SCRAP BOOK

ge Still Pitching

aige, Marine wear- l of Honor, pitched s when he was sta- a in 1939. "They good hunters," he lthough they hated e, they were always ackwards with di- . Paige's experience Lefty O'Doul, once vatter, who clubbed l over the lot dur- e exhibition games 32. Lefty's slugging ational hero to the owed him around in l his walk and even en suit, and when U. S. A., they gave at. "I'd like to use ," says Lefty . . . . ust concluded an all season, in re- College 11 scored 303 for the oppo- gave a good sub- r Eli Yale. This was the first un- team since 1924.

FFICERS

s not living in the nter Officers' quar- n meal tickets for rs' Mess which was ly. Twenty meals at al constitute a tick-

to switch on the lights . . .to the amusement of his prankster comrades.

Shavers fought the battle of beards, some giving up in disgust, others coming through on the first wave of "blind-shaving."

A spot-check at the cafeteria in Service Club No. 6 revealed no food wastage, customers managing to clean their plates in the dark or with the help of matches and lighters.

Candles and lanterns blossomed from nowhere. Work at Troop Movement Division continued with the help of a railroad lantern.

Lawton Service Also Hit

One rumor started through the Service Club, a cafeteria worker telling one and all:

"This is serious. I just got it straight that someone cut the wires."

The Post Engineer's office had slightly better information. A "flash-over" in the Lawton power plant caused the blackout. Use of manual switches extended the interruption in service, although in the Center the lights were out only 33 minutes. Parts of Lawton also were blacked out.

THEATER NO. 6 CLOSED

Post Special Service Office announced this week that Theater No. 6, has been closed temporarily. This theater is located in the 31st Battalion area on 11th Street.

Sgt. Ralph Wexler, B-34, and Cpl. Max A. Mechem, B-34.

Enlisted Sound Ranging Equipment Repair and Maintenance Class No. 9—Pvt. John F. Owens, E-34.

Enlisted Motor Course Class No. 109—Pvt. Ralph L. Robinson, B-31.

Enlisted Communications Course Class No. 66—T-Sgt. Victor B. Lehman, Sgt. James W. Roodhouse, Tec 4 William A. Bayerd, Cpls. Ed D. Fenkell, Lloyd A. Anderson, Homer W. English and Pfc. David S. Squires, D-34. Pvts. Glenn E. Myers, Julius D. Lagonegro, Marlin E. Chelan, Hugh S. Blackburn, sr., Charles F. Hardy, Harry W. Welton and Billy W. Spiller, C-34; Sgts. Roy R. Allsopp, A-32; Daniel B. Alexander, C-32, and Cpl. Loyd M. Ledbetter, C-32.

Field Artillery Air Mechanics Class No. 122—Pvts. August H. Schoeneshoefer, A-32; Leonard K. Sherer, B-32; Hughie F. Schmidt, C-32; John V. Grzegorczyk, D-32; Thomas E. Ogle, C-33; Alvin R. Neal, D-33; Floyd Rush, jr., D-33; Bark L. Yee, D-33; James L. Snyder, B-34; and Reed J. Caughey, C-34.

EXTRA SPECIAL DUTY

Germany (CNS) — Seven incredulous artillerymen are enroute to the U. S. today, prepared to take part in the 6th War Loan drive back home. They were plucked from front line duty, without forewarning, for the special assignment.

tor of "Terry and the Pirates"

Leg Log

POSSIBLE ENEMY CHEMICAL WARFARE AGENTS

Approved War Department Graphic Training Aid 3-2

FOR YOUR PROTECTION

When You Hear the Gas Alarm or Detect Gas—
1. Adjust Your Mask. 2. Resume Your Duties.

Always test for gas before removing mask.
Eyeshields are worn according to orders.
Always carry your gas mask and antigas equipment.
First aid must be carried out promptly.
When exposure to "friendly" smoke is prolonged, or when smoke is dense, wear your gas mask.

CARE OF THE GAS MASK

ONLY authorized equipment will be kept in the gas mask carrier.
When not wearing gas mask, keep it in a cool dry place, out of direct sunlight.
Dry mask after use.
Inspect mask frequently.
Keep flutter valve clean.
Avoid contact of rubber parts with gasoline or oil.
Do not let any water enter the canister.
Do not lie or lean on gas mask.

THE GAS CASUALTY FIRST-AID KIT

This kit usually will be found in vehicles. Full instructions are in the kit.

USE OF EYE OINTMENT, BAL (M-1)

Squeeze a small amount of EYE ointment into the eye. Rub in and around eye. Do NOT use PROTECTIVE ointment—which is different—in or around the eyes.

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GAS (MAY BE EITHER A GAS, LIQUID, OR SOLID)	HOW TO DETECT	PROTECTION AND FIRST AID
BLISTER GASES	**DETECTOR PAPER AND PAINT.**—Liquid gas changes paper and paint to red. **DETECTOR CRAYON.**—Pink crayon changes to blue or yellow. **ODOR.**—May smell like fish, garlic, or have no odor at all. **APPEARANCE.**—May be an oily liquid, usually dark-colored.	**PROTECTION.**—Gas mask and protective clothing. Against spray individual protective cover and eyeshields. **FIRST AID.**—***Speed is essential.*** **EYES.**—When immediately painful, apply eye ointment, BAL (M-1) and flush with water. If not painful, flush with water, but omit BAL. Irritant effects of BAL are ***not*** serious. **SKIN.**—Blot liquid off skin. Rub on protective ointment with fingers and remove. When large splashes of liquid are present, repeat this procedure. As soon as operations permit, wash remaining ointment off skin with soap and water.
CHOKING GASES	**ODOR.**—May have the odor of new mown hay or cut corn. **APPEARANCE.**—Usually invisible.	**PROTECTION.**—Gas mask. **FIRST AID.**—None, unless severe coughing or difficulty in breathing develops. Then keep quiet and warm.
BLOOD AND NERVE POISONS	**ODOR.**—May have the odor of bitter almonds or a biting odor. **APPEARANCE.**—Usually invisible.	**PROTECTION.**—Gas mask. **FIRST AID.**—Fresh air immediately. If conscious and breathing, no further treatment is necessary. (If breathing has stopped, use artificial respiration.)
VOMITING AND TEAR GASES	**ODOR.**—May have a light, agreeable odor, or no odor. **APPEARANCE.**—May be a dense yellow smoke.	**PROTECTION.**—Gas mask. **FIRST AID.**—Face wind. Don't rub eyes. Even if uncomfortable, carry on, as effects last but a short time. Note.—Tear or vomiting gases annoy but do not cause casualties.
SCREENING SMOKES	**ODOR.**—May have a biting or irritating odor. **APPEARANCE.**—Gray or white smoke.	**PROTECTION.**—Gas mask must be worn in enemy smoke. **FIRST AID.**—Keep affected area wet and remove particles. Liquid agent, if present on skin, should be flushed with water.
INCENDIARIES	are chemical warfare agents; since they may contain explosives, protection should be used while extinguishing them.	

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D-30 Follows Suit To Set All-Time Fitness Record

The As, Bs, Cs and Ds do run true to form—even in the record-smashing 30th Battalion.

A few weeks ago Battery A of that battalion topped records in the S-3 physical fitness tests with a grade of 95.3 per cent. Battery B soon tied the score, and then Battery C bettered it in scoring 96.3 per cent.

Battery D Follows Suit

This week Battery D was heard from. To improve on the scores of A, B and C batteries it was necessary for the men of Battery D to break the all-time physical fitness scores for the Center. This they did, with a 97.3 score.

The achievement was the occasion for a special commendation from the assistant to the Commanding General of the Center, Brig. Gen. Raymond E. Lee.

Successful Training Ended

In a letter to Capt. Louis W. Romigh, battery commander of D-30, General Lee wrote:

"A perfect performance in three events and average scores of 99.0, 88.8 and 98.5 in the remaining ones resulted in an average weighted score of 97.3, which is the highest mark ever made at this center.

"Please convey my congratulations to all your officers and non-commissioned officers who had a hand in this successful training of soldiers for the rigors of combat."

3 Unbeaten Teams Remain in League

The Replacement Center Basketball league, swirling into the fourth week of play at Dan T. Moore hall, has three undefeated teams atop the standings. The 33rd has won both its games, while the 32nd and 34th each have won a single contest.

In Wednesday's first tilt, the 26th Battalion ran up a total of 60 points, to swamp the opposing 31st, 60 to 33. In the course of this feud, which was rough and tumble, 32 personal fouls were called, 17 on the 31st and 15 on the 26th.

Pvt. Ray J. Barnett, E-26, looped in six field goals and a free throw for the winner's and the game's individual high tally.

The second game proved to be a closer scramble in points, with the 27th Battalion overcoming the 29th team, 26 to 20. High individual score was the nine points made by Pvt. Earl S. Williard, D-29, for the losers.

Here are the Center league standings:

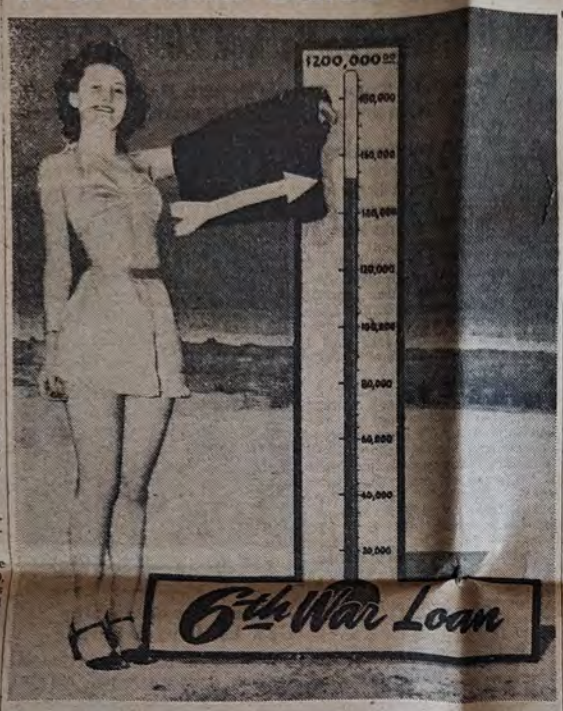
	W.	L.	Pct.
33rd Battalion	2	0	1.000
32nd Battalion	1	0	1.000
34th Battalion	1	0	1.000
28th Battalion	2	1	.666
26th Battalion	2	1	.666
27th Battalion	2	2	.500
29th Battalion	0	2	.000
31st Battalion	0	4	.000

Yank Jitterbug Joes Bewilder Swedes

Stockholm (CNS) — U. S. aviators interned in Sweden have introduced jitterbugging to Swedish girls.

"I assume," remarked a bystander after watching the gyrations, "that they get married aftewards."

War Bond Sales Total Soars To $163,751



Non-Purchasers Look Away, Puh-leeze!

War Bond sales reached $163,751 for the Center yesterday which sent the arrow high on THE RECORDER'S Bond sales thermometer. Miss Ernestine Farrow, 8th Regt. PX, before then was happy to lift the arrow, the editorial staff was happy that Miss Farrow was happy and happier that Bond sales were so high. A week remains in the 6th War Loan Drive. If you haven't bought a War Bond, don't look at the thermometer, puh-leeze!

8th Regt. Hits $89,247 as Purchases In Center More Than Double in Week

Rocketing to an unprecedented second-week total for the Replacement Center, the 6th War Loan sales totaled $163,751.35 yesterday, considerably more than double the $64,885 amount for the first week's run.

The 8th Regiment's latest returns figured up to $89,247.85; the 6th contributed to the tune of $28,788.00, and the 7th Regimental purchases came to $31,393.25. Sales in headquarters units of yesterday, totaled $14,322.

Many Factors In Increase

Whereas the second week of the 5th War Loan in June, which also covered a week of post payday time, netted $88,000, other factors may have influenced the rising bond sales, according to Center bond officers.

Buying bonds as Christmas presents is popular this month, as the records show. Furthermore, they said, the tempo of success of American and Allied offensives in the various war theaters may be contributory to increased purchasings of Uncle Sam's promise to pay.

Drive Ends Next Saturday

Another contributing factor, they added, in the increased tempo of bond buying is the threatened ammunition shortage.

The active drive in the Center will continue through Saturday, Dec. 16, and any War Bonds purchased during the month of December can be credited to the final total. Bonds bought elsewhere also may be added to the Center final total.

Lights Out—Where Were You? Apparently Everyone Had Good Time

(Picture On Page 3)

The Replacement Center was rocked by an electric shock of minor and humorous proportions Monday night when the area was shrouded in a "blackout" which was not preceded by a yellow and red alert.

The lights at first merely flickered but finally died altogether, and then wags had an impromptu chance to strut their stuff.

Bedlam followed the blackout in the various regimental Rec Halls. Spurious commands were given by loud-voiced individuals who masked their identity under cover of the darkness:

"Women and children first: There is no cause for panic!"

"The Zeros are coming, men, hit the foxholes!"

Too Much Night Training

One trainee was heard to lament: "This is carrying night training too far!"

When the tumult and the shouting died, men in the Rec Halls and club No. 6 held lighted matches with one hand and put finishing touches to their sugar reports with the pen hand.

One sergeant in Headquarters Battery huts had finished his evening meal and, like a good soldier, had hit the bunk for a bit of shut-eye. He failed to awaken when the lights went out so his hut-mates imitated the morning call from the "juke-box." "Hut No. 9, Hut No. 9; Time to get up!" The sergeant hut-leader awoke and figuring the time for action had arrived, attempted

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IT'S 23 DAYS TO PAYDAY

Have You Applied For Your National Service Life Insurance Yet?

Honesty is Best? Could Be, Mebbe

"The officer who loaned his fountain pen to a trainee in the Seventh Regiment PX about 1900,' December 44 may recover same by calling at this Headquarters."

Redlegs who read this notice in the daily memorandum Monday may have wondered what story was behind the terse announcement. Here it is:

A trainee, having need for a pen, borrowed one from a nearby officer. Before he finished using it, the officer left the building and was seen no more. The trainee made every reasonable efort to find the owner, without success. Then he turned it in to the Center adjutant.

A simple story, with an old moral: Honesty is the best policy. But there's one difference.

The pen still is at Headquarters uncalled-for.

AWOLS, Arrests At 2½-Year Low

That Center trainees were on their good behavior during November is shown in the monthly compilation of courts-martial and arrests published this week.

The report shows fewer AWOLs and arrests than for any month in the past two-and-one-half years. There were 68 arrests, 29 AWOL's, 32 courts-martial and 15 prisoners.

Arrests include men taken into custody by either civil or military authorities; AWOL's are men absent without leave; courts-martial are cases in which formal charges are preferred, and prisoners are tfiose who were tried under those charges, are sentenced and have their sentences approved.

Batteries contributing perfect "scores" to the excellent November showing were D-26, A-30, C-30, B-33, B-34, C-34 and D-34. These seven batteries had no AWOLS or arrests during the month.

Private Quits Center, Heads for Annapolis

By PVT. JOSEPH BECKER
Btry. B, 34th Bn.

Trainees, cadremen and officers of Battery B, 34th Battalion, turned out last week to bid farewell to Pvt. Mortimer J. Sullivan. After many interviews and examinations at the U. S. Naval Station in Oklahoma City, Private Sullivan was accepted into the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, as midshipman.

Two days after Battery Commander Capt. Ernest J. Ashbridge had signed Private Sullivan's honorable discharge—following the usual standard operating procedure—he was on his way back to New York.

Dod Code in Dose? You're Not Alone, So Sneeze Away

By A. S. A. KACHEW
Recorder Cold Editor

Colds have been as common as khaki-colored clothes recently, as winter weather combined with autumn as only Oklahoma can combine autumn and winter. This reporter decided to visit the dispensary for some tips to pass along to readers who may be willing to take an ounce of prevention.

The medic welcomed us with warmth and a sneeze. "Egscuse it," he apologized. "I seeb to be catching a bit of a code."

Subject Finding Made Easy

That led directly into the subject. Did he have any pointers for the trainees as to how they might avoid colds?

"Ad idderesiding quesdiod," he replied, sniffling. "The first big secred is to keep in good physical condition.

"Our figures show thad abong drainees id their first five weegs, ninety per cedt have colds. But abong the drainees who have beed here longer, the percentage drops."

We observed that this spoke well for the training program.

"Pardon My Sneeze?"

"Yes. A mad's resistance to the cobbon ailment builds up as he continues his physical draining." He sneezed again.

"Advise the bed (he meant men)" to wear proper clothig, especially at dight (night) or whed dot on duty. Avoid wearing wet socks or wet shoes. And stay physically fid. Avoid condact with beople who have codes.

"Report on sick call at the first sybtob, so dreatment bay be started ibbediately. We have ASA and pledactid dablets, cough syrup, and dose drops. These, with care id habits, drinking large quadidies of fluids, and eating fruid and vegetables, are urged."

Avoid People With Colds

"You caddot overemphasize," he concluded, sneezing again. "Avoid

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Dear Betty:

If you've been saving any of my back letters, would you mind sending them back to me?

No, the reason is not what you think. It's this way: It seems they are offering five days extra furlough to our noncoms for good suggestions on training. Seems like everytime I write I tell you about something that's wrong here, and how it could be improved. If I had those letters I might be able to pass some suggestions along to the sergeant and help him get those five extra days.

The way I figure it, anything I could do to get the sarge away from here for five extra days would be a good thing all around.

Love,
JOE

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INDIVIDUAL TRAINING OF A HIGHER ORDER THAN ANY ATTAINED HERETOFORE

St. Barbara's Wards Are Hard on Our Enemies

Special mass was held this week in honor of St. Barbara, patroness of the Field Artillery who has been recognized as the protector of Artillerymen for more than four centuries.

In the crowded 17-week training schedule, there is little time for anything but brief mention of St. Barbara. Modern training manuals ignore her completely. But she remains the patroness of Artillerymen, and each December 4 her day is observed.

Legends of St. Barbara vary, but one version says that her father cut off her head with a sword because she confessed herself to be a Christian. Immediately, the story goes, he was consumed by a blinding flash of lightning. That, according to Encylopedia Brittanica, was in 235 A. D.

Therefore, the legend tells us, St. Barbara became the patroness of fire, cannon and firearms. The Fort Sill Army News last week pointed out that one of the reasons ancient Artillerymen chose her was because in the early days cannon often blew up on discharge, and Artillerymen were liable to sudden death from the explosions of their own weapons.

An ancient Field Artillery manual advises that "upon introducing the ball into the barrel, the Artilleryman shall make the sign of the Cross on the mouth of the piece and plead St. Barbara's assistance."

A 16th Century field manual advises: "When you put your fire to the Artillery, cry out the name of the glorious martyr, Santa Barbara, protector of Artillerymen."

But whether you "make the sign of the Cross on the mouth of the piece" or "cry out Santa Barbara," when you fire a shell with our modern Artillery pieces, you can feel confident that you are going to land a mighty blow at the enemy.

In an Order of the Day recently, Premier Stalin hailed Soviet artillery as the "most important weapon in the defeat of the Germans." The high regard our Russian allies held for the artillery weapons can be seen in the fact that the order was issued as the Red army and Russia observed Artillery Day.

Field artillery is proving its value on all fighting fronts these days. Even the heretofore "all-inconclusive" Air Force flyers admit that they cannot pulverize the enemy alone; they now agree that their role in warfare is just a softening-up process with the Artillery and Infantry landing the final, telling blows.

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Cornering the Editor

Can you tell a story of 10 days with baby, plus travel time, in eight words?

It's easy.

"Have a nice furlough!"

A fortnight later:

"Have a nice furlough?"

Hungary Is Europe's Land of Paradoxes

Soviet forces are pounding at the approaches of Budapest, capital of Hungary—which is about the size of Indiana. It is surrounded by high mountains, but is almost entirely a low, flat, fertile plain. Following the First World War it lost its Adriatic coast and its fleet, but Admiral Nicholas Horthy still rules the country. Caught in the middle, Hungary became an ally of Germany in both World Wars—despite sympathies with the Allies.

Most Redlegs Believe In Shopping Early

Replacement Center Redlegs again demonstrated they offer a cross-section of all Yuletide shoppers in these broad United States. The question of the week: "Have you bought your wife or girl friend her Christmas present yet, and what are you buying?" Many Centermen explained that they had solved the present problem by the safe, sane and painless method of buying bonds in the 6th War Loan. From these the RECORDER'S Inquiring Reporter shied away because bonds are a good place to put money any old time. The quiz did prove that holiday mail again will be quite late this year because so many had given the matter no thought as yet. No especially bizarre gift suggestions turned up. But here's what they said:

Pvt. Edward H. Krusch, D-30—"When I get back to New Jersey on my furlough, my Christmas spirit gift will be an engagement ring. I'm just waiting to go home now."

Pvt. Jesse L. Simmons, Hq. Btry.—"I'm going to buy my girl a wrist watch. I think that's a most useful gift to give a woman."

Pvt. Cecil A. Thomas, D-26—"I haven't got any yet. Haven't had time to look around much yet."

Pvt. Henry C. Lack, jr., A-31—"I have not found anything yet but think I'll get a pass and go to Oklahoma City. You see I'm from Missouri."

Pvt. William C. Sneed, C-34—"I may be home to Lancaster, Pa., by then. I'm going to get a five pound box of candy. Don't laugh. There are five candy factories in Lancaster."

Pvt. Richard Keeley, C-29—"I'm a married man from the San Fernando Valley and can't line up any gifts until I see how the finances line up. Anyway I haven't been to town here yet."

Pvt. Rosario J. Morina, B-27—"My home is in New York City right near old Broadway. So I think I'll send my gal something nice in the Field Artillery jewelry line—if I can find anything along that line."

Pvt. John W. Buena, D-26—"Yes sir! A picture of myself; a compact; some souvenirs of Fort Sill, and several small items."

Pvt. Henry C. Sarrar, D-27—"Last night I bought the girl friend from my hometown, Chicago, a box of 'Evening in Paris,' her favorite perfume."

Soldier of the Week

Chute Packers Pay Dearly for Errors! Ask the Man Who Packed 2,000 of Them

Pvt. Kenneth K. Kirby, Battery D, 29th Battalion, admits that he was a trifle under age when he started in the parachute racket.

But let him tell the story:

"The silk always had a strange charm for me," he says, "even when I was a little kid. I am 18 now. I wangled myself a job as apprentice in the parachute department o. the Southern Aviation Training school, in my home town of Decatur, Ala. I held this job for three months during the summer vacation from school. This job was cleaning parachutes and stuff like that and I guess this was when the silk really got in my blood."

PVT. KENNETH K. KIRBY
. . . he always liked silk

Worked as Chute Rigger

"On Feb. 1, 1942, I got another job as parachute rigger at the Courtland Army Air Base which is a specialized bomber school. Here I ran into two men who had quite an influence on me. They were twins, Herbert and Robert Seabourne, formerly with the International Air circus and both had about 700 jumps to their credit. They had private planes. Herbert worked at Courtland as parachute expert and Robert as foreman mechanic."

Private Kirby continued: "During my spare time they taught me parachute fundamentals—how to fall, how to time your movement, how to land. After the first 100 feet, there is no sensation of falling because in this distance, the human body reaches its maximum speed—184 miles per hour. You feel as if floating on a cushion of air."

"All the 22 jumps I made were from 500 feet to 15,000. I had one close call in a delayed jump from 15,000; the chute fouled up around a leg and I came out of it at about 700 feet. During the fall I swore I'd be a good guy the rest of my life. All my jumps were 'free' and not 'static line' leaps."

No Place For Mistakes

"I've packed about 2,000 chutes. The Army allows you an hour but a good rigger can pack a silk in half an hour. You have to pack and jump five of your own chutes in the Army and it doesn't pay to make any mistakes."

"I suppose you've heard the old saying, 'If this parachute doesn't open, bring it back and we'll give you a good one.' Well, it's not quite that simple. If you pack a chute which kills a man through your carelessness, you commit a Federal offense and are liable to 20 years in a Federal prison and a fine of $10,000. In one case the rigger got off with the 20 years. This scares a lot of timid guys away from the parachute packing racket."

Service Group to Buy GI's Christmas Gifts

Washington (CNS)—The United Nations Service Center, 500 N. Capitol, Washington, D. C., has established a Christmas shopping service for GIs overseas and in the U. S.

Servicemen interested in this service have been asked to send their name and ASN to the center together with the name and address of the recipient of the gift, the first, second and third choice of gift, and a money order covering the cost of the present.

Why is it the things we like are either illegal—immoral—or fattening?

300 Germans Hide Behind Big Cigar

France (CNS)—Sgt. Herbert Brammer of Arlington, Texas, doesn't like Germans who smoke long black cigars. So when he saw one near Brest, he knocked the cigar out of the guy's mouth and scared 300 other Nazis into a quick surrender. The other Krauts were walking behind the cigar smoker when Brammer showed up.

RUSH PRESENT REQUEST

The industrialist asked his little daughter what she wanted for a birthday present. She answered, "I want a baby brother."

"But child," said the father, "there won't be time for anything like that. You'll be ten in two more weeks."

"That's all right, Daddy, you can put more men on the job."

Q. I'm only 4 foot 10 inches tall, 2 inches too short for the Army, but, due to an error by my induction center, I'm in the Army anyhow. I've been stationed at a reception center for 5 months, wearing a uniform that's 2 sizes too large for me, and doing little else, because the Army can't find anything for me to do. I want to know if I can get a discharge.

A Maybe you can. WD Cir 370 says that men now in the Army who can't meet the present physical standards for induction and who have no special Army assignment are eligible for discharge. Why not ask your CO about it?

Q. I'm a combat infantryman at present stationed with a non-combat outfit. I want to know if I'm going to lose my extra pay just because I'm no longer up front.

A According to WD Cir 408, 17 Oct 1944, a combat infantryman's extra pay does not stop when he leaves his combat unit unless he has lost his badge for failure "to perform satisfactorily in ground combat against the enemy."

"WILSON" TAKES TIME

"Wilson," the extra length technicolor film, will be screened once each evening in Theater No. 3 tomorrow and Sunday. Show time for the 2-hour and 34-minute presentation will be at 7:30 p. m. each evening. The film also will be shown at an afternoon matinee at Theater No. 3 at 1:30 p. m. Sunday.

The Wolf by Sansone

"Friend of yours?"

There Are Only 13 Shopping, Mailing, Packing Days Before Christmas!

The first tinges of Christmas spirit hit the Center this week, with the postoffice first to notice that it's time for Santa Claus to come to the aid of overworked postal employes. At left, Tec 4 Robert E. Collins, Hq., 8th Regt., has the "fun" of helping sort Yule packages at the postoffice. Wrapping services—free of charge to soldiers—have been opened at the Emerson school in Lawton, sponsored by all Lawton USO's, while the Masonic Service Center will offer a similar service in the 8th Regiment's Rec Hall No. 1, starting Sunday. Accepting a package from S-Sgt. Jay Joystrup, Hq. Btry., is Mrs. W. L. Cloud. And at right Mrs. D. R. Michaels helps Pvt. Dusty Cashell, B-34, select a doll—which reminds that only 13 days remain for shopping.

Get The Chevron Polish

THIS WEEK'S PROMOTIONS

To Technical Sergeant
Harold E. McGraw

To Staff Sergeant
William E. Burkhart

To Sergeant
Charles C. Keene
Daniel B. W. Alexander
Gordon E. O'Keefe
John Karnish
Prentis E. Jones

To Technician 4th Grade
Albert M. Erickson
Roma Pharris

To Corporal
Robert H. Bonvechio
Frederick G. Koury
Derwood S. Loar
Lyle J. Menzell

To Technician 5th Grade
Philip Gress
Lester Doley
Charles H. Orr
Paul R. Rennels
DeFoe F. Yearton
Frederick G. Bachman
Roy Estridge
Bert R. York
Thomas F. Chapman
Johnnie E. Smith
Arthur H. Hilaire

To Private First Class
Jack T. Cardwell, Hal M. Quick, Robert P. Stewart, Herman Merson, Reginald C. Choate, John J. Minsky and Averill D. Keith.

19 Tie On Arm Bands In 34th Battalion

The 34th Battalion appointed 19 acting corporals this week. They are Pvts. Gordon E. Dorris, Walter H. Nelson, David G. Roberts, Thomas C. Crosnoe, Frank E. Hansen, Dwight A. Landreth, Allan B. Miller, Lee A. Moore, Arthur L. Reser and Lawrence J. Shrigley, Battery D, 34th Battalion; Pvts. Truman Harsha, jr., Roy W. Morler, Edward W. Wright, Tomio Miyawaki, Max M. Peet, Laurence E. Stratton, Leo H. Lemaire and Donald G. Wilson, E-34, and Pvt. George L. Rowland, C-34.

U. S. Women Grow Younger In Decade

Chicago (CNS)—The youthful beauty of the American woman lasts longer now than it did ten years ago, says Dr. Alexander Ward, dermatologist. According to Dr. Ward's statistics, the average age of the applicants for face-lifting today is 45. Ten years ago it was 38.

We'll Take Vanilla

Pacific (CNS)—The Quartermaster Corps now is shipping a lightweight, portable ice cream making outfit, which will produce 40 gallons of ice cream in 8 hours, to all theaters of operation in the Pacific. A tasty ice cream mix, to which only water need be added, is shipped with the mixer.

Visitor: "I'd like to speak with somebody at this camp with a little authority."

Private: "Maybe I can help you, I've got about as little authority as anyone."

Santa's Helpers at Work; First Yule Trees Budding

Santa Claus' helpers are going to work for Replacement Center men. And within the week, the first Christmas trees will bloom in the Center.

Batteries are making plans for the annual decorating of mess halls, as is Service Club No. 6 and the library there.

The Center postoffice needs no advance notice that there are only a dozen shopping days until Christmas—for its rush has started. Sunday, the postoffice will go on the annual holiday schedule so to give Center personnel every opportunity to care for their postal needs during the Christmas season.

Schedule for Window Service

The postoffice window service—for sale of stamps, cashing of money orders, mailing of packages, etc. will be [illegible] Dec 24:

Daily except Sundays—Noon to 9 p. m.

Sundays—10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Registered and insured mail may be called for from 8 p. m. to closing time each day.

Free package wrapping service for all Center men will be available in the 8th Regiment's Rec Hall No. 1, which adjoins the postoffice. Operated by the Masonic Service Center of Lawton, the wrapping service will be available from 6 p. m. to 9:30 daily, starting Sunday and continuing through Dec. 19.

No charge for Wrapping

The wrapping service—complete with colored ribbons, tissue and stickers—will be free of all charges. All members of this command are invited to make use of the service.

The telephone company also will make special considerations for the holiday season. Sunday and night rates on long distance calls will go into effect at 6 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 23, and continue until 4:30 a. m. Tuesday.

In announcing the Christmas week-end rates, the telephone company urged that men make use of the FARTC Telephone Center, located on B street just west of the Center flagpole area. Girls will be on duty to handle the calls. Company officials said much quicker service will be possible at the building than through telephones in PXs and the Service Club.

Early Birds To Do Best

"Since the special rates go into effect Saturday night, men are urged to place their long distance calls as early as possible," the company added. "Calls placed after noon on Christmas Day may not get through," it was said.

For shoppers, the Center Post Exchanges expect an increase of suitable gifts within the next few days. And for those who cannot get downtown during the day, stores in Lawton will start staying open nights on Dec. 18.

For those authorized to make purchases at the Fort Sill Quartermaster Sales commissary, turkeys probably will be available about Dec. 15. The Commissary also announced that soldiers can pick up pasteboard boxes for gift mailing about 2:30 p. m. daily at the Sales Commissary store on Macomb road. The boxes are free.

Turn Your Checks Into Ready Cash!

Because it's a common problem and one that is accented by the fact that many men will be receiving money as Christmas gifts, THE RECORDER yesterday made a survey of check and money order cashing facilities on the post.

Checks and all but postal money orders can be cashed at the Post Exchanges. *If they are no higher than $5. Postal money orders up to any amount (the top for any one money order is $100) can be cashed at the Center postoffice.*

Checks—whether for 1-cent or $5—must be signed by the battery commander of the soldier's battery before the PX's will accept them. And in no event, can checks over $5 be cashed.

Written identification — such as class A passes, drivers' permits or pay books—must be presented at either the PX or the postoffice.

Checks may be cashed at the Fort Sill branch of the City National bank, in the main PX, but since it closes at 5:45 p. m. daily not all Center men can make use of this service.

In Lawton, business houses have their own rules about cashing checks and money orders.

GILDING THE LILY

A blushing young woman handed the telegraph clerk a message to a soldier containing only his name, military address and one word, "Yes."

"You can send five more words for the same price, you know," said the helpful clerk.

"I know I can," she replied, "but don't you think I'd look too eager if I said it six times?"

"Where's the . . . ?"

All lights in the Center went out for 33 minutes Monday night. Even THE RECORDER'S resourceful photograhper couldn't light up this scene in the latrine of Battery A, 31st Battalion.

Lines of Sight

By S-SGT. GILBERT R. PALEN
Hq. Btry.

COLD NIGHT ON POST 99

I've learned my orders;
I know my post's borders;
As a guard I'm in the groove,
But if I see a ghost
As I walk my post
I'll be too stiff to move.

The going's tough,
For it's cold enough
To freeze the oil in a jeep.
My ears are numb;
I can't chew my gum;
What I'd give for a bit of sleep!

As I wait, I beef
At that next relief—
Twelve minutes overdue!
I'll stand my ground
'Til he comes around,
Then I'll beat him black-&-blue!

Then I'll call the OD,
And tell him on me,
And take a warm vacation.
And I'll laugh with glee
At the guy who guards me
As I munch my prisoner's ration.

Jewish Feast of Lights Marks Guerrilla War

Chanukah or the Feast of Lights will be observed by Center Jewish personnel, beginning Sunday evening. There will be an entertainment and buffet supper, at the American Legion Hut, 7th and E Streets, in Lawton, at 7:30 p. m. Sunday. A special candlelight service will be held in New Post Chapel Tuesday at 8:30 p. m.

The ceremony observed by the lighting of candles for eight successive nights in Jewish homes commemorates a guerrilla war in 165 B. C. when the Jews in Palestine were rallied to throw off their powerful Syrian conquerors, and the Syrians had sought to paganize the culture and religion of the people.

New CO In 31st

After 17 months as executive of the 31st Battalion, Maj. Louis A. Hoch last week became commanding officer of the 30th Battalion. He succeeds Lt. Col. William D. Hawkins.

Discharge Types Now Being Given Listed, Clarified

As a guide to unit commanders, Center Headquarters this week published a memorandum clarifying types of discharges being given by the Army now.

Several of the types are self-explanatory, while others have detailed requirements, as listed in Army Regulations 615-369.

Full Descriptions Given

As listed in the memorandum, discharges for enlisted personnel are described as follows:

Certificate of disability for discharge (CDD)—An enlisted man is eligible for CDD when his physical condition is such that he would be precluded from doing a reasonable day's work on any duty in the Army.

Minority—An enlisted man is eligible for a minority discharge if he is under the age of 18, upon the application of either parent or guardian.

Dependency — According to AR 615-632 "granted only when the necessity therefor is extreme."

Former key men in industry—Employer must request the release of any enlisted man deemed essential to industry through the Adjutant General, but no consideration will be given to a request for the release of a soldier by reason of being a former key man in industry who is receiving basic training in a Replacement Training Center.

Below Induction Standards

Class "D" personnel — Enlisted men are eligible as Class "D" personnel if they are below the minimum physical standards for induction as prescribed by MR 1-9 and if there is no assignment available in this command.

Convenience of government—National health, safety and interest, or erroneous induction.

Fraudulent enlistment, desertion and conviction by civil Court — Self-explanatory; no action is required of battery commanders. manders.

Afflictions Now Omitted

Inaptness, Lack of Required Degree of Adaptability—Self-Explanatory.

In Washington, it's just been announced that soldiers who get CDD's will be able to keep their physical afflictions a secret. Under a new War Department ruling, a discharged person whose discharge contains detrimental remarks about his physical condition may return it to the Adjutant General in Washington and receive the new form, according to Camp Newspaper Service.

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condact with people who have codes."

The reporter stopped on the way out for ASA and phenacetin tablets, cough drops and nose drops. Not that he intends to violate any of the bits of advice the doctor urges on the "drainees." But in this work, it's not always possible to avoid contact with people who have colds.

Lines to a Boy in Service

YOU know, dear, there's no one but you,
Nor ever will there be.
But do you mind, since you're away,
Other boys date me?

You know, of course, they leave me cold.
I'm no one else's gal.
But really, dates, just now and then,
Will keep up my morale!

I'll miss you while I pretty up
To meet them, but the fact is
When you come back, you wouldn't want
To have me out of practice!

—SHERRY PANCOAST.

From Jacquie while at Fort Sill.

ALLISON L. RIDER
&
Dick Lynn

RICHARD L. LYNN

YOUR JAMBOREE AT EIGHT PRESENTS

* * * * * * * * * * * * * THE FORT SILL HALL OF FAME * * * * * * * * * * * *

PVT JACK BREMBECK, D-34--Director

PVT J. J. McCANN, D-34--Announcer

PVT ALBERT TERRI, A-34--Dramatic Star

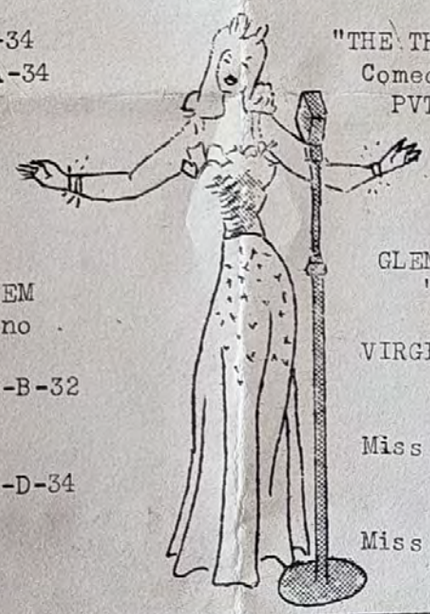
PVT MARTIN HUICK--A-34
PVT SHELDON EAKER--A-34
In the Cast

CARMEN McCHRISTIAN
Lawton's Junior Hi
Singing Star

DOROTHY ROHEM
At the Piano

CPL HENRY AULTMAN--B-32
Baritone

PVT FRANK VIVEROS--D-34
Tap Dancer



"THE THREE BARRACKS BAGS"
Comedy Skit Featuring
PVT DONALD LE MAY
PVT LEE CROSLEY
PVT GEORGE W. WAGNER
D-34

GLEN KIRST and the C-34
"Studio" Orchestra

VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF THE DANCE
Presents

Miss Marcia Dale-
Oriental Dance

Miss Shirley Weidman-
Fast Tap

TIME	DAY	DATE	PLACE
8:00 PM	WEDNESDAY	27 SEPT '44	REC HALL #2

POSTS OF CANNONEERS
105MM HOWITZER
MARCH ORDER

GUNNER:
1. Removes left trail lock pin; places piece in center of traverse.
2. Covers bubbles and sets all readings on telescope at zero.
3. Replaces telescope in case.
4. Replaces breech cover.
5. Takes post.

NO. 1 CANNONEER:
1. Removes right trail lock pin, operates elevating handwheel.
2. Inspects chamber to see that piece is unloaded.
3. Closes breech and covers bubbles.
4. Replaces breech cover.
5. Takes post.

NO. 2 CANNONEER:
1. Closes left trail.
2. Disassembles rammer staff.
3. Secures rammer staff to trail.
4. Takes post.

NO. 3 CANNONEER:
1. Closes right trail.
2. Locks draw bar in traveling position.
3. Prepares ammunition and tools.
4. Takes post.

NO. 4 CANNONEER:
1. Places cradle lock and left axle lock in traveling position, calls "close"
2. Replaces muzzle cover.
3. Raises and locks left shield.
4. Takes post.

NO. 5 CANNONEER:
1. Places right axle in traveling position.
2. Replaces muzzle cover.
3. Fastens aiming posts to trail.
4. Takes post.

NO. 6 CANNONEER:
1. Closes left trail.
2. Locks trail lock.
3. Places trail handspike in traveling position.
4. Prepares section chest.
5. Takes post.

NO. 7 CANNONEER:
1. Closes right trail.
2. Locks trail lock.
3. Prepares ammunition and tools.
4. Prepares section chest.
5. Takes post.

A T T E N T I O N

EVERY SOLDIER SHOULD LEARN AND BE ABLE TO REPEAT THE FOLLOWING RULES FOR ASSUMING THE POSITION OF ATTENTION

MY POSITION AS A SOLDIER

1. Place my heels together and on the same line.

2. My feet tunred out equally, forming an angle of 45 degrees.

3. K eep m knees straight without stiffness.

4. Keep my hips level and drawn back slightly, my chest up and shoulders back.

5. Keep my arms hanging straight down without stiffness, thumbs along the seams of my trousers, backs of my hands out, fingers held naturally.

6. Keep my head erect my chin in and my head and eyes always to the front.

7. The weight of my body resting equally on the heels and balls of my feet.

COMPUTERS RECORD

BATTERY _____ DATE _____ CONCENTRATION NO _____

NOTES:

FIRE COMMANDS	COMPUTATIONS
BATTERY ADJUST----------	
SHELL----------	
CHARGE----------	
FUSE----------	

BASE DEFLECTION----------	
CH. NO. 1 OPEN----------	
SITE----------	
BATTERY----------	
QUADRANT(EL)----------	
SUBSEQUENT COMMANDS	

BATTERY [illegible] RECORD*

	PROJECTILE [illegible]					
[illegible]						
[illegible]						
[illegible]						
[illegible]						
[illegible]						

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*COMPLETE ENTRIES FOLLOWING EACH MISSION REQUIRED.

COMPUTER'S RECORD

BATTERY..... DATE..... CONCENTRATION NO.....

NOTES:

FIRE COMMANDS	COMPUTATIONS
BATTERY ADJUST	
SHELL.....	
CHARGE.....	
FUZE.....	
CORRECTOR.....	
TIME.....	
BASE DEFLECTION.....	
ON NO. 1 OPEN.....	
SITE.....	
BATTERY.....	
ELEVATION.....	
SUBSEQUENT COMMANDS	

BATTERY AMMUNITION RECORD*

	PROJECTILE AND CHARGE				FUZE		
Brought Fwd.							
Received							
SUBTOTAL							
Used							
ON HAND							

*COMPLETE ENTRIES FOLLOWING EACH MISSION NOT REQUIRED.

DATA SHEET

MAP DATA — ALT. OF BATTERY .....

COMMANDS — BATTERY .....

BN. NO.	COORDI-NATES	TIME		RANGE	MEASURED SHIFT	ALT. YDS	SITE	PROJ.	CHG.	FUZE	BD	ON No. 1 OPEN	SITE	M.F.	ZONE	ELEV. OR QUAD.ELEV.	LATEST CORRECTIONS		REMARKS
		FROM	TO	ELEVATION	SHIFT TO CENTER SHEAF	DIFF. IN ALT.											DF.	RN.	

REPRODUCTION DEPT. GCED

PROGRAM OF EVENTS
DEMONSTRATION EIGHTH TRAINING REGIMENT
HAND GRENADES, ANTI-TANK MINES AND BOOBY-TRAPS
EIGHTH WEEK TRAINEES

SATURDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 1944

TIME : 0900 - 1100
PLACE : CENTER MINE AREA

HAND GRENADES, CHEMICAL

1. Thermate Grenade (TH), M-14. an incendiary material composed of thermit and other ingredients which, upon igniting, developes a temperature of 5,000° Farhrenhite. Grenades filled with Thermit are used to melt together movable metal parts, and against materials hard to ignite. Contains a Two (2) second delay Fuze which ignites grenade and burns for 30 seconds or longer. Color identification grenade painted a Blue-grey all markings in Purple.

2. White Phosporus Grenade (WP), M-15. upon igniting and contact with air, White Phosphorus burns to a white smoke. Grenades filled with White Phosphorus are effective agents for screening small unit operations. Also can be used as an incendiary; the burning particles of Phosphorus scatter in a radius of 25 yards and will cause casulties and have a harassing effect on the enemy. Contains a 4½ second delay fuze which detonates Grenade and burns for approximately 30 seconds. This is a bursting grenade and must be thrown in the same manner as the fragmentation grenade, Mk II. Color identification-grenade painted a Blue-grey all markings in Yellow.

3. Colored Smoke Grenades, M-16, M-18. This is a mixture of sulphur, potassium chlorate, sodium bicarbonate, and dye to produce the color desired. This Grenade is issued in seven colors, Black, Blue, Green, Orange, Red, Violet and Yellow. Colored smokes are used as signals for air-ground and ground-to-ground communications. Contains a 2-second delay fuze which ignites grenade. M-16 burns for 2½ minutes and the M-18 for 1-minute. Color identification-grenade painted a Blue-grey and all markings in Yellow but the colored smoke the grenade contains. Top of Grenade also painted the same color of the smoke content.

ANTI-TANK MINES AND BOOBY-TRAPS

1. Preparation of demolition and Booby-Trap charges using, Safety Fuze, non-electric blasting caps, Detonating cord and a 1-quarter pound charge of Nitro-Starch.

2. Detonation of a six (6) pound charge of (TNT) Trinitrotuelene representing the charge of an anti-tank mine, M1 or M1A1.

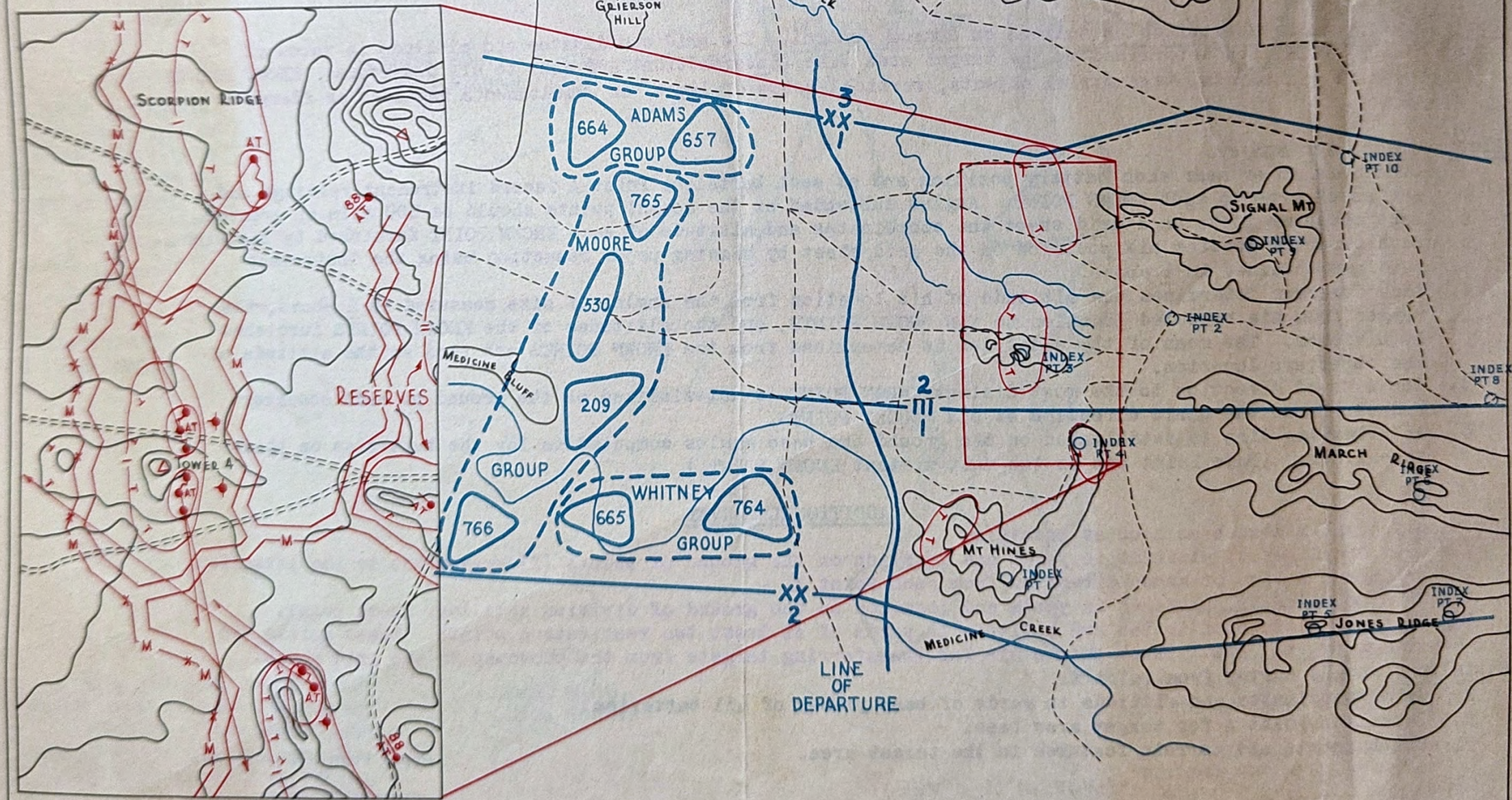
3. Detonation of a Twelve (12) pound charge of (TNT) Trinitrotuelene representing the charge of a German Teller Mine, Z-35.

4. Detonating cord net (Prima Cord Net), using 200-Feet of detonating cord and 5-pounds of Nitro-Starch. This net can be used very effectively when breeching a lane through a mine field with speed when secrecy is not required.

FIGURE 2

NOTE: THIS MAP HAS BEEN PRINTED SO THAT IT CAN BE CONVENIENTLY READ AFTER BEING ORIENTED.

Example of how a German defense might be organized around Tower 4 ridge. Forward slopes are lightly held by individual "fire points" containing light machine guns and riflemen. Reverse slopes are manned by heavy machine guns and antitank guns, sited to fire in front of adjacent forward slopes.



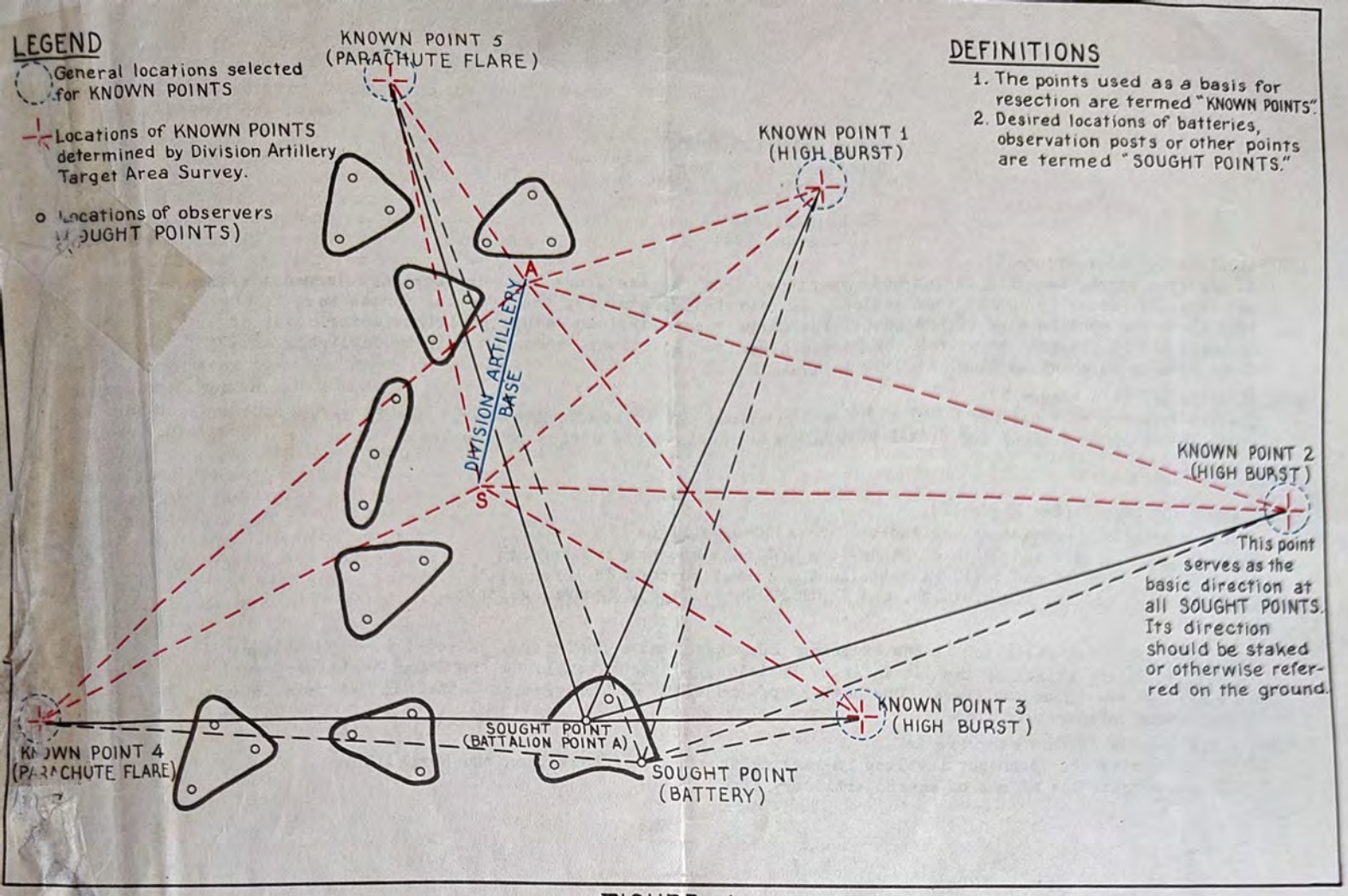


FIGURE 1

ESSENTIAL SURVEY

Blue: Control determined or assumed by Division from which to initiate its survey. This control consists of coordinates, altitude and ground location of one point (A) and azimuth to another intervisible point (S), both of which can be occupied and used as a target area base. All KNOWN POINTS must be visible from A and S, and the angle of intersection must be at least 150 mils. Minimum accuracy for length of base 1 yard in 1000 yards.

Red: Division survey to place battalions on common control. The grid coordinates and altitude in yards of each KNOWN POINT are determined by the target area base (intersection) and sent to all observers. KNOWN POINTS may be high air bursts, terrestrial objects, vertical beams of light, or simultaneous readings on flares or airplanes.

Black: Battalion survey.

1. Observers at or near each battery position and at each battalion Point A record instrument readings and angles of site to each KNOWN POINT. Angles subtended at the sought points should be 300 mils or greater.
2. Each observer plots on a grid sheet the coordinates and altitude of each KNOWN POINT furnished by Division.
3. Each observer locates his position on the grid sheet by tracing paper resection using the instrument readings obtained in 1 above.
4. Each observer determines the altitude of his location from the angles of site measured in 1 above, the ranges from his resected location to the KNOWN POINTS, and the altitudes of the KNOWN POINTS furnished by Division. The mean of the altitudes as determined from the KNOWN POINTS are used as the altitude of the observers location.
5. The line of direction to the most distant KNOWN POINT is materialized on the ground by each observer and serves as the basic direction at all SOUGHT POINTS.
6. An orienting line is established on the ground and base angles computed to lay the batteries on their base lines. (Base Point can be the most distant KNOWN POINT.)

ADDITIONAL SURVEY

Division should establish as soon as possible:

1. Grid coordinates, altitude in yards and location on the ground of points (X) convenient to the battalion areas and a line of known direction from each Point X.
2. Grid coordinates, altitude in yards and location on the ground of division artillery check point.
3. Grid and photo coordinates and altitude in yards of at least two restitution points. These points are termed R1, R2, etc. These points are for transferring targets from the photomap to the grid sheet.

Battalions should survey from Point X:

1. Grid coordinates and altitude in yards of base pieces of all batteries.
2. Battalion Point A for target area base.
3. Check points and terrain features in the target area.

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LAY BATTERY BY COMPASS

1. Substract announced Ca from declination constant (adding 6400 ₥ if necessary)
2. Set off resultant figure on A.C. w/UM. (Use only the upper set of figures on the lower motion)
3. Center needle w/LM. (Center carefully & exactly) The 0-3200 line on the A.C. is now in the direction of the announced Ca.)
4. Command "Aiming point this instr." Turn to panoramic sight on each gun w/UM & command "Deflection No. 1 --, No. 2 --, etc. (Deflection to gun cannot be over 3200 ₥, therefore read index on A.C. which will give reading of less than 3200 ₥). After gunner has set off deflection on the panoramic sight, given him, and has layed on the A.C., he will say, "No. _____ ready for recheck". The executive will again sight on the panoramic sight & give the gunner a recheck on the deflection. The gunner will repeat & then report the number of mils that the new deflection differs from the original. This rechecking continues until the difference is zero mils. (change in deflection is caused by shifting of the trail or traversing the gun). After the battery has been layed the executive will command "Aiming point, so and so. Refer."

MEASURE ADJUSTED COMPASS

1. Command "Aiming point, this instr. No., measure the deflection."
2. Place 0-3200 line is approx. direction of fire and then set off deflection announced by gunner w/UM/.
3. Turn to panoramic sight w/LM (0-3200 line is now parallel to tube on gun).
4. Center needle w/UM.
5. Subtract reading on A.C. from the declination constant (adding 6400 ₥ if necessary). The resultant figure is the adjusted compass. Report to OP as Adj. Ca_____

CCBP8 PANEL EFFECT

NUMERALS.

1.

2.

3. 1 Panel 1 Panel

4. 60°

5.

6.

7.

8.

9.

0.

SPECIAL SIGNS.

FLASH INDEX
Appears above numerals*
1 to 3 panel lengths

MEANS -
Top of Display
Ready to Read
Read as Code

LETTER INDICATOR
Appears above Flash Index
1/2 Panel Length

MEANS -
Read as letter

NUMERAL INDICATOR
Appears above Flash Index
1/2 Panel Length

MEANS -
Read as Number

120° 120° 120°

IN THIS DIRECTION
1 Panel Length
Between Panels

90°

WIND DIRECTION

wind

PICK UP MESSAGE
1 Panel Length
Between Panels

DROPPED MESSAGE
NOT FOUND

HOSTILE AIRCRAFT
NEAR YOU

"B" Indicates Base Panels. Base Panels appear above each other in a straight line.

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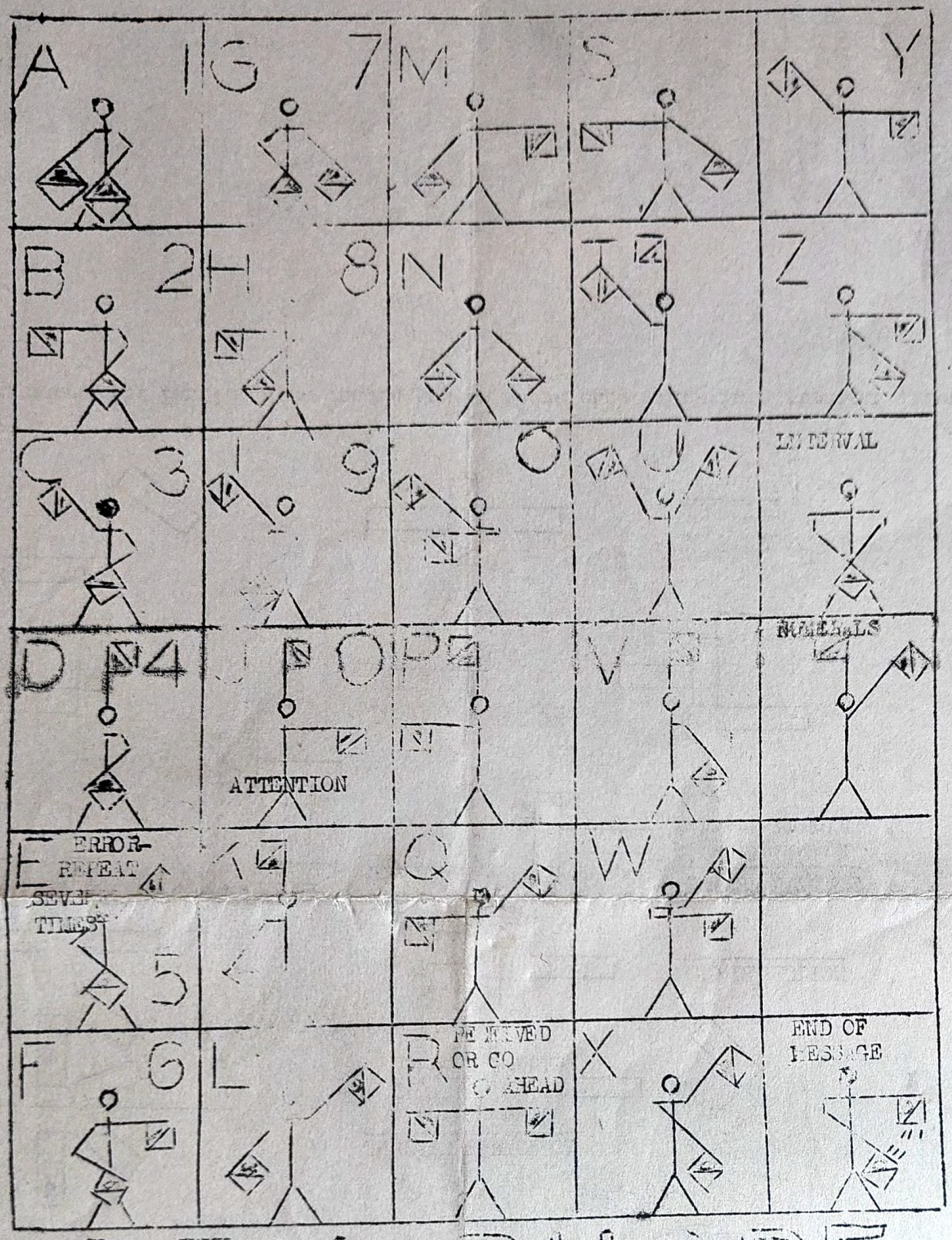

SEMAPHORE CODE

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LIST OF QUESTIONS FOR EXAMINATION

1. What is the first responsibility of the driver of a disabled vehicle after he stops?

   A. To signal following vehicles "Pass and keep going."

2. What are the duties of the assistant driver?

   A. To be constantly on the alert for column signals and warnings, and for signs placed along the road, transmitting them back along the column when appropriate and warning the driver. Assistant driver should constantly assure himself that the driver is awake. At halts he assists the driver in inspecting the vehicle.

3. Where do heavy vehicles normally march?

   A. At head of column. If leading vehicle is a light one, it regulates its speed on heavy vehicles.

4. What are the duties of markers?

   A. Route markers ensure proper direction of the column. Once posted, they will not leave their posts. They are posted in pairs. One man marks the route, the other takes up a concealed position to cover him.

5. Where should vehicles be at a halt?

   A. Pulled well off the right side of the road.

6. To whom are messages delivered?

   A. To message center.

7. Are truck covers furled or unfurled on tactical march?

   A. Furled, whenever air attack is possible.

8. On the march, what precautions are taken against attack?

   A. While marching: Within each vehicle, one rifleman will observe to the front and right, one to rear and left. They will give the alarm upon the approach of hostile aircraft, vehicles or foot troops. Each mounted machine gun will be manned. Sentinels are relieved every 15 minutes.

   At halts: Each section, or comparable unit, will immediately send out a sentinel, well out to each flank. Machine guns remain manned. Air sentinels remain alert.

   If no advance or rear guards are provided from other arms, field artillery will provide its own.

9. What is the minimum distance between parked vehicles?

   A. Fifty yards.

10. What is the rule about parking near cross roads?

    A. No vehicles will park less than 100 yards from any cross road or road junction.

11. What are the regulations concerning saluting in the field?

    A. An organization or detachment is not brought to attention when in the field under campaign or simulated campaign conditions except for purposes of inspection. Individuals salute except when the rendition of the salute is obviously inappropriate.

Their presence will be immediately reported to the commander of the unit. Any persons discovering a mine field will post a guard to warn friendly units.

What action is taken by a column under air attack?

A. Troops open fire against aircraft only on command. Foot troops and motor columns halt, disperse and seek cover.

During darkness, if illuminated by flares but not attacked, what are the orders about marching and movement?

A. During darkness, if illuminated by flares but not attacked, troops moving along roads will continue the march; troops moving across country will stop and remain immobile while illuminated.

15. Who provides security?

A. Every commander is responsible at all times for the security of his own unit.

What are battalion or battery OPs for?

A. Battalion and battery OPs are for conduct of registration, surveillance of fires and for intelligence and security. They should be located to give a wider and deeper field of view than the FOP.

What are they manned by and what do they do?

A. By parties of not less than three men, two of whom observe while the third operates the communications. When necessary to make written report, one observer acts as recorder.

How often are they relieved?

A. Entire party should be relieved every forty-eight hours.

19. What records are made and forwarded by the senior observer?

A. Overlay showing location of OP, visible areas, and areas defiladed from observation will be made and sent to unit commander. A panoramic sketch will be made showing prominent features, base point, check points, and important targets. A record will be kept of adjusted date.

20. What reports does observer make and to whom?

A. While observing, observer will report what he sees directly to battalion FDC or battery commander, including the following: Nature of enemy activity observed and location; number of units; direction and speed of movement; whether or not he desires fire on the target. He will report only what he sees, not what he infers or deduces.

21. What is the difference between reconnaissance and security?

22. How are trucks and prime movers headed in bivouac?

A. Outward.

23. Who coordinates observation within the battalion?

A. Battalion commander; by assigning zones of observation, so that entire zone is observed by one or more agencies and OPs are properly distributed.

24. (a) (1) When batteries go into position, who is responsible for pacing distances from gun positions to key points? (2) Who knows these ranges?

A. (1) Chiefs of section. (2) Every man in the section.

(b) What is maximum range for howitzers opening fire at mechanized targets.

A. 800 Yards.

25. About what distance from battery are rocket launchers posted?

A. 100 to 400 yards from the battery.

6. Where are MGs posted and what is their field of fire?

A. Three MGs around battery position, one at truck park, from 75 to 200 yards away, located for all around fire and camouflaged.

7. How are sentinels posted and employed?

A. In pairs and in concealment, one covering the other.

28. What information is given them when they are posted?

A. Direction and probable approach of enemy, sector required to watch, location of nearest security detachments and how to communicate with them, means of signalling, instructions concerning challenging.

29. What is a security patrol and how is it employed?

A. A patrol used to maintain contact between sentinel posts and to reconnoitre areas not previously occupied. Each will have a patrol leader and will provide a point, flank protection and a getaway man. They will operate with concealment and stealth.

30. When a prisoner is captured in a battery, what action is taken?

A. Keep prisoner under guard, search him and report his capture and information obtained at once. Prisoners will be turned over to battalion as soon as possible.

31. Outline security measures to be taken in battalion bivouac or rendezvous?

A. Battalion will coordinate defenses of batteries to ensure perimeter defense. Senior officer in each battery area will coordinate all battery defenses, assigning defense sectors to each section. Each chief of section will send out one sentinel in his sector to observe until normal security is established. Chiefs of section will designate two additional men to be immediately available for security.

32. How is security of reconnaissance parties, wire laying parties and survey parties ensured?

A. Following patrol principles, avoid combat, move quietely and under cover.

33. How is security of OPs, liaison parties and FO parties ensured?

A. Hide and keep dispersed. Camouflage instruments, maps and papers. Dig in.

34. When do battery commanders select alternate positions?

A. Always.

35. What precautions must be taken at obstacles or defiles?

A. Prevent column closing up. Post patrols with MGs on covering heights.

36. When do anti-aircraft weapons fire?

A. Whenever attacked; otherwise, on Officer's order.

37. Who is responsible for the enforcement of orders?

A. All officers and noncommissioned officers at all times.

38. When a truck goes into the shop, what does the driver do?

A. Goes with truck and assists in its repair.

39. How and when are agents sent to higher headquarters?

A. Automatically and as soon as their unit is bivouacked or in position.

. When is reconnaissance made?

A. Reconnaissance is continuous.

. When do officers and noncommissioned officers make notes?

A. At every conference they attend.

. What ammunition is always unloaded at battery positions?

A. 12 rds. HW-AT and 12 rds, HE.

3. When is 1st echelon maintenance completed?

A. Never.

4. Why are recruits mess kits inspected before mess?

A. To make sure they are clean.

5. What is the meaning of liaison?

A. Personal contact.

6. How deep must (a) a garbage pit be? (b) A straddle trench latrine? (c) A fox hole? (d) A Field Artillery special trench? (e) What depth below surface protects against a tank?

A. (a) Room for all garbage and 1 foot of dirt on top. (b) 24 inches. (c) 4 to 5 feet. (d) 3 to 5 feet. (e) 2 feet.

7. Give two reasons for making a thorough inspection of a bivouac area before leaving it.

A. (a) To see that nothing is left behind. (b) To leave it in a sanitary condition.

8. What is the only information a prisoner is required to give?

A. Name, serial number, and rank.

9. What is the first duty of a soldier in the field?

A. To keep his weapons clean and ready for use.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR EXAMINATION

50. What does the driver or assistant driver use as a check list in the performance of his 1st Echelon Maintenance?

A. The items listed on the back side of his trip ticket.

51. Who is responsible within the howitzer section that motor maintenance and the inspections are carried out?

A. Chief of Section.

52. In a tactical situation, why are windshields and headlights habitually covered?

A. To prevent sun or glare reflections from being observed by the enemy.

53. What does the black and yellow traction marking on the bumper of all vehicles mean?

A. The numerator is the weight class of the combination of prime mover and towed load, while the denominator is the weight class of the prime mover alone.

54. What water is considered safe to drink in the field? What are the three (3) methods of purifying water in the field?

A. No water is safe to drink except that obtained from approved sources. Three methods of purifying are (1) boiling, (2) chlorinating, and (3) Halazone tablets.

55. What standards of cleanliness are maintained in the field?

A. Same as garrison; bathe, shave, and brush teeth daily. You can do this on one canteen of water.

56. What is the difference between cover and concealment?

A. Cover is the maximum protection against shell fragments and small arms fire. Concealment is blending into the terrain so that an individual can see into the hostile area without being seen. The ideal is to have both.

57. Who keeps the records on the number of rounds fired by each piece?

A. Chief of Section.

58. What is considered a normal battery front in present day war?

A. Minimum of 180 yards with pieces staggered.

59. Are mess lines formed under battle conditions?

A. No. Men infiltrate in 2's and 3's back to the mess truck, get their food and go back to foxholes to eat.

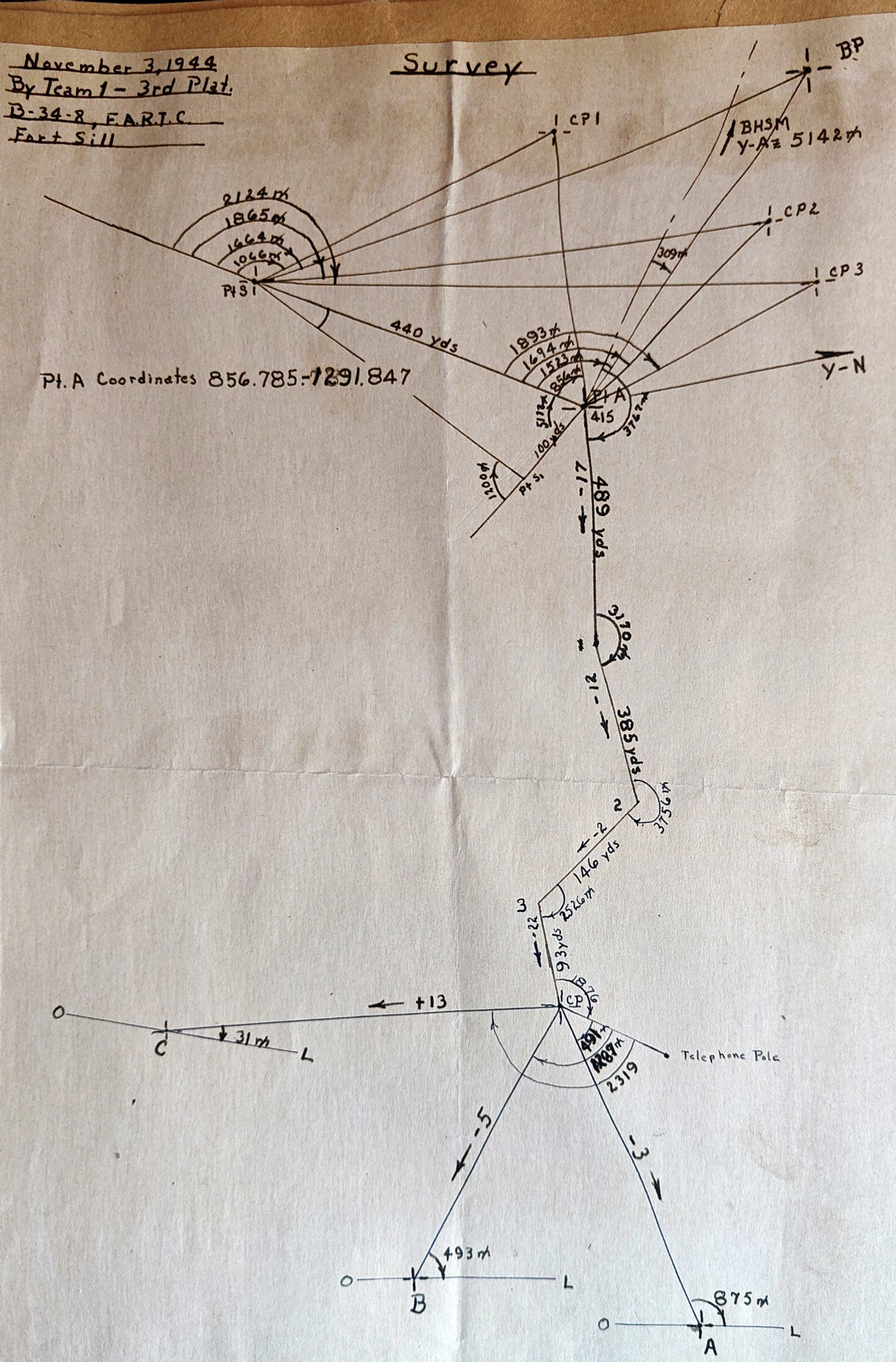
60. In bivouac or in position, does the battery provide its own all-around defense?

A. Yes

61. The Chief of Section should check 17 points before he is satisfied that his section is ready for antitank defense. How mahy can you name?

November 3, 1944
By Team 1 - 3rd Plat.
B-34-8, F.A.R.T.C.
Fort Sill

Survey



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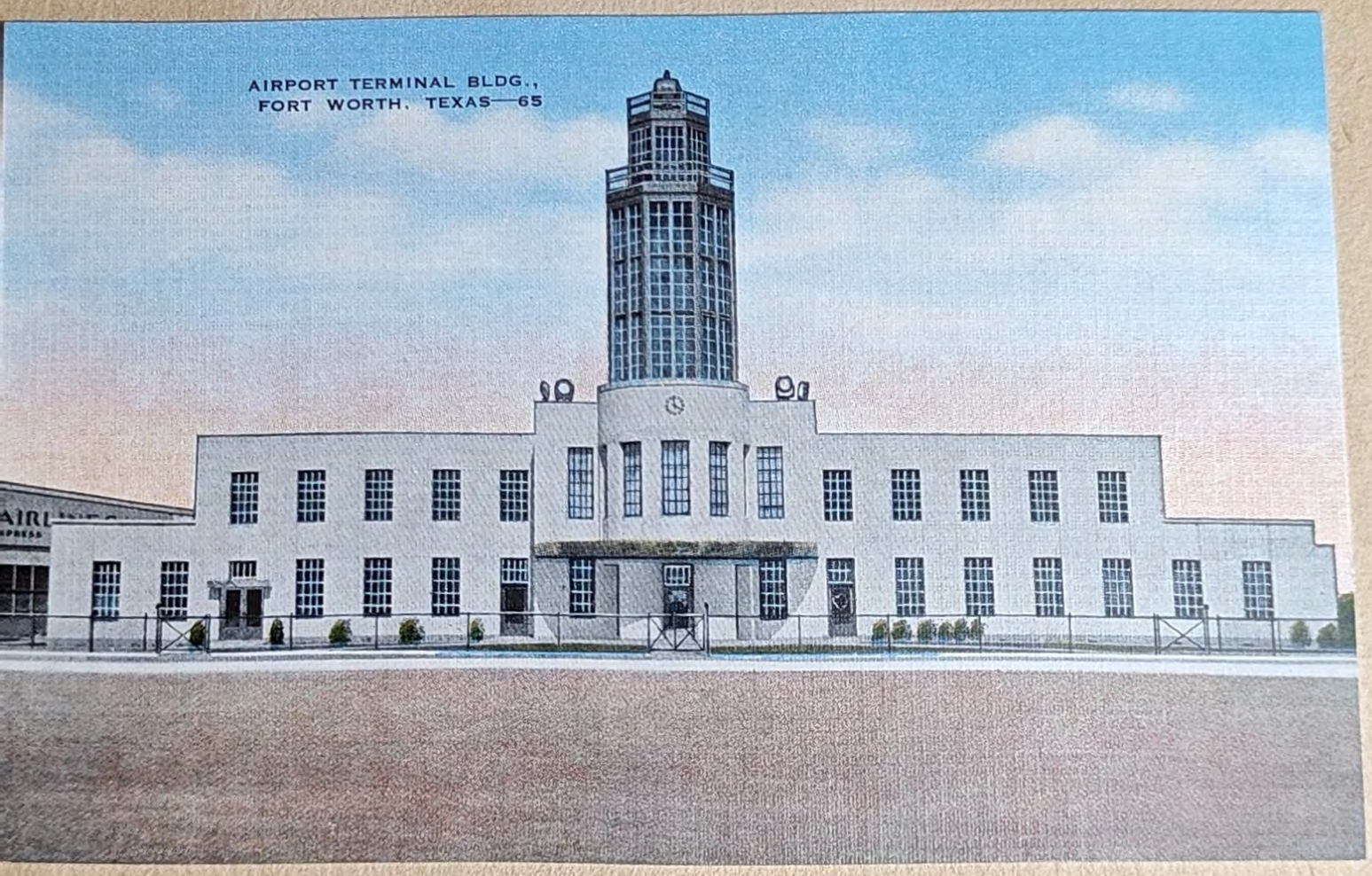

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B - Baker
C - Charlie, Cast
D - Dog
E - Easy
F - Fox
G - George
H - How
I - Item
J - Jig, Joker, Jug
K - King, Kodak, Kitten
L - Lull, Lucy
M - Mike, Mary
N - Nan
O - Oboe
P - Peter
Q - Queen
R - Roger
S - Sugar

BOB ALDRIDGE IN OKLAHOMA August 25

Pvt. Robert "Bob" Aldridge son of Mrs. Irma Reaves, Rt. 1 Box 188, is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., with the instrumental sur-

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onian, Friday, August 25, 1944

In the Fight

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veying branch of the field artillery. Pvt. Aldridge was inducted into the army July, 1944.

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DICK LYNN IN OKLAHOMA Aug. 25

Pvt. Richard "Dick" Lynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Lynn, 510 Washington Ave., is taking his basic training at Fort Sill, Okla., with the field artillery. Lynn graduated from the local High school in June of this year and up to the time of his induction was employed by Charles Ford Co.

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PAYSON GREGORY IS TURRET GUNNER

Payson Gregory, AOM3c, has returned to Norfolk, Va., after a 20-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gregory of Interlaken district. Gregory is a turret gunner on a torpedo bomber and expects active duty within three months.

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BILL BATTERO NOW IN ARKANSAS

July 28, 1944

Pvt. Bill Battero, son of Mrs. J. A. Remiro, 138 Rogers Ave., is taking his basic training at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark. Battero was inducted into the army last month through the local draft board.

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PAJARO VALLEY Aug 24, 1944

IN THE FIGHT . . .

Editor's Note: Hundreds of Pajaro valley men and women are now fighting the axis in Uncle Sam's army, navy, marine corps, coast guard and air forces. This newspaper would like to keep the folks at home as well informed as possible about their activities. Friends and relatives are invited to send contributions to this department.)

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LT. BILL HIGBEY NOW IN SEATTLE

Lt. W. S. (Bill) Higbey, former local oil man and Kiwanian, has been transfered from the quartermaster's department in Washington, D.C., to Seattle, Wash., according to word received by local friends. A veteran of World War I, Lt. Higbey enlisted in the army in October, 1942, and was stationed at Ft. Francis E. Warren, Wyo., before attending OCS at Camp Lee, Va. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in April, 1943. Mrs. Higbey has been in the east with him. In his new post, he will be army representative on the army-navy petroleum board in Seattle. He writes he is happy to be in the west again.

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WILLIAM COOPER HOME ON FURLOUGH

Sgt. William R. Cooper is home with his wife, Shirley, Rt. 5, Box 208-A in Corralitos, for a 10-day furlough. Sgt. Cooper will return to Camp Davis, N. C., where he is stationed. He is the son of Mrs. Neta Cooper of Freedom.

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PAYSON GREGORY HOME ON LEAVE

Payson Gregory, AOM3c, has completed a course in aerial gunnery at Miami, Fla., and is home on a 20-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gregory, Interlaken district. Gregory enlisted in the navy in September, 1943.

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LEROY GOTCHER RECEIVES WINGS

Leroy Gotcher received his silver wings and a second lieutenant's commission in the army air corps at graduation ceremonies at Luke field, Ariz., Aug. 4. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gotcher Sr., of Rt. 2, Box 718, witnessed the exercises. Gotcher received his pre-flight training at Santa Ana; pilot training at Rankin field, Tulare, Gardner field, Taft, and Luke field. He enlisted in the air corps in May, 1943, and previously had attended Salinas Union High school.

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DANIEL STEELE IN NEW MEXICO

Second Lieutenant Daniel Steele, whose wife, Margaret, lives at 932 Lincoln St., has reported for duty at the Carlsbad army air field, N. M. He was inducted in February, 1943, and received his commission in June of this year at Marfa air field, Tex.

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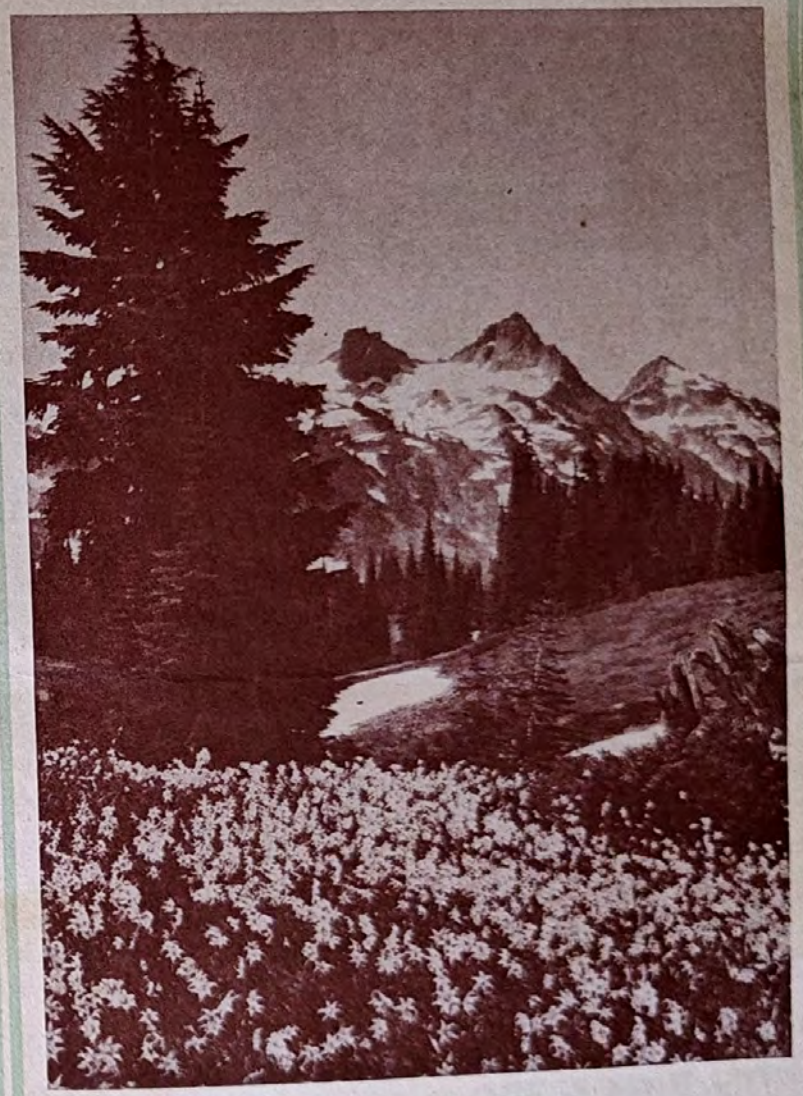
WARD SHOAF RECEIVES COMMISSION

Cpl. Ward A. Shoaf, son of Mrs. Mildred Shoaf, Rt. 1, Box 193-A, was commissioned as a second lieutenant Aug. 2, when he graduated from transportation officer candidate school at New Orleans army air base, La. He has been sent to Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla., with a transportation unit. His wife, Ida, who lives in San Francisco, flew east for his grad-

Through Storm and Night



Lilies of the Field

RELIGIOUS SERVICES
Sunday, August 6, 1944

The sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "A" 33rd Battalion. Captain Hadley C. Galleher is Battery Commander. Philip A. Mooney is First Sergeant.

Fill in the enclosed Attendance Blank and we will notify the designated persons. Please Print.

You will find Religious literature on a table in the hall as you leave this service. This is for you, take it!

The Chaplain has evening office hours on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7:00 till 9:00. No appointment necessary. You are welcome!

If you have any favorite HYMNS you would like to sing, write the name of them on the back of the Attendance Blank.

If you can sing, or play any instrument, we need special numbers for our Religious Services. If God has given you the talent, use it for God's purpose.

If you would like to serve as usher, please write your name on the back of the Attendance Blank.

"The best of all is, God is with us"----

ORDER OF SERVICE
9:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP.....The Chaplain
* HYMN..."I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord".....Number 516
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING.....Number 54
APOSTLES CREED.....(As printed below)....In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving".....Number 506
SCRIPTURE.....Luke 16: 1-9
VOCAL SOLO.....T/5 William Arnold
SERMON....."Unfailing Joy".....The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Glorious Things of Thee".....Number 518
* THE BENEDICTION.....The Chaplain
* THE DOXOLOGY.....Page 7
* BRIEF SILENT PRAYER AND ORGAN AMEN.....Congregation
ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES
Sunday, August 13, 1944

The sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "C" 34th Battalion. Capt. Horace E. Wright is Battery Commander. Rufus Humphries is 1st Sergeant.

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Pvt. Charles E. Huleatt.....Usher
Pvt. James Hunter.....Usher
Pvt. Elder Klugeman.....Usher
Cpl. William Arnold.....Songleader
Cpl. Marion Goswick.....Ch's Asst. and Organist

ORDER OF SERVICE
9:00 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Holy, Holy, Holy".....Number 159
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING.....Number 46
APOSTLES CREED.....(as printed below).....In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Chaplain
* HYMN..."Work, for the Night is Coming"....Number 414
SCRIPTURE.....Luke 19: 41--48
VOCAL SOLO.....Pvt. Ronhovde
SERMON...."The Curse of Inaction".....The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Go, Labor On".....Number 412
* THE BENEDICTION.....The Chaplain
* THE DOXOLOGY.....Page 7
* BRIEF SILENT PRAYER AND ORGAN AMEN.....Congregation
ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

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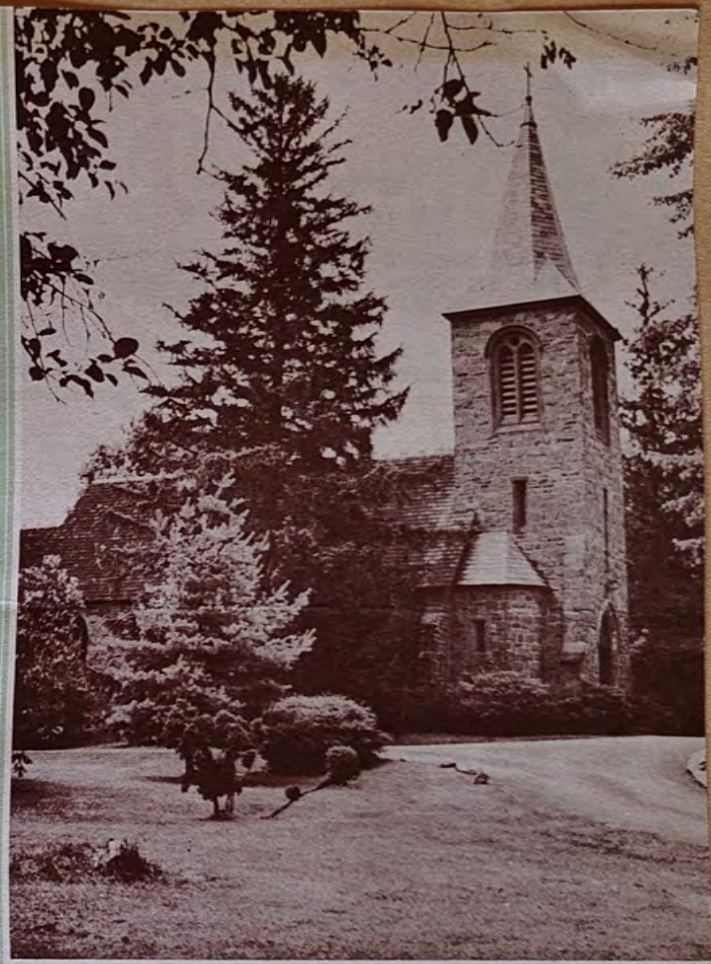
The Heart of the Gospel



While Ages Roll

August 20, 1944

COMMUNION SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist

HYMN....."Holy, Holy, Holy".....Number 159

THE PRAYER..(Followed by Lord's Prayer"..Ch. Stahnke

RESPONSIVE READING.....No. 56.....Page 60

HYMN.."Break Thou the B read of Life".....Number 236

SERMON....."Makers of Excuses".....Ch. Stahnke

PRAYER OF CONFESSION.....Ch. Upton

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS.....Ch. Upton

* PRAYER OF CONSECRATION.....Ch. Upton

THE COMMUNION.....Ch. Upton

** PRAYER OF THANKS IN UNISON.....Congregation

BENEDICTION.....Ch. Upton

DOXOLOGY.....Page 7

ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

* After this prayer, all who desire to commune shall come forward and kneel at the Sommunion rail. After sacrament return to pews until all have communed.

Chaplain Lawrence C. Upton.....7th Regiment
Chaplain Herbert H. Stahnke.....8th Regiment

** O Lord, our Heavenly Father, we, Thy humble servants desire Thy Fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching Thee to grant, that, by the merits and death of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and through fiath in His blood, we and Thy whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of His passion. And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable holy, and living sacrifice unto Thee; humbly beseeching Thee that all we who are partakers of this Holy Communion may be filled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy through our manifold sins, to offer unto Thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech Thee to accept this our bounded duty and service; not weighing our merits but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; by whom and with hom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto Thee, O Father Almighty, word without end.

Amen

Teach us, Lord of all loyal hearts and true
to serve Thee as thou deservest, to give and
not to count the cost, to fight and not head the
wounds; to toil and not seek for rest, to labor
and not to ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do Thy will.

Our sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "D" 34th Battalion.

Bible Class immediately following this service.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES
Sunday, August 27, 1944

The sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "E" 34th Battalion. 1st Lt. Paul B. Smith is Battery Commander. Lionel Deats is First Sergeant.

You will find Religious literature on a table in the hall as you leave this service. This is yours, take it and read it!

Thursday evening, 31 August 1944, at 7:45 in the Flag Pole Area the Bible Mediation League will present a program. There will be singing, narrating, and a dramatic presentation. Everyone welcome!

The Bible Class meets each Sunday morning at 10:30 in the Chaplain's office. You are invited.

Fill in the enclosed Attendance Blank and we will notify the designated persons. Please print!

We still need more singers!

"Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark....." Phil. 3: 13, 14.

"Sweet is the rest of one who can say that an honest day's work is done". Nath Thompson

ORDER OF SERVICE
9:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP.....The Chaplain
* HYMN...."Come, Thou Almighty King".....Number 189
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING.....No. 51.....Page 55
APOSTLES CREED....(As printed below).....In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."When all Thy Mercies".....Number 220
SCRIPTURE.....Mark 7: 31-37
VOCAL SOLO.....Announced
SERMON....."Unfailing Compassion".....The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Our God, our Help".....Number 218
* THE BENEDICTION.....The Chaplain
* THE DOXOLOGY.....Page 7
* BRIEF SILENT PRAYER AND ORGAN AMEN.....Congregation
ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

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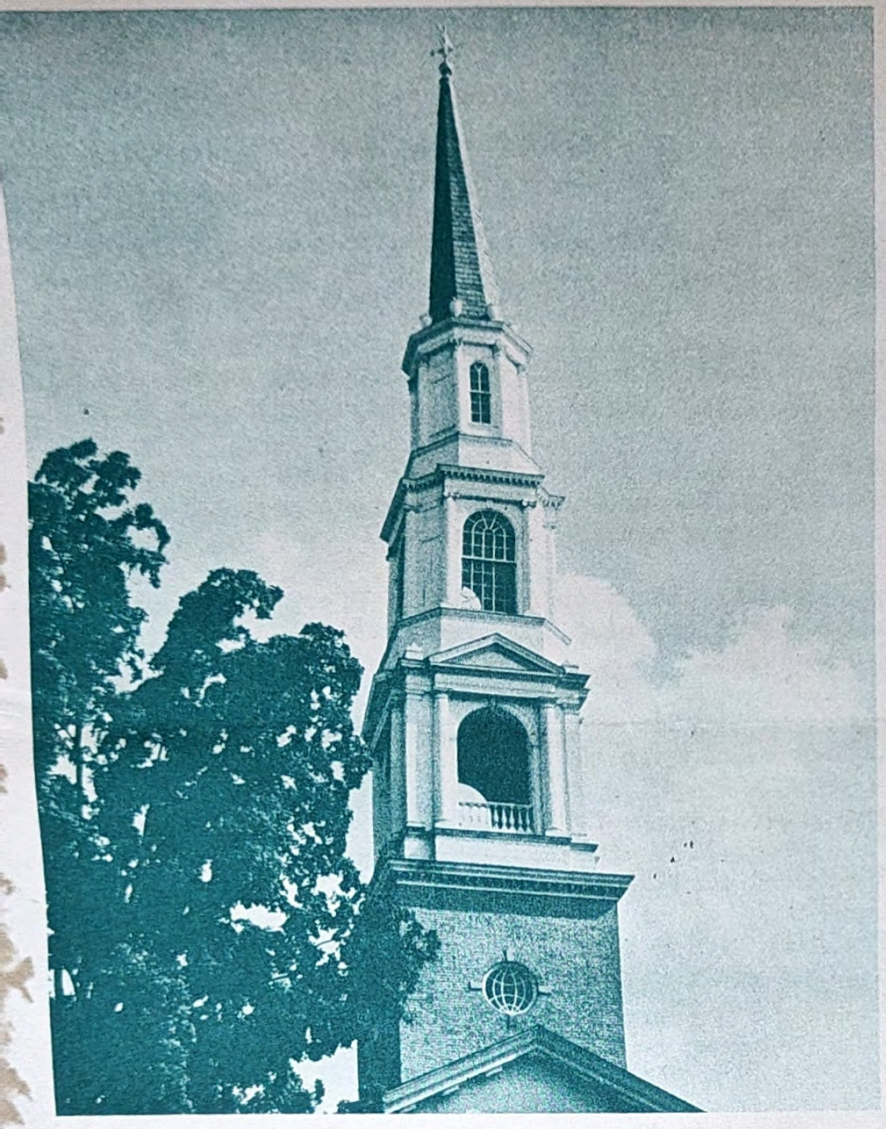

Heavenward

Our Help Is in the Lord

RELIGIOUS SERVICES
Sunday, September 10, 1944

Our sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "B" of the 33rd Battalion. 1st Lt. John C. Tumlinson is Battery Commander. Lewis M. Greene, 1st Sergeant.

You are invited to join the Bible Class which meets in the Chaplain's Office every Sunday morning at 10:30.

The Chaplain is in his office on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. No appointments are necessary. Why not drop in and become better acquainted?

We herewith extend our thanks to Pfc. John Grant for his services as organist and also to Pvt. Edwart Middleton, our soloist.

Have you attended the informal service conducted every Sunday evening in the Chapel at 7:00 o'clock?

The general theme for the sermons during September is "Know Thyself". The topic for next Sunday's meditation: "How Good Am I?"

You will find religious literature on a table in the hall as you leave this service. This is yours, take it and read it.

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Anger is the wind which blows out the lamp of the mind.

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God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

ORDER OF SERVICE
9:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE. . . . . The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP. . . . . The Chaplain
* HYMN. . . . . Number 189
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER. . . . . The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING. . . No. 46 . . . . . Page 50
APOSTLES CREED . . . (As printed below). . .In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS. . . . . The Chaplain
* HYMN. . . . . Number 343
SCRIPTURE. . . . . Luke 17: 11-19
VOCAL SOLO. . . . . Pvt. Edward Middleton
SERMON. . . . . "Am I to Blame?". . . . The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER. . . . . The Chaplain
* HYMN. . . . . Number 176
* THE BENEDICTION. . . . . The Chaplain
* THE DOXOLOGY. . . . . Page 7
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ORGAN POSTLUDE. . . . . The Organist

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sons, the Resurrection of the Body and the life everlasting.

Amen

RELIGIOUS SERVICES
Sunday, September 17, 1944

Our this morning's sponsoring organization is Battery C, 33rd Battalion. 1st Lt. H. L. Whitaker is Battery Commander. C. D. Patterson is 1st Sgt.

Why not join our Bible Class which meets every Sunday morning at 10:00 in the Chaplain's Office?

Needed, urgently! Additional soloists. If you are able to serve, do so indicate on the reverse side of your attendance blank, handing this to the usher as you leave the Chapel.

"Do I Know God?" is the topic of next Sunday's meditation. Come and worship with us.

Another effort shall be made to organize a choir. Present plans are to pool the talent of both the 7th and 8th Regiments. The first rehearsal will take place Sunday evening, October 1st at 8:00 PM. Cpl. Edwin Morgan, of the 7th Regiment, will direct this organization. If you are interested, do so indicate on your today's attendance blank.

Help yourself to the religious literature as you leave the Chapel.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
9:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP.....The Chaplain
* HYMN....."Sweet Hour of Prayer".....Number 349
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING.....No. 37.....Page 41
APOSTLES' CREED.....(As printed below).....In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Chaplain
* HYMN..."Jesus, And Shall It Ever Be?".....Number 367
SCRIPTURE.....Matt. 6, 24-34
SPECIAL MUSIC.....To Be Announced
SERMON....."How Good Am I?".....The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
* HYMN "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" Number 371
* THE BENEDICTION.....The Chaplain
* THE DOXOLOGY.....Page 7
* BRIEF SILENT PRAYER AND ORGAN AMEN.....Congregation
ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

* (Congregation standing)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into the Abode of the dead; the third day He arose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins, the Resurrection of the Body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PROTESTANT SERVICES

FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA

OLD POST CHAPEL 10:00 A.M.

NEW POST CHAPEL 11:00 A.M.

An old photograph showing the interior of the Old Post Chapel
--- From Chapel collection of old pictures.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE NEW POST CHAPEL — ELEVEN O'CLOCK

ORGAN PRELUDE — The Organist
"Prayer" from "Finlandia" . . . Sibelius
THE CHORAL INVITATORY — The Choir
THE CALL TO WORSHIP — The Chaplain
*THE DOXOLOGY "Old Hundredth" — Congregation
followed by
*THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON — Congregation
*THE GLORIA — Congregation
*HYMN "Come Thou Almighty King" — Number 189
PASTORAL PRAYER — The Chaplain
RESPONSE — The Choir
SOLO
SCRIPTURE READING — The Chaplain
ANTHEM — The Choir
SERMON — The Chaplain
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION — The Chaplain
*HYMN "Lead Kindly Light" — Number 404
*BENEDICTION — The Chaplain
*CLOSING ORISON — The Choir
*MOMENT OF SILENCE
ORGAN POSTLUDE — The Organist
"Marche Romaine" . . Gounod
*CONGREGATION STANDING

Director of Music - Mrs. Hal K. Hall
Organist - Miss Louise Kirkham

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THE MITE BOXES are located in the back of the chapels. Anyone wishing to make a contribution as a part of his worship may do so. All contributions will be used for the work of the chapels.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

HISTORIC OLD POST CHAPEL — TEN O'CLOCK

- built in '70 by Gen. Phil Sheridan, 10th Cavalry -

ORGAN PRELUDE — Mrs. J.P. Haley, Jr.
"Serenade" . . . . . Demarest
CALL TO WORSHIP — The Chaplain

*THE DOXOLOGY "Old Hundredth" — Congregation
followed by
*THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON — Congregation

*HYMN "Onward Christian Soldiers" — Number 442

THE INVOCATION — The Chaplain

SOLO — Mrs. Lively

THE SERMON — The Chaplain

HYMN OF COMMUNION — Number 347
"More Love To Thee, O Christ"
*THE BENEDICTION — The Chaplain

*GLORIA PATRI — Congregation

*ORGAN POSTLUDE — Mrs. Haley
"Toccata" . . . . Rogers
*CONGREGATION STANDING

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A Thought For The Day....."Now a man who loves with his heart, yet holds a doubt in his mind, is but a slave in a galley who sleeps at his oars and dreams of his freedom, till the lash of the master wakes him.... "Kahlil Gibran in "Jesus" .....By tradition these words were ascribed to Saint Thomas

EIGHTH REGIMENT
Sunday, December 10, 1944

Herbert H. Stahnke.....Regimental Chaplain
Cpl. Marion Goswick.....Assistant and Organist

Our sponsoring organization this morning is Battery "D" 34th Battalion. Captain Ernest Hatcher is Battery Commander. C. Weatherford is First Sergeant.

The Eighth Regimental Bible Class meets at 10:30 each Sunday morning. We meet in the Chaplain's office. You are welcome! Come and learn of the Word of God.

As you leave the Chapel you will find a table at the entrance. The Literature on this tabe is for you and concerns stories and experiences from this war and the last one. These tracts are yours for the taking. You are welcome to as many as you please.

If you will complete the attendance blanks found enclosed in this bulletin, we will be happy to notify your loved ones of your attendance to Divine Worship. Please print information.

The Chaplain has evening office hours beginning at 7:00 are on Tuesday and Wednesday Evening of each week. Come in and get acquainted.

The greatest menace in the world today
is not poison gas but poison ideas.

ORDER OF SERVICE
9:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....The Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP.....The Chaplain
HYMN..."Safely Through Another Week".....Number 161
CONFESSIONAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
RESPONSIVE READING.....No. 59.....Page 63
APOSTLES' CREED...(As printed below).....In Unison
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Chaplain
HYMN....."Hail the Power of Jesus' Name".Number 197
SCRIPTURE.....Luke 21: 25-36
MUSIC.....Announced
SERMON....."The King".....The Chaplain
PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Chaplain
HYMN....."All Glory, Land and Honor"....Number 281
THE BENEDICTION AND DOXOLOGY.....Congregation
BRIEF SILENT PRAYER AND ORGAN AMEN.....Congregation
ORGAN POSTLUDE.....The Organist

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I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church; the Sommunion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the live ever lasting.

Amen.

Greetings

As you enter the quiet of this sanctuary offer a prayer for the minister, your church, your fellow-worshipper, and yourself

THE MORNING WORSHIP
December 17 1944
(The service proceeds without announcement)

Prelude — Guilmant
*Introit — The Choir

The Invocation

. . . .

Selection 64 — The Psalter
*Hymn 124 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

. . . .

Scripture Lesson — L Cor. 15:1-22

LET US PRAY

Almighty God, who hath given unto us Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; open our eyes to the rich blessings of his coming; and stir our hearts with a great love for him; that by faith we may receive him as Saviour, and in humility acknowledge him as Lord; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen

. . . .

Anthem "Joyous Christmas" — Gavaert
Offertory "Pastoral Symphony" (Messiah) Handel
* Doxology and Presentation of Gifts
The Morning Prayer
*Hymn 231 (1,2,3) "Thou didst leave Thy Throne"

The Sermon: "What we believe about the Death and Resurrection of Christ."

*Hymn 236 "I heard the Voice of Jesus say."
The Benediction
Postlude "Postlude" — Calkin

(. . . .Late comers may be seated)
(* Congregation standing)

OUR THANKS to Rev.E.L.Rich for the gift of Christmas Tree.

THIS WEEK

Today: 6:30 Devotional, Francis Wyan. Discussion "How do we know when we're on the Beam?" led by Katharine Fowle.
7:30 Evening Service. Missionary Film
Wed: 2:00 Mintie White Class Christmas party, home of Otha Henn. Exchange of inexpensive gifts.
7:30 Service at Baptist Church.
Thurs: 7:15 Choir Rehearsal, Christian Church

DO NOT FORGET the Sunday School Christmas program and party, Wednesday, 7:15 . The program will be of interest to parents and friends. Come to this sanctuary. The party follows.

OUR WARTIME SERVICE FUND amounted to $183. on Saturday morning. Our minimum quota $237 with 20% more needed urgently for post-war reconstruction and rehabilitation. Act now.

WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:30, there will be the second united service of inspiration at which Dr. Charles Taylor, Sr. will speak, in the Baptist Church. This start off for our "Spiritual Victory Crusade" in January is very important. Attend this service if at all possible.

IN THE EVENING SERVICE, 7:30, there will be an excellent color film of missionary work in our most northern territory: "Alaska, From Ketchikan to Barrow." Plan to come. An offering for National Missions will be taken.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY CANDLE LIGHT will be presented by the combined choirs of our churches in the Christian Church, 5 p. m. next Sunday. This is an excellent program for which our choirs have rehearsed many weeks. Pass the word around. Remember it is Christmas Eve!

"Pause for Reflection" Wednesday 9:45 p. m. Station K H U B. Be sure to listen in.

AFTER 5 DAYS, RETURN TO

P.O. Box 147

Bolton St.

WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Santa Claus
North Pole
Top of the World

Nov. 27, 1934.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like that sets that said lets play store. Some play money a base ball, bat, mitt double barrel pop gun. Two gun holster with nickle buckles. Pair of slippers. Santa Claus if you have an extra 59 piece ranch set and a ring will you please bring them.

From
Bobby
Aldridge.

Nov. 27, 1934

Dear Santa Claus
I would like a drum a rubber ball reciever telephone stick horse and a tricycle.

Santa Claus I am only 16 months old so my big brother Bobby is writing for me.

from

Skippy
Reaves

12.25.43-44

OFFICE OF
CHEER ADMINISTRATION

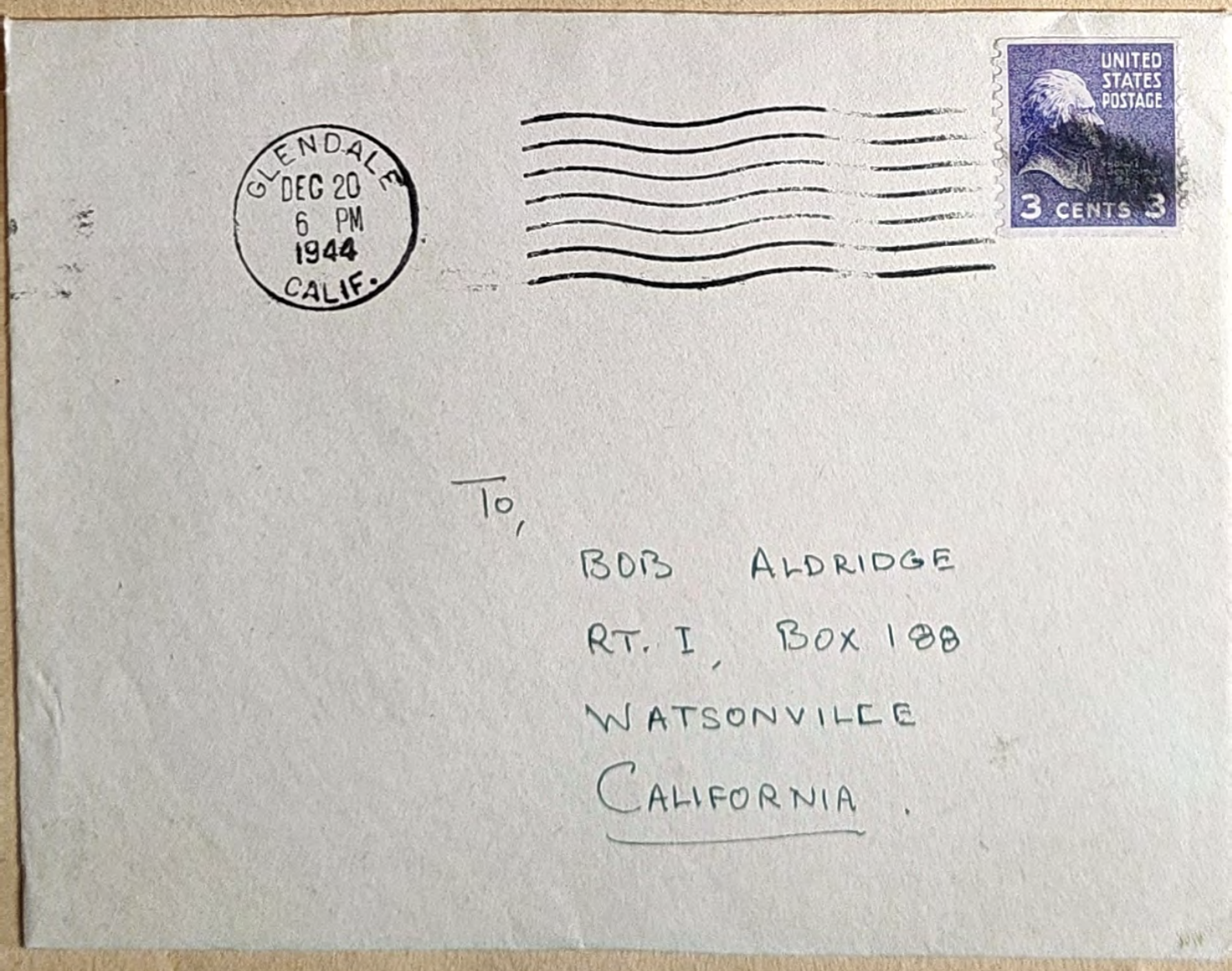
CHEER RATION BOOK ONE

IDENTIFICATION OF SENDER

12.25.43-44

Charles Makee Herbert

Issued to you in the spirit of good wishes, cheer, felicitations, greetings, salutations and all other manner of joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year. The stamps contained in this book are VALID ONLY when detached according to dates thereon.



JUST-
WISHIN' YOU-

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Dear Bobby,

Les & I hope to be able to take Mom & Dad home from here the 26th. Will you still be home then? We certainly would like to see you while you're here. Perhaps you & Jacquie could take a run up & see us, if you have the gas.

Will you let me know?

Love,
Margie.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

WITH BEST WISHES

Margie, Les & kids

Season's Greetings

AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

Ralph Johnson

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Rt 1 Box 188

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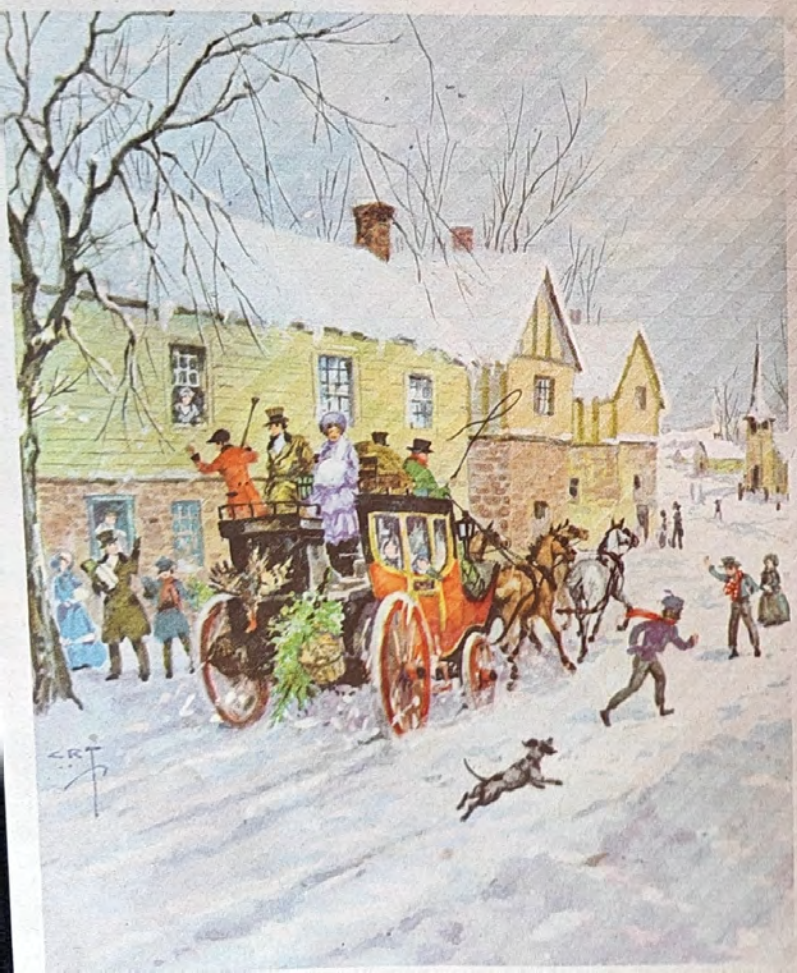
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

May this Christmas season
bring to you
Its brightest joy,
its warmest cheer,
And every kind of
Happiness
To make you glad all
through the Year.

Grandpa & Grandma
Aldridge



TO WISH YOU THE
JOYS OF
CHRISTMAS
AND EVERY HAPPINESS
THROUGHOUT THE
NEW YEAR

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With love, from
Sonny, Jimmy
Ralph & Shirley

M. Ramiro
138 Rogers Ave.
Watsonville
Cal.

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B-34-8, F.A.R.T.C. – U.S. Army
Fort Sill Oklahoma
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Private Robert C. Aldridge –
R. 1 –
Watsonville, Cal.

Greetings

Christmas
Greetings

Wishing you the finest things of the

HOLIDAY SEASON

Good Cheer, Good Health,
Good Friends

Martha Remuro
138 Rogers Ave.

Inside

The

SEASON'S GREETINGS

and the good old wish

"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

Syed, Alice & Family

"Bobby"

May He, Whose love
has given us
The gladness of this day,
Fill all your life
with greater joy
Than words can ever say!

Anna Belle

FORT ORD

PANORAMA

"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"

Christmas 1944

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

Kipling Didn't Know American Soldiers

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FOREIGN LETTER

By Capt. Merrill Panitt

PARIS (Special to Ft. Ord Panorama)—Once upon a time, in an institution for the criminally insane, two of the inmates broke out of their solitary confinement cells. One was a man, the other a woman.

Together they took care of 17 guards, some 30 of their fellow inmates, and a citizen named Werner Blumenthal, who just happened to be around.

Finally the local police, aided by a few combat teams from a Corps stationed nearby, subdued the two. Psychiatrists re-examined their records and found that this man and woman had been in love at one time. And, in fact, they had been married. And not only that, they had a son!

Hurriedly the son, then a mere stripling of ten summers, was located and placed under surveillance. The psychiatrists' fears were confirmed. The little fellow was mean. He didn't like people. In fact he hated mankind. Some kids want to be a fireman, others want to be a railroad engineer. This charming tyke just wanted to kill people.

So every precaution was taken to see that he didn't get loose. Efforts were made to educate him but not only did they fail, the number of teachers in the locality dropped tremendously.

Capt. Panitt

When this likeable young chap was 23-years-old he escaped. A search ensued. He was never found. In fact nothing more was heard of him after his escape, which was in 1889. No one knew where he went, what he did, or what became of his ambition to wipe out mankind. Until I arrived in Paris. I know exactly what that guy did. He taught the French how to drive automobiles.

The best way to tell how they manage their cars would be to suggest a new design for all French autos.

The ideal car for a driver here would have no windows in it—just a windshield. French drivers don't need side windows. They never look out of them to see what's coming anyway.

There should be no brakes in this car. A Frenchman never uses his brakes—he trusts you too much. It's nice for him to have such faith in his American allies, but it's damned disconcerting.

There should be a governor on this car, but not the usual kind. The rules an hour in heavy traffic. Every so often, you see, one of them forgets and slows down to 59. Then, to make up for this unbecoming conduct, he clamps the accelerator to the floor and hits 80. This causes some confusion —especially when you're in front of him. So the governor would keep him at the normal French heavy traffic speed of 60.

The bumpers on this car should be of 12-foot thick sponge rubber and should cover it completely. This would result in the saving of many lives.

Leave us also attach a turntable and loud speaker to each car and have a record on the noise in a boiler factory playing at all times. This would save them the trouble of getting motors that sound like boiler factories anyway.

I've seen men back from the front, men who have won medals for bravery under the worst possible kind of fire go completely to pieces trying to cross the Champs Elysees at noon.

I've seen Sherman tanks run like scared rabbits before an onslaught of two undernourished Austins.

And I've seen French traffic gendarmes stand right in the middle of the road, their only protection a little white stick with which they try to make some order out of the chaos. Those gendarmes are the bravest, the most foolhardy, the most frustrated men in the world.

Adjectives to describe the French drivers, however, are not printable in this, or any other publication.

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Around the Towns

New York (CNS)—Mary Wilson, 19, was arrested for violation of an ordinance prohibiting smoking in stores. But that's not the story. She was smoking a huge Turkish water cooler pipe. "It was just a gag," she explained to the judge.

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Philadelphia (CNS) — Thieves broke into a grocery store, stole 5 cartons of cigarets, a 23-pound turkey, a 5-pound ham and 60 pounds of butter. They didn't bother with the contents of the cash register.

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San Francisco (CNS)—Arrested on a charge of running a bookie establishment in her home, a local lady had but one request to make of the judge. "Please don't take my phone away," she pleaded.

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St. Petersburg, Fla (CNS) — Three days after someone had swiped Charley Granderson's extra suit, Granderson moved to a new apartment. Hanging in the closet he found his suit, left there by the vacating tenant.

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St. Louis (CNS)—Seeking a divorce, a local man testified that his wife fell home eight years ago to take his pants to the cleaners. He hasn't seen wife or pants since.

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Topeka, Kan. (CNS) — Judge Walter Huxman is an enthusiastic hunter. Recently he broke his leg. But as soon as the hunting season opened, he hobbled into the woods armed with a shotgun and a cane, returning at nightfall with six birds.

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Tulsa, Okla. (CNS) — Red hot jive warmed up to such a pitch in a local juke joint that the Fire Department was called. The juke box had burst into flames, cracking all the platters.

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Balboa, Cal. (CNS)—John Vogel charges no rent to guests in his hotel. A sign hanging in the lobby reads: "If your room was worth anything, donate said sum to the USO."

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Buffalo, N.Y. (CNS) — George Hazzard, 92-year-old inmate of an old-folks' home, walked 18 miles to visit his "girl friend," a 70-year-old Buffalo waitress, and discovered here that she had ditched him. "I'm off women for life," he said sadly, "I'm getting too old."

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Brooklyn (CNS) — When Mrs. Gladys Doherty returned to her home here from a weekend in Philadelphia, she was in her best dismay that the house was missing. The building had been condemned and razed during her absence.

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Chester, Va. (CNS)—A. C. Oates, a farmer, stood by astounded and watched a 180-pound deer charge and kill a 1000-pound bull that was grazing on his farm. "I never saw anything like it," said Oates.

☆ ☆ ☆

Chicago (CNS)—When a burglar entered George Haering's drug store, 82-year-old Haering flattened him with a bottle. Then he tied the intruder, called the police. "I guess I'm just too old to be afraid of anyone anymore," he said.

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Los Angeles (CNS)—Because all his passengers were crowded to the front of the street car, the motorman yelled "All right, folks, there's a cigaret machine in the rear." Three persons got smashed toes in the stampede to the rear.

WE SEE BY THE PAPERS

A NEW WATCHTOWER

While specific information is still being withheld on this country's new and powerful military installations at Guam, the censors have permitted enough news to be released regarding the vital work under way there to indicate that the island is rapidly being transformed into a giant fortress, designed to stand guard over the far reaches of the Western Pacific.

Guam already has been made so formidable that the Japanese could never hope to retake it during this war, according to its commandant, Major General Henry L. Larsen, despite the fact that our troops are still mopping up isolated remnants of the beaten Jap garrison. To the limit of its capacity, Guam will be turned into "a new Pearl Harbor of the Western Pacific," declares the Marine general, and will not only serve as a strong defensive outpost, but will have great offensive power as well.

Tens of thousands of American parents, whose sons are locked in death battle with the Japs throughout the Pacific area today, may well wonder if their boys would not have been spared this grim ordeal if the United States had fortified Guam and other strategic outposts before the war, instead of waiting for disaster to prove the necessity. And while it may serve little purpose now to dream of "what might have been," certainly we should all highly resolve that the United States will properly maintain its island outposts in the future—to safeguard not only our land, but the youth of our Nation—California Legionnaire.

NUTS TO V-DAY GUESSERS!

Distances in the Pacific war are almost fantastic. A bomb made in California must travel, via Guam, almost 6400 miles, before landing in Tokyo. The last lap, from Guam to Tokyo, is farther than from New York City to Omaha.

The Allies have seized a Pacific battlefront that is 6000 miles long. Across the Pacific from San Francisco to Manila is farther than from Denver, Colo., to London.

Attacking the Japanese islands from Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Leyte, Utithi and Palau, which face Japan across the Philippine Sea, involves jumps, the shortest of which is 1300 miles.

Our forces occupy a position like that of a foe mounting an offensive against New England from bases in Cuba and Puerto Rico.

Yet in the face of such natural defense lines armchair generals on the home-front still continue to make their stupid predictions on the length of the war.—Army Times.

WE'LL TAKE ONE

Things have come to a pretty pass with this cigarette shortage when publicly, this week, before a busload of onlookers, a husky, well-built sergeant whipped out a cigarette of the red-tipped variety made to conceal telltale lipstick, and smoked it with genuine zest.—Camp Roberts Dispatch.

By radio from Tokyo: "People of Japan. The reason you do not see all of our fleet is that we have converted most of the ships into submarines."

America is the only place where every man is allowed to have his own opinion and every other man is allowed to try his best to change it for him.

This is The Army' Earns $7,000,000

Washington (CNS)—Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, was presented with the 7,000,000th dollar bill raised through showing of the film "This Is The Army," by Harry M. Warner, president of Warner Brothers Pictures. Paid admissions total nearly 65,000,000.

Paris Passes Passed Out

Germany (CNS)—Doughboys on the western front—a few of them—are being picked from each company, period of time, Army commanders hope every man will get a chance at the passes.

COMBAT SCENE

France (CNS)—A major and a captain stood on the battlefield with their backs to the enemy, talking about something. T/Sgt. Horace H. Drew, Millens, S.C., saw a German drawing a bead on them. Drew killed the German. The officers went on talking.

New Discharge Emblem

Washington (CNS)—The Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard have authorized a new honorable discharge emblem which may be sewed on a serviceman's uniform as long as he is allowed to wear it. The new emblem is of the same design as the honorable discharge button.

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Monterey Cabs Adjust Rates; Return to Post

Taxicab companies affiliated with the Monterey Peninsula Taxicab Association have readjusted their rates for transporting persons to and from Fort Ord, and the restriction against the cabs entering the reservation has been lifted, effective last Saturday evening, it was announced here this week.

Lt. Col. William D. Mann, Post Staff Judge Advocate, made the announcement, after a series of conferences with the taxi association officials and civic leaders of Monterey. The order banning the cabs from the post was issued early in October, following claims by Post Headquarters officers that the rates being charged for transportation from Monterey to the various sections of Fort Ord were out of line. At that time, servicemen were being charged $3.00 for the use of a cab from the bus station in Monterey to the bus terminal here. The lift of the ban was made after the taxicab association had agreed to lower its rate to $2.00 for the same trip; $1.50 for transportation from the Monterey bus station to Ord Village, and $3.00 to East Garrison.

HERE ARE THE NEW RATES

Monterey to Ft. Ord (MG) $2.00
Monterey to Ft. Ord (EG) 3.00
Monterey to Ord Village 1.50

Above rates are from bus terminal in Monterey to Main Garrison terminal, to East Garrison gate, or to Ord Village gate.

It was also explained that the above rate applies at all times, except that its cabs should be used built to carry more than five passengers, and extra pro rata charge can be made for those extra persons carried. It was pointed out, however, that this does not mean that seven or eight persons can be crowded into a regular five-passenger sedan, and an extra charge can be made for two or three persons. Henceforth, a placard or poster will be displayed in all taxicabs, showing the exact rates for all points in the vicinity. An extra charge of 25 cents can be made, however, for each stop off the prescribed route.

Lt. Col. Mann pointed out that the new rates are "in line" with those charged at similar military installations throughout the country. At the present rates, the cost per mile averages approximately 27.7 per mile to Main Garrison, and 25.2 cents per mile to East Garrison. These rates Col. Mann stated, are on an average with rates charged at most other camps and stations.

In making the announcement, Col. Mann emphasized the fact that any person who is charged more than the amount listed should report the alleged violation to Post Headquarters or to the Post Staff Judge Advocate's Office.

NO BUTTS ABOUT IT

That the cigaret shortage is felt even in Army camps was evidenced recently by a rumor that heretofore only non-coms of the first three grades here at Ft. Ord would be detailed to police up for cigaret butts around Post Headquarters. The shortage was further made evident this week when a sign was discovered in the Officers lounge of their club which read:

"Please do not toss cigaret butts in the latrine as they are difficult to light when wet."

Col. Oliver Named Temporary Post CO

Colonel Millard F. W. Oliver, Finance Department, has been designated Commanding Officer of Fort Ord, during the temporary absence of Col. Dallas R. Alfonte, it was announced at Post Headquarters this week.

Colonel Alfonte is on official leave and will be away from the post until "after the first of the year," according to Headquarters officers.

AGF Soldiers to Be Paid Early For New Year's

Let there be singing and dancing in the streets. Despite the fact that payday falls on a Sunday, men stationed in AGF Replacement Depot No. 2 are going to have lettuce in their jeans New Year's Eve.

Maj. Buster Cornett, depot finance officer, announced last week that his department would reverse usual procedures and pay on a Sunday so that this can come about.

Turning over the calendar at the beginning of December, the finance staff started to worry. Army Regulations forbid them to pay soldiers before the end of the month, and finance department custom has always been to pay on Monday when the last day of the month falls on a Sunday.

On this occasion this practice would work a hardship. Probably no group would be unhappier than a flock of soldiers without dough on New Year's Eve which will be Sunday evening.

The finance department promised it decided to work on a day off and get the job done so that records would be complete early for 1944 and so that 1945 could be properly started.

The major said that at least 80 per cent of all men in the depot would be paid by noon.

LEAVES

Colonel Edward C. Snow, above, Executive Officer of First Headquarters, Special Troops, AGF, and former Commanding Officer of that organization, has left Fort Ord for an overseas assignment.

Col. Snow was called to active duty as a Lt. Col. with the Oregon National Guard, 162d Infantry Regiment in 1940 as Commanding Officer of the 2d Battalion. During the latter part of 1943, he established 7th Headquarters, Special Troops at Camp Adair, Oregon, and soon afterward was promoted to the rank of full Colonel. Col. Snow was Commander of 7th Headquarters, Special Troops until its inactivation in the spring of 1944. In April of this year, the Colonel assumed command of 1st Headquarters, Special Troops, III Corps, at Ord. He held this position until Brigadier General David P. Hardy took Command of First Headquarters the latter part of July.

Col. Snow took a very active part in Post activities, served on the Officers' Club Board and made many valuable suggestions that have been carried out. The efficiency and friendly personality of Col. Snow will be greatly missed by all those with whom he came in contact. Our best wishes go with him on his future assignment.

USOs Plan Full Christmas Calendar for Ord Soldiers

A jam-packed schedule of Christmas activities is being planned by the four USO clubs in this immediate area for tonight, Saturday, Sunday and Christmas Day, Monday, and for the Fort Ord soldier who plans to spend a part of the holiday weekend in the nearby communities of Monterey, Carmel and Salinas, there will be a hearty yuletide welcome awaiting him wherever he visits.

Dances, carol singing, tree decorating parties, buffet suppers, gifts—the list could go on and on—are being planned, which should make for about as complete a Christmas as is possible to provide servicemen and women.

Elsewhere in this issue is a complete calendar of USO holiday events; some of the highlights of festivities, however, will be the Salinas Community Ball to be held in the Salinas Armory, Monday night from 9 till midnight; the Music Hall program on Sunday, December 24, in the Webster Street Monterey USO, beginning at 7:30 p.m.; presentation of the oldtime melodrama, "The Bartender's Daughter," tomorrow night, Saturday, at 8:30 p.m. in the Carmel USO, and the buffet supper and party at the Del Monte USO, beginning at 3:30 p.m., Monday.

Other entertainment features include the turkey supper and show, starting at 6:30 p.m., Monday, at the Carmel USO—the Salinas USO party Sunday evening, featuring the "Hollywood GI Girls" as guests—a dance on Monday night at the Monterey USO — Del Monte's USO Christmas tree decorating party tonight, Friday.

So that's how it goes for you guys who visit Monterey, Carmel and Salinas during this holiday weekend. It will be a "Merry Christmas" for you if the citizens of these communities have anything to say and do about it.

Play Progresses In Pacific Grove Service Golf Meet

All Service Men's Golf Tournament is now underway at the Pacific Grove links, and already the first round has been completed, with indications that the second round will be finished by Sunday.

First round competition was finished last Sunday, and this week has been devoted to second round competition. The finals will be played either Christmas day or the weekend following, it was indicated by Fred X. Fry, PG Pro.

Fort Ord Is Ready for Gala Christmas Events

Midnight Mass, Religious Services Will Highlight Program; "GI Kiddies" to Share in Celebration Here

Christmas—an American Christmas—will be celebrated at Fort Ord on Sunday and Monday, and from all indications it should be the kind of holiday that GI's will want to remember . . . a Christmas observed in the spirit of an America at war.

Foremost in the schedule of events will be the observation of religious services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. On Sunday night, Christmas Eve, the Sports Arena will be the scene of the celebration of midnight mass, conducted by Father Joseph E. Toomy, and assisted by Father Bart Murtough. Through the morning hours on Monday, Christmas Day, special services will be held in all chapels throughout Fort Ord. At the Fourth Regiment Chapel, outdoor services will be held about scenes of the Nativity, with the singing of Christmas Carols forming an important part of the program.

Elsewhere on the Post, there will be added celebration. Messhalls gaily decorated for the occasion, will offer a wide variety of Christmas delicacies. There will be roast turkey — to be sure — with "side orders" of everything appropriate. "Second servings" look for some, however, there will be other measure, there will be plenty of cigarettes to many of the messhalls to add to the general enjoyment.

But—don't hurry—that's not all. Every GI's Service Clubs are ready also for the occasion. Those brightly-decorated places will be ready to welcome to spread Yuletide greetings by way of Christmas music and special programs. And in the cities of Monterey, Salinas and Carmel, there will be other and ample opportunities to celebrate the holidays.

"GI kiddies" aren't going to be forgotten, either. The AGF Replacement Depot, each of the four placement Depots is planning big parties for children. Santa Claus will be an important guest at these affairs, and there'll be toys, cakes and candy galore for the youngsters.

It may be a Christmas away from home—and, for many Fort Ord GI's, the first Christmas away from home in uniform—but it will be a holiday celebrated in the best American tradition.

COVER

This Christmas, the fourth of World War II, the Panorama has chosen for its cover a subject which, however sobering at Yuletide, cannot help but carry a message . . . a message to remind us that there will never be another really "merry" Christmas until the freedom for which brave men die is won.

The Christmas we at home enjoy today belongs not to us, but to those who have gone before, that we may . . . at Guadalcanal, at Attu, at Buna and Tarawa and a hundred other places in the Pacific; in Italy, at Salerno and in Sicily and Anzio . . . and more lately in Normandy and Germany and the Philippines.

When these men fell, they weren't especially thinking of their great gift, for seldom except in movies do soldiers die with any great thought of noble sacrifice for others. Mostly, they die in terrible loneliness, suddenly and with little time to think much about anything, except maybe to wonder if any great number of us at home give a damn.

We who have not yet felt the awful physical touch of war must not fail to recognize the selfless valour of those who cannot ever again enjoy the Christmases they have given us.

Yes, this Christmas, and all other Christmases to follow, belong to the brave men who lie quiet on some foreign sand. The crosses which mark their resting place must be burned into our hearts, so that we will not forget, ever, their contribution to the cause of freedom and its ultimate state of peace on earth, good will toward men.

"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen, Let Nothing You Dismay."

Cover design by T/Sgt. Raymond Bates and Cpl. Howard Nesler. Idea submitted by Lt. Guido Deangelis.

Bulldogs Beat Maple Polishers

The Bulldogs became the undisputed leaders in Fort Ord's red hot basketball race this week by downing the Maple Polishers in a 33 to 30 thriller, last Friday night.

Previously, the two fives were tied for the league lead, neither team having lost a game. The win for the fast-breaking Bulldogs gave the team a clear lead, and dropped the Maple Polishers to second spot.

As has been the case all season, it was those same two point-makers, Noren and Sowieja, who stole the show and walked off with the game for the Bulldogs. Noren dropped in 13 points to lead all scoring for the losers, led by James and Payne, kept within range of the Bulldogs until the final moments of the game.

Regional Hospital Patients to Have Yuletide Parties

The American Red Cross and officials of Fort Ord's Regional Hospital are completing plans for Christmas celebrations throughout the hospital on Sunday and Monday, and according to arrangements announced yesterday, hospitalized soldiers will be feted and entertained in a big way.

On Sunday afternoon, the Red Cross Recreation Hall will offer a lively holiday variety bill, featuring the "Jockey Club" show from San Francisco. As a part of the entertainment, Al Spaeth will be guests on the program. Topping off Christmas Eve festivities, a gala party will be held in the Rec Hall.

Throughout the hospital wards, each patient will have a small individual tree, and favors and gifts will be presented. For music, the Carmel Choir will offer Christmas Carols during Christmas Day.

New York (CNS)—Willie Shepard, 7, and his three-year-old brother Ronald killed a bottle of wine between them, then passed out cold behind a stove. At a local hospital they were treated for alcohol poisoning, sent home to bed and a milk toast diet.

Chaplain's Christmas Message

Although it is an established historical fact that Jesus was born in a Judean village called Bethlehem, that His name was on all Palstinian lips long before His crucifixion, data of that nature does not account for the reverence which He receives today. Other men have left large footprints in the sands of time. But they receive less homage and louder heehaws as time passes. And no wonder! Archaeologists continue to uncover additional proof that the crumbs which well from their tables were not tokens of love, but merely honeyed hints that the geese which gobbled them should lay larger golden eggs for their royal benefactors. Jesus is the only man who had everything, who offered everything to everybody. He appropriated no personal property. He refused the vacant throne of David. The welfare of humanity was His sole concern. But that is not all.

He merits admiration because He hurdled the thousand and one chalk lines and taboos of Earth's egotistic ecclesiastical chaperones. He not only entered dining rooms without conforming to certain ceremonial requirements, but He emphasized the nonauthoritative status of man's arbitrary rules by eating with untouchable Publicans and sinners. He never passed up an opportunity to hamstring a movement which made anybody's racial or religious rating a bone of contention. He dismantled the extrabiblical Sabbatarian safeguards set up by Jerusalem's stone-packing posse. He mauled the manufacturers of long faces. One of His first official acts was to wipe a mass of shroudlike make-up from the faces of His followers. Nobody knows how many haloes He jarred from the hard-set heads of sanctimonious shysters from A.D. 30-33. It is only known that He climaxed the campaign by casting a Templeful of them out on their ears. He was aware that they would crucify Him for giving the public an eyeful of their bag of tricks. Priests and ministers who have given religious hocus-pocus periodical pieces of their minds have sensed that a few of their self-righteous laymen would have welcomed an opportunity to boil them in oil. Hence, they have a faint idea of how Jesus felt when He knew that a nation's leading religionists were coiled like cobras, that He would feel their fangs at Golgotha.

The only appropriate way to honor Jesus on His 1944th birthday is by fighting the things which He opposed. That means that we should fight anything, whether it crawls or walks, whether it croaks or warbles, so long as it menaces mankind. It means that Jesus does not want us to commit hara-kiri by forgiving our enemies until they have laid down their arms and approached us as penitents. We will not go wrong if we follow our Lord's policy. Since He does not save sinners until they about-face, we dare not pigeonhole His biblical directives and our own common sense and extend unconditional clemency to criminals so long as they are wholly ineligible for favorable consideration from Heaven. Jesus was not kidding when He advised His disciples to become "as wise as serpents." Therefore, He will expect us to disarm our enemies before we demobilize. He will want them to have an opportunity to make full amends, but not a chance to fight.

Hence, if we are resolved to prevent them from starting a third World War, the Prince of Peace will see to it that we have a Merry Christmas and a victorious New Year.

—Chaplain Ira Freeman

USO HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

MONTEREY USO—Movies, Games.
CARMEL USO—Regular Friday night dance.
SALINAS USO—Informal activities.
Del Monte USO—Christmas decorating party, 8 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

MONTEREY USO—Regular Saturday night dance.
CARMEL USO—"Barn Door Canteen" plus presentation of "The Bartender's Daughter" and 14 olio acts.
SALINAS USO—Dancing and entertainment.
DEL MONTE USO—"Yuletide Formal" beginning at 9 p.m. Orchestra.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

MONTEREY USO—Buffet Luncheon, 5:45 p.m. Music by Carmel Ensemble. Music Hall program, 7:30 p.m., Girls' Glee Club from Pacific Grove; Basil Rathbone transcription, Dickens' "Christmas Carol." Gifts for servicemen.
CARMEL USO—Tree trimming, 10:00 a.m. Pilgrimage to historic Carmel Mission—10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Carol singing, 7:45 p.m.
SALINAS USO—"Goodwill Toward Men" program; Buffet Supper, 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m., featuring special performance by "Hollywood GI Girls." Christmas program beginning at 8:00 p.m. "All Night" Breakfast.
DEL MONTE USO—Candlelight Vesper Service, 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

MONTEREY USO—Turkey Buffet Supper, 6:30 p.m. Christmas Carols, Movie and Dance.
CARMEL USO—Transcription of "The Messiah," 4:00 p.m. Turkey supper, 6:15 p.m.; Marionette Show, 8:30 p.m., Santa Claus party, 9:00 p.m., with gifts to all servicemen and women.
SALINAS USO—"Community Dance" at Salinas Armory, 9:00 p.m. to midnight.
DEL MONTE USO—Buffet Luncheon and Christmas program beginning at 3:30 p.m.

U S to Start Producing V-1 Type Robot Bomb

Washington (CNS)—The War Department has contracted for the production of from 1000 to 2000 copies of the German V-1 robot bomb. Among 10 plants receiving experimental contracts is the Ford Motor Company, which will manufacture the jet-propulsion engines.

How to Save Money

Marianas (CNS)—It was payday in the Marianas, but there was nothing here to buy and nowhere to go to spend money. Result: The Army postal officer did a rushing business. He nearly sold out of money order blanks.

Buy war bonds and stamps now!

Unique Christmas Eve Radio Show Will Unite GIs

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—American soldiers across the world will be united with the people at home by radio on Christmas Eve in a unique broadcast showing the power of the Christmas spirit in the midst of grim and bitter warfare.

The program will be broadcast (NBC) for all to hear on the Army Hour, Sunday, Dec. 24, from 12:30 to 1:30 P.M. PWT. Here are some of the features:

Soldiers in the front lines in Germany will sing Carols while fighting is in progress nearby.

A 100-voice choir composed of American soldiers and WACs of Japanese ancestry will chime in from Fort Snelling, Minn.

Beneath a tropical sun in the Southwest Pacific, Tech. Sgt. Wilbur V. Lynam of Rensselaer, Ind., who runs a one-man radio station on Norfolk Island (of Mutiny On The Bounty fame), will broadcast his own Christmas program.

In the cold northland a message will come from a plane dropping Christmas cheer to another isolated weather station in Greenland.

Soldiers in Alaska will carry on a two-way radio conversation with soldiers in Panama.

And every Army on the Western Front as well as Yanks in Chungking, Theater Iceland, Guam and the Philippines will add their contributions to this unique demonstration.

In Italy, the Germans fired on a 40-foot Christmas tree which U. S. soldiers set up for their part in the program, apparently thinking it was camouflage for an observation post. But the tree is still standing, and the soldiers plan to light it up Christmas Eve for the Germans to see as well as their own men.

WITH THE EDITOR!

Your editor is a regular old Scrooge when it comes to Christmas, and is generally to be heard hollering "Bah! Humbug!" at everything (except officers) right up to the last minute before getting the real spirit of the thing.

Christmas should be a time of happiness and rejoicing for everyone, but about three-fourths of the people of the world, at least during my stay on earth, seldom ever have very much to be happy about. And because they haven't it's a pretty bitter pill for them to sit around and watch the other one-fourth celebrating a gay and happy Yuletide. That's a sort of back-handed outlook, but I still say that Christmas is tough on a lot of people.

For some this year's Christmas will be the saddest in a long time, perhaps in all history, for certainly the world has never been in such a mess. Never was the season's most-quoted message "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" so utterly empty. No matter how capable we are of forgiving and forgetting, none of the peace-loving people of the world could hold any measure of good will for the barbarians who have brought so much suffering into it.

Yes, it will be a pretty tough Christmas on the millions who have nothing to look forward to save the next day's existence. It will be hard, too, on those "nearest of kin" who will sit alone with their grief, a grief so deep and heart-rending that no word of condolence can be found to assuage their sorrow over the loss of loved-ones, who seem to be missed so much more at Christmastime.

Our fighting men overseas will find little rejoicing in the fact that the un-Christian foe observes no celebration of the birth of Christ, and that therefore the fighting will go on. It's pretty hard to find a place to hang a stocking in a foxhole, and the Santa Claus our men knew as children will seem a myth indeed in France, in the Pacific and in all our far-flung outposts.

I could go on like this forever, just as did Scrooge, finding nothing good in this particular Christmas season, especially, but it wouldn't prove even to me that Christmas should not be celebrated at least in the spirit intended.

For the true Christmas spirit is one of hope for all the depressed and down-trodden peoples of the earth, and neither wars nor pestilence nor famine can dim the bright star of faith born of the birth at Bethlehem so long ago.

It is in that spirit that myself and the rest of the Panorama family join in wishing all our readers, everywhere, the best of Christmas possible . . . and our sincerest wishes for a happy, victorious New Year!

S.C.

Soldiers Invited To See Revival of Old 'Melodrama'

Fort Ord soldiers, bent on "doin' somethin' different" during the holiday weekend, will have such opportunity tomorrow night, Saturday, when a special stage presentation of "The Bartender's Daughter," will be offered at the Carmel USO, beginning at 8:30 p.m.

The hilarious "melodrama"—first produced in 1893—has been revived by the Dolores Street Players, and according to glowing press notices which followed the premier performance last week at the Mission Ranch Club, the vehicle is "terrific" from the standpoint of laughs. It's all about murders, lynchings and other side-bustin' (?) episodes (advance press notices), so there you have "The Bartender's Daughter."

The GI audience will have ample opportunity to participate in the show, what with hissing the villain being an important part of the affair. Following the play, 14 olio acts will be featured.

KC'S CHRISTMAS GREETING!

FROM PFC. KURT CARLSON ORIGINATOR OF "HERKIMER TWIPPLE" and former Panorama Staff Artist, came this Christmas Card to us of the Panorama this week, from "somewhere in Europe." The drawing is Kurt's own impression of Europe, seen while with a Topographical Engineering outfit that formerly trained here. This new and pleasing art style displayed, furthers our belief that in Carlson Panorama had one of the best artists in the Army.

These Men Had Combat for Christmas, 1943

These five men of the AGF Replacement Depot No. 2 were swapping stories of last Christmas in the front lines when Panorama staff photographer Pfc. Hurl Swartz took the above photograph one day this week in the Fort Ord Soldiers' Club. From left to right: T/Sgt. Ora Sitter, S/Sgt. Robert L. Gilliland, Cpl. Richard L. Dual, Cpl. Lloyd Ennis, and Sgt. Raymond Deeds. All of them but Ennis were on the Italian front near Cassino, and their common recollection of Christmas 1943 is one of mud, German artillery fire, and C-rations. Corporal Ennis tells his own story about spending a very busy Christmas last year on a New Britain beach.

By T/4 WIN BEST
And T/5 BUD SPRUNGER
AGF Correspondents

For five soldiers of the AGF Replacement Depot No. 2, this Christmas will be in marked contrast to the last one. Christmas, 1943, found all of them in action against the enemy, four of them outside muddy Cassino in Italy and the other storming ashore on New Britain.

Outside Cassino it was raining, there was no transport, foxholes were full of water, Germans shelled Yank positions intermittently, most of the men were suffering from trench foot and the only spirits available was some beer donated by the British Eighth Army.

T/Sgt. Ora Sitter, now of Company M, 2nd Regt., was within rifle range of German lines, but on the rear slope of a hill. Because foxholes were flooded, he and his buddies squatted on the ground except when they heard a shell approach. As soon as the swoosh came close, they dived for cover.

T/Sgt. Sitter

That day in addition to their C rations, each man got two doughnuts from the Red Cross. Canned turkey didn't reach the front lines until December 28. For drink the men had coffee, bouillon or lemonade—and they hated the lemonade. None of the men in Sitter's outfit had overcoats.

Except for remarking that this was a lousy way to spend the holiday, nobody paid much attention. It was the same kind of day as the one before and the one after. They were no more homesick than any other day. They had reached the peak of homesickness long ago.

Late that night the sergeant took a pack load of C rations to an even more forward position. Sort of a tin-cat Santa—he says.

S/Sgt. Robert L. Gilliland, now of Company C, 2nd Regt., was with a Field Artillery unit also on the Cassino front. He had opened his Christmas packages three months previously, but was still able to celebrate slightly. Overshoes for his organization arrived.

S/Sgt. Gilliland

Christmas day from the rear lines.

The sergeant had another reason for celebration. Members of an English organization stationed with his unit had English beer and they passed it around. Each man got a quart and that was a pretty good deal—a welcome change from GI lemonade.

During the day the sergeant and other Redlegs maintained intermittent fire on enemy positions and munched C-rations—hash, it was. Mainly, the men groused about the cold and wet and their lack of overcoats.

Sergeant Gilliland's foxhole was a little drier than Sergeant Sitter's, according to comparisons made by the two soldiers before the glowing fireplace in the Soldiers' Club bar. Sitter had matted the bottom of his foxhole with straw and the water level was lower. It was cold and wet enough, though, so nobody got any sleep.

Cpl. Richard L. Dual, Company C, 2nd Regiment, was with an infantry outfit in the same sector. He also spent the day in the fashionable place—a foxhole. Most of the time he kept his head down despite the cold and high water level, because German shells were coming over constantly.

Cpl. Dual

For dinner he had a 10-in-one ration — canned goods with Spam for the meat course. He got a few packages from home that day and thought some about his family in the States and other Christmasses with them. He had been in action 140 days by then and was just about as calloused to combat as he was going to get. His outfit had started out at Africa, then on to Sicily and Italy.

Sgt. Ray Deeds, Company K, 2nd Regiment, was another infantry soldier who spent last Christmas on the Cassino front. Though Deeds is a native of Havre, Montana, where the temperature gets so low in the winter that it is seldom seen in the better places, he recalls no state weather as miserable as winter in Italy. His Christmas spirits last year were further dampened by Nazi artillery fire and aerial reconnaissance.

Sgt. Deeds

His C-ration dinner, however, was warmly augmented by some old Italian wine and some equally old Italian cheese. Furthermore, he even had dessert waters on Christmas Eve. In his —a slice of genuine white bread. Sergeant Deeds' Christmas packages were slightly late in arriving — some of them trickling in as late as May. His best Christmas present was just four days late—on 29 December his outfit was pulled off the front line.

For Cpl. Lloyd Ennis, Company D, Casual Battalion, Christmas 1943 was hell-on-earth. At 0600 Christmas morning, Corporal Ennis was one of a swarm of Yanks that stormed through the Pacifis surf to effect the first Allied beachhead on New Britain.

After a nine-hour ride in LC-Ps across open water from Finschafen, New Guinea Ennis' force was met on the beach by intense fire from Jap machine guns, mortars, howitzers, and aircraft. At nightfall a slender strip of New Britain beach two miles long and 1,000 yards wide was held by the Americans. Darkness did not halt the battle. Without sleep, rifleman Ennis and his unit fought on through the next day. After more than 36 hours of the grimmest kind of fighting this war has to offer, Jap counterjabs began to weaken and Ennis dared think that the beachhead was secure. He was still alive, and for that he was more grateful than any Christmas gift had ever made him back in his native Chicago.

Cpl. Ennis

Only other veterans of first-wave seaborne assaults can truly imagine what rifleman Ennis felt that Christmas morning, and during the long thoughtful ride across star-lit waters on Christmas Eve. In his Higgins-boat, Ennis relates, the men did not talk much aside from such sarcasms as "This is a helluva way to spend Christmas." They felt pretty good, though. Ennis continues—naturally nervous but confident of success. Its being Christmas helped that. There was some quiet laughter in the boat, and considerable of what they would like to find in their stockings that morning instead of wet feet. The majority voted that the best of all possible Christmas presents would be "a Christmas present without a bow, nice, willowy blonde—sensitive, but not too smart."

For Ennis there was no turkey dinner—only C-rations which most of the men had no time to eat. The corporal didn't think much about turkey and presents after the shooting started, and the feeling of being in on the beach and occasional Christmas came only in occasional glimpses toward the stars as he fought on through the night.

These five, like thousands of others, are glad to be back home this Christmas. But they have not forgotten. They remember last year, and they know what 25 December 1944 means for millions of Americans who are "Over There" now.

Americans 'Softies,' Japs Told Filipinos

Leyte Island (CNS)—Inhabitants of Philippine territory liberated from the Japs by General MacArthur's forces reveal some interesting sidelights on the enemy's attitude toward us.

Japanese soldiers and officers, the freed residents say, told them that the Americans were "softies" and, because we were so gullible, either Japan or her individual soldiers could surrender and be assured of generous terms at any time.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps

THE CIVILIAN SLANT

By Alvin H. Lowe

Wes Gill is responsible for designing and painting the bond signs you see on the sides of the free buses on the Post. Very favorable comments have been heard regarding this well done job.

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J. W. Millington, one of the Post trainers, recently held a job-methods conference with eight people being certified. Those finishing the conference were Lilly M. Thomas, Walter Heaps, Marie Weeks, Gladys Harrell, Ruth Scheck, Irma Phillips, Gloria Diaz, and Paul Hurlbut.

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Paul A. Peery has one of the interesting and much worthwhile tasks at Fort Ord, in the preparation of equipment for the trip across to the theatres of operation. It is revealing to see the science of cleaning, preserving, wrapping and boxing of equipment in action.

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Captain James C. Reilly, job instructor trainer of the Post motor pool, finished a meeting last week with Irene M. Hennings, Sue Rooker, Irene Tobias, Mary Murray, Frederick Kramer, Leslie Meeker, Charles Sherwood and John M. Nodin completing the work necessary for being certified.

Marie R. Weeks, of the Post quartermaster laundry, with a tenure of three and one-half years, to her credit at Fort Ord, resigned last week. Good wishes to Marie and thanks for her long stay on worthwhile work for the war effort.

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Some of Mr. Winchell's orchids to the ladies of the Finance and Post Utility Offices for assisting with the wrapping of packages, for the service men, at the main post exchange. Those helping the GI lads, in sending packages home, do their regular work in the day and contribute the evenings to this considerate and helpful work.

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George J. Wilson, civilian safety engineer at the Presidio of Monterey, celebrated his 3rd anniversary last week on other business, and was surprised that the Presidio has gone more than 17 months, or 146,000 consecutive hours, without a lost-time accident. At the 300,000 hour mark the Service Command presented a plaque for the accomplishment and there have been only two such awards made. Major Mathews, Engineer at the Presidio, is Mr. Wilson's supervisor, and he is direct charge of the safety program. Congratulations to our neighbors.

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Merry Christmas to all you GIs and may that 60 millions of pounds of turkey, for the three holidays, be very tender and cooked nice and brown.

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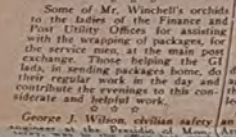
Happy Yuletide to the civilians at Fort Ord and let's stay on this job until the job is finished.



Philippines

Editor, Panorama,

The Panorama has been coming in regularly and the one copy sure takes a lot of punishment before the pin-up finds a quiet resting place. Ft. Ord was the best camp the old —sh was in, and the Panorama the best newspaper by far. Since you last heard from us we've moved from the jungles of New Guinea to the Philippines, and we're really roughing it out here.

Thanking you for the many moments of pleasure the Panorama has given us, I remain,

Sincerely,
T/5 Sidney Levine

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M'Alester, Okla. (CNS) — Mail service was gummed up here when postal authorities opened a mailbag and molasses came pouring out. Someone in Missouri had mailed a package of the gooey stuff to a local resident, but the lid came off.

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Buy war bonds and stamps now!

HE'S A BAD-D-D MAN, NELLIE!

BUT JUST YOU WAIT 'til the sun shines, a-Nellie, that nasty villain (hiss-s-s!) will be comin' round the mountain in a pine box! Mebbe those aren't the exact lines that accompany the above scene from "The Bandender's Daughter"—but you Fort Ord GI's can learn what it's all about tomorrow night, Saturday, when the "melodrama" laughfest by that title is presented on the stage of the Carmel USO, beginning at 8:30 p.m. In addition to the play, 14 olio acts will be presented. (See story.)

Selectees Get Tough New Basic; Combat Influences Their Training

Although the Army reached its designated strength a short time ago, men still are being inducted at the rate of about 950,000 a year. Selective Service officials estimate.

A large percentage—how large is an official secret—is going into the Army, where a training program of considerable proportions still is in effect, for training replacements. Of those who go into the Army, a big majority wind up in Infantry Replacement Training Centers.

Military life is just beginning for these men, many of them youngsters of 18, although we've come a long way on the road to victory, both in Europe and the Pacific.

What kind of training are they getting? How does their "basic" differ from that endured by GIs now in overseas theaters back in '41, '42 and '43? And to what extent have the lessons learned in combat influenced training methods?

In an effort to obtain an authoritative answer to these questions, CNS sent a staff man to interview Lt.Col. H. W. Dammer, Assistant G-3, Army Ground Forces. Col. Dammer has some special qualifications. He served as Executive Officer with the famed Rangers in Italy and North Africa.

Viewing the subject from the vantage point of experience in both combat and training, Col. Dammer arrived at two main conclusions:

1. Basic is a lot more rugged, obviously, than it was in the days before he went overseas in '42.

2. It is also more "realistic,"—better geared to the practical necessities of the job at hand.

"I get a feeling of high power from the present program that was absent in the early days," is the way Col. Dammer puts it.

Of the physical training phase, he says, "the trend over a period of time toward conditioning through use of obstacle courses continues. Such conditioning is designed to improve a man in agility and the handling of his body rather than merely his feet and legs. At the same time, marches and hikes also are stressed."

The lessons learned in combat find their way into the training program in two ways—by being incorporated into official training doctrine after evaluation by G-3 and through personal contact between new men and veterans with combat experience.

"Over a period of time," Col. Dammer says, "personnel in this headquarters, in IRTCs and even in units has gradually included people who have had overseas service."

Some of the changes incorporated into training doctrine are still not for publication but here are a few cited by Col. Dammer:

Use of overhead artillery in small unit problems: Field artillery pieces operate as they would in battle in support of the units during tactical problems. All IRTCs have a battery or more of field artillery for this purpose.

Revision of Extended Order Drill: As revised, the squad is broken down, under the "Able-Baker-Charlie" system, into 3 groups. The "Able" group includes the scouts; the "Baker" group the BAR men and the "Charlie" group the riflemen. The squad or platoon leader can move the groups independently to meet specific problems.

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There are six ages in a woman's life—baby, infant, girl, young woman, young woman, and young woman.

"Awright! Awright! —So it's a beautiful dog!"

Battle Facts No. 2 . . . Jap at His Best In Night Tactics, Pacific Vets Say

This is the 3rd in a series of 3 articles on combat experiences of American soldiers who fought in Kwajalein and the Palau Islands. They are based on stories first printed in the Army paper 'Midpacifican.'

By Camp Newspaper Service

Everyone knows by now that the Jap is a master of infiltration, particularly at night. Here's some more corroborative evidence, gleaned from the battle experiences of U.S. fighting men in the Kwajalein and Palau invasions:

Sgt. R. W. Kerber, 60 mm mortar squad leader: "It was about 1900 the second evening of the battle. My mortar squad and I had just finished digging in for the night. Before we knew what was happening, American hand grenades were falling all around us. We soon discovered they were not being thrown by mistake but were coming from a Jap hidden in a fallen palm tree close by.

"After a few minutes a water-cooled machine gun squad saw him and realized what was happening. They opened up and did away with the Jap. This would never have occurred if some of the boys hadn't gotten careless and lazy. By that, I mean they had thrown away live ammunition. The Japs are good at infiltration at night and will gather all of the live ammunition lying around and send it back to you the next day."

More on Jap night tactics from Cpl. Mark J. Logie, regimental commander:

"One night the enemy attempted to overrun the positions of the front line battalion in the following manner. First, he made a special effort to locate and destroy the automatic weapons by use of patrol. The approach of the enemy patrol was preceded by a diversionary noise caused by rolling heavy oil drums on the enemy airport and by the enemy exposing himself in that area.

"Then, as soon as the guns disclosed their position by firing on the targets, the enemy charged the position from another direction, attempting to destroy the guns by use of hand grenades and bayonets.

"All men must be constantly alert for such diversionary tactics; security groups must not let their interest be drawn by flareups of action in other directions and automatic weapons must always have all-around protection.

S/Sgt. Edward L. Harper, battalion operations sergeant, broadcasting:

"I saw one strand of wire, placed under cover of darkness, one foot above the ground and around our perimeter defense, actually stop the Japs from infiltrating. When the Japs contacted the wire, they turned and ran, stopping only when the wire was covered by automatic fire."

Of the danger of spreading rumors, Lt. Richard H. Anderson, platoon leader, says: "Rumors spread like wildfire even on the battlefield and while under fire. All rumors are dangerous under battle conditions, so check those rumors. Keep watch on those men you regard as gullible."

To which Sgt. H. B. Swegle, 60 mm mortar squad leader, adds: "Troops should be made to realize how effectively a careless phrase, such as 'The Japs have broken through and are all around us' or even something much less serious can demoralize their buddies."

Lack of aggressiveness is what worries Sgt. George Kanold, assistant squad leader: "You can't stress the importance of constantly moving forward too much when your outfit is the attacking element. Let terrain, opposition confronted and the number of enemy emplacements present regulate your rate of advance. Take advantage of all cover and concealment, but don't remain in one spot too long. Most of our casualties were hit while motionless on the ground."

Let T/Sgt. Thomas H. Bentley, rifle platoon sergeant, have the final say: "The day went fine, the night was hell. I'll never forget again that it's their back yard. They know it like a book; they have read a hundred times."

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The daughters and sons of the 1st Regt., AGF Replacement Depot No. 2, will gather Christmas Day for their second annual party in the regimental Recreation Hall.

Children of officers and cadremen will be treated to presents, refreshments, entertainment and a Santa Claus, Lt. F. X. Fallon, regimental A&R officer, announced.

This Week's Report From Tokyo

New York (CNS) — Excerpts from a report on the American home front by Goro Nakano, one-time New York correspondent of the Tokyo newspaper Ashai, as reported by OWI.

. . . In the war bond selling drives, Hollywood and Broadway actresses give one kiss for each bond. Also in nude dances, each time the actress strips off some of her clothes, spectators are made to buy bonds. Thus by barbaric methods they are bolstering the dime-store patriotism of the ignorant Yankee masses."

What! No Room Service?

Washington (CNS)—The Navy's new ALP barracks ship is the slickest job afloat. A "floating hotel," built to barrack 700 men, it includes a barber shop, a soda fountain, a hospital and a post office.

Brig. Gen. Hardy Inspects Troops On 'GI Joe' Movie Production Lot

BRIG. GEN. DAVID P. HARDY, CG of First Headquarters, Special Troops, AGF, made an inspection trip to Culver City, California, last week, and while there, pinned battle-won medals on two Special Troops soldiers who are helping in the production of "GI Joe," movie version of Ernie Pyle's "Here Is Your War." To Sgt. Jack B. Grose, hero of the Italian campaign, went the Silver Star; while Cpl. Harry M. Olson, veteran of several battles in the Pacific, received the Presidential Unit Citation. General Hardy pinned on the medals, and afterwards chatted informally with the two men, along with Film Star Burgess Meredith, who is playing the part of Ernie Pyle in the part of soldiers in the film, hence the beards in the photo above.

On a recent inspection trip in Southern California, Brig. Gen. D. P. Hardy, commanding First Headquarters, Special Troops, AGF, and his Executive, Colonel E. C. Snow, reviewed the members of the command stationed at Youngsworth Ranch, Baldwin Hills, Los Angeles. This unit is composed of soldiers especially selected because of experience and training and are taking part in the filming of "G.I. Joe," movie version of Ernie Pyle's best seller, "Here Is Your Army," being produced by Lester Cowan in collaboration with the Army Ground Forces.

Approximately 350 enlisted men and 17 officers, composing a company of infantry and a battery of field artillery were detached from Camp Roberts and necessary ordnance and medical units were taken from Fort Ord. Major J. P. Tyrell, loaned by the AGF Depot here, commands the battalion.

General Hardy was considerably dismayed when passing the motor pool on his way into the Camp at the apparently disreputable appearance of the trucks and artillery pieces. Major Tyrell hastily explained that this was all part of the atmosphere of the picture and that large sums had been spent in dumping thousands of gallons of water onto a nearby section of road to produce the desired "Italian mud" effect. He also prepared the General for his first look at his troops by telling him that the men's hair and beards had been allowed to grow and special passes had been issued to prevent the MPs in nearby cities from turning the men in for being in improper uniform. Class X clothing is the regular rule while on location and a number of unserviceable pieces of rolling equipment will be completely destroyed by explosions during the course of the production.

General Hardy found nothing even slightly amiss in the condition of the barracks, messes, and general camp area, although the buildings were of temporary type and had not been occupied for more than a year, since being vacated by a Jap-hunting anti-aircraft battalion soon after Pearl Harbor.

From the camp the inspecting party proceeded to Culver Park where a formal inspection of the troops and their arms was held. Decorations won in Italy and in the South Pacific were officially presented to Sgt. Jack B. Grose and Cpl. Harry M. Olson by General Hardy after which these noncoms stood with the General while the outfit passed in review to the music of the band from Fort McArthur.

An inspection of the sets to be used in the picture followed. Mr. William Wellman, director of "GI Joe," was discovered to be a former member of the Lafayette Esquadrille from World War I, and a fighter pilot of no mean reputation. The Lieutenant Colonel commanding the "movie battalion" turned out to be Jack Lee, an actor of repute, a San Francisco friend of General Hardy's of 20 years standing.

The outdoor scenes, nearly all in Italian towns and showing ruined houses and public buildings, were looked over while still being worked on by mechanics and artists. The operation of every well-known weapon of war will be shown—bazookas will blast fortifications and flame-throwers will drive their defenders into the open, a Sherman tank will rumble down a narrow winding street, climb the wide front stairs of the town hall and crash through the barricaded front doors to deal with enemy snipers within. Through all of the action will run the illuminating and entertaining dialogue of Ernie Pyle, Master Newspaperman, and "G.I. Joe" as represented by hundreds of American soldiers who were immortalized in "Here Is Your War."

"Cpl. Hornblow here has just completed his 12th jump . . ."

AGF Units Get 65,000 More Men

Washington, Dec. 13 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Ben Lear said today (Tuesday) that a radical change in the mission of the AGF is resulting in their getting 65,000 individuals from air and service forces, and that still more may be shifted.

The General presented this information in an interview to show the steady but tremendous change in the role of the ground forces since the U.S. moved from defensive to offensive.

"Forty-thousand men from surpluses of the Air Forces and 25,000 from the ASF have already been or are in the process of being transferred to the AGF," he said.

"It is estimated that as the need and unavoidable casualties increase as a result of increasing ground force action, an additional number of men may be shifted from surpluses of the Air Forces to the AGF as time goes on."

FDR Seeks Stars For 73 Colonels

Washington (CNS)—President Roosevelt has asked general officer status for 73 colonels and recommended the promotion of a major general to be lieutenant general and 23 brigadiers to be major generals.

Recommended for the 3 stars of a lieutenant general was M/Gen. William D. Styer, deputy chief of staff, ASF. Among the brigadier generals raised to 2 stars in the President's recommendations were B/Gen. William J. Donovan, Medal of Honor winner in World War I and now head of the Office of Strategic Services, and B/Gen. William R. Arnold, chief of chaplains.

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Information And Education Branch Help GIs Learn While They Fight

The current emphasis of soldier-thinking on post war problems is being recognized by the new Information and Education set-up of the Army Ground Forces Replacement Depot here.

A combination of inside-info on the war from day to day and constant dissemination of veteran prospects in the vocational field keeps the new Depot I & E office a busy place. Regimental I & E officers and enlisted personnel are coordinated through the Depot office in their efforts to present briefly and graphically "the world today" to the busy men. Attractive new displays aid the soldier in keeping up with the war's progress throughout the world, and make it easier for him to chose topics of his particular interest from the mass of news and radio information that too often leaves him in confusion.

On the strictly military side, the I & E offices operate what might be termed a "combat bull session" — several hours of Depot training devoted to discussion between men with combat experience and the well-trained but untried replacements of the Depot. Every man yet to experience actual battle with the enemy naturally has a thousand questions he wants to ask his battle-seasoned fellows. He has "a lot of little things" he wants to get straight—details of tactics or personal care that he knows may mean the difference between life and death and victory or defeat to his unit. In this respect, the combat bull-sessions, according to 1st Lt. James E. Kelly, 2nd Regt. I & E officer, have proven invaluable, not only in preparing men for combat but in giving them confidence in their own ability.

On the post-war side of the ledger, the men of I & E are plugging the excellent correspondence courses of the USAFI—United States Armed Force Institute—which offers instruction among most of the accredited colleges throughout the country in everything from Hindustani to Aristotle. If you don't like to take a course in aircraft design or, if you do, take a course in aircraft design or, if you do, take a course in aircraft design or European literature — USAFI has classes.

The I & E officers also sponsor lectures and discussions on the current social and political trends of nations throughout the world. — What is happening in Argentina? How does strategic but little-known Korea fit into the Asiatic war scheme? AGF Depot and Regimental I & S helps the soldier find his own answers.

ACE CAGER

HOOPSTER LOVE

Cpl. Arthur Love is not the shamblin' Joe he may seem to the casual observer who sees him amble down the street of his company —"R" of the Third Regiment, AGF Replacement Depot No. 2. As well as being a soldier, Corporal Love is plenty hot stuff on a basketball court or on a cinder track. His lackadaisical gait just demonstrates that principle of physics, the Conservation of Energy.

Love has played basketball with the best of them from Alaska to Lisbon, Portugal. In 1938-39, he was star forward on the U. S. Coast Guard quintet from the cutter "Haida" that copped the Championship of Southeastern Alaska. And skip of Southeastern Alaska. And don't kid yourself, pal, they play a rugged game of ball in Alaska. Out of the "Haida" team Love was chosen to play with the Coast Guard All-Stars, operating out of Boston, Mass. While on the east coast, he also played a flashy brand of professional ball with the world famous Globe Trotters.

In 1941, crew shipped out with the Coast Guard to Lisbon, Portugal, where occurred a very odd incident indeed, in terms of what has happened since. Love was a member of the track team that placed second in an international meet there, and guess which country took top honors? Germany.

Corporal Love, whose home is in Monterey and who went to college at North Carolina A & T, does not smoke, and seldom drinks. His remark that he "can't afford to" may be interpreted a couple of ways, but it's obvious that a man who has played as many games as Love—21 league games in 13 days can't afford to fool around with even gentlemanly vices. One Sunday of 41, accordingly, the lanky corporal, he played all but a few minutes of three life-size basketball games.

So if Love shambles slightly when he ambles, it merely means that he's saving his energy for times when it's needed most, be it combat, basketball, or chow.

Tokyo No Tinderbox, Army Learns in Raids

Washington (CNS)—The OWI today quoted the Army as reporting, following the B-29 strikes at the capital of Japan that "the rather general impression that Tokyo is a tinderbox city, which could be destroyed by incendiary bombs, is one of the most inaccurate of popular fallacies.

"Metropolitan Tokyo, which includes the cities of Kawasaki, Yokohama and the naval base community of Yokosuka, has been prepared for years for earthquakes and fires. The significance of this is that buildings designed to withstand earthquake shocks are also well adapted to withstand bomb shocks."

CAFE OF THE WEEK

Alaska—A sergeant stationed here received a letter from home. "I'm sending you some goodies," his mother wrote. Much later the long-awaited package arrived. It contained fruit jar rubbers. The sergeant's mother had sent the wrong bundle.

Morale Boosters: No. 152 — Warner Brothers Star Pat Clark

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NT HOME --- WASHINGTON: Maj. General Wooton, Chief of Southern Atlantic Command, announces that U.S. Army forces in the South Atlantic will be inactivated by Oct 31. Gen. Wooton Discloses that the peak strength of his force was 5,000 men.

Plans for a peace time Navy of 1,082 combat ships, comes up for house approval amid demands of immediate atomic bomb tests on Navy vessels.

LOS ANGELES: General Jacob Devers, commander of the AGF, reveals during a flying inspection visit, the Army is discharging men so fast that it is facihg a serious shortage of key men in all departments.

LABOR FRONT: In San Francisco, CIO and AFL machinests were scheduled to strike for a 30% pay increase. If supported by all the AFL and CIO affiliates, the walkout would close all of San Francisco's Bay area shipyards.

OREIGN

A strike vote is authorized by the United Electrical Radio and Machine workers of the CIO, among 170,000 General Electrical employes in 54 plants. The union reported General Electric has refused a demand for a $2.00 a day wage raise.

MANILA: 3 witnesses testified at the opening of Gen. Yamashita's war crimes trial yesterday. They saw his troops bayonet and shoot to death 40 civilians in a Red Cross headquarters during the battle of Manila last February. They said most of the victoms were women and children. One was a 10 month old baby. A fourth witness, Juan Filipino, an educator, who's wife, 2 daughters, daughter in-law and 7 grand children died in the slaughter, said a Jap Captain had 3 Months earlier told him the Japanese intended to kill all the white people in the Orient. Yamashita, erstwhile tiger of Malaya, who was once regarded as Japan's best field Gen., sat unsmiling at the witnesses told of atrocities unparalleled even in Nazi horror camps in Germany.

PORTS

CHUNGKING: An undeclared civil war threatened China with more than 1,000,000 Central Government and Chinese Communist troops fighting it but for control of the 11 key provinces in north, south, and central China. Both Government and Communist sources acknowledge the internal strife reaches a new high pitch while so-called unity talks drag on in Chungking, with no definate solution yet in sight. Each group accuses the other of being the aggressor. There seems to be some danger that the civil war would spread to mewly liberated Manchuria.

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We don't know why, but last night a horse decided to lay down and rest awhile near the Px, after the movie. It took 5 men 15 minutes to get him up and moving. The traffic jam that resulted reminded us of Main Street on a Saturday night, back in the States.

[illegible] attraction at the Charley Battery Carnival at the EM Club tonight. From what we hear, this vacalist will be much in demand at future festivities.

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SHINGTON: The Senate Foreign Relations Commitee apporved a bill giving the United States delegate to the United Nations Council specific authority to vote U.S. troops into action to preserve peace. The bill provides that the delegate vote only as directed by the President on all matters pending on the council. This eleminates any need for the delegate to get specific Congressional approval before voting the use of force.

General Jacob Devers said the Army's new "guided missiles" battalion has been organized to keep abreast of scientific developments in the field of super-electronic weapons.

President Truman in a proclamation has called upon all Americans to observe November 11th as Armistice Day by recalling the valor and sacrafices which brought victory in 1918, and by dedicating themselves to the building of enduring peace among the countries of the world.

GI Joe may in vite his whole family and his girl friend also to enjoy turkey and trimings ---Army-style--- on Thanksgiving and Christmas. The War Dept. announces that every man, officer or buck private, eating a military mess in the United States, will be permitted to invite mimbers of his family and one friend at a cost of 75¢ for each guest.

EW YORK: Max Waxman, business manager of Jack Dempsey, disclosed that the former heavyweight boxing champion would be named President of a concern which will televise bowing, at a salary of $250,000 a year, when he receives his discharge from the Coast Guard in January. Dempsey, a Commander is presently on a Victory Bond selling tour.

The first civilian ever to win the Navy Silver Star is Donald Russell, technical representative of the United Aircraft Corporation. The 26 year old Connecticut engineer earned the award by remaining aboard the U.S.S. Franklin after a successful Kamikaze attack off the coast of Kyushu last March. The Navy citation reveals that Russell performed heroic deeds including the heaving of live bombs into the sea.

ETROIT: A 16 mile picket line --- believed the world's longest --- stretched around the vast Willow Run plant where Henry Ford during the war produced thousands of B-24 bombers. The demonstration was a touch off of grievances caused by a Graham Paige announcement that it had cancelled its contract with all United Automobile Workers Unions because of what it termed an unwarrented series of work stoppages.

NGLAND: An RAF jet propelled plane piloted by Eric Greenwood, chief test pilot for the Glouster Aviation Co., established an official world's speed record of 606 miles per hour over a measured course.

N. BULL: Josephine Napolas, the Bonnie Baker of Terragona, will be the main attraction at the Charley Battery Carnival at the EM Club tonight. From what we hear, this vacalist will be much in demand at future festivities.

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INGTON: The Army Navy Bulletin, a service publication in Washington, charges Fleet Admiral King has turned the selection of officers for promotion to Admiral's rank, into a popularity contest with votes and social personality determining the winner. The procedure, it seems, is to submit a list ofelegibles to officers already holding the high rank and having them rate the candidates. The Bulletin says this has stimulated the old Navy art of apple polishing and urges the return to a system of careful performance record analysis for promotion.

The Senate passes a revised GI Bill of Rights, sends it to the House for adjustment of minor differences and votes down a proposal which would have extended the benefits to the widows of veterans who would have been entitled to them had their husbands lived. The main provisions eleminate the age restriction on education benefits and increased college subsistance allowances to 65 dollars monthly for men without dependents and $90 monthly to veterans with families. It also permits loans to cover capital, supplies and machinery as well as real estate for purchasing farm or business. It extends repayment of the loan on homes or business to 25 years and on farms to 40.

SCO: The Army Medical panel, ending the secresy ordered by MacArthur, discloses that thousands of United States fighting men are suffering from atabrine dermatitis, which causes skin lesions similar to eczema. In some cases, men begin losing hair 10 to 90 days after taking atabrine. The panel says that some who are affected won't be able to take the drug for future Malaria.

A: The nationalist radio rallies Indonesions to the peril of the landings large numbers of Dutch troops scheduled to arrive Friday at the Soerabaja naval base. Meantime the British Commander of the Allied occupation troops issues an ultimatum ordering the Indonesions to surrender their arms by 0600 on Saturday or be shot if they resist. The Indonesion leader Dr. Soekarno, says this will result in bloody outbreak.

INA: Lt. Gen. Wedemeyer, commander of the United States forces acknoledges in Shanghai, U.S. soldiers have been involved in minor skirmishes but definately not provoking trouble. Chinese Communists now in battle with Central Government troops in several sectors , previously charged that Americans helped Chiang Kai Shek's forces, and demanded Wedemeyer apologize for the action. They also charge American Marines have raided the Communist offices in Tientsin. Meantime the official Central Government news agency in Chungking says the Chinese Communists and Nationalist leaders resumed their deadlocked peace negotiations in an effort to stop the undeclared civil war raging in North China.

SHINGTON: The Justice department reveals that one of the eight Nazi sabateurs, who landed from German subs on Long Island and Florida in 1942, made a beeline for the F B I and spilled the details of their mission. George Dasch told the G-men the only reason he joined the party was to get out of Germany. As a result the whole group was rounded up in 14 days, six were electricuted and Dasch got 30 years.

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97th SHIPPING DATE SET

FICIAL: The 97th will leave for the ates on January 15th. 32 AAA has re- ived a radiogram from AFWESPAC stating at the 97th is a Class IV unit, and ll leave the 15th of January with a mplement of 400 men. There is no fical word on the point scores. Any eculation on the screening level is rictly rumor.

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OCCUPATION TROOPS REDUCED

The Army's personnel chief tells a enate Committee in Washington that Gen- ral Eisenhower has directed European nd Pacific commanders to reduce there ccupation forces to a minimum. He says he New Chief of Staff gave the Command- rs very strict orders to reduce their orces. 1,043,000 Service men have eturned from overseas during November, nd 630,000 are arriving during this onth. By New Years Day, Army European forces will be down to 635,000 and in the Pacific---1 million. The Navy reveals at the same time after New Years Day it will quit using battleships, cruisers and aircraft carriers because enough troop ships of the cargo type will be available to bring home all troops eligible for discharge.

13,000 Pacific vets aboard 23 ships arrived at the west coast yesterday.

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JAPS PLEAD FOR YAMASHITO

In Tokyo men, women and school children are signing an appeal to be submitted to General Mac Arthur to spare Yamashito Life. The General recently was convicted by a War Crimes Military Tribunal in Manila, and sentenced to be hanged. Leaders of the movement will be submitted to Mac Arthur when it has 10,000 names.

TRUMAN APPOINTS FACT FINDING BOARD

President Truman announces he has appointed a Fact Finding Board to inquire into the issues of the twenty-three old General Motors strike. Heading the three men board is Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, Walter Stacy, the two other members are War Labor Board Head Loyd Garrison and Kansas State College President Milton Eisenhower, who incidentally is a brother of the general. Garrison says the board will not interfere with the present bargaining conferences between the Auto Workers and the General Motors Officials. He remarked he hoped they will be able to settle their disputes by agreement. Mr. Truman says he will also appoint Fact Finding Boards to look into the steel dispute where 700,000 workers have decided to strike on Jan 14 for a two dollar a day wage increase.

President Truman also asks for legislation to fix ceiling price on houses in an effort to avert further skyrocketing of home prices. He also annouces building materials will go back under a priority system, and about half such materials will be earmarked for dwellings. The priority program will give preference to veterans for the purchase or rental of such houses.

At the same time figures on the housing shortage were made public by Millard Rice, National Service Director. He reveals that about 1,632,000 single veterans and the same number of married veteransnow need places to live. He further estimates 568,000 civilians will be in the market for a home by the end of next year. President Truman's proposal will stop unessential building such as roadhouses, race tracks, and nightclubs.

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I SCREAM YOU SCREAM WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM

Believe it or not Ice Cream is to become a permanent delicacy in the 97th's mess halls. In one short week the ice cream plant will be in full operation and ice cream will cease to be the rarity it has been in the past.

You probably have noticed the new building immediately adjacent to the PX. It is the ice cream plant and will house all the necessary machines involved in the process of freezing and storing ice cream. The machinery will be installed as soon as the concrete floor is poured and set.

The freezer is capable of producing approximately 180 gallons of cream per day, but the storage facilities can only accomodate 60 gallons. Since the cream must be stored immediately after leaving the freezer the daily production will be limited to 60 gallons.

The "frozen food" will be distributed through the mess halls, and the frequency of its distribution will depend on the battery as well as the production limits. It takes about 20 gallons of cream to feed a battery. If the battery decides to have ice cream with dinner one day it turns in a sufficient amount of Ice Cream Mix to the plant on the preceding morning and then picks it up a short time before chow is served.

This stateside delicacy may help to adjust us to the day when once more we can all go to Joe's Ice Cream Parlour and order a Choclate Soda or a Special Deluxe Banana Split with three flavors!

SURPLUS WAR GOODS OFFERED

The U.S. Surplus Property Administration proposes that Congress set up system so that wholesale dealser could take surplus war good for selling to veterans. The administration also recomended that veterans have priority over all but Federal Agencies, and that they be permitted to buy goods for personal use as well as business uses.

At present surplus war goods are only available to discharged veterans; however any one interested in procuring information on these goods see Lt. Coyne at the C.P.

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SALARY BIG-10 OF 44

From Washington comes the story of the highest paid salaries of 1944. John B. Hawley of Minnisota, executive of Northern Ordinance Company, appears in the list of the first ten top salary positions in the nation which was made public toody. The list, incidently, is headed by Louis B. Mayer, Motion Picture Exectuve. Another of the nations top ranking money makers of 1944 is Thomas Watson, president of the International Business Machines Corporation. Mr. Watson's pay check for the year totals 425,000 dollars.

The Hollywood Comedians Bud Abbott and Lou Costello are named in the list with a salary of 424,320 dollars. Reading down the list we find Fred MacMurry of Paramount pictures with an intake of 419,000 dollars while Walter Wanger, Universal Picture Executive earned 409,000 dollars. Nicholas Schenk of Loews Incorporated drew 391,000 dollars. Ormond Hunt, Executive Vice President of General Motors pulled down 359,000 dollars, and Albert Bradley anocther G.M. Executive was paid 350,000 dollars.

Movie Actor William Powell was paid 292,000 dollars while Spencer Tracy received 270,000 dollars, and that is not stage money, either.

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AAF TO TEST FIGHTERS

The AAF orders experienced flight test crews to inspect 20,000 fighting planes in an effort to reduce the accident rate which rose from 39 per 100,000 flying hours in the final quarter of 1941 to 47 per 100,000 flying hours in August, September and October. An offical spokesman asks to disclose that the AAF hope to have a strength of 8,200 planes.

SPORT SCENE

BASE K vs CEBU

Base K All-Stars softball team be- three game series this afternoon the Cebu All-Stars at the 28th Repl. at 1400. Five players from the 97th be seen in action with the Base K in what should be a good battle.

ACIFIC COAST LEAGUE REJECTED S MAJOR BALL ASSOCIATION

Chicago late yesterday the American ational Leagues voted not to consi- he Pacific Coast League as a third League. The existing Majors admit- he PCL was a potential Major League ffered to consider it as such, how- until the far western circuit can it has ball parks big enough and pay s substantial enough it will continue lass A the same as the International e and American Association.

he majors voted to permit unlimited t baseball for the 1946 season. The est deal came off yesterday when the innati Reds sold first baseman Frank rmick to the Phillies. Another big sent pitcher Jim Bagby from Cleve- to the Boston Red Sox in return for her Vic Johnson and a reported $5,000.

McPHAIL TRIAL POSTPONED

The trial of New York Yankees presi- t Larry McPhail, on assualt charges wing out of a dispute at the Tele- ne Company offices last Oct 5, was tponed again today until Jan 3. Mc- il was accused of using abusive lan- ge to Mrs. Anna Towner, an operator, n striking the exchange manager, mas Dyer after he was unable to place all during the Oct 5 strike.

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golfer, trying to get out of a trap d: "T traps on this course are very noying, aren't they?"

e second golfer, trying to putt: "Yes ey are, and I sure wish you would keep urs closed."

meone once asked James T. Corbett what the most important thing a man must to become a champion. He replied: ight one more round."

RAMS AND PACKERS SHARE HONORS ON ALL PRO TEAM

(ANS)--The western division champion Cleveland Rams and the dethroned champs, Green Bay Packers shared honors on the All National Professional League football team announced by the United Press, by landing three players each on the squad.

One of the Rams was half back, Bob Waterfield, former UCLA star, who became the first "freshman" player ever to be voted a birth unanimously on the press association's team.

The full squad chosen by UP is:
Ends; Don Hutson (Packers) and Steve Pritko (Cleveland).
Tackles; Al Wistert (Phil) and Emil Uremovich (Detroit)
Guards; Riley Matheson (Cleveland) and Bill Radovich (Detroit)
Center; Charley Brock (Packers)
Backs; Sammy Baugh (Wash), Bob Waterfield (Cleveland), Steve VanBuren (Phil), Ted Fritsch (Packers).

The National Professional Football game between the Eastern and Western Division Champions will be broadcasted over WVTK next Monday at 1115 AM. Thats the game between the Washington Redskins and Cleveland Rams at Municipal Stadium in Cleveland, Ohio.

COLLEGIATE BASKETBALL SCORES

Mason Gen Hosp	66	Brooklyn Col	47
Auburn	37	Miss State	26
Iowa St	75	St Ambrose	32
Iowa Univ	71	So Dakota St	30
Ind Univ	56	Cp Atterbury	53
Notre Dame	52	Chanute Field	45
Washburn	42	Kansas St	38
Wichita	40	SW Kansas	27
Illinois	51	Detroit	34
Kansas Univ	59	Rockhurst	45
Baylor	58	N Texas St	29
Texas A & M	40	SW Louisiana	32
Bellerdome	54	Cp Ross	52
Santa Anna AAF	38	UCLA	25
Farragut Navy	58	Idaho	54

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The Reverend Henry Ward Beecher
Called a hen a most elegant creature.
The hen pleased with that,
Laid an egg in his hat-
And thus did the hen reward Beecher.
O.W.H.

"I shoulda stood in the Army!"

CHARLEY CHATTER
CPL EPSTEIN

FLASH---C Btry now boasts a film celebrity. Wednesday, if the audience looked closely, it would have seen a young soldier with a moustache and dirty face. Yes, that was James H. Peters, as known to the men just as Pete, the "switchboard king". Pete came from a basic training camp of comedians, Red Skelton was in the Btry next to his.

Hoping--That this water calms down, so several of the C Btry yatchsmen can take their boats out. So far, there are two groups. One consists of Miller, Arsenian, Blodgett, Epstein and Metzel. Theother group consists of Aldridge Christefeson and Erps. I hope some more of the fellows join the yatch clubs, because it is one of the most enjoyable things you can do around here.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

Well, our mess tent blew over Wed. night. Seems that the most important things take the beating, but it went back up in a hurry. The Army still travels on its stomach.

T/5 Magoryrk keeps all the boys entertained at a certain rendezvous, with his singing, guitar, playing imitations and other accomplishments. This spot is located somewhere on Leyte.

There are two kinds of people in the Army---enlisted men, and the people with clothes that fit.....

Here lies the body of Cpl Stark:
He mistook the Sarge for a girl in the dark.

CINEMA SCENES

CENSORS LIFT LID ON RUSSELL CHARMS. Remember hearing about The Outlaw? No? Well it was the movie that Howard Huges made four years ago, starring Jane Russell and never exhibited. It also made Jane, who busted out all over in pin-ups. Sine then she has probably been the most publicized actress ever NOT to appear in a film. The Outlaw ran into difficulties with the censors. It seems that Jane's peek-a-boo shirtwaist had too much "peek" so the censors said "boo". In the intervening years Hughes has been fighting the censors' ruling that too much of Jane's best points were visible on the screen. And finally he has won. The Outlaw will open nationally 8 February—uncut and unchanged, with the original luster of the Russell charms undimmed.

THE WOLF by Sansone

"Did you enjoy the movies?"

ABOUT YOUR FAVORITE STARS. Dorothy Lamour sarong went for $140,000 in Victory Bonds in Wichita Falls, Texas.

David Loew's press agent swears on a stack of old Marx Brothers scripts that the producer offered Harpo Marx $55,000 to utter one word. The word is "murder" and it would be spoken in an important scene in the Marx' opus, Adventures in Casablanca. The producer claimed that a word on the screen by the usually mute Harpo would be worth the money in exploitation value.

But Harpo says no--or just shakes his head. He claims by speaking he would ruin a characterization he has created over a period of years. He declares if he ever speaks on the screen he'll play a non-mute character and talk his yap off.

Better think it over, Harpo. Fifty-five grand to say "murder"--that's about $9,166.66 a letter.

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SCORE SET

BABY MURDER!

n Chelsea, Mass., Rose Carlan under the first in a series of mental tests etermine whether she was sane when she the body of her 6 month old son beh a china closet and then told the ce her infant had been kidnapped. Atants at the Boston Psychopathic Hospe where Mrs. Carlan was committed for ays observation, said the 23 year old her's chidf concern was the retention he love of her husband James, who flew a California Naval Base when the baby reported missing.

Arraigned on murder charges yesterday Chelsea District Court, Mrs Carlan eamed, "That's not true.", when the rk read the complaint that on Nov 24th, did assault and beat with intent to der one Ronald Carlan.

She told police she returned from a ty to find her child dead in his crib. ice were convinced that her husband, n Carlan, didn't know Ronald was dead, unknowingly aided his wife in her inapping hoax.

The grief stricken husband asserted he uld stick by her through it all.

"LITTLE FLOWER"
BLOOMS AGAIN

Mayor La Guardia for whom unemployment edictions hold no fear, today announced e name of the 3rd firm which will put m on their payroll when he retires as ief Administrator of the City of New rk. The June Dairy Co. of Wis. will onser Sunday broadcasts on City Affairs rom Noon to 12:25. The New York paper PM" announced that LaGuardia would also oin its staff to write a weekly column.

It has been officially announed that Enlisted Men returning to the States with the 97th must have 42 months of active service and officers 48 in order to be eligible. This period of active service must be completed by the shipping date--January 15th.

In order to keep from snafuing the pay books, and to make the exchange of papers simpler, there will be no men transferred from the Battalion until after New Year's Day.

BIG CRIME WAVE
IN BIG CITY

The Crime wave continued as four armed bandits found and robbed a New Yorker of 4,500 dollars today, and the tommy gun robbers struck again in Brooklyn in the latest outbreak of crime in the big town.

Police said the Bronx quartet trapped Martin Schmuckler, 50, in the elevator of his apartment house lowered him to the basement and bound his hands and feet with clothes line. The four and one half thousand dollars he carried were the receipts from his liquor store. Four tommy gun thugs forced their way into Schermans's Jobbers Cake Exchange in Brooklyn and stole 580 dollars from the proprietor and two customers. Three of the men did the robbing while a fourth sat in a waiting car holding a submachine gun.

NEW MINT

Plans are being prepared for a new U.S. Mint in Philadelphia, to be twice the size of the present largest mint in Denver.

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BATTALION CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Christmas Eve the Battalion will have its final big event. In fact it is going to be so big that both the EM Coub and the Officer's Club will be used. The idea for this party originated with Major Carriker. A committee consisting of: Sgt Major Snyder, music; 1st sgts Smith(A) and Pelton(Hq), girls; 1st sgt Catt (B), decorations; and T/4 Davis (Sv) refreshments has been selected from the EM club council.

Since both clubs are going to be used, we will have two Bands. One of them will be the Armorediers, the other has not yet been decided upon.

The Officer's Club will have to be reinforced before it can be used. A new breakwater will be built and posts will be put under the Club to strengthen it.

Free food and drinks will be had by all. The party will last from 8:00 to 12:00 and we know that with everybody's cooperation it will be the biggest and best affair the 97th has ever had.

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COLD WEATHER PREVAILS

A cold wave still covers the U.S. tumbling temperatures even in the deep south. It was cold even in California and Florida. Snow ice and subzero temperatures were reported on a line west from Wyoming to good old New England. Buffalo New York complained of a blizzard which one city offical called the worst storm in 34 years. Snow varried from 24 to 30 inches in down town Buffalo with traffic paralized and bus trucks, and trollies and autos were stuck in drifts or piled up behind other stalled vehicles.

The New York Central Railroad reported that tracks and terminal switches were clogged so badly that no trains had moved east since late morning. Most bus lines also were hoplessly tied up. The Weather Bureau predicted the condition would continue throughout the night. Water Town on Lake Ontario also received another foot of snow in the night to add to the two feet already on the ground, but the rest of New York State largely escaped the storm.

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OIL STRIKE ENDS

The Sinclair Oil Corporation announced the ending of a lengthy labor dispute which had ended in a strike in early fall, and the subsequent seizure by the Navy of the Corporation's 11 Companies. Oil Magnate Harry Sinclair said that the settlement provided for and 18% pay increase for a basic 40 hour weed for about 8,440 employees. A clause forbids any further work stoppages, strikes or work stopages. The agreement runs to 31 May 1946.

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He: "I've git ab awful lot of electricity in my hair."
She: "I don't doubt it. You always have such shocking things on your mind."

MALE CALL by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

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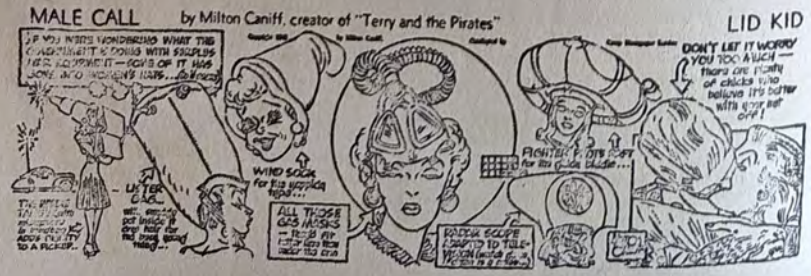

SPORTSCENE

BATTALIAN SOFTBALL GAMES

"ABLE" DOWNS "HEADQUARTERS"

In a game marred by errors yesterday, Able battery won from "Hq" by a score of 13-3. Both teams gained seven hits, but bunched three of "A's" in the inning when they scored four runs with the help of "Hqs" faulty fielding. Able had two of "A" Battery's hits and Lafette clouted a triple for the long ball while Clough led "Hq"'s batters with two singles.

"BAKER FORFEITS TO "CHARLIEY"

Because of a lack of players "B" Battery forfeited to "C", but a game was played when the Sgt. Major and two other filled in for "B", the score reading 8, "B"-3. "B" got off to a 3-0 lead, but in the fifth inning "C" scored runs as they laced out six clean hits, one being a triple by Simone. Lidge was on the mound for the losers and gave up 12 hits while Metzel and Kane held the "B" Battery men to six hits.

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SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

Service vs Officers
Able vs Baker

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VETERANS SET EXAMPLE

CHICAGO, ILL., (AP)— Take it from veteran Big Ten football coaches, returning GI athlete is no misfit among his beardless teammates.

Coach Alvin (Bo) McMillin told the Mid-American Quarterback Club his Indiana team won its first title in Big Ten history mainly because of the inspired play of Pete Pihos, an ex-paratrooper with five battle stars on his service ribbon.

Coach Harry Stuhldreher of Wisconsin scoffed at what he described as suggestions that war veterans must be treated like unhappy Prima Donnas on the football field.

"Don't worry about the reaction of veterans and how they will adjust themselves," Stuhldrer said. "If anything, they are harder workers than before."

SNIDER'S SKILL AGAINST CRUDE

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Shortly before the war the name of diminutive Davey O'Brien disappeared form the sports pages—the little guy from Texas became an FBI man.

So when Davey popped up the other day at a Washington new Conference, he was deluged with questions. The principal one was whether his football experiences fitted him for a career in the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Davey's answer was a quick and sure as his passes that Dec. 1 in 1940 when he completed 33 throws for Philadelphia against Washington's Redskins in a record preformance for professional football.

"Sure football helped me prepare for the FBI," he said. "Football taught me that I can meet people under any circumstances. That's the big thing."

Like all FBI men, the modest, 5-foot-6 150-pound former Texas Christian and Philadelphia Eagles passing expert has been in some pretty tight spots, from drawing room to bar, particularly during the war.

"You have to have confidence in yourself in such situations, and that's what football gives you," he said.

Most FBI agents have legal backgrounds but Davey as a Texan knew about oil fields. The FBI reasoned that the black gold areas would be subjected to sabotage during the war, so Davey became an expert in that field.

And the steady right arm and clear eye that made him an accurate passer in football enabled O'Brien to develop into one of the FBI's crack pistol shots.

Davey once fired 10 straight "possibles"—a record unequalled on the FBI's range. He would like to take his marksmanship back to the football field—maybe just for a game or two—but that isn't likely because the FBI got its man. Davey loves it.

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MOST VALUABLE

Phil Cavaretta, Chicago Cubs first baseman was voted the most valuable player in the National league, while Hal Newhouser, Detroit Tiger southpaw won the same honor in the American league.

ABLE AXIOMS

We noticed several new improvements in the battery area recently. How do you like that "relax in comfort" style, stateside barber chair. T/4 Brown says he'd like to supply you with a manicurist too, but he hasn't been able to find one on the island yet.

Then there is the new tin roof on the motor shop, so the boys can work in comfort while the weather is inclement.

I hear they are planning to do as well at the supply room very shortly.

CHARLEY CHATTER
CPL EPSTEIN

Tulips—To tent #15, for its resourcefulness in building its tent. The tent went up in two days, while most of the men were on details. The men living in that "palace" are; Wetzel, Green, Calvert and Harris.

C Btry's town hall, or switchboard, where all the important men gather to hear the latest poop. The proprietors are; Peters and "Whiley" Wright.

Hoping--Sanders doesn't give up, because he is chief mechanic on Patches III. So far, the weather has been against the boat.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

Due to recent promotions, Sv Btry has 9 brand new, shiny Pfc's, each trying to pull his rank on the others. S/Sgt Koirber made 1st/Sgt, having been acting 1st/Sgt in the past.

Pvt Napoli throws a mean curve ball. He can hit any spot he isn't aiming at, or did he really mean to hit me?

MEDICS MEDITATIONS
CORNWELL
"Know Your Medics"

Capt Powers; Who's lenative lotions and ligatures to lesions, lightens layton's loads.

S/Sgt Monday; Used to be a Mr. 5 by 5.

T/4 Pinyan; Rock of Gibralter, immune to the wiles of women.

Cpl Phillips; That protrusion on the midriff is muscle--says he!

T/5 Chaney; Contributes his back ache to work. Nice night work if you can get it.

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T/5 Chamberlain; Isn't convinced about the color rubbing off. Hopes its suntan.

T/5 Minoske; The Lover, as he sweats out those 11 points.

Pfc Domino; Our own "Dead End Kid".

Pfc Sucholl; The man in a million, his discharge over here, and getting it any day now.

Pfc O'Larte; He who is true to that girl back home--we hope!

Me; A feeble fugitive from Social Security.

WVTK TODAY

MUSIC:
1500.....Eastman Orchestra
1600.....Supper Club
1615.....Music From Your Home
1700.....Remember
1830.....Swing Time
1845.....Music From Your Home
2100.....Requestfully Yours
2215.....Elliot Lord & Orchestra
2245.....Words With Music
VARIETY:
1630.....Alan Young Show
1730.....Shower of Stars
1815.....What do You Think?
1900.....Information Please
1930.....Fibber Magee & Molly
2000.....Bob Hope Show
DRAMA:
2030.....Globe Theater
NEWS:
1715.....Sports Parade
1800.....Newscast
2200.....San Francisco
2300.....News Summary

SERVICE SHAG
COOKE

The party of Monday night proved to be quite a success, and it was the in the annals of Sv Btry.

Pvt "Kid" Tracey, our champ jitterbug really let it all go and would have done better if he had found a girl who could follow him. Pvt Napoli ran the "Kid" a close second.

Our hat's are off to the "Armordiers" who did a wonderful job. Without them there would be no party. Thanks boys.

Orchids to Major Carriker, 1st/Sgt Kober for promoting more drinks, and to S/Sgt McQuarrie for the cokes and sandwi

I could name many more, but space forbids, but anyway, everyone was swell. We mustn't forget the girls from Abuyog and Tarragona. Thanks Girls.

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ISOLATIONIST ASKS FOR WORLD ORGANIZATION

Charles Lindberg makes a public address today for the first time since 1941 speaking before the Aero Club in Washington on the 42nd anniversary of the Right Brothers flight. In his speech Lindberg calls for world organization backed by military force to preserve the qualities of Christian ideals that exist today. The noted flier declares there is no question for the necessity of having a world organization creating unity among nations. The only question being "What form the organization should take." Lindberg supports the idea of sharing atomic secrets. In his address the flier also states that power is essential to survive and maintain freedom and justice. He declares it is not wise for America to try to dominate the world by force.

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GEN. EDSON REPORTS

In San Fransico Brig. Gen. Merritt Edson of the Marines estimates it will take six months more to disarm the remaining Japanese troops in China and ship them home. The one time commander of Edson's Raiders has just completed an inspection tour of all Marine supply installations in China, Japan and elsewhere in the Pacific.

He is enroute to Washington where he will become senior Marine officer for the Chief of Naval Operations. General Edson says some Japanese units are being used to keep lines of communications open in Northern China under supervision of American troops.

The General says some 8,000 Marines will be in the states by Christmas.

23 HONORARY PALLBEARERS

We write not to praise the 97th. We write to bury her. On 18 Dec 1945 the 97th died. She's dead to all of us who served her well and carried her Crossed Cannon proudly. From our homes across the U.S.A. to Numea and then to Leyte. All the grand traditions of an outfit... ...the close relationships of buddies who have fought, trained, drank and played with....all the legends of men in the 97th who've already left Leyte (but not the 97th)...all these got tossed into the flukes today—just like that.

The great heart of the 97th, a grand old outfit, stopped ticking today--and all the little unexplainable things that bind us together in our outfit died when the great heart stopped beating. When someone offers us condolences now at the loss of a good friend we can well say, "WE didn't even know She was ill." No one called us in when they had the doctors consultation and decided to operate. We were under the impression she would gradually let go, of her men according to an old perscription--by point scores. Sometime ago we were even called in to assist in writing that perscription. We voted to administer the point system because we thought it was the fair way--our way. Today some alien Doctor wrote out a different prescription and the patient died.

On or before January 15th 23 men of the 97th will carry home all that remains of the 97th. 23 Honorary Pallbearers. Those of us who mourn her passing ask only for a post mortem...an inquest if you will, at which those who

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors:

I am an American soldier who married a Filippino girl in Cebu. For the past two months I have made attempts to send my wife back to Hawaii, where I lived before the war. My efforts have been in vain because I have been told no transportation is available, and that it might take from two to five years before this so-called transportation muddle is cleared up. I happen to have 56 points and have been trying to get my discharge here in the Philippines, in order to join my wife in Cebu. I have received no help in requesting permission to have my wife join me on Leyte. Not even can I obtain a 3-day pass to bring her over here myself. Why is it that wives of Americans in Australia, England, France etc can expect to travel thousands of miles to join their husbands in the States, while the Army finds it so difficult to get transportation 160 miles?--Between Leyte and Cebu?

Pvt. Joseph R. Costa

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BOSTON TRAFFIC DISRUPTED

City traffic in Boston is disrupted today as a result of yesterdays collision of a Liberty Ship with a bridge connecting Boston with several large suberbs. A 90 foot section fell into the water after the ship "John Hawthrone was caught in the rip tide and seperated from a tug. The vessel rammed backward crushing the middle section of the bridge. The structure was said to be clear of automobiles at the time of its collapse and no one was hurt. Previously the bridge had been crowded with commuters and Christmas Shoppers. Operation on the Boston elevated railway is impaired by the accident.

SOFT COURT REPRIEVES JAP

The U.S. Supreme Court has granted a reprieve to the Japanese General Yamashita who has been sentenced to ha by a Military Court at Manila. The Hi Court orders a formal stay of executio until it has time to consider an appeal by Yamashita asking for a civil trial the U.S. A new petition asking for intersession arrived in Washington today as the order answering a previous one was handed down.

The execution was stayed earlier by Secretary of War Patterson pending acti by the Court. There is no indication just when the court will hear the case but its next regular session is January 2nd.

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STILL COLD!

A cold wave continues to grip the U.S with only slight promise of moderation. Record low temperatures are marked up in some sections of the country, and the cold wave is expected to continue fo another four or five days for most of the country. The Associ ted Press blame some 27 or more deaths on bad traffic conditions, over exertion in cold weather, sledding accidents and other factors related to the cold wave. Icy winds from the direction of Canada are felt from the State of Washington to Florida. Here are some temperatures reported : 31° above in Seattle, 27° below in Dickenson, N. Dakota, 24° below in Montana, 19° above in Talehasses Florida. Observers are wondering how the Florida Chamber of Commerce is going to explain this.

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U.S. IS FOOD SOURSE

The U.S. will provide an even larger share of the world's food supply in 1946 than it has in 1945. This year's total production of ablut 135,000,000 tons has been divided roughly as follows: 78.7% to civilians, 9.5% to services, 11.8%(or 15,919,000 tons) for export. Next year, total U.S. supply will be somewhat smaller but a larger proportio something over 15%- will be exported.

Next Year's farm income is estimated at $18,000,000,000, with government payments bringing the total up to $19,000-000,000. This will represent a decline of about 5 to 10% from 1945.

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MOVIE TONIGHT
"Counterattack"
Paul Muni and Margaret Chapman

SPORTSCENE

BATTALION SOFTBALL GAMES

SERVICE DROPS OFFICERS

p a slu fest combined with rs "Sv"downed the Officers 5. "Sv" got off to an early t scoring 3 runs in the first ing on 1 hit then added 2 runs the third and 3 more in the th. Colton, Decrisco and itz had 2 hits apiece to lead "Sv" sluggers, one of Decrisa being a double.

The Officers trailing by 5 s made a deseperate 7th inning ly by scoring 2 runs and having bases loaded when the final was made. Cowle led the Offers with a double and single ile Carriker and Flowers had singles apiece.

Abshier was on the mound for v" and gave up 10 hits and 6 lks while the Major allowed 9 its and walked only 3.

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ABLE SHUTS OUT BAKER

With Vaughn hurling 3 hit ball "A" trounced "B" yesterday 6-0. "A" divided their scoring in to innings as they collected 11 hits and 3 walks from the pitching of Compoz. "B" never threatened but once as they picked up 6 free passes and "A" Strys fielding kept Vaughn out of any serious trouble.

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BASE K AT CEBU

Due to a change in schedule the Base K All Stars begin a 3 game series at Cebu to determine which team goes to the finals in the Manila Softball Tournament. It was previously announced that Cebu forfeited but since a game must be played the Base K men leave today for Cebu. The following 4 players from the 97th Bn will make the trip- Hartman, Vaughn, Alderette and Lauten. Polaski was also scheduled to leave but did not go due to a sore arm.

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SPORT SHORTS

BIERMAN RUNS FOR BANQUETS

(ANS) Times have changed for Coach Bernie Bierman of Minnesota in the banquet circuit.

Bierman, whose 1945 Gophers were voted the "Flop of the Year" in an Associated Press poll of sportswriters, attended a banquet closing the Big Ten's winter meeting with the comment: "I am certainly glad to be here. Our staff used to be swamped with post-season speaking engagements. Now we have to hunt for them."

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FORM NEW CONFERENCE

Eight leading Eastern educational institutions banded together to play football under terms of a formal agreement beginning next season. They are: Brown, Columbia, Dartmouth, Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

They signed the agreement "for the purpose of continuing college football in such a way as to retain the value of the game while keeping it in fitting proportion to a fundamental purpose of academic life." The agreement bans post-season games and bars freshmen from varsity competition.

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TICKET, PLEASE !

The Rose Bowl's 92,000 seats will be divided as follows:

Forty-four thousand for USC alumni and season ticket holders, 20,000 for the Tournament of Roses, 7,5000 for servicemen, 7,500 for the general public, 5,000 for the University of Alabama, 3,000 for the press and 2,000 for the other students. (ANS)

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administered the total dosage in the bottle labled "42 months of Service Only", may explain to us the reasons, in terms of logic and fairness, what prompted their decision. In the meanwhile we pay our last respects to our lately departed 97th. (Anonymous)

CHARLEY CHATTER
CPL EPSTEIN

Yesterday I went to see the departing Charley men in the 786th FA BN. Fish and Riccio were sittin on their cots, playing cards. Probably the prettiest sight one can ever see are duffel bags, near each one's bed, with tags on them. The outfit is leaving for the States on Thursday.

The ball players didn't have to do any work yesterday, because the won their game by forfeit. This is one way, we don't want to win our games. The reason the fellows play is to win a game by competitive playing.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

One more remark about our latest party and dance. What uncouth ruffian tried to ride a pony into the joint only to be stopped at the door?

Yesterday our newly organized ball team defeated the Officer's by a score of 8 to 5, behind the pitching of Abshire and Steltz. This is a good indication of what the rest of the teams in the 97th can expect.

Pfc McNally is looking around for a whip to give to Sgt Dorrian as a Christmas gift. Does McNally consider Dorrian a slave driver?

MEDICS MEDITATIONS
CORNWELL

In addition to our numerous trials and tribulations, our Dead End Kid (Domino), fell heir to a baby flute. His idea of music is our idea of racket--.

Today we dusted off the welcome mat for Pfc's Wooster and Romero, who in the future will chaperon our jeep and weapons carrier.

THAT CAN WAIT.

Toots Shor, the restaurant tycoon, tells about the father of six daughters, who finally was presented with a son.

"Who does he look like?" the father was asked.

"Can't say," was the reply. "We haven't looked at his face yet!"

GI SOUVENIR HUNTERS SHANGHAI'D

Shanghai's souvenir trade had been dead since 1937. That is, it was dead until the Americans caused such a boom that the business may die again for want of stocks.

Because of disrupted communications, genuine souvenirs like lace and linen embroideries, tea sets, silk goods and art objects have not been able to get through to Shanghai. So curio stores are scraping the bottom of the barrel, and some of them come up with some very strange souvenirs indeed.

But the Yanks buy everything eagerly. So to meet the huge demand the curio stores have been buying stock from other stores that originally served the theatrical world or even the funeral parlors.

For instance, some of the curio stores are selling what they advertise as "Mandarin coats." The GIs and gobs snap them up eagerly and send them home as Christmas presents. But these so-called Mandarin coats are, in reality, burial robes. Robes which the Chinese use to clothe the late lamented before he starts the last journey.

There are some stores along a Shanghai street that used to be known as "Pants Lane." It got its name from the fact that the stores specialized in sheer undergarments. Today, all the sheer pants are gone from Pants Lane. So the stores have stocked up with cheap, gaudy embroidered gowns which were originally intended for the Chinese operatic stage.

Some of the stores get fabulous prices for what they describe as "genuine antiques." These high-priced antiques actually are local porcelain, fresh from the kilns of some out-of-the-way street. Paintings passed off as authentic masterpieces of great Chinese painters are really ordinary paintings given an antique appearance through a smoking process.

Rare coins are made by turning ordinary copper coins green with a few drops of acid. Jade and Ivory often turns out to be cheap soapstones and bone.

CONFESSION

The red faced man made his way to the ladies' wear section of a large store and stopped in front of one of the counters.

"I want to buy a brassiere for my wife," he said. "What bust?" asked the sales girl. "Well--er nothing," said the man, "it just wore out."

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BLACKOUT

In the American occupation zone in Czechoslovakia, a young Czech woman fell in love with a GI named Willie P. Brown. After a time, he agreed to marry Her. Then suddenly Willie disappeared.

Broken-hearted, the young woman went to an Army headquarters to try to trace him. Personnel officers couldn't find Willie's name on their rosters. But when she explained that her fiance was a "night fighter," they pricked up their ears. Willie had told her, she said, that he was a white m n who had been given special Army injections to make him black as camouflage for fighting in the dark. Once he returned home, he would be given more shots to make him white again.

When the officers looked startled, the Czech woman explained further. It was strange they didn't seem to know about night fighters, she went on. For Willie had told her the army was full fo them- especially from a place the Americans c ll "Mississippi."

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ANATOMY

Yousoffivoch, the Wrestling Turk, was in the hospital. He had been wounded in a delicate portion of his anatomy. "How did it happen?" asked the intern. "I was wrestling with Bepo. We got rough We twist and we squirm. We knock each other plenty around. We go into tough hold. We get feet and legs and arms and toes all mixed up. I look and see skin right in fornt of me. I give strong bite- - - - and ooh, that's mine! "

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1600.....Supper Club
1615.....Music From Your Home Town
1630.....Joe's Juke Box
1700.....Remember
1730.....Jubilee
1815.....Music America Loves
1930.....Music Hall
2100.....Requestfully Yours
2215.....Luck Mindelda's Orchestra
2245.....Words With Music
VARIETY:
1845.....What the Columnists Say
1900.....Burns and Allen
2000.....Comedy Hour
DRAMA:
2030.....Suspense
NEWS:
1715.....Sports Parade
1800.....News cast
2200.....San Francisco
2300.....News Summary

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OPERATIONS SANTA CLAUS

The Federal Government today directed the Western Railroads to speed up there troop trains is order to cut down the conjestion on the west coast. The Office of Defense Transportation ordered troop trains to move as fast as regular passanger trains. Troop train schedules should be no different from fast passanger train service the O.D.T claims. All western Railroads were ordered to tax their facilities to the utmost to get homebound soldiers, sailors, and marines out of the conjested debarkation points as rapidly as possible. This order came through as "Operations Santa Claus". It is a well entertained plan to get the boys home for Christmas.

Close to 100,00 soldiers and sailors are in west coast points and thousands of them are destined to be out of luck as far as getting home for Christmas is concerned. The services have scraped together space on every available form of transportation; trains, planes, buses and even ships, and still vast numbers will be left in West Coast staging areas on Christmas Day. Altogether about 32,000 troops in WestCoast Harbors have been waiting to go ashore for two days. The jam is expected to get much worse by the arrival of 100,00 more troops between now and Christmas. In the San Francisco area some 45,000 men waited for transportation to go home. In the L.A. harbor 10 ships were filled with troops who could not go ashore.

SPORTSCENE

NEW SPORTS PROGRAM UNDERWAY

Yesterday at a meeting of the A & R non-coms, held by Lt Katon, our Bn A & R Officer, a more extensive sport progam was planned, as a schedule for basketball, volleyball and a new round for softball is in the making. In the new softball round batting averages, errors, hits, runs batted in, extra base blows, will all be kept, then each Saturday the leaders in all departments will be published in the paper.-

This should add a little more color to the game and also some extra competitive spirit as each team will know just where they stand in the league. Two games will continued to be played each afternoon and non-partial umpires are being selected to call each game and an experienced score keeper will be appointed to cover the games.

A volleyball schedule calls for games to be played late in the mornings and there will be six teams, the same as softball.

Basketball is to be played at nights after the show, three times a week. This will give the men a chance to see the show and still have the game over about 2200.

Following are the A&R non-coms who will be in charge of getting the teams started in their respective batteries-
T/5 Caruso - Hq
Harvey - A
Cpl Austin - B
Simone - C
Cpl Colton - Sv

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NEW ANGLE ON SPORTSCASTING

A new technique in radio broadcasting was unveiled in Manila recently as the Army station, WVTM, sent its microphones aloft in a helicopter to cover a baseball game. As the plane hovered motionless a hundred feet over the stadium, announcer Fred Marr of New York gave his listeners a perpendicular picture of the athletic grounds. Then, from a seat fifty feet in the air above the baseball diamond, he described the game.

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SHORT SHORTS

Baseball- Hank Borowy, Chicago Cub hurler had the lowest earned run average in the National League as he won 11 and lost 2 after leaving the Yankees. Harry Breechen, Cardinal southpaw was second while Bill Voiselle of the Giants had the highest

Ice Hockey- In the National League Montreal is out in front by two points followed by Chicago then Boston. In the Eastern Div Hershey is leading Buffalo by one point followed by Providence and New Haven. In the Western Div Indianapolis is on top followed by Pittsburg and Cleveland. In the US league the Kansas City Blues are leading with 27 points over Omaha then St Paul

Basketball- The De Paul Blue Devils are still leading the teams with 7 straight victories including a 46 to 42 win over the Oklahoma Aggies. Other undefeated teams include Cornell, Columbia, Iowa, Kansas and Michigan.

The American Basketball League gets underway this week in the most far-flung circuit yet to be developed. Some of the pro teams include Phillips, 20th Century Fox, Salt Lake and Kansas City.

Football- The University of Florida is in the market for a new head football coach as they are trying to bring the school to the top in this football era. Tom Lieb head coach has resigned his post according to the officials but it is very probable he got the old heave-ho.

Bo McMillen, head man at Indiana was picked the coach of the year followed by Col Blaik of Army and then Lou Little of Columbia.

Whizzer White former Colorado star, recently discharged from the Navy, has given up football in favor of a law degree at Yale.

Dan Topping's Brooklyn franchise has been sold to the Boston Yanks in the Professional Football League. Such stars as Ace Parker and Ray Manders went with the team.

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CHARLEY CHATTER
CPL EPSTEIN

Evening sports, under the lights, and with a cool breeze blowing, ten fellows played a game of basketball. Team 1 consisted of Miller, Wetzel, Arsenian, Floth and Burgess. The other side had Simone, Turnquist, Epstein, Calvert and Harris. Team 1 won the game by a score of 34 to 30. Arsenian was top scorer for the winning team and Turnquist made the most points for the losers.

Now that the point scores or months have been announced, all the men in the btry will shoot anyone who tells any more rumors about going home with the 97th.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

Pfc Stigers must be planning on staying here for quite some time. He voluntarily policed, raked, and even pulled the weeds around his tent.

Sv Btry's Mess Dept. is putting up a shack near the mess hall. It has a built in sink and all the modern conveniences for washing pots and pans. K P's Thompson and Mitchel are very anxious to try it out, their only complaint being that there aren't enough pots and pans.

I feel for Pvt Napoli, who lacks 20 days of having forty two months. Cheer up "Dago", it'll get a lot worse before it gets better.

MEDICS MEDITATIONS
CORNWELL

Having heard the death knell tolled for the 97th in yesterdays issue, we medics are not at all suprised with the heavy sick call we have been having. The entire Battalion must be in its last throes of life.

There is still a chance you may go home next year so lets don't give up and die over here. It would make so much extra work for us if you did.

"How come yo' all makin' all dem lemon pies?"

"Mah soldier husband am comin' home and dem pies am goin' to be the second thing he's gonna ask for."

INDUSTRY MAKES YOUR
DREAMS COME TRUE.

Reconversion is wonderful. It's not only beating swords into fancy plowshares, that chop up the ground instead of plowing it, but it's making a rustproof aluminum bathing suit and a blue serge suit that won't shine. It's making square milk bottles, photographs without film, and a powder that should keep the ground from getting muddy no matter how hard it rains.

Veterans who soon will be building their own homes look with eager anticipation on this picture of the post-war home: electric lamps without cords (they light up via radio), coal furnaces only two feet wide and three feet high, and new insulated glass windows that cut the heat bill in half. One firm has an airplane it says can be learned to fly in less than five hours.

Then there's the new fountain pen that holds a two-years' supply of ink; and will write on soaking wet stationary. Just another glimpse of the marvelous productivity of America.

THERES A LIMIT!

It happened in an overseas hospital. The soldier was sitting up in bed, swearing in a marvelous fashion. A Red Cross girl stopped by.

"You've no call to be in a bad homor," she said. "You just got mail. I remember, I brought you twelve letters."

"Yes," groaned the soldier, "and look at this one from my wife. I'M married to the dumbest girl in America!"

The Red Cross worker looked, and read, "Honey, that pretty purple pin you sent me is just lovely. I wear it all the time. Could you get one like it for my girl friend?"

To remain a woman's ideal, a man must die a bachelor.

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G.I. BILL EXPANDED

NAVY LOWERS POINTS

The Navy joined the Army today in beralizing its discharge procedure ch cuts in point scores. They are as llows: On December 31 the discharge int scores for Enlisted Men drops to ,on Janurary 15 it goes to 35 and on bruary it hit 34. For Navy officers e critical scores go to 43 on December . The Navy nurses will be cut from to 29 points. Navy doctors scores ll be cut from 53 to 51 on Janurary t and to 50 on February 2nd.

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CONGRESSMAN SAY
"TAKE IT EASY" ON
PROPOSED MERGER

President Truman today laid out a urse for complete unification of the my and Navy , and sharply told the vy and Congress that there was no int in further delay. The President ged a single department of National fense under a single cabinet officer. der him on an equal footing would be e Army, the Navy, and the Air Forces. e Marines would stay under the control f the Navy, and the Navy would also ep control of its carrier based aircraft, but would probably loose control f its extensive land based air activities. The Navy which has bitterly pposed the merger quickly told Navy fficers not to make any public uterences against the Presidents plan. e sole exception being Naval officers ppearing before Congressional Committees. Congresman indicated they ould be in no hurry to adopt President Truman's reccomendation in pite of the President 's plea for hurry up" legislation.

Congress today approved a broad revision of the G.I. Bill of Rights liberalizing the rules on loans and education for veterans. The House approved it on a standing vote, and the Senate shouted its approval a short time later. It was a compromise after weeks of heated controversy. One of the new features of the simplified law is the removal of a requirement that tuition fees, unemployment compensasion, and defaults on loans be deducted from any future Federal Bonus. Another change increases subsistance allowence for G.I. students from $50 to $65 to those not married, and from $75 to $90 for those who are married. Another provision of the revised bill provided for correspondence courses and technical courses to be paid for by the goverment. The new G.I. Bill removes the requirement that men over 25 must show their education was interfered with to be eligible for education benefits. The new bill also lists additional purposes for which a loan may be obtained and allows more time to apy back a real estate loan.

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TROOP HOLDUP ON WEST
COAST GROWS WORSE

The troop join on the Pacific coast got considerably worse today, and there is little hope for early relief. In Los Angelas 22,000 service men are aboard ships in the harbor awaiting either transportation home, or birth in one of the jammed staging areas. By Christmas that figure will rise to 30,000 although it is hoped that all service men will at least be off the ships on Christmas Day. A flood of new troop arrivals in Seattle brought grief to Army officers there.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors:

Three nights and two days ago AFWESPAC brought forth to this Battalion a new order. Conceived in length of service and dedicated to the proposition that all Enlisted Men with 42 months service are created equally eligible.

December 18 1945 will stand out forever in the annals of Military History as the rebirth and not the death of the grand old 97th. Since March 1942 this gallant outfit has fought and labored with but two purposes in mind: One to help destroy the Jap Military which was done, and finally the sight again of the Golden Gate Bridge. Now with this in sight and her mission accomplished she is pronounced dead when really she is at the pinacle of her career. Nay, she is not dead, but her heart beat loud and strong on the day of her rebirth--An outfit shrouded in tradition and on the final leg of her four year task. Yes, the 18th of December is a day of rejoycing and comemoration. Do not mourn her but smile and wave her on her merry way.

Four ex-pallbeares,
S/sgt Goldstein
S/sgt Jenkins
T/4 Bonkowski
Sgt Kutina

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K-9s COME HOME

After a year and a half as a combat dog in the South Pacific, Rex was carefully retrained by the Army for civilian life. Then he was turned back to his owner. For a while the German shepherd seemed as friendly and tractable as ever. But one day his front-line viciousness flared up again. In his master's backyard in Albany, Calif., Rex suddenly rose with a snarl, leaped a seven-foot fence, set up-

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1530.....Great Moments in Music
1600.....Supper Club
1615.....Downbeat
1630.....Date With The Duke
1700.....Music From Your Home Town
1730.....Guy Lombardo
1845.....Spotlight Bands
1900.....James Melton
2100.....Requestfully Yours
2215.....Henry Busse Orchestra
2245.....Words With Music

VARIETY

1815.....Hildegarde
1930.....Kate Smith
2000.....Duffy's Tavern
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on 65-year-old Ume Akazi, a woman of Japanese descent. Before his master could pull him off, Rex gashed her knee severely.

With K-9 demobilization about half complete last week, such incidents were happily rare. Out of nearly 9,000 demobilized war dogs returned to their civilian owners, fewer than a dozen have been reported as troublemakers. Army, Marine, and Coast Guard trainers have received hundreds of letters praising the model behavior of canine veterans since their return to civilian life.

Of the 23,000-odd dogs in service, the Army took 19,000. More than half saw active service--140 as mine-detecting dogs, 151 as messengers, 268 as sleigh dogs, 541 as scouts, and more than 9,000 as sentries. Of the 15 breeds originally enlisted, German shepherds, Belgian sheep dogs, farm collies, Doberman pinchers and schnauzers turned out to be most satisfactory. Best all-around breed was the German shepherd.

The Army lost 5,808 dogs from all causes while on duty, although only a very small percentage were actual battle casualties. Of those that came back, 446 were found to be unalterably affected by their war experience. At the Army's dog retraining center at Fort Robinson, Neb., they were destroyed, with the consent of their owners. They had become incorrigible killers.(Reprinted from "Time")

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SPORTSCENE

by
Andy Kolaski
Mike Malone

TEAM OF THE YEAR

Sports experts have named as he top team of the year and the ports surprise of the year for he second time in a row. The Army as voted Sports Team of the year ith 71 out of 75 first place otes cast by the sports editors f America. Here are the first 10 eams:

. Army (Football)
. Detroit (Baseball)
. Cleveland (Pro Football)
. Oklahoma Aggies (Basketball)
. Indiana (Football)
. Ft Wayne (Pro Basketball)
. Montreal (Ice Hockey)
. De Paul (Basketball)
. Iowa (Basketball)
0.Alabama (Football)

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SURPRISES OF YEAR

The "Biggest Surprise of the ear" goes to Great Lakes of the avy for their victory over Notre ame 39-7 in football. Indiana's inning of the first football hampionship- that being the Big en Conference was the second urprise and the mid-season sale f Hank Borowy to the Chicago ubs running third. Fourth place n the voting went to the Washington Senators in The American eague race. Other surprises hich ranked high were:

. The Cubs winning the National League pennant.
. St Marys football team.
. Cleveland Rams football title.
. Golf victories by amateurs, Freddie Haas and Clay Middlecoff over top flight pros.
. Bob Ferris of the Boston Red Sox.
0.Purdue's football victory over Ohio State.
1. Election of Happy Chandler as Baseball Commissioner.
2. Minnesota's gridiron misfortunes including their loss to Iowa.

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ife (to inebriated husband): Come on and get in bed, dearie."
usband: "Yeh !Might jusht ash ill. Get hell when I get home yhow."

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THIS FUNNY LIFE

Back in 1931 when the Yankees were away out in front, the Detroit Tigers had a habit of keeping a pitcher in the bullpen throughout every game, to take advantage of any emergency or opportunity that might present itself. In this particular game, the Tigers had a two-run lead. The pitcher who would normally be warming up decided he would not have to pitch that day and sat down to rest. To enjoy his siesta, he bought a hot dog.

At the same time Detroit ran into difficulties. The bases were loaded, nobody out. The Tigers had their lead cut to one run. The relief pitcher had taken only one bite off his hot dog when the emergency call came.

"Who's up?" he asked the bullpen catcher.

"Ruth, Gehrig and Lazzeri."

"Watch that hot dog," said the pitcher. "I'll be right back."

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RING TALK

"Uncle Mike" Jacobs still refuses to divulge the site of the Conn-Louis title go, but it would be well to note one of his more recent comments concerning the bout: "It will draw better than a million in New York: better that two million in Philadelphia, and better than three million in Chicago," Jacobs commented. The gate will be raised considerably by the 10,000 ringside seats Jacobs will offer at $100 a throw.

Primo Carnera's attempted comeback struck a snag as the 39 year-old former world heavyweight champion was knocked out in the seventh round by Luigi Musina at Milan, Italy. Carnera was floored three times before the referee stopped the fight. In private testimony Carnera blames " one cigarette, one glass of cognac and one revolver."

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He: "Are you free for this weekend darling?"
She:"Well not exactly free, but very inexpensive."

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BAKER BANTER
CPL McCULLEY

The big battery blow-out came off Wednesday night, and according to the first sergeant, for one, it was a "roaring success."

The opposite sex was there in strength, ranging from three-year-old barmaids to ancient grandmothers. The girls danced well (or at least tried their darndest), the band was strictly Stateside and the boys behind the bar dished out plenty potent and non-potent drinks.

By the time midnight rolled around some of the guys looked as if they'd qualify for Booze Who, but with no reveille this morning, things turned out okay. The drivers and members of the Baker Escort Service are currently bending many an ear telling of the difficulties of transporting giggling females to and from the dance. No doubt!

As they say in the hometown sheets—a good time was had by all.

Calvin C. Cox and Tex Cremwelge, two of Baker's lost sons, returned from TDY at Det No 1 yesterday afternoon. Three new men joined the btry from the Detachment—S/Sgt Warren G. Bourne, T/4 Don Connery and T/4 Edware Lovell.

CHARLEY CHATTER
CPL EPSTEIN

Dandelions to---The most heroic mail man in the Battalion, who can be seen running down the btry street rain or shine. Joyce will have a gloomy face all day, if there hasn't been any mail. But today he is full of humor and jokes, because yesterday he hit the mail jack-pot.

The Town Criers' call to all men of C Btry---- There will be a big gala event tonight at the EM Club. So all you dancers and lovers hit the trail towards the Club.

Pinochle lessons will be given by Gladsky in Tent #4.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

Anyone desiring information regarding ribbons, decorations, awards and anyone who has matrimonial diffeculties who desires sound advice, contact Pfc "Mr Anthony" Hilber at Sv Btry supply. Hours are from 1400 to 1700. No charge to Servicemen.

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T/5 Rollin, our ace rumor man, tells us that all men who have served in the Underground Balloon Corps are elegible for discharge. How about the Portable Fox-hole Maintenance Co.? Silly isn't it?

S/Sgt Cooke and Pfc "Slash" Biatro, our "Sack time" generals, agree that Japan would have been defeated without invasions atomic bomb, Russians or ourselves for that matter. All we had to do was blow up some volcano and Japan would sink. According to the "generals" six T/5's, a 2d Lt, and a mule could have accomplished the job with ease. Don't laugh, you too may become "Jungle Jolly."

MEDICS MEDITATIONS
CORNWELL

We were greatly relieved upon awaking this morning to find that the waters had "stayed away from our door." From the way the breakers were mounting when we turned in last night, we were prepared to witness the joining of the Pacific and the fluke pond this morning.

What I first diagnosed as athletes feet I now find is a webb growing tween my toes.

Anyway we can be sure of having a wet Christmas. What with the party planned, and the weather ahead.

"This is Lt. Hodges. . . Submarine Service."

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Merry Christmas

This will have to be a Christmas of memories and dreams, for no matter how hard we try, there is little we can do to make Leyte even come close to resembling that place called home For most of us this is our second or third Christmas away from the ones we love; for some of us, the first; for all of us, the last.

Our memories are of countless beautiful moments of the past. We remember bright winter nights with soft snow caressing the earth, the happiness of children with their gifts, wine and turkey, the folks grouped around the piano singing carols, the inevitable striped necktie, midnight sleigh rides, and kisses under the mistletoe. But most of all we recall the love and tenderness and joy which make Christmas truly a day of good will.

Chaplains' Messages

Christmas...1945...Leyte. It doesn't seem possible. Our thoughts can only go homeward where all the usual preparations are being made-the family's home, the tree's up and decorated, gifts are profusely laid upon the tree, the great dinner is prepared. Peace, Love and Joy abound in the hearts of all. There's rejoicing this Christmas at home and through all the world--for the end of the war, the prospect of the return of loved-ones, the hope of peace, the triumph of the cause of freedom.

Christmas, 1945, sees, for the first time in fourteen years the absence of armed conflict in the world. Despite this fact, peace does not prevail in the hearts of mankind. Hatreds persist revenge raises his ugly head, fear strikes our hearts with forebodings of what might yet happen if the atomic bomb is used by evil hands. Today, man is on trial. Will man's God-given ingenuity outrun his equally God--given humanity? Man must match his God-given scientific resourcefulness with his God given morality. If man fails now, we will early see the Christ's words fulfilled: "And except those days be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."

Today, more than ever in the ages past, all men must rally to His way of life and follow Him. For only by all men individually patterning their lives after His example and teaching can there be "Peace on earth, good will toward men. "Let our Christmas prayers be of thanksgiving; let there be supplications for individual righteousness, brotherly love and kindness; let us live our prayers and follow Him whose birth we commemorate this Christmas Season.

Samuel G. Ellsworth
Chaplain, USA

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"Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour Which is Christ the Lord".....
"Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men."

From Luke 2:1-20

Christmas and home are inseparable! And yet on that first Christmas, the little Infant Saviour was born far away from home in a rude shack out into the chalk hills of Bethlehem, without friends, or family, or familiar surroundings.

And that was the most blessed Christmas the world has ever known!

Christmas and peace are inseparable! The angels announced the birth of the Saviour with the words: "Peace on earth to men of good will." There can be no universal peace among men unless it is first in the hearts of individual men. This was the mission of the Son of God, to bring peace to every single human being.

This Christmas of necessity, we are away, far away from home and loved ones. We have completed the task which was forced upon us. That task was to preserve peace in our homes, our country, and for all the little peoples of the world.

On Christmas day as we kneel before the crib of the Infant Saviour, let our prayers be for our homes, the foundations of our society, and that the peace for which we paid so high a price may endure.

May the Christ Child bless us with every good grace and gift this Christmas. May He stand guard over us every minute of the coming year.

John O. McAuliffe
Chaplain, USA

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"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counseler, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgement and with justice from henceforth even for ever."

Isaiah 9:-6-7.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER MENU

"MERRY CHRISTMAS - YOU'RE ON KP."

TOMATO JUICE

TURKEY — GIBLET DRESSING

MASHED POTATOES — GRAVY

GREEN PEAS — CREAMED CORN

CRANBERRY SAUCE

HOT ROLLS & BUTTER

FRUIT CAKE — ICE CREAM

NUTS & CANDY

ICED TEA

KAISSON KACKLE GREEN
HAS GONE TO WAR!

A few hours after this Christmas issue hits the streets we expect a multitude of critical characters to pounce upon the editors screaming, " How come a red and black paper when red and green are the Christmas colors. You've maybe been overseas a long time, I think?"

Don't cheer friends, it hurts us worse than it does you. Rudd and Owen, ankle-deep in green paint attempted to squeeze green through the stencils, but the elements were against them.

Don Connery, who has a daily struggle with the mile on the page one banner, did the sketches and suggests you don't cast a too critical eye at his carabaos.

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COMMAND PRIFORMANCE
WVTK 2000- 2200

Jack Benny	Jimmy Durrante
Dinah Shore	Francis Langford.
Bob Hope	Bing Crosby
Harry James	Herbert Marshell
Ginny Simms	Jerry Colonna.
Johnny Mercer	Judy Garland
Merry Macs	Frank Sinatra.
Archie Gardner	Kay Kyser.
Cass Daly	Mel Blank

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"THANKS"

Here and now we would like to express our appreciation to all those who helped to make this Christmas away from home as happy as possible.

Thanks to: Major Carriker and the commitee for a swell Christmas Eve party.

The Armorediers for the super jive.

The Battery mess Sergeant cooks and KPs for a swell meal.

T/5 Max N. Rhoades and all the mail orderlies for working over time so that we could have those packages.

We the staff of the "Kaisson Kackle" would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you an enjoyable Christmas.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Night Before Christmas

T'was the night before Christmas and all through the yard
Not a creature was stirring, not even a guard.
My socks were stuffed in my shoes to save space
And also-in my tent there was no fireplace.

My friends in their shorts and me in my shoes
Had just settled down for a tropical snooze.
Then out in the area there rose such a clatter
That I sprang from my cot to see what was the matter.

I became so entangled in my mosquito net
That if no one had helped me, I would be there yet.
And then very cautiously I pulled back the flaps
Expecting to see a battalion of Japs.

But to my amazement I saw there instead
The famous St. Nicholas in his suit of bright red.
He sat in his sled, which was pulled by six jeeps
As they bounced gaily along in short bounds and leaps.

They came to a halt and very Santa went
And very suddenly there he was in my tent.
He was chuckling merrily and his fat little belly
Just like the poem was shaking like jelly.

And as I wondered, I was sure this was a gag
Then I noticed his pack was a blue barracks bag.
Then he reached in his bag, and without hesitation
Turned to my tent mate with a pack of K Ration.

He dug in again and came up with some Spam,
C Rations, cookies and Bully Beef Ham.
He followed this quickly with dehydrated potatoes
And then reached in for a case of tomatoes.

And then he remarked there was work he must do
So he raised a plump figure and away he flew.
I ran out to the tent flap and was able to see
Him set in his sled as he waved back at me.

"Army Willys - Ken Ford" was his cry in the night
And in no time at all he was clear out of sight.
I'll still have to laugh when I'm ancient and old
At the thought of St. Nick sliding down the tent pole.

That's all there is to it - the story is through,
But before I sign off here is my wish to you--
"MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE HAPPY AND FILLED WITH GOOD CHEER!
MAY YOU BE WELL AND MERRY THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR!"

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TRUMAN PARDONS EX-CONS; 97TH REJOICES

— STORY ON PAGE 2 —

CRIME WAVE IN PITTSBURGH

In Pittsburgh, a crime wave was in full swing with violators of the law giving police a bad time. The first incident occured in a resturant when a man finished eating a meal at the counter and then drew a pistol demanding all the money in the place. When the waiter reached for a pistol under the counter, the bandit shot and killed him. The waiter sank to the floor with a bullet in his head, and was pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital. The bandit escaped with $33.

In the same city. Doctor Harris Putler, a denist, was bound and gagged by a man posing as a prospective patient. The doctor was robbed of $33.

The third crime keeping Pittsburgh police busy today is the Catherine Mazio case. She was found unconsicious in her home after being choked by an intruder who robbed her of 200 dollars.

AWOL'S NABBED IN CHICAGO

In Chicago, F.B.I. agents reported the arrest of two Army Privates who were AWOL and who had run afoul of a number of laws. The men had confessed participation in kidnapping, armed robbery, and theft of automoniles and government property. Their robbing spree had carried them through the State of Arkansas, Missouri, Illonis and Indiana . The men were identified as Edwrt Smith and Boleslaw Zajkowski, both of Chicago. The F.B.I. agent said the two escaped 14 December from Camp

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LOCAL NOTES

IS THIS YOUR HOME TOWN SOLDIER?

Hey Joe! Are you from Missouri? One of those G.I.'s who have to be shown? Well Joe, there's a picture of Missouri in the Exhibition of Colored Prints of Stateside Scenes being held at the EM Club this week. And if your're from Vermont there are scenes of Mount Mansfield.. From Massachusetts? scenes of Gloucester and Cape Cod ..did you say New York, buddy? Well there's a scene of the Hudson River, and a picture of Washington Square with a real live double-decker bus... no they didn't forget Minnesotta or Carolina, or Arizona for that matter ...They're all there. Not all 48 unfortunately. So you'll have to come along and see if your favorite State is represented.

The Encyclopedia Brittanica has kindly sent us prints of their Collection of Contemporary American and they will be on Exhibition until Saturday of this week at the EM Club. We've left space under each picture for you to sign your name so that your Stateside buddy may get to know who his next-door neighbor is, in the Battalion.

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Robinson, Arkansas while under guard for being absent without leave. They later kidnapped and robbed four persons and stole five cars. F.B.I. agents in Washington said Smith was also wanted in connection with the slaying of Ray Gordon, A Michigan salesman, and neighbor of Henry Ford II. The soldiers will be arraigned on a kidnapping charged today, actions for other offenses is under consideration.

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PRESIDENT PARDONS EX-CONVICTS

President Truman issued a presidental pardon to thousands of ex-convicts in the Armed Forces restoring the rights they had fought to uphold. The blanket proclamation gave full pardon to all persons who have lost their civil rights because of convictions for violating Federal laws. The only provision was that they had served honorably in the Armed Forces for one year or more after July 29, 1941. The press associations were unable to provide any real estimate of the number of G.I.'S, Blue Jackets, and Marines affected by the order; however, Attorney General Clark said more than 2,000 federal prisoners were paroled to enter the Army. Several thousand more who had finished their sentences were inducted and a large number served in the Marines, the Navy, and the Coast Guard. Incidently, Mr. Truman's blanket pardon does not cover ex-convicts who enlisted before July 29,1941, when a law was passed which permitted such men to serve. Clark noted that ex-convicts who had enlisted before then might have done so on a basis of misrepresentation.

ABLE AXIOMS
T/5 FEIST

ABLE BTRY awoke Christmas morning all starry-eyed and happy. Sure, it was Christmas! But even more important, there they were... on K.P. Who? Why, the Btry Officers, no less! Something out of this world, Mac.

Exactly how they goofed off or what they had been up to, to warrant extra duty could not be learned. When approached by your seashore reporter, comments ranged from "#%%)(*@!%# to No Comment."

First Cook Compasso, that nemesis of all KPs was happy. He said, "They're the best damned KPs I have worked against. And I only hope I have them back again soon!"

WVTK TODAY

MUSIC
1500.....Intermezzo
1530.....Melody Hour
1600.....Supper Club
1630.....Harry James
1700.....Remember
1730.....Russel Bennet
1830.....Tommy Dorsey
1900.....Dinah Shore
1930.....Kay Kyser
2000.....Mail Call
2100.....Requestfully Yours
2215.....Lonie Prima's Orchestra
2245.....Words With Music

VARIETY
1815.....Jack Kirkwood
2030.....Globe Theater

NEWS
1715.....Sports Parade
1800.....Newscast
2200.....San Francisco
2300.....News Summary

BAKER BANTER
CPL McCULLEY

The battery area, littered with empty beer bottles and drunks left over from the party, was policed up this morning and that seemed to end the Christmas activities. Considering all things, it was a pretty good holiday. Yesterday's dinner was superb. The pee-vee-tees and the pee-eff-sees enjoyed the spectacle of non-coms struggling with the pots and pans.

SV SIDELIGHTS
S/SGT COOKE

All the Sv Btry drivers who have been convoying home-bound troops to their ship have been decorating their trucks according to the Christmas spirit. A very noble act, I am sure, but those men who are on their way home, could ask for no better Christmas present than to board that long awaited ship.

Pfc. Pruitt is living in constant fear that he will be transferred to a certain outfit and basic training. Cheer up, old boy, it's only for eighteen weeks.

MEDICS MEDITATIONS
CORWELL

Real happiness is relatively cheap, but the price that we soldiers will pay for cheap imitation is terrific.

Imagine the chagrin of a certain Sgt who slept thru the entire festivities, who upon being awakened, inquired-"what time what day?" Rest in Peace.

SPORTSCENE

- by -
Andy Polaski & Mike Malone

TTALION SOFTBALL:

"Hq Swamps "A"

Monday the new round of soft-ll got underway with a no-hit, -run game as Hq defeated "A" -0. Andy Polaski turned in the -hitter for Hq as he struck out men. Coffey started on the und for "A" but was replaced by bozzi in the third inning. The men had nine hits and played rorless ball while "A" was arged with 4 errors. The big ning for Hq was the fifth when ey scored 5 runs on triples by uso and Martinez and a home n by Polaski. Coruso and Polaski so added singles to lead the tters with 2 a piece.

x Score:

"A"

layer	AB	R	H
dges 1b	2	0	0
ecentine c	3	0	0
drud 2b	3	0	0
bozzi ss	2	0	0
enson lf	3	0	0
ngen 3b	2	0	0
mmerman cf	2	0	0
offey p	1	0	0
rton sf	1	0	0
heir pf	2	0	0
Totals-	21	0	0

"Hq"

layer	AB	R	H
iciliano ss	4	1	1
aruso c	4	1	2
olaski p	3	2	2
artinez 3b	3	1	1
lough lf	2	1	0
tewart rf	1	0	0
hockley rf	1	1	1
onnadio 1b	2	1	0
avanno 2b	1	0	0
chneider 2b	2	0	1
terling cf	3	1	1
hillips sf	2	1	0
Totals-	28	10	9

uns Batted In:
aruso 2, Polaski 3, hockley 1, Donnadio 1 chneider 2.

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Athletic Schedule for Today:

Volleyball: (1030)
"A" vs "B" on "B" Court

Softball:
Sv vs Off
"A" vs "B"

Basketball: (2100)
"A" vs "B" on Hq Court
Off vs Sv on "C" Court

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Monday Hq forfeited to Sv in the only volleyball game that was scheduled.

MOVIE TONIGHT — "Over 21"
Irene Dunn * Alex Knox

MUSICIANS WANTED:

1 2nd or 3rd Trumpet Player

1 1st or 2nd Trombone Player

1 Guitar Player

2 Fiddle Players (Legit)

IF YOU CAN'T "CUT IT" — DON'T APPLY
See the ARMOREDIERS— 97th F.A. Bn.

"DR. LIVINGSTON, I PRESUME!"

HOLIDAY MERRIMENT REIGNS SUPREME IN BATTALION

T/5 FEIST

THE BIG DAY HAS GONE, leaving in its wake a string of inarticulate songs, revelry (not to be confused with revoille) and a batch of headaches and big heads! At first, one would have thought that "The Fury of the Pacific" had happened right here in the 97th, but on closer examination, it appears that all the fuss was merely every Redleg in the Battalion having himself a time over the holiday.

Festivities began at 2000, Monday, that's 8 PM to you soon-to-be-civilians, when the whole gang assembled at the EM Club to usher in Christmas Eve in a good old American way--singing, drinking, and dancing to the strictly solid sending of the Armorediers. Ice-cold beer, Coca Cola and other libations were ON THE HOUSE and practically all over the place, for that matter. Anyway, everyone was permitted to drink all he could stagger under, and unofficial sources estimated that nearly 400 cases of chilled brew had gone down the hatches of a near-thousand thirsty GIs. It was said that if all the empty bottles were stacked one upon another they would make a pretty tall pile, and probably fall down with one hell of a loud crash.

The dance floor was a spectacle of swinging, jumping dancers. The Filipino girls who condescended to lend their frames for the celebration were really in the groove. No step too intricate or too fast. They joined the mad whirl and a good time was had by all.

T/4 Broton, of Able Btry, was frequently seen on the outside of the Club with some little Flip gal. When asked why they were not dancing, brother Broton, confided that, "Wanda doesn't dance too well, but Boy, oh Boy,...how she can intermission."

The gala event continued 'til midnight. The last shot, a double with coke, was poured at 2359½, and proved to be the one felt around the world, according to one of the Bartenders who drank it. Following that, everyone adjourned to their various tents, to await Christmas Day.

The American Red Cross supplied the makin's for Gift packages that were distributed to every man in the Battalion. Each parcel, gayly wrapped in bright colored tissue, contained an assortment of toiletries, and other sundries, together with hand towels, sewing kits, sigarettes, tobacco, etc., etc.

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These were distributed following the Big Christmas dinner that featured Roast Turkey as the Piece de Resistance, and rounded out with big generous gobs of what we Filipinos know as ice cream. Very, very maupuy.....all of it!

A group of children from the church at Tarragona visited the Battalion and entertained the boys at their holiday meal with some delightfully sung Christmas carols. Miss Rosario Maganda, leader of the group, gave a recitation that was as colorful and cute as anyone would wish to see on this, our last Christmas away from home. Added alltogether, they all meant a gay, happy holiday for those who might otherwise have spent the day in lonesome retrospect, thinking only of the future Christmases that would be bright and happy with their loved ones so many many thousands of miles away.

The Tarragona Carollers, who also gave a program at the Chapel, included: Rosario Magunda, Dinah Abarca, Julianita Abarca, Lucy Diaz, Crosencia Cerro, Awada Cerro, Alfredo Walis, Narcisa Walis, Vincente Orabi, Aurelio Abarca, Diosdada Valida and Gertrudis Acala.

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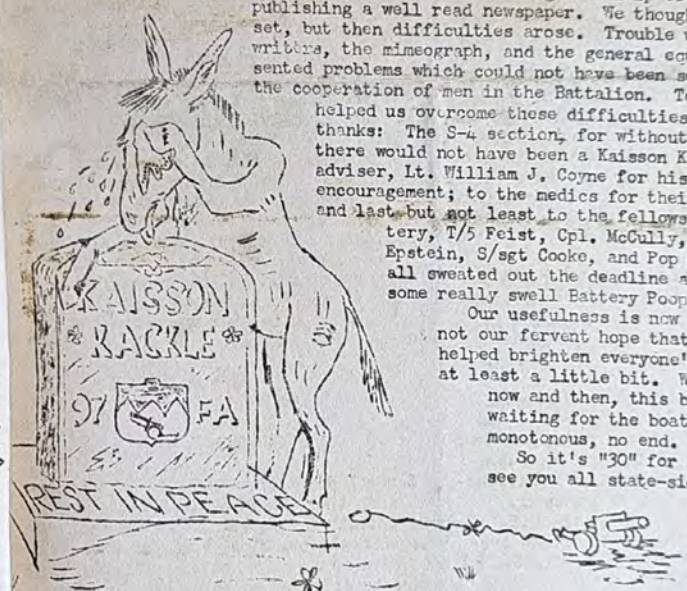
So Long

With this our farewell issue the members of the staff wish to say "so long" to 97th. This last issue is the end of a project that we have enjoyed and were glad to do. In this short period we have tried to present to you a paper that could be pleasantly read. Along with the news of the world we have tried to give the Battalion news, cartoons, gags and humorous stories so as not to make the paper a "dry sheet". The sports were as complete as any city newspaper and enabled you to be abreast of the world of sports. We hope that you have enjoyed reading it as much as we have enjoyed publishing it.

After two months of publication, the Kaisson Kackle became a four page sheet with a six man staff and an office. Material began coming in from Camp Newspaper Service, Associated Press, and the United Press lending much help to the goal of publishing a well read newspaper. We thought we were all set, but then difficulties arose. Trouble with the typewriters, the mimeograph, and the general equipment presented problems which could not have been solved without the cooperation of men in the Battalion. To those who helped us overcome these difficulties we give our thanks: The S-4 section, for without its aid there would not have been a Kaisson Kackle; to our adviser, Lt. William J. Coyne for his guidance and encouragement; to the medics for their typewritter; and last but not least to the fellows in each Battery, T/5 Feist, Cpl. McCully, Cpl. Abie Epstein, S/sgt Cooke, and Pop Cornwell, they all sweated out the deadline and turned out some really swell Battery Poop.

Our usefulness is now spent. But not our fervent hope that we may have helped brighten everyone's stay here, at least a little bit. Without a smile now and then, this business of waiting for the boat would prove monotonous, no end.

So it's "30" for now. We'll see you all state-side...we hope!



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAJOR

The editor asked me to write a farewell piece to the departing men of the 97th, and although I was quick to say yes, later after giving this article a little thought , I found that I'd taken on a difficult task.

You see, I've been saying goodbye to the men of the old 97th since "way back when" the first group to depart left under rotation from New Caledonia. These were men who had fought through the dark days of Guadalcanal, who had cussed their mules through its Malaria and Jap infested sticky, steaming, footrotting jungles. These were difficult goodbyes.

The 97th lost its veterans, but capable understudies soon showed their mettle and we were once again ready to go. By now the mighty mule had given way to the tractor, the 75mm pack to the 105.

During the training on the Ouenghi, station kept claiming key non-coms and officers. The old 97th was changing fast. With the coming of VE day and the subsequent discharges on points, we experienced a wholesale turnover of personal. Incidently the first man in the U.S. Army to be discharged under the point system was Cpl Flowers of Btry A 97th FA Bn)

July saw the last original member of the 97th happily on his way Stateside. More goodbyes. August the last Officer, Capt James D. Bozeman was headed towards sister.

Some who were with us in New Cal are still with us, but are leaving the organization before it sails. To these men I wish to bid a heartfelt "So Long". To the rest , thanks for doing your job so splendidly in these recent months.

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I trust you will give your new organization the same calibre of service. True the "War is over", thats good, but remember there is lots to be done yet. Someone has to do it, so don't gripe and moan if it falls your lot to stay a little while longer. Just be thankful that it didn't fall your lot to have a little white cross mark your spot.

Lastly to you men who are bringing the 97th home, you can be proud of the privelege.

To wind up this bit of nostalgia, let me quote a few lines I learned a long time ago in the little red school house in Illinois.

CROSSROADS

You to the left, and I to the right
For the ways of men must sever
It well may be for a day and a night
And it well might be forever
But whether we meet or whether we part
On the ways we all are going
Here's a pledge from a friendly heart
"Goodluck wherever you're going."

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VOTE OF THANKS

We the members of the "Armorediers" announce our leaving the 97th.

In leaving we wish to express our sincere thanks to Maj Carriker, Sgts Pelton, Snyder, Robinson and every man in the Battalion for their cooperation and acceptance of our musical efforts. Although we have only been with you a short time, we believe that it will be a long time before we will be in a better outfit. Consequently it is with sincere regret that we say goodbye.

The ARMOREDIERS

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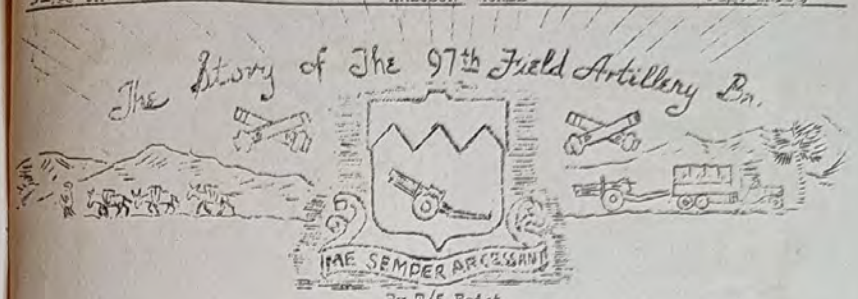
LATE RUMORS

Several days ago we printed an annoucement that the 97th would be split up among the 4th Field, the 168th and the 925th Battalions. Since that day there have been at least a dozen conflicting rumors as to where we are going. We are not going to attempt to enumerate them for you. We are not even going to tell you what the hottest poop is at the present moment. There is a very simple reason for not doing so. The orders and rumors are bound to change at least another dozen times.

All we can say is that we hope that where ever you go, you will not forget the 97th. It is a damn good outfit.

The Staff



By T/5 Feist

FOR THOSE not entirely familiar with the deeds and daring of the 97th Field, we nosed around and found quite a bit of information that may prove of interest to a lot of you fellows.

The Battalion was "Born" at Fort Bragg, North Carolina on 4 January 1941. After 15 months of training as a mule-pack Howitzer out fit, the entire battalion, numbering nearly 900 officers and men left the States and headed for New Caledonia, that wondrous isle noted for its mud, rain Kanakis, and mud.

Shortly after arriving there, the Battalion was thrown into defensive positions along the coast, due to the impending invasion of Japanese forces that were at that time pushing south from New Guinea in an all-out attempt at invading New Caledonia and Australia. The timely landing of U.S. Forces in the Solomons diverted the attack, and proved to be the beginning of a slow, island by island withdrawal of the main Japanese forces.

With the threat of invasion no longer imminent, the 97th was moved to the forward battle area on Guadacanal, where it joined the Americal Division in assaulting the enemy positions there, as supporting artillery. The Jap defenses crumbled under the overwhelming pressure of the combined attack, and soon yielded their positions on Mount Austin and Matankau. Battery "A", thrown into the heaviest fighting, was awarded a Unit Citation for its part in the defeat of the enemy.

Following this operation, the entire battalion was returned to New Caledonia for rest, rehabilitation and re-organization.

The rapidly changing tactics of warfare meant that the pack-Howitzer was outmoded and so the animals were abandoned for the modern truck-drawn 105 MM Guns.

Completely re-born and retrained, and rested from their stay in New Caledonia, the battalion set sail for the Philippines and arrived on Leyte on 21 May of this year. Preparartions were immediately begun to add the battalion's might to the already overwhelming strength of the United State forces present for the final phases of the Southern Philippines Campaign.

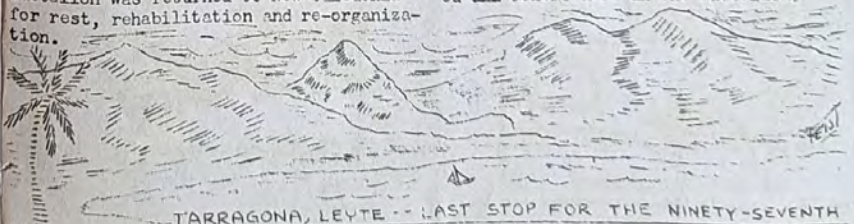
Leyte was not secured for some two or three months after that, despite the fact that all organized resistance had been eliminated.

With the successful closing of the Southern Philippines Campaign, vigorous and methodic training was initiated in preparation for the coming assault on the enemy's home islands.

The sudden and unexpected surrender of the Japanese Government brought an abrupt end to the battle training, and instead, a broad and comprehensive Educational Program was initiated in its place

The battalion, veteran of three-and-a half years overseas, established its self as one of the finest Field Artillery outfits in the Pacific. Few of the original organization are numbered in its present set-up. The original "Redlegs" are either home, or on their way there. In their place we find men from all branches of the service...carrying on while awaiting theirvturn to climb aboard the ship that never seems to come in.

The sit-and-sweat program has supplanted all others here in the Battalion.



TARRAGONA, LEYTE -- LAST STOP FOR THE NINETY-SEVENTH

"What did chow taste like?"

THE WOLF by Sansone

"It was so thoughtful of you to get these tickets. I'm sure Mother and Dad will enjoy the concert!"

"How late is 'late winter'?"

GUEST ROOM by Gardner Rea

"I'm sending them to the Websters' for dinner. Do you suppose I ought to warn them that Mr. Webster was in the last war?"

THE WOLF by Sansone

"All out for Musical Chairs!"

"The CO will see you now"

The WILDCAT

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NATION PAYS TRIBUTE TO WAINWRIGHT

WASHINGTON - President Truman yesterday presented Gen. Jonathan Wainwright with the Congressional Medal of Honor. The presentation came as a complete surprise to the General.

The man, who symbolizes the Nation's greatest humiliation and its greatest triumph, told Congress and the U.S. that America must never again become so weak that it invites another Corregidor.

He said the U. S. must:

1. Be prepared so that American soldiers will never again be "forced senselessly to suffer torment and starvation."

2. Be firm with those "truculent men," the Japanese.

First to meet the General upon his arrival in the capital was his wife, Kitty. The couple embraced and Wainwright gave his wife a long kiss. From then on he belonged to the people. One hundred and fifty thousand people jammed the mall near the Washington Monument to hear his public address and other thousands lined the flag-decked streets to watch the hero pass.

Wainwright addressed both Houses of Congress in separate sessions. He told Congress that it would be given the complete lowdown on Japanese prison camps.

Britain, France, Must Pay Own Way

WASHINGTON - Both Britain and France will have to dig deep into their own pockets to help finance their reconversion to peacetime trade and industry.

Each nation has in the neighborhood of two billion dollars of expendable gold and dollar reserves.

American officials take the position that these must be used rather freely to meet the most pressing immediate needs.

Supreme Court Sees Esquire's Ladies

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court yesterday received an opportunity to consider the leggy ladies of Esquire Magazine and decide whether they may travel by second class mail.

In an appeal the Austere High Court was asked to reverse a lower court decision which told the Post Office Department to cease attempts "to compel acceptance of its literary or moral standards" and to stick to delivering the mail.

Before the lower court ruling, Esquire had been barred from second class privileges.

Nips Had 9,000 Planes Left

TOKYO - If the Allies had gone through with the invasion of Japan, their landing forces would have been opposed by 9,000 Jap planes, it was revealed by enemy officials.

The Japanese said they had managed to save these planes of their once vaunted Air Force from destruction by Allied bombings by concealing them with utmost care.

They had hoped that one out of every four planes would get through to blast the invaders.

Simultaneously, it was announced in Washington that the actual invasion plans will reamin a top secret and will not be released for publication.

Koreans Protest Stay Of Nip Puppet Officials

UNDATED - Gen. MacArthur's policy of retaining Japanese officials in Korea aroused considerable dissatisfaction in that ancient kingdom.

Press dispatches said that demonstrations broke out in the capital of Korea and political factions plastered the city with posters of protests.

Korea has been dominated by the Japanese for almost 50 years and had expected a quick freedom under the American occupation.

Lt. Gen. John Hodge, commanding the 24th Corps, now moving into Korea, made it clear that Jap officials would remain in office only until sufficient Americans arrived to take over. He said that Japanese officials would act only on his orders and would be permitted no independent action.

WOULD MAKE NATIONAL PARK OF BOMB EXPLOSION SITE

WASHINGTON - Senator Carl Hatch, (D-N.M.) asked that the Almagordo, N. M. site of the first atomic bomb explosion be set aside as a national park. Secretary Harold Ickes disclosed he will make a similar proposal.

Millionth ETO Vet Reaches Stateside

NEW YORK - The British liner Queen Mary, carrying 15,000 European Veterans including the one - millionth soldier to be redeployed from Europe, slid out of the fog into New York Harbor yesterday.

The Queen Mary delivered to American soil men of the 35th Infantry Division and the largest contingent of Wacs to be returned from Europe.

CONGRESSMEN CHARGE POINT SYSTEM UNFAIR

WASHINGTON - Daniel A. Reed, (R.-N.Y.) suggested in the House yesterday a bill to release all men who have had more than two years of service in the armed forces, as the UP reported accusations that the Army and Navy are "bungling" the demobilization.

Reed's suggestion came in a discussion during which four Republicans and one Democrat charged that the point systems of both services are unfair because they are keeping men in uniform who are not needed.

Rep. E. E. Cox, (D-Ga.) called on the president to "put some sense into the Army and Navy" which, he charged, had bungled the discharge program.

Rep. Rizley, (R-Okla.) saw public criticism mounting and proposed draft suspension and the release of fathers and men under 21.

Rep. Chester Gross, (R-Pa.) said if Congress doesn't act to liberalize the point system "public resentment will force it to."

Quisling To Be Shot For Nazi Collaboration

OSLO - Maj. Vidkun Abraham Lauritz Quisling was convicted of betraying his country to the Germans and was sentenced to die before a 10-man firing squad.

The 59-year-old former puppet ruler, whose name has become a synonym for traitor the world over, stood impassive in the courtroom as Presiding Judge Erik Solem read the verdict, which was broadcast to the people of Norway.

Quisling was put on trial for collaborating with the Germans during their occupation of Norway.

NEWS BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES - Pickpockets with a conscience are giving Los Angeles postmen their newest headaches. The honest thieves now remove the money from the victims' billfolds and drop them into mailboxes. Mailmen have to deliver them and as a result their owners are able to recover social security cards, licenses and other papers.

NEW YORK - Karl Horst Walker, the "Pvt. William Walker" who hoodwinked American officers in Berlin into believing he was a battle-shocked GI, pleaded guilty in Brooklyn Federal Court Monday to a charge of impersonating a member of the U. S. Army.

He was remanded to jail to await sentencing.

Tojo Turns Farmer

TOKYO - Premier Tojo, named by some Japanese and many Allies as one of the top Jap war criminals, was found by American authorities on a farm outside Tokyo, and gave his first interview to American newsmen.

He said: "I'm a farmer now. I have no intention of returning to politics." He complained of the B-29 raids which he said ruined his best "three pine trees and caused me to replace them with bamboo."

He said he does not intend to commit hara-kiri. The U. S. as victor may name the Japs responsible for the war, Tojo said. He dodged a question as to his war responsibilities.

Official Inquiry Sought Into Fall Of Singapore

LONDON - Apparently prompted by the furor over Pearl Harbor, the London Daily Mail has called on the British Government to hold a "full official inquiry" in to the fall of Singapore and Malaya.

"We must know the reasons for our failure," the paper said, "not in an effort to find scapegoats, but as a lesson for the future."

But on the basis of the best available information, the AP said it seemed unlikely that the Daily Mail's campaign for an inquiry would meet with any success from the Attlee government.

The attitude of British government circles appears to be "let dead dogs lie."

Meat Rationing May Lift By October 1

WASHINGTON - Some officials reported that an end of meat rationing is possible by October first, but OPA and the Agriculture Department said no definite date could be predicted.

In New York, E. F. Guckenberger, Secretary of the New York State Retail Food Merchant's Association, said many retailers in that area were sending meat back to wholesalers because consumers lacked enough red ration points to buy it.

SAN QUENTIN - Inmates of San Quentin prison will hold their 32nd annual track and field championships on the

prison grounds. All standard events except the cross country run will be included.

GEN. MACARTHUR RESTRICTS JAP NEWS SOURCES

TOKYO - General MacArthur in a series of orders to the Japanese government yesterday decreed the abolishment of the Japanese Imperial Headquarters, suspended shortwave broadcasts to the outside world and threw a tight censorship over Tokyo news channels.

MacArthur dissolved the central head of Japanese militarism effective Sept. 15th and extended Allied control over the Domei news agency, Japan's main instrument of propaganda in peace and war.

U. S. counter intelligence officers, backing up the order of placing Tokyo newspapers and radio stations under rigid Allied control, moved in immediately to begin censorship of news and information.

The action came after criticism developed in Allied press corps because Domei and Radio Tokyo were permitted to continue their functions unchecked, while Allied troops were pouring into Japan for occupation tasks.

Meanwhile, Yank occupation forces - now 100,000 strong-- spread their control over new areas in the enemy homeland.

While there were no further announcements from 8th Army Headquarters regarding the units previously mentioned as preparing to debark for Japan, the Army paper Daily Pacifican said in a dispatch, dated Sept. 8, that Aomori, on the coast of north central Honshu will be occupied by the 81st Division, and the 77th will move into Hokkaido late this month and early October, landing near Sapparo on Hokkaido's west coast.

The 158th RCT will take over Yokohama area.

The sailors, marines and British naval troops which landed at Yokosuka naval base have returned to their ships.

Survivor Tells Of Jap POW Hellship

CALCUTTA - Ten out of every 12 Allied Prisoners of War died of wounds, exposure and disease in the stinking hold of a Japanese hellship after the Japs denied them aid, Pharmacists Mate First Class Lorene Stamp told war crimes investigators.

Nisei Vets Propose Memorial To FDR

WASHINGTON - President Truman received from four Japanese-American soldiers of the 442nd Infantry Regiment $4,300 collected by Nisei troops as a contribution toward a memorial for the late President Roosevelt.

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Huh! Every day the Band comes out and plays and a bunch of nice new 81st recruits go by my cage--but so far has just one Wildcat (I mean a rip-snortin', fur bearing, 4-legged Wildcat) come in? No! Hey, Gee-One, where's my replacement?

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Well, soon we'll be leaving, and a lot of the boys will be bidding farewell to their local sweetstuffs. Here's a tip to the songwriters in the band. How about a farewell ditty entitled, "Bye-Bye, Bay Bay Baby, Bye-Bye."

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I always thought the Japs did everything backwards, and now, after only three lectures on the Nip language, I find that when a gal says "Ii-e" (pronounced yeah) she means "No."

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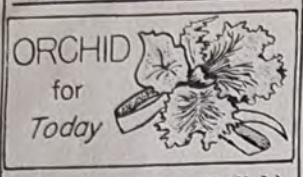
Japanese war lords, if found to be criminals, will be imprisoned. Just proving that the pen is mightier than the samurai sword.



T/4 Clyde B. Winfield, Wildcat from Decatur, Miss. earned his Silver Star on Fox Day at Angaur. Winfield, a medic with Co. K, 322nd Inf. has been with the Division since June 1943.

His company, only five min-

utes on the beach, was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire emanating from three-cave pill-boxes.

Observing that two men had been wounded directly in the mouth of one of the pill-boxes and were unable to move, the 26-year-old sergeant rushed out to aid the men with complete disregard for the almost certain death that lurked in the cave. He successfully evacuated them to positions of safety.

Prior to his Army career, Winfield worked in a hospital as a Physiotherapist. Now that he has the necessary 84 points, he hopes to soon be on his way home.

AMPH TRACS WHIP CO. K FOR BASKET CROWN

It's over at last.—After half a dozen disappointing delays, the final and deciding match for the basketball championship of the 81st Div. was played off yesterday morning with Co. A, 539th Amph. Trac. Bn., thoroughly trouncing Co. K, 323rd Inf., 27-11 to take the mythical crown.

Displaying a fast moving offensive and air-tight defensive play, the Amph. Tracs. forged ahead 16-11 in the third quarter after Co. K had led 6-2 and 11-7 in the opening two quarters.

Co. K was held scoreless from the second quarter on as Campbell and Sorenson bottled up Blacksmith, Co. K ace. Campbell, in addition to his fine defensive play, was a tower of strength on the offensive, scoring ten points with his team-mate, Koontz, trailing behind with seven points. O'Rear and Blacksmith tallied four points apiece for the losers.

Div. Hq., "Big Shot," with Humphrey Bogart & Irene Manning; 321st Inf., "Sing Your Way Home," with Jack Haley & Ann Jeffries; 322nd Inf., "Where Do We Go From Here," with Fred MacMurray & Joan Leslie; 323rd Inf., Woman In Green," with Basil Rathbone & Nigel Bruce; 306th Engrs., "Yankee Doodle Dandy," with James Cagney & Joan Leslie; 306th Medics, "Those Endearing Young Charms," with Laraine Day & Robert Young; 316th FA., "Bewitched," with Phyllis Thaxter & Edmund Gwenn; 317th FA., "Song Of The Sarong," with Nancy Kelly & William Gargan; 318th FA., "My Reputation," with Barbara Stanwyck & Geo. Brent; 906th FA., "Don Juan Quilligan," with Wm. Bendix & Joan Blondell; 781st Ord., "Port Of 40 Thieves;" 710th Tk., "Swing Fever," with Kay Kyser's orchestra & Donna Reed; 71st Jasco, "Come Live With Me" with James Stewart & Hedy Lamarr; 540th Amph. Trac., "In The Meantime Darling," with Jeanne Craig.

Daffynition: Wolf....a guy who ends every sentence with a proposition.

Championship Court Game

Amph. Trac. and Co. K, 323rd Inf., battled it out Monday evening for the basketball title of the Division. The game was finally called on account of darkness and played off yesterday morning.

From left to right are Kenneth Schuck and William E. Wisdom of Amph. Trac., Leonard Allen and John O'Rear of the 323rd and Marshall Koontz of Amph. Trac.

710th Tankers Subdue 322nd Blues Nine, 4-2

The 710th Tankers turned yesterday into "Blue Tuesday" for the 322nd Blues, taking a 4-2 diamond decision from them at Jimmy Whitfield Park.

The Tank team received a free run in the first frame on a two-base error and a misjudged high fly-ball.

Two singles in the third inning for the 710th batmen set the stage for a home run wallop by Principatto which drove in the Tanker's remaining runs.

The Blues warmed up in the sixth as Watson singled, Buffone walked and Gaustella singled to load the sacks. Gregor singled over short to drive in two tallies for the infantrymen.

Di Laura hurled for the Tankers with Spino back of the plate. For the Blues, the battery was Tillman and Black.

710th	103 000 000	451
322nd	000 002 000	292

HOSPITAL NETMEN BEAT QUARTERMASTER

The 30th Evac. Hospital subdued Div. QM. Co. in a volleyball game yesterday taking the first two games to win the session.

After gazing at a lot of samples we can't see why a Jap should be so concerned about saving his face.

BASEBALL!

AMERICAN:			
St. Louis	2	10	2
Philadelphia	6	11	1
St. Louis	0	0	1
Philadelphia	1	5	0
Chicago	2	8	1
Washington	4	6	0
Chicago	4	9	1
Washington	5	11	1
Detroit	6	10	0
Boston	3	11	2
Detroit	3	13	0*
Boston	3	11	2
Cleveland	10	12	0
New York	3	5	4
Cleveland	4	7	0*
New York	3	5	0
NATIONAL:			
Brooklyn	5	10	0
Cincinnati	6	5	2
Brooklyn	4	8	0
Cincinnati	6	11	0
New York	4	10	0
St. Louis	5	14	1
New York	2	12	1
St. Louis	3	6	0
Philadelphia	3	8	0
Pittsburg	4	10	0
Philadelphia	14	24	1
Pittsburg	3	8	1
Boston	1	5	2
Chicago	9	9	2
Boston	0	3	0
Chicago	4	8	1

*Called on account of darkness

LEAGUE STANDINGS

NATIONAL		AMERICAN	
Chicago		Detroit	
St. Louis	3½*	Washington	1*
Brooklyn	10½*	St. Louis	8½*

*Games Behind

New Jerseyites Go On Vehicle Swiping Spree

NEWARK, N. J. - There's no accounting for tastes. Newark police reported recently that a red fire department coupe with bell and siren was stolen from in front of the home of a department mechanic. Also stolen was a public

service bus from a garage at 16th Ave. and 20th St. The bus was recovered by radio police, five hours later, after it had been abandoned.

ALL-TOURNAMENT BASKETBALLERS

With the completion of the 81st Div. basketball tournament yesterday the following all-tournament teams were announced by the Division Special Service Office.

Selections were compiled by T/4 Dorse Keller, Div. SSO; Pfc. Bob Williams, well known basketball official of Regimental Headquarters Company, 322nd Inf. and T/5 Frank Feinberg, Wildcat Sports Editor.

81st Div. All-Tournament Teams

NAME	POSITION	ORGANIZATION
1st Team		
Koontz	F	Co. A, 539th Amph Trac
Wilhelm	F	Hq.Co., 322nd Inf.
Watts	C	Co. A, 322nd Inf.
Blacksmith	G	Co. K, 323rd Inf.
Campbell	G	Co. A, 539th Amph Trac
2nd Team		
Whisenat	F	Co. K, 323rd Inf.
Shuck	F	Co. A, 539th Amph Trac
O'Rear	C	Co. K, 323rd Inf.
Wiesmen	G	71st Jasco
Williams	G	Co. A, 539th Amph Trac

VOLLEYBALLERS PLAY OFF DIV. TOURNAMENT

With reports still incomplete at press time, several Division volleyball teams had advanced to the quarter-final bracket in the Wildcat's volleyball tournament sponsored by the Division SSO.

The 412th Med. Coll. Co. overpowered the 306 Engrs. 11-0 and 15-5; 318th F.A. beat Div. Arty. 15-8 and 15-6 and 81st Signal Co., tournament Tk. in two 11-0 shutouts. Inter-battalion play in the 321st Inf. resulted in Co. B humbling Co. H 15-9 and 15-6 while Hq. Co. took the measure of Co. M to the tune of 15-7 and 15-6.

Several inter - battalion games in the three Infantry Regiments have yet to be played before the first two rounds of the tourney are completed and teams can enter the quarter and semi-finals.

Original plans for holding the finals on the 16th have been altered to move up the deciding matches tentatively to Friday the 14th. Regimental play-offs to determine teams to represent units in final competition will have to be completed today or forfeit the right to enter a team in any further play.

Pupping Mama Mutt Is Poor Watchdog

CHICAGO, ILL. - When a hungry police dog, about to become a mother, wandered into the yard of the Harvey Hansen Construction Company three

weeks ago, company officials decided to keep her as a watchdog. They housed and fed her and cared for her when she bore eight pups. The other day a burglar entered the company office. He made off with $315 while the new watchdog was busy mothering her offspring.

Nazi-Sired Babies Give French Worries

The French have a problem of their own, one which is giving extreme difficulty in settling.

The problem is what to do with the thousands of French babies sired in Germany. And, in conjunction, what to do with the mothers.

The French Ministry has placed the babies in nurseries and is trying to find jobs for the mothers.

By the end of the first seven days of the 81st Division's Angaur Island operation, approximately 21,000 troops had been unloaded and the cargo of 15 transports, 2 LSD's and 13 LST's had been unloaded and placed in dumps in an area that had been dense jungle a few days before.

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ALLIES' PEACE PARLEY OPENS IN LONDON

LONDON - The first meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, Russia, Britain, China and France under the terms of the Potsdam Conference opened yesterday.

Urgent questions of a world suddenly at peace were before U. S. Secretary James F. Byrnes, Britain's Ernest Bevin, France's Georges Bidault, the Soviet Union's Vyascheslav Molotov and China's Wang Shih Chieh.

The meetings, which may run for a year or more with deputies of the five Foreign Ministers carrying on later, will seek to reach agreement on a vast assortment of problems.

The U. S. was expected to ask:

1. For an Italian Peace which would strip Italy of her war gains and pave the way for Italy's re-entrance into the family of nations.

2. To seek the establishment of a more representative government in the Balkans.

3. For internationalization of Europe's waterways.

4. For general discussion of Pacific problems relating to assurance against aggression.

The framing of the treaty with Italy was expected to be the first item on the conference agenda.

LONDON - Delegates on the United Nations Preparatory Commission agreed to set Nov. 15 as the target date "for convoking on the full Preparatory Commission, which would then call the first assembly of the United Nations."

The United States, backed by Russia, China and Brazil, led the effort during a three hour debate to get the United Nations Organization into operation this year.

Few GI's Convert Army Life Insurance

WASHINGTON - Only one in fifteen discharged veterans has converted his Army Life Insurance to available peacetime policies.

Announcing this yesterday, the Veterans Administration said it has decided that some additional inducements should be offered.

Gen. Omar Bradley, Veterans Administrator, planned to fly to New York to discuss the matter with an advisory Board of insurance leaders.

SEATTLE - Richard Strand, 8, died in a Seattle hospital last night, five hours after he was torn and chewed by 225 pound Russian Grizzly-Bear pet of a neighbor.

81st, 77th, To Northern Japan

TOKYO - According to a radio dispatch late last night, Gen. MacArthur's Headquarters announced that the 81st Infantry "Wildcat" Division will land at Aomori, on northern Honshu, "about September 23." The broadcast added that the "77th Infantry Division and the 9th Corps Headquarters would go ashore at Otaru, on Hokkaido, a few days later."

Pearl Harbor Probe Assured By Congress

WASHINGTON - Congressional investigation of the Pearl Harbor disaster was assured yesterday when the House passed an inquiry resolution, previously unanimously approved by the Senate.

Republicans lost their fight to make the investigation a bipartisan one. Their amendment to put three Democrats and three Republicans from each House on the Committee was defeated by a straight party vote of 163 to 136.

Yanks Want To Wed German Girls

BERLIN - American soldiers here in growing numbers are applying in vain to marry German girls. Both officers and enlisted men are among those who have filed written requests with the authorities.

Policy advisors on Gen. Eisenhower's staff already are studying the question of what to do about children born of forbidden romances and a decision is expected in about two weeks.

Gen. Eisenhower's welfare department said that a large number of illegitimate children of American soldiers is expected by Spring.

Observers here expressed the belief that fathers might officially assume support even for such babies without danger of court martial.

Army Amputations Surprisingly Low

WASHINGTON - The war left approximately 16,000 amputees in the Armed Forces—"far less" than civilian amputations caused by industrial accidents in same period, Army and Navy officials told the House Sub-Committee yesterday.

Fourteen thousand of the amputations were in the Army.

'MAC' PLEASED WITH JAP OCCUPATION

TOKYO - At one of his infrequent interviews held yesterday, Gen. MacArthur expressed his satisfaction with the progress of the occupation of Japan.

The General said Japan had been reduced to a "fourth rate nation," and that as Japan's future rise in the Orient cannot be prevented strict supervision over her industries must be assured.

MacArthur said the destruction of Tokyo convinced him that at this time that city would be incapable of "building a musket."

Although there is no troop shortage in the enemy homeland, forces are widely scattered in small groups which are not sufficiently organized to present a serious problem, MacArthur continued.

He was particularly gratified at the obedience shown to his orders by the Nipponese people. In regard to the Emperor he said that Hirohito presented a special problem which must be handled with extreme diplomacy. The Emperor may maintain his spiritual influence as a religious leader, but his influence pertaining to other matters will be restricted.

FLEET HEADQUARTERS WILL MOVE BACK TO PEARL HARBOR

UNDATED - Adm. Nimitz formally announced yesterday that his headquarters will move bag and baggage back to Pearl Harbor.

The move will be made in the near future and will help to speed the release of Navy men.

More Allied POW's Found On Hokkaido

UNDATED - United States Naval fliers have found 1,556 Allied prisoners of war at four remote camps in mountainous Hokkaido Island in Japan. They established radio contact and dropped medicine and supplies.

Lt. Col. James Devereaux, heroic Marine Commander of Wake Island, is alive and in charge of one of the prison camps in the Biabai Area on Hokkaido Island. Prisoners there are reported to be in good condition.

A small Allied party has landed in Java, where they found 19,000 women and children crowded in five Batavia internment camps. Two thousand of the internees there were said to be seriously ill.

BRISBANE - More than 750 Australian brides of American servicemen, many with babies in their arms, sailed for the United States yesterday.

Tojo Given U.S. Blood After Suicide Fails

TOKYO - Japan's former Premier and No. 1 war criminal, Hideki Tojo, who only yesterday was reported to have told reporters that he had no intention to commit hari-kiri, is now recovering at an American hospital from a self-inflicted pistol wound.

Tojo attempted to commit suicide after all when Allied officers came to arrest him. Shunning the sacred act of hari-kiri, he turned a 32 cal. service revolver on himself. The bullet pierced his upper left abdomen, but doctors say his chances for recovery are good.

A Domei domestic broadcast quoted him as saying: "I will shoulder the whole responsibility. I hope they will not go amiss in dealing with the situation. The war of Greater East Asia was a just war. With all our strength gone, we finally fell. I did not want to stand before the victor to be tried as the vanquished."

Capt. James Johnson of the 1st Cavalry Division sewed up the wound and gave Tojo blood plasma.

Thus, with all of his conquests of war reduced to rubble, Tojo is further dismayed by having American blood pulsing in his veins.

Naval Losses At Okinawa Revealed

WASHINGTON - The Navy has disclosed that 263 Naval craft were sunk or damaged during the battle for Okinawa.

Thirty ships, including 12 destroyers, were sent to the bottom mostly by Japanese suicide planes. The two hundred and twenty three ships damaged included: 10 battleships, 13 carriers, 3 heavy cruisers, 2 light cruisers and destroyers.

Twelve were damaged accidentally by our own gun fire.

Enemy losses during the campaign were 3,836 planes destroyed by the Naval forces.

The Navy gave no report on the number killed or wounded in attacks on the ships.

But overall casualties of approximately 10,000, including about 5,000 dead or missing, were reported by the Navy during the campaign.

French Units Leave For Indo-China

PARIS - The French Press Agency said the first contingent of French reoccupation troops left Marseille for Indo-China.

The detachment consisted of 900 members of Gen. Jacque Leclerc's Second Armored Division and 150 Marines.

POINT SYSTEM PROBE ORDERED BY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON - The Senate Military Committee has ordered an inquiry into the demobilization program which has been criticized by some members as moving too slowly.

Chairman Thomas objected to the inquiry and asked that it be postponed until the military leaders could fix the number of men needed for occupation in Asia and Europe. However, the Senate Committee overrode these objections and insisted that the inquiry begin at once. Sen. Thomas then announced that the investigation would open today.

Chief of Staff George C. Marshall, Secretary of War Stimson, Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Fleet Adm. King have been invited to appear as first witnesses.

Meanwhile, the Army said it could discharge men as rapidly at 26 separation centers as it could get them back to this country.

Six hundred sixty one thousand persons had been released between May 12 and Sept. 1.

Rep. Everett M. Dirksen (R-Ill.) suggested in a letter to Stimson that the Army grant indefinite furloughs to enlisted men whose discharges are being held up by lack of demobilization facilities.

He said the local draft board of furloughees could then handle routine matters connected with the discharge.

WD disclosed at the same time that many general officers are leaving active service or are being demoted to keep pace with the army's demobilization. The War Department said that since May 8, 70 general officers have left active duty or have been ordered to do so. Another hundred are now being reduced in grade.

WASHINGTON - The Army plans to demobilize all men with two years of service between now and Sept. 1, 1945, Chairman Andrew May of the House Military Committee reported.

May said, "The War Department as yet has made no definite commitment on such a program, but that came as Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D-Col.) asserted that Army "Brass Hats" want voluntary recruiting to fall "because they love the draft."

He urged repeal of the draft law and said the Committee act at once to speed service releases.

War Department records provided the committee indicated that discharges are now coming at the rate of 4,380,000 a year. This rate would be almost doubled, the committee learned, when a rate of 20,000 daily is reached.

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Gen. MacArthur has announced that the Japs will be handled with a "kid glove" policy. However, if the Nips step out of line they'll find that MacArthur isn't kidding. It may be gloved, but it houses a mailed fist.

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One of the greatest stories of the war comes out of Thailand, which, while masquerading as a Jap Puppet State was in reality a source of excellent information to the Allies. Am I surprised. Yes, Siam!

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Aircraft carriers will be pushed into service as troop transports, officials announce. For years the Infantry has had flat feet; now they're going to have flat-tops.

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The Aussies accuse the Japs of eating Allied prisoners. Well, anyway, no Nip Wimpy ate any Eichelbergers.

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And so this winds up the last Leyte Tuffy Column. (If you want a boy, call Western Union). Some of you who are old, old Wildcats and have as many points as I (Gee-One please note) will remember that a long, long time ago, away back in our Desert Days, I told you I'd write a Tuffy Column for the Japan Advertiser in Tokyo. I'll write a Tuffy Column in Japan, all right, but it will be a few hundred miles from Tokyo. But ask any Artilleryman. Calling your shots two years ahead of time and 6000 miles away and missing by only a few hundred miles is darned good gunnery.

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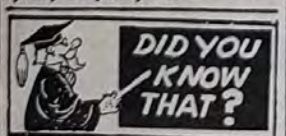
See you in Japan.

906TH FA. BN. HOLDS TRACK FIELD MEET

Cash prizes amounting to 300 Pesos were awarded to winners at the 906th F.A. Bn. Track and Field Meet yesterday morning. Each battery was represented, and more than 150 sports enthusiasts participated in the competitions.

The final score by batteries was: Sv. Btry., 119; Hq. Btry, 78; Btry. A, 64; Btry. C, 24; Btry. B, 22.



During the 81st Division's operation against Angaur Island, 59 Japanese military prisoners were taken, including 7 officers. Prisoners stated that more would have surrendered were it not for interference on the part of their officers.

Engr. Nine Dynamites Jasco Diamond Squad

The 306 Engr. Bn. nine set off a few more sticks of baseball dynamite yesterday underneath the 71st Jasco baseballers to take their ninth straight win, 8-2.

Two singles, a double and a walk added up to two runs for Jasco in the third inning.

The Engineers made with the bats during the fifth inning, collecting six tallies on five bingles, 2 walks, a fielder's choice and an outfield fly.

They repeated in the sixth frame to get two runs on a two-bagger, walk and wild pitch.

Batteries: 306th Engrs.-Uhlick, Haskins and Hyser; 71st Jasco-Bourassa and Garres.

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GARBAGE MAN WANTS THOSE BOTTLES QUIET

CHICAGO - Garbage-collector Richard Drolings complained about a shower of empty bottles he frequently got

from a certain window in a Loop Hotel.

Police arrested Harry Rubinoff, hotel guest, who said he started the bottles shower whenever Drolings rattled his garbage cans too loudly.

Notice

Although this is the last Philippine issue of the Wildcat, the PRO will publish a mimeograph news sheet for the duration of the stay here.

The Wildcat will continue to appreciate your phoning in local news items and sports results for publication in the mimeographed newspaper.

School Days On Leyte

Men of the 317th FA. Bn. attend an off-duty USAFI Group Study Class in Accounting, conducted with the backing of Lt. Col. Riley, the battalion CO, and organized by Lt. Morton Friedburg, Bn. Hq.

The instructor is T/4 Robert E. Olson, Hq. Btry. He is a radio repairman for the battalion and worked for the government as a confidential clerk in Washington while going to school.

The students, from left to right are: Front Row: Pfc. Walter Goldworthy, Hq. Btry.; Cpl. William Steres, Btry. A; Pfc. Maurice Moran, Btry. A; T/4 Noel Haskins, Hq. Btry.

Second Row: Pfc. Raymond Zibman, Btry. A.; T/5 Spencer R. Tyler, Hq.Btry.; Cpl. Harry Sawolkin, Hq.; S/Sgt. Emmett Kelley, Btry. C.

Third Row: Sgt. Wesley Hoscheid, Btry. C.; Cpl. Eugene Leeper, Btry. C.; S/Sgt. Bascom Freeman, Hq. Btry.; T/5 Ellwood Wilsey, Hq. Btry.

Fourth Row; Cpl. Joseph Collins, Hq. Btry.; T/5 Norman Rudin, Hq. Btry.

Baseball Days Over For 321st Inf. "A" Team

With successive wins over the 76th St. Hosp.,323rd Inf. and the 710th Tank Bn., the 321st Infantry "A" team has officially ended its current season and been dissolved.

The team was first organized at Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif., and maintained an undefeated season while in the States, highlighted by winning the Division baseball championship at Camp Beale.

The first defeat for the team came at Hawaii, when the 710th Tank Bn. eked out a 4-3 decision after 12 innings.

Reorganized on Leyte, after another flawless season at New Caledonia, the team now has a record of 73 wins and 7 defeats.

Div. Hq., "Sing Your Way Home," with Jack Haley & Ann Jeffries; 321st Inf., "In Old Oklahoma," with John Wayne & Florence Rice; 322nd Inf., "Swing Fever," with Kay Kyser's orchestra & Donna Reed; 323rd Inf., "Yankee Doodle Dandy," with James Cagney & Joan Leslie; 306th Engrs., "Don Juan Quilligan," with Wm. Bendix & Joan Blondell; 306th Medics, "Big Shot," with Humphrey Bogart & Irene Manning; 316th FA., "Those Endearing Young Charms," with Laraine Day & Robert Young; 317th FA., "Come Live With Me," with Hedy Lamarr & James Stewart; 318th FA., "Women In Green," with Basil Rathbone & Nigel Bruce; 906th FA., "My Reputation," with Barbara Stanwyck & Geo. Brent; 781st Ord, "Where Do We Go From Here," with Fred MacMurray & Joan Leslie; 710th Tk., "In The Meantime Darling," with Jeanne Craig; 71st Jasco, "Jitterbug," with Laurel & Hardy; 540th Amph. Trac., "What A Blonde," with Leon Errol & Vera Ann Borg.

Nutty Notions

By Cpl. Ed Mc Donnell

"Didn't I See Lt. Chikken Around Here Awhile Ago?"

322nd Blues Take Pitching Duel, 2-0

Runs were as scarce as discharge points at the diamond tussle between the 322nd Blues and the 44th Gen. Hosp. yesterday. The pitching duel finally resulted in a 2-0 win for the Infantrymen.

The Blues received their runs in the first frame when Starns reached first on an error, Watson beat out an infield single and Duncan's long single brought in both men.

Lollis and McCaffery battered for the Blues, while Gist and Thomasek tossed and caught for the Medics.

The 322nd nine received two runs, four hits and three errors.

Volleyballers Swing Down Home Stretch

With several games played off yesterday the 81st Div. volleyball tournament swung down the home stretch with the final match tentatively scheduled to be played off Friday evening.

In yesterday's contests, 412th Med. Collec. Co. swamped 317th FA. 21-14 and 21-18 while 81st Signal continued their perennial winning habit at the expense of the 318th FA. 15-6 and 15-1. Today a 321st team meets Co. C, 322nd Inf. in a quarter-final contest.

Representatives of 81st Signal, 412th Collec. Co., and the winner of today's 321st-322nd clash will meet at the Div. Special Service Office at 1600 today to draw slips entitling one team to a bye. The winning slip holder will advance to the finals while the other two teams will play-off tomorrow for the right to enter the finals. The deciding match for the 81st Div. volleyball tournament championship is tentatively set for Friday night on the 81st Signal Co. court.

INFANTRYMEN WALLOP AMPH TRAC COURT TEAM

Co. E, 321st Inf., defeated the 540th Amph Trac basketballers 57-27 yesterday with Cavanaugh, the Infantrymen's new spark-plug, collecting 34 points for his team.

Second Lt. Jesse V. McCoy, 32-year-old Artillery officer, won his Silver Star on the beach at Angaur.

At present with Btry. C, 906 FA. Bn., he was a Staff Sergeant in Btry. C, 317th

FA. Bn., serving as a forward artillery observer with an infantry assault wave when the action took place.

The company to which he was attached was pinned down by fire from an enemy emplacement. With complete disregard for his personal safety, McCoy leaped on a nearby tank and directed the fire of its guns against the position and the enemy's fire was silenced.

Lt. McCoy received a Purple Heart for injuries received at the same spot. He is single, a resident of Edwards, Miss., and joined the Division at Camp Rucker, Ala.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

NATIONAL		AMERICAN	
Chicago		Detroit	
St. Louis	2½*	Washington	1*
Brooklyn	9½*	St. Louis	8½*

*Games Behind

THE REDLEGGER

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TUESDAY 11 SEPT 1945

Gen Douglas MacArthur smashed the heart of Japanese militarism today when he ordered the defeated Nipponese to dissolve the Imperial General Headquarters by Sept 13. The Allied Supreme Commander took this step on the heels of an expressed determination to wipe out Japanese militarism. The Imperial General Headquarters was set up a few months before Pearl Harbor. This blow at the Japanese General Staff will erase the last symbol of Nipponese aggression. MacArthur also issued a directive clamping censorship on the press and the radio of Japan today. This directive informed the Japanese Government that MacArthur would suspend any publication or radio station publishing any untrue information or creating unrest. At the same time MacArthur observed that there should be an absolute minumum of restriction of freedom of speech.

MacArthur's policy of retaining Jap officials in Korea aroused considerable dissatisfaction in that ancient kingdom. Press dispatches said that demonstrations broke out in the capital of Korea and political factions plastered the city with posters of protest. Korea has been dominated by the Japanese for almost 50 years and had expected a quick freedom under the American occupation.

Lt Gen John Hodge, commanding the 24th Corps, now moving into Korea, made it clear that Jap officials would remain in office only until sufficient Americans arrived to take over. Hodge said that Jap officials would act only on his orders. They would be permitted no independent action. Hodge told the Koreans that immediate independence cannot be granted because of the danger of political chaos. MacArthur, in a proclamation, told the Koreans that 7th Div units now moving into the country were coming to enforce the instrument of surrender and to protect Koreans in their personal and religious rights. MacArthur said that any act to disturb the peace in Korea or any hostilities against any occupation troops would be punishable by death, or such other punishment as the occupation authorities determine.

MacArthur told his own troops that they could go home as soon as peace could be made secure thru orderly occupation of Japan and demobilization of Japanese Armed Forces was completed. He added that the date of return will depend to a great extent on how the troops carry out their occupation duties.

DEMOBILIZATION NEWS ARMY - NAVY

The Navy has added credit for overseas service to its point discharge system at the rate of ¼ point for every month of service spent outside the continental limits of the US since Sept 1, 1939. Overseas credit can be counted starting Sept 15. No change was made in the Navy's critical score and the Navy Dept says that overseas credit will double the number of Navy men eligible for immediate discharge. Sec Forrestal also promised that the present critical score will be lowered as rapidly as possible. He predicted that within 6 months ½ of the sailors now in uniform would be out. Forrestal added that the Coast Guard is also adopting the overseas credit system.

The Army estimated that more than 1,750,000 soldiers now in the Pacific will be going home and will be back in the "good old United States" by next June. At the same time, the Army set Feb as the probably time for completing the return of troops from the European theater, not including occupation forces and those required to dispose of surplus Army property.

The Army's announcement of the return of troops from the Pacific indicated that the occupation of Japan may be a bit smaller than was first estimated.

Virtually the entire Americal Div has been unloaded on Japanese soil. The move was completed by noon Monday. Troops of the 27th Infantry Div continued to arrive by air at Yokohama from Okinawa and the full 27th Div is expected to be in Japan by tomorrow.

OVER

The Australian press and public today showed mounting dissatisfaction over what they termed the kid-glove peace policy for Japan. This reaction included praise for Gen Sir Thomas Blamey, Australian Commander in Chief. Blamey in accepting surrender of Japanese forces on Morotai said "In receiving your surrender, I don't recognize you as an honorable gallant foe, but you will be treated with due curtesy in all matters."

Australian papers continued to play up stories of Japanese atrocities. One of them was the official government statement that Japanese had killed American and Australian prisoners of war by using them for bayonet practise.

In Norway, Vidkun Quisling has been convicted of high treason and has been sentenced to die before a 10-man firing squad. Quisling was put on trial for collaborating with the Germans during their occupation of Norway. Quisling, who served as puppet Premier during the occupation of Norway, did not move a muscle as the verdict was read. Unless he is held for the purpose of giving evidence in other war-crimes cases it is likely the execution will be carried out within 3 weeks.

BASEBALL SCORES

National League

Brooklyn	5	Cincinnati	6
Brooklyn	4	Cincinnati	6
New York	4	St. Louis	5
New York	2	St. Louis	3
Philadelphia	3	Pittsburgh	4
Philadelphia	14	Pittsburgh	3
Boston	1	Chicago	9
Boston	0	Chicago	4

American League

St. Louis	2	Philadelphia	6
St. Louis	0	Philadelphia	1
Chicago	2	Washington	4
Chicago	4	Washington	5
Detroit	6	Boston	3
Detroit	3	Boston	3

called end of 8th inning-darkness

Cleveland	10	New York	3
Cleveland	4	New York	3

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STANDINGS

National League		American League	
Chicago	--	Detroit	--
St. Louis	3½	Washington	1
Brooklyn	10½	St. Louis	8½
New York	12½	New York	9
		Cleveland	9½

FOOTBALL SCORES

Rochester University	13
Baldwin-Wallace	7
Franklin-Marshall	13
Swathmore	6
Rennselear Polytech	6
Scranton	0
Oberlin College	26
Case	0
Wabash College	40
Indiana State Teachers College	0

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Headquarters of the Eighth Army in Japan have given permission to the Japanese to round up the balance of the 47 wanted Japanese war criminals on the first list issued from MacArthur's office. In the meantime Gen Tojo has offered no defense of his attack on Pearl Harbor as he rests comfortably in his hospital bed, recovering from his suicide attempt. Prince Konoye, former Premier and now State Minister without portfolio, blamed the militarists for the war. He named such men as Tojo as among those who blocked the ways of peace. The Japanese people today are saying that both the militarists and industrialists knew before the surrender that the war was lost even before the first atomic bomb was dropped. However, the militarists wouldn't admit it and the industrialists were too frightened to speak up. They said the nation was industrially paralyzed and on the verge of starvation.

On Guam Adm Nimitz had some comments to make on the Japanese statements. He said the Japanese are busy telling the Americans what they think the Americans want to hear and therefore their statements should be taken with a grain of salt. Adm Nimitz made this assertion with particular reference to the Japanese statement that air power alone won the war. While advising caution the Adm said he saw nothing sinister in the statement given for publication. Said Adm Nimitz "I think that present motives are merely to get along with us because the surrender has stunned them too much to make propaganda parley too serious."

OVER

In the meantime Japanese told the US that the Imperial Japanese Headquarters had been abolished. Gen MacArthur advised the Japanese today that Gen Walter Krueger of the Sixth Army and Vice Adm Harry Hill of the 5th Amphibious Force will enter Sasebo in preparation of its occupation in a few days. In addition the New England Winged Victory Div began arriving in Japan today. Having fought its way thru many tough Pacific campaigns the 43rd Div, a New England outfit under the command of Maj Gen Leonard Wing will participate in the occupation of the vicinity of Kumagaya, northwest of Tokyo.

The gallant commander of the heroic Marine garrison on Wake Island, Maj James Devereaux, has been found safe and well in a prison camp on Hokkaido. The Army of American Air Evacuation group reached the camp and found Devereaux and a number of his men waiting them. The first thing he said was that he wanted to get it straight that he did not send the radio message saying "send us more Japs." He said there were more than they could handle right then and there and too many to hold off any longer. That was during the attack back in Dec 19 1941. Altho the Lt Col or maybe a Col by now, Devereaux said he would stick to the rank of Maj until he received official orders.

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News Briefs

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13 SEP

GENERAL MAC ARTHUR DIVULGED SEVERAL BITS OF INFORMATION TODAY IN ONE OF HIS RARE PRESS CONFERENCES. HE SAID THAT JAPAN HAS NOW BEEN REDUCED TO THE STATUS OF A FOURTH RATE NATION. HE AVERRED THAT NO NATION HAD EVER BEEN AS BADLY DEFEATED AS JAPAN. WHILE IT IS OFTEN LOST SIGHT OF IN THE LIGHT OF AIR AND SEA ATTACKS ON JAPAN, HER ARMY ALSO SUFFERED SEVERE DEFEAT, MAC ARTHUR SAID. THE ARMY SUPPLIES WERE SO DEPLETED THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE TROOPS TO HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS.

ARMY DOCTORS GAVE TOJO A BETTER THAN 50/50 CHANCE FOR RECOVERY. HE HAS ADMITTED THAT HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR STARTING THE WAR.

AN IZVESTIA DISPATCH FROM RUSSIA SAYS THAT SURRENDERING JAPANESE TROOPS IN MANCHURIA PASSED OUT LEAFLETS STATING THAT THIS WAS ONLY A TEMPORARY SETBACK, AND THAT THEY WOULD RETURN, FIGHT AND CONQUOR.

IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE TOTAL SHIPPING LOST IN THE PACIFIC WATERS (OTHER THAN WARSHIPS) AMOUNTED TO 200,000 CARGO TONS, LOST IN 31 VESSELS SUNK AND 2 DAMAGED.

THE ARMY RATE OF DISCHARGE HAS BEEN INCREASED FROM 11,000 PER DAY TO 22,000 PER DAY. THIS IS HOPED WILL HASTEN THE RELEASE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE 8,050,000 MEN WHICH COMPRISED THE ARMY ON 1, SEPTEMBER. THE WAR DEPT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT ITS 26 SEPARATION CENTERS CAN PROCESS MEN AS FAST AS THEY CAN BE TRANSPORTED TO THE CENTERS.

THE AMERICAN FIFTH ARMY HAS BEEN DEMOBILIZED. IT IS KNOWN AS "THE ARMY THAT NEVER SAW THE STATES". IT WAS FORMED IN NORTH AFRICA, FOUGHT IN THE ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, AND HAS BEEN DEMOBILIZED OVERSEAS.

WITH THE PASSING OF THE BILL BY THE SENATE, A FULL INVESTIGATION OF THE PEARL HARBOR INCIDENT IS ASSURED.

STATESIDE, ALL CHEESES WERE REMOVED FROM THE RATION LIST. IT IS EXPECTED THAT MEATS WILL SOON BE SIMILARLY REMOVED, AND RATIONING WILL HAVE VIRTUALLY CEASED.

PENDING APPROVAL OF THE SENATE, THE ONE HOUR FASTER "WAR TIME" WILL BE ABOLISHED, PUTTING THE COUNTRY BACK ON STANDARD TIME.

SENATE PRESSURE FOR EARLY DISCHARGE OF SERVICE MEN CONTINUES TO MOUNT.

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FLU EPIDEMIC SPREADS IN STATES

THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE reports a nation-wide Influenza epidemic is in its early stages, but there is no danger of a repitition of the devastating 1918 epidemic which resulted in death of over five hundred thousands. A report shows 5,000 cases were active as of November 24th as compared to 49,000 cases last week. Meanwhile, a professor at the University of Michigan announced a vaccine produced from fertile hen's eggs has proved effective against influenza.

DOCTOR FRANCIS, who directed the research, says, "Up to now, the vaccine has been a military product exclusively. The substance passed its major test two years ago, when only 25% of the Military personnel who had been vaccinated contracted "flu" ". There have been no deaths reported in the current epidemic

TWO CRIPPLED SHIPS SAFE IN ATLANTIC

FIVE HUNDRED and SEVENTY returning ETO veterans were made happy yesterday, when they were transferred from the crippled victory ship HENRY WARD BEECHER, TO the troop Carrier SATURNIA at Bermuda. The BEECHER lost her rudder ten days ago while enroute from a French port to the POD in New York City, and drifted helplessly in storm-tossed waters of the Atlantic until being reached by a tug that towed her safely to Bermuda.

MEANWHILE, another ship in distress in the Atlantic was also towed into Bermuda with more than 600 troops aboard. These servicemen were also put aboard the SATURNIA, which was sent to Bermuda to pick up the men, that they might reach home by Christmas. The SATURNIA is a former hospital ship.

CON MEN TAKING PUBLIC TO CLEANERS

IN NEW YORK, DR. NYBORG, president of the National Association of Better Business Bureaus, warned returning veterans and the public that confidence men are using over 700 methods to swindle the unwary public out of their accumulated war-time savings, which runs into the neat figure of over 100 BILLION dollars. The return of Service Men with large sums of money, and the fact that millions of Americans who have large savings have very little or no business experience provide the swindlers with un-numbered opportunities. Following World War I, Americans were duped out of over 400 MILLION DOLLARS in Legacies and bonds alone, Dr. Nyborg said. The most common form directed against Veterans is the "Territory Rights" scheme whereby the victim purchases the exclusive right to sell merchandise within a specifid territory. The big joker is that the same rights have been sold to many other victims of the swindler.

BEFORE investing in any business venture, it is advisable to consult a local branch of the Better Business Bureaus, who stand as a protection against loss through unethical money-grabbers.

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NEWS COMPILED FROM
WVTK 0800 NEWSCAST

WE READ WITH interest the News dispatch from the states disclosing that the supply of Scotch whiskey will be low for the next three years. Well, we are in no particular hurry to get home, anyway. (It says here.)

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TO FILL UP SPACE

WE'LL JUST

REMIND YOU THAT

WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE

FILM FOR TONIGHT IS.

WVTK's RADIO LOG FOR TODAY

1300 - NBC Symphony
1400 - Andrew Sisters
1430 - Village Store
1500 - Saturday Matinee
1300 - Lynn Murry
1615 - Supper Club
1630 - Waltz Time
1700 - Raymond Scott
1715 - Sports Parade
1730 - Show Time
1800 - Newscast
1815 - Jack Kirkwood Show
1830 - Grand Old Opry
1900 - It Pays To Be Ignorant
1930 - Sat. Nite Serenade
2000 - Hit Parade
2030 - Fanny Brice Show
2100 - Requestfully Yours
2200 - Newscast
2215 - Geo. Paxton Orch.
2245 - Music with Words
2300 - News Summary.

CAMPAIGNING WITH KROBAR
or FURY IN THE REAR ECHELONS

By J. W. KROBAR

Contd Fr Friday:

After a brief lull, Heavy Direct Batteries far behind the enemy's forw lines began a paralysing preparation, shifting into a rolling barrage that cred the main effort. The barrage li and, emerging from behind my swivel ch I had only to reached out for the swi on my one remaining mimeograph when th the end came. Three full Armored Clip board Divisions with supporting arms crashed into our barracks and latrines pulverizing all in overwhelming demoni cal fury. Our last strong point, Batt "B's" Mess hall fell under the pressur of seven inspections in three hours an the Mess Sergeant--three years Pacific combat, Purple Heart, Silver Star. --r gibbering through the battery area. A few minutes later our CO expired in frightful agony --his vitals torn by 1 MM GIG fragments. Facing annihilation, the Exec surrendered and the battalion was inactivated.

END OF PART ONE.

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PART II

From the remains of the battalion docile, supine training detachment was formed in a highly contralized organiza tion which required action by a BG to promote a PFC to Technician Fifth Grade. I slipped out on a dark night in April '45 and spurred madly for Texas. However as I galloped across a bridge my mount threw a shoe, I was unhorsed, and fell into the Replacement Stream. Fifteen days later this mighty river cast me up at Fort Meade, a large East Coast Replacement Depot.

At this depot I found peace, rest, and the softest touch I have ever known in the army. We stood one formation a day, at 0730, and were turned loose on VOGO at 1030. I stayed in the haven for five weeks and found its location --midway between Washington and Baltimore-- eminently desirable. (Next Page-Col. 1)

KROBAR'S ADVENTURES CONTINUE.....

(Contd fr Pg 2-Col 1) However, only a brief plunge into the whirl pool of city night life forced me to withdraw, gasping, to the bank because of acute financial anemia.

I recall a night in the so-called "Conga Room" of one of Washington's larger hotels. On the wall in this joint is a plaster elephant whose trunk and left tusk are mine,...all mine. On the night in question (I never went back) I entered this sink of iniquity suavely escorting a WAVE lieutenant. We sat down at one of the matchbox tables and, to my consternation, automatically owed this high-class clippery the sum of TEN bucks.

After absorbing the necessary minimum of intoxicants, the girl friend and I essayed to dance: a sociological blunder, as it turned out. Only an Army "four-back" could have moved through that press of bodies with any success. However I did not consider the evening entirely wasted. It was Saturday night, and after several off-tackle thrusts across the dime-size dance floor I became convinced that Darwin was right.

But at what cost! At one point a bobbing brunette glamour kid (built on the popular brick-smoke house plan) nailed my left foot to the floor with a four inch spike heel. I retaliated with a right toe to the ankle of her escort, a Naval Ensign. That was the end. The ensign--a large bull-like person--maneuvered his vessel and bore down on my starboard bow with the obvious intent to ram. Terrified, I tore myself loose, clawed my way through the crowd, and snatched my hat from the hat-check girl (who had stolen the brightly polished "fried egg", incidently). I scurried through the hotel lobby and, safe at last outside, leaned panting against the building to give thanks.

KROBAR WILL BE BACK TOMORROW.
JUST CAN'T SEEM TO SHAKE HIM!

SERUTAN

Selas
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NOTES TO YOU
By Don Connery

BRIGHT REMARKS DEPT.

Lt. Anthony: "Well, nine more shipping days till Christmas."

Anonymous: "There are two kinds of people in the army--enlisted men and the ones with clothes that fit."

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HOME TO THE ARMS OF MOTHER

Despite the annoying characters who say, "...and I used to think 'Golden Gate in '48' was a big joke", things are beginning to look good. The boys of the 97th have been told that the outfit will ship out on the 15th of January. No word on the point scores, however, so don't look too happy.

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JANE'S BUSTING OUT ALL OVER

From Stateside news we learn that the most publicized actress ever NOT to appear in a film--Jane Russell--will soon be seen in Howard Hughes' "The Outlaw."

Four years ago this picture ran into difficulties with the censor. It seems that Jane's peek-a-boo shirtwaist had too much "peek" so the censors said "boo."

In the intervening years Hughes has been fighting the ruling that too much of Jane's best points were visible on the screen. And he finally has won. "The Outlaw" will open nationally 8 Feb--uncut & unchanged.

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LOCAL NOTES

From too much mating,
I lost my rating.

Pfc. "Captain, you've got to get me a discharge. All these brown women are beginning to look white to me."

Capt: "What brown women?"

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BIGGER & BETTER DOORS

People have advised us to go into the door drawing business but we see no future in it. Here is our final door. If you understand it, tear the top off one Quonset hut & mail it to Palo Alto.

ALL-AMERICAN FOOTBALL TEAMS AS PICKED BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

HERE is the All-American Football Team as selected by Sport's writers for the Associated Press. Army still places 5 men on the 1s string, as in all the previously selected Greats.

	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM	THIRD TEAM
ENDS	Hubert Bechts (Tex)	Max Morris (No. West'n)	Henry Walker (Va.)
	Richard Duden (NAVY)	Henry Foldberg (Army)	Geo. Savidsky (Pa)
TACKLES	DeWitt Coulter (Arm)	Thomas Dean (S.M.U.)	Clarence Exxor (Wis
	Albert Nemetz (Army)	Jim Kerkeris (Mo.)	Neil Armstrong (Okl
GUARDS	Warren Amling (Ohio)	John Mastragels (N.Dam)	Al Sparlis (U.C.L.A
	Johnny Green (Army)	Jos. Dickerson (Penn)	John Lecture (N'wes
CENTERS	Vaughn Mancha (Ala)	Dick Scott (Navy)	Ralph Jenkins (Clem
BACKS	H. Wedemeyer (StM's)	Fr. Bancewicz (N.Dame)	Geo. Tallaferro (In
	Bob Fenimore (OkA&M)	Harry Gilmer (Ala)	Clyde Scott (Navy)
	Glen Davis (Army)	Peter Pihos (Ala)	Sam Koslowski (H.Cr
	Felix Blanchard (A)	Allen Clino (Ohio St)	Bob Evans (Penn)

THE FINAL NATIONAL STANDINGS OF THE FIRST TEN FOOTBALL TEAMS.

1. ARMY
2. NAVY
3. ALABAMA
4. INDIANA
5. OKLAHOMA A & M
6. MICHIGAN
7. ST. MARY'S
8. PENNSYLVANIA
9. NOTRE DAME
10. TEXAS UNIVERSITY

BASKET-BALL SCORES AROUND THE STATES

NOTRE DAME	41-CONCORDIA	35
WASHINGTON U.	53-ARKANSAS ST.	39
PITTSBURGH, KS.	37-CP. CROWDER	34
TEXAS	42-SoWESTERN (TX)	28
S.M.U.	50-TEXAS TECH.	27
PRINCETON	49-RUTGERS	40
LA. STATE	51-TEXAS A & M	50
COLUMBIA	74-B'KLYN COL.	32
MULENBERG	55-PENN STATE	36
WESTMINISTER	56-CARNEGIE TCH	46
BUCKNELL	43-FR'KLIN-MAR'L	32
VILLANOVA	56-FORDHAM	39
PENN UNIV.	68-SWARTHMORE	33
GEORGIA	41-CLEMSON	34
DENVER	46-LARRIS	45
HARVARD	40-COAST GUARD	20

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NEWS SHORTS FROM HOME

DALLAS, TEX. (ANS) A Dallas woman motorist told the judge she was thinking about her baby and didn't know she was speeding in her automobile. "How old is the Baby?" asked the court. "Oh, I expect it tonight", was the reply.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (ANS) Mrs Ella Newsome of Providence hit a would-be pocketbook snatcher on the head with a book and forced him to flee. The book was entitled "The Lady Means Business".

DUQUESNE, PA. (ANS) The judge didn't deliberate very long before granting a divorce to Mrs Christina Posa. She testified that she is 5 feet, 1 inch tall; her husband 6'-3". When they walk together, she said, people call Posa a "cradle-snatcher.

IN LOS ANGELES, Policemen B. Smith and A.J. WYkoff, were not unpleasantly surprised when a motorist who had just hit a pedestrian turned out to be their old top sergeant.

IN CAMDEN, N.J., Hugh Watson 63, sued for divorce after one month's marriage, 43 years of separation.

IN PHILADELPHIA, John Santin pleaded guilty to killing a woman with a file, because she was continually trying to borrow money, and that annoyed him.

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HOUSING SHORTAGE ACUTE IN STATES

PRESIDENT TRUMAN TODAY asked for legislation to fix ceiling prices on houses to avert further sky-rocketing on house prices. He also announced building materials will go back under a priority system and about one-half such materials will be earmarked for dwellings. The priorities program will give preference to veterans in the purchase or rental of such homes.

At the same time, figures in the housing shortage were given out by MILLARD RICE, National Service Director. He revealed that a bout 1,632,000 single veterans and that many married veteran s now need places to live. He further estimated that over a half-million civilians will be in the market for homes by the end of next year. DAVE WALKER, commander of a veteran's organization complains there is plenty of lumber available to build race tracks, road houses, and night clubs, but none to build homes. President's TRUMAN'S proposed legislation will stop complaints sych ad these. The bill, which is being studied by a House Committee, would set up a National Stablization Director with authority to allocate materiel and establish Veterans' priorities.

"REDUCE OCCUPATION FORCES TO MINIMUM" --ORDERS EISENHOWER

THE ARMY'S PERSONNEL Chief told a Senate Committee in Washington that GENERAL EISENHOWER has directed all European and Pacific Commanders to reduce their occupation forces to a minimum. The New Chief of Staff's order was characterized as "very strict". It was also pointed out at the hearing that over 1 million service men were returned from overseas' duty during November, and that 630,000 will arrive this month. That will leave 635,000 service men in Europe and about one million in the Pacific. Thirteen thousand Pacific vets arrived at West Coast ports yesterday, coming on 23 ships.

SHARP RISE IN AIR ACCIDENTS ALARMS A.A.F.

THE ARMY AIR FORCES ordered experimental flight crews to inspect over 20 thousand Army planes in the United States in an effort to reduce the accident rate which rose from 39 per 100,000 flying hours to 47 per 100 thousand flying hours during the months of August, September, and October. An official spokesman at the same time disclosed that the Air Force hoped to maintain a peacetime strength of 8,200 planes.

SURPLUS WAR GOODS FOR VETS PLANNED

THE UNITED STATES Surplus Properties Administration has proposed that Congress set up a system whereby wholesale dealers could take surplus War Goods for selling to veterans. It was also recommended that veterans have priority to buy the goods for personal use, as well as for business. (OH, BOY...ME FOR A NEW PONCHO!)

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NEWS COMPILED FROM
WVTK 0800 NEWSCAST

"SO you want to become my son-in-law, do you?" inquired the old grumpy so-and-so.
"Frankly, NO", returned the nervous young man, "but I see no way out of it if I want to marry your daughter".

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ORCHID TO YOU DEPARTMENT

Yesterday's Beachcomber nearly wasn't printed at all for the simple reason Your's truly doesn't understand all he knows about these new fangled inventions such as a Mimeograph Machine. Sgt. Risser volunteered his very capable help, and in no time at all I had quit cussing and gone to print. Hope youre not allergic to flowers, Sarg.

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WVTK RADIO LOG FOR TODAY

1700 - Raymond Scott
1715 - Sport Parade
1730 - Guy Lombardo's Orch
1800 - Newscast
1815 - Hildegard
1845 - Spotlight Band
1900 - James Melton
1930 - Kate Smith
2000 - Duffy's Tavern
2030 - Mystery Playhouse
2100 - Requestfully Yours
2200 - Newscast
2215 - Charley Spivak's Orch
2245 - Words with Music
2300 - News Summary.

CAMPAIGNING WITH KROBAR
or FURY IN THE REAR ECHELONS

By J. W. KROBAR

After returning to Texas, I was sent to the border with two platoons, ostensibly for ack-ack work. Our base camp was located in the windy, sand-strewn New Mexican desert; and in order to appease the C O it was necessary for me to keep my entire unit, in organized reliefs, on a detail sweeping the company street. Aside from crashing the El Paso premiere of "Junior Miss", nothing else of importance occured during the time.

Returning to the parent organizations, I found conversion in progress. 'Midst great moan and lamentation, the old outfit was re-designated as an armored field artillery battalion and I bade farewell to my friends, the wearers of the armored garbage wagon. Since I was first a keeper of the secrets and, secondly, a Tank Destroyer, I stayed with the outfit. It was then March, 44 and we began again, with new officers and with new personnel sloughed off from assorted AA battalions.

In May I was sent for advanced instruction to a station in Oklahoma. While there I learned the location of a post road not under MP surveillance and participated in several engagements including Scorpion Ridge, Hyles Hill, and the famous defense of Block House, Signal Mountain where the Comanche dead fell in thousands.

Back in Texas once more, I was called to the chair of S-1 and Adjutant in battalion headquarters. My war began in earnest, featuring logarithmic roster adjustments and morning reports triangulation. There was also a lovely creature inthe Post Signal Corps Photographic Laboratory. Half trained as we were called at this time to plunge into the bloody action that took place astride the Fort Worth highway and were part of a force which split the Mexican Center in rear of the Tip-Top Tavern.

In September, 1944 the battalion entrained for the states and left Texas for duty as school troops at a large post in Kentucky. It was then that war indeed took on a sterner (Next page Col 1)

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actor. We had scarcely gone position upon completion of journey when our motor parks under attack from a sizeable ents of a Clipboard Division. ever, our casualties were not heavy and after a few weeks was thought safe to send me to Oklahoma for super-ad-ced instruction.

Back in the land of Geron-, I had the mysteries of the gle Angle" revealed to me by ancient sage from Hoboken. o, a lone crag near Mt. Scott dubbed "Krobar's Rock" in re-nition of my having been the y man ever to set up a trans-at that point.

One month later I returned my battalion in the East and nd an extremely perilous sit-ion. The enemy had brought up nforcements and we were being ircled, our flanks turned. I in took command of the S-1 sec-n and, in a sortie, managed to ture a battery of electric mim-graph machines. I turned this inance against the enemy and red into him the heaviest poop-oot concentrations ever fired such a small headquarters.

Nevertheless, this secured ly a temporary respite. Our de-nces crumbled on all sides and e tragic finale came with a co-dinated attack in force one ormy Saturday morning in March, 45. Dread Paragraph troops drop-d in our rear; and immediately llowing, fiendish Light inspec-ion units probed and occupied r abandoned, blasted motor park. imultaneously, one of the enemy's otorious AR marauder battalions ipped through our headquarters nd massacred my irreplaceable ersonnel section to a man, in-luding my assistant, CWO Atkinson.

CONTINUE THE EXCITING, SPINE TING-ING ADVENTURES OF KROBAR IN SAT-RDAY'S BEACHCOMBER. HOW DOES HE EXTRICATE HIMSELF FROM THIS MESS?

NOTES TO YOU
By Don Connery

SOME GUYS GOT IT ROUGH

We see in the latest "Pacifican" that one Pvt. John C. Thompson wants to get out of the army. The poor fellow is 37 years old, has no children although married, and has been in the army since MARCH!

Level-headed (Flattop?) Sgt. Bernard W. Barnett says: "Huh, he should be in the army as long as some of us guys. He'd feel more like 47."

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BLOW IT OUT! SAYS CRITIC

Last night's film, "The Horn Blows At 2400", was another attempt by Hollywood to confuse the public. Jack (Hot Lips) Benny, a character actor on the Phil Harris radio program, and a bony female named Alexis Smith tried their darndest, but it was no go.

And by the way, Wood, the air-conditioning in that damned theatre of yours is lousy.

Tonight's picture according to a T/5 who knows a T/4 who knows a T/3 who works in the film exchange will be "Why We Fight", produced by the 987th Quartermaster Bn., Fort Benning, Ga.

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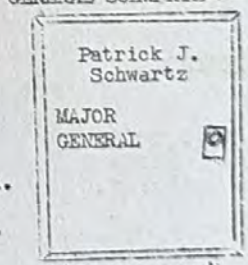
AND NOW, THE GREAT REDUCTION OF GENERAL SCHWARTZ---



(In the army)

(As a civilian)

TONIGHT'S MOVIE: "SENORITA FROM THE WEST" with B. GRANVILLE

AND THIS AIN'T HAY -- BROTHER

FROM WASHINGTON, we receive an item on some of the modest salaries that were earned by a few unfortunates back home. So brace yourself, while we unearth a few names of people who are really in the lettuce and we don't mean the Victory Garden kind, either.

The list is headed by Louis B. Mayer, motion picture executive who dragged down a cool $908,000.00 for his efforts in 1944. Mayer's salary was as far out in front as Whirlaway would be ahead of one of Crosby's bangtails. The second man to earn a spot on the honor-roll is Thomas Watson, president of International Business Machines Corp., who had to be contented with only $425,000.00. A mighty poor showing, in our opinion. Among those who placed or also ran, are: Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, (former)Hollywood team of Comedians (?) who were listed jointly as having an income of $424,320.00; Fred MacMurray, Paramount Star, $419,000.00; Walter Wanger, Universal Exec., $409,000.00; Nickolas Schenk, Big shot of Loew's, Inc., $371,000.00; Ormand Hunt, Exec. VicePres of General Motors, $359,000.00; another G M Exec, Albert Bradley, $350,000.00; William "Thin Man" Powell, muscled in for $292,000.00 while Spencer Tracy, winner of many Oscars and one of the film capitol's most popular stars had a mere $270,000.

What with high taxes and rationing, and other disconcerting civilian annoyances, it looks like (from where I sit) they'd be a lot better off on our side. Just think,....three squares a day (D-Ration Chocolate) and now I even have a raincoat! Before I came into the Army, I didn't have a rag on my back. Now look at the rags I wear.

"SAVE YAMASHITA!" IS NEW CRY OF JAPANESE

IN TOKYO, men, women, and school children are signing an appeal to be given to General MacArthur, requesting that General Yamashita, the Tiger of Malaya, be saved from the noose. Yamashita was condemned to death by hanging after trial in Manilla resulted in his conviction of War Crimes and Atrocities.

Leaders of the movement say the petition will be presented to General Mac Arthur as soon as it has been signed by 100,000 people.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE DENIED MAJOR LEAGUE STATUS

At CHICAGO, late yesterday, the American and National Leagues voted not to consider the Pacific Coast League as a third Major

The magnates admit P.C.L. [illegible]tial Maj.League territory [illegible]d to further study the

IT'S CAPTAIN PIPER NOW

The whole Detachment was pleased no end yesterday at the announcement of Lt Piper's elevation to Captain.

When asked for a statement by your sidewalk reporter, the new Cap had this to say: "I won't talk" so that was that.

You have all our very best wishes, anyway, Captain.

Now don't anybody accuse me of Browning my forehead or anythin

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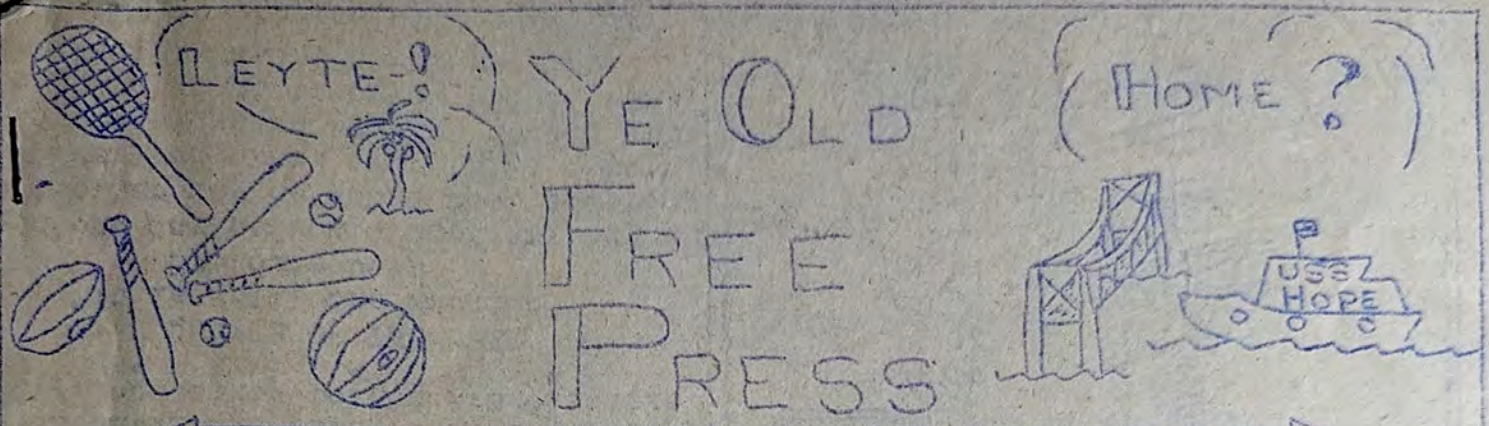
MORE DUPLICATOR TROUBLE!

YESTERDAY we were visited by Pvt Phil Rudd, Pvt Bruce Owen, and Pfc Marvin Rappaport from our parent battalion, the 91st F. A. They are the busy bodies on our neighboring shoot, the Kaiser Jackle. Reason: their mimeo machine broke down, so they're using ours.

The boys put out a newsy paper for their battalion.



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"FLASH"

Communique just received from Battalion Headquarters, 427th Armored Field Artillery Battalion:

WANTED!!

"MEN QUALIFIED TO CONSTRUCT OCEAN GOING VESSEL. RATHER THAN HAVE STRIKES, OFFICIAL RED TAPE, WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION INEFFICIENCY AND OTHER FACTORS TO FURTHER DELAY OUR RETURN HOME, 427 AFA BN PLANS TO CONSTRUCT ITS OWN VESSEL, "THE PRODIGAL SON". REQUIRED ARE MARINE ARCHITECTS, SHIP FITTERS, SHIP CARPENTERS AND ANY OTHER CRAFTSMEN WHO FEEL THEY CAN HELP THIS PROJECT."

Applications will be taken from 0800 to 1300 hours daily at S-1 427 AFA Bn.

THE PARASITES OF THE NATION: LABOR UNIONS

Shall we ever escape the strangling throes of union leaders? That depends on you and every other serviceman. We must face several facts which we have not dared face before. Labor unions must be ejected from politics by every means available. Never again should they be permitted to gain control over the laws of our land.

It is a well established fact that the Political Action Committee of the CIO expended millions of dollars (which rightfully belonged to labor) towards the election of a former president. Yet! Management is prohibited by law from diverting one dollar towards the same end.

Our government continues to support labor unions in their disarement of management. Why? Because in the guise of freedom our government has been packed with union leaders. Because our higher officials have been elected through the PAC by means of the money extracted from the pockets of the working man. Because our elected solons are in fear of setting off the fuse to the powder keg, on which labor is sitting.

The fair haired boy of the UAW, Richard T. Frankensteen, is at present running for the office of Mayor of Detroit. This Frenensteen, along with thousands of other union bosses, was deferred to better carry out his atrocities against the Nation. Detroit, the hotbed of labor disputes! What will we have once characters like him gain absolute control? You don't have to guess! YOU KNOW! The Answer is a government by the CIO and AFL from the National Capitol to the smallest hamlet. And who is to control this government? The laborers? No never! This pseudo government will be controlled by a few "punks" who survive by the gullibility o f the uninformed; by their unmitigated gall and by their parasitical abilities to fleece the common workingman. We know so very well that the national emergency has not passed. We know too that the famous phrase "duration plus" has not come to pass, for us. Lets see to

OVER

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Dumbfuling bases must be quite a strategy for the officers with a single and a double in three strips. C Bty's five hits were scattered to as many batters. Hader, perhaps the A & R officer setting position in the above doubleboss umps calling decisions from the one job, we noticed two different jobs.

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Kopf on 2d and count 2 and 1 on the officers taking a 1-0 lead. Kopf walked to left center, breaking the pacuark-Typist to 2d on a wild throw, Kopf popped. With two out, Anthony walked the fifth inning, when the officers ' the neither giving up a hit unspectative teams, it was a pitchers ' the starting pitchers for their "Fireball" Carnes and the Iron Major ' the officers as the team to ' in this third round of play.

Iron Major was the man of the hour ' Bn by 3-2 score and came back ' C Bty 3-1 in the second game.

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OFFICERS WIN TWO

Tuesday morning the officers team of 427 AFA Bn beat SV Bty of the ' the officers 3, SV 2. This ' score - Officers 3, SV 2. This ' the outstanding game between ' teams to date. The leading hitters ' Iron Major showed his stuff re- ' SV Bty threat. In the seventh, ' to Stubbe in left field, ending ' the back ahead of him. Umlauf ' the right field foul line, ole- throwin. Carnes smashed a triple ' okey to third, though taking 2d on ' though singled to center, sending ' 6th, with two away, Keyoskey walk- ' striking out two. In SV's half of ' pitched hitless ball, walking two ' weak relieved "Fireball" in the 6th ' the game on ice for the officers.

The center for two more runs that ' 2d, he clouted a home-run to deep ' went to third on an intentional out. ' Kopf walked, and was out at 2nd on a ' flielders choice by Hewe, who then made ' Kopf walked, he went all the way around ' when the ball got away from the right ' off for the officers with a single and ' the threat. In the fifth Boughtin led ' clone play. Sobey grounded out to ' ing and Hartman out at the plate in a ' hit a flielders choice, Nicholas ador- ' Hodge filed to short center. Busser ' to load the bases with no one out. ' and Hartman walked and Rose singled ' In C's half of the fourth, Nicholas ' ing to strecton his hit to a double. ' scoring Brown, but was thrown out try- ' with two on, Miller singled to center ' E Brown out at 2nd. Stubbe walked and ' rione was safe on a flielder's choice, ' was out when the call hit his foot. ' the first better. Hewlin bunted, but ' thinge in the 1st as R. Brown walked ' onolos. The officers promptly started ' while Brown was "C" Bty's starting ' again took the mound for the officers ' In the second game, the Iron Major ' run, and carnes of SV, with a triple ' were Brown, of the officers with a home ' and single.

NOTES TO A SPORT EDITOR

Radlegger is a sweet labor and we ' certainly enjoy reading the news in it ' we would like to know is where on ' dig up their sports' editors? ' only the MORE PRESS, but a number ' people have mentioned the quantity of ' takes in his sports column. ' don't have the space to print all ' errors, but in the 7th of Nov 45 ' the stated because of an off day ' atomizers were trampled by the ' Hats, 8-5.

at an under statement!!

' from the team's standings their off ' fall on their playing days and ''ve played quite a few.

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that labor is taught this well kn- phrase. See to it that labor is ver again permitted to retain troops erseas as long as it is a means to ir end. The entire labor situa- n is PP, isn't it men?

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CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYMENT

War Department has announced a new icy whereby male and female person (commissioned and enlisted) may, n becomming eligible for discharge ept Civil Service Appointment, if lified, in overseas theaters. In s particular theater vacancies are overnment installations in Japan. Transportation will be furnished Japan. Vacancies and pay rates ed below, time and one half for time.

TION	RATE OF PAY(4o hr wk)
ographer	$2130 to $2625 per yr
-Typist	$2130 to $2377
k	$2130 to $2377
f Clerk	$2900
tician	$3725
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tman	$2130
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stant	$3725
t Reporter	$3312
rney	$4550

s your chance you 60 point men!

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RUMOR DEPARTMENT

latest rumor to come to your re- ers attention is the one concern- a complete reversal in the pro- are of discharging servicemen, with 0-5 points (so the rumor goes be discharged immediately as it elt that they have a place to go having just left. Men with 6-15 ts will follow on their heels and n until men with as high as forty y, and sixty points are eligible.

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"It is Still the Morning"
By Louis Danz

one day he would meet anybody an nother day he would meet somebody everybody knew everything about eds of years ago but nobody knew thing about tomorrow and it went ike this and soon he met The e who in all the City were The Three.' -Page 141--

"Sundays are all alike, of course some Sundays it snows and on other Sundays the Sun shines. But nevertheless the inside of a Sunday, any Sunday, is just like the inside of any other Sunday. Even if you do not go to church, or if you have never gone to church there is something that makes all the Sundays different from all the week days. Perhaps it is because you have breakfast late or perhaps it is because you have things to eat you don't have on week days or perhaps it is because the people who can't laugh all week laugh on Sundays and the people who laugh all week do not laugh on Sundays. Yes it can't be denied Sundays differ from week days and that makes all Sundays alike." - Page 223 --Are you still with us?!

GENESEE FEVER
By Carl Carmer

"For the first time Nathan realized both were naked. The shock of the girl's news had occupied his mind." -Page 220 -- You make big joke, JOE?!

Straight Poop from 427 AFA Bn Shop

The only tool we loan out belongs to our "Tom Cat" - He always brings it back!

ANOTHER RUMOR, A BIT LATE - BUT

A rumor comes to this reporter of a bit of Dissension in the 28th Repl Depot. Volunteers were called to convert six Liberty Ships to troop carriers. Upon finding that five of the six ships were to haul repatriated Jap PW's rather than US soldiers, a near-riot broke out. The CO of the 28th attempted to smoothe things over but was promptly booed off the stage.

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EXCLUSIVE

The Free Press is proud to bring you first factual distribution on the nouncement from HQ SISAC (Prov) APO 932 concerning the return of Category Units to the United States.

HQ SISAC (Prov) APO 932 announced in their letter file AG 370.01 dated Nov 45, Subject: Category IV Units, that personnel with 50 to 69 points uld make up units to be known as Category IV Units.

These units which are listed below will return to the states during the month of December 1945.

UNIT	SCORES TO WHICH SCREENED
198 AAA Gp	60-69
528 AAA Gun Bn	65-69
967 AAA Gun Bn	65-69
237 AAA Slt Bn	65-69
211 AAA AW Bn	65-69
223 FA Bn	65-69
804 FA Bn	60-64
356 AAA Slt Bn	60-64
427 Armd FA Bn	60-64
543 FA Bn	60-64
803 FA Bn	55-59
671 TD Bn	55-59
786 FA Bn	55-59
710 Tank Bn	55-59
207 FA Gp	50-54
418 FA Gp	50-54
4th Armd Gp	50-54
428 Armd FA Bn	50-54
199 AAA AW Bn	65-69
545 FA Bn	50-54
426 Armd FA Bn	50-54

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ULLETIN : BEER AT THE PX

We have just learned from our gen-al PX Manager, T/Sgt Whitton, that he issue of beer will now be hand-ed by our local PX rather than by uartermaster.

This does not indicate a great in-rease in the beer ration, however o the steady guzzlers of suds need ot go into fits of ecstasy. Instead f the usual one case (24 beers), he quota is now one per day, which ill give an extra six beers in the ourse of a month.

Base K Exchange Hqs will distri-ute ration cards with which to pur-hase beer, and the price will be wenty centavos per beer. These cards ill be good at any Exchange on the sland, plus the Snack Bar at Palo.

The manner in which the beer is ssued to the individual will be left up to each Battalion.

No information on the sale of cig-arettes at the PX is available.

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ased by few, discussed by many,
t read by all."

Editor's Notes

Major William J. Fuchs, Battalion
mmander, 427th Armored FA Battalion
O 932, announced on 10 Nov 45 that
e Old Free Press has been officially
ecognized as the battalion newspaper.

The Free Press was founded for the
urpose of presenting in a vigorous
ashion events and opinions of gen-
ral interest to its readers.

The Free Press will endeavor to
e accurate in reporting, stimulating
n editorials, prompt with news, and
onient towards expression.

The Free Press will make a prac-
ice of printing items submitted to
t of general interest or a contro-
rsial nature either under author's
ame or as name withheld.

Ethics of Publication will be ad-
ered to insofar as feasible.

It is with extreme regret that we
ote the de-activation of the "Palm
eaf". We wish to inform our readers
this paper never harbored any intent-

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EXCLUSIVE-Cont'd from page 1

427th AFA Bn is to transfer EM to the following listed units; ASRS Category indicated.

ASRS Category	Approx No of EM	Unit
65-69	12	223 FA Bn
55-59	17	786 FA Bn
50-54	34	4th Armd Gp
39-0	42	4th FA Bn

There is no information to date on screening instructions for Officers.

In addition to the above 427 AFA Bn will receive EM from units listed below; ASRS Category indicated.

ASRS Category	Approx No of EM	Unit
60-64	14	418 FA Gp
60-64	5	4th Armd Gp
60-64	27	545 FA Bn
60-64	32	4th FA Bn

EM in 427 AFA Bn with 60 to 64 points will remain with their unit.

Transfer of personnel will take place on 13 November 1945.

SHAC reports this listing is not complete and that additional information concerning transfer of personnel will be issued from time to time.

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ions of forcing the "Palm Leaf" to cease publication.

Our original aim was to provide a stimulus within the battalion by forming friendly competition to an already well established publication.

In our opinion and that of every-other person we have contacted the "Palm Leaf" while in existence performed a necessary job in an excellent manner.

The Free Press, while mourning the passing of a worthy competitor, accepts the responsibilities of being the newspaper for 427th Armd FA Bn with a cheery and confident outlook.

The faults of my friends, Which I freely condone, Are always the ones, Which resemble my own.

. . . . . N. Y. Post . . . . . .

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ATURE EDITORIAL

COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING

The question that is naturally of paramount interest to us is; When will t home? While others dawdle over this we must not ignore other import- subjects.

We believe one of these subjects is compulsory military training which t more aptly be described as - compulsory military education.

There must never be another rape such as was experienced at Pearl Harbor another appeasement such as was experienced at Munich. We can prevent in the future.

Compulsory military education is effective. History does not dispute fact. To state a single example: Switzerland though small, has not had borders trespassed in the time of modern history. Every man in Switzer- is a potential soldier.

This training would not hamper education, nor would it handicap a class people or an individual. Neither would it create a huge standing army.

BUT - - It would create a huge reserve army of citizens.

Every man at a determined age would undergo this training. Hence, since would be treated alike, all would have the same educational opportunities is axiomatic that "things equal to the same things are equal to each er".

The object before us is not to create a large regular army but to have tead a mighty moderately sized army. This army to be well trained, well ped, and modern in every sense of the word.

Military education would in no way endanger freedom or liberty. After one r, every citizen soldier would know the real meanings of our freedoms.

Some might say the cost is prohibitive. This is NOT so. How could any etary value be placed on safety and security?

This war has taught us the stupendous costs to the victor. The next war ld teach us the even greater costs to the vanquished.

We don't want our sons to be subjected to the "hell" of war that millions been subjected to in the past. See to it that this never happens. You prevent it. Be alive to all attempts that might tend to relegate the ted States to a second rate power again.

It does not necessarily hold true that compulsory military training will omplish this, but it certainly would help.

GWK

EQUALITY

e world is a market
ith many a street
t death with its sting
e all must meet.

If death were a thing
That we all could buy
The rich would live,
The poor would die.

But God in his mercy
Never intended it so
The rich and the poor
To their graves must go.

SJY

HE RETURNING PACIFIC VETERAN:-

e next land you will visit is as the United States. It is therefore, that the following tation and advice as to what to t will enable you to enjoy your there, and to better understand natives of this strange land.

e United States, you will find ess you're looking for a job. is a ndly country. It is quite large: y as large as Texas, its wealthy influential neighbor to the south. Natives of the United States light in r. Do not e at them. ou will ulate fre- you will ually be- accustomed heir color. ember, they not had benefits of arm tropical shine, nor orine.

The currency ts are call- Dollars and ts. One bill you will d, is equal Two Pesos, one cent is al to Two tavos. It l seem queer first, but if used frequently ker or craps, you will gradually ome familiar with it and in no e be making change expertly.

We must warn you about native bev ages. Beer is served cold. No question this. The natives prefer it that way. You will find that is palatable. Whiskey is sold un- many brands, none of which have en made in Cebu or Manila, however, is not believed necessary to have e Medics test it. This, however, es not include Oklahoma or Kentucky corn. Beware of them.

It would be considered in very taste to pick up a native woman and ask her to do your laundry. Americans have a peculiar establishment called, oddly enough, a "laundry". Here, all clothes are washed at the same time. No! the Army does not consider it unsanitary.

Travel in the United States is by train, street car, bus, taxi cab. Trains are a long series of coaches pulled by an engine, generally steam. The coaches are a vehicle of many seats, in all of which are comfortably seated one or more civilians. Soldiers, therefore, will find it necessary to ride and sleep on the floors and the aisles. Street cars and buses take the place of the traditional jeep or 2½-ton. No trip ticket is required to ride these vehicles. You will need 20 centavos, or 10 cents in native coin. We would advise all but the first three graders to beware of taxicabs. They think nothing of charging 10 Pesos for a half hour ride. Too, many cab drivers will embarrass you by mentioning places where girls may be had.

You will not miss the PX. The American drugstore is quite as complete, but also sells pots and pans. Cigarettes cost up to 20¢ a pack, so we advise stocking up before entering this strange land.

A native delicacy is called ice-cream. Although we know it will be

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BOOKS
BEST SELLERS AT PX

k Away, Look Away' by Leslie
er White... A novel of suspense
ction set in a historical back-
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o Of A Bomb' by Van Siller...
ery.

Arms Are Fair' by Sedford Smith
dern story in a thoughtful manner

Longer Fugitive' by Ann Chidester
tal dramatic novel of out times.

e Dark Continent' by Richard
ilvan... A comedy of the hen peck-
en.

ite Victory' by Robert Ormand Case
enture at a fast pace.

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RECOMMENDED READING

novel "Turnbull" by Taylor Caldwell has received a great number of favorable comments. The few copies at the PX counter were snatched up by avid reading public but T/Sgt. Hutton stated that by the 20th of September the PX would try to have more copies of the book available.

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YOUR HIT PARADE

Till The End of Time
If I Loved You
Gotta Be This or That
Don't Hold Everything
I Wish I Knew
Dreams
I'm Gonna Love That Guy
There's No Use
The More I See You
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe
Artists featured: Joan Edwards and Dick Todd

PACIFIC VETERAN-Cont'd from page 4

foreign to most of you, you will find it much to your taste. Do not criticize what will be placed in front of you as "coffee". You will find the natives do not like their coffee as made in the Army.

There are many other curious customs that will be strange at first, but remember you are the guest of the country-do not criticize. Sleeping in rooms; inside latrines; white covering on chow tables; crockery plates for chow; KP done by women; inside movies that are continuous, not stopped for reel changing; water from a tap inside houses; showers and bathtubs inside are only a few of the customs which will bewilder you at first. Put up with them.

As you sail away from this beautiful Pacific Isle of Palm and Pom Pom, we wish you God Speed, and hope you will come back and visit us low point men with your grandchildren.

Sincerely,
Mac-B. Stry

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PAT SAYS

The mountains which some people complain are spread loosely all over the state of Montana are there for two real reasons. One is to provide the best possible scenery offered by our nation and the other is to house all the gold that keeps bulging up to the surface.

In fact the people out Montana way are beseeching Senator Burton K. Wheeler to push through a bill authorizing gigantic braces for the purpose of binding the mountains so they will not burst at the seams and shower their gold all over Montana and neighboring states.

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"A legal kiss is never as good as a stolen one." - de Maupassant.

SPORTS PAGE

For the past two days, the weather has brought outdoor sports to a stand-
ll, so, unfortunately, we have no games to report. All softball games
e been postponed until a later date.

The 427th Bombers were scheduled to play an undefeated Seabees team on
urday afternoon at Tacloban, but the rains intervened. The Seabees have
lost a game since coming to the Island of Leyte, and since the Bombers
still undefeated, it should be quite a contest.

No date has been set for the play-off.

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We publish herewith the schedule for Monday and Tuesday of next week,
ch will complete the first round in this third series of play:

vs C - - 0730	Monday, 12 Nov 45		C vs A - - 0730	Tuesday, 13 Nov 45
vs Hq - - 0930			Hq vs A - - 0930	
vs A - - 1300				

ATTING AVERAGES - 427TH BATTALION SOFTBALL LEAGUE

AYER	G	AB	R	H	PCT.	PLAYER	G	AB	R	H	PCT.
rga, A	2	4	1	3	.750	Granillo - Sv	3	8	0	2	.250
nnent - Hq	2	5	2	3	.600	Spicer - A	1	4	1	1	.250
eltz - B	3	11	3	6	.545	Anthony - Off	4	8	1	2	.250
arlin - Hq	2	2	1	1	.500	Robinson - B	3	8	2	2	.250
rtinez - B	3	8	2	4	.500	Stubbs - Off	4	8	3	2	.250
cholas - C	3	10	3	5	.500	Harvey - B	4	12	4	3	.250
ans - A	1	2	1	1	.500	Malone - Hq	1	4	1	1	.250
idberg - Hq	3	6	1	3	.500	Newlin - Off	3	9	1	2	.222
ircloth - B	2	6	1	3	.500	Fuchs - Off	3	9	1	2	.222
ruso - Sv	4	11	2	5	.455	H. Brown - C	3	10	1	2	.200
utenschlager - C	3	9	0	4	.444	Schneider - Sv	4	10	0	2	.200
lliams - B	4	14	4	6	.428	Morgan - Off	2	5	2	1	.200
ffus - B	4	14	5	6	.428	L. Brown - Off	3	10	2	2	.200
rner - C	3	10	4	4	.400	Axler - A	2	5	1	1	.200
Miller - Off	3	8	0	3	.375	Huddleston - A	2	5	1	1	.200
pf - Off	4	8	0	3	.375	Umisuf - Sv	4	12	1	2	.166
ss - O	3	8	2	3	.375	Kennedy - C	2	6	3	1	.166
ieman - Hq	3	11	1	4	.363	Adams - A	2	6	1	1	.166
bozzi - Sv	3	9	0	3	.333	Vaughn - Sv	4	6	0	1	.166
bon - A	2	3	2	1	.333	Pierce - Hq	3	6	0	1	.166
seer - C	1	3	0	1	.333	Hogge - Hq	2	6	1	1	.166
ckley - Hq	3	10	0	3	.300	Krawiec - Hq	2	6	1	1	.166
ough - Sv	3	7	3	2	.286	Colton - B	4	13	0	2	.153
rnake - A	3	7	1	2	.286	Margraf - B	4	14	3	2	.142
lline - Hq	2	7	0	2	.286	Bell - B	3	7	2	1	.142
derette - C	3	11	5	3	.272	Brosko - Hq	3	8	2	1	.125
we - Off	4	11	1	3	.272	Grachan - Sv	4	8	2	1	.125
senfeld - B	4	11	2	3	.272	Sprattian - Hq	2	8	1	1	.125

SPORTS PAGE — CONT'D

PITCHERS RECORDS

HER	G	IP	H	BB	SO	R	W	L	PCT
hn - Sv	3	21	7	5	16	1	3	0	1.000
s - Off	2	14	8	5	3	3	2	0	1.000
edy - C	2	16	19	12	3	14	2	0	1.000
leston -A	2	13	8	6	5	8	1	1	.500
ko - Hg	3	20	27	12	5	21	1	2	.333
etz - B	3	22	18	19	7	17	1	2	.333
so - Sv	1	5	3	5	1	3	0	1	.000
lin - Off	1	7	11	5	0	11	0	1	.000
ler - Off	1	2	6	0	0	2	0	1	.000
sey - B	1	2/3	4	7	0	10	0	1	.000
chins -Off	1	5	8	3	0	6	0	0	.000
aski - Sv	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	.000
ton - B	1	6 1/3	5	2	6	4	0	0	.000

SCIENCE AND JOBS

Science and its developments have opened, in the st century, untold opportunities for jobs, both for e laborer and the professional Worker.

Scientific achievements in the last few decades have aped forward incredibly but only through the courage d foresight of our great chemists and physicists who ve struggled without thought of other than achieving e result.

Foremost among the latest discoveries has been the ccessful harnassing of atomic power. So far it has ly been used for destructive purposes in World War II t the future will probably see atomic energy taking i e rightful place as the most important source of energy yet harnessed. Such an achievement could only ve been made possible at such an early date by the oling of information and scientists in a successful fort to beat the Axis Powers in the direct harnessing atomic power as in the powerful atomic bomb.

Further discoveries in chemistry (both organic and norganic), physics, biology and bacteriology, medicine and medical therapy have in World War II received impetus which couldn't have been received in a half-entury of peacetime living.

Most war time inventions and discoveries have had a ore brilliant future in peacetime than they ever achieved in War.

All great inventions have had, in the past the tendency to abolish a few old jobs but in the main have created an abundance of new ones. Atomic energy should ollow the defined path of the past and bring about a arge scale industrial revolution.

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HULL AWARDED NOBLE PEACE PRIZE

Former Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, was awarded the 1945 Noble Peace Prize for the part he played in laying the foundation of the United Nations Organization Hull was named by a five man committee of the Norwegian Parliment, which annually makes an award, but which has not made any since 1938, the last year of peace in Europe. The Committee also announces a 1944 Peace Award will go to the International Committee of the Red Cross at Geneva, Switzerland, for its work among prisoners of war. Hull was forced by ill health to resign as Secretary of State before the United Nations Organization was formed, but he is still known as the father of that organization.**********

EISENHOWER'S RETURN MAY ACCELERATE UNIFICATION OF ARMED FORCES

The return of General Dwight Eisenhower to the United States is expected to accelerate the drive to combine the three branches of military service under a single department. His home-coming also undoubtedly will revise reports that he soon will replace General Marshall as Chief of Staff. Eisenhower believes that the survival of peace-loving countries in the future depends almost entirely on all branches of the military operating in unison and maintaining the closest liason with industry and science. As one of America's greatest commanders, Eisenhower's views can be expected to carry considerable weight with Congress. If and when he takes over Marshall's job, Eisenhower undoubtedly will continue the drive to combine all the services into one. Eisenhower has proposed that West Point and Annapolis merge into a single military academy, or that budding officers and midshipmen spend half their time in training in Naval matters and half in Army duty. Both preparatory courses will include ample study in the research and practise of aviation.**********

HIGHLIGHT OF PEARL HARBOR INVESTIGATION

Republican Representative, Kease, Wisconsin Congressman, says today that he obtained proof that the Navy Intelligence Officer, Captain Alwin D. Kramer, is being "badgered" to change stories about the Pearl Harbor attack. Kramer is the mystery man of the investigation whom Republicans claim took the secret Japanese message to President Roosevelt on the eve of the Pearl Harbor attack. Now in the Bethesda Naval Hospital, Kramer, according to Kease, delivered the famed "Winds" message to higher authorities on the 4th of December, 1941, and they ignored the Navy report that Japan was going to war.**********

ATOMIC ENERGY

A report that Prime Minister Attlee would be given the use of scientific information has Washington's attention as official silence clocks the historic atomic energy conferences. There is no comment from the White House or other official circles on this report after Truman, Attlee and MacKenzie King returned from a 9 hour cruise on the Potomac River where they continued discussions begun at a State Dinner, Saturday. Mr. Truman says the discussions are being approached "carefully." The President also reiterates his desire for a continuing American Foreign Policy that would prevai regardless of the party in power. He says that subjects other than the future use and control of atomic energy will be discussed. It is strongly believed Truman himself has said, "Attlee can bring up any subject he wishes." Meanwhile, high sources say Attlee suggests an International Pool of scientific and atomic knowledge controlled by the United Nations Organization, and this would be possible only if the Soviet Union makes clear its future international diplomatic and territorial aspirations.

ATOMIC ENERGY "BN" INSIGNA

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I CONTINUALLY TURN TO GOD FOR GUIDANCE, AND HIS WISDOM DIRECTS MY EVERY STEP.
"Then shall thy light rise in darkness, and thine obscurity be as the noonday.ISA.5

TROUBLE CONTINUES IN JAVA

In Java, following unanswered appeals to President Truman and Prime Minister, Attlee, the Indonesian Nationalist Leader, Soekarno, sends an appeal to Foreign Commissar, Molotav and also calls on Australia to intervene in "British and Dutch Agression." In Batavia, a United States army truck driver is shot in the stomach after a heated argument with a Dutch soldier. British troops supported by fire from warships, and also from RAF planes, seized control of half the Soerabaja Naval Base from the Indonesians. British destroyers shelled Indonesians 75's firing on the British controlled Soreabaja Airport. The Nationalist Leader, Soekarno, protests the use of warships, artillery and planes against poorly armed Nationalists. On the other hand the Dutch protest the Indonesians are torturing victims including women and children. **********

Lost in Leyte
14 November 1945

Dear Editor:

This is a letter about some "sons of bitches" that are getting home before I am. I am glad to bare to the world a state of affairs that under existing circumstances is nothing less than criminal. Either public opinion, or better yet, officials action should be instrumental in correcting this wrong.

The other day, in an off hand manner, an officer from this command was sought to serve as the officer in charge of the stateside movement of a war dog platoon. While we have several officers qualified either technically or socially for the job, no choice has yet been made. Although personally having no interest in any eastward movement, I felt the matter merited investigation.

From unusually reliable sources, a shocking picture came too light. With thousands of high point men still on this island, these dogs are being transported to the states in regular Army transports, with keepers chosen neither for qualifications or point standings. Because of a lack of canine accomodations, the dogs are quartered one to a cabin, usually holding from four to six men. Large parts of the decks are used to exercise the dogs, while the few fortunate troops aboard are crowded into a little roped off portion of the rear deck.

While men on this island are getting short rations of questionable quality, soldiers that loaded the ship report that great quantities of frozen beef were put aboard as dog food, with enough loaded to feed them the rest of their dogs' lives.

I hope this letter will not put me in the doghouse.

A. DOGROBBER

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ABLE BATTERY,ALLWAYS
Cpl E. Wilkus

Yesterday we bid goodby to some very old friends and buddies. The loss of these "oldsters" of the battery was keenly felt. Able Battery extends its warmest gratitude to the Cannon Reports Staff for the fine write-up in yesterday's Cannon Report in the absence of an article from the Battery itself. We miss Able's Atkinson and we know now his nose got that way from digging up news.

Best of luck to all who have left us and greetings to the new men coming in! So the wheel of fortune spins round and round!

-----Note to J.W.D.: That C-54 which you have beene xpecting is now reported as being used as a transport for selectees. Evidently they realize who actually won his war.

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CHARLIE'S CORUSCATING CRITIQUE
Cpl S.A. Garbs

Although we've (that is, some of us) have never seen a bubble bath, most of have heard of the science--but "Tiger" (I walk alone) Evans comes out with something similar. It's a bubble mattress made up of inflated water repellent powder bags. Word has it the apparatus threw him for a four yard loss during a recent nocturnal maneuver!

-----A question was raised last night by some of the attitudes shown toward the bit of U.S.O. entertainment at the E.M. Club--Here's the question, "Would you or would you not volunteer to leave the U.S. to come to the P.Is. and try to entertain GI's?" Better give it considerable thought before answering--even to yourself. Remember if you did decide it okay--that would put you on the other end of the rope where the odds against you are much greater. May I add a bit of irony?" It looks easy from where we sit, doesn't it?

-----In tribute to the ole' gang's departure from this battery yesterday--there'll be one minute of hell and damnation each day at 0645--reveille!

-----The sudden appearance of Johnson and a monkey broke up Morse's love-making at the front gate last night.

-----Do you feel the same lately, does you feet track properly or how are your bowels? Any such troubles can be corrected by Doc Taylor.

-----Here's something to try your imitating ability on--say it as an Englishman would---"In the moonlight, there lay the oar."

-----Buster and his volunteers were turned back from a detail--guess the Army isn't what it used to be!

-----Left to mourn the loss of a motor sgt. is one, Lt. (Admiral) Sharkey.

-----Our C.O. Lt.(Zip) Zimmerman seems to have enjoyed the delightful aroma of the American Girls powder and rouge--What a twinkle was in his eyes---EEEEEH!WOAH!

-----To You----Many a day was spent--In sweat and discontent!
Four years of life they lent--Serving the U.S. Government.
Now to the first stop they went, And it's homeward they're bent.
We wish em luck and God's sent!! S.A.G.

TILL TOMORROW IS HERE

MAGAZINE DIGEST, July, 1945-----When Mr. Keedick reached home one evening, he was confronted by a very angry wife. He had scarcely got inside the door and hung his hat on the hatrack before she blurted out: "You've got a new typist!"
"Why, yes," admitted Keedick, "How did you, by all that's wonderful, find out?"
"Oh, I'm up to your goings-on, I can tell you. You got your new typist yesterday."
"I did, and who told you?"
"Well, if you must know, it was Mrs. Gaskett. Her husband told her. You needn't think you can keep things from me."
"I have no desire to, dear."
"Don't 'dear' me! Your typist is only 18 years old."
"As nearly as I can judge age, I should say that your guess is about right."
"And has melting brown eyes," Mrs. Keedick went on indignantly.
"Possibly; but I haven't noticed them doing any melting."
"Oh, no! Of course not. With a soft voice and charming manner."
"You are nearly right."
"Nearly right! I know I'm quite right!" exclaimed the jealous woman.
"Now I want you to tell me the name of the forward creature."
"You want the name of my typist?"
"Yes, I do."
"What for?"
"Never mind what for. I want your typist's name."
"It is John Henry Simpson."

By Mrs. E.L. Rice

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SPORTLIGHTS

EXTRA INNINGS.--World Series shares for the current classic fell short of record individual shares but the winning Detroit Tigers and losing Chicago Cubs still picked up a tidy bit of change. Full shares to the Tigers were each worth $6,443.34 while the Cubs split their swag into 31 full shares of $3,930.21. This compares to the record individual winning share of $6,554.76 earned by the 1935 Tigers, and the highest losing players' share $4,829.40 given to the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1941. The players' pool received $199,743 for the Tigers and $133,162 for the Cubs from the record $1,592,434 receipts....Washington's Larry Brunke, who won 15 and lost one for the Chattanooga Lookouts last year, may turn up in the outfield next season. He's a power at the plate..Benny Bengough, former catcher for the New York Yankees and the St. Louis Browns, has been signed to coach the Philadelphia Phillies next year. Bengough formerly held down coaching spots for the Boston Braves and Washington Senators and once managed Yankee farm teams in Washington, Pa., and Joplin, M... Last week also saw the appointment of Harold D. "Muddy" Ruel, a veteran of 30 years in the majors as assistant to Happy Chandler, now commissioner of baseball.

Jackie Robinson, Negro star signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers' farm club at Montreal, will have a tough time making the grade in the majors, according to Bob Feller. The Cleveland pitching ace puts Robinson in the "good field, no hit" category....The New York Yankees will have two spring training camps this season for the first time in history. One will be at St. Petersburg and the other across the bay at Bradenton. Joe McCarthy, who recently spiked rumors that he intended to retire, expects about 70 players to report next spring. Joe DiMaggio, Tommy Henrich, Phil Rizzuto, Charley Keller, Spud Chandler, Aaron Robinson and Red Ruffing already are returned from service and many more like Joe Gordon, Bill Dickey, Bill Johnson, Buddy Hasset and Johnny Sturm are expected before another season.*******

IN THIS CORNER...With the Louis-Conn title bout buildup in full swing, happy days are here again for the boys who push leather (and sell tickets) for a living. Eddie Eagan, chairmen of the New York State Athletic Commission, made that point clear when he predicted gross receipts of $5,000,000 for the Louis-Conn title scrap in June. "Uncle Mike" Jacobs' share will be in the neighborhood of $1,000,00 Gus Lesnevich, world's light heavyweight titleholder, already has been assured a $30,000 guarantee for a proposed title bout with Sailor Joe Kahut at Portland in January. He's still awaiting a reply to his demand for $50,000, tax free plus all expenses, to meet British champion Bruce Woodcock in a non-title go in England.

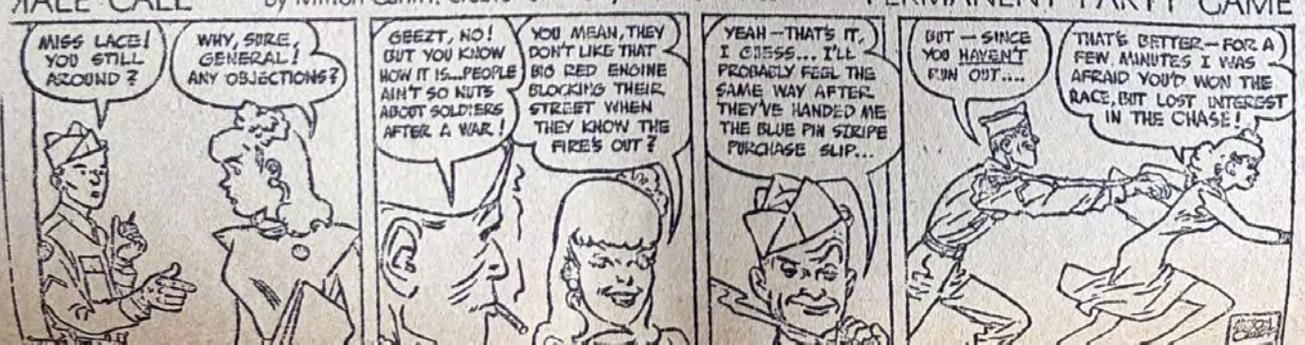
-----Featherweight champ Willie Pep made his first ring start since he came out of the army against Paulie Jackson at Hartford, Conn., last week....The Miami, Fla. matchmaker, W.H. People Jr., is trying to get Tami Mauriello for a scrap with Tommy Gomez in the Orange Bowl 10 February...The manager of Freddie Cochran world welterweight boxing champion, has announced receipt of an offer of $50,000 for a title bout with Jimmy Doyle of Los Angeles at Buffalo, New York...Manuel Ortiz has signed to defend his world batamweight boxing title against Luis Castillo of Mexico City in a 15-round match at San Francisco 10 December.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE STANDINGS OF THE PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL TEAMS:

	W.	L.	T.		W.	L.	T.
Boston	3	3	0	Detroit	6	1	0
Washington	5	1	0	Green Bay	4	3	0
New York	1	6	0	Chicago Cards	1	7	0
Philadelphia	4	2	0	Chicago Bears	1	6	0
Pittsburgh	2	6	0				
Cleveland	6	1	0				

It is be to noted that football games are being arranged in various parts of the country to aid in the current 11 billion dollar victory loan drive.

MALE CALL by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates" PERMANENT PARTY GAME



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This, the first literary gem submitted to our paper, is given the place of honor, not only for its timeliness but also for its general interest. Any additional masterpeices that are forthcoming will be given our blessing and published as rapidly as possible.

The Editor

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"SWEATING IT OUT"

BY

SGT. STANLEY K. SIWEK

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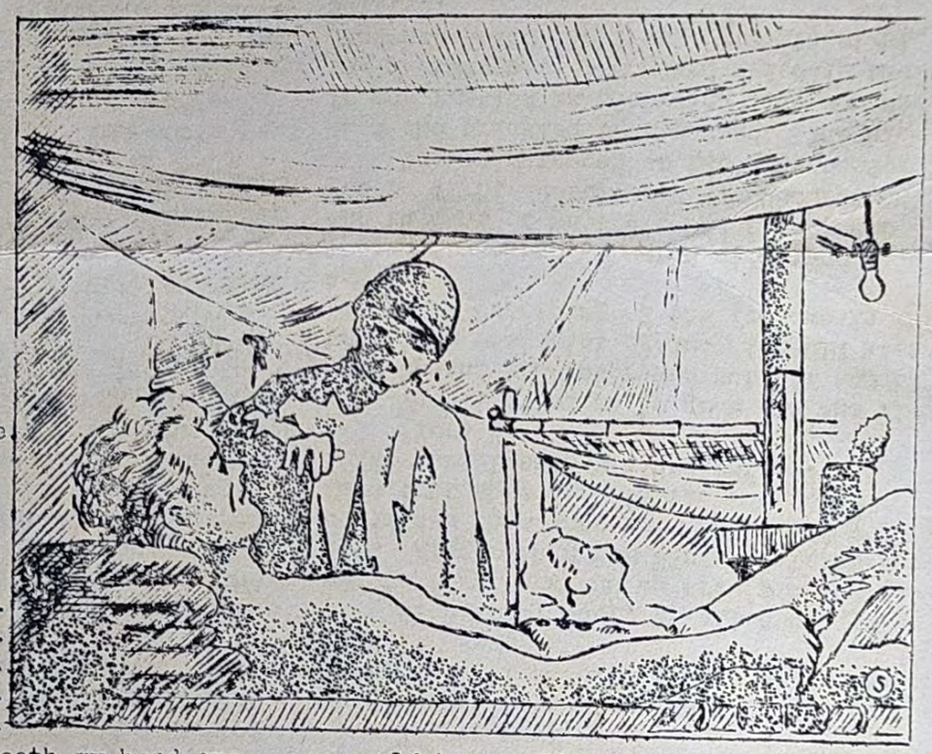
Tiny pearls of moisture forming on the dark green canvas of the pyramidal reflected light from the bare 60 watt bulb. The seams, rotted by mildew, had begun to leak. The drip-drip-drip of the droplets falling from the sidewall was amplified to enormous proportions against the pounding of the tropical storm outside.



The once thirsty sand regurgitated the ever falling rain and tiny streams, rushing blindly, flowed, joined and separated again. An eight inch centipede dragged his many sections wearily across the many rivulets, trying to cope with each situation as it arose.

The air is heavy —too heavy to breathe. Seems to be some sort of taint to it. No sign of a breeze.

I'm on the cot, hot, tired—too bored to move. A tiny trickle from the canvas above drops on my shoulder and sprays my face. (How cool it seems.) The blankets beneath my head are warm as hell. The sweat is rolling down my sides.

The ants in the bamboo mosquito bar frame at the foot of the cot are evacuating. Can't help thinking how much they act like little soldiers with their orderly lines and each one with a white egg. Look like soldiers with barracks bags going aboard a transport—going home. (What the hell is the matter with me?)

May as well get the sweat out of my eyes. God, it's hot. My shorts are soaking wet with sweat—no sense changing. Sure would like to be sitting in that little patio in the back of O'Briens in New Orleans. Boy, a good tall, icy, frosted "Hurricane" would sure hit the spot. Better still, wish that a hurricane would hit this rock, at least we would have a little breeze.

"The Mick" comes sloshing in through the tent flaps splashing water all over. His poncho glistens. He throws his helmet liner on the floor and takes the poncho off. He is soaked throughout.

"For cripessakes—all this thing does is to keep the rocks and cocoanuts out. Say—have you heard the latest?"

"The Mick" is our rumor monger.

"No change in orders. No boats—no shipping date—no nuttin'. That's what they say. I heard just a little while ago that there are eight ships heading this way, but the brass is not in the know. Heard that they're going to ship the Nips home first. Whatinthehell do you think of that? We fight the monkies and then they get priority over us. What do you think of that?"

"SHADDUP!"

I look over at Joe in the corner. He's a funny guy. Never bitches, never says a thing. Just lays there on his bunk and looks at his kid's picture. He's quiet, but plenty tough. I guess just sitting in the jungle as a sniper sort of calms a man down to waiting.

"But Joe!"

"SHADDUP!"

I can see that "the Mick" knows enough to shut up and goes over to his bunk and falls heavily upon it. His legs go spread-eagle and the water from his wet combat boots forms little pools on the floor beneath each heel. He lets out a long sigh and closes his eyes.

I look up again and watch a green-gold beetle trying to knock itself out against the top of the tent. Buzzing all over the place.

"Poor sucker! Why don't you stop and sweat it out with the rest of us? No use beating your brains out. We're trying to get out too."

I close my eyes and try to think a little of home. It's November and the leaves that are left on the trees are golden-brown. The cool wind is whipping over the dried grass and dodging among the golden rod. I can almost hear Smoky barking as he chases a rabbit. Never was much good as a field dog, but we always had a lot of fun together.

"Murf" comes in with the mimeo'd sheet that's our only paper. (Wonder what he's so mad about?) He's the real bitcher of the tent.

"Will you look at this? 'Congress to discharge all men in the states that are surplus.' What the hell do they think we are—Essential? The war's over; everybody's getting out—85 - 70 - 60 points—'Demobilization is proceeding in an orderly fashion.' If that's true, what am I still doing here? I want to get home too. We fought the war and we have a right to get home—and quick. I want to see my girl and my.....!"

"SHADDUP!"

"Shut up yourself! I got a right to bitch. Twenty months on this rock is enough for any man. I fought the enemy and now that they are licked, I want to go home. There's no-one else to fight."

Joe rose from his bunk and we had never seen him look so mad. His normally passive face was livid with anger. He trembled as he looked at "Murf."

"YOU got a right to bitch—huh. How about ME? You really haven't a damn thing to bitch about. I [illegible] kid. Three years and a half. Never saw him. Just his picture. What the hell do you think? Do you think that a picture can take his place?

Do you think that I can take him in my arms and squeeze him and kiss him and tell him how happy and lucky I am that he's my son? Do you think that I can take him by the hand and walk with him and buy him the things that a kid and hold him in my lap and answer his silly boys' questions? Do you think that I can feel his curly hair against my cheek when he falls asleep in my arms with his head on my shoulder? Do you?

No Murf, a picture can't ever take the place of these things that a father dreams of—of those precious childish years that live on with you until you di

How would you like to sit in the stinking jungle, never knowing if you would ever make it back to the kid? Every day passed was a day closer to gettin home to the kid. Then all of a sudden, the was is over and you figure that now you'll be on the way back. Then this—this waiting around."

Joe turned, his lower lip quivered, and sits down on his bunk. No-one says a thing. Then he looks at "Murf."

"Sorry Murf."

"Naw, I'm the guy that should be sorry Joe. I shouldn't have said anything."

"You know, Murf, we got a bigger enemy to fight now and we aren't doing so hot. Bigger than the Nip. At least you could see them once in a while and you knew that they were there. We gotta fight ourselves now. Understand?"

"Yeah."

The light began to grow dim and flicker as the generator was cut off anddth tent soon was quiet again. I could hear the heavy breathing of the fellows in th tent.

I lay there, covered with sweat, and thought of what Joe had said. "We got to fight ourselves now. Understand'

The rain tapped at the canvas overhead and trickled to the sand. The nipa fronds rustled in the rain. The squashing footsteps of the guard faded in the distance——The dark, muggy tropic night settled.

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"—and then he turned me over to the others —he said it was some sort of Rotation Plan "

FORMERLY NAPASO IMPRENTA

BASE'K I&E BANNER

"STANDARD OF TRUTH"

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TOJO SHOOTS HIMSELF

Former Japanese Premier Hideki Tojo shot himself at his home near Tokyo yesterday afternoon as American counter-intelligence agents, sent by Gen. MacArthur to place him under arrest for questioning, approached his study. Before lapsing into unconsciousness, the man who became the symbol of US hate for Pearl Harbor, admitted his war guilt. Shot below the heart with his service pistol, Tojo was at first given no chance to live. At last report, however, he was said to have a 50 - 50 chance to survive.

That prognosis was made by US Army doctors late yesterday after Tojo had been given a blood transfusion. Capt. James Johnson gave the transfusion of plasma after the Japanese doctor who first at-

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DISCUSS ITALIAN TREATY

Foreign secretaries of the Big Five held the first formal meeting in London yesterday, with one of the first problems the drafting of a peace treaty with Italy. Many other questions, including a great many Pacific items, are on the agenda.

BULLETINS

The House voted to create a single administrator for surplus property to replace 3-man board.

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Some officials reported in Washington Monday that an end of meat rationing is possible by Oct. 1.

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Vice-Admiral John S. McCain, former commander of task force 38, was buried with full military honors in Arlington cemetery.

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SURRENDER CALENDAR

Japanese armies in Mindanao and Hongkong surrendered formally yesterday, with similar ceremonies at Wewak and Singapore scheduled today. At Singapore, Lord Louis Mountbatten planned to receive the Samurai sword of Field Marshal Count Terauchi in a ceremony designed to humble the enemy and restore Britain's power in Asia. The plan was to reenact, with roles reversed, the drama of Britain's surrender of Singapore in 1942.

MILITARISTS BANISHED

General MacArthur, in a series of orders to the Japanese government, decreed abolishment of Japanese Imperial headquarters, suspended shortwave broadcasts to the outside world and threw a tight censorship over news channels.

MacArthur dissolved the central head of Japanese militarism, effective 15 September, and extended Allied control over Domei news agency, Japan's main instrument of propaganda in peace and war. US counter-intelligence officers, backing up the order placing Tokyo newspapers and radio stations under rigid Allied control, moved in immediately to begin censorship of news and information. Shortwave broadcasts were ordered halted. The action came after criticism developed in the Allied press corps because Domei and Radio Tokyo were permitted to continue their functions unchecked while Allied troops were pouring into Japan for occupation.

Tank forces, now 100,000 strong, took control of new areas. Tokyo broadcasts prior to censorship said 3,000 troops of the 27th division occupied Odawara, 45 miles from Tokyo.

TRUMAN DECORATES GEN. WAINWRIGHT

Pres. Truman presented Gen. Jonathan Wainwright with the Congressional Medal of Honor yesterday.

The general told congress and the nation that America must never again become so weak that it invites another Corregidor. He said the US must: Be prepared so that never again will US soldiers be "forced senselessly to suffer torment and starvation"; be firm with those "truculent men," the Japs. A crowd of 150,000 jammed the mall near Washington monument to hear his address, and other thousands lined flag-decked streets to watch the hero pass. Wainwright addressed both houses of congress, telling them separately that they will be given the complete low-down on Jap PW camps.

QUISLING GETS DEATH SENTENCE

Maj. Vidkun Quisling was found guilty of high treason and condemned to death Monday in Oslo for cooperating with Germans during the occupation of Norway. The Oslo radio, broadcasting from the court room, said the sentence would be executed by a firing squad unless the situation is altered by an appeal to the supreme court, which can commute but not reverse the sentence. Quisling, whose name became synonymous with traitor, showed no emotion. He had contended he was a patriot, rather than a traitor.

SAY RANKIN BONUS UNFAIR

The bonus bill sponsored by Chairman Rankin of the House veterans' committee is running into opposition in the group with some predicting it will never get out of committee. The proposal is to give every veteran of over 90 days' service $1,040. It was labeled obviously unfair by opponents.

VEHICLES GET HOT TOO

Vehicles, like people, suffer from the heat. In extremely hot weather, avoid the continuous use of low gear ratios whenever possible. Clean and flush the cooling system at frequent intervals, to check rust formation. Be sure that the water covers the plates in the battery.

A little consideration goes a long way on vehicles.

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TOJO

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tended the former premier said that his life could not be saved.

Capt. Johnson said the chances for recovery depended on whether the bullet passed through the lining of the heart or had just missed it, but that Tojo's condition was so critical that this could not be determined.

Bearing orders to arrest the Jap suspected of being war criminal No. 1 in the Pacific, a US major and aides approached Tojo's suburban residence and asked admittance. The former premier, apparently in good physical condition, opened a window to peer at the Americans outside, asking first what was wanted, later telling them to go away, that he didn't want to be bothered. Tojo slammed shut the window and the doors to his study. As the Americans advanced toward the room they heard a shot; finding both doors locked, they broke one in and found Tojo with his smoking pistol still in his hand and blood spurting from his abdomen and staining his uniform.

The militarist said: "I wanted to die by the sword. I assume responsibility for the war. Banzai!"

The DA says bumper corn and wheat crops were produced this year. Estimate of both crops greatly exceed the 10 year average.

'SOLON'S MOVE TO STOP BUNGLING'

Rep. Daniel A. Reed, (Rep. NY), suggested legislation to release all men who have had more than 2 years service in the armed forces, as UP reported accusations that the Army and Navy are "bungling" demobilization.

Reed's suggestion came in a discussion during which 4 republicans and 1 democrat charged that the point systems of both services are unfair because they are keeping men in uniform who are not needed.

Rep. E. E. Cox, (D.Ga.), called on the president to "put some sense into the Army and Navy" which he charged had bungled the discharge program.

Rep. Ross Rizley, (R. Okla.), saw public criticism mounting and proposed draft suspension and release of fathers and men under 21. Rep. Chester Gross, (R. Penn.), said if congress doesn't act to liberalize point system "public resentment will force it to." Rep. Karl Le Compte, (R. Ia.), said there was a particular need for releasing doctors.

MAIL CALL

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

WORLD NEWS

Ten out of every 12 Allied prisoners of war died of wounds exposure and disease in the stinking hold of a Jap hell-ship after the Japs denied them aid, Pharmacist Mate first class Lorene Stamp of Detroit told war crimes investigators. The Michigan survivor of the USS Houston charged that a doctor among the prisoners signed death certificates for 1,001 of slightly more than 1,200 prisoners who boarded the prison ship for the 20-day journey from Formosa to Japan.

WIFE MARRIED HIS UNCLE

S/Sgt. Gene Birdwell, liberated recently from a Jap PW camp, learned for the first time yesterday that his wife married his uncle, Jack Marshall, after he (Birdwell) was formally declared dead by the WD. The sergeant said first it must be a case of mistaken identity, then was too shocked to comment. Apparently Birdwell had not heard his wife annulled the second marriage when she heard Birdwell was alive. In Kansas City, Mrs. said she wanted her first husband back so she could explain personally. He is in a Manila replacement depot for a rest before starting home.

SCHMELING BEATS RAP

Max Schmeling, former world's heavyweight boxing champion, was acquitted of a charge of providing false information to the British foreign office. Schmeling was arraigned in a Hamburg court, packed with German youths, on charges made by British military authorities. He pleaded innocent to a charge that he falsely stated that he had been given a permit to publish books.

SHIRLEY TEMPLE TO WED

Shirley Temple's mother revealed her 17-year old actress daughter would marry Sgt. John Agar, of the AAF, within the next ten days if Agar can get a furlough from the Washington airbase where he is stationed. The couple announced their engagement last April but said they wouldn't be married for two or three years. War's end changed all that.

SAYS JAPS ONLY ACTING

Pravda's international commentator called what is going on in Japan "vaudeville with redressing." He asserted the Japanese rulers were "confirmed democrats" in their propaganda for export although "as a matter of fact no kind of democratization of the internal life of Japan is occuring."

BASE BALL

Dave Ferris registered his 21st win of the season in the opening game of a double-header which saw his Boston teammates divided with the Detroit Tigers. The Sox, behind Ferris, won the first game, 9-2, and then dropped the second, 2-1....Second place Washington failed to gain as they too split a pair. The Senators took the Chicago White Sox, 10-4, with "Dutch" Leonard marking off his 16th win, but dropped the nightcap, 9-4. ....The St. Louis Browns and the Philadelphia A's divided. Vern Stephen's 21st home run with a mate on proved the margin of victory in the opener, the Browns winning, 3-2. Philadelphia came back to win the second contest, 5-3....In a single game at New York Nick Etten and Charley Keller homered, the latter's coming with the bases loaded, accounting for all five runs as the Yanks scalped the Cleveland Indians, 5-1. Ernie Bonham had one of his better days allowing but five safeties.

The St. Louis Cardinals shaded the New York Giants, 2-1, and cut the Chicago Cubs' lead to 2½ games as the Cubs were being blanked by the Boston Braves, 2-0....A pair of scheduled double headers were both halted in the 7th inning of the first game because of rain. At Pittsburgh, the Pirates beat the Phils 9-5, and took over fourth place in the league standing, dropping the New York Giants to fifth spot. Jimmy Wasdell hit a homer for the Phils....In the other game Brooklyn beat Cincinnati, 3-2.

"Have arranged to give back California to you...."

OUR NAVY'S WAR STORY

PART II. THE LAST DAYS OF THE JAP FLEET

(AP)- A significant portion of the Navy, small in tonnage but mighty in lethal aggressiveness, carried the war deep into enemy waters. These were the submarines, which harassed the Japanese incessantly, establishing a highly effective blockade tight around every supply route. Navy submarines accounted for more than 146 combatant ships and 1,041 non-combatant ships sunk.

Following the capture of the Admiralties and the clearing of resistance from the eastern portion of New Guinea by the General of the Army MacArthur's forces, the Navy's 5th Fleet neutralized the western Carolines with carrier strikes and bombardment while the leap-frog landings were made in Hollandia.

This teamwork set the pattern which was to be so successfully followed six months later at Leyte and Luzon.

The Marianas Struggle.

The next objectives were the strong bases of the Marianas, with their excellent anchorages and great potential landing fields. These islands --particularly the largest, Guam, Tinian and Saipan-- were a "must" for the Army air force, if they were to put their B-29s to quick use against the Japanese home islands. They were a must, too, for a navy which had fought its way across the Pacific from battered Pearl Harbor and was not going to stop until it anchored in Tokyo Bay.

The Japanese realized the importance of holding those islands, for on the very day of the first marine landing on Saipan --June 15, 1944-- the naval command was notified that the Jap fleet was at last venturing out to sea. The result was a two-fold disaster for the enemy; on June 19th in a series of air engagements over our landing area, the Japs lost 402 planes out of 545 seen.

This eliminated the threat of serious air attack on our landings and freed the U.S. naval covering forces to hunt down the Jap fleet, which it did on the 20th, sinking two carriers, two destroyers and a tanker.

Back to the Philippines.

So gigantic an undertaking as the recapture of the Philippines was a matter for complete cooperation between all branches of the armed forces. That cooperation was firm from the start.

Navy carrier planes swept distant airfields on Okinawa, northern Luzon and Formosa to prevent them from being used as staging areas for enemy aircraft flying down from Japan or eastward from China. Long range navy search planes and submarines ran interference for the advancing invasion forces while the greatest part of the Pacific fleet deployed to turn back any enemy fleet which might threaten the all important assault area, where the Navy's 7th Fleet was landing.

The landing on Leyte was made on October 20th, under cover of naval aviation. In three separate major engagements taking place between October 23rd and 26th, the Jap lost his fleet; at any rate, he lost so much of it that the remainder never was able to come out of hiding.

The End of the Japanese Navy.

From then on, through all the subsequent Philippine landings which the Navy supported both with immediate fire support, air cover, and surface protection and with distant strategic air cover; through the landings at Iwo Jima and Okinawa, also protected by naval air cover, naval forces encountered serious opposition -- not from the Jap navy. Jap suicide attacks from the air, suicide attacks from the lightest kind of surface forces (even individual swimmers in some cases) challenged the fleets. But the Jap navy was finished.

The Finishing Touches.

What remained for the navy were the important jobs of protecting U.S. forces in their landings, furnishing the air cover and gunfire until the airstrips were operating and the heavy artillery was ashore; harrying what little Jap shipping dared put to sea in all the waters surrounding the Jap home islands; searching for the remnants of his fleet--they were found and destroyed in the Inland Sea in early July, 1945; and steaming up to the coast of Japan to shell military and naval installations and barbard industrial plants.

In short, what remained for the Navy was to do anything it pleased.

This great victory, the greatest ever achieved in modern history by one navy over another during the course of a war, did not come without great cost to all America. It cost lives, it cost ships, it cost money, it cost enormous labor. The search from Pearl Harbor to Tokyo was a long and bitter one, but not so long nor so bitter as would have been the road from Japan to Pearl Harbor to the shores of the United States.

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Dwight D. Eisenhower

CHIEF OF STAFF

Honorable Discharge

"In YANK you have established a publication which cannot be understood by our enemies. It is inconceivable to them that a soldier should be allowed to express his own thoughts, his ideas and his opinions. It is inconceivable to them that any soldiers—or any citizens, for that matter—should have any thoughts other than those dictated by their leaders. . . .

"Upon you, and upon your comrades in arms of all the United Nations, depend the lives and liberties of all the human race. You bear with you the hopes of all the millions who have suffered under the oppression of the war lords of Germany and Japan. You bear with you the highest aspirations of mankind for a life of peace and decency under God."

—FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT,
from YANK, Volume 1, Number 1.

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AT the time when President Roosevelt wrote this message to GIs for the first issue of YANK, in June 1942, the Japanese were settling down on Kiska and Attu and German Gen. Erwin Rommel had just captured Tobruk, Bardia and Bir-el-Gobi. Hulks of American ships were gathering slime under the waters of Pearl Harbor. The Philippines were lost. The Red Army had evacuated the Kerch Peninsula, and all along a heart-breakingly extended front its troops fought a delaying action, an armed retreat. Japs swarmed all over the East—New Guinea, the Netherlands East Indies, Malaya, the Solomons.

The American soldier of that June who had seen any action at all, who had even served overseas, was an exception. There were a few GIs in England and Northern Ireland. Engineers had been stationed in Iceland and Greenland for some months. There were GIs guarding the bauxite mines at Dutch Guiana and British Guiana. There were several shipments of U. S. troops in Australia. There were many too many American soldiers prisoners of the Japs.

The GIs at home were training at a speeded-up rate with the best equipment they could find to train with. Factories were working overtime to break production records that had to be broken and then broken again. Of course, nobody actually thought we might lose the war, but everybody knew we were in a fight. Line after line of confused civilian males filed into railway terminals, waving good-bye to their families, headed for something strange called camp. There were rumors of worse defeats to come and, ranged alongside rumors, the uncomfortable fact that the enemy had a corner on oil and rubber—and trained manpower. There was a battle going on in the air above Britain while we stumbled about the drill fields of Fort Jackson and Fort Belvoir and Fort Benning and dozens of other posts, learning to move our feet according to a new rhythm and to sight an M1 and eat SOS and walk and work and walk and work and sleep like the dead.

YANK was founded to be the publication of the enlisted men of this new Army of ours. It was to be written and edited by enlisted men for enlisted men all over the world. It was to spread both news and entertainment; not to point official morals. It was to be a free organ for the legitimate gripes of enlisted men.

It was just as stumbling and hopeful as any other part of the new Army it joined. YANK was sold first only to GIs serving overseas. By its eighth issue it was authorized to sell in U. S. PXs as well. By YANK's eighth issue U. S. marines were fighting on Guadalcanal, and there was something new in the air as we showed our stuff in an offensive action. There was a commando raid on Nazi-held Dieppe across the English channel that fall, and U. S. Rangers took part in it.

YANK had an edition being printed in England by November 1942, and another in Puerto Rico. England was an island staging area for nobody yet knew what invasion. And in the waters off Puerto Rico, German submarines sank Allied ships.

In November, too, the secret of the invasion was out. American and Allied forces landed in North Africa under the command of Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. They had just barely enough men to push through to a successful landing, just barely enough ships to carry them. But the invasion worked. The battle for North Africa was on. And the Germans in Russia were finding out they couldn't take Stalingrad. In a sea battle off the Solomons, 28 Japs ships were sunk.

There were U. S. troops spreading all over the globe. GIs from Arkansas and Oklahoma were standing guard or loading trucks or fighting in places with exotic names like Bandar Shapur, Iran, Karachi, India, Tripoli, North Africa.

The war was still see-sawing. In Burma we hadn't recovered from the "one hell of a beating" Gen. Joseph Stilwell had taken in the early summer. The Germans still had France, even if the British were chasing them out of Egypt, and the Japs still had so much of the Pacific that our gains hardly showed up on the map. But we knew now, surely, and by actual sampling, what we had never doubted—that we could lick the enemy on their own grounds.

In the summer of 1943, six new overseas editions of YANK were started—in Hawaii, in Trinidad, in Egypt, in India, in Australia and in Iran. That fall another was added in Panama.

WE could look at the war with a growing impatience, a heightened sense of progress, instead of with the dogged resolution we had had to live on in those first long months. We had sewed up North Africa and had taken Sicily. We had landed in Italy, kept our toe-hold and moved successfully north, until the Italian Government, in defiance of a fleeing Mussolini, sued for peace. We had taken back Kiska and Attu from the Japs. We were pushing back other Japs the hard way in New Guinea and on Bougainville and in New Britain, and our airmen were pounding Jap supply lines in China.

The year 1944 opened slowly as a war year. There were gains in the Pacific in January on Kwajalein and Majuro. In Italy, GIs landed at Anzio beachhead to lie there week after week, holding a strip of shore under enemy fire. There was another Pacific landing on Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshalls, and Sgt. John Bushemi, YANK photographer, was killed there.

YANK's tenth overseas edition was printed in Italy in March. The war in Italy was still slow. Allied forces to the south finally connected with the orphans of Anzio in May, and the front moved north in June and July. The Pacific war was still a war of strange names and infrequent headlines which didn't mean much except to the men who earned them. In June we landed on Saipan in the Marianas.

And in June the big jump came, the invasion of Europe from across the channel. There were landings in Normandy, and Easy Red Beach and Omaha Beach were added to the war names Americans will always remember. Sgt. Pete Paris, YANK photographer and artist, was killed on D-Day.

That invasion took, too. It pushed from Cherbourg to Caen to Le Mans, and in August another invasion hit France in the south, launched from Italy, landing between Marseille and Cannes. It pushed to Belfort and met the Normandy invaders in the middle. In the Pacific there were landings on Peleliu and Morotai, Angaur and Ulithi Atoll. It was more and more our winning war.

YANK was printing in Paris by September and in Strasbourg by November. The Allies were sweeping through France like the happy ending of a movie. In Italy we had passed and taken Florence.

The Philippines were the hardest, biggest loss of 1942, and in October 1944 we invaded Leyte to begin to win them back. We landed and stayed.

In the China-Burma theater we took Bhamo and lost Kweiling. From the Marianas, raiding B-29s struck Tokyo. The Red Army steam roller, which started its first big push back in June, had never stopped and was now in East Prussia.

At the end of 1944 there was a cornered-rat lunge from the German forces in the Ardennes sector and, caught off-balance, we were knocked groggy. But we hit back. We had regained our losses by the end of January and, in the Pacific, we had wiped up both Leyte and Samar and were striking at Luzon.

We didn't move backwards again for the rest of the war. We crossed the Rhine and pushed on until we met the Red Army at the Elbe and Germany was licked. YANK correspondent Cpl. Bob Krell was killed in the airborne Rhine crossing.

The Philippines were contested all the way, but we took them, and marines on Iwo Jima and marines and GIs on Okinawa carved two more names on our military roll of honor. B-29s pounded hell out of the Jap mainland, and the atomic bomb and the entry of Russia into the Jap war hastened an end already certain.

The Germans surrendered unconditionally on May 7 at Reims. The Japs surrendered on August 14 aboard the U.S.S. *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay.

YANK's last four overseas printings were set up on Saipan in February, in Manila in July, on Okinawa in August and in Tokyo in September—the last one just in time to serve incoming occupation troops.

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THE fighting part is over now and we are winners. If you ever begin to wonder about what we were fighting for, look back to those words of President Roosevelt's at the beginning of this editorial. Read them and try to remember everything that Jap and German domination meant that made us fight it.

We fought it starting from damn near scratch and we beat it. YANK is proud to have been part of the Army that beat it.

Boston is always Boston.

INVENTORY, U.S.A.

After the years of war, peacetime takes some getting used to, but the nation is slowly swinging into its postwar stride.

By Sgt. ROBERT BENDINER
YANK Staff Writer

For close to four years Americans longed for peace, dreamed of peace and tried to imagine what life would be like "when the lights went on again all over the world." Those lights have been on for four months now, and it is possible to piece together a kind of jigsaw picture of a country that has stopped fighting but is only gradually g[illegible]ing its way back to peace.

Millions of men are spending their first Christmas season at home in years, and for them this alone is peace, this is the real thing. But Christmas doesn't last, and the returned GI, looking about him objectively, soon sees that the United States in the fading days of 1945 is not yet the peacetime nation that haunted his dreams on Christmases past as he stared up at the raw boards of a barracks ceiling or sat crouched in a soggy mudhole. Civilians in uniform are still scattered around the globe, still drilling, still pulling details, still sweating out chow lines. No peace treaty has been framed, much less signed. And in the country at large, factories that four months ago stopped grinding out the tools of death have only begun to turn out the comforts of life, those gaudy comforts which the advertising pages of magazines taught us to expect in technicolor, in abundance and at prices that all could afford.

A quick picture of the U.S.A. in these dawn hours between war and peace is bound to be blurred. Any snapshot of a fast-moving object is likely to be on the hazy side, and the country today is moving as fast as it ever has in all its history. Hundreds of thousands of men and women are streaming out of separation centers, some bent on sliding as quickly as possible into their pre-war grooves, but a surprising number determined to avoid the old grooves and strike out on new courses not yet mapped in their own minds. Trains are jammed, ships are jammed, planes are jammed. The streets of American cities are crowded with men in uniform—on furlough, enroute to reassignment centers or already in that state of freedom indicated by a gold-eagle patch above the right pocket.

In the civilian population, millions, left jobless when the giant war-production machinery screeched to a stop on VJ-Day, have added the uncertainty of their plans to the national restlessness. Thousands of them are women who are withdrawing from the labor market to return to housekeeping—if they can find a house. Thousands are youngsters who may be induced to return to school, but who may just as well choose to compete for jobs. And hundreds of thousands are men who must stand by and wait for factories to exchange the belt-lines that turned out guns, bombers and shells for those that will turn out cars, refrigerators and electric trains.

Sgt. Joe Blank, stepping into the civilian world in the closing weeks of 1945, will not see all this. He will not see any over-all pattern, probably, because he will be intensely and naturally concerned with his own immediate affairs and desires—to know his family again, to see his friends, to buy civilian clothes, to take a vacation, to see about getting a job and perhaps to find new quarters and furnishings for a wife and child nearly frantic with the trials of makeshift housing. But it is just these specific desires and problems, multiplied by ten million, which make up that over-all pattern, and it is therefore reasonable to look at the country through his eyes.

After two or three days of saturating himself with the sight, the sound and the feel of home, Joe decides that he had better go downtown and get himself some clothes. Having gone over the subject repeatedly in barracks bull-sessions, he is prepared for an intensive all-day hunt and prices to stagger the imagination. It is a pleasant surprise to discover that he can dispose of the whole business at any respectable department store in a few hours at a cost well within his mustering-out pay. A reasonably good suit, not noticeably different in style from the one he shed at the reception center though inferior in quality, will set him back from $35 to $50. Prices on shirts and shorts are up 50 to 100 percent, but he can figure roughly on an over-all boost of five to 10 percent in clothing prices. And he shouldn't have trouble finding what he wants, provided he doesn't want white shirts or suits of hard-finished worsted. As for styles, he will discover that outside the pages of *Esquire* they have scarcely moved at all beyond a trend in neckwear toward shrieking four-in-hands and long, thin bows, similarly garish.

Having been plunged into the realm of the consumer, Joe checks with his wife, looks at shop windows, and glances at the ads to see how far along the country has come in this "reconversion" that looms so large in the newspaper heads.

Cars, he knows, are far from ready. Government controls have been lifted, but shortages of upholstering fabric, plus strikes, plus the time required to make new dies, have kept the assembly lines down to a painfully slow rate of speed. Nevertheless, the lines are moving, and instead of the 4,000 cars produced throughout the country in August, the December quota is expected to reach 200,000. Like men's suits, motor styles have changed very little. A gadget here and a gadget there are all that distinguish them from the models of 1941, though the air over Detroit is still thick with talk of secret designs for dream cars, and one has been designed without clutches, transmission or even brakes.

Aside from the scarcity of new cars, many other wartime shortages linger on in Joe's new world of peace. He can get metal furniture for that new home he's thinking of, but wooden pieces are either scarce and inferior or prohibitively expensive. And he'll have to wait a while for a new typewriter.

If he can stand up under the battering of a crowd of frenzied women, Joe can probably buy his wife a single pair of nylons, but it will be a long time before he can get her anything in silk. On the other hand, if his wife has long dreamed of an electric refrigerator, a new vacuum cleaner, a pressure cooker or a laundry machine, he will find that stocks in those commodities are slowly creeping back toward prewar levels, though it's still a case of first come, first served. The same goes for a tricycle for Joe jr.

Toasters, irons, mixers and other small appliances are already amply stocked and can be whisked away for the asking—and the paying. So can the "family planes" now available at a leading New York department store for $2,994. Similarly postwar in spirit are the two-way speaking systems now selling for $33. Designed for use in Army tanks, these gadgets will now link up nursery and mother's bedroom, or outside-gate and butler's pantry.

As for food, the United States finds itself in the winter of 1945-46 embarrassingly glutted while half the world hungers. Beef is coming back so rapidly that the Government has warned feeders that it will soon end its subsidy for fattening cattle. Butter is still spotty in distribution, but eggs are plentiful, and milk and other dairy items are approaching all-time production records. Potatoes, too, are reaching surplus proportions, while fish and vegetables, both raw and canned, are plentiful. Still hard to get, comparatively, are pork and lamb; and the sugar shortage, Joe finds, will be a problem for many months to come, since supplies from the Philippines and the South Pacific cannot be counted on much before 1947.

Dropping into a bar for the first time since his return, Joe discovers that he can get almost anything he wants but a good scotch, and if he's lucky he can get even that. Four Roses and Canadian Club are also a bit on the scarce side, but barring particular brands, he can drink adequately at prices not more than a few cents a shot above the prices he paid before he left.

At the bar the Hot-Stove Leaguers are still mulling over the fantastic Series of two months ago, and the general feeling is that baseball could hardly have survived another wartime season. But things will be different next year. Look who'll be back from the wars: Ted Williams, Enos Slaughter, Pete Reiser, Henrich and Joe DiMaggio among the sluggers; pitchers Beazley, Higbee, Lanier, Feller and others just as good; fielders Joe Gordon, Rizzuto, Reese and Fletcher.

Boxing, Joe hears, has been even more chaotic than baseball. With the best talent in the services, the fight game was reduced to the status of a cash-register racket, mediocre fighters drew huge gates and there were more mismatches than matches. But now the National Boxing Association has drawn up its first postwar list of ratings, and champions have been notified that they must defend their titles. It will be some time next June before ex-Sgt. Louis slugs it out with ex-Cpl. Conn; and light heavyweight Gus Lesnevich and middleweight Tony Zale will also be given time to rest up from the GI life. But the other champs will have to get on their toes. Aside from Conn, future possible contenders for Louis's crown include Bivins, Mauriello and Bettina, names that still mean little to ex-Sgt. Blank.

On his way home, Joe gives the afternoon paper a thorough going-over, and gathers the impression that a country which achieved remarkable unity during the war has already returned to the squabbles and differences that characterize any democratic country in peacetime. Certain keywords keep popping out at him: strikes, atom secret, unemployment, occupation policy, price controls, peacetime army, Big Three and, far from least, demobilization.

Strikes, he learns, have occurred or threatened to occur, in rapid succession ever since VJ-Day—in autos, oil, steel, lumber, movies, coal, shipping. The case for labor, says one commentator, revolves about the cessation of overtime work. Men who during the war drew time-and-a-half for eight, 10 and even 20 hours beyond the normal schedule find themselves back on a straight 40-hour week, with a consequent loss of income in some cases exceeding 50 percent. At the same time, prices on food commodities have mounted, despite the efforts of the OPA. As a result, labor is demanding a 30 percent boost in hourly wage rates and arguing that industry can well afford to pay the difference out of higher production yields caused by technological improvements, to say nothing of wartime profits. But industry, Joe reads elsewhere, maintains just as stoutly that labor's figures are all wrong, that higher wages will mean higher prices, that nobody knows what prices the Government will allow for their finished product and that a 30-percent raise would be unreasonable and inflationary. Compromise increases, short of the asking price, have already been allowed by some industries, and others are expected to follow suit. Meanwhile the strike wave, paralleling that which followed the last war, runs its course.

They're still planting in Texas.

Unemployment, Joe notes, is mounting throughout the country, as everyone knew it would, but the rate is not nearly so alarming as the more pessimistic prophets foretold. From the welter of speculation on the subject, he concludes that something of a race is on between full demobilization and reconversion. If industry gets into its production stride before the services are emptied out, unemployment should be brief and not forbiddingly extensive. If it doesn't, the period of joblessness may be longer and more acute. But at worst, it is the consensus of economists that there should be nothing like the crash of 1929 or the prolonged era of apple-peddling. They point out that there is too much in available savings, too much demand for goods of all sorts, too much eagerness for peacetime production profits and too many cushions provided by Government that were not present to absorb the shock in 1929. For all that, several papers, following the lead of PM

Quiet as usual in Falmouth, Mass.

in New York, are running free job-wanted ads for veterans, and two movie houses in Detroit flash job-hunters' qualifications on the screen.

Joe's eye falls next on one of those round-up feature stories from Washington, headed "Congress Faces Heavy Session." Skimming through, he is jolted into the realization that, aside from labor relations, unemployment and reconversion, Congress is chiefly concerned with matters that smack more of future wars and international tension than of peace and harmony. There is still the painful question of returning to civilian life millions of Joe's comrades-in-arms. Congressmen are still squirming under a mountain of protest mail and are promising to call on the brass for further explanation. They are also involved in plans for reorganizing the armed forces and perhaps unifying them under a single command. The legislators and President Truman are still fearfully considering ways and means of controlling the Frankenstein monster which appeared on the world scene when the first atom was cracked. Should atomic energy, with its terrific potential for good or for evil, be strictly the province of Government—or should private enterprise be permitted to develop it as it developed electricity and other forms of energy? And should the secrets of manufacturing the atomic bomb be shared with the other nations of the world?

Here the delicate question of our relations with the Soviet Union enters into the picture, and Joe cannot fail to notice the numerous indications that the unity of the United Nations has slipped a cog or two since VJ-Day. Throughout the fall there has been talk of blocs again, and mutual suspicions. The peace of the world had a bad jolt in October, when the first Council of Foreign Ministers adjourned in an atmosphere of bickering, without having made any headway toward a framework of treaties on which the peace of the world was to rest. Domination by the Big Three is still a sore point with many nations, and conflicting occupation policies reflect strains even within the Big Three. But also there is determination to overcome all obstacles; they must be overcome, because the threat of the tiny atom is too overwhelming to allow for failure. As one wag put it, "Atomic energy is here to stay. The question is, are we?" By the time Joe reaches home he has read enough of the paper to be convinced that the winning of World War II did not make certain a lasting peace; it only gave us a *chance* to push toward that goal—which is something, at that.

Like millions of other Americans, Joe is a bit tired. Life has been grim for a good many months, and for the moment he'd rather leave these headaches to Congress and step out for the evening. A cab, he discovers, is still something to be patiently tracked down, but when landed it turns out to be one of those very few glossy jobs beginning to bob up in contrast with the battered hulks that have carried on through four years of wreck-and-ration.

The Gay White Way of Joe's town is lively and crowded. People have money to spend—more than they have had at any one time in years, thanks to a long period in which the things they might have bought couldn't be obtained and thanks, too, to the channeling of savings into the U.S. Treasury by way of war bonds. Now they are glad to spend, and theaters, movies and night clubs are enjoying a boom season.

With his wife and a few friends, Joe sits down to a fairly solid meal in a medium-priced restaurant. He thinks the service is bad because they have to wait 15 minutes before the table is cleared of their predecessors' left-overs. But the other members of the party insist that things have improved vastly. Only four months ago diners considered themselves lucky to escape without a bawling-out from an irate waiter.

The talk turns to houses and apartments. On this score the change-over from war to peace has apparently made a strained situation doubly strained. Demand for housing is greater than ever, but new building hasn't been started. Materials are still scarce, and potential landlords are unwilling to embark on new ventures until the OPA lifts rent ceilings. When that happens, Joe's friends fear, rents will go soaring into the blue and tenants soaring into the red. Hotels, too, and rooming houses are still enjoying (if that's the word for it) a wartime boom. Three actresses, stranded in Boston, were so hard put to it for quarters that they pitched a tent on the Common, enjoying the right of eminent domain until ejected by the police.

Joe gets along well enough on the dance floor on what he remembers of the rhumba, the conga and the samba, and he is introduced to the bamba, recently imported from Mexico. He's a little rusty on the songs of the day, but it doesn't take him long to discover that the practice of "adapting" the classics is going strong. Chopin under other names dominates the Hit Parade.

Two of Joe's old friends are involved in divorce proceedings, so he is not greatly surprised when one of his fellow-diners, just back from Reno, reports that the divorce capital is doing three times the business it enjoyed in 1940. They've had to build an addition to the Washoe County Courthouse to handle the extra traffic, and one Chicago court runs a nursery in the annex. The divorce rate over the entire country is nearly double the pre-Pearl Harbor figure. No wonder marriage figures as the theme in at least two best-sellers—Sinclair Lewis's "Cass Timberlane" and J. P. Marquand's "Repent in Haste."

Parallel with this trend, a new informality and independence are apparent in the public habits of American women. Casual conversation with GIs on trains, cars and buses became an accepted social amenity for American girls during the war, and the habit—simple, friendly and generally harmless—appears to have taken root. Moreover, women who in their husbands' absence paid bills, wielded the checkbook and in general took over the duties of head of the house have inevitably become interested in the world of politics. Selective Service, OPA, taxation and demobilization all struck close to home, and it now seems unlikely that women will once more entirely abandon the political field to men.

And Los Angeles is still growing.

North Dakota's farms are peaceful and prosperous.

This new, free-and-easy air affected by American women is definitely not reflected in their clothes. Here the trend is all in the other direction, toward the frilly and the feminine. The reasons are obvious. Men have been scarce, and the struggle for the pick of the returning conquerors is on. What's more, American girls have been reading a good deal about the charms of their foreign sisters, especially the French, and the competitive urge has taken the form of a greatly heightened emphasis on the sexy, the alluring, the feminine. Tailored suits are ruled out, necks are low and formal evening gowns, almost unseen during the war, are back again.

Fashion authorities report a bit of a struggle between one school, favoring the sheath-like dress and the straight figure, and another, and probably winning, school favoring the return of the hour-glass woman. They even say that in the highest circles of fashion the stomacher has been reintroduced to simulate a tiny waist, and the bustle of grandma's day brought back to add expansiveness to the rear echelon. The top-knot is the prevailing rule in hairdress, and the whole temptress motif is exemplified by the name of the most popular shade in nail polish and lipstick: "Fatal Apple."

In the field of early postwar books, Joe finds, there are more important trends than the emphasis on the pitfalls of marriage, already cited. Mass production for GIs has given publishers ideas for far wider circulation of books than they ever figured on before the war. At least four concerns are in the field with inexpensive reprints, and the experience of GI libraries and mobile units is being eagerly studied. One result of the war is that hundreds of thousands of men have picked up the reading habit in the endless hours of waiting which all servicemen have had to endure, and publishers are hoping to stimulate that habit before it dies. Books on war subjects are still selling briskly, particularly picture volumes and those that round up and regroup material treated piecemeal in the hundreds of slim books, on this front and that, which poured out during the conflict. Serious subjects, stimulated by the war, still hold their own on the book-counters alongside the entertainment literature now pouring out for a war-weary nation.

In Joe's new world of transition, the movies, too, are undergoing a reconversion. All sorts of trends are in the air over Hollywood. Picture makers, for one thing, appear to be convinced that the public is fed up not only with war pictures but with anything serious. Production schedules show musicals due for the heaviest boost, most of them of the super-duper variety long forbidden by wartime budgets. Next in line for volume output are historical and period pieces like "Saratoga Trunk" and "Bandit of Sherwood Forest," and no end of "life stories," particularly of theatrical luminaries. Third in the order of importance are light comedies, typified by the reunion of Bob Hope and Bing Crosby in "Road to Utopia." Escapism is the rule of the day, and themes of social significance appear to be headed for the nearest exit.

Shakeups in Hollywood personnel also are in progress. Tried and true box-office attractions like Robert Montgomery, Jimmy Stewart, Henry Fonda and Clark Gable are back from the war to supplant the collection of aging second-raters who furnished Class-B passion for the duration. Then, too, an increasing number of stars are leaving Hollywood for Broadway. Among those who have already made the shift or are reported about to do so are Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn, Ingrid Bergman, Jean Arthur, Kay Francis and Fredric March.

The loss of other bright-lights is threatened by the appearance in Hollywood of J. Arthur Rank, the fabulous British producer. This pious Sunday-school teacher, who can invest $5,000,000 in a single film and hardly miss it, has been plucking American talent and is regarded on the Coast as the first genuine threat to Hollywood's hitherto unchallenged monopoly in the movie world. Rank, who has already bought into several Hollywood studios, has the British film industry in the palm of his hand. Among his products already released or soon to come are "Blithe Spirit," "Colonel Blimp," Shaw's "Caesar and Cleopatra" with Claude Rains and Vivien Leigh, Shakespeare's "Henry V," and "Mary Magdalen," a five-million-dollar film starring Ingrid Bergman and Joseph Cotten. Britain's emergence as a film center, thanks to Mr. Rank, is probably the biggest movie news in the fading year, and there is much speculation as to how Hollywood will react to the competition.

Joe has been in places where American radio programs didn't penetrate, and he takes a nostalgic sort of pleasure in learning that, despite FM and other technical advances, the air waves vibrate to many of the same voices he heard before he left home. There is none of the tension, of course, that filled the air in those years in which crisis after crisis mounted in hysterical crescendo from Munich to War-in-the-West, to the invasion of Russia, to Pearl Harbor. News commentators, in fact, have gone into a sharp decline, and round-the-world hookups are neither so numerous nor so fraught with destiny. But otherwise the old familiar voices of radio are still going strong. "Duffy's Tavern" is still serving red-hot boners by Archy, Fred Allen makes his weekly tour of Allen's Alley, Charlie McCarthy carries on his eternal feuds with guest stars, and other veteran standbys—Benny, Durante, Burns and Allen—fill their same comfortable niches in the Crossley ratings. Goodman Ace is doing a series for Danny Kaye, and among the new programs is one by Barry Fitzgerald in the role of small-town barber and justice-of-the-peace. Soap operas supposedly lay bare the hearts of simple folk while commercials lay bare their digestive tracts; and the world's best music still comes to Joe by courtesy of the world's best laxatives.

Joe may well be excused if he looks about him with a certain bewilderment. The dreadful problems of the atom bomb, diplomatic unrest abroad and industrial unrest at home all weigh on the spirit of the country. But on sober second thought Joe knows that no one promised him the millenium, and if peace has not brought with it a world of music and rainbows, neither has it produced those calamities that Joe's more cynical friends predicted—runaway inflation, political war, mass starvation in half the world and general hell-raising all around. Paradise may or may not be just around the corner, and the victories of peace may come as hard as the victories of war, but anyone who has seen what Joe has seen knows that in the last analysis "there is nothing to fear but fear."

By YANK's European Staff

SWEATING IT OUT.....

Some occupation deals are good and some are lousy, and the biggest gripe is still chicken.

PARIS—All over Europe the people faced a winter of cold and death, and the GIs left behind to clean up loose ends, to work with Military Government, to route luckier soldiers home, to wait endlessly for their own turn to board a Liberty ship or a transport or a C-47 are an unhappy body of men.

As of now **ENGLAND** is a far cry from the island that was turned into one vast staging area for the invasion of the Continent. About the only unit left organized on a working basis is a long-shore outfit engaged in the final work of shipping home some Army equipment and generally policing up the dock area before leaving. Willow Run, which once fed officers on an assembly line schedule in the basement of Grosvenor House, has been long closed, and Grosvenor House itself has returned to being just a hotel. Many of the British girls who married GIs are still awaiting transport home and so are a few soldiers lost in the redeployment shuffle. But a GI who served in England in 1943 or '44 or early '45 wouldn't recognize the place.

Across the channel, **FRANCE** has been returned to the French and almost all the GI offices in Paris have been closed up. A lot of official Army business still passes through the city, but to the average GI stationed on the continent today, Paris is the dream place to spend a three-day pass. From every nook and cranny on the continent where Americans are stationed, pulling occupation duty, come the three-day passees, weary and dirty from two- and three-day combination train and truck trips. They are loaded down with pay dirt that has been hard to spend in the small towns of Germany and they are busting to get rid of it.

After a quick shave, shower and shine at one of the many Paris billet hotels, they take off on the town and knock themselves out for a glorious 72 hours.

They soon discover that, although Paris still retains remnants of the city they heard and read wild tales about, it isn't all they thought it was cracked up to be. On the surface, yes. They get out in the middle of the Champs Elysees in front of the Place de la Concorde and gaze down the broad avenue toward the impressive Arc de Triomphe. Paying no heed to the wild-cowboy tactics of French motorists, they take snapshots of each other, legs astride, hands on hips. After half a day of sight seeing at Napoleon's tomb, the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre—where everything from Whistler's "Mother" to Da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" is jam-packed into one gallery—they settle down to the run-of-the-mill GI pastime of drinking bad French cognac at a dollar a snort. Eight out of ten head for the notorious Pigalle section of town. Their Paris-wise buddies back in the outfit had tipped them off that there is where they'd get the "best deal." "Pig-alley," as it's come to be called, is the gaudiest, loosest honkey-tonk section on the Continent—maybe the world. It's rather quiet during the day, but when darkness sets in and the streets light up and the street-walkers start walking and hawking, it's what's known on Broadway as "out of this world." The ladies of the evening range from 250 *francs* (plus hotel room) upwards to a corporal's pay, and they are not shy about asking.

The men who enjoy "higher class" entertainment, and who have latched onto a "respectable" date, head for Paris' most famous night spot, the Bal Tabarin, where a bottle of sparkling wine sets them back 18 bucks. The Bal is the closest thing to New York's Latin Quarter or Copacabana. Its *frou-frou* revue, with showgirls who wear nothing but a loin cloth and a great big smile, would make a U. S. mayor scream, stomp and call out his vice squad on the double.

The famous sidewalk cafes along the Champs Elysees are closed for the winter, but the side-street bars, cafes and small night clubs off the Champs now handle the GI sidewalk trade. During the past two months an inkling of what Parisian fashions were like in prewar days has hit the Champs promenade: The women are dragging out their Sunday bests—fineries they had stashed away in moth balls during the occupation. They are wearing these cherished garments again because they know that clothes are gradually coming back to Paris and it won't be long before they will be able to replenish their meager wardrobes. Right now, prices are exorbitant and numbers that can be purchased for 15 or 20 dollars in Stateside department stores sell for ten times that much in Paris. But Parisian styling is still tops, and although the materials are inferior to ours, the way the cloth is put together makes the GI window shoppers say, "Goddam, wish I had enough dough to bring one of those home for the wife."

The average Joe limits his Paris gifts to a bottle of perfume, a scarf, a risque pastel print of a half-clad femme sprawled on a divan. The shopwise soldier stays away from the average main-street shops. He sweats out a line at the GI gift store PXs or at the Chanel shop, where he can purchase a decent-size bottle of the famous stuff for six dollars.

The black market in watches, binoculars, typewriters, fountain pens still rages in the Rainbow Corner section of town near the Madeleine church. When a GI runs out of ready cash he can always find a buyer for his valuables. Many soldiers wangle passes to Paris for the specific purpose of buying up watches, and bringing them back to Berlin, Vienna and other occupation cities, where they peddle them to the Russians for fabulous sums.

The *Opera Comique*, French ballet and symphony halls are in full swing again, but except for a few long-hairs and the men who are studying at the Sorbonne under the Army's I&E program, the audience is comprised mostly of natives.

There are but a comparatively few American soldiers stationed permanently in Paris, but those few are the ones who really get the "feel" of the city. The three-day pass men say it's okay, but they'll take "Chicago, New York or Los Angeles any day."

The Wacs have left the Hotel California on the Rue de Berri, and Peeping Toms no longer forgather in the offices across the streets to watch the girls get ready for bed. The hotel is now doing a land-office business with American and other foreign businessmen and diplomats, but it isn't as nice as it used to be when the tinkle of girlish GI laughter rang through its halls.

And, at long last, saluting in Paris is no longer required.

The only big installations of GIs left in France are at the staging areas around Reims and at the ports like Le Havre and Marseille, where they step on the boat for home. There are the usual snafus in the returning of men, and some low pointers are getting home before high pointers. The accumulation of justified gripes at the way things are being handled is still a-building. The only thing that erases a gripe is setting foot on a U.S.-bound transport, and there are still plenty of men who haven't had that pleasure.

The ports are working two ways. Every now and then you see a fresh-from-home outfit unloading its complement of new men for the occupation army. There is a universal weariness about most of the incoming GIs, who know that they have come late to a party that may last for a long time. Their presence is, however, one of the few signs of progress that high-pointers waiting for shipment have to cheer them up.

Nice and the rest of the Riviera are still booming as recreation areas for men on pass. They represent a GI approach to paradise, for chicken is taboo and officers are definitely off limits. This side of statutory offenses, a GI can do almost as he pleases in the never-never land of Southern France.

SWITZERLAND is a big-time pass area, too. An RTO sergeant stands on the station platform at Basle on the Swiss border and speaks through a public address system to incoming GIs.

"Fellas," he says, "you are now leaving the land of snafu and entering the country of milk and honey."

Switzerland, for the occupation soldier who is lucky enough to snare one of those $35 seven-day furloughs, almost lives up to the sergeant's pep-talk. The food is good, the hotel beds are soft and the scenery is terrific.

There is no discrimination between officers and EM, and it is first come, first served in hotels and restaurants. There are souvenirs galore and, of course, the inevitable Swiss watch. The watches are reasonable, and you can get a good one without going into hock.

Swiss girls don't seem to rate with GI connoisseurs as highly as the *mademoiselles* and *frauleins*, but they are still plenty nice. One of their added attractions is the fact that most of them speak English—the language is a required subject in all Swiss schools. The girls are anxious to try out their English on qualified GI instructors, and, as an extra-curricular activity, most of them have picked up the art of jitterbugging. The bands in Swiss night clubs play up-to-date American music, both sweet and swing. Night clubs in cities like Berne, Lausanne and Geneva are not inexpensive, but they are well under the stratospheric tariff of the Bal Tabarin.

It is in **GERMANY** with the Army of Occupation that you find the larger part of the GIs who are left in Europe. Most of the high-pointers have been weeded out and at least started home, and the men who are left mostly know that they aren't going to see Missouri or West Virginia or Pennsylvania tomorrow morning.

GIs who live in the beat-up towns of Germany like Nuremberg and Munich envy the men who are quartered in smaller towns untouched by the war. The big beat-up towns are bleak, the people in them are bleak and there isn't much to do except line up for the movies or to dunk doughnuts in coffee at the Red Cross canteens.

Of course, there is always fraternization. But the nights are getting cold and the wind is whipping down through the Bavarian mountains, and some division commanders look down their noses at GIs who go into German houses. So do some German papas who would much prefer that their daughters go around with German boys and that GIs learn to depend solely on their winter long-johns for warmth. Due to the weather, fraternization, particularly in Bavaria, is pretty much an indoor sport nowadays.

The comradeship which existed between officers and men in many outfits during the war—a comradeship born of common danger and common misery—has given way to the more rigid correctness of military courtesy, but most GIs don't find it surprising. They address some officers as sir whom they used to call Bill or Joe, but it's the Army and what the hell. There are separate entrances for officers and men in some ETO headquarters buildings, and this sometimes causes embarrassment. This fall a pfc who used to be with the 1st Division was in a town on pass and encountered a second lieutenant under whom he had served in combat. They had a couple of drinks together and later went to a hotel. There were two doors, one for officers, one for enlisted men. The officer paused before the entrance. "I'll see you inside," he said. "It's a hell of a funny war, I guess."

EUROPE

GIs in Germany are doing most of the chores that any Army garrison does. They drive trucks, fix roads, pull details, stand inspections, do dozens of obscure, dull jobs — many of which have to be done and others of which seem to be simply "made-up" work to keep them busy. There is a tremendous amount of guard duty.

Almost everyone wants to go home, of course, but many men have a vivid enough recollection of combat—either by personal experience or from hearsay—to feel glad still that the shooting is over. And thousands of them are eating off tablecloths and using plates and living in German homes, instead of sitting on the ground and eating out of mess-kits and sleeping in tents.

This doesn't mean that all the GIs in Germany are living in luxury. A lot of them are living miserably, and there is still plenty of high-grade chicken. In a few outfits men who fought in France and Germany are learning once again about nomenclature of the M1 and are doing close-order drill.

One group of GIs living in a little town outside Munich were billeted in an eleven-room German house. They chipped together and hired a maid to clean the rooms every morning. On Saturday morning the GIs were compelled to stand inspection in their quarters while second looeys went around looking at the window panes and feeling door jambs for dust. On these inspection mornings, the maid had to come to work two hours early to make sure the GIs weren't gigged.

Along with the comedy found in some situations there is an ugly undercurrent of German unrest. Some GIs who go out with German girls have been sandbagged by members of the still-existing Nazi underground, and there is everywhere evidence that the war against ideas didn't end with the firing of the last official shot.

The only glamor detail in a publicity sense is that of the soldiers who are guarding the top Nazi war criminals at Nuremberg. In spite of all that has been written about it, it is a rather routine guard job, and top Nazis are about the same amount of bother as bottom Nazis.

In **CZECHOSLOVAKIA**, too, there are GI-policed prison enclosures for SS troops, members of the German general staff corps and dangerous Nazis. But most of the American soldiers in the country are stationed in towns. The GIs of the XX Corps don't see why they should be "occupying" a friendly country, especially one whose government has the situation in hand. For their own part, the Czechs wish the Americans (and the Russians, in the eastern zone) would depart and leave the solution of the "German problem" up to them. The Czech girls cannot understand how Americans can fraternize with Germans, and have been known, understandably, to boycott dances to which GIs had also invited *frauleins*.

GIs stationed in **AUSTRIA** admit that the scenery is good, and that the girls are pretty, but they don't like much else. There isn't much else. The shops in Vienna and Salzburg long ago were cleaned out, and recreation is even more limited than it is in Germany. Vienna is one of the saddest, and hungriest, cities in Europe. There is a little more food, and a little more gayety, in the smaller Austrian towns, but not much. The Austrians are living largely on the hope that somehow things will get better, and the GIs in Austria are living largely on the hope that somehow they can get home.

In **ITALY**, as elsewhere in Europe, there are two kinds of GIs left—guys waiting to go home for discharge, and occupation and service troops.

The guys with the points are at the Naples repple depple. Living conditions there are bad, there is a tremendous backlog, and men usually spend several weeks waiting for a boat, living either in overcrowded tents at the race track or in overcrowded barracks. From there some men are sent to Camp Dushane, Casablanca, where they spend another couple of weeks, waiting on a plane ride to the States. Many men at Naples were angry when two big transports were sent to Leghorn and Naples last fall to take the 34th and 92nd Divisions home. The Naples men pointed out with bitterness that most of the men in both divisions didn't have as many points as the repple-depple lads. As late as the end of September, there were still men in the Naples repple depple with as high as 90 points.

There are two main occupation forces. The 88th Division is in the north and is composed mostly of what were looked on as low-point men when the system was first set up. Most of them have 50 points and over two years in the service, however, so they, too, are being weeded out for transport home.

Down near Foggia, there is the 5th Bomb Wing, a heavy-bombardment occupation air force. Living conditions are lousy here. The men live in an area that has dust storms daily, and though the wing is the oldest in Italy the men still live mostly in tents. They only started putting up tuffa buildings last fall.

Chicken has its day in Foggia. For example, 24-hour guard duty is being pulled, something that was never done when the 5th was in actual combat. Going on the theory that the men must be kept occupied, guards are detailed to such ridiculous jobs as doing duty on a baseball field.

In Italy the Italians and the GIs agree on one thing. The Italians want us out of there, as they feel they can never return to normal while GIs boost prices. The GIs want to go home, too.

All over Europe, it's the same. And it's the same in **AFRICA**. Many of the man have forgotten combat, and many of the men are new men who have never seen combat.

One day, outside the little town of Bad Tolz, Bavaria, a corporal and two pfcs were leaning against their truck, eating K-rations. Down the road toward them came a German soldier and a girl wheeling a baby buggy. The German soldier was holding the girl's left hand with his right, and they paid no attention to the GIs.

The German soldier was still wearing his uniform. He had been released from the Army only a few hours before. You could still see the outline, etched in white-dried sweat, of where his pack had rested on his back.

The GIs, members of a victorious Army, looked at the soldier of the defeated enemy.

The corporal flipped a cigarette at the ground.

"There," said the corporal, "goes a lucky son of a bitch."

SWEATING IT OUT.... PACIFIC

From Kilroy to the colonel, everyone wants to go home, and the only question is, "When?"

By Sgt. ROBERT MacMILLAN
YANK Staff Correspondent

TOKYO—The American soldier in the Pacific this winter is either a low-pointer standing at resigned parade rest, guarding something or other, or he is a high-pointer standing beside the redeployment slot-machine, waiting for the right combination to come up and pay off with a trip home.

This goes on from Australia, where summer is coming in, up through the forgotten coastal bases of New Guinea, along the coral stepping-stones to the Philippines; in China, where the marvels of Shanghai await GIs at a price; in Japan, where MPs in lacquered helmets shuffle their feet to keep warm outside the big man's headquarters, and in Korea, where the snow is filling up the jagged crevices of the mountains and the women are adding another layer of underclothes against the coming winter.

In **AUSTRALIA**, where Americans arrived four years ago with old-style flat helmets and plans to defend the countryside along the Brisbane Line, a few officers and GIs are still staying around, paying off the Army's bills, worrying about getting Aussie wives home and letting pretty secretaries go. Soldiers are drinking their last knee-high bottles of Aussie brew and wondering how it will be back where steak does not come mounted with eggs. And a few discouraged MPs are still looking for AWOLs who have settled way out back and who are hoping the Army will forget about them.

In **NEW GUINEA**, practically nothing remains except a murky memory in the skulls of the Fuzzy-Wuzzies. Cities that the Army threw up are fading into nothing. The jungle is obscuring the straight military lines of all the things Americans built to live in, fly from and ride on. At Buna, the Aussies have put up a few signs to mark the place where the Japs were finally stopped and turned back toward Tokyo.

The course of the war up the New Guinea coast and along the little islands nobody ever heard of until Americans started dying on them is marked with the stranded remains of landing craft that brought the Yanks ashore. Crabs scratch around on the rusting metal plates where barnacles are blotting out the olive drab.

GI life on Oahu, **HAWAII**, hasn't changed very much, except for the obvious difference that every soldier is busily figuring out the possibility of discharge in terms of months and weeks and days instead of in years. Most of the old-timers are so PO'd about the clipping a soldier runs into in Honolulu that they seldom even leave their posts when they get free time on Wednesday afternoons and Saturdays. Troops passing through the area on their way home swell the downtown crowds in Honolulu and shell out their jack to the tourist traps.

Transportation home for high-pointers is the biggest and sorest point of discussion. As elsewhere in the Pacific, it is obvious in the islands that not enough GIs who qualify are getting home fast enough. Pacific *Stars & Stripes* in Honolulu investigated the highly-publicized shipment of Army men via aircraft carriers in September and found that only four GIs were shipped Stateside aboard the *Saratoga*, which was crowded with Navy men. The paper ran an editorial cartoon with a caption quoting the original blurb about "Army and Navy men return on Saratoga." The picture showed millions of sailors tramping down the gangplank; buried among them is one lonely GI.

KWAJALEIN, scene of what was probably our most perfect island-invasion operation, is now practically all Navy. The only Army men left are ATC personnel and weather observers and a few other small outfits. The blackboard at ATC is scrawled with remarks about Kilroy not being able to stand it at Kwajalein. Kilroy is the mythical GI character, a Pfc. Paul Bunyan, whose name is written in every latrine from Hamilton Field and the San Francisco POE to Japan. "Kilroy has been here" is the usual line. And if there is an order posted with an officer's name on the end of it, you find the officer's name scratched out and "Kilroy" scribbled in place of it. The signs at Kwajalein eight months ago used to read: "Welcome, you lucky people." Kilroy and the peace have changed all that.

The island of **SAIPAN** has lost all its work-in-progress look. Main roads are all hard-surfaced, which means that you no longer drive through fog-like clouds of coral dust. The sharp hairpin turn above Tanapag has been rounded into a sensible curve that doesn't require shifting of gears when you're going up hill. As an indication that building is at a standstill, the big coral quarries are almost deserted. Gashes of white still mark their locations on the mountainsides, but there are no longer streams of trucks going back and forth nor busy shovels cutting the coral terraces away 24 hours a day. For the most part, pyramidal tents have disappeared, and in their places are quonsets or prefabs. The whole island is quiet and rear-area.

GUAM is pretty well cleaned out of old men and is getting very chicken. At Harmon Field the MPs make you roll down your sleeves and insist that you wear a sun-tan go-to-hell cap instead of the more comfortable green or khaki peaked, jockey-style hat. You can't wear shorts outside your company area.

In the **PHILIPPINES**, the big ships come in with rations and replacements and go out again, crowded to the anchor-housings with soldiers going home. Repple-depples are jammed with men who have their orders, and more are coming in all the time and people are not happy. Only about one half of the 77,700 scheduled to sail in October made it. Returnees are leaving depots on a first-in, first-out basis rather than according to points. And GIs are unhappy about it.

Sailors and rear-echelon troops swarm along the streets of Manila looking for something to take home to mother and Aunt Sally. The price of native whisky and rum is going down, and eggs don't cost quite as much as pearls any more. Night clubs are going full blast along Rizal Avenue, but the Filipinos still live in corrugated iron shacks among the wreckage of war. About 40 miles south of Manila the Japanese who came soberly down from the mountains when Yamashita surrendered are gathered in vast prison camps waiting for somebody to find ships somewhere to get them home. They know it will be a long wait.

IWO JIMA no longer looks anything like a battlefield. The hills which held Jap gun positions have been leveled, and almost the whole island is covered with flat asphalt runways and good highways. There are radar masts and weather-recording instruments on Mt. Suribachi. And there is a huge cemetery near the volcano with thousands of white crosses laid out to form one mammoth cross.

Iwo is a terrible place to be stationed. The black volcanic dust that covers the island blows incessantly during dry spells and gets into your nose and eyes and throat. There's nothing to do except go to the movies.

When the chicken was setting in on the island this past summer, the officers in an AAF station posted a big sign in their area: "Officers' Country," it read. "—Restricted." The area was between the EM's living area and the place where the EM worked, and the restriction meant that GIs had to make a big circle around it four times a day to get to and from their work—an extra half mile every morning, noon and night. The EM thought things over and came up with a big sign for their own area. It said, "God's Country—No Restrictions." The officers got PO'd and made the GIs take the sign down. But the feeling lingers.

On **OKINAWA**, where the war ended, men and supplies are still coming in to invasion beaches—when the typhoons will let them. In the dust that was Kadena town, into which troops last Easter picked their way cautiously, an endless stream of vehicles grinds around the great wheel of the traffic circle.

The combat troops are gone today, but service troops still remain with their tents, cutting up the slopes, transforming Jap wagon trails into four-lane coral-topped highways, rebuilding latrines, erecting new quarters as storms blow the old ones down, constructing day rooms and officers' clubs.

The airfields, too—Yontan, Kadena and Naha—are still doing business at the old hardstands. Kadena, where the mightiest air armada ever assembled in the Pacific took off for the final surrender in Tokyo, at the moment lies almost deserted—the sole survivor of six B-29 runways that died a-borning when peace came.

The rubble that was Naha, capital of Okinawa, remains the same. Some of the debris has been bulldozed aside to make room for reefers, warehouses and depots that will some day move out of tents and into quonsets.

Looking down on the ashes of Shuri, where Jap Army headquarters were located, only the forlorn spire of a Christian church remains. The grass is withering between the wooden wheels of the silent guns, and here and there lies a rusting tank or a still-fused shell. Sugar Hill, Chocolate Drop, Three Sisters, Beightler, Bloody Knoll, Suicide Ridge—they too remain open to the sun and wind and rain which, working slower than bulldozers, are nevertheless sure in their job of final obliteration.

As yet no one knows the future of Okinawa—whether it will become a naval base or an Army installation or neither. Thus far it has not been geared to peace. Recreational facilities are almost non-existent. Athletic equipment is scarce, and there is no educational program. So far there exists neither machinery nor equipment for reconversion. As one company commander said, "Well, I guess the men will have to go back to digging ditches." The GIs make no effort to conceal the fact that morale is low and that most of them are good and mad.

In **SHANGHAI** the occupation is a different story. Oriental pitchmen crowd the street with every sundry imaginable, and other salesmen sidle up to the GIs and whisper, "Nice young girl, mister?" Shanghai is a lush utopia to GIs who have spent most of their time overseas in China's interior. You can buy steak for dinner, with French fries and vegetables. There are first-rate night clubs with plenty of beautiful girls anxious to help you spend your money.

Stores are stocked with all sorts of curios at reasonable prices. A dime will still get you a rickshaw ride for a couple of miles—but getting a coolie to understand where you want to go is another matter.

Since all equipment must be flown in, the limited amount the Army was able to bring with it made it necessary at first for the city to furnish rations and quarters. As a result some GIs got housed in the best hotels and drew five to seven bucks per diem.

Keeping warm has become the main problem for occupation troops stationed in **KOREA**. Snow blankets the country from the mountains in the south to Seoul, the American-occupied capital and beyond. Soon the Hangang River, which flows past the capital, will freeze over.

The XIV Corps quartermastered everyone in woolens before the first snowfall, but even then there was a widespread dependence on persimmon whisky and Japanese brandy to keep warm. The national costume of the Koreans has changed little in outward appearance with the weather except for the protective plumpness which the women have assumed. This last, it has been discovered, is due merely to an increase in the number and thickness of undergarments which the women add instead of wearing fur coats.

Dancing is another popular way of keeping warm. The ballroom of the International Cultural Association, on the fourth floor of Seoul's Mitsubishi department store, offers music—"Dinah," "St. Louis Blues," "My Blue Heaven"—and choice partners, all for two yen a dance. The same tunes are to be heard in the host of American-style bars which have sprung up since the curfew was lifted. Each bar is equipped with a corps of hostesses, most of them former *Kee-Sang* girls who entertained in the city's tea houses before the Americans came.

Traffic along Seoul's Bunchung, the Japanese shopping section, is no longer as heavy as it was at first, but the supply of kimonos and lacquerware has not been depleted. Most of the Americans left in Korea now are replacements. Seventh Division veterans of Okinawa, Leyte, Kwajalein and Attu have nearly all gone home.

In **JAPAN** it's getting cold—not as cold as it is in Korea, but cold just the same. Everyone's in ODs. Tokyo still smells of dead fires, dead people and dead fish, and the mysterious little shops along the Ginza are sold out as fast as they get anything in. There's a bull market in kimonos and pearls and silk and lacquer-ware and dolls. Most of Tokyo's *geisha* houses are off limits, but in other places they are still open to GIs. Entertainment is already stripped of Oriental niceties, and joy is reduced to its lowest common denominator.

Probably the saddest outfit in all of the U. S. armed forces is the 97th Infantry Division, now patroling the area along the Tone River in Honshu, just north of Tokyo, with division headquarters at Kumagaya. The 97th came back from Germany, where it fired one of the last shots of the war, right after VE-Day. The guys got 30-day furloughs and went to Fort Bragg for reorganization and training. They had been at Bragg two days when they were shipped out to the West Coast (this was after the Japs asked for peace) and hustled on a boat for Japan. Most of them had been in the Army four years and had 50, 60 and 70 points. Four days after they left California, the WD announced that no man with more than 45 points would have to go overseas. They landed in Japan in the middle of September and there they are: standing guard on bridges along the Tone that seems not unlike the Rhine where they were standing guard only a few months ago. Everybody in the division is thoroughly convinced that they'll be in Japan for two years.

The most significant thing about the attitude of occupation troops in Japan—the same as in Germany, no doubt—is that the GIs who are now doing the occupying are mostly low-point men who have never been in combat against the Japs and who haven't had close friends killed. These Johnny-come-latelys naturally don't have the stern attitude toward the Japs that the veterans of the Philippines and Okinawa would have. "Hell, they don't seem so bad," is their attitude. The Japs, naturally, are treating them very nicely.

The chicken is, of course, setting in Japan, and the Army is trying pretty hard to put on a good front. The OD uniforms that are being issued to the troops in Japan are far smarter-looking and better in quality than any ODs issued in the States or in Europe or Australia these last three years (Japan has about the same climate as New York; there is snow in the winter, and it is pretty chilly from October until May). The uniforms include good-looking Eisenhower woolen battle jackets and good OD pants, made from a darker and softer material that looks like more money than anything we had before. The go-to-hell caps are smooth-finished and hard-wool serge, like officers' caps, and the OD shirts are sharp, with a smooth finish and a low, widespread collar like an expensive civilian sports shirt. They are issuing plenty of sweaters and green combat jackets, with hoods, instead of overcoats. The clothes, in typical Army fashion, are finally getting good now that the war is over and they are no longer as important as they were before.

As a matter of fact, generally speaking, the GIs have made an excellent impression on all Japs. On duty they act correct and off duty they are polite and well behaved. They are nothing at all the way the Jap propagandists said they would be, and the Japs themselves admit that they are nothing like their own soldiers would be if they were occupying America. Getting back to the woman angle again, the GIs have done things like getting up in street cars to give women their seats, which makes a delightful impression on the Jap women and annoys and embarrasses the men. The Jap women have blossomed out in bright kimonos since the Americans have arrived. They had been forced to wear dark, conservative clothes during the war.

In **INDIA** proper where the war was always a waiting war, it's a waiting war still. GIs here used to be waiting for something to happen in Japan, say the end of the war. Now that that's taken care of, the men left in the sub-continent are simply waiting for the same thing everyone else in uniform overseas is waiting for—a quick trip home.

There's a Pacific-wide rumor around that Kilroy has been to Washington and has fixed everything up. He is going to return as Supreme Commander Kilroy of the entire Pacific area. He will convert the major islands of Japan into giant barges and tow all Pacific GIs back to the West Coast. Kilroy's promised New Order will apply only to EM.

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Pin-up Girls

THE OUTER GARMENT

By Sgt. RAY DUNCAN

"PUT the flag at half-staff," muttered our CO, "and call a special formation."

There were tears in his steel-gray eyes as he read from WD Circular 288, dated 21 September 1945. "I've seen this coming, men," he said when he had finished. "The Army isn't what it used to be. I'm resigning my commission today. Sergeant, dismiss the troops."

The circular amazed us as much as it did him. "The field jacket," it said, "is authorized to be worn as an outer garment outside the limits of posts, camps and stations."

In those words the Army shattered one of its proudest traditions. I can't imagine how it ever happened in Washington, but it must have gone something like this:

"Gentlemen, I've called you together this morning because we are faced with a crisis. I hardly know how to begin. Certain elements within the War Department have suggested that —it's utterly fantastic—that we authorize the field jacket as an outer garment outside the posts, camps and stations!"

Everyone gasps. "Pardon me, general, but did I hear you correctly? The *field jacket* to be worn in town? By enlisted men?"

"I'm afraid that's right. It's this new, radical element that's come into the Army the past three or four years."

"Smart alecs!" snaps Col. Bloy. "After the long fight we've made to keep EM out of those jackets in town!"

"This strikes a death blow to Army discipline," groans Maj. Riddle, his face buried in his hands. "Don't they realize how good those damn jackets look? What becomes now of the distinction between officers and enlisted men?"

"Well," sighs a colonel, "it won't make much difference now. All the EM are wearing those Eisenhower things anyhow. That was a big mistake."

"Right, colonel. That's what happens when you let combat men start prescribing the uniform. It should be strictly a Washington function."

"When I think," sighs Col. Whistling, "of the long, hard fight I made against the field jacket. I kept my MPs on their toes. Every October I gave them a special pep talk, and they grabbed hundreds of field jackets in town. My guards at the gate were trained to pick up passes ruthlessly whenever they found an EM trying to sneak past in a jacket, and—"

"At my post," interrupts Col. Kidley, "the enlisted men were mighty tricky. They used to smuggle field jackets out in cars, or cram them through the fence."

"Ah, those good old days," says a colonel wistfully. "I always thought AR 600-40 phrased it so beautifully. It was almost poetry: 'The field jacket will *not* be worn outside the limits of posts, camps or stations . . .'"

Everyone sighs deeply. "I made a suggestion, back in 1943, that I still think was rather good," says a colonel. "I proposed at that time that AR 600-40 be amended to forbid the wearing of field jackets *inside* posts, camps and stations as well as outside. EM have been getting too many dates with Government girls working on the posts. Also on the camps and stations. That sort of thing could be prevented. Make them wear the good old EM blouse."

"That brings up a thought," says a colonel craftily. "We can permit the field jacket on EM in town for a while. A lot of them will re-enlist. Then, in a few months, when these radical officers have gone, we can lower the boom! All of a sudden we'll re-invoke old AR 600-40, and—"

"—field jackets will *not* be worn!" chortles a colonel.

"Class-A uniforms only in town!" someone cries.

"Good old EM blouse! Tight across the chest! Narrow shoulders—"

"This time we'll pad the hips. That'll make the shoulders look even smaller—"

"And the little lapels! Those nice, ridiculous little EM lapels."

"We'll change the color—it's too bright now. And the cloth must be coarser, somehow."

"That'll be the day!" cries a general. All the officers rise and shake hands. Then they snap to attention, uncover and chant in chorus: "The field jacket will *not* be worn outside the limits of posts, camps or stations."

Respect the GI

ONE of the most important needed reforms embraces all branches of the armed forces: a merger of the War and Navy Departments.

But, sticking to the Army, I think the Articles of War should be drastically revised. They now provide disciplinary measures against EM for using Government property for personal use, damaging a rifle or staying a few hours over a pass, but they make no provision for penalizing an officer for failing to regard the welfare of the enlisted men or for not respecting his prerogatives, such as they are.

We have taken it upon ourselves to tell other nations how enjoyable life is in a democracy. Let's make the Army consistent with that line. Let enlisted men and officers wear the same clothes; it is really the insignia of rank that distinguishes them from each other. GIs and officers should have the same meals and an equitable distribution of recreational facilities. The privileges granted officers should be in ratio to their responsibility toward the enlisted men under their command.

Germany —Cpl. JOHN J. GATTAS

General Reforms

Here's my list: 1) The Army should consider all soldiers as men of character and intelligence, until they prove themselves otherwise, and should accept them as equals socially and professionally; 2) All soldiers should be dressed alike, from the seventh grade to the fifth star; 3) Greater weight should be given to individual interest in assignment and more flexible standards for promotion should be set up; 4) The Information and Education Division needs to be severed from the Army shackles of "see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil"; 5) A civilian commission should be provided to hear and evaluate criticism from all grades of Army personnel; it should have authority to give or direct redress in individual cases and to direct the Secretary of War to effect procedural changes when necessary; 6) The Inspector General's office should be removed from the jurisdiction of the War Department.

Greenier Field, N. H. —Pfc. W. J. GREEN

Survival of the Fittest

All commissioned and non-commissioned officers should get annual Civil Service examinations. These examinations would consist of field work and written or oral tests designed to determine developed qualities of leadership, character and integrity. If any man wanted to take an examination for the next higher rank he should be allowed to do so at the time of the annual examination. If his mark were higher than that of the man holding the rank in his outfit, he would replace him and the man replaced would be put in a lower rank or given an opportunity to transfer in grade. Commissions would be awarded only to those who had risen from the ranks after spending a specified period of time as non-commissioned officers.

North Camp Hood, Tex. —Sgt. WILLIAM D. STARNES

A Feudal Society

Our social customs in the Army are based on the relationship of lord and serf. While it is understandable that in feudal times the social customs of the period were carried over into Army life, we should recognize that times have changed. Our modern civilian, accustomed to equality and guaranteed civil rights, is drafted. From the moment he becomes a GI any relationship between what he experiences and democracy is purely accidental.

Our officers are indoctrinated with the need of keeping the enlisted men in their place and maintaining a social position above them. They are impressed with the need for separate, and better, mess, quarters, theater seats and other things.

It is a strange code of ethics which permits fraternization with the ex-enemy, but frowns on informal officer-enlisted men relationships. It would probably never occur to the officers who feted Goering and some other German generals in Germany last May to invite an enlisted man to dine with them.

The enlisted men develop a real appreciation for the benefits of democracy. It is an appreciation which grows in spite of and not because of the social customs of the Army.

THE SOLDIER SPEAKS:

What reforms should be made in the Postwar Army?

The functioning of the business end of the Army must be totalitarian. Discipline must be maintained. The rigid social-class setup, however, needs a bit of streamlining so that it fits in with a democratic form of government. If we fought with weapons as outdated as the customs the Army sponsors, we would be polishing our bows and sharpening our arrows instead of witnessing jet propulsion and the miracle of the atomic bomb.

Africa —Sgt. WILLIAM BROMSEN

Justice in Promotions

One very necessary reform is in the matter of enlisted promotions. Today's army of technical specialization cannot be compared with the army of prewar days. As a result of thinking in outmoded terms, promotional practices, "job grading and appreciation" are brutal.

Too many times men trained in special skills are not considered eligible for promotion because they lack "tactical background," ordinarily known as being a good foot soldier. Too often a GI specialist has little or no contact with his commanding officer and is left to the mercy of the boys who believe mainly in the principle of "brown-nosing."

Different grades could be assigned to each level of responsibility within a job specialty. By this grading policy, together with advancement according to merit and written examinations, much could be done to remedy injustices. Army T/Os specify grades for specialities, but actual results of grading seldom match T/O specifications. I know of one Machine Records unit in which a pfc efficiently did the work of principal clerk in administration because he was the only man who could do it. Yet he was surrounded by men classified as clerks and typists with ratings higher than his.

AAF Base Unit, Santa Ana, Calif. —S/Sgt. JACK A. PEARSON

Trial by Jury

How about having an equal number of officers and enlisted men on a court-martial board? This would permit GIs to have some representation in their trials, and I see no reason why enlisted men shouldn't also sit in when officers are being tried.

If a citizen is qualified to serve as a juror in civilian life and to render a just and honorable decision, there is no reason why he should not be equally qualified in the Army when his fellow soldiers are tried. Jury duty would be required of all men irrespective of rank.

AAF, St. Petersburg, Fla. —Sgt. R. E. NELSON

Eliminate the Chicken

This letter is the result of an informal poll among the GIs in our outfit. Almost to a man their reactions were along the order of "eliminate the chicken."

Of course discipline makes the difference between an army and an armed mob. If orders are to be carried out we need leaders with authority to carry them out. But what the American soldier resents is the petty privileges, the artificial barriers, which make him something apart from and inferior to his officers.

Many officers would like to see changes made in the system. But if they attempt to go along with the GI, to treat him as another man and not just an overgrown 10-year-old, they find themselves on the dirty end of the stick. They find themselves getting all the unpleasant details and being quietly but firmly passed over at promotion time.

Here, in brief, is our own K-ration-inspired reform program: 1) removal of 90 percent of the existing social privileges; 2) a more equitable pay scale; 3) periodic reviews of commissions, resulting in promotion or demotion, conducted by trained and impartial examiners; 4) punishment for officer misconduct and inefficiency on a par with that at present handed out to enlisted men; 5) courts martial where the EM has a voice.

Germany —Pfc. R. E. LEE and T-5 DANIEL W. HOGAN

SEPARATION

When you're on that last lap of Army before getting out, the air is as tense as at induction.

By Ex-Sgt. MERLE MILLER
Former YANK Staff Writer

EARLY in 1942 when I reported to Ft. George G. Meade, Md., for induction, fell into my first awkward formation, stripped, was shouted at, jabbed and endlessly questioned, I rather forlornly hoped something would happen to keep me out of the Army of the U.S.

When, recently, I reported to Ft. Dix, N. J., for separation and went through what is essentially the same process, I was sure something would happen to keep me in. A friend had been unceremoniously yanked off to an Army hospital for a month when the doctors at Dix decided he had high blood pressure; another had had to stay an extra week to have several cavities filled; a third had been returned to his outfit because, it was discovered, five of the points his company commander had approved were illegal.

But nothing of the sort happened to the 14 men from my outfit who stopped at a bar in Grand Central Station for two quick drinks before buying tickets for Dix.

On our arrival at Dix, we were hurried into a cluttered barracks marked "Incoming Personnel" where a captain, apparently anxious to prove that we were still EM and not civilians, treated us with a studied rudeness, ordered a sergeant to take our records, pointed disdainfully at a bench on which we were to sit and, in a speech of welcome to ourselves and a hundred other prospective dischargees who soon gathered, several times screamed at us to "pipe down, dammit, or I'll keep you here all day."

Then a corporal who wore a Third Division patch handed each of us a white tag on which, he explained, we were to print our last names, initials and serial numbers before tying the tags to our left breast pockets.

After that, the corporal called out our last names; we shouted our first names and middle initials and stepped up to a counter, where we were given our clothing records and then shown down a long corridor, also lined with counters.

Since my clothing had already been turned in at my previous station, I simply showed a bored private the clean shirt, undershirt, shorts and two pairs of socks in my civilian overnight bag.

"Me," said the private, rather testily, "I'm a lucky bastard. I got 20 goddam points. Twenty." Then, as I turned to leave, he added, "Good luck, chum."

At the end of the corridor, we were met by a pfc who gave us blue cards on which we again printed our names, ranks and serial numbers; then we were herded into a bus and driven to what looked like the company area of any Army post anywhere.

Here we were assigned to a barracks and, once inside, lined up for the usual sheets, pillow cases and GI blankets. As I was making my bunk, slow and easy and being careful to make hospital corners, a weary-looking Fifth Army sergeant said, somewhat sadly, "I'd almost forgotten how, you know, and pretty soon I won't even have to remember."

A sergeant and a corporal were pacing up and down the barracks nervously, chain-smoking but being careful to put each butt in the GI cans conveniently and familiarly placed in front of strategic bunks.

"Anything might happen," said the sergeant. "I had malaria once; they might keep me in for that. Anything might happen."

"A day or so won't matter," the corporal added. "Not after all this time. I mean, even a week or so isn't so much after four years."

They each lighted another cigarette and continued pacing. A few minutes later a permanent-party corporal, who wore a Combat Infantryman's Badge but was obviously on the defensive, came in to tell us there would be a formation at 1645.

"That's 4:45, civilian time," he said.

"How long's it take, corporal?" someone asked him.

"Forty-eight hours," he answered, "after you get on a roster. But it might be a week before you get on one. Might be longer." He said the last somewhat gleefully, as if he hoped it would take longer.

When the corporal left, I dropped off to sleep for what seemed a few minutes, but when I awakened, it was time for the formation. We lined up outside the barracks, almost a hundred of us, and listened to a brash young first lieutenant with a mustache, steel-rimmed glasses and almost no chin.

HE talked in what he obviously hoped was GI jargon, repeating a number of stale jokes and advising us as if we were rather backward children that "pitching woo" (as he called it) in the nearby guest house was frowned on. Then, rather quickly, he told us that the Army was as anxious to get rid of us as we were to get out and that we should be on a roster in the morning.

When he dismissed us, an elderly technical sergeant wearing a patch of the Ninth Division gave him a mock salute and muttered, "Thanks a lot, sonny boy."

By then, it was time for chow, and we fell into a fast-moving line in front of the mess hall.

"I hear the KPs are krauts," said the Ninth Division sergeant. "Dirty krauts." They were krauts, looking surprisingly healthy and well-fed.

"Dirty bastards," the sergeant said, but that was all.

The food was good enough, substantial and unimaginative but plentiful, and after chow we looked at the bulletin boards outside our barracks on which the rosters were posted. We knew our names could not possibly be there until morning, but we looked anyway. It made us feel better.

Then we walked to the PX, bought our cigarette ration and waited at a table in the beer garden until it opened. The beer was warm and not very good, but we drank a lot of it.

"Relaxes you," someone said. "That's the only thing about beer. It relaxes you."

We all agreed that it did, and we spent the evening talking about what we planned to do when we got out, and about officers we'd like to meet again, a few because we suspected that they would really be good guys when they weren't officers any more and a good many more with whom we wanted to settle a score.

When the beer garden closed, we were all a little high, but relaxed, really relaxed. I went to sleep as soon as I hit the sack.

After chow the next morning, we hurried to the bulletin boards, and, sure enough, there were most of our names. Those whose names were missing walked slowly back to the barracks.

"I can't prove I'm not still in Casablanca," said one of them. "I'll probably still be here for the next goddam war."

At 10:15 we lined up outside the barracks, and in a careless, desultory formation walked to a Post Theater. It was the old routine again, like basic training.

Everyone filed into the theater quietly and sat down, nobody talking much.

First, there was the chaplain, a huge, hearty man who boomed at us that we were about to be discharged from the Army, and he supposed we were all pretty unhappy about that. It was a bum gag, but everyone laughed appreciatively. Then he explained about our discharge pay, pointing out that it would be paid in monthly installments, one when we got out, another a month later and, for the great majority of us (those who had been overseas), a third payment a month after that.

He bellowed that we probably wouldn't have too much trouble getting adjusted to civilian life—but that we must be patient with other, more settled civilians. Also that dischargees had a lot of trouble with what he called "pitfalls" in and around Trenton, N. J. He warned us to hang on to our money.

"I hung on to a hell of a lot more money than he's ever seen long before I got in the Army," said a somewhat dispirited man in the row ahead of me.

When the chaplain had finished, a young lieutenant rather diffidently explained that in the afternoon we would meet our counselor, who would tell us about our insurance and the GI Bill of Rights and answer any questions. Then we were handed a card on which to check the questions we wished to ask our counselors.

A few men made checks on theirs, but many of us didn't.

"If they don't know the answer, they may keep you here until they find out," said a corporal. The majority semed to agree with him.

My own counselor was a large, red-faced Irish private who obviously enjoyed beer and drank a good deal of it and explained to me that he had been a newspaper man once himself—and, when he got out of the Army, hoped to be again.

"I guess it's kind of a crowded field, though," he said, rather hopelessly. I agreed that it was.

"You want to know anything?" he asked. I said I didn't.

"Hardly anybody does any more," said the Irishman.

THEN he carefully filled out my Form 100, listing my jobs in the Army and my civilian experience.

"It might come in handy sometime," he said. "I doubt it, but it might."

Then, quite brusquely, he asked: "You don't want to join the Enlisted Reserve, do you?"

"No," I replied

"You know," said the private. "I once had a man who did. He was a pretty smart fellow, too. He thought there was going to be one hell of a depression in this country, and he wanted to keep on eating."

The private paused, then added, "But he was the only one, and I've talked to a lot of guys."

After the counseling, we were through for the day and returned to our barracks. On the way, we passed a formation of men carrying their baggage and with the bright golden discharge emblem on their shirts. They grinned at us.

"Hiya, soldiers," one of them said, then repeated, "soldiers," making it sound like a dirty word.

"A lot of things could still happen," said the sergeant with whom I was walking. "The medics hold up a lot of guys."

"I've got varicose veins," said someone else. "I wonder if that'll make any difference." No one answered. We were thinking of our own minor ailments, wondering if they would matter.

We all drank more beer that evening, but it wasn't as much fun as the night before. Civilian life was too close, and there was still the chance that maybe, somehow, for some obscure Army reason, we wouldn't get out at all.

"We might be civilians tomorrow night at this time," said the technical sergeant from the Ninth Division. "Let's drink to it." We did, but it wasn't much of a toast.

When we marched to the dispensary next morning, nobody talked much, and once inside we took off our clothes and waited. The examination was much like the one that got us into the Army. The doctors looked at us with the same bored expressions.

While we waited for the blood tests, one man paled visibly.

"I've only been back from Paris ten days," he said. "Tell the truth, I'm a little worried."

"You got a bad cavity there," the dentist said to me.

"I know."

"We'd just as soon fix it, free," he continued.

"No," I answered, very politely. "No, thank you very much." The dentist merely shrugged.

After lunch, we turned in our bed clothes and sat down on our empty bunks to wait. The man who could not prove he had left Casablanca was trying to read a book.

"I'll probably have to go back there and then come back here again," he said. "And I'm supposed to meet my girl in New York tonight." He was not even on a roster yet.

When we fell out in front of the barracks with our luggage, the man from Casablanca stood on the porch.

"So long," he said, sadly. "I may not see you again."

We tried to laugh to reassure him, but no one was very successful.

"I heard about a guy that was pulled out at the Finance Office," said the technical sergeant. "It's never too late."

We threw our luggage in a tent that was marked off into compartments, then waited in front of a building marked "Signature Section."

A man had fainted a few minutes before, and the medics had carried him away in a litter.

"They'll probably never let that poor bastard out," said the technical sergeant. He lighted a cigarette, and I was surprised to see that his hand was shaking.

When we got inside the Signature Section, we lined up against a wall and waited until two permanent-party men called off our names. As they reached each name, they placed a folder on a counter, and each man walked over to his own folder.

And then we signed our discharges. I blotted mine in two places. I was still blotting when someone mentioned the Enlisted Reserve again.

At the door we fingerprinted our discharge papers. The corporal in charge of that section was having an argument with a dischargee.

"I just asked you to do it the Army way," said the corporal.

The dischargee said an unprintable word, then added, "USO Commando."

The corporal did not answer, but when the dischargee had gone out the door he said, "I guess it doesn't matter, but I was with the 34th."

Then we walked back and picked up our luggage, waiting outside while a few men ran to another tent to salvage some equipment.

In a few minutes, our guide, a newly inducted private who was an apologetic 18, took us to a squat, unbeautiful building inside of which were rows of men at sewing machines. Each of us had discharge patches sewn over the right pocket of either one or two shirts.

As we put on our shirts again, I felt confident for the first time. But not for long.

"A guy in the barracks got yanked in the Finance Office," repeated the tech sergeant. "Last minute. Been here eight days."

We dropped our luggage in the compartmentalized tent again and walked to the Finance Office. The building was crowded, and our guide told us it would be 45 minutes, at least, before we got in, so we wandered to the PX.

We all ordered cokes, but none of us drank a full bottle.

A corporal, who had loudly sworn off smoking but then borrowed a cigarette, lighted it and said:

"You guys finish your cokes. I think I'll go back."

We all drank a huge gulp of coke, then set down the bottles and hurried back to the Finance Office. We had been gone exactly five minutes, and we still had almost an hour to wait.

Finally we got inside the building and sat on the same kind of hard benches as in "Incoming Personnel." After about 15 minutes more, they began calling our names, and we stepped up to the cashier's cage, where we were each given $50 in cash, the rest of our pay (minus allotments) in a check, plus the first installment of our mustering-out pay. Also the small gold discharge button.

As we stepped out into the sunshine again, the tech sergeant smiled for the first time.

"Not a damn thing can happen now," he said. "Not a damn thing. I'm a damn civilian." His eyes were watering, not much, just enough to be noticeable.

When the last man came out of the Finance Office, we lined up quietly and started for the chapel. We knew what was going to happen there; we'd been told at least a dozen times by men who'd already been through it, but we were a little frightened anyway.

AN organ was playing when we marched in, wearing our ties and silent, and we sat down in neat rows, while the organist ran through "The Old Grey Mare," "Glory, Glory Hallelujah" and some hymns I didn't recognize.

A chaplain said something. I don't remember what, and then a very old and very small lieutenant colonel stood up, smiling through what were obviously not his own teeth.

I looked out of the window and saw a handful of new arrivals walking with their barracks bags toward a company area, and I didn't want to pay any attention to what the old colonel was saying. It was corn, pure corn, about the Army appreciating what we had done and about how most of us hadn't gotten the breaks we deserved, but it was a big army and we knew how those things are, and finally about the war we'd won and what a great thing we'd accomplished for our great country.

It was obvious that it was a speech the old man had made many times, but I didn't care. I thought it was a fine speech.

When an enlisted man began calling off the names and men began stepping up to the colonel, saluting him, getting his store-teeth smile and a handshake and their discharge papers, I realized I was making a damned fool of myself. I needed a handkerchief and didn't have one. [ED. NOTE: We feel obliged to point out that ex-Sgt. Miller is the type that also weeps at movies.]

After I had my own discharge paper and was waiting outside, the tech sergeant came up, grinned at me and said, "I think I could kiss you, but I think I won't." Instead, he just patted me on the back, like a football coach congratulating a player after a winning game.

We walked to where we had left our luggage.

"I was planning to knock the block off that bastard captain we saw when we got here—" said the sergeant. Then he paused

"—but I don't know why the hell I should bother," he concluded.

As we drove out of the gate a few minutes later, a bus load of men who were obviously potential dischargees was just coming in.

"Hiya, soldiers," I said, and waved. "Soldiers," I repeated.

None of them heard what I said, and it really didn't matter. After all, I was a civilian again.

OUT SIX MONTHS

Two veterans separated last spring find that discharge papers aren't passports to every GI dream, but that civilian life still beats the Army every time.

By Sgt. DEBS MYERS
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Former Pfc. Bill Schiffman turns the radiator up high and the radio low, then sits there feeling good as hell.

BACK when he was a pfc in France, Bill Schiffman used to dream about getting out of the Army and having an apartment of his own in New York City, with a fireplace and a black bearskin rug with a blonde cutie nestling on it. In this vision the blonde cutie would fetch steaks and house slippers and cigars and brandy to ex-Pfc. Schiffman, and she would look at him all wriggly-eyed, like he was the greatest and most explosive discovery since gun-powder.

It had to wait, of course, until Pfc. Schiffman got out of the Army, on account when a man got out of the Army there were all kinds of big jobs lying around. All a man had to do was to take a big job and become a wealthy playboy. The newspaper advertisements said so. Pfc. Schiffman couldn't think of anything nicer than being a GI Tommy Manville.

It was nice work, but Pfc. Schiffman didn't get it.

In the first place, he couldn't even get an apartment. He got out of the Army at Fort Dix, N. J., on June 28, 1945, and he is back living where he did before the war, with his parents and two sisters, at 28 Metropolitan Oval, in the Bronx, N. Y.

In case you haven't heard about it, there is a housing shortage in New York City and almost all other cities. There weren't any apartments that he could afford, and there weren't many blondes he could afford either. In both cases there were long waiting lists.

Not, mind you, that Bill is sorry he is out of the Army. He is so glad to be a civilian that sometimes he wakes up in the middle of the night and sits by the window chain-smoking, saying to himself: "I don't have to take any more crap from any sonuvabitch in the world."

For the first three weeks after he got out of the Army, Bill slept a lot, ate a lot and staged a couple of spirited running drunks with his cronies. But he got tired fast of playing the honky-tonk circuit.

"The prices are murder," he said, "and those joints are so full of phonies it makes a guy want to throw up."

After three weeks Bill, who is 25, got a job with the New York *Daily News* as a circulation inspector, which means that he is a trouble-shooter who sees that the papers reach the newsstands on schedule. He makes $40 a week. This is not the kind of money that enables him to go in for black bearskin rugs garnished with blondes, but he is paying his bills and having a good if not gaudy time.

It took about two months for Bill to realize that he actually was out of the Army. He kept being afraid that some officer would find him lolling around enjoying himself and start figuring out ways to make him miserable again.

When he saw an officer coming toward him down the street, Bill always put his hands in his pockets. He wasn't afraid of forgetting himself and saluting the officer, because he always had been an accomplished salute-dodger. Instead, Bill shoved his hands in his pocket as a means of convincing himself that he was his own boss again—that the days of having to swing his arms by his side were gone forever.

"That's a great thing just in itself," Bill said, "knowing that you can put your hands in your pockets any damn time you want to."

Also, he goes bareheaded a lot. He never liked wearing hats, and he always was sure he looked silly in an Army cap. In five years and two months in the Army he never learned to wear an overseas cap so that it didn't leave about four kilometers of hair sticking out the left side.

WHEN Bill gets up in the afternoon (he works nights), he takes 10 minutes selecting his clothes. This is one of the high points of the day for him.

"That's one of the great things that can happen to a guy," he says, "worrying about whether to wear a blue or a gray suit, and whether to put on a red tie or a green one. For some reason it makes a fellow feel independent as all hell."

He takes at least one and sometimes two or three hot showers a day. He thinks it is criminal letting hot water go to waste without washing in it. He thinks the people talking about another war should have to spend a couple of months washing and shaving out of a half-helmet of cold water.

He talked the Army into letting him wait to have some cavities in his teeth filled until he became a civilian. "It seemed pretty strange," he said, "going to the dentist and having the same dentist work on me from one day to another. This dentist even remembered my name. He called me Mister Schiffman—there was none of that 'sit down, soldier.'"

There were a couple of officers Bill always wanted to sock. He used to tell himself that if the time ever came when he met one of these officers on the street, he would walk up quietlike and throw his Sunday punch.

The other day he met one of the officers. They passed each other, nodded and that was all there was to it.

"You know the guy is a bastard," says Bill, "but it isn't important enough any more to do anything about it. You figure the officer probably is having enough trouble, anyway, having to get used to his old job as a soda-jerk or a floor-walker in a 10-cent store."

Bill brought home some pictures he took at the Dachau concentration camp in Germany. Sometimes he shows these pictures to visitors at his home.

"The visitors look kind of hard at these pictures of people who have been starved and tortured," says Bill, "and they usually say something polite about how terrible it is and then they change the subject real fast. They start talking about how the price of lard went up two cents. People don't want to seem to know about bad things. I think it's probably too bad that pictures don't stink. If these people could smell those poor, rotting guys in the pictures, it might do some good."

After Bill went into the Army on April 17, 1940, as a member of the enlisted reserve, he took infantry basic at Fort Warren, Wyo. Then he was shipped to Alaska with a harbor-boat detachment. He went into the Air Cadets, washed out and became a radio operator with an Air Force ground crew. He was in the Sixth Tactical Air Communications Squadron in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

He liked only one thing about the Army: the guys he got to know.

EVEN so, he has lost touch with his old friends, most of whom also are out of the Army and scattered over the country. He has written to several of them, but hasn't received any answers.

Back in France, he used to think that he would spend a lot of time as a civilian bulling around with Army cronies. Instead he came back and started associating with the same friends he had before he went into the Army.

Most of these friends also were in the Army and are out on points or disability. Some of his friends, of course, are still in service. Others won't be coming back at all.

"We almost never talk about the Army," Bill says. "There weren't any of us heroes, and we would feel kind of foolish talking about our experiences. There is one guy who runs around with us who was a 4-F weighing about 110 pounds. Sometimes we kid him a little and call him Atlas, but he is just as much one of the gang as any of us. Not being in the Army doesn't make any difference."

Former Pfc. Maurice Elwood found civilian garb cured lots of things.

Bill says that a man takes his life into his hands when he goes into a bar these days. There always is a man or two in every bar, he says, who is telling a story about how he was alone on a hill, cut off and surrounded.

"The bullets and the whisky are flying fast as hell," he says. "Some of these guys have been there and know what they're talking about. And there are lots of guys doing a lot of talking who haven't been there. The other day I heard a fellow telling two girls how he strangled one German and bayoneted another one. This guy was wearing only one ribbon, a Good Conduct medal. That guy will be better off if he leaves those girls alone, and puts that Good Conduct medal on his fly."

Now and then, maybe when he has just had a quick drink and a long meal, Bill gets to thinking about the good guys he has known and he thinks maybe the Army wasn't quite as bad as he always knew it was.

When those times come, Bill starts thinking real fast about the rain and the cold, the guff and the chicken, the marches and the mauling, the guys who won't be coming home and those fellows at Dachau with their ribs sticking out of sores on their sides, and Bill knows he is a lucky guy to have made it. He turns the radiator up high and the radio down low. He sits there and feels good as hell.

MAURICE ELWOOD is another discharged soldier who thinks, as Bill Schiffman does, that there isn't much wrong with a soldier that a pin-striped suit and a gray felt hat won't cure. Elwood is a 40-year-old, six-foot Irishman with a brogue that smacks of County Mayo. He was a rifleman with the 141st Infantry, 36th Division. He went into the Army in March 1942 and went to North Africa in April 1943. He fought in Africa, Tunisia and Italy. He was hit in the right leg by shell fragments outside Cassino in October 1944 and finally got a CDD last April. He was a pfc.

Elwood is a maintenance pipe-fitter on the Interborough Rapid Transit lines in New York City. He belongs to the Transport Workers' Union, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Catholic War Veterans. He makes $51 a week. He isn't married.

Elwood (he says he doesn't know how he ever got a name like Maurice) thinks it is easier to talk with soldiers, or former soldiers, than it is to talk with people who never have been in the Army.

"Civilians ask such funny damn questions," he says. "They kind of want to handle you with care, like maybe they'll say the wrong thing. Now and then one of 'em will say something pretty silly. Like a friend who asked me the other day if I wouldn't like to take a vacation in the mountains. Mountains, this friend says. Look, after Italy, I'm going to leave mountains strictly to mountain goats and damned fool tourists who think they're mountain goats."

Elwood is a little worried about the talk that soldiers are angry at unions. He prides himself on being a good union man. The union won a 20-cents-an-hour raise for him while he was gone. He thinks the unions did a great job keeping up wage and hour standards while the war was on.

"I don't think the soldiers have heard both sides of the story," he says. "The union side doesn't get printed much. I'm not defending everything that all of the unions have done. But I think, all in all, the unions have done a good job. I think it would be the worst possible thing that could happen to the United States if the veterans and the unions squared off against each other."

Elwood says being home is great, but nothing is as good as a fellow thinks it is going to be, if he thinks about it too much.

"I used to think I was going to eat about five meals a day, once I got home," he says. "Hell, I can't do it. I dunno, maybe a fellow gets out of the habit of eating a lot. I used to dream about eating all kinds of steak and dessert. It's hard on a fellow to realize he can't eat as much as he used to think he could. It's downright humiliatin'."

Elwood believes that Franklin Roosevelt was one of the greatest men who ever lived; that President Truman is doing a good job; that there should be compulsory military training so that the Army discharge rate can be stepped up, and that guys who served together in the Army should keep on being friends after they leave the Army.

But he has just about quit asking what happened to old friends of his in the 36th Division. Too many of them are dead. It was a long road from the desert to the mountains past Rome, and the 36th went all the way.

Elwood doesn't talk about the war. He likes for things to be quiet. He figures that he did enough fighting overseas to last him for a long time. Only once in a while does he get a trifle ruffled.

The other day he went into a candy store. The saleslady looked at him and snapped:

"How is it that a big hulking man like you can stay out of uniform when my little boy had to go overseas last month?"

Elwood rubbed his chin and did a slow burn. He figured it would not be worth it to choke her with her own chocolates.

"I dunno, lady," he said, "some of us Irish are just born lucky."

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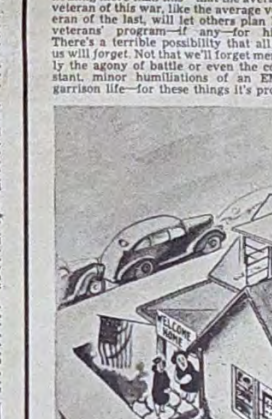

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Lest We Forget

Dear YANK:

Not so many months after they returned from the last war, many of our fathers and older brothers and friends had already forgotten the mud, the trenches and the fatigue, the blood and the fear of battle. They could remember only the camaraderie.

Our fathers forgot the hellish symphony of shells, but the music of "Mademoiselle from Armentieres" stuck in their minds.

In a vague sort of way, the veterans of World War I realized that they had lost something besides time, in the years they'd been in the Army—and that they'd earned more than the mere plaudits of crowds watching them parade. But most of them, those who were comparatively healthy at least, totted it up in terms of wealth. And when they asked to be reimbursed, the vast majority asked for money.

They got their bonus, but in a sense they lost their war. And when, with the advent of World War II, they realized that their own war had been lost, they never realized that they had had a large share in losing it.

The veterans of this war will not, of course, forget the camaraderie any more than did the veterans of the last. The men who fought in World War II will get together, as their fathers did, to shoot the bull about times past, about India, Sicily, Iran, Normandy, Guadalcanal, Okinawa or wherever.

Although they have no common song the equal of "Mademoiselle" to sing, they'll have their ditties and they'll sing them. Some of them will get roaring drunk. And there's nothing wrong with that.

But there is a dreadful danger that these meetings will degenerate into nothing more than this—that the average veteran of this war, like the average veteran of the last, will let others plan his veterans' program—if any—for him. There's a terrible possibility that all of us will forget. Not that we'll forget merely the agony of battle or even the constant, minor humiliations of an EM's garrison life—for these things it's probably best for us at least partially to forget if we are ever to become useful citizens again. The great danger is that we'll forget the reasons why we fought the war.

We must not forget that we fought, if only indirectly and sometimes unconsciously, for the right of peaceful people to live out their lives in pursuit of greater liberty and happiness; against tyranny which would subjugate not only our minds and bodies but those of the whole human race; against fear—the fear of death and the other forms of fear that eat away the mind.

We must not forget that we fought as the free citizens of a democracy, although the Army sometimes failed to allow us to realize it; and that unless we continue that fight for freedom and democracy now and in the future, with the physical battle won, the struggle for which so many of our friends gave their lives will be tragically lost.

Lest we forget all this, I suggest that each man readying himself for the return to civilian life plan a program for himself, a kind of set of resolutions that he can refer to from time to time in the months after he becomes a civilian again. It should be a program that he and his fellow veterans can demand of America in place of, or at least in addition to, any specific individual benefits. It should be a program that will make veterans as a group a potent and meaningful force in America's future.

I don't pretend that my program is complete. But I believe each point in it is important and one that every veteran should be able to—and should—subscribe to. My program would run something like this:

1) The men who fought and died for America were of many races and religions. Negro and Nisei, Catholic, Protestant and Jew all fought valiantly together. They might say, if the Constitution didn't already stress it, that this alone earned them the right to recognition as equals. Let's see that they get it.

2) In the Army we were thrown together with people from all walks of life, farmer and union laborer, small manufacturer and professional man. We learned that most of the men we worked with were not malingerers, and that men who are can come from any group. We learned to respect the other fellow's point of view, to accept what he said, even when we disagreed, as his honest opinion. So even when we disagree with, say, the union man when he goes out on strike, let's realize that he's doing it from honest conviction—and maybe real need. Let's recognize our fellow citizens' right to security and a living wage.

3) We were all fed up with the bull that was thrown at us in the Army, too often, about little things—the importance of saluting, for example—and the big things involved in the war. They only reflected, as we realized, confusion back home—confusion, ineptitude and politics in the Army and, even more, in Congress. More and more of us came to think that much of the bull that is slung in the Army, and on the floor of Congress as well, is the result of corrupt, unthinking political rule—corrupt not in the sense of grafting but in the sense of being in office merely for personal advantage, for what can be gotten out of it. Let's not stand for old-line politics. Let's get into politics ourselves—get in at the bottom, in cities, in the districts of cities. You can't build at the top without rebuilding the rotten underpinnings. Let's demand political straightforwardness.

4) Last of all, let's fight to democratize the Army and follow the fight through logically. Almost all of us will join veterans' organizations. Let's not forget what we learned in the Army about the lack of democracy we all found so galling. Our organizations can fight for a change. But they should do more. Let's not allow our organizations to degenerate into mere drinking and singing societies. Let's have them lead the fight for the democratic spirit throughout the U. S. and the world.

Let's demand these things, when we ask for reimbursement, as veterans, for what we've lost—and for winning what we've won—and make our tentative victory a certain one.

Korea —Cpl. ACKERMAN J. MICHAELS

Just Beginning

Dear YANK:

The worst has happened. No longer are the EM one big happy family. We have been divided into two categories—low-pointers and high-pointers. At this repple depple, we low-pointers are looked on as so much dirt. Those with high points remain aloof and don't want anything to do with us.

I know a lot of points have been built up by men having families and battle stars (both the easy way and the line way) and for meritorious-service Bronze star medals. But what the hell, whether high or low—we were all put in our respective places to help win the war. Some were fortunate and others got the so-called raw deal.

What I would like to see is more consideration for low-point men. After all, our sweating is just beginning. We are the ones left over here to finish the occupation job. You high-pointers had our sympathy and applause while we were training in the States. What say we turn the tables now? Let's not have a two-way split like the officers; you know—second lieutenants and officers.

Italy —(Name Withheld)

Atomic Secrets

Dear YANK:

I disagree with these learned professors who say we should share the secret of the atomic bomb with other nations.

I remember how not long ago we were selling scrap iron to Japan, only to have it used against our own boys. The atomic bomb is such a terrible weapon of war that it would be a disaster if it got into the wrong hands.

Who holds the atomic bomb holds the destiny of the world, and while I have full confidence in all Allied nations, I think they should in return have sufficient confidence in us to let the U. S. keep the secret of the bomb.

Italy —Pfc. FLAVIUS MORRIS

Dear YANK:

It seems to me that the surest way to bring peace to the world is for the secret of the atomic bomb to all nations, except, of course, Germany and Japan.

This bomb is so deadly that no country would ever dare to declare war if it knew the other countries were also equipped with atomic bombs. In other words, a nation would be afraid to declare war, knowing the horrible results both sides would suffer.

If we don't share the secret of the bomb, each nation will start a race to develop a super-atomic bomb, with the result that the country that does make such a bomb could rule the world. If all countries had the bomb, no one country would ever be all-powerful.

—Cpl. HARRIS COBURN

Italy

Broken Promises

Dear YANK:

Both President Truman and the War Department are advocating the enlistment of enlisted men in the Enlisted Reserve Corps upon discharge from active duty. However, if the campaign to enlist men in the ERC is to succeed, certain discrepancies must be cleared up. Possibly President Truman is unaware of the poor reputation enjoyed by the ERC, but the WD cannot be unaware of the bad feeling that it has stirred up because of its handling of ERC men.

During 1942, a very active bid was made to get enlistments for the ERC. The Army appealed particularly to college students and advertised the ERC as something comparable to the Navy's V-1, V-7 and V-12 programs. ERC men were not to be called to active duty "until exigencies of the service demanded it," were to be given their choice of arm or service and were to be given first opportunity of acceptance for OCS.

As the program was administered, 200,000 men were disappointed and disillusioned when the Army, as soon as enlistments in the ERC were closed, the WD began to announce that ERC men would be called to duty any day. Upon call to active duty, over 90 percent of the men were assigned to IRTC and upon completion of basic were assigned to units alerted for overseas shipment. The WD completely ignored its promises to those men as soon as they had been sworn into the Army. What made the situation worse was that the comparable Navy programs were carried through as they had been represented, and many in the Army felt they had enlisted in the wrong service.

Now the WD is resurrecting the ERC. The promises this time—that men enlisting in the ERC will retain rank held at time of release from active duty, will be no opportunity for promotion to higher enlisted grades and in the case of qualified personnel to commissioned grade, etc., etc., etc.—sound good, as did the promises of 1942. Too bad it's impossible to believe them.

—(Name Withheld)

Vaughan Gen. Hosp., Hines, Ill.

Wasted Money

Dear YANK:

Practically every man in this Army has witnessed incidents where the armed forces have squandered public funds to no end. One of the more outstanding examples of such squandering is the magnificent naval officers' club constructed on New Caledonia. This paradise was constructed with Navy labor out of Quonset-type metal buildings which were originally meant for naval warehouses.

The Army also contributed a monument to the taxpayers' money on New Caledonia. They built a junior Pentagon Building for Army Headquarters which will probably be inherited by the French Government. This building was not needed and was uncalled for, because the Headquarters was previously adequately quartered during the period when the South Pacific was a combat theater. This was constructed in the latter part of 1944 after the South Pacific was known as an inactive theater of operations. We were told that the building, which was tremendous and luxurious for an Army headquarters, was constructed from materials found in depot stock which would have otherwise gone to waste.

If this material was going to waste, someone was responsible, and it is hard to believe that such items as mohair rugs, venetian blinds and flush-type toilets could be found in an overseas depot. It is possible that such antics as those above were carried out on other islands in the Pacific, but I feel there is no room for complaints if the islands were to remain U. S. property after the war.

I say, let the public in on some of the deals they faithfully financed with their war bonds.

Philippines —(Name Withheld)

Last Issue

Dear YANK:

I read recently that YANK is scheduled to cease publication in December, and I can only say what a shame. You probably will never fully know how much YANK has meant to millions of soldiers, even less of the great esteem in which you are held by officers, especially ex-GIs, so-called 90-day wonders. We particularly have always turned to YANK (almost surreptitiously at times) for damned fine news reporting and amusing features. Re the latter, the more satirical, the better. And we always felt a sort of secret nostalgic pride in being able to share in the life and living of those from whom we had been arbitrarily isolated by "an act of Congress."

You, YANK, and those of whom you wrote are the real gentlemen of this war. I, for one of many, am truly sorry to see you demobilized, yet equally glad that you can be.

—1st Lt. RICHARD S. BALL

Camp Edwards, Mass.

Labor and Vets

Dear YANK:

For the last 45 months I've listened to Orientation officers and I & E officers tell us how important a job labor did in getting out the war materials and equipment that made us certain of winning the war. And the Army, through its official handouts and statements from the big brass, went out of the way to praise the production on the home front. Well, that made sense to me then and it does now.

But since I've been home from Italy all I read about in the papers is how labor strikes tied up ships that might have been used to bring back the boys from overseas, and in general how much a bunch of dangerous radicals all strikers are. The general effect, if not the purpose, of such articles, seems to be to drive a wedge between labor and the returning veteran, something we've been trying to prevent throughout the war.

Now I'm no authority on labor strikes and I'm not always in a position to know what the issues in a particular strike may be, but I have a suspicion that we're certainly not getting all the facts from many of the newspapers we read. It may be true that the striking longshoremen in New York did hold up GIs returning from Europe, and I agree it's a damn shame. However, it might be a good idea for us GIs to think twice before we go off half cocked on condemning strikers, at least until we make a serious attempt to understand what all these strikes are about. When you get down to it, the problems of labor will be the problems of the great majority of returning servicemen. We're all in the same boat, and the conditions that affect them will affect the GI tomorrow.

So let's be careful that we don't make ourselves a bunch of suckers for a lot of people who would be tickled to death to create an artificial wedge between the returning servicemen and organized labor.

—T/Sgt. SIMEON BRAGUIN

Camp Stewart, Ga.

Lousy Lovers?

Dear YANK:

I am in the mood for passing a few comments on the following clipping from a London paper:

GIs HAVE LOST THE ART OF LOVE

American soldiers are losing the art of love, says an anonymous letter from an American Army nurse to the U. S. Army newspaper *Stars and Stripes*.

It is because they have had it so easily in Europe with chewing gum and candy bars.

"No wonder we prefer French and British Army personnel who are more subtle," she remarks.

The letter ended with a warning that when the soldiers get back to the States, they were not going to get the first maid with their candy and chewing gum, because that is about all they have left.—Reuter.

I have known many Yanks, the majority all nice boys. Most of them came straight from the States to our country.

I don't believe any of them ever did have the art of love-making. I was under the impression that the Americans were great lovers; they certainly think they are. But, blimey, they don't know the first thing about love-making.

Incidentally, sincere Yanks and girls here always say that the kiddies in the street had the candy and gum. Of course, some of our girls were affable when courted with gum, but they are no different than the gold diggers in every country. I suppose the States do have such girls?

So, nurse, I think you are wrong. In fact, the love-making of the Yanks has always left me wondering what American women are like to put up with such poor technique!

Of course, there are always the exceptions, and anyhow, boys, you've been grand company.

Britain —LEE GLITHRO

Military Justice

Dear YANK:

Recent public attacks on the Army courts-martial system have brought into focus a situation which has been in need of corrective action for some time. The appointment of a civilian board of review constitutes a step in the proper direction, but it only catches errors after commission. A possible amendment, much closer to the source and one which would serve to eliminate rather than note discrepancies, has apparently been overlooked, to wit: the discontinuance of the practice of indiscriminately selecting officers to serve as members of the court who lack proper dignity, judicial temperament, training, experience, adaptable backgrounds and an understanding of the fundamentals of military law.

Under the provisions of Article of War 19, courts-martial cases are required to be determined "according to the evidence"—that is, solely on the basis of matters introduced before the court at the trial, and on the basis of the facts of which the court may, under the provisions of the Manual for Courts-Martial, take judicial notice.

Yet, chosen from the organization to which an accused is assigned, through pre-trial discussion, from personal knowledge of the offense and the accused, their belief as to the existence of local regulations, which, in fact, may not be in force, these officers usually, unintentionally but humanly, form a definite opinion as to the accused's innocence or guilt.

Often they come to court without having read the Manual for Courts-Martial in an endeavor to correct their deficiencies and to see that justice is properly administered, thereby rendering themselves incompetent to serve as members of a courts-martial board. It is conceivable that they do not have time to ferret out the principles of military justice; but, whatever the reason, it cannot justify the fact that as a result of their misconceptions and ignorance of the rules they materially injure the rights of an accused by basing decisions on personal knowledge, what may be no more than rumor, or someone else's opinion.

This present method [illegible] parently precludes impar[illegible] be effectually remedied and [illegible] of an accused substantially pro[illegible] if a system corresponding to the following general outline could be established:

1) The designation of the Judge Advocate General's Department as a separate arm or service.

2) The founding of a School of Military Justice to which qualified candidates could be detailed as has been done with other branches of OCS, said school to be operated under the supervision of the aforementioned arm or service.

3) The inclusion in each T/O of at least one commissioned graduate of the School of Military Justice.

4) The establishment of a Judicial-Administrative School for enlisted men which would teach the fundamentals of military law and the proper procedure for the preparation of legal records.

5) The inclusion in each T/O of a minimum of one graduate of the Judicial-Administrative School whose duty would be to assist the Military Justice Officer.

India —(Name Withheld)

Dear YANK:

Yesterday we received two simultaneous announcements of courts-martial proceedings and their findings. One case involved an officer who was caught red-handed trying to steal Quartermaster rations. When apprehended by the guard, he offered him a bribe (whisky and a wrist watch). The officer was found guilty on several counts and given a $100 fine and reprimanded by the commanding general.

The other case involved a private who misconducted himself while drunk, offering no violence, but simply acting boisterous. This private received a six-month sentence at hard labor, in addition to other penalties.

I, as well as many of us, donned the uniform of our country to fight for various reasons. Is it small wonder then that we've come to hate the very instrument that was supposed to have established the four freedoms all over the earth?

Things of that nature will never be erased from our memories, and they serve to make us lose faith in the great ideals that we have just fought for.

Britain —(Name Withheld)

More Chicken

Dear YANK:

If you think that cutting grass with bayonets is bad, wait till you think of moving the great Mohave Desert with shovels and brooms! That is exactly the situation that exists here at Muroc.

Having nothing better for the crews (all back from the Twentieth Air Force for lead-crew training) to do, the administrative officers decided that all enlisted men and one officer from each crew should spend time sweeping and shoveling the ever-shifting sand from the streets and squadron area.

We don't doubt the fact that this work is very effective, but that effect is shortlived, for after about five minutes a strong wind replenishes the layers of sand in the squadron areas from the never-ending supply of the Mohave.?

Muroc AAF, Calif. —(Four Names Withheld)

Dear YANK:

This morning our company again formed for morning exercises. The exercises were again an example of the additional humiliation that is being heaped upon us before discharge.

We were assigned a partner. Told to put our right hand around his neck. He did likewise. The order was tramp on your opponent's feet or he on yours. A despotic order. Failure to comply with same would bring you additional humiliation in front of the entire company, as I was soon to find out. The second exercise was completed by placing heads against each other's shoulders, pushing forward, punching your opponent in the stomach.

The third routine was accomplished by placing the right hand on the opponent's neck while the left hand was placed against the opponent's right. The order was to wrestle until one man fell. As I didn't (get this chicken) "put enough into it," I was ordered to give a demonstration by our company commander (former West Point lad). The company witnessed same in silence while the officer watched laughing, as they had previously while the other boys pummeled themselves for fear of the consequences.

This is an example of what returning vets are going through before the great day when our points total discharge.

Camp Carson, Colo. —(Name Withheld)

"Oh, Lord, here comes another one!" —Sgt. Tom Flannery

YANK FAR EAST CARTOONS

"Oh, fudge."
—Sgt. Douglas Borgstrah

"He's what is known as an enlisted man."
—Sgt. Jim Weeks

"Don't be silly, darling. They'll adore you!"
—Pfc. Joe Kramer

"—In short, the paper shortage at this station may be termed critical."
—Cpl. Frank R. Robinson

"Frankly, fellows, I need the extra dough."
—Cpl. Hugh Kennedy

"Excellent wine, Captain. Put this place off-limits at once."
—Cpl. Irwin Tourster

—Pvt. Walter Mansfield

"I've been restricted to quarters again."
—Pvt. Art Kraft

"Who's runnin' this ship, anyhow? . . . You or me?"
—Sgt. George Mandel

"Is that you, Master Sergeant O'Leary?"
—Sgt. Frank Brandt

—Sgt. Tom Flannery

"I suppose you know you're out of uniform . . ."
—Sgt. Ozzie St. George

"He's not much good, but he rattles the other pitcher."
—Sgt. Charles Pelkson

"They call him Radar. He'll pick up anything."
—Sgt. Tom Zibelli

—Sgt. Bill Mauldin

"I need fatherly advice, sir."
—Cpl. Ernest Maxwell

"Merry Christmas. You're on KP."
—Sgt. Jack Rage

". . . So I said to the general, 'The way I figure it is, they'll try to strike on our left flank, and if I were you, sir'—I still called him sir, understand, because I was as yet a pfc—'if I were you, sir, I'd pull the heavy-weapons company around there.' Well, to make a long story short, that's how we managed to close the gap. Mind you, you won't find it in the history books, but it was no coincidence that I made corporal the next week. There was some talk about a Congressional Medal, but about that time I was shacking with a little number the colonel in charge of the motor pool had his eye on. One night he comes around to her place early, and I don't take off in time because I don't hear him coming. Well, to make a long story short, that's how I got busted to private. I never told you, did I, about the time Ike inspected our outfit and there I was in the front rank? Well, he comes up just in time, because I had the germ of an idea kicking around in my head and I couldn't get next to our own CO, on account of prejudice against me from some of the junior officers, so I caught Ike's eye as he was passing down the line, and I said, 'General, the way I see it is . . .'"

—Sgt. Tom Flannery and Sgt. Al Hine

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VICTORY SIGNATURE—A long-awaited moment is at hand. Gen. MacArthur, supreme Allied commander, signs the surrender papers aboard the Missouri. Directly behind him is Lt. Gen. Wainwright, and next to Wainwright is Lt. Gen. Sir Arthur Percival. Members of the Allied delegation look on.

ANS-Signal Corps Radiophoto.

Army Asked To Free Most Veterans Who Are Family Men

Compiled From Press Dispatches

WASHINGTON — Immediate discharge from the armed forces of almost all married men with families was urged Tuesday by Chairman Sabath (D-Ill.) of the House Rules Committee on the eve of Congress' first peacetime session in four years.

In letters to Secretary of War Stimson and Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, Sabath said these five categories should be returned to civilian life at once.

1. Men who have families and have been in service abroad.

2. Men with families who have been in uniform at least two years regardless of place of service.

3. Students under 20 who were attending school at the time of their induction and who will resume their schooling if discharged.

Services Needed

4. Owners, part owners, executives, and supervisors whose services "are vitally needed in their respective businesses and their plants in reconversion to civilian production." Included would be men in professions in which manpower is short.

5. All limited service men except those serving in administrative jobs in separation centers.

The session starting tomorrow will be a "reconversion Congress" as distinguished from the war congresses in almost continuous session since late in 1941.

Facing lawmakers returning from vacations cut short by war's end will be six administrative tagged "must" proposals dealing with:

1. Jobs for everyone willing and able to work. Congressional committees have been grappling with the so-called "full employment bill."

2. Unemployment compensation. Senate and House committees are working on proposals to pay as much as $25 weekly for 26 weeks to workers unable to find jobs.

3. Surplus property disposal. A bill to substitute a single administrator for a three-man board will be ready for House action next month.

$25 A Week

4. Reorganization of executive agencies. Mr. Truman wants authority to abolish or merge many agencies.

5. Termination of war controls and laws. Many emergency acts are nearing expiration and Congress must decide which to retain.

6. Selective Service legislation.

New Nip Line! Never Told Of Sneak Attack

TOKYO (UP) — The Japanese people did not know the attack on Pearl Harbor was a sneak raid and the populace was "shocked and depressed" by the news.

Genji Tanaka, newspaperman and chief of the English section of the Tokyo newspaper Mainichi, said, "The news was revealed to the public in two announcements.

"The first was a statement by the general staff early Dec. 7, 1941 that war had been declared against the U. S. This shocked and depressed the population because of the great power of the U. S. and Britain.

Hear Of Pearl Harbor

"Hours later, a broadcast announced a successful attack upon U. S. Naval and Army installations at Hawaii. Public reaction was one of relief."

Tanaka said "thinking Japanese" discerned that the fortunes of war were going against Nippon when Japan lost the battle of Midway.

"This expedition was not directed against Hawaii or Southern California as the Americans seemed to believe," he said.

"The capture of Midway and the abolishment there of an operational base was the sole objective. Had this been attained, subsequent attacks upon Hawaii, Alaska and the Pacific coast could have been expected.

War Comes Home

"The loss of Saipan in June 1944 thoroughly alarmed Tokyo—it was a basic, crushing blow of the war, as were the fire raids launched March 10, which fatally crippled military production in Yokohama, a city of almost 1,000,000.

"It brought the war home to the man in the street—to the common people—who really had not known what was going on."

'We'll Do Better The Next Time' Is Japan's Attitude

By RICHARD W. JOHNSTON

TOKYO (UP)—We have bombed Japan to the edge of ruin, sunk its fleet and have occupied its home islands—but the Japanese people do not know they lost the war.

The Japanese army is relatively intact and has no awareness of defeat.

The Japanese navy virtually ceased to exist but its officers excuse the debacle on the basis of maladministration by the army.

Japanese intellectuals criticize the military—but not for taking Japan into war. Only for failing to win it.

The mass of the Japanese people believe the war was halted by the magnanimous gesture of the emperor, rather than as a result of Allied force.

This is the Japanese attitude in a nutshell:

'Do Better Next Time'

"We are embarrassed at the failure of the army and navy to triumph for the emperor—next time we will do better."

This is not a "shotgun" judgment but the result of several days of carefully interviewing Japanese in every walk of life—from the simplest workers to influential bi-lingual leaders. It represents the conclusion of all United Press correspondents with the occupation forces, as well as that of dozens of other correspondents and many officers.

United States forces in Japan are regarded by most Japanese as slightly unwelcome guests who must be tolerated for a time. There is none of the abject subservience of a badly beaten people—nor the bitter resentment of the unyielding last-ditch guerrilla fighter.

Instead, the Japanese are acting as though this were only a recess between two antagonists who will resume the fight—presumably when and if Japan obtains the secret atomic bomb or some other "equalizer."

Peace Only 'Tactic'

As far as the Japanese are concerned, the existing peace is only a "tactic" in the eternal war for world domination.

I have asked fifty-odd Japanese in all walks of life: "Why did you quit fighting?"

The answers have been: "Because the emperor told us to"—not "because we were licked."

The only Japanese I have met who are willing to admit that Japan could not have won the war are better administered Niseis who were born and bred to the realization of America's potential.

They are careful, however, not to voice this view except to us in private.

On the basis of extensive conversations, we have reached the disagreeable conclusion that unless our military government somehow manages to impress the Japanese with the fact that

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GI Thumb Signal Is 'Scram' To Japs

YOKOHAMA — Hitch-hiking GIs find that the rule of thumb doesn't work in Japan.

When they try to thumb rides, Jap drivers increase their speed.

A Jap college student born in the States explained the confusion by telling Americans: "In Japan, motioning with the thumb like that means 'scram'."

T/SGT. DICK KOSTER.

MacArthur Tells Japs To Disarm And Demobilize

SAN FRANCISCO (U.P.)—A Columbia Broadcasting System broadcast from Yokohama said that Gen. MacArthur has issued his second general order, requiring immediate demobilization and disarmament of the Jap army, clearing all harbors and prompt release of Allied prisoners.

Meanwhile, the occupation schedule of Japan was speeded up Tuesday with the arrival of thousands of more troops both by sea and air and Americans are expected to move into the metropolitan area of Tokyo Friday.

The first 200 of 20,000 air and ground crewmen moved into the Tachikawa Army Air Base, eight miles west of Tokyo, and began preparations for large scale arrivals.

Ahead Of Schedule

The main transfer of troops from Atsugi to Tachikawa will be Thursday, 10 days ahead of schedule.

Jap gendarmerie planned to establish interrogation stations at several points in the occupation area to prevent incidents.

A Japanese government communique gave the followinng schedule of movement of more than 15,600 Americans into the greater Tokyo area:

Wednesday—6,500 will enter Hiratsuka city and the Oiso, Kamagawa prefecture.

Thursday—2,250 will enter Odaware city.

Other Entries

Friday—1,120 will enter the Goemba Shizuoka prefecture; 3,350 will enter Hachioji city in the metropolitan district of Tokyo; 1,120 will enter Hatano Kanagawa prefecture, and 1,120

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President Asks GI Murder Probe

WASHINGTON (ANS)—President Truman has asked the Army for particulars in the case of an Indiana soldier sentenced to die in Europe fo rmurder.

The President acted after Gov. Ralph F. Gates of Indiana appealed to the White House and War Department to investigate the sentencing of Pfc. Robert A. Colby, 22, of Gettingsville, Ind.

No record of the case has reached the War Department from Germany, it was said, and the specific charge against Colby was not known here.

Rep. Forest Harness said he had asked Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson and General Eisenhower for a full investigation of the court martial proceedings.

Censorship Removal Effective In MidPac.

All censorship of mail, telephone calls, and telegraph communications has been lifted for U. S. forces in MidPac, G-2, MidPac, said Tuesday. In the future, letters can be sealed and mailed in the ordinary way.

12 Freed PWs Stop At Oahu

Looking tired but obviously happy to be once again on American soil, the initial group of former prisoners of the Japs reached Oahu Monday where a large crowd greeted them at the Hickam Field ATC terminal.

Held in Manchuria for more than three years, the 10 officers and two EM were in a prison camp with Lt. Gen. Wainwright and were liberated with him by American parachutists. Gen. Wainwright is expected here in a few days.

The group left Chungking last Friday. They plan to continue their air flight to Washington, D. C., Tuesday. Another stop will be made at Hamilton Field, Cal.

The party includes Maj. Gen. E. P. King, Jr., Maj. Gen. A. M. Jones, Maj. Gen. G. F. Moore, Maj. Gen. W. F. Sharpe, Brig. Gen. M. Lough, Brig. Gen. Clifford Bluemel, Brig. Gen. Wm. E. Brougher, Brig. Gen. James R. N. Weaver, Lt. Col. Burton Brown, Maj. A. C. Tisdelle, M/Sgt. Gordon B. Gonzales and Sgt. Lloyd L. Kelly.

LONDON (AP) — More than 100 Royal Navy sweepers have begun the tedious task of cleaning up the series of mine belts 20 to 30 miles off shore which, during the war, protected British coastwise shipping.

MidPac Plans Education Program

GI Joe To Become Joe College

By T/4 GEO. S. TALMAGE
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

GI Joe is going to become Joe College.

With the official proclamation of V-J Day by President Truman, the Army Education-Training Program soon will be extensively applied in MidPac. The date of its inauguration will be based partly on the completion of plans for redeployment and demobilization of troops in this area.

Included in the program are literacy training, vocational or professional training, and high school and college subjects.

Following an educational planning and training conference scheduled for Saipan Sept. 15-16, to be attended by representatives from MidPac major echelons, the educational program will get under way. Prior to that conference, units may initiate their school programs, provided the military situation and mission of an element permit, and instructors, advisors and administrators have been carefully selected and trained.

Participation in the AEP will be purely voluntary. No soldier will be required to enroll for any subject which he doesn't want to take. On the other hand, not every man will be permitted to sign up for any course he wants. He must be qualified and adequately prepared to study the course of his selection.

For those who do not wish to study, there will be an alternate athletic and recreation program.

"If a man chooses to participate in neither the school nor the athletic program, he will be required to perform some military duty during the part of the day set aside for school and recreational activities," a spokesman stated. "Likewise, he may participate in both the programs if he desires."

In no case will either program delay the departure of a serviceman for the mainland, he said.

The unit school will be the first phase of the program to be started. Organized on a battalion level serving 1,000 men or less, it is expected that this type school will satisfy the bulk of the needs and interests of military personnel in MidPac.

"Courses in the unit schools will be on the grade school, trade school, and college level, dependent on the requirements of the men and the facilities and instructors available," declared the I-E representative.

"Faculties will be composed

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Dear Editor:

(Note: The views of those who write letters to The Stars and Stripes may or may not coincide with the views of this newspaper. Letters to the editor are not our editorial expressions.)

See The World Free

Recently I received a letter from a civilian friend in which he was commenting upon Japan's offer to surrender. I quote from a part of it:

"Too bad you had to make the trip for nothing; but after all you would have to pay for the trip during peacetime."

Like so many other civilians this man seems to believe that the GI who is overseas has had an one grand pleasure cruise at the expense of the government. In fact, his letter seems to reflect a note of envy.

Perhaps something can be done whereby men who have therefore escaped the draft, for age, reason or another, can take advantage of the government's free tour.

Perhaps they too can enjoy a pleasure cruise and see the "other half" part of my life.

Of course the world miss the world morale if they should miss the interesting tour; and we can be sure that our Occupation forces in Japan, now overseas, will be grateful enough to step aside and let the boys who envy them—and who envy us—come out to see the home.

T/SGT. H. H. OSTIUN
Okinawa

GI Schools

V-J Day there develops a need for reorganization of army to provide the veterans ranks with expanded opportunities for education.

There is an enormous demand for all types of vocational courses leading to high school, literacy classes in fact, it is difficult to name any educational activity the GIs wouldn't snap up readily.

Suppose that The Stars and Stripes, and other Army papers recognize their new and devote space regularly towards publicizing what is done to make the rest of my life useful.

PFC. RITH MITCHNICK
GILBERT GREENFIELD
In the meantime, I wonder if it is necessary to carry all the news concerning the Army's point conversion set.

Again!

A story of Aug. 18 seems to be inquiring side as to Kilroy. Well, I know well, I assure you. I served Texas gentleman now the world at Uncle Sam's.

I been on the D.&R.G.W. from Pueblo, Colo., to Ogden, Utah, then to Seattle same boat with me. Now, I'm hot headed in a downward direction.

Kilroy's Been Here, but I like it. He only wants to know he's been there.

P. S. Super travels every. I like it. He only wants to know he's been there.

I'd like to ask M/Sgt. Bill and T/Sgt. DeBuse of Dallas, Tex., "Is Kilroy in you boys?"

PFC. J. W. CLAUNCH
Oahu

Miss Credit?

In the section of your paper in which Bob Feller is a man in service can be a gripes in for publication. I'm a wide area, I read it every each day.

Yet, since the Navy published, since the Navy published system I have seen nothing as to what occurred between the space between the a number of authors have appeared in this Al present I am speaking certain Roland H. Cox (Maj)—can't this person be a bit further than his

He showed his real brain when he came against the eye, said "while Bob Feller in 72 hours, men like Cox were at the Franklin for more duty."

The hell does this man the Navy to do, give ships for each bomb received? Besides the was only in the conflict for about 24 days. I I'm talking about for

I was there and also hit.

Before you know, people will be writing in wanting pensions for near-injuries. A big organization works with the whole and not the individual.

R. J. S. (NAME WITHHELD)
Chief Specialist

Holding The Bag?

I read in your Aug. 14 issue where a group of civilians working at Pearl Harbor from two to nine months were fed up and want to get back to the States.

Well, how about us boys who have been over here from 18 months to four years? We are plenty fed up, too, but what can we do about it? Nothing!

No transportation for us, but the civilian can find it. Why is it that the boys in the Pacific are always left holding the bag?

Why not send back the boys that have been over here 18 months or more, even if they haven't 85 points? We could all be out in the States like quite a few other fellows that haven't been overseas.

PFC. K. L. EPPLEY

How Many Regulars?

With all the arguments pro and con as to the advisability of lowering or the advisability of quotas, lowering completely for even quotas, lowering completely for even a few months, why still puzzle? Why now consider arrival of new draft age men concerning the point? Why not, instead of lowering, why not lower the number of men will stay in service?

Any happenings guessing game, result in disappointment to many new draftees and veterans of at least a couple years service.

Unless the number of regulars is taken into account in any proposals for continuing or eliminating the draft, there is little possibility of estimating the correct number of replacements, needed for occupation and other required military duties.

PFC. PERRY SLAVITT

Forgotten?

We of the Marine Corps feel that we are being forgotten in the demobilizations. That feeling comes from the fact the Marine Corps has never made a statement on attempts to reduce its size.

I know of no men being discharged. Even though they have as many as 127 points they are being faced with the prospect of staying indefinitely.

Why can't the efficiency of the Corps be speeded up?

NAME WITHHELD

Marine Corps Classification office on Okinawa says the classification system is being revised. Men will be separated as soon as it is completed. Men who have been serving overseas are made known classification, and are first, most, first discharged. Men who arrived on Sept. 1.

Take ..... a ..... Break

—With T/4 Jerry Siegel—

Gal: Kissing is unsanitary. Think of the germs your lips will leave on mine.

GI: Listen, babe, the way I kiss, I crush the germs to death.

Field headquarters telephoned a furloughing sergeant: "Move heaven and earth, but get here Friday."

He replied: "Am raising hell; will get there Saturday."

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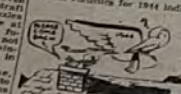
"Dear Jerry:

"I have some information as to the Tomb of Kilroy. It seems that Kilroy is a dog at Ft. Lawton, Wash. As a joke, some of the cadre put 'Kilroy was here' all around camp. The fad caught on right quick. Everybody who left from Lawton began to put similar signs everywhere, on the embarkation pier in Seattle, on deck, in depots and camps all over Ohio, and wherever there they went in the forward area. Always willing to be of help. A Kilroy fan (right).

Pvt. H. T. Gorie."

Vital statistics for 1944 indicate



that a lot of people went stark mad.

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S/Sgt. George W. Stafford of Leipzig by an anti-tank mine, has communicated a second time. Now Lieut. (Medical) Administrative Corps. The commission had been granted and was on its way through channels to his echelon when he was shot.

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Chosen as rodeo foreman because of his rawhide riding ability, William Wood rode into the center of the crowded arena at Ogden, Utah, at a dignified canter, then fell from his horse, breaking his arm.

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Why is it that when I plea for a girl I only get the needles?

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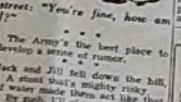
Turn mind readers met on the



street: "You're fine, how am I?"

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The Army's the best place to develop a sense of rumor.

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Jack and Jill fell down the hill. A stunt that's mighty risky. It water made them tumble, Hey gosh, I'll stay with whisky.

All Circulating Blood Lost—Men Still Saved

GUAM — Injuries were sometimes so extensive during the campaign in combat, the Navy had not dreamed, that a man would lose all of his circulating blood and still be saved because of the ready supply of whole blood.

BLOOD PRESSURE GOING DOWN

By Cpl. Tom Gray, staff Artist

THE PRESS BACK HOME

WASHINGTON POST—The Union for Democratic Action has adopted and issued a warning that vested interests may try to make the peace "expensive and cheaper, the more efficient and lavish and light through utilization of power, and subjugation to peacetime uses of the sword, shoots, bomb) disposable dangers, but in our opinion, not as great as the danger of the form of energy will be released for peacetime use the social and economic adjustments required by its introduction.

CHICAGO DAILY NEWS—The Chicago Men's Centers of Civilian Service have reached their fourth birthday. In that time they have entertained—and fed—17,000,000 guests in uniform from all parts of this country and from the distant places of the earth. (Now all likelihood be found that they have done more to crystallize the sentiment than both our World's Fairs rolled into one.

NEW YORK TIMES—In a recent demonstration of its peace time abilities the jeep was shown at work pulling two bottom plows, disks and harrows, seed drills, hay loaders and balers, mowing machines and trailers full of bags. It was shown as a mobile power plant operating, through a power take-off, orchard and crop sprays and blowers, buzz-saws, compressed air drills, welding apparatus, grain mills and silo fillers. It also went through its paces as a speedy exterior and varied uses in its own body, as a fire-fighting truck and as a linesmen's carryall.

GALLUP POLL—"It has been suggested that after a United States president has finished his term he should automatically be given a seat and a vote in the Senate for as long as he wishes. Do you approve or disapprove of this?"

The vote:

Approve	34%
Disapprove	53
No opinion	13

DALLAS MORNING NEWS—Texas has shown approximately twice as much industrial development (as measured by investment in plants, number of wage earners, and volume and value of products) during the last four years as in any prior in questionable whether Texas has climbed up industrially or merely out on a limb; and the reply must be found not so much in what has actually happened, as in the program which is adopted to meet the situation. The course of Texas industrial expansion or contraction during the next ten years will depend in very considerable degree upon the initiative of Texas business and civic leaders.

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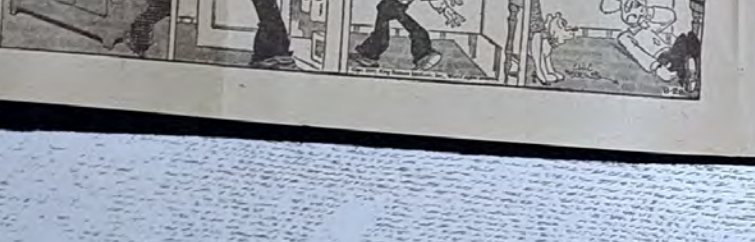
By Chic Young



War Criminal List In Japan Grows Longer

YOKOHAMA (AP)—Americans freed from the hell-holes of Japan tell their stories of starvation, brutality and torture directly to Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commanding Eighth Army occupation forces Tuesday and name Japanese responsible. Lists have added steadily to a growing war-criminals list.

Thousands are simultaneously and a hospital ship, four transports, a cruiser and four rescue destroyers to Hamamatsu, 120 miles southwest of Tokyo, to evacuate other hundreds of Allied prisoners.

These ships earlier had helped evacuate approximately 1,500 from the Tokyo area.

11,000 Await Rescue

Due Tuesday were 482 others, being brought to Yokohama from the Ashio prison camp and plans were rushed for release of 2,000 more in Hokkaido, northernmost Japan. In northern Honshu and northernmost Hokkaido an estimated 11,000 await rescue.

Eighty per cent of the 3,000 already examined here are in American, medical officer Lt. Col. Leslie E. Bliss said.

Adm. Sir Bruce Fraser, commanding the British Pacific Fleet, also was checking lists of his own captured nationals and reported approximately 1,100 Allied civilian internees in camps within his jurisdiction.

Big Jap Japan

Including 8,000 Americans, there are an estimated 36,000 Allied prisoners in Japan.

Gen. Eichelberger and two officers of the general headquarters were interrogated by Gen. Wainwright who shocked gravity to stories of the prisoners they interviewed aboard the hospital ship Benevolence.

Virtually all the patients were suffering from extreme malnutrition and other complications—beri-beri, dysentery, malaria, tuberculosis and various fevers. All had been beaten and many had been denied medical attention.

Military inquiry teams, meanwhile, redoubled their efforts to complete lists of war criminals, while medical men promised the liberated Americans the speediest possible return to their homes.

6 Yank Fliers Lived High Life In Thai Prison

CALCUTTA (UP)—Six American fliers who escaped from Thailand via Rangoon from Bangkok interned with them told one of the war's most unusual stories.

Prisoners said they were well treated and had plenty of food, rice porridge, curried rice, beef, chicken, vegetables, and eggs.

They never had to work and always had excellent books. They claimed they were looking better than before they were captured.

Capt. Albert Abraham, 2nd Air Command Group, formerly of Marshall, Tex., was captured when his Mustang was hit by flak about 20 miles northwest of Bangkok. He bailed out and was arrested by Thailand police who interned him in a school.

The authorities who were anti-Jap turned him loose as soon as they heard the Japs surrendered. Lt. Deane Weimer, Sheridan, Wyo., was downed the same day Abraham was. He broke a rib. That police gave him medical attention.

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Tremaine Named Chief Of Tokyo UP Bureau

TOKYO (UP)—Frank Tremaine, United Press war correspondent and former bureau manager of the U.P. office in Honolulu, was named manager of the Tokyo bureau by Frank H. Bartholomew, U.P. vice president in charge of the Pacific area.

CURTIS L. MARTIN, T 2/c, AND HIS 44-POINT WINGS

Sailor All Set To Soar Home On 'Wings'

It's the way the point system affects everybody, none or less—all thoughts turn to home and the only question besides, "How soon?" is, "Can I make it any sooner?"

Curtis L. Martin, Y2/c, USNR, attached to a Pearl Harbor Navy activity, has been amassing every body in his unit with a pile of wings he built from cardboard and other odds and ends.

The idea is, of course, that when Curtis collects 44 points, he won't wait for transportation. He'll just take off a-runnin' and a-flyin' for his home.

There are two difficulties. He has only 39 points instead of 44, and his wings don't really work, enough yet, the aid of a bit of trickery. Curtis and his pale cohorts freely that they resorted to hocus-pocus to produce the photograph of Curtis flying through a shed doorway. What the hocus-pocus was, they haven't explained.

Medie Badge Brings $10 Boost In Salary

Enlisted men of the Medical Corps entitled to wear the Medical Badge are to be paid $10 a month extra, MidPac hq. announced Monday.

"This act of Congress gives further recognition to the noncombatant service under enemy fire performed by men of the Medical Corps," a hq. spokesman said.

Payment of this additional pay will be effective with the pay period beginning Sept. 1.

The medical decoration is awarded to both officers and EM of the Medical Corps, who are serving with medical detachments of Infantry regiments, for satisfactory performance of duties under combat conditions. Commissioned personnel will not be paid the extra $10.

C-54 Sets New Record From Tokyo To Seattle

SEATTLE (UP) — A Boeing C-54 carrying undeveloped surrender photographs arrived here when his Mustang was hit by flak about 20 miles northwest of Bangkok. He bailed out and was arrested by Thailand police who interned him in a school.

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Nips Free U. S. Civilians

YOKOHAMA (AP)—Captured at Guam three and a half years ago, 127 American civilian workers have been freed by the commandant of the Mt. Futatabe camp at Kobe.

Japs Ordered To Demobilize

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will enter the Uyenohara Yamanashi prefecture.

Strict police will be detailed to maintain law and order in all of these areas. Government organs and public organizations will continue to function as usual. Civilians are requested to continue their ordinary daily life in peace as heretofore.

Meanwhile, Adm. Halsey announced that de-militarization of all Jap surface vessels has been completed.

Relieve Marines

It was announced that the Army's 112th regimental combat team has relieved the Marine detachment at Tateyama on the Chiba Peninsula.

Marine landing parties from the battleships South Dakota and Missouri and others helped occupy Yokosuka and were relieved by regular occupation troops.

Adm. Halsey said prize crews were placed on all Jap ships, including large submarines.

One sub, apparently the world's largest, had hangar space for four planes and another, of about 2,000 tons, carried two planes.

Three Set For Duty

All but three subs were ready and set for duty when the Americans arrived. The Americans captured 44 baka bombs with jet propulsion devices, training planes and aircraft engines.

Adm. Halsey said an auxiliary high speed Jap transport arrived in Tokyo Bay Sept. 2 with 200 from Guam, the army division on Okinawa and Marines.

Lt. Col. Lewis Ryan, of Grover, detained Army, Manchuria, said Seventh Fleet task force units found the city virtually unhamaged and said the destroyer Brown and Hubbard raced across the Yellow Sea to evacuate prisoners believed to be in or near Mukden.

Claim Japs Scattered 8,000 Allied Prisoners

TOKYO (AP)—The Japanese apparently removed thousands of Allied PWs from the Tokyo area prior to or immediately after surrender.

A total of 8,000 internees are believed distributed around Tokyo on the basis of information received by the International Red Cross.

WASHINGTON (ANS) — The Navy disclosed Tuesday that during the last 16 months of war it used the neutral Portuguese Azores Islands as a base for planes combatting German U-boats.

Battle Of Bismarck Sea Turned Tide---M'Arthur

By DON CASWELL

YOKOHAMA (UP)—Gen. MacArthur, refreshed and relaxed, told me Monday that the battle of the Bismarck Sea, March 2, 1943, was the decisive air engagement of his theater.

He chatted informally about the long South Pacific campaign at a luncheon for the only three American correspondents who covered his headquarters from Melbourne to Tokyo—William Dunn of CBS, Lee Van Atta of INS, and myself.

Sunday night was almost the first time since Pearl Harbor that Gen. MacArthur has slept 10 hours. Monday at his house in Yokohama, he seemed supremely happy over his great personal triumph when he accepted the Jap surrender.

Praises Kenney

While paying his unstinted praise to his air commander, Maj. Gen. George C. Kenney, MacArthur disclosed the importance attached to the battle of Bismarck Sea.

In that brief offensive, 135 of Kenney's fifth Air Force planes—all he could get off the ground—sank the entire 22-ship Jap convoy north of New Britain.

Simultaneously, attacking American planes downed more than three of the 200 planes assigned to protect the convoy.

"Some people doubted the finality of that battle, but we have the same of every ship sunk."

Results First Year

Gen. MacArthur was inclined to be reticent even while he reminisced about the first black print days when Japan came near to invading Australia.

At moments, traces of the old fire and anger broke to the surface, his voice rose in a great hoarse at the memory of some of the first incidents of the war. Then he would relaxed, stroke his hand and said, "Well, all that Kenney's matter any more.

Then, asked how he felt about his chances of retiring.

He paused and said, "I've been retired for years."

Fifth A Terror

Gen. MacArthur said the Fifth AAF was "a terror" and said it could have "smashed any of our landings if it had been on the other side. We never could have moved out of Australia if Kenney hadn't taken the air away from the Japs."

MacArthur started with only two American divisions in Australia and finally had 22 Army and Marine divisions.

In the course of his discussion, MacArthur called Adm. Halsey "the greatest fighting admiral in the war."

"When Halsey finds the Jap, he goes after him and fights like a tiger."

Gen. MacArthur said he gained new respect for Halsey in guam when Halsey was ordered to guam and Halsey said he would be "delighted" to come, as he knew it was a "ridiculous" mission. Credit was attributed to him which said the entire job would take 7,000 to 666 men.

Boyington, 63 Other Freed PWs On Guam

GUAM (UP)—A group of 64 prisoners of war, including Maj. Gregory (Pappy) Boyington, of Seattle—the 64th group of Navy and Marine personnel evacuated from Japan—arrived here Tuesday after a 1,500-mile flight from Kiangsu Naval Base.

The group of 19 officers and 45 enlisted men came herwhich included two NATS Grumman Avenger, gunners, submarine men, and volunteers of Wake, Corregidor, Guam, and South China. Some of them prisoners for as long as three years and eight months—were in the party.

Most appeared to be in good health although some suffered from dysentery, beri-beri, and malnutrition.

An Hour's Notice

The men left Shanghai at Guam for several days for physical examination and left before continuing to the U. S. They had only one hour's rest before leaving Kiangsu.

All of them had been of hunger, illness, and brutality during their years of war camps from Japan to Rendu. But few most of them thought first of their families which will take them a little nearer home.

The list follows:

Rhode Island—Hugh A. Kenyon, AM-3/c, Newport.

Texas—Earl King, Cuxsum, Bynum; Cpl. Clyde H. King, Dallas; Pfc. Hillman A. Davis, Denton; Nathan O. Nalls, PhM-2/c, Dallas; Lee C. Shaw, MM-2/c, Sabina; Cpl. J. W. Richardson, Mineral Wells.

Washington, D. C.—Hollis M. Seales, Lt. James W. Cassell.

New York—Robert L. O'Brien, chief gunner's mate, Long Beach; Lt. Thomas J. Darking, New York City; Lt. Lawrence Gavaskin, Forest Hills, L. I.; C. W. Reddon, Elmira Heights.

Mississippi—Lt. Jack Quick of Missouri—Cpl. Arthur L. Hixson, Nevada; Second Lt. Donald Anderson, St. Louis; Paul D. Russell, St. Louis.

Illinois—P/C Arthur D. Bowen, Chicago; Lt. Kenneth R. Swanson, Cole Park; Herbert J. Wiese, Hillsboro.

New Jersey—Harvey Glasser, AM-3/c, Roselle Park.

Ohio—Lt. Frederick C. Lockett, AR-2/c, Artsley; Lt. James L. Wagner, Philadelphia; Ens. Arthur W. Howell, Chestnut Hills, Philadelphia; Lt. John M. Arbuckle, State College.

Arkansas—James W. Storey, SPHM, Alma; Cpl. Thomas E. Collins, Ozark; Lt. John H. Shroff, Little Rock.

Louisiana—Raymond J. Jakubielski BM 1/c, Alexandria; Lt. Minos D. Miller, Jr., Jennings; Pfc. O. C. Gilbert, New Orleans.

REHEADED BY JAPS

MELBOURNE (AP)—Lt. William Newton, winner of the Victoria Cross and one of Australia's outstanding war heroes, was beheaded by the Japanese on New Guinea in 1943, it was disclosed.

Seabees Smash Record To Get EM Sent Home

GUAM—When the Navy on Guam needed an office to process men before sending them home on the point system, the Seabees constructed a quonset hut building and completed it in less than 72 hours. The Guam Seabees claim it's the fastest built quonset ever put up anywhere.

Fry Two Up, Toots

LONDON (UP)—Tokyo radio broadcasts heard here said that Yokohama restaurants were advertising for 500 waitresses "preferably with some knowledge of English."

Donald Duck

Courtesy of King Features, distributed through CNS

By Walt Disney

ies, Arkies Head Home ith Bulging Bankrolls

By VIRGINIA MACPHERSON

GMAN, Ariz. (UP)—Thousands of migrant workers who d hungry and broke into California a few years ago are g back to Oklahoma and Arkansas daily—their pockets bulg- greenbacks.

'e part of the army of war workers who've lost their jobs by government cutbacks. But they're not worried. Many of them have salted away enough cash to pay off the mortgage of their land in the dust bowl or buy a farm or put in new equipment.

They're not going home in the same rattletrap flivvers that chugged them over the border into west coast war plants. Most of them are sailing home in style—in late model prewar cars.

But that's where the difference ends. They've still got family belongings piled on the top or strapped on the running board, or bouncing behind in a trailer.

Real Folding Money

It's no unusual sight to see a car loaded down with two or three mattresses on top—the sign of a "wealthy Okie." Usually the kitchen stove, the baby's highchair and the pots and pans are clanking against the car's deluxe paint job.

The father of the family generally still wears his overalls but there's real folding money in the pockets.

"They're the same 'Okies' and 'Arkies' that came through here four years ago," declared J. C. Fitzgerald, quarantine inspector at the California-Arizona border. "But they're richer ones now. That's all."

Cars Line Road

Today I saw hundreds headed for Oklahoma and Arkansas, pull in at the inspection station. Cars were lined along the highway as many as 48 at a time.

I climbed on running boards to find out where they are going, how rich they were, and what they were going to do with all their money.

Ed Rhine, a toothless farmer, was going back to Arkansas to pay off the mortgage on his farm. His car was loaded down with Mrs. Rhine, Granny, five little Rhines, Pa Rhine, and all the household belongings.

"We all worked but Granny and the two littlest," he grinned. "We'll be big shots when we get home, what with all this dough we got."

S. P. Bordman, an elderly welder, was one of the few homebound "Okies" who drove a truck instead of a shiny automobile.

Saw It Coming

"All us 'Okies' ain't durned fools," he declared. "Saw this comin', so we didn't splurge on no fancy extras. Look."

He opened a burlap bag and showed me a stack of bills. Clyde Summers, jubilant over the savings at his three-year job here, drove into the station, his wet diapers flapping from the car windows. Saved enough, he said, to buy a new Buick, get his wife and three children fancy clothes and still buy a big farm in Oklahoma.

The record for the fabulous rise to riches goes to the Storeman clan. Four years ago with his wife, three grown sons and daughter, he coaxed his pickup truck from Oklahoma to Oakland and five shipyard jobs.

$100,000 Saved

"Lived in an old chicken coop," Storeman said. "Everybody worked and chipped in for the farm." They keep their cash in old cigar boxes.

"And now look'y here," he beamed. Pulling out four battered boxes bulging with cash, he said, "almost $100,000 we got in that."

Twenty-year-old Jim, fingering from $1,000 ones down to $100 greenbacks. He kept those "little ones" on top, he said, in case any should blow out. I saw $1,000 bills in a quick flip of one of the boxes.

"I'm heading for home now," he added. "The farm's all bought and just waitin' for me to get that and work it."

His new Plymouth was loaded down with beds, mattresses, quilts, pans, bicycles, and the ever-present wash tub.

000 Walk t At Many Auto Plants

OIT (ANS)—Production pread through the auto- industry Tuesday as a strikes growing out of ers' accumulation of levances broke.

han 20,000 workers were trikes stopped production plants of the Briggs uring Co. and four di- Hudson Car Co.

ord Motor Co. halted au- assembly in its huge ge plant and at branch Edgewater, N. J., Ky., and Dallas, Tex.

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tified the UAW that serious difficulties cars at Ve demands were of labor's charges rofits from war

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(AP)—The sign- ther of Japanese ships theater will ceremony Thursday tches announced s been postponed s previously be- d weather delaying of airborne troops

ese also announced ler south China city and the former ely port of Ichang peacefully entered.

Allied PWs By SE Asia Japs

Ceylon (AP)—The Asia Command esti- Japanese held 115,354 oners of war in its area 2,792 had been evacu- e territory includes Thailand, French Indo- laya, Hong Kong, Su- va, and islands to the

ma Called City Dead and Dying

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k Opper, American ing Co. correspondent, g the first group of to visit Hiroshima.

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THUR'S HEADQUAR- P)—Secretary of War and President Sergio of the Philippines mes- MacArthur warmest tions for the defeat of lauded his strategy.

STARVED PRISONERS—Gaunt and emaciated, but with new hope, Allied PWs, above, freed by mercy squadrons of the U.S. Navy at Amori near Yokohama, show the effects of bestial Jap treatment.

U.S. Navy Photos, Pacific Fleet

Yanks Shake Heads Over Jap Cars---But They Finally Run

By GORDON W. DAVIS

YOKOHAMA—It took a brigadier general, a line infantry company, MPs and armed guards to corral sedans, trucks and buses needed to convey officials to the docks Sunday.

The Japanese had promised they would have 800 cars waiting for us when we arrived at Atsugi Air Field, and they were there all right—but only 170 would run and as a result—"we're confiscating all abandoned Jap vehicles," announced Maj. Philip A. Sevenor, of the 8th Army Motor Pool. Armed guards and MPs patrolled the streets herding vehicles and driving them to the rapidly expanding motor pool. Eager GIs who had already put abandoned Fords, Chevvies and Plymouths into running condition also had them confiscated.

Tennerville Trolley

Line infantrymen of the 11th Airborne Div. turned into mechanics and the "know-how" acquired in the backyards of America and the war was quickly turned to good use. In two days 75 sedans and 113 trucks were charcoal burning buses driven by Japs were turned into "Tennerville Trolley" affairs and they're flow chugging every 20 minutes between GHQ and important downtown buildings.

Brig. Gen. Frank Dorn, artillery officer of the 11th Airborne Div., was put in charge because it took rank to say yes, no or maybe to such high brass as Generals Spaatz, Hodges, Wainwright, Richardson, Kenny, Blamey. Fenders often flapped and the cars sometimes had to be pushed but everyone took it in good grace.

GIs don't rate Jap vehicles too high and dislike driving them. The Japs often used alcohol made from potatoes as fuel and the cars cough along. The sedans are mainly American make but many have charcoal burners installed in the rear because of the gas shortage.

"We tried those charcoal burners but gave up," said Cpl. Michael Sorrentino, Baldwin, N. Y. "I don't know how the Japs run them—they're no damn good."

"There've been some pretty weird setups," was the reaction to Jap trucks by Cpl. Michael Oapostrohencone, Springfield, N. J. "A lot of them have no rods, or bearings, have bad radiators, leak, and lack starters, cranks or brakes. My folks back home, though, would weep if they saw the good tires they carry."

According to T/5 Jerome Fisher, Ashigo, Wis., the trucks carry a lot of spare parts. Only a few have lights but they carry carburetors, spark plugs, rings, and bodies are okay. "Wheels marked, "but that's all you can say for them."

Permission has been given to GIs to keep whatever abandoned bantam cars they can get running. Most of them are of German make and well constructed and it hasn't taken our men long to get them scooting around Yokohama streets.

That backyard training is paying off.

Marines Hit Rota Set For Anything But CB Welcome

GUAM (UP)—The first formal occupation of a by-passed surrendered Jap Pacific base occurred Tuesday as Marines landed on the beaches of tiny Rota Island in the Marianas.

By mid-afternoon they were well along with their job of evacuating 3,000 Jap garrison troops toward Guam.

The Ninth Marine Anti-Aircraft Battalion led by Lt. Col. Kenneth King, Maspeth, La., landed armed for anything.

They found a sign on a sugar refinery that read: "The 4th Seabees welcome the Marines to Rota."

Three days ago 35 Seabees surveyed the airfield, cleared mines from the harbor and set up a water system.

Marine Lt. Col. Gale T. Cummings, Beatrice, Neb., will be island commander and Lt. Cmdr. Frank J. Yokaw of Tucson, Ariz., will be military government officer.

Discharge Eyed By Jimmy Stewart

NEW YORK (AP)—Col. James Stewart of the AAF, nervous and bashful as in any of his movies, said he was not going to "coax the army to let me stay in."

The former film star, who has 121 discharge points, said he hoped they would entitle him to discharge, but he wasn't quite sure because he can't find out exactly what the policy is. He is anxious to get his old job back, explaining, "It will take a while to get ever camera shyness, and there's a lot of technique you forget, like any skill, again. I would like to make anything but a war picture."

The former star flew 26 missions and was overseas 22 months. He wears the DFC with cluster, the Air Medal with three clusters, six battle stars and a French medal.

AUSSIE BRIDES

SAN FRANCISCO (ANS)—The delay in providing transports to America for 7,000 Australian brides of U. S. servicemen may result in a sharp rise in the divorce rate of these couples, reports Charles K. Gamble, commissioner of Red Cross activities in the Southwest Pacific.

No Report Received On Lt. Col. Devereux

CHUNGKING (AP) — Authorities here said Monday they have received no word regarding Lt. Col. James Devereux, commander of the heroic Wake Island garrison, whose location has been the source of speculation since the Japanese surrender.

British Enter Singapore Bay

KANDY, Ceylon (AP)—British warships rode at anchor in the harbor of Singapore Tuesday for the first time in more than three and a half years, and occupation forces were expected to land and take over the once mighty naval base from the surrendering Japanese.

Triumphant entry of the British vessels was announced by the Southeast Asia Command, which said that landing forces would go ashore as soon as preliminary arrangements had been completed.

Leading the squadron into the bay was the cruiser Cleopatra, flying the flag of Adm. Sir Arthur Power, commander of the East Indies station.

She was accompanied by light fleet units, including a flotilla of mineswepers which had been engaged in clearing Malacca strait and the approaches to Singapore.

'Dead' Navy Flier's Wife Re-Married

OAKLAND, Calif. (ANS)—Mrs. Laurie Cales Bernstein who married an Army lieutenant last July after having been advised that her first husband, Lt. James Cales, Navy flier, had been killed in action, learned Tuesday that Cales has been found safe in a Japanese prison camp.

On July 9 she married Lt. Ethan Bernstein, wounded veteran of the European war.

Cales' name appeared on a list of men liberated by a special mission of the U.S. Third Fleet. Relatives notified her in Southern California where she was vacationing. The Caleses had been married a year before he entered the Navy.

Cales was reported missing last September. On May this year, the Navy officially reported him killed in action. Before her marriage to Bernstein, Mrs Cales received a purple Heart from the Navy and an account of Cales' last air combat "which resulted in loss of his life." His personal belongings came back from the carrier Hornet.

Two of Cales' shipmates visited his wife and told of seeing him shot into the sea. A chaplain wrote that Cales "flew bravely to the end."

She has a six-months-old son, James Cales, Jr. whom the flier has never seen.

It was not unusual for Paul Kruger, fabulous Boer president of the South African Republic, to ride seventy miles a day on a single horse.

Rubin' It In With Victory here, and a discharge from the Navy just around the corner, WAVE Freida Rubin, Chicago, flashed to a department store and tried on a glamorous hat. Looking enviously on is newly enlisted WAVE Bonita Hammack, Medford, Ore.

ANS-INP

GI Laundry Pfc. John Sweeney, Stamford, Conn., watches the two-tub washing machine invention of T/4 Clark. The two Jima plant consists of perforated oil drums, powered by a motor constructed of a wrecked Jap truck transmission and a Jap motorcycle differential.

Photo by Sgt. Chet Spink

Reconverted Now that the war is over, U.S. manufacturing plants are swiftly reconverting to civilian production. At a New Haven plant, Mary Piascik wires a new electric style drill, more powerful than the prewar drill.

ANS-Acme Photo

Well Done These four B-29 crew chiefs have sent their Superforts against Japan 214 times in the 8½ months the 73rd Bomb Wing on Saipan has been in operation. Only seven of these flights were abortive because of mechanical trouble. Maj. Raymond L. Ashley, maintenance officer, congratulates them on their record.

Photo by Col. Dave Lales

Victory Casualty Suffering from a broken leg received during a victory celebration at Wheeler Field, "Tramp" received first-aid treatment from his buddies, left to right, T/Sgt. Merle Gates, Pfc. Stanley Malinowski, Pfc. George Davis and M/Sgt. Clifton Jackson.

Photo by Cpl. Ernest "Flash" Stewart, AAF

All-Vet Shop Robert J. Greene, Tonawanda, N.Y., is shown turning an armature on a lathe. Greene, one of 35 honorably discharged veterans working in the all-veteran shop of Yule Industries at Quincy, Mass., was in the service for four years.

ANS-Wide World Photo

STATESIDE PAGE

U. S. Has A 12-18 Month Job Worry Until Factories Roll

WASHINGTON (AP)—The men who are responsible for pulling the nation out of war and into peace see anywhere from 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 out of jobs by spring. Reconversion Director Snyder himself sees perhaps 8,00,000.

But they say it doesn't need to be a national headache like the '30s. It can be just a 12 to 18-month worry until America's factories and farms are working to supply the peacetime needs.

Some will just about get the rest they need—two to four weeks—before the old factory whistle blows again. Some may still be on the job hunt by this time next year. At the bottom of the ladder? Nobody knows. "Full employment" is a will-o'-the-wisp that no one but dictators have tamed so far.

The Bright Side

Both the folks at home and the nations abroad are ready for a rush to the buying counter. At home, for example, we want almost six million mechanical refrigerators, over five million radios almost six million washing machines and so on.

Almost every nation in the world wants to buy here. Some will have to wait to get loans and credit. Some can put cash on the barrel head. Russia, it is generally believed, needs some six billion dollars worth of our goods as soon as she can get them. Industrialists from India have just been here trying to arrange for a billion dollars worth.

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Workers laid off this time won't be stone broke like they were in the '30s. Some will be broke, sure. But through the war savings accounts of individuals have jumped to $4 billion dollars. And individuals hold $9 billion dollars in war bonds.

Besides, there is unemployment compensation, which the man with the pink slip didn't have in 1933. It will pay $15 to $25 a week in different states, for 24 to 26 weeks. That should at least keep the food bill covered.

And unemployed veterans can get $20 a week for periods up to 52 weeks, depending on the time they served in the Army and Navy.

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But that money that's in the national savings kitty has the Washington experts worried. It could be spent on a spree. Men who don't look ahead over their heads could lose out.

Men could take their families on vacations and could visit relations, expecting to walk into a job when they get back.

Peace-happy women could run out stores and then, when shortages begin to hit the market, be too broke to buy up the new products of the factories.

Financial experts hope that everyone will without a job in this next 12 to 18 months will spend his savings carefully and understand that actually the need to pull together is just as severe now as it was the day after Pearl Harbor.

MARRIAGE INCREASE

WASHINGTON (ANS) — More marriage licenses were issued in the nation's larger cities last July than for any July in the last five years, the census bureau said. The number, 49,306, was 22.1 per cent greater than in the corresponding month last year.

The Dark Side

The War Manpower Commission figures that 6,200,000 war workers will be out of jobs in 60 days.

There are now 1,100,000 unemployed. And the Army will release some 7,000,000 men in the next 12 months.

That looks like it should add up to 14,300,000 unemployed by next summer.But it doesn't.

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First, probably up to 2,000,000 will drop out of the war-worker class—women, school-age workers and the older ones.

Second, millions will be trooping back to work by degrees as the factories switch around to peacetime goods. But will that switch take care of everyone? No one knows.

Employers have their headaches. Some will have to get their money out of terminated war contracts before they can take the plunge on new designs, materials and men.

Many will have to clear their floors of heavy machinery that turned out tanks and then scratch around for the lighter machines to turn out refrigerators, for example.

Many employers have designs ready to go, and many have their models tested. But some have had to work right up to the hilt for war.

Enoch Arden Case Taken To Court

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—Mrs. Ann Birdwell-Marshall, 19, wife of two men, goes to court Tuesday asking that her marriage to husband number two be annulled.

Meanwhile, she waited patiently for a reply to messages she has sent to S/Sgt. Gene Birdwell, her first husband, recently returned from a Japanese prison camp after almost a year in which he was presumed dead.

The pretty Ann married Birdwell's uncle, Jack Marshall, little more than two weeks ago and only 12 days before her first husband emerged a free man once again from Jap imprisonment.

In one message, she informed Birdwell of the mixup. A second one told him that she would seek to have her marriage to Marshall annulled.

Home Builders Rap U. S. Price Controls

WASHINGTON (ANS) — The National Association of Home Builders has asked its members to shower President Truman with protests against a plan for federal control of prices on new building and charged OPA and the National Housing Agency with wanting to clamp on restrictions "tighter than those exercised during the war."

Daffy-nitions

By Army News Service

Peter Donald, a radio comedian, offers these definitions of characters in the world of broadcasting:

Announcer: A fellow who will wrangle you till you have a sandwiche in the hope of selling a product to relieve it.

Comedian: The wit who reads 15 minutes a script that it a writer a week to compose who gets paid 20 times more

Joke writer: A guy who spends days proving there's nothing under the sun.

Sound effects man: An individual whose racket is raising

Sponsor: A man who figures, the heck, he'd have to pay money in taxes anyhow.

Female vocalist: A gal hired an expert who looked at shapely legs and exclaimed, "What a terrific voice!"

TRAINER TO TENOR — John Brooks McCormack, who started life as an animal trainer in the Asheville, N. C., zoo, is shown relaxing between appearances with the Cincinnati Summer Opera Co. "Sir Toby," the chimp, seems attached to the opera singer. McCormack will make his debut Oct. 10 with the Chicago Opera Co.

ANS-Acme Photo.

A, T & SF Still Song Leader

The nation's swing-and-swooners shook up their lineup of favorite songs last week, although the No. 1 tune stayed put.

"On the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe" held a full throttle to lead the pack, but last week's fourth-place number, "If I Loved You," moved into the runner-up spot.

Surprise of the week was "Till the End of Time," in third place, which until last week hadn't even made the "10 best" team.

American Legion Open To Vets Of This War

OKLAHOMA CITY (ANS) — National Commander Edward M. Scheberling of the American Legion declared that the 12,000,000 members of the armed forces are eligible for immediate membership in the Legion.

Scheberling said the new eligibility of men and women still in uniform went into effect with the Japanese signing of Allied surrender terms.

More than 500,000 World War II veterans joined the Legion this year.

Many of them, Scheberling said, were organizing their own posts and many have become leaders in the organization.

Labor Day Takes Toll Of 352 Lives

BY ARMY NEWS SERVICE

America's first peacetime holiday since 1941 brought tragedy as well as celebration. At least 352 deaths were counted as the Labor Day observance came to an end. Two hundred and four persons were killed in traffic. There were 34 drownings and 90 fatalities from miscellaneous causes.

Illinois reported the highest state toll with 36 deaths.

200,000 See Elks' Bond Rally In Philly

PHILADELPHIA (ANS)—Circus-like color and noise returned old peacetime scenes to Philadelphia's streets as the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks staged the largest fraternal demonstration in 10 years to pace the city's Victory Bond rally.

A crowd of 200,000 lined downtown thoroughfares as the mammoth parade marched to the swingtime music of 39 Negro bands.

Coast-To-Coast

CHICAGO — Police threw a dragnet over Chicago and nearby states in a hunt for a gunman who killed Detectives George Hellstern and Charles Brady two blocks from a police station in the Rogers Park district.

DES MOINES—Governor Robert D. Blue ordered the suspension of O. S. Von Krog as superintendent of the Eldora (Ia.) training school for boys after more than 200 youths escaped during riots last week.

HOLLYWOOD—Jose Rubio, 65, retired Manila businessman, killed himself in despondency over financial losses caused by Japanese occupation of the Philippines.

NEW YORK — Eighteen civilians, including three women, were rescued by the submarine Skip Jack after they had been adrift for 33 hours in a disabled fishing boat off Montauk Point, L. I.

BOULDER CITY, Nev.—Opened for the first time since Pearl Harbor, the Boulder Dam sightseeing area was visited by a prewar volume of tourists over the Labor Day week-end.

CINCINNATI—Charles Gibbs, 54, Chicago restaurant worker, was charged with murder after police said he admitted shooting to death Henry F. Smith, wealthy 66-year-old Cincinnati business executive whom Gibba accused of "breaking up my home."

TOPSFIELD, Mass. — Five persons were seriously injured when a midget racing automobile went out of control and crashed into the grandstand, sending several thousand spectators scrambling for safety.

NEW YORK—Eight transports and a hospital ship docked with more than 10,000 men from Europe and Africa, including 777 members of China's air force.

WASHINGTON—Senator Owen Brewster (R-Me.) charged that while millions were looking for work, farm jobs were going begging or were being filled by German prisoners of war.

PASADENA, Calif.—Associate Justice Walton J. Wood, 67, of the district court of appeals, died after a brief illness.

NEW YORK—Mrs. Louis S. Davis, 83, mother of Elmer Davis, director of the office of war information, died after a long illness.

LONG STRETCH — Getting their share of New York's late summer sunshine are three members of the large giraffe family in the Central Park zoo—always accomodating for the cameramen.

ANS-Wide World Photo.

Air Flivvers Make Debut

NEW YORK (ANS)—There are at least six plane models suitable for private flying which are now on the market or will be shortly.

The models are, the "Champion," fresh off the Aeronca assembly line, which has a cruising speed of 90 miles per hour and is priced at about $2,000; Taylorcraft's Model 15, a four passenger plane, priced at about $4,000; the "Rocket," which has a cruising speed of 185 miles per hour and is a three passenger plane priced at $3,000; the "Seabee," four-passenger amphibian with a cruising speed of 100 miles per hour, equipped with two-way radio, costing $3,500; the "Aircoupe," a stall-proof, spin-proof and fool-proof plane, the price of which has not been listed and the "Skycycle" made by Piper Cub, which is a one-seater priced at $900.

Army Radio Programs Are Going Off The Air

NEW YORK (ANS)—The magazine "Broadcasting" said that most of the armed service radio programs will be closed down shortly.

"Army Hour," is one that is undecided about its continuance. "Assignment Home" goes off CBS in middle of this month. "Our Army Services Forces" and "Weapons For Victory" are making their last bow within the next week.

"Service To The Front," is doubtful. Apart from the shows being at the end of their useful-ness, most of these shows were put on with the help of men who now have sufficient points to get out of the Army—and do the same work for cash.

Ford Expects Output Of 80,000 Cars In '45

DETROIT (ANS)—The Ford Motor Co. plans to produce more than 80,000 passenger automobiles and sharply increase its truck schedule during the final months of 1945, Henry Ford II, executive vice president of the company said.

"Ford should reach its low point unemployment within the next 10 days and thereafter jobs should increase steadily until peak production is reached early in 1946," Ford said.

WHOPPER TOPPER—This turban of black felt is one of the Welcome Home hats designed by Lilly Dache.

ANS-Acme Photo

Dick Tracy

Courtesy Chi. Trib.—N. Y. News Syndicate Inc., distributed through CNS

By Gould

Cubs Win 2 As Pirates Thump Cards Twice

Parker Beats Bill Talbert In Nationals

FOREST HILLS, N. Y. (ANS)—Sgt. Frankie Parker ended his 10,000-mile journey from Guam triumphantly Monday when he defeated Billy Talbert, 14-12, 6-1, 6-2 to retain his National Amateur singles tennis crown.

Talbert tore a ligament in his knee Sunday in his semi-final match with Pancho Segura and could not cover court. Parker made no attempt to take advantage of his opponent's handicap in the first set and it dragged to 26 games.

After the opening set, which consumed an hour and ten minutes, Parker, who beat Talbert last year for the title, opened up and even Talbert in top shape could not have touched his amazingly accurate backhand and tantalizing cross court drive shots that the tanned AAF Sergeant roared to victory by slamming through Talbert's service three times to take the second set and twice more in the third to clinch the crown for the second successive year.

A short time before Parker's victory, Louise Brough and Margaret Osborne won the National Women's doubles championship for the third straight year by knocking off Pauline Betz and Doris Hart, 6-4, 6-4.

After Sunday's marathon start with a 15-10, 8-10, 12-10, 6-1 victory for Lt. Gardnar Mulloy and Talbert over AAC Bobby Falkenberg and Seaman Jack Tuero.

Tobin Stars As Detroit Gains Game

NEW YORK (UP)—Jim Tobin's nothing ball and home run hitting pulled the Detroit Tigers into a two game American league lead Monday. Tobin's eighth-inning two-run homer gave the Tigers a 6-5 victory over the Chicago White Sox after they had won the opener by an identical score.

Tobin relieved Al Benton in the first inning of the nightcap and stopped the Sox until the eighth when they squeezed across one run. The big righthander made up for the lapse with his game winning homer.

Tommy Bridges, making his first start since his discharge from the Army, got credit for the first game from George Caster as another discharger, Luke Appling, clouted a home run in the eighth.

Nats Skid

Washington fell another game off the pace when Vic Johnson pitched the Boston Red Sox to an 11-1 victory in the second game of their twin bill. The Nats captured the loosely played opener, 11-5.

The Senators climbed the opener in the fourth when they kayoed rapped Ferriss, Barrett, Heflin, and O'Neil for 14 hits while the Sox committed five boots.

The St. Louis Browns opened their belated September drive for the flag by capturing a double-header from the Cleveland Indians, 6-3 and 5-4.

Hayworth Doubles

Myron Hayworth's double in the sixth with the bases packed was the clincher in the opener. Three of the Brownie runs were unearned and they socked three Tribe pitchers for 12 hits.

Rookie Al LaMacchia replaced Tex Shirley in the eighth inning of the second game and was credited with the win. George McQuinn's double and Frank Macuso's single scored the winning run in the tenth off Steve Gromek.

Charley Keller and Nick Etten slugged the New York Yankees to twin victories over the Philadelphia Athletics, 4-1 and 7-6, to pace into the league leaders.

Etten doubled in the seventh of the opener with socks foll to break the year, folded on the final hole for a 68 that gave him 269 and a tie for second place with air line pilot Johnny Bulla, who came in with a 69.

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Jimmy Hines was in fourth place with a 67 for a 270 aggregate.

Hogan collected $2,000 in War Bonds for his victory, while Nelson and Bulla each earned $1,200 after splitting second and third money.

Two Records Tied By St. Paul Star

ST. PAUL (ANS)—Bill Hart, St. Paul shortstop, tied two all-time American Association records when he hit four home runs as St. Paul defeated Minneapolis, 16-1, in the first game of a doubleheader Monday.

Monday's Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York, 4-7; Philadelphia, 1-4.
Washington, 11-4; Boston, 5-8.
St. Louis, 6-5; Cleveland, 3-4.
Detroit, 6-4; Chicago, 5-5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York, 3-5; Philadelphia, 2-4.
Brooklyn, 4-4; Boston, 6-3.
Chicago, 7-7; Cincinnati, 2-1.
Pittsburgh, 4-6; St. Louis, 5-2.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
Jersey City, 11-1; Newark, 0-4.
Toronto, 3-5; Rochester, 1-1.
Buffalo, 4-10; Montreal, 3-1.
Baltimore, 3-12; Syracuse, 2-5.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
St. Paul, 16-11; Minneapolis, 1-12.
Milwaukee, 11-5; Kansas City, 3-7.
Indianapolis, 4; Louisville, 5.
Columbus, 3; Toledo, 1.

EASTERN LEAGUE
Albany, 7-7; Binghamton, 2-4.
Wilkes-Barre, 2-6; Scranton, 1-3.
Elmira, 4-6; Williamsport, 3-13.
Utica, 8-9; Binghamton, 0-1.

Newhouser Examines X-Rays Of Back, Rib

DETROIT (ANS)—Hal Newhouser, ace pitcher of the stumbling Detroit Tigers, studied X-rays of his rib and back Monday with Dr. Raymond Forsyth, the club trainer, to find out if he will have to desert his league-leading teammates for a hospital bed.

Newhouser originally planned to enter the Henry Ford Hospital, but he was informed this morning that the hospital was so crowded it could take only emergency cases.

SOME CHAMP—Regarded as one of the most spectacular of the younger swimmers is 14-year-old Anita Lhoest, who was the 1944 Far Western junior backstroke and breaststroke champion.

Hogan Wins Nashville Open, Nelson, Bulla Tie For Second

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (ANS)—Ben Hogan returned to golfing gold and glory Monday, winning the Nashville Open with a 265.

The former AAF lieutenant, playing his third comeback event of the season, blazed in with a final round of 66, five under par, to win by four strokes.

Byron Nelson, seeking his seventeenth major victory of the year, folded on the final hole for a 68 that gave him 269 and a tie for second place with air line pilot Johnny Bulla, who came in with a 69.

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Two American Women's Swim Records Broken

SAN FRANCISCO (ANS)—Two American women's swimming records were smashed Monday in the finals of the Far Western AAU championships.

Blenda Helser broke her second record in two days when she won the women's 200-meter freestyle in 2:28.2. The former mark was 2:30.9, set by her teammate, Nancy Merki.

The other new mark was the 100-meter women's backstroke as Barbara Jensen checked in with a 1:16.8 to smash the mark of 1:17.1, set by Gloria Callen in 1943.

POLLI HURLS NO HITTER

NEWARK (ANS)—Cirp Polli, 42-year-old pitcher, hurled the best game of his life Monday, an 11-0 no-hitter for the Jersey City Giants which broke a 14-game Newark winning streak. The three men who reached base drew passes and one was retired on a double play.

Reds Again Play Stooge For Chicago

NEW YORK (UP)—The Chicago Cubs welcomed their favorite ball team, the Cincinnati Reds, to town with twin trounsings to extend their lead to four games as the St. Louis Cards were being dumped twice by the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Paul Derringer held the Reds to seven hits and his mates gave him a fat five-run lead in the first on Andy Pafko's grand slam homer.

The Reds touched Hank Wyse for three hits in the first, but Hy Vandenberg came on and hurled six-hit ball the rest of the way. Bill Nicholson homered with one aboard in the Cubs' half of the first and they bunched five runs in the seventh to settle matters.

Hit Four Homers

Four home runs—two by Bill Salkeld—gave the Pirates the first game of their doubleheader with the Cards, 6-5, and a five-run first inning attack carried the Bucs to a 6-2 victory in the second.

Elwin Roe was the first game winner and Fritz Ostermueller was given credit for the second triumph.

The New York Giants passed the 1,000,000 mark in attendance and celebrated by taking the cellar dwelling Philadelphia Phils, 3-2 and 9-0.

Mel Ott's twenty-first homer off Kewpie Dick Barrett featured Harry Feldman's eleventh victory in the opener. He allowed only six hits.

Sal Maglie had no difficulty blanking the Phils in the afterpiece, allowing six hits while the Giants belted Curvey Sproull and Rene Monteagudo for 13 hits.

Seals Labors

Labor day was really Labor day for Tom Seats and he won both games as the Brooklyn Dodgers beat the Boston Braves, 4-0 and 4-3.

Seats blanked the Braves with one six hit-ba the first game and then returned as a relief hurler in the nightcap to be credited with this second victory of the afternoon.

The Blade gave Tom four runs in the opener and held all he needed.

Pitchers for the Braves gave the Dodgers the afterpiece. The Dodgers tied the score in the ninth and in the tenth Dixie Walker scored on Olmo's single.

ATLANTA (ANS) — Georgia Tech has a football player who is a relative play-boy. He is Howard Gossett, candidate for this year's varsity.

Tech's doctors told Gossett that he would have to lose some of his 275 pounds before he could play. The big fellow dieted for two months and lost nine inches of girth in time to make summer practice sessions.

STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Detroit	72	54	.571	
Washington	72	56	.564	1
St. Louis	67	58	.536	4½
New York	67	58	.536	4½
Cleveland	64	65	.496	10½
Chicago	61	68	.473	13½
Boston	61	68	.469	13
Philadelphia	52	76	.406	21½

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	77	47	.621	
St. Louis	76	52	.594	4
Brooklyn	71	55	.564	8
New York	71	58	.550	9½
Pittsburgh	57	72	.442	23½
Boston	57	72	.442	23½
Cincinnati	49	80	.380	31
Philadelphia	42	86	.328	36½

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	Pct.
Milwaukee	86	59	.593
Indianapolis	82	66	.554
Louisville	72	65	.511
Toledo	71	67	.514
Minneapolis	66	77	.462
Columbus	60	81	.426
Kansas City	59	85	.410

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Montreal	81	70	.415
Newark	78	66	.565
Toronto	73	65	.529
Baltimore	72	65	.526
Jersey City	61	82	.427
Buffalo	60	82	.418
Rochester	59	83	.415
Syracuse	57	83	.407

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	Pct.
Atlanta	85	61	.574
Chattanooga	82	66	.554
Mobile	76	67	.530
New Orleans	64	68	.485
Memphis	63	78	.402
Birmingham	53	76	.372
Nashville	46	82	.348

Lippy Leo Guessed Right On Hal Gregg

By FRANK ECK
Associated Press Sports Writer

BROOKLYN — Leo Durocher chuckles every time Hal Gregg wins a game for the Brooklyn Dodgers. It was Lippy who predicted Gregg would become a better pitcher than Hal Voiselle, the six-foot-four hurler who won 21 games as a freshman with the Giants last season.

"Right now Gregg is one of the best pitchers in the National League," said Manager Durocher.

"I always contended that Gregg would be greater than Voiselle. It looks like that has finally arrived. He has learned to control his curve and is a fine competitor."

Until Gregg, a six-foot-2½-inch right hander from Anaheim, Calif., ran afoul of the champion St. Louis Cardinals, he had put together a brilliant string of 44 innings during which he yielded only one earned run. His record showed 15 victories and six losses. The Cards beat him 3-6.

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Chiang Grants Equal Rights To All; Private Armies Out

CHUNGKING (UP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek announced at conclusion of a series of conferences with Mao Tze Tung that all political parties will enjoy equal rights in postwar China in the interest of national unity, but that private armies must be abolished.

Chiang, delivering a Victory Day statement to his celebrating people, offered to absorb the Chinese Communist armed forces into the National army, without discrimination, "if they submit to reorganization by the government and obey all military orders."

To Promulgate Law

He said the government had decided to "promulgate a law to facilitate political assembly and organization, so that people may have freedom of association and all political parties may abide by the same rules and enjoy the same legalized status."

"National unity," he said, "is an absolute requirement of modern states.

"There should be no private army within the country's boundaries, nor should armed forces be kept by any political party. I solemnly state that all armed forces, if they submit to reorganization by the government and obey all military orders, shall receive the same treatment without discrimination."

Conferences between Kuo Ming Tang and Communist representatives continued after the Chiang-Mao meetings.

(There was no immediate indication whether Chiang and Mao would hold further conferences.)

Liquor Buyers Empty Shelves

By SGT. BUCK BUCHWACH
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Honolulu, both its civilian and military segments, woke up with a rip-roaring headache Tuesday after an alcoholic V-J week-end. Police were swamped by calls Monday night, MPs and SPs reporting more than a thousand calls while Honolulu police said they had 500 more. The trouble ranging from plain intoxication to fights and attempted suicide.

The situation was intensified because servicemen, for the first time since the beginning of the war were permitted to buy liquor by the bottle.

Just Over-Indulged

Col. Alvin H. Moore, CPBC provost marshal, said that the Army arrested 68 drunks but that "nothing of major consequence" was involved. "The boys happened to be in town at the conclusion of the V-J parade, they could buy packaged liquor for the first time in three years, and they just over-indulged," he said.

Not all liquor stores were open Monday, but such ones as were doing business had their shelves cleared of Stateside blended whiskey, mainland gin and brandy along with it as servicemen lined up to make their first purchases.

Dealers said, however, that wholesalers had more on hand, and that deliveries would be made to retail stores in time to meet the expected demand Tuesday.

Line Up Early

Most downtown Honolulu stores had lines from half a block to two blocks long at opening time in the morning. Out toward the residential districts, stores reported a substantial increase in business but no overflow. There were some reports of civilians buying case lots, fearful of a shortage, but dealers said they thought a "generous" supply would still be available. Some downtown establishments set up a rationing system of their own, limiting servicemen to one bottle. Others permitted unlimited purchases.

While they looked for a continuous supply of blended whisky, dealers said that no straight bourbon or Scotch was expected in Hawaii for the next three years.

Do Better Next Time, Japs Say

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they are vanquished people, our efforts to re-educate them to democratic ways may be in vain.

Should We Be Polite?

Our present policy of politeness and respect for the individual's property and security of person while admirable, is tending to confirm the Japanese belief that they have not been conquered. After all, the Japanese are well aware how they themselves behave as conquerors—and the Japanese believe there is no more perfect standard of conduct than their own.

By preserving the emperor we have saved thousands—perhaps millions of lives and guaranteed a quiet and uneventful occupation.

But the Japanese pseudo-religion—Shinto—teaches them the whole world shall be under Nippon's banner ("eight corners under one roof") and shall be ruled "by a line of emperors unbroken for ages eternal."

Report Chinese Beat Japs In Hong Kong

LONDON (AP)—A Canadian press dispatch from Hong Kong Monday said a Chinese crowd beat armed Japanese soldiers to death in the streets of that British crown colony Thursday when the first British occupation forces landed.

GI Education To Start Soon

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of pre-trained military personnel from both officer and EM ranks. Educational advisors will be available to consult with the men about their schooling problems."

Approximately 1,500,000 texts are on hand, en route, or have been requisitioned, together with tests, instructor course outlines and related instructional materials.

The basic directive for AEP has been published and distributed to unit I-E officers. Supplements containing additional information are also being sent.

"The importance which servicemen within our command attach to education is attested by the current monthly enrollment in individual study courses through the Central Pacific Branch of USAFI," the spokesman concluded. "The July enrollment of more than 16,000 was the largest of any institute branch in the world."

3,000 IN JULY CLASSES

Nearly 3,000 soldiers in MidPac participated in off-duty study classes during July, MidPac Hq. has announced, with 251 instructors holding 356 classes in a variety of subjects.

Taft Asks Congress To Probe P. H. Debacle

WASHINGTON (UP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O.) Monday called for a congressional investigation of the Pearl Harbor catastrophe to fix definite responsibility "for the greatest disaster in our history."

He said that the public should be allowed to read the full transcripts of testimony recorded at hearings by the Army and Navy courts of inquiry.

Plants Grow Amidst Devastated Nagasaki

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Scientists from the Kyushu imperial university reported that plants have begun to grow again in Nagasaki in the midst of the devastation caused by the atomic bombing there Aug. 9.

EX-PW GREETED—Maj. Gregory (Pappy) Boyington, Marine Corps ace who was reported missing for 16 months, is greeted by Comdr. Harold R. Stassen, right, following the major's rescue from a Jap prison hospital.
U.S. Navy Photos, Pacific Fleet

Final Gangplank Walk Puts Special Gleam In GI Eyes

By T/3 JOE FISHER
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Call it "Stateside eyes," or whatever you want, but there's a special look that gets into a GI's face when he finally gets to the point of going up the gangplank on the way home.

We watched the converted luxury liner Matsonia as she was being loaded with 85-pointers.

What a beautiful sight!

They All Have It

There was that stateside gleam in every eye as high-point men plus a few headed for furloughs piled out of the trucks, hoisted their duffel bags and filed up the gangplank. They had just come in from the Fort Kam CPBC Personnel Center, which was for most of them the last station before that gateway to heaven, the separation center.

Just as he started up the gangplank we asked M/Sgt. John J. Cruski, Waterville, Conn., how he felt at this point in his Army career. "Pretty damn fine, m'boy, pretty damn fine," he answered. "I'm going in the right direction at last."

Cpl. Ralph Carlucci, New York City, piped in, "Ain't that the truth. But things'll look even better from up on that deck there."

Stand And Grin

Others simply stood and grinned when we attempted to talk with them.

Rock-happy T/4 Dale E. Wagner, Biglerville, Pa., has his postwar plan all figured out. "I'm going to California, sit in the sun and watch the world pass in review, pass in review, pass in review."

Glancing down at the Brooklyn baggage tag on his duffel bag, Sgt. Pasquale Moretti broke down and confessed that Flatbush would look pretty good to him, even though the Dodgers weren't doing so hot. "I never wanted anything more in my life than to get back to that old plumbing job of mine," he said.

We went aboard. Someone gave us a Matson Line booklet describing life on board. Among other things we read, "Boullion or sherbet, according to weather, served on deck between 10 and 11 a.m.; afternoon tea at 4 o'clock on deck or in lounge."

Not bad, we thought. Still, nothing's too good for our boys.

On another page we read, "After dinner, the cinema . . . after the cinema, the night club—so it would be ashore, so it is on your 'city afloat.'"

When we came to the part about valets, bell-boys and the cocktail hour in the bar, we knew there must be some mistake. All this and home too—that couldn't be.

The booklet, of course, was describing what it would be like on the Matsonia as soon as she finishes transporting troops and returns to her peacetime pineapple run.

But, even so, it wasn't completely off the beam as Pfc. Elmo Johnson, East Bernstadt, Ky., pointed out to us. "I left Frisco in December, 1941, on this same ship—just after she had been painted wartime gray," he said. "And she's a good ship—plenty of space as transports go, good chow, rides easy."

We asked one of the Navy gun crewmen how he liked ferrying the Army around. To our surprise he answered, "Rather haul soldiers than anybody else. Soldiers don't give us any trouble. Whenever sailors come aboard, they think they're at home and want to take over completely. Civilians are just too damn messy and dirty."

VIENNA (AP)—Joseph Ackerman, a former brigadier in Adolf Hitler's brownshirted storm troopers and described as a "dangerous party man," has been arrested by American troops in a remote mountain town near Selzburg.

Mid Pac Ch Believes Ja Will Obey U.

"I think that the Jap people live up to the points outlined the terms of the surrender," Gen. Robert C. Richardson, J. CG, MidPac, told The Stars a Stripes Monday as he returne to Oahu after witnessing the signing of the unconditional su render in Tokyo Bay as guest Gen. MacArthur. He also told conditions under which civilians in Tokyo and Yokohama are living.

"The Jap emissaries seemed docile as the negotiations were conducted aboard the USS Missouri," the general declared after alighting from his plane at John Rodgers Airport.

"Tokyo and Yokohama are 'ghost towns,' with 80 per cent of the cities completely destroyed," he continued.

"There is no life to speak of at all. The inhabitants are living on the outskirts of the cities in corrugated iron or tin shacks. The whole impression left is one of utter poverty. Many are almost ragged."

No Enmity Shown

The MidPac commander said that the Japanese population showed no enmity toward our troops as they entered the island empire to occupy the region.

The general's plane, "Swift Arrow," carrying three stars on its nose and the MidPac patch on its side, left Atsugi Airdrome, 20 miles from Tokyo, Saturday. Lt. Col. Allerton Miller, an aide of the CG, and Cpl. Ray Hull, orderly, also were on the converted B-24.

Speaking further of the surrender signing aboard the American warship, Gen. Richardson said, "The ceremony in Tokyo Bay was about as impressive as one could imagine, and represents a high point in historic events of our country.

"Gen. MacArthur conducted the sessions with great dignity in a manner which would make any American proud."

Three EM, engineers of the plane's crew, told of things they had observed on the flight.

"We flew over Tokyo where office buildings looked good from the outside but are all burned out inside," declared Cpl. Alexander Campbell of Miami. "Vehicles are yours for the asking—if you can get them to run—so we grabbed a '38 Dodge and went into Yokohama. It was like a burned out junk yard."

T/Sgt. Tom E. Nance of Amarillo, Tex., said that Atsugi Airdrome is still in bad shape as a result of Allied bombing.

"The Army engineers haven't started to work on it as yet," he stated. "The civilians showed no hostility toward us in town and we ran into plenty of bowing and saluting."

T/Sgt. Roger Taillon of Brooklyn told of visiting an underground airplane factory near the airfield.

"Every plane there was wrecked," he declared. "We didn't know if the Japs did it themselves or if it was our doing. We saw Gen. Wainwright, too. He looked pretty worn out from the strain."

Announces Candidacy

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Ezequiel Padilla, who resigned recently as foreign minister, tossed his hat into the ring as a candidate for president of Mexico.

Thimble Theater

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Canada Bares Red Spy Ring Details

Cops Flay Crowd In Egypt

CAIRO, (UP)—United Press dispatches from Alexandria yesterday said 10 persons were killed and 170 were injured in clashes between anti-British rioters and the authorities. Another report said two British policemen were killed.

CAIRO, (UP) — A police baton charge yesterday dispersed 300 anti-British demonstrators in Khedhive Ismail Square, scene of the fatalities during the 21 February riotin.

The demonstrators, mostly workers, shouted "Down With England" and "Evacuation or Revolution" as they fled.

Tightest Strike

The demonstration was held as the tightest general strike in Egypt's history closed schools, factories, transport services, newspapers and courts in the "day of mourning" for the Egyptians killed Feb. 21.

Cairo was placed "out of bounds" for British troops all day and Egyptian army and police reinforcements were ordered as precautionary measures. Mobile Egyptian Army units patrolled the city and suburbs to prevent crowds from gathering and as a precaution against violence.

Consul Hearings

The Anglo-American inquiry commission on the Palestine question cancelled hearings because of the strike. It will resume hearings today.

Dispatches from Alexandria reported that students at the Farouk University burned the British flag and fed English textbooks into a bonfire in the contest of the campus during an anti-British demonstration.

In Cairo, student groups passed a declaration urging all Egyptian leaders to unite in their demands for immediate British evacuation of Egyptian and union with Sudan.

New Regular Navy Manpower Data

Since the surrender of Japan through 20 Feb., regular Navy first enlistments, transfers to the regular Navy and reenlistments and extensions total 154,390. For the period 14 Feb. through 20 Feb., there were 6238 first enlistments in the regulars, 2715 transfers and 834 reenlistments and extensions.

If you have been through the hard war years with the Navy why not stay and see what the peacetime regular Navy has to offer. Talk it over with your recruiting officer.

Plans Made On Manchuria

CHUNGKING, (AP)—Chinese asserted last night that Russian troops in Manchuria have been doubled since the fall of Japan.

CHUNGKING, (AP)—The Koumintang party in plenary session cleared the decks for a full discussion of the Manchurian situation.

The conservative China Times quoting diplomatic sources said there was no chance for formal negotiations between China and Russia on economic cooperation before the Russians get out of Manchuria.

It also was learned the Kuomintang had some stormy sessions during which some members demanded the resignation of foreign minister Wang Shih Chueh.

Those accounts said the demands were not based however on his role in signing the Chinese-Russian treaty but because his critics thought he had been too conciliatory to other parties.

Crowds In Fulton

FULTON, Mo., (AP)—Over 4,000 persons already have arrived in Fulton as the vanguard of the many thousands expected to welcome President Harry Truman and former Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain.

Election Fracas

Two dead, eight wounded was the toll when rival factions clashed in the Argentine presidential election. (AP Photo)

Britain Bristles As Russia Holds Troops In Iran

LONDON, (UP) — The Soviet-Iranian crisis appeared headed for a quick showdown yesterday.

High Iranian sources in London revealed the premier of Iran, Ghavam Sultaneh, who is now in Moscow, has submitted a formal protest against Russia's decision to retain troops in Iran in violation of the Soviet pledge to withdraw by Mar.2.

British Ask Why

Simultaneously, the British government asked Russia to explain why Red Army troops are remaining in northwest Iran.

(In Washington, the State Department said it was watching the Iranian developements "very closely." The department indicated it would take action upon receipt of Iran's notice regarding its attitude toward the Russian refusal to withdraw from Iran.)

Predicts War III

(In New York, the Daily News' columnist, Danton Walker, said that according to the "hottest diplomatic rumor" in Washington, World War III would be touched off in April or May "when Russia moves in on Turkey and Britain comes to Turkey's defense.")

The London Evening News diplomatic correspondent said Russia has informed the Iranian premier the Red troops would not be withdrawn until Iran grants five Soviet demands, including oil concessions and recognition of the Soviet-backed autonomous government of Azerbaijan.

Radio Ankara reported from Teheran that Russia's failure to withdraw all her forces from Iran "was unfavorably received" there.

The report said it was generally believed in Iran now that Premier Ghavam's mission in Moscow had not been successful.

No Reply From Soviet

A British Foreign Office spokesman said instructions had been sent to the British charge d'affairs to make inquiries on all aspects of the situation in Iran. He added that so far no official Soviet communication from Moscow regarding Iran has reached the British government.

An official Turkish spokesman in London called the Soviet decision to keep troops in northern Iran near the Turkish border "disappointing and regrettable."

Calls On U. S. For Help

WASHINGTON, (UP) — Iranian Ambassador Hussein Ala called on Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and asked the U. S. to protect Iran against Russia's failure to withdraw her troops from Iran.

He emphasized, however, that he was acting on his own initiative and that he had not had specific instructions from the Teheran government from which he had not heard since March 2.

Continue Search For Cure Of "Q" Fever

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Undaunted by the fact that its laboratory workers are falling victim to the disease, the U. S. Public Health Service is vigorously hunting a cure for "Q" fever, a strange type of pneumonia which does not respond to conventional treatment.

Interrupted research has been resumed after 22 laboratory workers were striken, with five in hospitals and one 70-year-old elevator operator, is near death. Other new cases are "suspected"; among the 100 employes.

Ash Wednesday

At PhilSeaFron chapel—Catholic: Mass at 0645; Stations to the Cross and Benediction at 1830. Protestant: Communion at 0715.

Scrapping Will Start Today

MANILA, (UP) — Hundreds of millions of dollars worth of obsolete or unserviceable military equipment will be junked—demilitarized—begining immediately, it was learned yesterday.

It was assumed the UNO through the State Dept. had been fully informed of the move, high Army officers said.

A Cross Section

The items include a cross section in ordnance from obsolete 1914 machine guns to cast iron anchors; from light tanks to 20 mm and 40 mm automatic guns. Chemical Warfare, Engineer and Signal will come in for their share of military type items to be scrapped.

Much of the equipment to be demilitarized will be dumped into the China Sea. It was pointed out dumping of the equipment will save much expense.

Some To U. S.

All new and serviceable excess civilian type items will be returned to the U. S. provided the FLC does not sell the items within "a reasonable time."

The AFWESPAC order said that rehabilitation of Philipine economy was a major item to be considered. "No vehicles, clothing or foodstuffs, which can be sold in this theater, will be returned to the U. S."

Claims Pro-Nazis Active in Ruhr

BERLIN, (UP)—The deputy leader of the Communist party in Berlin, Welter Ulbricht, has charged three western zones are still supporting "all old Fascist forms of economic organization."

Ulbricht, who spoke at the meeting of 1,000 Berlin communist functionaries criticized the fact that many German pro-Nazis have been retained in important positions in the Ruhr and attacked the French plan to internationalize the Ruhr as cosponsored by "German imperialists."

Truman Endorses British Loan

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Truman has renewed his endorsement of the proposed $3,750,000,000 British loan, calling it "good business."

The Pres. declared "before the war, the British people were the largest single foreign customer for American goods." But during the war, he continued, Britain, because of lack of dollars, was forced to restrict trade mainly to the Empire and to countries tied to the pound sterling.

"Now the war is over," he went on "we want to do business with Britain and Britain wants to do business with us. With this loan Britain will be able and has agreed to abolish barriers that block out mutual trade."

U. S. Troop Movements Sought

OTTAWA, (AP)—A Canadian Royal Commission on espionage has charged that Russia ordered its Military Attache in Ottawa to obtain particulars about the atomic bomb and "samples of Uranium-235" and also to seek out details of American troop movements and locations.

A 3,000-word report, released by Prime Minister Mackenzie King—a recent target of Moscow because of his revelations about espionage in Canada—declared that Moscow also demanded that its tall, handsome and popular military attache, Col. Nicoli Zabotin, obtain information about radar, "electronic shells used by the American Navy," and virtually the whole range of scientific research for war.

Recalled In December

Zabotin was recalled in December. The exposure of the spy ring, which Moscow asserted obtained only a trifling of "unimportant" secrets, has caused a tense diplomatic atmosphere between the two countries.

The Royal Commission named three Canadian government employes and a Britisher, Miss Kathleen Mary Willshire, as involved in the spy ring. All were charged with conspiracy to violate official secrets legislation. The maximum penalty they face is seven years' imprisonment.

Had Access To Documents

Miss Willshire, 41, was deputy registrar in the office of Malcolm MacDonald, United Kingdom High Commissioner to Canada, where she had access to secret documents passing between Canada and Britain.

A second woman arrested, Mrs. Emma Woikin, was a cipher clerk in the foreign office. She pleaded guilty, while Miss Willshire and the two men named—Capt. Gordon Lunan and Edward W. Mazerall—entered no pleas. Nine others have not been named.

Gouzenko Gave Info

The commission disclosed Igor Gouzenko, a former cipher clerk in the Soviet Military Attache's office here, gave the commission much of its information including original documents "the authenticity of which we accept." He is held under heavy protection.

Altogether the report listed 17 categories of information which continued the whole range of scientific research for war.

Courier Sent To Ask Indonesian Confab

BATAVIA, (UP)—British authorities have dispatched a military courier to the interior of Java to induce Dr. I. R. Sukarno, Indonesian president, to come to Batavia for a conference with Dutch Lieut. Gov. H. J. van Mook and special British envoy Sir Archibald Clark Kerr.

Simultaneously, Premier Sutan Sjahrir announced he will be prepared to negotiate for "complete Indonesian independence" soon after he completes his new coalition cabinet.

Navy vs Cooks

SEATTLE, (AP)—The steamship Cape Victory which was due to sail Sunday for Manila for military passengers was still in port Monday because of a dispute between the Navy and the Marine Cooks and Stewards Association.

Writer Finds Pearl Harbor Data A Monumental, 'Literary Flop'

Hears Navy's Top Secret Secrets

By Frederick C. Othman

WASHINGTON, (U.P.)—It pains me to report today that one of the most monumental books ever wrought by man, the record of Congress' Pearl Harbor probe, is a literary floperoo.

The authors still are writing it and may get to the exciting part later. As of now it is 22 times longer than "Gone With the Wind" and 22 times duller. It clocks in at 3,332,100 words, on 11,107 pages, in 38 volumes. The paper-backed edition, at 15 cents a page, sells for $5,666.05 a copy.

Watches Progress

I drop in every couple of weeks to see how the five Senators, the five representatives, the lawyers, the gold braid boys, and the gentlemen of the press are progressing.

The wretches with the black pencils scribbling their newspaper account are rooting for the lawmakers to finish by Friday, but admit that's wishful thinking. They have organized the East Wind Rain Survivors Association. They plan a binge on adjournment day.

Ferguson Puts On Show

I hadn't been in the room more than five minutes before the while hair of Sen. Homer Ferguson (Mich.) began to look like an unmade bed. He was shouting at Navy Capt. Alwin Dalton Kramer, he couldn't seem to remember the things that Sen. Ferguson wanted him to remember, and he was nervous. He pulled cigarette of different flavors from two packages, tapped each one so hard it sounded like a telegraph instrument, lit it, put it down and lit another.

Navy's Troubles

Everybody was fidgeting. My seat was getting harder by the minute, but I learned about the Navy's troubles keeping top secrets secret.

"Go ahead, read it," Sen. Ferguson ordered. "This red typeing."

"Top secret, ultra," said Capt. Kramer, going through the cigaret routine again. "Maybe what's this thing?" Sen. Ferguson demanded, pointing at a symbol.

"That's code," Capt. Kramer said. "It is a pound-mark."

"I know" Sen. Ferguson said. "But what does it mean?"

"It means London," the Captain replied.

"You mean Great Britain?" the Senator asked.

Captain Kramer said, "Yes sir."

That's a fair sample from congress' $5,000 book. I'd prefer a yacht, a mink coat, or a small place in the country.

WELL-STACKED—bundles balanced here represents a "portion" of recorded testimony from the Pearl Harbor Probe. The other bundle in the center is, incidentally, Ada Jackson, Capitol Employe from Center Moreland, Pa. (AP Photo)

Snow Blankets England

LONDON, (UP)—Southern England and many areas in northern England were blanketed with snow after winter's heaviest snowfall.

Stateside News

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP) — The first commercial land type airplane ever to operate on the San Francisco Honolulu TransPacific run, a 43 passenger Pan American World airways Constellation Clipper has taken off from San Francisco air port for Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—An initial test of Senate sentiment toward extending the draft law beyond May 15 is due when the military committee meets to pass on a bill to transfer veterans' job rights and functions from Selective Service to the U. S. employment service.

Railroad Bridges Damaged

ST. LOUIS, (AP) — Twenty-five construction gangs from three states are being rushed to Arkadelphia, Ark., to repair three Missouri Pacific railroad bridges damaged by fires of undetermined origin.

Greater Use Of Negroes

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The War Department has announced its intention to make a fuller use of Negro manpower both in the peacetime regular Army and in the event of a future war.

To Bring Vice Lords Out

WASHINGTON, (UP)—A group of Senators is preparing to drive the Nation's vice lords into the open and put a damper on commercialized vice. A bill has been introduced.

Steel Goes Up

NEW YORK, (AP)—A rapid climb back to normal operations in the steel industry after the month-long strike was indicated by the American Iron & Steel Institute's estimate placing activity this week at 78.4 per cent of capacity.

Salt Snowstorm

RENO, Nev., (AP)—Reno has experienced a snowstorm with salt. 100 mile-an-hour winds moving in from the Pacific ocean carried particles of salt over the high Sierras, depositing the spray on Reno during a snowstorm.

Train Wreck Kills One

ASHTABULA, O., (AP)—An engineer has been killed in a railroad accident involving three New York central freight trains.

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70 AAF Groups 3 Commands Planned

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The completed blue prints for the post war Army Air Forces provide for creation of three major operation commands and for some 14,000 planes including reserves.

Aviation men said Gen. Carl Spaatz new AAF commander was ready to announce organization of strategic tactical and continental defense command.

These men said Lieut. Gen. Geo. C. Kenney would have the strategic command, Maj. Gen. E. R. Quesada the tactical command and probably Maj. Gen. John K. Cannon the continental defense command.

Under these three top organizations, AAF plans contemplate operation of 70 air groups with 8,000 planes of all types in operation, and 6,000 in reserve of National Guard units. Estimates already announced call for total AAF personnel of 400,000.

General Kenney is the American Air representative on the UNO military staff committee charged with organization of an international police force to which the U. S. would be expected to contribute.

The number of men, ships and planes the U. S. may be willing to contribute to UNO's International Police Force is expected to be decided tentatively within the next two weeks.

The question which is in the hands of the joint group of top Army-Navy leaders is due to come up with some kind of an answer before the Mar. 21 meeting in New York of the Military Staff Committee of UNO's Security Council.

The Committee is composed of representatives of the big five and they will determine the make up and size of the force with which the United Nations will undertake to "maintain or restore international peace and security."

Air Transportation Continues To Arctic

SEATTLE, (UP)—Big Navy planes will continue to pour supplies by air into the sprawling Navy petroleum reserve project at Point Barrow on the shores of the Arctic Ocean, the 13th Naval District has announced.

VR-5 northernmost naval air transport squadron, will run five Skymasters for the long haul over the gulf of Alaska.

Two of these four-engined craft, the Navy said, have been scheduled to fly high priority passengers, cargo and mail on to Fairbanks, Alaska, to make connections with twin-engined shuttle service operating to Point Barrow.

Spaak Admits Failure In Forming New Gov.

BRUSSELS, (AP)—Paul-Henri Spaak has admitted failure in his attempt to form a leftwing coalition government, and Prince Regent Charles faced the possibility of dissolving the parliament elected two weeks ago and ordering a new election.

Spaak, Socialist leader and premier of the United Nations Assembly, said he was unable to form a coalition of Socialists, Communists and Liberals—the group opposing King Leopold's return to the throne.

Round The World

LONDON, (AP)—The last G.I. on duty in Britain is scheduled to sail home before July 1, Brig. Gen. Claude M. Thiele, commanding officer of the London area office of the U.S. Army, said.

Resigns Presidency

HELSINKI, (AP)—Field Marshal Baron Mannerheim has resigned as President of Finland and it generally was expected that Premier Juho K. Passikivi would succeed the old soldier who said he was stepping down because of illness.

Marines In China Reduced

SHANGHAI, (U.P.)—The Marine Corps strength in North China will be reduced to approximately 12,000 men in the next few months, it has been announced by Lieut. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer's headquarters.

Russian Shoots U. S. Officer

BERLIN, (UP)—Lt. James Wilson, 21, Bryen, Tex., was killed by a Russian sentry early Sunday morning while riding with soldier companions past a guarded building in the Russian sector, authorities disclosed.

Must Still Rely On U. S.

MANILA, (AP)—Two Filipino deputies to the United Nations Conference have stressed that the Philippines still must rely for their safety on the U. S. rather than an international agency.

Swiss Earthquake

SITTEN, Switzerland, (A.P.) — Two earth tremors felt here Monday were described by residents as the heaviest shocks since the series of tremors which began Jan. 25.

Telegraph Strike Settled

CHUNGKING, (UP) — Yu Feipeng, minister of communications, has settled the stidown strike of telegraph workers here.

8 Killed In Clash

ROME, (AP)—It was reported Monday that two persons were killed and eight were seriously wounded Sunday in a clash between a group of Communists and rightist labor Democrats in Calabria.

MOVIES TONIGHT
MANILA

PhilSeaFron	Follow That Woman — William Gargan, Nancy Kelly
ComNavBase	Phantom of 42nd Street — Dave O'Brien, Kay Aldridge
110thCB	Wonder Man (tech) — Danny Kaye, Virginia Mayo
25thCB	Union Pacific — Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea
Sangley	A Guy Named Joe — Spencer Tracy, Irene Dunne
Cavite	Ziegfield Follies (tech) — Judy Garland, Fred Astaire
APL 13	Dangerous Intruder — Charles Arnt, Veda Ann Borg
Ships Salvage	Laura — Dana Andrews, Gene Tierney
Boat Pool	Something for the Boys — Vivian Blaine, Michael O'Shea
Captains Mess	Paris Underground — Constance Bennett, Gracie Fields

WVTM Program Tonight

1800—News; 1815—Remember
1830—Jack Kirkwood
1845—Three Suns; 1900—Frank Sinatra
1930—Mail Call; 2000—Jack Carson
2030—Kostiga of Knowledge
2100—Globe Theatre
2130—Sigmund Romberg
2200—News; 2215—1300 Club
2245—Words With Music

PhilSeaFron Data

March 5th (prog.) max. 88, min. 68. March 6th sunrise 0619, sunset 1809.

Manila Takes Luzon Track & Field Title

MANILA—The Manila track and field team nosed out the Subic squad by two points in the zone finals of the P.O.A. championships. The final score was Manila 58—Subic 56.

High Pointers

"Tater" Metcalf, former Oklahoma A&M track star and Ed Curry, all-American on the Southern California track team, (both representing Manila) captured the high point honors by compiling eleven points each in various events. Next, with ten points each, were Ken Dannenberg of Manila, formally of the Kansas University track team and Don Jones of Subic, once captain of the Santa Monica, California high school track squad.

To Encounter Samar

The top two men in each event will complete against the championship team from Samar on March 10 for the Southwest Pacific Championship.

Track Results

NEW YORK, (AP) — W. S. Jacobs' Ruling Time, an outsider in the betting, sped to victory in the featured Ulets purse at Hialeah as Warren Wright's In The Earnest and Mrs. Dodge Sloane's Phantasy, the two choices, left the starting gate slowly and finished out of the picture.

Ridden by jockey Jimmy Onorato, Ruling Time scored by a length and a half and returned $20.60 for $2. W. J. Sustini's Loachpoka was second, three quarters of a length before Mon's (CQ) Boy, owned by William Veeneman.

ARCADIA, CAL. (UP) — Mrs. Howard Hawks' War Valor captured the $1,200 La Reina De Los Angeles allowances at Santa Anita over a field which included several entries in next Saturday's Santa Anita handicap.

Jockey J. Craigmyle rode War Valor over the mile and a quarter in 2:02 3/5 minutes to pay $18 for a $2 ticket.

Old English was second and Col. C. V. Whitney's favored Jeep, a handicap entry, third.

ARCADIA, Calif., (AP)—Canina, five year old bay mare owned by Aaron Hirschberg of San Francisco, scored by a neck in a thrilling stretch duel with C. H. Pinn's Happy Issue to win the $50,000 mile and one sixteenth Santa Margarita handicap at Santa Anita park.

Louis B. Mayer's Be Faithful, one of three horses entered by the movie mogul, ran third with Whirlabout, the general choice, fourth.

NEW ORLEANS, (AP) — Hillyer Court owned by Bernard Seroy won the $25,000 added New Orleans handicap by a gallop at the fair grounds.

Louis Prima's Pique was second and J. B. Thrall's King Dorsett was third. Fighting Step a favorite was scratched.

"No Contest" Probed

CHICAGO, (A.P.)—The Illinois Athletic Commission ordered an investigation of the scheduled 10-round heavyweight bout between Arturo Godoy of Chile and Lee Savold of Patterson, N. J., which referee Johnny Behr ruled "no contest."

Hockey Results

National Hockey League	
Detroit 3	Montreal 3
Toronto 9	Chicago 4
American League Hockey	
New Haven 4	Pittsburgh 2
Indianapolis 8	Cleveland 5
Buffalo 5	St. Louis 4
Eastern Amateur League	
Boston 11	Baltimore 3
Pacific Coast Hockey	
Hollywood 6	San Francisco 5
Los Angeles 3	San Diego 5
U. S. Hockey League	
Minneapolis 5	Omaha 5

Rarin' To Go

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.—WAGNER SPRY AT 73—Sturdy old Hans Wagner, who became a baseball immortal by leading National League batters eight years between 1920 and 1911, swings the hickory at the spring training camp of the Pittsburgh Pirates. Wagner, a Pirate Coach, says he's rarin' to go on the 1946 season. (AP Photo)

PSF Raps Out Another Victory Over Samar

MANILA—Scoring eight runs in the sixth inning, the PhilSeaFron baseball team won the second game of the Navy sports tournament baseball finals defeating Samar 10-6 at Rizal Stadium Monday afternoon.

The game was a far cry from the tight 5-4 game played Sunday, as the PSF nine rapped out 14 hits and sent 14 men to the plate in the big sixth inning.

Game Effort

PSF was leading 10-1 going into the first half of the ninth, when the never-say-die Samar team scored five runs and put a streak of fear in the local Navy team.

"Dutch" Leonard, who pitched six hit ball, was troubled by wildness and walked 13 men, but always came through to retire the side with men on base.

Ben Schadler, PSF firstbaseman, led the winners attack with three singles in four trips, while Klien, Samar centerfielder, got two singles in five trips for the losers.

One More

By winning this game the PSF nine will have to win one out of the next three games to take the Philippine area title.

The next game will be played this afternoon at Rizal Stadium at 1400.

Sports At Rizal

Track & Field Meet—0930 Rizal T & F Stadium
Horseshoes Tournament — 1300 Rizal Horseshoe Courts
Baseball—Navy Olympics 1400 Rizal Stadium
Basketball — A & R League Games 1700—1900 Rizal Colisseum
Basketball—Navy Olympics 2000 Rizal Colisseum

Cards And Yanks Favored To Win Pennant Races

ST. LOUIS, (AP)—The St. Louis Cardinals and the New York Yankees are favored to win the major league pennant races this year in the first winter book released by James J. Carroll, St. Louis betting commissioner.

A Cardinal partisan must wager $10 to net $7 under Carroll's odds while a Yankee supporter must risk $5 to win $7.

The world champion Detroit Tigers and, the Boston Red Sox are paired in second place in the American league with a better placing $2 on the line to win $4 in either club.

In the National League, the champion Chicago Cubs are ranked second with a Cub fan putting up $2 and collecting $5 if he's right.

Carroll's complete odds: (first figure is the return, second figure is the wager on a bet the club will finish in first place.)

American League		National League	
New York	7-5	St. Louis	7-10
Detroit	2-1	Chicago	5-2
Boston	2-1	Brooklyn	5-1
Cleveland	5-1	Boston	5-1
Washington	5-1	New York	5-1
St. Louis	10-1	Pittsburgh	10-1
Chicago	20-1	Phila.	30-1
Phila.	30-1	Cincinnati	30-1

Cage Highlights

LOUISVILLE, KY., (AP)—Kentucky successfully defended its Southeastern conference basketball title by defeating second seeded Louisiana State, 59-36, in the 13th annual tournament.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., (AP)—The University of Arizona fought all the way to win the Border conference basketball championship by beating West Texas State 44-37.

MOSCOW, IDAHO, (AP) — The University of Idaho Vandals captured their first Northern division Pacific Coast conference basketball title in 23 years by defeating Washington State 37 to 35.

The Vandals will meet the University of Southern California at Berkely March 8, 9, and 11 for the coast title.

Merrill Takes Title

CHICAGO, (UP)—Gretchen Merrill, a young Boston heiress, won her fourth consecutive senior ladies title at the 25th Annual National Figure Skating Championships in Chicago.

Janet Ahrens of the University of Minnesota finished second and Madelon Olson of St. Paul was third.

Okinawa Tops Subic 51-37 At Rizal

MANILA—Monday night at Rizal Coliseum the fast moving Okinawa basketball team defeated the local Luzon team 51-37 in the first game of the finals in the P.O.A. tournament. The first half moved slowly with the first quarter ending 11-12 and a half-time tally of 15-21. Okinawa remained in the lead throughout the first half and wasn't overtaken but once in the last half. Subic made a vain attempt to go into the lead in the third quarter but was left behind 28-34. In the last quarter Okinawa held complete control of the game. They pushed ahead to win 51-37.

—Heberer was the outstanding scorer for the winning quintet putting 12 points through the hoop. For the losing squad Monska ran up a total of 13 counters.

Tonight Okinawa will play again meeting the squad from Samar for the third game of the current series. Game time is 2000 at Rizal Coliseum.

Medwick Has Offers

ST. LOUIS, (AP)—Joe Medwick, most valuable National League Player of 1937, who recently was released by the Boston Braves, has three baseball offers under consideration, including one from Mexico City of the Mexican National League.

He said "It was most tempting but I would not want to leave this country to play ball unless I had to. The game has been very good to me and I would feel like a heel if I jumped it."

He said he also had one offer from each major league.

T-System Exponent

LOS ANGELES, (AP) — When football's T-formation is properly executed, says Clark Shaughnessy, Maryland University coach and the system's leading exponent, "the defense never will catch up with it."

He voiced optimism over Maryland's prospects next season, as he prepared to leave to inaugurate spring practice. Any setbacks in his favorite formation may have suffered during the war, he intimated, were because the system "takes more than one season to install and learn every loosing their players to the service right and left."

TERRY & THE PIRATES By Milton Caniff

BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUFFY SMITH By Fred Laswell

U. S., Britain, France Call Upon Spanish Nation For Removal Of Franco's Govt. In Joint Note

LONDON, (AP) — The Exchange Telegraph said Cardinal Spellman who has already left Europe by air enroute to the U. S. reportedly is carrying a "personal message" from Francisco Franco to President Truman.

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The Allied world anxiously awaited developments in Spain yesterday following the issuance of the joint American-British-French statement calling on the people of Spain peacefully to remove Generalissimo Francisco Franco as head of the government.

The tri-power declaration was expected to give impetus to the growing anti-Franco movement in and out of Spain, particularly in view of the declaration's implied promise of assistance to any Spanish movement to oust Franco.

While proposing the establishment of an interim government pending general elections in Spain, the declaration emphasized it was not the intention of the three powers to interfere in Spain's internal affairs and pointed out the Spanish people themselves must work out their own destiny. The case against Franco was further underscored by the release of 15 documents purporting to prove Franco's close association with the Nazi regime.

"Note" Excerpts

The "White Paper" read in parts: "It is agreed so long as Franco continues in control of Spain, its people cannot anticipate full association with those nations of the world which have, by common effort, brought defeat to German Nazism and Italian Fascism, which aided the way the regime was patterned.

The three governments are hopeful that the Spanish people will not again be subjected to the horrors and bitterness of civil strife."

Bares Documents

The declaration also included a memorandum by the German ambassador to Madrid, to the Spanish government revealing that in June 1940, Franco's regime declared itself ready under certain conditions to enter the war on the side of the Axis.

Conditions included demands for Gibralter, French Morocco and that part of Algeria colonized and predominantly inhabited by Spaniards —Oran—and enlargement of Rio de Oro and the colonies in the Gulf of Guinea, Africa.

Another document was a "secret protocol" signed between the German and Spanish governments on February 10, 1943. That secret treaty included Franco's promise to resist any entry by Anglo-American forces into the Iberian peninsula or into Spanish territory.

Marine Boat Survivors

These men sitting and standing on topside a foundered 33 foot Marine Corps boat far at sea off Paris Island are about to be rescued by the U. S. Engineer survey boat, Mico. (AP Photo)

27 Killed In Air Crash

SAN DIEGO, (UP)—An American Airlines Flagship flying from New York crashed into a fog-shrouded mountain near here, killing the 27 persons aboard, including two babies, 21 adult passengers and a crew of four.

The rugged Laguna range, with peaks towering more than 6,000 feet, was whipped by bitter frigid winds as rescuers sought to reach the wreck scene, two miles from the nearest road.

One deputy sheriff who reached the scene accounted for 21 bodies in a hasty check, but only six had not been smashed and burned beyond recognition. His examination failed to find all the bodies in the far flung wreckage.

Bulldozers were brought to the crash scene to cut a makeshift road over which the bodies could be brought out.

A cheer coared pilne first sighted the smashed airliner when the weather briefly lifted.

'Cannot Stop Entertaining'

FRANKFURT, Germany, (AP)—Maj. Gen. Miller G. White, commenting on reports German girls were allowed to "live" with U. S. officers in their bachelor quarters here, has said, "There is no army regulation to stop a man from entertaining a girl overnight in his private quarters."

While, Deputy Chief of Staff in Europe, declared, however, the Army probably would investigate the reports immediately and tighten up on regulations.

He added he did not intend to raid the billets, where officers and civilians live with the U. S. Forces Headquarters Compound, but if individual cases were reported the Army probably would charge conduct unbecoming a gentlemen.

White said he did not believe by and large our military or civilian personnel are "immoral or indecent" and said he resented the implication that every officer was immoral if he brought a girl, whether German or English, into the compound.

He said it was virtually impossible to stop officers and civilians from having guests "and there is no more way of preventing that type of fraternizing than flying to the moon."

Other officers emphasized that the regulations regarding the admittance of women to the compound were "not based on moral grounds but on security." They said officers or civilians bringing German guests into the enclosure were personnally responsible for the observance of security.

Headquarters command sources admitted there was nothing to prevent German girls, working in the compound as maids or waitresses, from staying there "forever" if they found someone to provide them food and quarters.

Legion Urges Wage Credit For Vets

WASHINGTON, (AP) — The American Legion has urged Congress to grant a social security monthly wage credit of $160 to an estimated 17,000,000 veterans of World War II for the period of their military service.

It was recommended that the government make retroactive contributions for employers and employes on behalf of veterans, and estimated the cost at $73 per veteran.

The plan would protect those who left employment covered by existing law as well as those who entered the armed forces directly from school.

Tanker Breaks In Two; All Hands Safe

KODIAK, Alaska, (AP) — The Navy's Alaska Sea Frontier headquarters has reported that the American tanker Sacketts Harbor broke in two during a heavy storm 630 miles southwest of Attu, but that all hands had been rescued.

The Naval patrol frigate Orlando, dispatched when distress signals were intercepted, was standing by the after section, relieved by the fleet tug Sarci.

Ordered Execution Of American PWs

TOKYO, (AP)—Allied Headquarters have reported Vice Adm. Koso Abe has been confined to Sugamo prison after admitting he ordered the beheading of eight American prisoners of war on Kwajalein island in the fall of 1942.

Abe was commanding officer of the sixth base unit in the Marshalls in the early stages of the war.

Peron Still Leading

BUENOS AIRES, (UP)—Col. Juan D. Peron, Argentine "strong man," has won the votes in five of the seven smaller provinces. He led Dr. Juan Tamborina, Democratic Union candidate, by 50 electoral votes to 20 in five other provinces.

Editorial Asks Statehood For P. I.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — High Commissioner Paul V. McNutt said yesterday the U. S. government favors an absolutely independent Philippines and hopes to see the islands weaned away from economic dependence on this country. He added there is no alternative to a temporary period of economic dependency.

NEW YORK, (UP) — The N. Y. Daily News, in an editorial on U. S.-Philippine relations, yesterday pointed out the good effects Philippine statehood would have on both countries.

"We believe the U. S. should adopt one of two courses with the Philippines, namely, either cut them loose with full freedom—or invite the Islands to join the Union as the 49th state," the paper said.

Turning to the latter, the Daily News said "statehood would automatically abolish tariffs between the Islands and the U. S. itself."

"For our part," the editorial continued, "we would get clear title to a far Pacific area on which we could plant and maintain all defense installations decmed by our military and naval leaders."

U. S. Expedites Sale Of Pullman Co.

PHILADELPHIA, (AP)—The U.S. Government has appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court expediting the court's approval of the sale of the Pullman Co. by Pullman, Inc., to a group of 43 railroads.

Reasons were cited why the Department of Justice believes the sale to the railroads of Pullman's sleeping car service should not be approved.

Consummation of the sale, the the government charged, would substitute a new monopoly for one which the federal courts had ordered dissolved.

Attlee Bares Problems To British People

LONDON, (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee has laid before the British people the pressing problems of "this new era of full employment" and pleaded that all classes buckle and "win the war against want as we conquered in the fight for freedom."

Attlee declared the critical question for Britain is whether it has enough manpower to do the double job of rebuilding the country and restoring the nation's international trade.

Phone Strike Conference Fails

NEW YORK, (AP) — Telephone employees, who handle the nation's long distance calls will go on strike tomorrow with 16 other groups, it was announced by John J. Moran, president of the union.

The announcement followed a breakdown at 2:30 a.m. of negotiations in a wage dispute with the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

"Have To Strike"

"The union's demand of 18½ cents per hour, increase and the company's offer of approximately 15 cents means we will have to strike," Moran said.

Meanwhile in Detroit, the CIO-UAW faced with a refusal by General Motors to arbitrate, prepared to intensify the 104-day-old strike.

Long And Costly

The corporation turned thumbs down on a union proposal to leave to an arbitrator the settlement of the longest and costliest strike in automotive history.

Instead, the corporation suggested that the UAW-CIO let its 175,000 idle members vote in secret on whether they wish to accept an 18½ cent hourly wage increase and return to work.

Union Demands

The union is demanding 19½ cents as recommended by a presidential fact finding board.

Prior to the turndown of the arbitration plan, the union had warned that rejection by GM would force the UAW-CIO "to intensify strike action and to carry on until the strike is won."

In the face of the seemingly hopeless deadlock, mediator Dewey said he would "see where we go from here, and try to work something out."

Fears Long Coal Strike

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Government officials fear a long costly soft coal strike beginning in April if Pres. John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers (AFL) uses his economic power to obtain bargaining rights for supervisory employes.

Lewis reopened his contract with producers of more than 85 per cent of the nation's annual soft coal supply. He simultaneously sent a 30-day strike notice to the government, as required by law.

All But One Perish On Half Of Ship

KODIAK, Alaska, (UP)—The Navy has announced here all but one of the crewmembers aboard the floating fore section of the ill-fated Russian tanker Donbass definitely had perished in the frigid waters south of Adak, Alaska.

The Navy said improved communications with the rescue ship Besgorod revealed that only the second floate of the Donbass was found aboard the derelict of the ship.

Former Manilan Publisher

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (AP)—The Valley Times, a semi-weekly newspaper, Monday became an afternoon daily and joined the Associated Press. Roy C. Bennett, former general manager of the Manila Daily Bulletin, is the assistant publisher.

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By Chic Young

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Today's Weather

Manila Area: Partly cloudy. Intermittent showers night and morning.

Central Philippines: Partly cloudy with intermittent showers.

3 July Temp.: Max. 84, Min. 74. 4 July sunrise 0535, sunset 1828.

President Roxas Aboard Bremerton

President Manuel A. Roxas returned an official call yesterday afternoon when he went aboard the U.S.S. Bremerton in Manila Bay. Roxas is welcomed aboard the cruiser by (left to right) Admiral Charles M. Cooke, Jr., Commander Seventh Fleet; Rear Admiral O. B. Hardison, Commander Task Force 77; Rear Admiral W. K. Phillips, Commander Cruiser Division 15, and Captain R. E. Libby, commanding officer, U.S.S. Bremerton. The Admirals made an official call on High Commissioner Paul V. McNutt and President Roxas yesterday morning. (Photo By McKee)

What They're Saying

Senator Millard Tydings: "This day is the culmination of half a century of waiting and preparations, of untiring efforts toward a goal of which Filipinos never lost sight."

War Secretary Robert P. Patterson: "All United States soldiers join me in extending felicitations to the people of the Philippines on their attainment of complete independence."

General Jonathan Wainwright: "As one who fought side by side with and commanded the gallant soldiers of the Philippine Army during the hopeless campaign in your islands in 1941 and 1942, I take this occasion to congratulate you upon your liberation from the yoke of tyranny under which you suffered for over two years."

Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal: "On behalf of the Navy Department I send greetings to the people of the Philippines on the inauguration of their republic."

Henry L. Stimson, former governor-general of the Philippines: "The American people will continue to watch with sympathetic interest and affection the progress of their friends in the Philippines."

Admiral of the Fleet Chester W. Nimitz: "The friendship between the United States Navy and the people of the Philippines is one of long standing. Beginning in 1898, when our fleet under Admiral Dewey steamed into Manila Bay, it has grown through the years. Your land has given home to Navy people stationed at bases there. Besides your forces, we fought the common foe and we admired your courage and loyalty. Our bond of friendship is strong."

Lieut.-Gen. W. D. Styer: "The U. S. Army Forces in the Western Pacific extend to the people of the new Philippine Republic the most heartfelt congratulations on this Independence Day."

Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach: "True lovers of liberty throughout the world join in your joy just as other friends of freedom rejoiced on another Fourth of July 170 years ago."

Ex-Premier Paul Reynaud: "France's overseas possessions are of a very different origin and nature and there is no comparison possible between the French position in Algiers, for instance, and the U. S. position in the Philippines."

Maj.-Gen. Claire L. Chenault: "Establishment of the Philippine Republic is a historical milestone along the road to freedom for the peoples of the Orient."

Secretary of Commerce Henry A Wallace: "The U. S. will do everything possible to assist the new republic in reestablishing its economy."

William Cameron Forbes, former governor-general of the Philippines: "It has been obvious since the Americans took over the Philippines nearly fifty years ago that permanent relationship between the U. S. and the Philippines would have to be satisfactory to both peoples."

Asks Funds For Center

NEW YORK, (UP)—Manila Symphony Conductor Dr. Herbert Zipper announced that he was raising funds in the U. S. for $2,000,000 to $3,000,000 for the Manila art center.

Denounce Bill Rider

LONDON, (UP)—Pravda denounced the Dirksen rider to the House appropriations for the UNRRA as an attempt to impose the U. S. will on the Soviet Union.

Bikini Damage Found Heavy

ABOARD THE USS MT. McKINLEY, IN BIKINI LAGOON, (UP)—Evidence of the atomic bomb might of the atom bomb swelled as boarding a warship for the first time we got close enough to the target ships in Bikini lagoon to see the damage.

The latest toll showed that five ships were sunk, six others wrecked and half the entire fleet of 73 ships damaged.

Find Destruction

The guinea pig fleet appeared in much better shape from a distance than in a close-up. Every passing hour brought new evidence of the magnitude of destruction.

Meanwhile Secretary of the Navy, Forrestal and Admiral Blandy, riding reconnaissance as present the atomic devastation, witnessed the final agony of the 6,000-ton Sakawa, her superstructure flattened, her stern open to the sea. The Sakawa slipped under while Forrestal and Blandy were looking over the blasted light carrier USS Independence from the deck of a picket boat.

Blandy had braved gamma radiation for a close-up view of the heavy-hulled submarine USS Skate, hardest hit of the 71 naval craft subjected to atomic violence.

Closest To Bomb

Blandy's deputy for technical direction, Rear Adm. W. S. Parsons expressed belief the Skate was closest to the bomb burst and was subjected to more than 500 pounds pressure per square inch. The Skate was 50 yards astern of the USS Nevada. Because of her importance in the bomb damage test, the Skate may be taken in tow and beached, if inspection shows that she is taking in water.

Uruguayan Revolution Plot Smashed; 31 Held

MONTIVIDEO, (UP)—The Uruguayan government announced that it had discovered and smashed a revolution plotted by army and police elements headed by Col. Esteban Christi, former director of military aviation.

Christi has been arrested, the announcement said, and 30 others, both military personnel and civilian, have been detained.

Philippines To Become Republic This Morning In Stately Ceremony

Shortly before nine o'clock this morning the Philippine Islands will become an independent nation.

Church bells throughout the Philippines will ring as the flag of the new republic is hoisted aloft, following the lowering of the flag of the United States.

The stately Independence Day ceremonies will open at eight o'clock in the specially constructed grandstand on Dewey Boulevard, Luneta, with an invocation by Rt. Rev. Robert F. Wilmer.

Following the invocation, Senator Millard E. Tydings, who sponsored much legislation affecting the Philippines, will give an address. Tyding's address will be followed by speeches by General MacArthur and High Commissioner Paul V. McNutt.

The flag raising ceremony will then take place at 8:50 a.m. The lowering of the American flag will be accompanied by the playing of the American National Anthem and the immediate hoisting of the Philippine flag thereafter will be accompanied by the Philippine National Anthem. This will be followed by a gun salute and church bells will sound throughout the islands. In the city of Manila, the blowing of a siren will announce this event.

With the flag of the new nation hoisted, the President and Vice-President of the Republic will be administered their oaths of office by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines. Following this act, Roxas will deliver an address and at the close of his speech he will sign an agreement for the promotion and establishment of diplomatic relations between the U. S. and the Republic of the Philippines.

The singing of the Philippine Independence Hymn will be followed by the closing invocation by the Most Reverend Gabriel M. Reyes.

A bugle call at 11 o'clock will then signal the beginning of a gigantic parade which will include units of the Philippine Army, U. S. Army and Navy units, guerrilla organizations and group of symbolic floats.

Afternoon activities will include a commemorative tree planting in front of the Manila City Hall at 4:30 p.m. and a State dinner by the President at Malacanan Palace at 5:00 p.m. A fireworks display will be held at the Sunken Gardens at 7:00 p.m. and a reception and ball by the President and first lady of the Philippines at 9:00 p.m. will conclude the day's activities.

Reach Trieste Agreement

PARIS, (UP) — The Big Four council has succeeded in reaching an agreement on the principle of creating an international zone around Trieste, but remained deadlocked on the future government of the zone.

U. S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes informed Russian Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, who intended placing of the zone administration under the Big Four, that he could not and would not agree to the plan for internationalization unless the UN had complete control of direction and responsibility.

British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin firmly backed Byrnes all along the line.

Complete settlement thus depended on an agreement which would put the UN in the saddle and which Byrnes would like to have whipped into shape here and now for submission to the peace conference of 21 nations later this month.

Grant Pardon To All Germans Under 27

STUTTGART, (UP) — Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay has granted a general pardon to all Nazis under 27 years of age, it was learned today.

However, certain Nazis whom certain evidence of crime is found, will be prosecuted as war criminals, an unofficial estimated that approximately 1,000,000 German youths would be relieved.

Admiral Good's Statement On Independence Day

It is a great pleasure and honor for me to extend the greetings of all United States Navy personnel in the Philippine Islands to the people of the Republic of the Philippines.

We watch with admiration and great pride as this nation assumes its rightful role among the free, democratic nations of the world.

Since the defeat of the Japanese aggressor one of the chief objectives of the U. S. Naval Forces in the Philippines has been the rehabilitation and training of the Off Shore Patrol of the Philippine Army. The high caliber of officer and man, the eagerness to learn and the will to work for the greatness of his country has left little to be desired in the officers and men of the Off Shore Patrol.

Though we shall maintain only a skeleton force in these islands, we shall continue to render every assistance possible to the training and building of the Philippine Navy, with the confidence that before many months have passed it will once again be ready to take over the duties of maintaining safe navigation in the waters of the Archipelago.

Today, at the few remaining Philippine Island installations, the United States Navy is employing several thousand Filipino workers. The nucleus of all our civilian employees is formed by persons who, prior to the war, were employees of the old 16th Naval District. Thorough investigations have shown that with few exceptions these people remained steadfastly loyal to the Allies and to the destiny of the Philippine nation during the dark years of 1942 to 1945.

The people of the Philippines have learned well their lessons of democracy and Christian ideals and have defended them with honor and bravery on the bloody fields of Bataan and Corregidor. They have shown their ability and capacity to take over the controls as captain and navigator of their own great Ship of State. They will not fail.

H. H. Good, Rear Admiral USN
Commander Philippine Sea Frontier

Eisenhower Explains Cut In Army Strength

WASHINGTON, (UP) — Chief of Staff General Dwight D. Eisenhower explained the cut in Army strength to 1,550,000 troops in a recent testimony before the Senate appropriations committee which has just been made public.

The reductions, it was revealed, were based on the assumptions that:

Firstly, the peoples of Japan and Germany will remain tractable;

Secondly, the United Nations will become a major factor in assuring world peace;

Share Occupation

Thirdly, the British, the Chinese and the Filipinos will assist in occupying Japan and the Russians, the British, the French and the Americans will continue to share the occupation of Germany;

Fourthly, occupation troops will be withdrawn from Austria and Italy this year with the signing of the peace treaties.

Japan Less Difficult

Eisenhower also said in his testimony that the occupation of Germany has been far more difficult than that of Japan.

"In Japan," he said, "we took over a country which had surrendered and there was an established government—the head of the government fortunately was in such a position that his orders were obeyed by his population. All we had to do in effect was to give orders to one man."

He said the War Department computed occupation strength at the rate of one United States soldier for every 650 Japanese citizens and one for every 120 Germans.

Tension High In Holy Land

JERUSALEM, (UP) — Tension mounted throughout the Holy Land as two divisions of British troops in armored cars, trucks and radio cars fanned out from Jerusalem in the "second phase of operations" against a "section of the Jewish community."

As the new military swoop got underway, Dr. Chaim Weizman, Zionist president, and his colleagues who have not been arrested met with other Palestine Jew leaders for four hours at the Pioneers Club.

Under Heavy Guard

The Jewish Agency headquarters is still under heavy guard and the entrance of the building remains sealed.

Jewish organizations were reported to be planning hunger strikes, mass campaigns, passive resistance and civil disobedience as British soldiers in battle dress extended their hunt for members of the Haganna underground army and the Irgun Zvai Leumi and Stern terror gangs.

2,000 Jews Held

The inner council of the Jewish Agency was to meet yesterday to discuss, it was believed, passive resistance by some 2,000 Jews still held by the British in concentration camps. Some 1,000 Jews have been released after British soldiers had briefly detained and questioned them.

Thirty Jewish leaders were reported to have told High Commissioner Sir Alan Cunningham of "their grave concern over unforeseen consequences which may follow" unless Jew leaders arrested by British troops were immediately released.

Jap Premier May Face Court Trial

TOKYO, (UP)—For the first time in history, a Japanese premier may face court trial as a result of litigation instigated by labor elements, it was learned.

The Japan Newspaper and Radio Workers' Union announced that it had decided to bring legal action against Premier Shigeru Yoshida as well as against Dr. Atsutaro Kitamura, minister of justice, Gen. Micao Sumiki, Tokyo police inspector, and Tsusgo Saba president of the board of directors of the Yomiuri, in connection with the recent police suppression of the labor-management trouble at the Yomiuri plant.

On June 21, about 100 policemen armed with staves stormed Yomiuri plant and arrested 50 newspaper workers, after breaking up a procession of workers who were reportedly pro-Communist editorial writers.

On Trial

Gen. Draja Mikhailovic, Yugoslav Chetnik leader, listens intently as charges are read at the opening of his trial for treason, before a military court in Belgrade. (AP Photo)

Transport Disembarks Ailing Marine Pvt.

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The Navy has reported that the troop transport J. C. Breckinbridge, en route to Shanghai from San Francisco, went 500 miles off her course to put off at Midway Marine Pvt. Charles Rucker, of Olton, Texas, who was suffering from a rare throat ailment. Rucker was flown to Pearl Harbor for treatment.

The transport's physician operated on Rucker and succeeded in inserting an emergency tube in his throat to enable him to breathe.

Here For Ceremonies

Sen. Ralph O. Brewster, Mariyland, (left), Sen. Allen J. Ellender, Louisiana, (center) and Sen. Hugh A. Butler, Nebraska, at Nichols field yesterday after seeing Manila from the air. The senators, here for the Independence ceremonies, arrived Tuesday with J. Weldon Jones, assistant director of the Bureau of the Budget, and Representatives C. Jasper Bell, Missouri; J. W. Robinson, Utah; Fred L. Crawford, Michigan; Karl M LeCompte, Iowa; George P. Miller, California, and Eugene Worley, Texas. (Navy photo by I. A. Reyes)

Regular Navy Enlistments

First enlistments in the regular Navy, changes from reserve and inductee status, reenlistments and extensions from the surrender of Japan through June 20 totalled 245,211.

For the period June 11-22 there were 8,236 first enlistments in the regular Navy at recruiting stations, 233 changeovers from reserves and inductees and 943 reenlistments and extensions.

During the same period the Navy returned 3,850 persons to civilian life, making a total of 2,634,226 since August 17 1945.

The need is just critical for electronic technicians mates trainees. See your recruiting officer for information about this interesting new career now open to regular Navy men.

Orders News Blackout On War Crimes Plans

TOKYO, (UP)—Carlisle Higgins of Winston-Salem, N.C., acting chief of the international tribunal's prosecution section, ordered a news black-out on the prosecution's plans in the current war crimes trial, the Tokyo Press Club spokesman said.

In a memorandum to his section, Higgins warned the members against discussing cases in public. He asked them to take note of the fact that some members of the staff have been recently quoted in newspaper articles.

Japanese Cruiser Sinks After Atomic Blast

ABOARD USS MT. McKINLEY, LAGOON, (UP)—The Japanese cruiser Sukaya sank to the bottom of the lagoon, stern first, bringing to five the number of ships sunk or missing since the atomic blast.

The Sakaya was anchored off the stern and port rail of the USS Nevada.

US May Retain Rubber Plants

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Sen. Joseph O'Mahoney, chairman of the Senate military affairs subcommittee, said the committee was considering a move to retain government operated synthetic rubber plants pending the formation of a definite policy aimed at making the U. S. independent of Far Eastern natural rubber sources.

O'Mahoney said rubber plantations in Sumatra, Java and Malaya have been only 40 per cent restored, and probably would not export more than 200,000 tons this year, compared to 530,000 tons before the war.

The resolution under committee consideration would authorize the government to retain its rubber plants until six months after the director of reconversion formulates a program to make the U. S. independent of British, Dutch and French rubber areas.

Such a policy was formulated by the Reconversion Director and sent to the President and the Congress last month, but so far no legislation has been introduced to make it a law.

STUDY REPORT

TSINGTAO, (UP) — The Chinese government is studying a report that Chinese Communists have occupied Dalren.

MOVIES TONIGHT

MANILA

PhilSeaFron	American Romance Bryan Donlevy, Ann Richards
Capitol's Mess	The Virginian Joel McCrea, Sonny Tufts
Sangley	Incendiary Blonde Betty Hutton, Arturo Cordova
Cavite	A Stolen Life Bette Davis, Glen Ford

ARC Roosevelt Club Activities

Roosevelt Club Dining Room
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
4:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

Corregidor Boat Excursion
7:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Tagaytay Trip 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Clay Modeling and Wood Carving
2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Tango and Rhumba Lessons
3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Jam Session 4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Independence Day Ball 7:30 p.m.

Round The World

LONDON, (UP)—A British press office official informed the United Press that "following a review of the situation," the post office has decided to again accept press telephone calls from London to Moscow.

REPATRIATION SUSPENDED

SEOUL, (UP)—Because of flood conditions in Korea, the repatriation of Koreans from Japan has been suspended until the end of the rainy season, according to government officials.

DIRECTS CULTURAL AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, (UP) — Maj. General Oliver P. Echols, chief of the civil affairs division of the War Department, took control of cultural affairs in occupied Japan, Korea, Germany and Austria.

POPE VOICES OPINION

ROME, (UP) — In a broadcast Sunday over the Vatican Radio to the Eucharistic Congress at Bonn, Bolivia, His Holiness Pope Pius XII said, "The world is transforming itself into a reign of discord."

BLAMES RUSSIANS

NUERNBERG, (UP)—The worst mass atrocity of the war, the cold-blooded murder of 11,000 Polish officers and men in Katyn forest, near Smolensk, was blamed by a former Wehrmacht officer on the Russians.

6 KILLED IN AHMEDABAD

BOMBAY, (UP) — Six persons were killed and 80 others were wounded at Ahmedabad in an orgy of rioting, looting, arson, and stabbing touched off by Hindu-Moslem clashes.

RECOVER GUNS

TSINGTAO, (UP)—A considerable number of artillery pieces, heavy machineguns, heavy mortars and ammunition as well as anti-aircraft guns, machineguns, ammunition and anti-aircraft equipment were recovered from the Bay of Tsingtao.

PASS CRITICAL POINT

TOKYO, (UP)—As the food situation throughout Japan passed the "critical point," the SCAP moved to release 40,450 metric tons of imported flour, wheat and rice—substantially the largest release of imported food yet authorized.

AGAINST CHINA AID

NEW YORK, (UP)—The "Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy" issued an appeal for the defeat of the House bill to provide military training and assistance to China.

TO SUSPEND TEACHERS

TOKYO, (UP) — The SCAP directed the Japanese government to suspend immediately five teachers from their positions pending investigations by the Japanese screening committees.

ASKS INCREASED ACREAGE

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The Department of Agriculture asked American farmers to increase their wheat acreage for the third straight year during 1947 in an effort to produce another crop of a billion bushels or better.

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Metz-Fazio In Tie For Golf Championship

MONTREAL, (UP)—Dapper Dick Metz of Arkansas City, Kan., playing under terrific pressure, shot a six-under par 66 to tie George Fazio of Los Angeles with a 278 total for the Canadian Open Golf championship necessitating a playoff Sunday.

The job for Metz was made all the more difficult because Fazio had finished early and the Kansas shotmaker knew what he had to do to win or beat him. He didn't let the circumstances upset him, however, and shot 33's on each nine.

The last contender to finish, was open champion Lloyd Mangrum of Los Angeles, who missed making it a triple tie by one stroke, shooting an eagle three on the last hole to give him a total of 269. The low Canadian, Stan Leonard of Vancouver, B. C., also was the level, as was Harry Todd of Dallas, Tex.

Fazio, one of the most obscure of the American golfing contingent, made perseverance pay off in his bid for the $2,000 first money. Never a winner of a big time tournament, Fazio came here 10 days ago to become familiar with the layout of the Beaconsfield Club. The advance groundwork enabled him to breeze through four consistent sub-par rounds of 68-70-70-70 for his total. Metz instead started out with a one over par 73 round and improved.

Segura-Patty Win Over British Team

WIMBLEDON, (UP) — The doubles team of Pancho Segura and Budge Patty defeated the British team of D. W. Barton and G. L. Walsh, 6-2, 5-7, 5-7, 8-6, 6-1.

The Britons played the best tennis of their careers but threw away many at match point in the fourth set when Barton missed an easy shot. This brought the set back to deuce and three times the advantage returned to Segura before he and his partner saved the set.

Lyons In Action

Manager Ted Lyons makes his debut in his new job last month by taking a turn at coaching third base as his White Sox took both games of a double-header from Detroit, 3-1 and 2-1. (AP Wirephoto)

HOW THEY STAND

American League

	W.	L.	PCT.
BOSTON	50	19	.725
NEW YORK	42	28	.600
DETROIT	37	31	.544
WASHINGTON	33	33	.500
CLEVELAND	33	38	.457
ST. LOUIS	31	38	.449
CHICAGO	27	39	.409
PHILADELPHIA	20	46	.303

National League

BROOKLYN	45	33	.562
ST. LOUIS	37	29	.541
CHICAGO	34	30	.531
CINCINNATI	34	37	.479
BOSTON	32	36	.471
PHILADELPHIA	28	35	.444
PITTSBURGH	28	37	.431
NEW YORK	28	40	.412

Keesler Record

BILOXI, MISS.,—Pvt. Harry Uhle cut four seconds off the Keesler Field cross-country two-mile, negotiating the distance in 9:54.

Hamer Takes Golf Tourney

PRINCETON, N. J., (UP)—Geo. Hamer, 23-year-old University of Georgia sophomore, playing in his first major tournament, stormed through the final round with a four under par 68 to win the 49th National Collegiate Athetic Association golf championship.

In winning the 72-hold grind, that started with a 155-man field, the 180-pound Hamer, a resident of Columbus, Ga., came from behind in the last two rounds to overtake and pass Charles (Babe) Lind of the University of Denver, who wound up in second place with a 72-hole of 290.

Third place went to Charles Coe, former B-25 pilot from the University of Utah with a total of 298.

Came In Handy

EAST LANSING, Mich., — Mel Gusselman, Michigan track star, outpointed German machine gun fire to save his life.

Quick On The Trigger

Remarkable action picture illustrates why freshman Ferrell Anderson catches for Brooklyn Dodgers. Mask off and on top of ball bunted by Howie Pollet, attempting to sacrifice for St. Louis Cardinals at Ebbets Field, Kansas former blocking back throws out Slats Marion at second base.

Dodgers Win 7th Straight; 7 Games Ahead Of Cards

The Brooklyn Dodgers won their seventh straight win in Tuesday's major league games, increasing their league lead in the National to 7 full games over the second-place St. Louis Cardinals by winning a 3-2 tussle from the Philadelphia Phillies. At Chicago, the Pittsburgh Pirates shut out the Cubs 9-0 behind the fine effort of Heintzleman, ace Buc hurler. The Boston Braves squeezed a 5-4 victory over the New York Giants in the final offering of the National League schedule.

In the American League the Chicago White Sox eked out an 8-7 win over the Detroit Tigers behind Grove and Caldwell. The Indian tribe from Cleveland behind the 5-hit twirling of Krakauskas, defeated the St. Louis Browns 4-2. Washington and Philadelphia had their game postponed on amount of threatening weather. Boston and New York was scheduled to play a night game.

In a twilight game Monday evening, the Detroit Tigers defeated the Chicago White Sox 2-0 behind "Fire" Trucks, Bengal ace. In a night game the Cleveland Indians beat the St. Louis Browns 6-4.

In the National League, the Brooklyn Dodgers swamped the Philadelphia Phillies 11-6. Cincinnati eked out a 13 inning 5-4 win over the St. Louis Cards.

In an exhibition game Monday afternoon the New York Yankees beat their crosstown rivals, the Giants, 3-0, behind rookies Wright and Queen.

National League

	R.	H.	E.
AT BROOKLYN			
Philadelphia	3	5	3
Brooklyn	5	8	1
AT CHICAGO			
Pittsburgh	9	12	0
Chicago	0	4	1
AT BOSTON			
New York	4	6	1
Boston	5	11	0
AT ST. LOUIS			
Cincinnati vs. St. Louis (night game)			

American League

AT DETROIT			
Chicago	0	10	1
Detroit	2	10	1
AT CLEVELAND			
St. Louis	2	5	1
Cleveland	4	10	1
AT PHILADELPHIA			
Wash. vs. Phil. (postponed threatening weather)			
AT NEW YORK			
Giants vs. New York (night game)			

National League Night Games

AT BROOKLYN			
Philadelphia	6	6	1
Brooklyn	11	15	3
AT ST. LOUIS (13 innings)			
Cincinnati	5	11	1
St. Louis	4	13	1

American League Night Games

AT DETROIT			
Chicago	0	7	1
Detroit	2	7	1
AT CLEVELAND			
St. Louis	4	9	2
Cleveland	6	9	2

Yankees-Giants Exhibition Game

Yankees	3	8	1
Giants	0	7	0

Yanks Breeze Thru Course

ST. ANDREWS, (UP)—All four American entrants in the British Open Golf championships breezed through the last of the two qualifying rounds today, well within the necessary aggregate of 158 or better on the old courses of the Royal and Ancient Club.

Norman von Nida of Australia considers the old course treacherous and unfair, but he played it for a par 73 to lead the 109 qualifiers with 145, three shots better than Arthur Lees of Yorkshire, England, who has been named for the next Ryder Cup team to meet the United States.

The qualifiers will play the first two rounds of the 72-hole championship immediately, and the Americans are expected again to get close attention as major threats to the jealously-held title—one of the few crowns still in British hands.

Badminton Tournament Being Held

MANILA—Single matches in badminton opened the PACUSA Sports Carnival last Sunday morning, June 26, in Rizal Stadium among contestants from Hawaii, Japan, the Marianas, Okinawa and the Philippines, with Okinawa taking all of the badminton honors for the day.

The winners of this tournament will be acclaimed Air Force Champions of the Pacific with each man entered here as the champion of his respective district. During the coming week champions will be decided in golf, tennis, badminton and table tennis, with all play being held at Rizal Stadium with the exception of golf which will be played at Wack Wack Country Club.

Winding up the tourney Sunday night, July 7, a banquet will be held and awards given to the team and individual winners

Ex-Major Leaguers' B.A.

Increasing In Mexican Loop

MEXICO CITY —(AP)— It may or may not be hot Mexican dishes that are putting more zip behind the bats of ex-major leaguers who have jumped to the Mexican league, but league statistics showed yesterday a marked improvement of many of the sluggers who have joined up with Jorge Pasquel's south-of-the-border circuit.

Take Nap Reyes who jumped the New York Giants. Nap is knocking the apple around at a .372 clip compared with his .288 last year. He is in third place, topped only by two Cubans, Claro Duany, who is leading with .396 and Pedro (Pato) Formental who is clipping them off at a .377 pace.

Franklin Hits .350

Murray Franklin, who formerly played with the Detroit Tigers is easing along at a .350 am. George Hausmann, former Giant, is averaging .348 in his 21 games. James Steiner, who played 12 games for the Cleveland Indians and 26 for Boston's Red Sox last year and did no better than .136, has found his batting eye to average .344 in 26 games.

Danny Gardella, ex-Giant now with the Vera Cruz Blues, averaged .272 last year but is averaging .342 now, while Roberto Estalella, ex-Philadelphia Athletic, is hitting .328. Estalella averaged .298 last year and compared with .298 last year and Luis Olmo, ex-Dodger, is clipping .319, slightly better than his .313 last year. Myron Hayworth, who last year, Myron Hayworth, who left the St. Louis Browns, has jumped from a .194 hitter to the .300 class. Roberto Ortiz, late of the Senators is hitting an even .300.

Lanier Tops Pitchers

In the pitching department Max Lanier and Freddy Martin, who jumped the St. Louis Cardinals and got here after the league season started, both have perfect pitching records. Lanier has won both of the games he pitched for the Vera Cruz Blues while Martin won one, although he has had two starts.

Sal Maglie who tossed gem for the Giants is pitching .667. He has started 14 times, won six and lost three while Alex Carrasquel formerly of the White Sox has four wins and four losses out of 15 starts. Other ex-majors have less than a .500 average.

Estalella is leading the league in home runs for the Vera Cruz Blues with 12 circuit trips to his credit. Gardella is trailing him with 10.

Dick Tracy

By Chester Gould

Press Reflects Puzzlement Over Test

NEW YORK, (UP)—Public puzzlement over the results of the Bikini atom test was aptly reflected in artistic editorials by the New York press.

One editorial said that after hearing that "the atom cannot destroy a battle fleet at one stroke, smash an atoll and turn the Pacific ocean into steam, mankind has little to fear from its newest toy."

Compare Air Raid

After commenting on the results, the editorial continued, "Had the same results occurred during an air raid by many planes with conventional bombs, it would have been close to naval disaster. Achieved by one plane dropping one bomb, it should be a grim enough manifestation for anyone."

Dr. Ernest Pollard, nuclear physicist from the University of Oregon, characterized the Bikini experiment as "80 percent dramatic, 20 percent science."

Pollard scored the government for wanting funds which "could have been much better spent on bona fide scientific research."

Strict Censorship

Meanwhile, New York heard the first hint of strict naval censorship in an order personally addressed to Chaplin, NBC announcer who flew over Bikini lagoon but was prevented from revealing any details of what he saw or estimating whether Operations Crossroads actually was a "howling success or an abysmal flop."

Chaplin sent a message to the National Broadcasting Corporation in New York in which he said, "It is now 24 hours since the atom blast. On order tersely forbidding me to give any personal eyewitness account of the damage done has been issued. This was the first censorship order, although the trend toward such action had been noticeable for several days."

Battle Over Negro Ballot To End

JACKSON, Miss., (UP)—The long battle over the right of Negroes to vote in the primary elections in the state of Mississippi will culminate this week in Democratic primaries.

The Department of Justice in Washington has pledged itself to protect any qualified Negro voters who go to the polls, but violence was feared in view of the effect of Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo's "white supremacy" campaign in making registration difficult. As the polls open, indications are that more Negroes than ever will try to vote.

Not Recognized

BATAVIA, (UP)—Prime Minister Sutan Shahrir of the so-called "Indonesian Republic" who was released by his kidnappers, said that the kidnappers did not recognize him when he was seized.

Atomic Beer

BIKINI, (UP) — American scientists plan to fly radio-active beer back to Washington and serve it to laboratory animals. They want to find out what happens after that.

PSF Command Re-Designated

Commander Philippine Sea Frontier, has been officially redesignated as Commander Naval Forces, Philippines. The new title will be used in all official and personal correspondence.

Work Against OPA Revival

WASHINGTON, (UP) — Senate foes of the OPA were again staving off a revival of price control despite a flurry of official warnings that the public will pay for uncontrolled economy with higher taxes and living costs.

Senator W. Lee O'Daniel of Texas and Senator Kenneth S. Wherry of Nebraska have prevented introduction for at least another day of two identical bills to continue price controls for 20 days.

President Truman has remained silent so far, but his top aides have opened a new publicity barrage in hopes of breaking the deadlock.

Economic Stabilizer Chester Bowles conferred with Truman and then predicted that consumers may expect a 75 percent increase in meat prices immediately.

Without price control, new automobiles which have been driven by their original purchasers 100 miles or so to make them qualify as used autos are being offered for as much as $3,000 each.

Papers Report On Atom Results

BERLIN, (UP)—Berlin newspapers were almost jubilant in headlines reporting the results of the atom bomb.

"Light and Thunderbolts Over Bikini But Spectators Are Disappointed" was the headline in the Russian-licensed Express.

In an editorial, the left-wing Russian-licensed Berling Zeitung said, "The dream that the atom weapon would make all war fleets and armies useless has turned into dust. —The atom bomb has lost its value as an argument in diplomatic talks."

Wiley Says Atom Bomb 'Mere Firecracker'

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Wisconsin Senator Alexander Wiley, member of the powerful foreign relations committee, branded the atom bomb as a "mere firecracker."

Wiley also introduced a resolution which would require a Senate study of international atomic control agreement formulated by the United Nations.

The Wisconsin senator introduced the resolution after the House military affairs committee announced the aproval of the rewritten version of the Senate atomic energy measure which would give the military more power in atomic energy development and production in contrast to the Senate version which would vest all authority in civilian officials.

Comments On Palestine

WASHINGTON, (UP)—President Truman said he was determined that the recent disturbances in Palestine should not delay the immigration of 100,000 Jews from Europe to that country.

Redin To Take Stand In Spy Plot Trial

SEATTLE, (UP)—Russian Lieut. Nicolai G. Redin, who is on trial before a Federal court on the charge of espionage, will take the stand in his own defense, his counsel announced. Redin's attractive wife, Galina, also will be a defense witness.

Secret counter-espionage methods used to trap Redin will be revealed at the session by FBI agents.

Naval Officer On Stand

Hightlight of the trial was the testimony given by a high naval official who revealed that the U. S. withheld the latest types of American radar and gunfire control equipment from Russia

Comdr. John McQuilin, key witness in the government effort to convict Redin, said "radar and fire controls on the USS Yellowstone were of the advanced types, the same as those in the most modern combat ships of the U. S. Navy and exceeding any radar turned over to Russia."

Discredit Information

The defense attorneys sought to discredit the confidential nature of the information Redin was alleged to have bought from a shipyard engineer.

Defense Counsel R. C. Griffin sought to prove that the radar equipment allegedly bought by Redin was identical to that given Russia under the lend-lease.

McQuilin dodged Griffin's attempts to get him to admit that such of the Yellowstone data is printed in the dollar handbook on the U.S. Navy on sale at the news stands

Forrestal To Visit Manila Next Week

TOKYO, (UP)—Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal will visit Manila next week in the course of a global flight from Bikini by way of Tokyo, it was learned.

Forrestal is scheduled to arrive in Tokyo Friday evening from Bikini and will depart early Saturday for Shanghai.

He will also make stops at Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Cairo, Rome, Berlin, Stockholm and London on his way to the U. S.

Imprisoned For Trying To Sell His Son

HONGKONG, (UP)—A Chinese was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for offering his four-year-old son for sale.

He was found by a policeman near the ferry wharf carrying his child and a sign, "Small Child For Sale."

He told the court he was destitute and had tried to raise funds to support his family of six. The child was turned over to a charity home.

Styer Named Military Governor Of Islands

MANILA, (UP)—Lt. Gen. W. D. Styer, commanding general, AFWESPAC, has been named military governor of the islands of Nansei Shoto, Ryukyus and adjacent waters south of 30 degrees north latitude, it was announced here.

Designation was made by General MacArthur and was made effective on July 1, 1946.

Call On President

(1) Admiral Charles M. Cooke, Jr., inspects the presidential Guard prior to an official call on President Manuel A. Roxas at Malacanan Palace yesterday morning.

(2) Lord Killearn, Britain's special commissioner for Southeast Asia, signs the guest register at Malacanan. Looking on are Commodore James A. Collins, Royal Australian Navy, and Australian Consul A. A. Peterson.

(3) Comdr. Charles Parsons, U. S. Naval Aide to President Roxas, greets members of the Siamese delegation calling at Malcanan. Left to right: Prince Wongsa Nuwat, minister of foreign affairs; Rear Adm. Chalit Kulkhamthon, chief of staff of the Royal Fleet; Air Vice Marshall F. R. Riddhagani, Royal Air Force; Lt. Gen. Sook Chatinakrob, Army chief of staff; and Thawi Bunyaket minister of agriculture.

(4) Left to right Consul N. A. de Woogd, Netherlands, Baron Van Aerssen, Netherlands delegate, and Lt. V. Kilsdonk, the Baron's Naval aide, prior to their official call on President Roxas. (Photos By McKee)

Donald Duck By Walt Disney

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VICTORY SIGNATURE—A long-awaited moment is at hand. Gen. MacArthur, supreme Allied commander, signs the surrender papers aboard the Missouri. Directly behind him is Lt. Gen. Wainwright, and next to Wainwright is Lt. Gen. Sir Arthur Percival. Members of the Allied delegation look on.

ANS-Signal Corps Radiophoto.

Army Asked To Free Most Veterans Who Are Family Men

Compiled From Press Dispatches

WASHINGTON — Immediate discharge from the armed forces of almost all married men with families was urged Tuesday by Chairman Sabath (D-Ill.) of the House Rules Committee on the eve of Congress' first peacetime session in four years.

In letters to Secretary of War Stimson and Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, Sabath said these five categories should be returned to civilian life at once.

1. Men who have families and have been in service abroad.

2. Men with families who have been in uniform at least two years regardless of place of service.

3. Students under 20 who were attending school at the time of their induction and who will resume their schooling if discharged.

Services Needed

4. Owners, part owners, executives, and supervisors whose services "are vitally needed in their respective businesses and their plants in reconversion to civilian production." Included would be men in professions in which manpower is short.

5. All limited service men except those serving in administrative jobs in separation centers.

The session starting tomorrow will be a "reconversion Congress" as distinguished from the war congresses in almost continuous session since late in 1941.

Facing lawmakers returning from vacations cut short by war's end will be six administrative tagged "must" proposals dealing with:

1. Jobs for everyone willing and able to work. Congressional committees have been grappling with the so-called "full employment bill."

2. Unemployment compensation. Senate and House committees are working on proposals to pay as much as $25 weekly for 26 weeks to workers unable to find jobs.

3. Surplus property disposal. A bill to substitute a single administrator for a three-man board will be ready for House action next month.

$25 A Week

4. Reorganization of executive agencies. Mr. Truman wants authority to abolish or merge many agencies.

5. Termination of war controls and laws. Many emergency acts are nearing expiration and Congress must decide which to retain.

6. Selective Service legislation.

New Nip Line! Never Told Of Sneak Attack

TOKYO (UP) — The Japanese people did not know the attack on Pearl Harbor was a sneak raid and the populace was "shocked and depressed" by the news.

Genji Tanaka, newspaperman and chief of the English section of the Tokyo newspaper Mainichi, said, "The news was revealed to the public in two announcements.

"The first was a statement by the general staff early Dec. 7, 1941 that war had been declared against the U. S. This shocked and depressed the population because of the great power of the U. S. and Britain.

Hear Of Pearl Harbor

"Hours later, a broadcast announced a successful attack upon U. S. Naval and Army installations at Hawaii. Public reaction was one of relief."

Tanaka said "thinking Japanese" discerned that the fortunes of war were going against Nippon when Japan lost the battle of Midway.

"This expedition was not directed against Hawaii or Southern California as the Americans seemed to believe," he said.

"The capture of Midway and the abolishment there of an operational base was the sole objective. Had this been attained, subsequent attacks upon Hawaii, Alaska and the Pacific coast could have been expected.

War Comes Home

"The loss of Saipan in June 1944 thoroughly alarmed Tokyo—it was a basic, crushing blow of the war, as were the fire raids launched March 10, which fatally crippled military production in Yokohama, a city of almost 1,000,000.

"It brought the war home to the man in the street—to the common people—who really had not known what was going on."

'We'll Do Better The Next Time' Is Japan's Attitude

By RICHARD W. JOHNSTON

TOKYO (UP)—We have bombed Japan to the edge of ruin, sunk its fleet and have occupied its home islands—but the Japanese people do not know they lost the war.

The Japanese army is relatively intact and has no awareness of defeat.

The Japanese navy virtually ceased to exist but its officers excuse the debacle on the basis of maladministration by the army.

Japanese intellectuals criticize the military—but not for taking Japan into war. Only for failing to win it.

The mass of the Japanese people believe the war was halted by the magnanimous gesture of the emperor, rather than as a result of Allied force.

This is the Japanese attitude in a nutshell:

'Do Better Next Time'

"We are embarrassed at the failure of the army and navy to triumph for the emperor—next time we will do better."

This is not a "shotgun" judgment but the result of several days of carefully interviewing Japanese in every walk of life—from the simplest workers to influential bi-lingual leaders. It represents the conclusion of all United Press correspondents with the occupation forces, as well as that of dozens of other correspondents and many officers.

United States forces in Japan are regarded by most Japanese as slightly unwelcome guests who must be tolerated for a time. There is none of the abject subservience of a badly beaten people—nor the bitter resentment of the unyielding last-ditch guerrilla fighter.

Instead, the Japanese are acting as though this were only a recess between two antagonists who will resume the fight—presumably when and if Japan obtains the secret atomic bomb or some other "equalizer."

Peace Only 'Tactic'

As far as the Japanese are concerned, the existing peace is only a "tactic" in the eternal war for world domination.

I have asked fifty-odd Japanese in all walks of life: "Why did you quit fighting?"

The answers have been: "Because the emperor told us to"—not "because we were licked."

The only Japanese I have met who are willing to admit that Japan could not have won the war are better administered Nisei who were born and bred to the realization of America's potential.

They are careful, however, not to voice this view except to us in private.

On the basis of extensive conversations, we have reached the disagreeable conclusion that unless our military government somehow manages to impress the Japanese with the fact that

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GI Thumb Signal Is 'Scram' To Japs

YOKOHAMA — Hitch-hiking GIs find that the rule of thumb doesn't work in Japan.

When they try to thumb rides, Jap drivers increase their speed.

A Jap college student born in the States explained the confusion by telling Americans: "In Japan, motioning with the thumb like that means 'scram'."

T/SGT. DICK KOSTER.

President Asks GI Murder Probe

WASHINGTON (ANS)—President Truman has asked the Army for particulars in the case of an Indiana soldier sentenced to die in Europe fo rmurder.

The President acted after Gov. Ralph F. Gates of Indiana appealed to the White House and War Department to investigate the sentencing of Pfc. Robert A. Colby, 22, of Gettingsville, Ind.

No record of the case has reached the War Department from Germany, it was said, and the specific charge against Colby was not known here.

Rep. Forest Harness said he had asked Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson and General Eisenhower for a full investigation of the court martial proceedings.

MacArthur Tells Japs To Disarm And Demobilize

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—A Columbia Broadcasting System broadcast from Yokohama said that Gen. MacArthur has issued his second general order, requiring immediate demobilization and disarmament of the Jap army, clearing all harbors and prompt release of Allied prisoners.

Meanwhile, the occupation schedule of Japan was speeded up Tuesday with the arrival of thousands of more troops both by sea and air and Americans are expected to move into the metropolitan area of Tokyo Friday.

The first 200 of 20,000 air and ground crewmen moved into the Tachikawa Army Air Base, eight miles west of Tokyo, and began preparations for large scale arrivals.

Ahead Of Schedule

The main transfer of troops from Atsugi to Tachikawa will be Thursday, 10 days ahead of schedule.

Jap gendarmerie planned to establish interrogation stations at several points in the occupation area to prevent incidents.

A Japanese government communique gave the following schedule of movement of more than 15,000 Americans into the greater Tokyo area:

Wednesday—6,500 will enter Hiratsuka city and the Oiso, Kamagawa prefecture.

Thursday—2,250 will enter Odaware city.

Other Entries

Friday—1,120 will enter the Goemba Shizuoka prefecture; 3,350 will enter Hachioji city in the metropolitan district of Tokyo; 1,120 will enter Hatano Kanagawa prefecture, and 1,120

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Censorship Removal Effective In MidPac.

All censorship of mail, telephone calls, and telegraph communications has been lifted for U. S. forces in MidPac, G-2, MidPac, said Tuesday. In the future, letters can be sealed and mailed in the ordinary way.

12 Freed PWs Stop At Oahu

Looking tired but obviously happy to be once again on American soil, the initial group of former prisoners of the Japs reached Oahu Monday where a large crowd greeted them at the Hickam Field ATC terminal.

Held in Manchuria for more than three years, the 10 officers and two EM were in a prison camp with Lt. Gen. Wainwright and were liberated with him by American parachutists. Gen. Wainwright is expected here in a few days.

The group left Chungking last Friday. They plan to continue their air flight to Washington, D. C., Tuesday. Another stop will be made at Hamilton Field, Cal.

The party includes Maj. Gen. E. P. King, Jr., Maj. Gen. A. M. Jones, Maj. Gen. G. F. Moore, Maj. Gen. W. F. Sharpe, Brig. Gen. M. Lough, Brig. Gen. Clifford Bluemel, Brig. Gen. Wm. E. Brougher, Brig. Gen. James R. N. Weaver, Lt. Col. Burton Brown, Maj. A. C. Tisdelle, M/Sgt. Gordon B. Gonzales and Sgt. Lloyd L. Kelly.

LONDON (AP) — More than 100 Royal Navy sweepers have begun the tedious task of cleaning up the series of mine belts 20 to 30 miles off shore which, during the war, protected British coastwise shipping.

MidPac Plans Education Program

GI Joe To Become Joe College

By T/4 GEO. S. TALMAGE
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

GI Joe is going to become Joe College.

With the official proclamation of V-J Day by President Truman, the Army Education-Training Program soon will be extensively applied in MidPac. The date of its inauguration will be based partly on the completion of plans for redeployment and demobilization of troops in this area.

Included in the program are literacy training, vocational or professional training, and high school and college subjects.

Following an educational planning and training conference scheduled for Saipan Sept. 15-16, to be attended by representatives from MidPac major echelons, the educational program will get under way. Prior to that conference, units may initiate their school programs, provided the military situation and mission of an element permit, and instructors, advisors and administrators have been carefully selected and trained.

Participation in the AEP will be purely voluntary. No soldier will be required to enroll for any subject which he doesn't want to take. On the other hand, not every man will be permitted to sign up for any course he wants. He must be qualified and adequately prepared to study the course of his selection.

For those who do not wish to study, there will be an alternate athletic and recreation program.

"If a man chooses to participate in neither the school nor the athletic program, he will be required to perform some military duty during the part of the day set aside for school and recreational activities," a spokesman stated. "Likewise, he may participate in both the programs if he desires."

In no case will either program delay the departure of a serviceman for the mainland, he said.

The unit school will be the first phase of the program to be started. Organized on a battalion level serving 1,000 men or less, it is expected that this type school will satisfy the bulk of the needs and interests of military personnel in MidPac.

"Courses in the unit schools will be on the grade school, trade school, and college level, dependent on the requirements of the men and the facilities and instructors available," declared the I-E representative.

"Faculties will be composed

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Dear Editor

(Note: The views of those who write letters to The Stars and Stripes editor may not coincide with the views of this newspaper. Letters to the editor are not our editorial expressions.)

See The World Free

Recently I received a letter from a civilian friend in which he was commenting upon Japan's offer to surrender. I quote from a part of it:

"Too bad you had to make the trip for nothing; but after all you would have to pay for the trip during peacetime."

Like so many other civilians this man seems to believe that the GI who is overseas has been on one grand pleasure cruise at the expense of the government. In fact, his letter seems to reflect a note of envy.

Perhaps something can be done whereby men who have heretofore escaped the draft, for one reason or another, can take advantage of the government's good nature.

Perhaps they too can enjoy a "pleasure cruise" and see the world. It only cost me two-and-one-half years of my life.

Of course they would miss the thrill of sub or air alerts, they would merely be going on a sightseeing tour; and as an incident thereto would form the Army of Occupation in Japan.

I am sure that the men who are now overseas will be gracious enough to step aside and make room for them—so that those who envy us can see the world. We are tired. We want to go home.

T/SGT. H. H. OSTRIN
Okinawa

For GI Schools

With V-J Day there develops a crying need for reorganization of the Army to provide the Yanks in the ranks with expanded opportunities for education.

There exists an enormous demand for all types of vocational training, courses leading to high school diplomas, liberal arts classes etc., in fact, it is difficult to imagine any educational activity the Yank wouldn't snap up immediately.

I propose that The Stars and Stripes, and other publications recognize their new role and devote space regularly to articles which will be done to make the rest of my life useful.

KEVIN MITCHICK
ROBERT GREENFIELD

P.S. I am a bugs educated and well early all the way through it.

Again!

Story of Aug. 13 seems to be imploring side as to Hiroshima? Well, I know all, I assure you he's a Texas gentleman now world at Uncle Sam's

On the D.&R.G.W. Pueblo, Colo., to Utah, then to Seattle a boat with me. Now, I'm headed in a downward direction.

Story's Been Here, but I'll see it.-He only wants to be's been places.

I'd like to tend some kind of trade school to ask M/Sgt. Bill T/Sgt. DeBuse of Tex. "Is Kilroy here?"

J. W. CLAUNCH

Credit?

Seen of your paper in service can be in for publication area. I read it day.

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Take ..... a ..... Break

With T/4 Jerry Siegel

Gal: Kissing is unsanitary. Think of the germs your lips will move on mine.

GI: Listen, babe, the way I kiss, I crush the germs to death.

Field headquarters telephoned a furloughing sergeant: "Move heaven and earth, but get here Friday."

He replied: "Am raising hell; will get there Saturday."

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"Dear Jerry:

"I have some information as to the 'Sign of Kilroy.' It seems that Kilroy is a dog at Ft. Lawton, Wash. As a joke, some of the cadre put 'Kilroy was here' all around camp. The fad caught on right quick. Everybody who left from Lawton began to put similar signs everywhere, on the embarkation pier in Seattle, on boats, in depots and camps all over Oahu, and wherever those boys went in the forward areas. Always willing to be of help. A Kilroy fan myself.

Pvt. H. T. Garin."

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Vital statistics for 1944 indicate that a lot of people went stork mad.

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S/Sgt. George W. Stafford of Petersburg, Va., blinded near Leipzig by an anti-tank mine, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Medical Administrative Corps. The commission had been granted and was on its way through channels to his echelon when he was hurt.

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Chosen as rodeo foreman because of his superior riding ability, William Wood rode into the center of the crowded arena at Ogden, Utah, of a dignified character, then fell from his horse, breaking his arm.

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Why is it that when I pine for a girl I only get the needles?

Two mind readers met on the street: *"You're fine, how am I?"*

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The Army's the best place to develop a sense of rumor.

Jack and Jill fell down the hill,
A stunt that's mighty risky.
It wuzz made them act like that,
By gosh, I'll stay with whisky.

Holding The Bag?

I read in your Aug. 14 issue where a group of civilians working at Pearl Harbor from two to nine months were fed up and want to get back to the States.

Well, how about us boys who have been over here from 18 months to four years? We are plenty fed up, too, but what can we do about it? Nothing!

No transportation for us, but the civilian can find it. Why is it that the boys in the Pacific are always left holding the bag?

Why not send back the boys that have been over here 18 months or more, even if they haven't 85 points? We could sit out in the States like quite a few other fellows that haven't been overseas.

PFC. K. L. EPPLEY

How Many Regulars?

With all the arguments pro and con as to the advisability of lowering or raising (or even abolishing completely) the draft quotas, one point still puzzles me. How can anyone arrive at any conclusion concerning a future draft when there has not been any method of ascertaining how many men will stay in the services?

Any haphazard guessing game will result in disillusionment to many new draftees and veterans of at least a couple years service.

Unless the number of regulars is taken into account in any proposals for continuing or eliminating the draft, there is little possibility of estimating the correct number of replacements, etc., needed for occupation and other required military duties.

PFC. PERRY SLAVITT

Forgotten?

We of the Marine Corps feel that we are being forgotten in the demobilization. That feeling stems from the fact the Marine Corps has never made a statement on attempts to reduce its ranks.

I know of no men being discharged. Even though they have as many as 127 points they are being faced with probable occupation duty.

Why can't the efficiency of the Corps be speeded up?

NAME WITHHELD

Marine Corps classification office on Oahu says the number of men with 85 points or more is being tabulated and separation centers are being established. Demobilization plans were made known Aug. 15, some time after the Army's plans were announced. The first men to be discharged were released on Sept. 1.

Future Student

Prior to my enlistment in the Army I had been married for quite a spell; worked in a factory; and was the father of one child. Incidentally, I have two children now.

Now my problem is, can I attend some kind of trade school since I was under twenty-five (25) years of age when I entered the Army?

T/3 MANUEL MARTINEZ
Ryukyus

Yes, since you were under 25 when you entered the Army you are eligible for trade school training. Anyone—regardless of age—who has served 90 days is eligible for one year of schooling. Those over 25 can study longer than one year by proving that their education was "impeded, delayed, or interfered with."

All Circulating Blood Lost—Men Still Saved

GUAM — Injuries were sometimes so extensive among our troops in combat, the Navy has just disclosed, that a man would lose all of his circulating blood and still be saved because of the ready supply of whole blood.

BLOOD PRESSURE GOING DOWN

By Cpl. Tom Gray, Staff Artist

THE PRESS BACK HOME

WASHINGTON POST—The Union for Democratic Action has already issued a warning that vested interests may try and also retard the more efficient and cheaper production of power, heat and light through utilization and adaptation to peacetime uses of the new (atom bomb) discovery. That, of course, is a possible danger, but, in our opinion, not as great as the danger that the new form of energy will be released for peacetime use before we are prepared to make the social and economic adjustments required by its introduction.

CHICAGO DAILY NEWS—The Service Men's Centers of Chicago have reached their fourth birthday. In that time they have entertained—and fed—17,000,000 guests in uniform from all parts of this country and from the far places of the earth . . . (Now that the war is over) it will in all likelihood be found that these centers have done more to create lasting good will for Chicago than both our World's Fairs rolled into one.

NEW YORK TIMES—In a recent demonstration of its peacetime abilities the jeep was shown at work pulling two-bottom plows, disks and harrows, seed drills, hay loaders and balers, mowing machines and trailers full of hogs. It was shown as a mobile power plant operating, through a power take-off, orchard and crop sprays and blowers, buzz-saws, compressed air drills, welding apparatus, grain mills and silo fillers. It also went through its paces as a speedy carrier of varied loads in its own body, as a fire-fighting truck and as a linesmen's carryall.

GALLUP POLL—"It has been suggested that after a United States president has finished his term he automatically be given a seat and a vote in the Senate for as long as he wishes. Do you approve or disapprove of this?"

The vote:

Approve	34%
Disapprove	53
No opinion	13

DALLAS MORNING NEWS—Texas has shown approximately twice as much industrial development (as measured by investment in plants, number of wage earners, and volume and value of products) during the last four years as took place in all preceding history. . . . It is questionable whether Texas has climbed up industrially or merely out on a limb; and the reply must be found, not so much in what has actually happened, as in the program which is adopted to meet the situation . . . The course of Texas industrial expansion or contraction during the next ten years will depend in very considerable degree upon the initiative of Texas business and civic leaders.

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Blondie

Courtesy of King Features, distributed through CNS

By Chic Young

War Criminal List In Japan Grows Longer

YOKOHAMA (AP)—Americans freed from the hell-holes of Japan told their stories of starvation, brutality and torture directly to Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commanding Eighth Army occupation forces Tuesday and names of Japanese responsible were added steadily to a growing war-criminals list.

The Navy simultaneously sent a hospital ship, four transports, a cruiser and four rescue destroyers to Hamamatsu, 120 miles southwest of Tokyo, to evacuate other hundreds of Allied prisoners.

These ships earlier had helped evacuate approximately 1,500 from the Tokyo area.

11,540 Await Rescue

Due Tuesday were 462 others, being brought to Yokohama from the Ashio prison camp and plans were rushed for release of 3,000 more at Niigata, a west coast port. In northern Honshu and northernmost Hokkaido an estimated 11,500 await liberation.

Eighty per cent of the 2,000 already examined here are in "serious" condition, medical officers said.

Adm. Sir Bruce Fraser, commanding the British Pacific Fleet, also was checking lists of his own captured nationals and reported approximately 39,100 British component interned in camps within his jurisdiction.

36,000 In Japan

Including 8,000 Americans, there are an estimated 36,000 Allied prisoners in Japan.

Gen. Eichelberger and two officers of the general headquarters war crimes branch listened with shocked gravity to many of the prisoners they interviewed aboard the hospital ship Benevolence.

Virtually all the patients were suffering from one form of malnutrition and other complications—beri-beri, dysentery, malaria, tuberculosis and various fevers. All had been beaten, and many had been denied medical attention.

Military inquiry teams, meanwhile, redoubled their efforts to complete lists of war criminals, while medical men promised the liberated Americans the speediest possible return to their homes.

6 Yank Fliers Lived High Life In Thai Prison

CALCUTTA (UP)—Six American airmen who had been in Calcutta via Rangoon from Bangkok internment and told one of the war's most unusual stories.

Prisoners said they were well treated and said their captors fed them rice porridge, curried rice, beef, chicken, vegetables, and eggs.

They never had to work and always had excellent books. They claimed they were looking better than before they were captured.

Capt. Albert Abraham, 2nd Air Command Group, formerly of Marshall, Tex., was captured when his Mustang was hit by flak about 20 miles northwest of Bangkok. He bailed out and was arrested by Thailand police who interned him in a school.

Thai authorities who were anti-Jap turned him loose as soon as they heard the Japs surrendered. Lt. Deane Weimer, Sheridan, Wyo., was downed the same day Abraham was hit. He broke a rib. Thai police gave him medical attention.

Lt. Malcolm MacKenzie, Greenville, S.C., said he believed Thailand authorities were constantly playing a double game with the Japs. He said he could have purchased a Jap machine gun but had insufficient funds to meet the black market price.

Lt. James H. Kintz, Chicago, said, "They couldn't do enough for the Americans."

Tremaine Named Chief Of Tokyo UP Bureau

TOKYO (UP)—Frank Tremaine, United Press war correspondent and former bureau manager of the U.P. office in Honolulu, was named manager of the Tokyo bureau by Frank H. Bartholomew, U.P. vice president in charge of the Pacific area.

CURTIS L. MARTIN, Y 2/c, AND HIS 44-POINT WINGS

Sailor All Set To Soar Home On 'Wings'

It's the way the point system affects everybody, more or less—all thoughts turn to home and the only question besides, "How soon?" is, "Can I make it any sooner?"

Curtis L. Martin, Y2/c, USNR, attached to a Pearl Harbor Navy activity, has been amusing everybody in his unit with a pair of wings he built from cardboard and other odds and ends.

The idea is, of course, that when Curtis collects 44 points, he won't wait for transportation. He'll just take off a-runnin' and a-flyin' for his home.

There are two difficulties. He has only 30 points instead of 44, and his wings don't really work, except with the aid of a bit of trickery. Curtis and his pals confess freely that they resorted to hocus-pocus to produce the photograph of Curtis flying through a shed doorway. What the hocus-pocus was, they haven't explained.

Medic Badge Brings $10 Boost In Salary

Enlisted men of the Medical Corps entitled to wear the Medical Badge are to be paid $10 a month extra, MidPac hq. announced Monday.

"This act of Congress gives further recognition to the noncombatant service under enemy fire performed by men of the Medical Corps," a hq. spokesman said. "Payment of this additional compensation puts the badge on a level with the Combat Infantryman Badge."

The medical decoration is awarded to both officers and EM of the Medical Corps, who are attached to units with medical detachments of Infantry regiments, for satisfactory performance of duties under combat conditions. Commissioned personnel will not be paid the extra $10.

C-54 Sets New Record From Tokyo To Seattle

SEATTLE (UP) — A Boeing C-54 carrying undeveloped surrender photographs arrived here 21 hours and 40 minutes after taking off from Tokyo and setting a new record for the distance, approximately 4,585 miles.

Nips Free U. S. Civilians

YOKOHAMA (AP)—Captured at Guam three and a half years ago, 127 American civilian workers have been freed by the commandant of the Mt. Futatabe camp at Kobe.

Japs Ordered To Demobilize

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will enter the Uyenchara Yamanashi prefecture.

"The police will be detailed to maintain law and order in all these areas. Government organs and public organizations will continue to function as usual. Civilians are requested to continue their ordinary daily life in peace as heretofore."

Meanwhile, Adm. Halsey announced that de-militarization of all Jap surface vessels has been completed.

Relieve Marines

It was announced that the Army's 112th regimental combat team has relieved the Marine detachment at Tateyama on the Chiba Peninsula.

Marine landing parties from the battleships South Dakota and Missouri and others helped occupy Yokosuka and were relieved by regular occupation troops.

Adm. Halsey said prize crews were placed on all Jap ships, including large submarines.

One sub, apparently the world's largest, had hangar space for four planes and another, of about 2,800 tons, carried two planes.

Three Set For Duty

All but three subs were ready and set for duty when the Americans arrived. The Americans captured 44 baka bombs with jet propulsion devices, training planes and aircraft engines.

Adm. Halsey said an auxiliary high speed Jap transport arrived in Tokyo Bay Sept. 2 with 300 Japs from the army garrison on Marcus Island.

A delayed dispatch from John Grover, datelined Aizu, Manchuria, said Seventh Fleet task force units found the city virtually undamaged and said the destroyers Evans and Hubbard raced across the Yellow Sea to evacuate prisoners believed to be in or near Mukden.

Claim Japs Scattered 3,000 Allied Prisoners

TOKYO (AP)—The Japanese apparently removed thousands of Allied PWs from the Tokyo area prior to or immediately after surrender.

A total of 3,000 internees are believed distributed around Tokyo on the basis of information received by the International Red Cross.

WASHINGTON (ANS) — The Navy disclosed Tuesday that during the last 10 months of war it used the neutral Portuguese Azores Islands as a base for planes combatting German U-boats.

Battle Of Bismarck Sea Turned Tide---M'Arthur

By DON CASWELL

YOKOHAMA (UP)—Gen. MacArthur, refreshed and relaxed, told me Monday that the battle of the Bismarck Sea, March 2, 1943, was the decisive air engagement of his theater.

He chatted informally about the long South Pacific campaign at a luncheon for the only three American correspondents who covered his headquarters from Melbourne to Tokyo—William Dunn of CBS, Lee Van Atta of INS, and myself.

Sunday night was almost the first time since Pearl Harbor that Gen. MacArthur has slept 10 hours. Monday at his house in Yokohama, he seemed supremely happy over his great personal triumph when he accepted the Jap surrender.

Praises Kenney

While paying his unadulterated praise to his air commander, Maj. Gen. George C. Kenney, MacArthur disclosed the importance attached to the battle of Bismarck Sea.

In that brief offensive, 135 of Kenney's Fifth Air Force planes—all he could get off the ground—sank the entire 22-ship Jap convoy north of New Britain.

Simultaneously, attacking American planes downed more than half the 200 planes assigned to protect the convoy.

"Some people doubted the figures of that battle, but we have the same of every ship sunk."

Recalls First Year

Gen. MacArthur was inclined to be mellow even while he reminisced about the first black year when Japan came near to invading Australia.

At moments, tracey of the old fire and anger broke in the sunburned face; his voice grew tight and hoarse at the memory of some of the first incidents of the war. Then he smiled, relaxed, waved his hand and said, "Well, all that doesn't matter any more."

I asked him, "What are your chances of retiring?"

He paused and said, "I've been retired for years."

Fifth A Terror

Gen. MacArthur said the Fifth AAF was "a terror" and said it could have "smashed any of our landings if it had been on the other side. We never could have moved out of Australia if Kenney hadn't taken the air away from the Japs."

MacArthur started with only two American divisions in Australia and finally had 22 Army and six Marine divisions.

In the course of his discussion, MacArthur called Adm. Halsey "the greatest fighting admiral in this or any war.

"When Halsey finds the Jap, he hits him and fights like a tiger," MacArthur said.

Although he declined to guess how many troops would be needed to garrison Japan, he brushed off as "ridiculous" recent statements attributed to him which said the occupation job would take 1,000,000 men.

Seabees Smash Record To Get EM Sent Home

GUAM—When the Navy on Guam needed an office to process men before sending them home on the point system, the Seabees constructed a quonset hut and furnished it completely in less than 72 hours. The Guam Seabees claim it's the fastest built quonset ever put up anywhere.

Fry Two Up, Toots

LONDON (UP)—Tokyo radio broadcasts heard here said that Yokohama restaurants were advertising for 500 waitresses "preferably with some knowledge of English."

Boyington, 63 Other Freed PWs On Guam

GUAM (UP)—A group of 64 prisoners of war, including Maj. Gregory (Pappy) Boyington, of Seattle—the first group of Navy and Marine personnel evacuated from Japan—arrived here Tuesday after a 1,566-mile flight from Kisarazu Naval Base.

The group of 19 officers and 45 enlisted men came here aboard two MATS C-54s. Pilots, gunners, submarine men, and veterans of Wake, Corregidor, Guam, and North China—some of them prisoners for as long as three years and eight months—were in the party.

Most appeared to be in good health although some suffered from dysentery, beri-beri, and malnutrition.

An Hour's Notice

The men will remain at Guam for several days for physical checkups and rest before continuing to the U. S. They had only one hour's rest before leaving Kisarazu.

Of them had tales of hunger, illness, and brutality suffered by prisoners of war camps from Luzon to Honshu. But now most of them thought first of the next flight which will take them a little nearer home.

The party included:

Rhode Island—Hugh A. Kenyon, AM-3/c, Newport.

Texas—Earl King, Cowtown, Bynum; Cpl. Otis H. King, Dallas; Pfc. Hillman A. Davis, Denison; Torbin C. Sails, PHM-1/c, Dallas; Lee C. Sparks, MM-2/c, Sabina; Cpl. J. W. Richardson, Mineral Wells.

Washington, D. C.—Hollis M. Seales, Jr., Jamestown Condit.

New York—Robert L. Griffiths, chief gunner's mate, Long Beach; Thomas C. Durking, New York City; Lt. Lawrence Sovadkin, Forest Hills, L. I.; C. W. Reddon, Elmira Heights.

Missourians Listed

Missouri—Cpl. Arthur E. Hanson, Navada; Second Lt. Donald A. Carlson, St. Louis; Paul D. Rousin, St. Louis.

Illinois—Pfc. Arthur D. Andrews, Carmel; Eng. John M. Barron, Oak Park; Herbert J. Breckenfeld, Chicago Heights.

New Jersey—Murray Glasser, AMM-1/c, Roselle Park.

Pennsylvania— Frederick C. Lockett, AR-2/c, Ardmore; Lt. James L. Wagner, Philadelphia; Ens. Arthur W. Howell, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia; Lt. John M. Arbuckle, State College.

Arkansas — James W. Storey, SPHM, Alma; Cpl. Thomas E. Collins, Ozark; Lt. John H. Shuff, Little Rock.

Louisiana—Raymond J. Jakubielski BM 1/c, Alexandria; Lt. Minos D. Miller, Jr., Jennings; Pfc. O. C. Gilbert, New Orleans.

BEHEADED BY JAPS

MELBOURNE (AP)—Lt. William Newton, winner of the Victoria Cross and one of Australia's outstanding war heroes, was beheaded by the Japanese on New Guinea in 1943, it was disclosed.

Donald Duck

Courtesy of King Features, distributed through CNS

By Walt Disney

Okies, Arkies Head Home With Bulging Bankrolls

By VIRGINIA MACPHERSON

KINGMAN, Ariz. (UP)—Thousands of migrant workers who struggled hungry and broke into California a few years ago are swarming back to Oklahoma and Arkansas daily—their pockets bulging with greenbacks.

They're part of the army of war workers who've lost their jobs by government cutbacks. But they're not worried. Many of them have salted away enough cash to pay off the mortgage of their land in the dust bowl or buy a farm or put in new equipment.

They're not going home in the same rattletrap flivvers that chugged them over the border into west coast war plants. Most of them are sailing home in style—in late model prewar cars.

But that's where the difference ends. They've still got family belongings piled on the top or strapped on the running board, or bouncing behind in a trailer.

Real Folding Money

It's no unusual sight to see a car loaded down with two or three mattresses on top—the sign of a "wealthy Okie." Usually the kitchen stove, the baby's highchair and the pots and pans are clanking against the car's deluxe paint job.

The father of the family generally still wears his overalls but there's real folding money in the pockets.

"They're the same 'Okies' and 'Arkies' that came through here four years ago," declared J. C. Fitzgerald, quarantine inspector at the California-Arizona border. "But they're richer ones now. That's all."

Cars Line Road

Today I saw hundreds headed for Oklahoma and Arkansas, pull in at the inspection station. Cars were lined along the highway as many as 48 at a time.

I climbed on running boards to find out where they are going, how rich they were, and what they were going to do with all their money.

Ed Rhine, a toothless farmer, was going back to Arkansas to pay off the mortgage on his farm. His car was loaded down with Mrs. Rhine, Granny, five little Rhines, brother Rhine, and all the household belongings.

"We all worked but Granny and the two littlest," he grinned. "We'll be big shots when we get home, what with all this dough we got."

S. P. Bordman, an elderly welder, was one of the few homebound "Okies" who drove a truck instead of a shiny automobile.

Saw It Coming

"All us 'Okies' ain't durned fools," he declared. "Saw this comin', so we didn't splurge on no fancy extras. Look."

He opened a burlap bag and scooped out $5,000 in small bills.

Clyde Summers, jubilant over the savings of his three-year job as a welder, drove into the station, wet diapers flapping from the car windows. Saved enough, he said, to buy a new Buick, get his wife and three children fancy clothes and still buy a big farm in Oklahoma.

The record for the fabulous rise to riches goes to the Shoreman clan. Four years ago with his wife, three grown sons and daughter, he coaxed his pickup truck from Oklahoma to Oakland, and live shipyard jobs.

$100,000 Saved

"Lived in an old chicken coop," Shoreman said. "Everybody worked and chipped in for the farm." They kept their cash in old cigar boxes.

"And now looky here," he beamed. Pulling out four battered boxes bulging with cash, he said, "almost $100,000 we got in thur."

I stared at piles of bills, ranging from $1,000 ones down to $100 greenbacks. He kept those "little ones" on top, he said, in case any should blow out. I saw $1,000 bills in a quick flip of one of the boxes.

"I'm heading for home now," he added. "The farm's all bought and just waitin' for me to get thar and work it."

His new Plymouth was loaded down with beds, mattresses, quilts, tools, bicycles, and the ever-present wash tub.

20,000 Walk Out At Many Auto Plants

DETROIT (ANS) — Production tieups spread through the automobile industry Tuesday as a wave of strikes growing out of three years' accumulation of union grievances broke.

More than 20,000 workers were idle as strikes stopped production at seven plants of the Briggs Manufacturing Co. and four divisions of Hudson Car Co.

The Ford Motor Co. halted automobile assembly in its huge River Rouge plant and at branch plants in Edgewater, N. J., Louisville, Ky., and Dallas, Tex.

11,000 Walk Out

Spokesmen for the CIO United Automobile Workers said 11,000 workers were out in the Briggs and Hudson strikes. The union said grievances causing strikes had been created "over the last three years" and had been ignored by management.

"We didn't do anything about it because of the war," a union official said. "But now we are going to strike until our grievances are considered and adjusted."

Production Slowed

Ford's new car production was slowed by a strike of 4,500 workers at Kelsey Hayes Wheel Co. Ford laid off 3,000 men in assembling departments. Other scattered disputes affected some 2,500 workers.

As the industry headed into the stages of reconversion, labor's demands perked operations throughout the industry. Wide demands for 30% wage increases faced the Big Three — General Motors, Chrysler and Ford.

Chrysler notified the UAW that it would face serious difficulties in producing cars at prewar prices if wage demands were met. It denied labor's charges about high profits from war production.

Nip Surrender In China Set

CHUNGKING (AP)—The signing of the surrender of Japanese forces in the China theater will take place in Nanking Thursday, Chinese dispatches announced. The date has been postponed several times presumably because of bad weather delaying the landing of airborne troops in Nanking.

The Chinese also announced that the major south China city of Canton and the former Yangtze treaty port of Ichang had been peacefully entered.

115,541 Allied PWs Held By SE Asia Japs

KANDY, Ceylon (AP)—The Southeast Asia Command estimates the Japanese held 115,354 Allied prisoners of war in its area and said 2,792 had been evacuated. The territory includes Burma, Thailand, French Indo China, Malaya, Hong Kong, Sumatra, Java, and islands to the east.

Hiroshima Called City Of Dead and Dying

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Hiroshima, first Japanese city to be struck by an atomic bomb, is a city of the dead and dying. Destruction there is beyond comparing with any devastation ever seen in Europe, broadcasts from Japan said Tuesday.

Frederick Opper, American Broadcasting Co. correspondent, was among the first group of newsmen to visit Hiroshima.

MacARTHUR LAUDED

MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS (AP)—Secretary of War Stimson and President Sergio Osmena of the Philippines messaged Gen. MacArthur warmest congratulations for the defeat of Japan and lauded his strategy.

STARVED PRISONERS—Gaunt and emaciated, but with new hope, Allied PWs, above, freed by mercy squadrons of the U.S. Navy at Amori near Yokohama, show the effects of bestial Jap treatment.

U.S. Navy Photos, Pacific Fleet

Yanks Shake Heads Over Jap Cars---But They Finally Run

By GORDON W. DAVIS

YOKOHAMA—It took a brigadier general, a line infantry company, MPs and armed guards to corral sedans, trucks and buses needed to convey officials to the docks Sunday.

The Japanese had promised they would have 800 cars waiting for us when we arrived at Atsugi Air Field, and they were there all right—but only 176 would run and as a result—"we're confiscating all abandoned Jap vehicles," announced Maj. Philip A. Sevenor, of the 8th Army Motor Pool. Armed guards and MPs patrolled the streets herding vehicles and driving them to the rapidly expanding motor pool. Eager GIs who had already put abandoned Fords, Chevvies and Plymouths into running condition also had them confiscated.

Tonnerville Trolley!

Line infantrymen of the 11th Airborne Div. turned into mechanics and the "know-how!" acquired in the backyards of America and the war was quickly turned to good use. In two days 75 sedans and 113 trucks were rated good enough to run. Four charcoal burning buses driven by Japs were turned into "Tonnerville Trolley" affairs and they rolled now chugging every 20 minutes between GHQ and important downtown buildings.

Brig. Gen. Frank Dorn, artillery officer of the 11th Airborne Div., was put in charge because it took rank to any yes, no or maybe to such high brass as Generals Spaatz, Hodges, Wainwright, Richardson, Kenney, Blamey. Fenders often flapped and the cars sometimes had to be pushed but everyone took it in good grace.

GIs don't rate Jap vehicles too high and dislike driving them. The Japs often used alcohol made from potatoes as fuel and the cars cough along. The sedans are mainly American make but many have charcoal burners installed in the rear because of the gas shortage.

"We tried those charcoal burners but gave up," said Cpl. Michael Sorrentino, Baldwin, N. Y. "I don't know how the Japs run them—they're no damn good."

"There've been some pretty weird set-ups," was the reaction to Jap trucks by Cpl. Michael Caponstrohencone, Springfield, N. J. "A lot of them have no rods or bearings, have bad radiators, leak, and lack starters, cranks or brakes. My folks back home, though, would weep if they saw the good tires they carry."

According to T/5 Jerome Fisher, Antigo, Wis., the trucks carry a lot of spare parts. Only a few have lights but they carry extra pistons, bearings, rings, carburetors, spark plugs. "Wheels and bodies are okay," he remarked, "but that's all you can say for them."

Permission has been given to GIs to keep whatever abandoned bantam cars they can get running. Most of them are of German make and well constructed and it hasn't taken our men long to get them scooting around Yokohama streets.

That backyard training is paying off.

Marines Hit Rota Set For Anything But CB Welcome

GUAM (UP)—The first formal occupation of a by-passed surrendered Jap Pacific base occurred Tuesday as Marines landed on the beaches of tiny Rota Island in the Marianas.

By mid-afternoon they were well along with their job of evacuating 2,000 Jap garrison troops toward Guam.

The Ninth Marine Anti-Aircraft Battalion led by Lt. Col. Kenneth A. King, Maspeth, La., landed armed for anything.

They found a sign on a sugar refinery that said: "The 48th Seabees welcome the Marines to Rota."

Three days ago 35 Seabees surveyed the airfield, cleared mines from the harbor and set up a water system.

Marine Lt. Col. Gale T. Cummings, Beatrice, Neb., will be island commander and Lt. Cmdr. Frank M. Votaw of Tucson, Ariz., will be military government officer.

Discharge Eyed By Jimmy Stewart

NEW YORK (AP)—Col. James Stewart of the AAF, nervous and bashful as in any of his movies, said he was not going to "coax the army to let me stay in."

The former film star, who has 123 discharge points, said he hoped they would entitle him to discharge, but he wasn't quite sure because he can't find out exactly what the policy is. He is anxious to get his old job back, explaining, "It will take a while to get ever camera shyness, and there's a lot of technique you forget, like any skill, which I'll have to learn over again. I would like to make anything but a war picture."

The former star flew 20 missions and was overseas 23 months. He wears the DFC with cluster, the Air Medal with three clusters, six battle stars and a French medal.

AUSSIE BRIDES

SAN FRANCISCO (ANS)—The delay in providing transportation to America for 7,000 Australian brides of U. S. servicemen may result in a sharp rise in the divorce rate of these couples, reports Charles K. Gamble, commissioner of Red Cross activities in the Southwest Pacific.

No Report Received On Lt. Col. Devereux

CHUNGKING (AP) — Authorities here said Monday they have received no word regarding Lt. Col. James Devereux, commander of the heroic Wake Island garrison, whose location has been the source of speculation since the Japanese surrender.

British Enter Singapore Bay

KANDY, Ceylon (AP)—British warships rode at anchor in the harbor of Singapore Tuesday for the first time in more than three and a half years, and occupation forces were expected to land and take over the once mighty naval base from the surrendering Japanese.

Triumphant entry of the British vessels was announced by the Southeast Asia Command, which said that landing forces would go ashore as soon as preliminary arrangements had been completed.

Leading the squadron into the bay was the cruiser Cleopatra, flying the flag of Adm. Sir Arthur Power, commander of the East Indies station.

She was accompanied by light fleet units, including a flotilla of minesweepers which had been engaged in clearing Malacca strait and the approaches to Singapore.

'Dead' Navy Flier's Wife Re-Married

OAKLAND, Calif. (ANS)—Mrs. Laurie Cales Bernstein who married an Army lieutenant last July after having been advised that her first husband, Lt. James Cales, Navy flier, had been killed in action, learned Tuesday that Cales has been found safe in a Japanese prison camp.

On July 9 she married Lt. Ethan Bernstein, wounded veteran of the European war.

Cales' name appeared on a list of men liberated by a special mission of the U.S. Third Fleet. Relatives notified her in Southern California where she was vacationing. The Caleses had been married a year before he entered the Navy.

Cales was reported missing last September. On May this year, the Navy officially reported him killed in action. Before her marriage to Bernstein, Mrs. Cales received a purple Heart from the Navy and an account of Cales' last air combat "which resulted in loss of his life." His personal belongings came back from the carrier Hornet.

Two of Cales' shipmates visited his wife and told of seeing him shot into the sea. A chaplain wrote that Cales "flew bravely to the end."

She has a six-months-old son, James Cales, Jr, whom the flier has never seen.

It was not unusual for Paul Kruger, fabulous Boer president of the South African Republic, to ride seventy miles a day on a single horse.

Rubin' It In With Victory here, and a discharge from the Navy just around the corner, WAVE Freida Rubin, Chicago, flashed to a department store and tried on a glamorous hat. Looking enviously on is newly enlisted WAVE Bonita Hammack, Medford, Ore.

ANS-INP

GI Laundry Pfc. John Sweeney, Stamford, Conn., watches the two-tub washing machine invention of T/4 Clark. The Iwo Jima plant consists of perforated oil drums, powered by a motor constructed of a wrecked Jap truck transmission and a Jap motorcycle differential.

Photo by Sgt. Chet Spaik

Reconverted Now that the war is over, U.S. manufacturing plants are swiftly reconverting to civilian production. At a New Haven plant, Mary Piascik wires a new electric style drill, more powerful than the prewar drill.

ANS-Acme Photo

Well Done These four B-29 crew chiefs have sent their Superforts against Japan 214 times in the 8½ months the 73rd Bomb Wing on Saipan has been in operation. Only seven of these flights were abortive because of mechanical trouble. Maj. Raymond L. Ashley, maintenance officer, congratulates them on their record.

Photo by Cpl. Dave Lanes

Victory Casualty Suffering from a broken leg received during a victory celebration at Wheeler Field, "Tramp" received first-aid treatment from his buddies, left to right, T/Sgt. Merle Gates, Pfc. Stanley Malinowski, Pfc. George Davis and M/Sgt. Clifton Jackson.

Photo by Cpl. Ernest "Flash" Stewart, AAF

All-Vet Shop Robert J. Greene, Tonawanda, N.Y., is shown turning an armature on a lathe. Greene, one of 35 honorably discharged veterans working in the all-veteran shop of Yale Industries at Quincy, Mass., was in the service for four years.

ANS-Wide World Photo