrolling in the district. As a matter of fact we may have to tone them down a little so they won't wear themselves out.

We were very happy to have at our last

meeting Maj. Nolan, from General Headquarters. He gave us a very interesting talk, and we sincerely hope he will visit us again soon. He was accompanied by Maj. Dana and we hope that he, too, will return shortly.

COMPANY No. 28

CAPT. PRATT

Company No. 28 meets each Monday at 8:00 p. m. at Duniway school in Eastmoreland. Attendance during the month of July was very good.

Lieut. C. B. Wright has been appointed plans and training officer for the company. We have obtained 41 talking movies on various subjects that are proving very educational to the men of the company.

Meeting of July 20th we were favored by a visit of Col. Hume, Maj. Ek and Capt. Peterson. Talks by Col. Hume and Maj. Ek were well received by the men.

July 27th meeting we were given a talk on Civilian Defense by Sgt. Brenner. He is a graduate of Stanford University on Civilian Defense.

The following men were promoted: Lance Corp. Brainard to Corp., Patrolman B. W. Moore to Corp., Corp. Sorber to Sgt., Patrolman Pelton to Corp., Corp. Reeves to Sgt., Patrolman McIntosh to Corp.

Lieut. Strong of the U. S. Army, who, by the way is a son of Patrolman W. Strong, was our instructor on streamline drill. The men were delighted to drill under him because he knew his drill and how to put it over. We are sorry to lose him to Uncle Sam.

Company No. 28 has a Major for a mascot. He is the renowned Major Mite. He stands about 29 inches high and is tough as top kick. The Major has police stars from New York City and other cities. He does not like the Axis and doesn't mind saying so.

COMPANY No. 29

CAPT. N. O. COMPTON

First Lieut. Hinsen is recovering from a double hernia operation. We miss his smiling face at our meetings.

The 29th Co. now as 13 stars in its service flag, if we had a service flag. You should see Sgt. Egland strut with our new company banner. Go to it sergeant, we are back of you 100 per cent.

The company is getting practical police experience by patrolling the Lents and Arleta districts. God help any Japan-z that happens to get in their way. We are starting a recruiting program to fill our ranks and hope to soon have a full company.

Sgt. Wilkerson has been appointed to the job of plans and training officer and we look for big things from said sergeant. We are planning a training schedule for two months ahead and are going to give it the devil.

COMPANY No. 30

CAPT. T. HAMMERBERG

With very few exceptions and these are due to working hours, the men in the 30th Company have completed their first aid course. The men who were unable to take the course will do so as soon as a daytime class is started.

Thanks to Lieut. Clark, arrangements were made for the showing of the Standard Oil Company's first aid and bombing picture at the Commerce High School on July 28th. We invited the block wardens as our guests for this showing and they were very appreciative of our consideration.

Thanks to Sgt. Leeson, all of our men's individual efficiency records are complete and he is proud of these records, with good reason.

Congratulations are in order to W. W. Meyers for his promotion to Warrant Officer at the local Navy Recruiting Station.

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