

# ROSE HILL BOY'S

## COMPANY PRAISED

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COMMENDED FOR SPEEDY CONSTRUCTION OF FIELD HOSPITAL )

SIXTH ARMY GROUP, FRANCE —

A commendation for constructing an Army hospital in the interior of France in record time was given to Company B of the 335th engineers recently by Col. John G. Strohm, commanding officer of the hospital. Cpl. Rex E. Carpenter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carpenter of Rose Hill, was a member of this company.

"It was an extremely difficult task of adapting an old infantry caserne to meet the needs of a 'hospital with more than 3,000 patients at the time' Col. Strohm pointed out.

Company B is one of the construction units working under the Continental Advance Section, the Army Service Force unit which supplies the Sixth Army Group and the 7th Army. At present the company of specialists, commanded by Capt. Meyer Bergman of Abordeen, Miss., are constructing headquarters base in the interior of France.

The company had previously won fame at Marseille when they removed 61,500 pounds of explosives from the docks and 2,000 teller mines from a landing field nearby, besides building the first landing strips for Dukws.

The engineers received their first battle experience in handling mines when they cleared 2,000 teller mines from around Hill 609 at Mateur. They then jumped to Corsica where they operated lumber mills. The millions of board feet which they cut were used in preparatory construction for the invasion of Elba and that of Southern France.