

Weikel, John

Pvt. John Weikel
Scores High In Rifle Proficiency JUN 27 1944

Unexpectedly yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, Pvt. John Weikel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weikel, Saucon Valley Road, returned home on brief furlough from Camp Maxey, Tex.

Pvt. Weikel, 19, a graduate of Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Va., was inducted in July 1943. Recently, according to a camp publication, the young man was selected as one of the 53 best shots in the 394th Infantry where he was serving and was sent to Regimental Sniper's School.

At the completion of the course when scoring averages for range firing of the 53 were taken, Pvt. Weikel was among the top few with a rating of 98.

Friends of Pvt. Weikel are of the opinion that proficiency with the rifle on the range should partially satisfy an old boyhood dream. Long known in the vicinity as the con-

stant wearer of a ten-gallon Texas cowboy hat, padded to fit his head at the age of ten, and abandoned only when he donned a uniform, John is now at least within firing distance of his "life on the range" ideal.

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