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## For Luzon Fighting

*April 19, 1945*

With the 33rd Div. in Philippines—  
Corporal Veron C. Swager of Newton,  
Ill., has been awarded the Combat  
Infantryman's badge while fighting  
the Japs in Northern Luzon.

Corporal Swager is transportation  
corporal for Company G of the 136th  
Infantry, who are fighting the Japs  
over the rocky mountain terrain on  
the road to Baguio, Philippine summer  
capital.

However, though he is in transpor-  
tation, Cpl. Swager has done consid-  
erable foot fighting with other dough-  
boys in the rifle company, which  
spearheaded the Second Battalion  
landing in the "Second Battle of Mor-  
ati."

Corporal Swager came into the ser-  
vice three years ago at Camp Forrest  
Tenn., and has always been with Co.  
G. He has been overseas for the past  
22 months.