

SIMEON L. ALLEN WINS APPOINTMENT TO RANK OF WARRANT OFFICER

Mr. Simeon L. Allen former staff sergeant with headquarters company has been appointed Warrant Officer, Junior Grade. He is the first enlisted man in the regiment to have achieved that grade. Mr. Allen, a Virginia product, applied for the test for WOJG through channels, took that test on June 17, and was appointed on July 1st. His full, official title, is Assistant Regimental Communications Officer and Technical Advisor to Lt. Snow.

The test consisted of 150 questions on communications, routine test for the position, plus an oral test on the same subject by Col. Mendez who has studied electrical engineering.

Mr. Allen who, in civilian life, was a "trouble shooter" for the Alexandria, (Va.) Public Service Co. was drafted in August of 1941. In February of 1942 he qualified at Ft. Benning and attended the Parachute Communications school there.

After that he attended the Scott Field Air Corps Radio Technical School. His army schooling took four and one-half months after which Allen, in August of '42, spent one month as instructor in communications at Benning. Then, after another month as regimental instructor with the 505, he was assigned to the 508 and has been with them ever since.

Allen is naturally very happy about his appointment but stated that for the first few days he found things a trifle hard to get used to. "For instance I walked into my old barracks to retrieve some belongings and when somebody yelled, 'Attention,' I froze."

Mr. Allen is unmarried.

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Colonel's Letter Printed

Below is a printed letter of comment from Col. Lindquist on our excellent AWOL mark for the past month.

"For the first time since this regiment was activated we have had a pay-day without an offici-