

## Hurry Men, Get Your Tax Rebates

Officers and enlisted men of BTC 10, more than 800 of whom have qualified for tax rebates aggregating \$60,000 have until next Wednesday to avail themselves of the Income Tax Clinic service offered on the Post.

The clinic in Building T-156 will be open tonight and tomorrow night until 9 o'clock to assist post personnel in making out 1943 returns.

The majority of service returns filed for 1943, Lt. Morris Koby, in charge of the tax clinic, said, will result in refunds due to a recomputation of the 1942 tax, based on the Current Tax Payment law.

Special tax reminders for servicemen include

1. The first \$1,500 of last year's active service pay is not taxable and should not be included in income. For example, an officer whose base pay last year was \$2,000 would report only \$500.

2. If the servicemen's 1942 tax was larger than the tax of his 1943 income, he may recompute his 1942 tax under a special formula which may result in reducing the 1942 tax to the same amount as the tax on 1943 income. Advice on how to figure this computation will be furnished by the income tax clinic.

3. If a married serviceman has no taxable income, and his wife is filing a separate return, she may use all of their \$1,200 personal exemption on Form 1040 or by checking number 4 on the back of Form 1040A.

4. If a serviceman is abroad and his wife's own income is less than \$1,200 she may postpone her return until he returns.

5. Dependents of servicemen should not include in their income any amounts received as allotments or family allowances.

## Night Fighter Packs Wallop Of 4 Cannon

The pitch-black Douglas P-70 night fighter packs a wallop of four 20-millimeter cannon in its belly, it was officially disclosed this week.

The speedy combat plane, which has been a closely guarded secret for more than a year, is an adaptation of the famed Douglas A-20 attack bomber. It was developed by engineers of the AAF materiel command at request of Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, AAF commander in the Southwest Pacific.

The Douglas A-20 Havoc attack-bomber carries a 2,000 pound bomb load and an armament of nine 50-caliber machine guns. It has a top speed of 320 miles an hour and a radius of 300 miles.

## Five Sergeants Off For OCS

A first sergeant and four staff sergeants of BTC 10 have been accepted for and have reported to OCS at Miami Beach.

S/Sgt. Lorentz R. Jorgensen, formerly of Hq. & Hq. Det., 302nd Wing has entered physical training OCS and the other four have entered administration OCS.

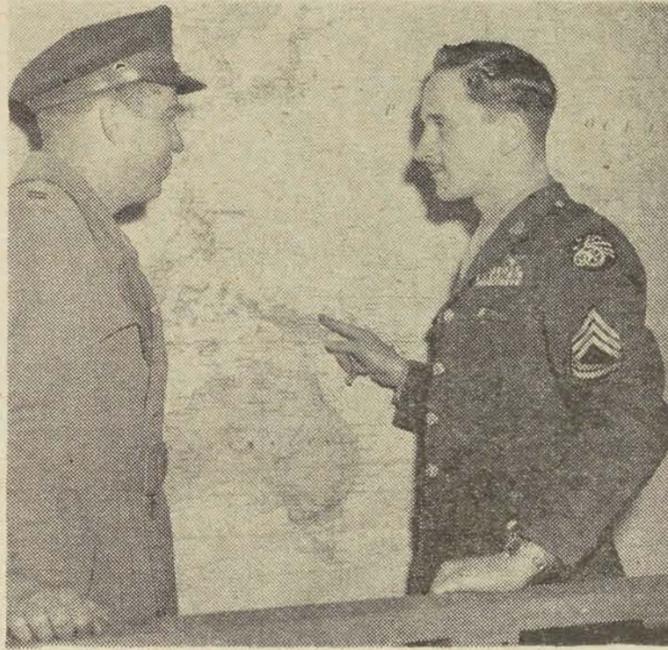
They are: First Sgt. John R. Farmer, Det. Med. Dept.; S/Sgt. Benjamin Bernstein, Hq. & Hq. Sq.; S/Sgt. John E. French, Medical & Psychological Examining Unit No. 4 and S/Sgt. Ramon R. Santiago, 1188th.

## t. Bernstein Sunday Soloist

Sgt. Elmer Bernstein, concert pianist, will be the featured performer on the "Music at Four" program held as usual at 4 p. m. Sunday in Theater No. 3.

His program will include a group of four sonatas by Scarlatti, Beethoven's Pathetique sonata, one of his own compositions, Sonatina No. 2, four mazurkas by Chopin and Moussorgsky's The Great Gates at Kiev.

## South Pacific Veterans Compare Notes



NEW GUINEA LOOKS a lot cleaner on a map than it does at close range, T/Sgt. John Seper, who returned from active duty there assures Capt. James E. Tull, who knows something about the Pacific himself. Seper, a flight engineer and top turret gunner saw action at Wewak, where he won the Silver Star, while Capt. Tull, now a chaplain, was in Australia, India and with Maj. Gen. Chennault's force in China.

## Winner Of Silver Star Downed Seven Zeros In South Pacific

By CPL. JOE QUINN

Life was rarely dull in New Guinea during the 19 months that T/Sgt. John Seper spent there as flight engineer aboard both B-25s and B-24s and one of the reasons was that he pulled 85 missions during that period and was credited with shooting down seven Zeros as well as a number of probables, from his top turret position.

Sgt. Seper wears the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Purple Heart with two clusters and the Air Medal with nine clusters. His outfit participated in most of the important air assaults in the Southwest Pacific theater, including the Battle of the Bismarck Sea and the many smashes at Rabaul, Lae, Salamaua and other important Jap installations.

He was with a B-25 group during the Bismarck Sea engagement and recalls how his plane made two trips out against the big Jap convoy that was cornered by the land-based flyers.

On the morning mission, his bombardier accounted for a big transport and in the afternoon they went back again and caught a damaged destroyer and sent it to the bottom. Sgt. Seper was wounded on the second trip when a piece of 20 mm. cannon ricocheted off his gun and hit him in the upper lip, cutting it pretty badly and knocking out four teeth.

It was shortly after he returned to duty that he transferred to the B-24 group that was known as the Jolly Rogers because of the CO of the outfit, Col. Arthur H. Rogers, pilot of the plane in which Sgt. Seper became flight engineer and flew his last 48 missions. The group used a skull and crossbones insignia and made it well known to opposing Jap airmen during the ensuing months.

The Silver Star, awarded for "gallantry in action," was given to Sgt. Seper and other members of the crew when they went out on a reconnaissance flight over Wewak alone and wound up by sinking two transports and setting a cargo ship afire by strafing. That was probably his toughest mission, he claims.

Another Purple Heart was awarded him after the first daylight raid on Rabaul. Returning from the bombing run, Sgt. Seper was hit in the back and paralyzed for a week. But not before he

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## Chap. Tull Was With Gen. Chennault; Tells Of Rugged Days In China Area

By PVT. JOHN E. JONES.

Capt. James E. Tull, of Louisville, whose first nine months in China in 1942 were spent as the only chaplain assigned to Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault's air command, has joined the staff of chaplains at BTC 10.

He expects to follow a less varied career than the one he pursued the first two years of the war. In that time, Capt. Tull was a chaplain, special service officer and even administrative officer with the renowned 7th Bombardment Group.

For 18 months he was stationed with the 23rd Fighter Group at Kunming under Col. Robert ("God Is My Co-Pilot") Scott, where he doubled as chaplain and special services officer to furnish what recreation he could to American fliers.

"And what recreation it was!" is the way he expressed it.

The 23rd arrived in China in June, 1942, to succeed the famed AVG's who were breaking up. It was from the Flying Tigers that Capt. Tull obtained two pianos, two victrolas and 27 volumes of victrola records that formed the chief source of recreation for months to



CAPT. JAMES E. TULL.

## Rescue Training Now Available To OCS Men

All accepted OCS applicants may now apply for training for AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Activities as masters, mates and assistant marine engineers.

Applications must contain the name, serial number, grade and duty assignments of the EM and must be submitted to the Boards Section, Bldg. 170, by today. Further information may be obtained from the Boards Section.

## Good Conduct Award Lists Being Checked

Unit commanders on the Post have been requested to check their rosters and to recommend lists of enlisted men eligible to receive the Good Conduct Medal.

The length of time required to become eligible for the award falls into two classes: Completion of three years of active Federal military service on or after August 27, 1940 and completion of one year of continuous active Federal military service while the United States is at war after December 7, 1941.

The Army regulation governing the award reads as follows:

"The Good Conduct Medal has been established as a reward for those enlisted men who have demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performance of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation. It is not intended that each enlisted man entitled to an honorable discharge will be awarded the medal, nor will the award be made to those who display evidence of unsoldierly habits or traits of character, even though trial by court martial was not warranted."

The proper interpretation of the regulation is that the conduct of a recipient of the Good Conduct award cannot merely be passive, but has to be active to such an extent that desired results are accomplished and that his activities become an example for others to emulate.

Such a construction gives added meaning to the medal and enables the enlisted man who wears it to take pride in his contribution to the war effort.

Length of service is a restriction and not an element in the award. The medal and the bases for awarding it were set up by executive order in 1941 when the need was foreseen for granting recognition to long, faithful and honorable military service.

Bits of military information pieced together are of vital importance to the enemy. The enemy works hard to get this information. Subversive activity, when discovered, should be reported immediately to S-2 in Bldg. T-4 or by calling 22 or 29.

## Send 10-SHUN Home to the Folks

The folks at home are very proud of you. And they're eager to read about you and your post.

After finishing with this copy of 10-Shun, roll it up and put an envelope around it. Address properly, making sure that you include a return address, and place a ONE AND A HALF CENT STAMP on the envelope.

The post newspaper CANNOT be sent home under the free franking privilege.

## Information War Center Being Built

A War Information Center that charts the daily course of the war in maps, headlines and with illustrations, has been erected at Bessemer Avenue and Headquarters Circle by the war orientation section of the Special Services Office.

The center is part of the emphasis being placed on war orientation on the Post to help the individual soldier understand why he is fighting and to present a more realistic picture of the scope of the war.

A grand map of the world is supplemented by smaller and detailed maps showing every major theater of military operations. The relative importance of each is displayed according to the daily course of the war.

Another Center feature will be the picture display of enemy weapons and equipment, captured and analyzed by Allied ordnance experts. The display will be supplemented with illustrations and drawings of persons and places involved in the war.

The information center was established under direction of Lt. B. O. A. Bailey, war orientation officer as part of the expanded program initiated at BTC 10 the first of the year.

That program includes a series of war orientation lectures on the historical and political background of the war and on tactical and strategical considerations.

The lectures are part of the regular schedule for trainees on the Post. But the classes will be enlarged in the near future, the Special Services Office has announced, to include personnel of Hq. & Hq. Sq.

Six enlisted men will be indoctrinated in the courses, preparatory to delivering the lectures for Hq. personnel.

The war orientation section also prepares the daily news summary for broadcast over the Post loud-speaker. And it is this summary, obtained from up-to-the-minute radio news bulletins obtained through the courtesy of WBIG that will enable the information center to keep up with the timely progress of the war.

Supplementary information and study is available to post personnel at the war room in Library No. 1. Books, pamphlets and illustrations of combat intelligence and tactics afford opportunity for more thorough training.

## Bronze Star New Award For Doughboy

The mud-slogging Doughboy can win an award now, that takes precedence over the Air Medal and the Purple Heart.

The war department has announced that the Bronze Star has been added to the list of decorations for members of the armed forces and that it will be awarded for heroic service anywhere except in the air.

Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson announced that the Bronze Star can be awarded to anyone in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard who distinguishes himself "by heroic or meritorious achievement or service, not involving aerial flight." Airmen can win the new decoration too, but not for service in the air.

## A. E. R. Box Gone; Ave Atque Vale

The A. E. R. collection box, the first thing to confront you before you are able to stuff the long green into a wallet on pay day, is no longer with us.

Post headquarters announced this week that, effective immediately, no more collections for Army Emergency Relief—whose work has been taken over by the American Red Cross—will be solicited or accepted.

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# Birthday Party Plans Set At USO

A birthday party at 8 p. m. Tuesday for soldiers born in February or March will feature the week's activities at the USO club in Greensboro.

Enlisted men who plan to attend the affair are requested to register with the club before Tuesday. Music and dancing will highlight the evening.

The "Lazy Tones," popular singing group from the Woman's College, will make another appearance Sunday at the club from 7 to 7:45 p. m. They will be under the direction of Miss Jerry Wall. Another feature of the evening will be the appearance of Doris Funderburk at the piano.

A Community Sing will also be held Sunday night from 5 to 6 o'clock. At 8 o'clock there will be a showing of the movie "Trade Winds."

Informal dancing and a bridge party will be held tonight, and tomorrow the regular Saturday night dance is scheduled. Another informal dance will be given Monday night at 8:30, preceded by a bingo game.

## Wolf Deluxe

The spotlight this week falls on the volley ball team. Led by Pfc. Bourque, S/Sgts Winebarger and Ismael, they overpowered a dangerous Hq. team, thereby serving notice as a dark horse in a fast field.

Pvt. Pat De Santis is flashing a ring, a glint in his eye and a smile on his face, as he sings the praises of "Dixie."

Pvt. Norman Bander, butcher extraordinary, has informed all those interested, that he intends to discontinue his career of vein severing. . . . And that long lean creature you see slinking down side streets and out of dark doorways is Cpl. Sid Gelber, the West Branz Wolf Deluxe. . . . Refuge in psychology text and crossword puzzle magazines is insufficient. . . . The monotony of the hyper-and hypotensions is affecting Pfc. Larry Van Dammes' sanity. Maybe Larry's longing for a new job, or a furlough, or his honey? . . . Cpl. Lou Maas and Pvt. Dave Lichtenstein, off the post boys always arrive at work bright and early, inspiring the on the post boys.

Though rumors permeate the unit and bewilder the other boys, Cpl. Dan Grier still hustles about as cheerful as ever. The wonders that Vitamin B1 will do! . . . Surprise visitor to the unit was Pfc. Bob Brown's big little brother, a sailor. . . . He chomped with the boys, stayed a little, then took off for Rochester. . . . Problem of the week: Why did the stakes turn from dollars to pennies just as Pfc. Sammy Diorio got hot? . . . Fond farewell to Pvt. John E. Clay, about to be married, Pvt. Joey Bianman, and Cpl. Nate Glaser who are leaving the unit. Their many friends will miss them. . . . Pity pretty boy Pvt. Breck Ellison. All is not well with him and the "She" at Salem College. . . . Pvt. Gordie Weel, the latest mail clerk can be the most popular fellow in the unit, if only he'll drop the idea he's doing a big favor, every time he passes out mail.

PFC. MANUEL KATZMAN.

Any knowledge of sabotage should be reported to S-2 at Bldg. T-4 or by calling extension 22 or 29.

## A Pair Of MC's "Slay" Each Other



CAPACITY HOUSES saw the five performances of "Stop, Look and Listen," the USO-Camp show that played here Monday and Tuesday. Master of Ceremonies was Jack Leonard, the rotund figure shown above. With him is Sgt. Leon Fields of Special Services who introduced Leonard to the BTC 10 audiences.

# USO-Camp Show Is Hit; Plays To Packed Houses

"Stop, Look and Listen," the fast-paced USO-Camp show, featuring Jack Leonard, the 250-pound comic and a variety of songs and dances, played to packed audiences in five performances on the post Monday and Tuesday.

The show got off to a fast start Monday night in Theater No. 3 where capacity houses turned out for both performances despite a driving rainstorm.

A pistol shot opened and set the tempo for the show, while Leonard's side-splitting gags kept the crowd in an uproar.

The show moved over to Station hospital to entertain the patients Tuesday afternoon, returned to Theater No. 3 for a single performance Tuesday night and closed with another performance the same night in Theater No. 1 for the 303rd Wing.

Petite Betty Stone won the crowds with her singing of "You Can't Say No to a Soldier" and again with "Mairzy Doats," while the Emerald Sisters came close to stopping the show, literally, with their rough house tumbling act.

Variety was offered in a Latin-American dance routine by Carmen De Rivero and acrobatic and novelty dances by May Blondell. Miss Blondell joined the show here.

George and Perry Mayo, mingling with the audience, were the riotous stooges for Leonard while the entire show was supported by the BTC 10 orchestra, conducted by Melville Morris.

## Piano Classes To Be Resumed

The piano course in "six easy lessons" offered by Pvt. Harold Rhodes will be resumed this week, with an additional class on the schedule.

Two classes will be given Tuesday night, one starting at 7 p. m. and the second at 8 p. m. in the Music Room of the Service Club for all interested EM of the post. A class for officers will be conducted at 8 p. m. Friday in Bldg. T-81.

## Film Flickers

TENDER COMRADE, opening Sunday at No. 3 and No. 1, is a fine mixture of comedy and pathos starring Ginger Rogers, long a G. I. favorite, in one of her finest performances. The story of a wife separated from her husband by the war and forced to fend for herself, the problem it presents is a timely one that is being faced daily by thousands of young American "Army" families. The Community Sing in Theater No. 3 last Wednesday, with Sgt. Jimmy Lyons leading the singing, proved that this feature of the program can really be fun. JOIN IN, SOLDIER, THE NEXT TIME THE SLIDES COME ON THE SCREEN and you'll find yourself getting a kick out of it. You don't have to be a Caruso, just give. . . . If you happen to catch Belita, the comely skating star, in SILVER SKATES, you will be one of the first in line for LADY, LET'S DANCE, opening Tuesday. The gal's a sensation, our scouts tell us, and in this film adds to her stature as a future star. THE UNINVITED, starring Ray Milland, Ruth Hussey and Donald Crisp, is a GHOST STORY BUT IT'S NOT TO BE CONFUSED IN ANY RESPECT WITH THE PENNY-SHOCKER TYPE OF B-CALIBER MELODRAMA which depends upon grotesque shudder situations for its effect. The struggle between the living and the ghost furnishes meat for an evening's entertainment you'll remember. . . . CURSE OF THE CAT PEOPLE share half the double feature billing at Nos. 1 and 3 tomorrow night, but we hear that it's better than the usual picture found in such a spot. Produced by talented Val Lewton, who used to pound out a novel in a week or ten days, it's a sequel to THE CAT PEOPLE and stars Simone Simon and Kent Smith. . . . See you at the movies. . . . —SGT. KENT JOHNSON

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# World's Fair Magic Show Plays Post Next Week

While the magician's hand is quicker than the eye, it is not as quick as the hand of electricity, which performs the "magic" of the General Electric "House of Magic," a science show which will be presented at 7 and 9 p. m. Wednesday and Thursday at Theater No. 3.

In the "House of Magic," the eye is fascinated to see brilliant colors leap out under the invisible light rays of the ultraviolet lamp, music traveling across the stage on a beam of light, or a shadow which stands still when its owner walks away.

The show is the same one that was witnessed by nearly 3,000,000 people at the New York World's Fair and has been seen by more than 10 million people all over the country. New developments of the research laboratory which are of most interest to the layman are included in the science show.

The lecturer talks to a miniature electric locomotive and the locomotive obeys his command to "go ahead," "stop" and "back up." He squeezes the light out of a gas-filled tube with his hand, lights an incandescent lamp with a match, and holds a lamp in his hands which is lighted with the electric current flowing through his arms.

Stroboscope light, which flashes off and on too quickly for the eye to detect the change, is used to make a disk which is whirling at the rate of 900 revolutions a minute seem to stand still.

Spinning rainbows melt and fade into each other with infinite variety when blue stroboscope light is thrown on another disk covered with a crazy pattern in fluorescent paint.

## Seafaring GIs

M/Sgt. Herman H. Holcomb and Sgt. John "Adolph" Haldi have eagerly gone on a hunting trip. (Bring 'em back alive.) . . . Ship Ahoy to T/Sgt. Cocoa Cola (Maynard L. Colamaio) and his many colleagues who have suddenly become Seafaring GIs. . . . Why did S/Sgt. Carlton S. Bloxom suddenly decide he will get married on the 6th of June? . . . Pfc. Norman Rubin claims to be the 302nd's "Frank Sinatra." . . . Sgt. Lloyd Privette made a purchase, the other evening, of something for the third finger, left hand, for a sweet little Greensboro lassie.

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How did 1st/Sgt. Neil T. Peiffer make out with his roll call at the USO for his USO Commandos? . . . Pfc. Gilbert E. Miller, back from a 3 day pass, has a gleam in his eye. . . . Pfc. Charles H. Phillips is still hoping for that furlough. . . . We all hope Sgt. Anthony Billotta has recovered from the shock of the harmless explosion he experienced last Saturday night. We hear it was some time before the Sergeant could convince himself that he hadn't been shot. —SGT. WILLIAM H. MASTEROOK

What have the boys of 927th QM got that the boys in other groups haven't? It is a broad statement but it is true. The boys of this group have all they can do to keep up with the many invitations they receive for social activities. . . . On March 17 a group of 20 "Dashing Don Juan's" will go to High Point for a very nice evening. This engagement is especially for the 927th QM. . . . Also the girls at Bennett College just think the boys are swell and have a standing invitation there. —SGT. HOWARD A. HARRIS.

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## Community Sing Spreads

The Community Sing that has pepped up movie audiences on several occasions at Theater No. 3 will be extended to two other theaters of the Post in the near future, the special services office has announced.

Theater No. 1 and No. 2 will have a song-fest twice a week under the tentative plans. Object is to warm up the audience and introduce songs that trainees don't sing on their way to and from the drill fields.

Lyrics of modern and old songs are projected on the screen by sereopticon slides, instead of the usual resort to song-sheets and hit-lists.

## Intelligence Film Hit At Panoram

"Combat Counter Intelligence," a 20-minute training film, is now on display on the Panoram at the Technical Intelligence Library, Bldg. T-183, which is open daily from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. and on Sundays from 1 to 9 p. m.

The film emphasizes the importance of secrecy discipline to enlisted personnel and illustrates a series of common breaches of secrecy discipline. It teaches the lesson that violation of secrecy and camouflage discipline endangers the safety of each individual soldier.

## Servicemen, Wives To Hear Musicale

Servicemen and their wives are invited to attend a musicale and reception Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in the Temple Emanuel lounge, Greensboro.

The musicale will feature Mrs. Curtis Newton, soprano, in a classical repertoire accompanied by Mrs. Sydney Lebauer.

## Nimble Fingers

One year ago this week the Signal Center had installed a new Western Union teletype machine. And Sgt. Moeller's nimble fingers were sending out countless government telegrams. . . . Of the original group of Signal men under Capt. Blake from Sedgewick, we still have S/Sgt. Larson, Sgts. Zumwalt, Moeller and Harris and Cpl. Nelson. Cpl. Marx came a few weeks later from Atlantic City. . . . This week installation was completed on three additional switchboard positions. They will aid very much the handling of the greatly increased number of telephone calls. . . . The Bond drive ended with the Signal Detachment 100% subscribed, plus \$1,500 worth purchased from the Signal Fund.

Pfc. Messina (that ole radio man) has been out of commission in the Station Hospital for more than a week, but says he will be ready for action in a few more days. . . . Pfc. Thomson is furloughing in his Tennessee hills. . . . Sgt. Jack Owens joins us from Sedgewick. . . . Pvt. Jewell and wife are back from Washington, D. C. —SGT. EARL H. HARRIS.

# What's Doing This Week . . . On And Off The Post . . . When . . . Where

THEATER STARTING TIMES: No. 3, 7 and 9 p. m.; Nos. 1 and 2, 6:30 and 8:30; No. 4, one show only at 7:30 p. m.

### TODAY—MARCH 10

**THEATERS**—No. 7 and No. 3, "RATIONING" with Wallace Beery, Marjorie Main, and Tommy Batten; No. 2 and No. 4, "CRASH DIVE" with Tyrone Power and Anne Baxter.

**DANCES**—Greensboro YWCA, 8 p. m.

**SPORTS**—WRESTLING, T-10, 8 p. m.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**—MUSIC APPRECIATION HOUR, Service Club, Music Room, 8:15 p. m.; GI MOVIES, Service Club, 8:15 p. m.; VARIETY SHOW, Station Hospital Auditorium, 7:30 p. m.

### SATURDAY—MARCH 11

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, (Double Feature), "MY BEST GAL" with Jane Withers and Jimmy Lydon; and "CURSE OF THE CAT PEOPLE" with Simone Simon, Kent Smith and Ann Carter; No. 2 and No. 4, "RATIONING" with Wallace Beery, Marjorie Main and Tommy Batten.

**DANCES**—USO Greensboro, 8 p. m.; USO High Point, 8 p. m.; O. Renry Hotel, 8 p. m.; Windsor Community Center (303rd Wing), 7:30 p. m.

### SUNDAY—MARCH 12

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, "TENDER COMRADE"

with Ginger Rogers, Robert Ryan and Ruth Hussey; No. 2 and No. 4, "RATIONING" with Wallace Beery, Marjorie Main and Tommy Batten.

**DANCES**—Tea Dance, Service Club, 3:45 p. m.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**—SHOW TIME, Variety Show, Theater No. 3, 2 p. m.; MUSIC AT FOUR, Music Program, Theater No. 3, 4 p. m.; MUSIC HOUR, Library 1, 7:30 p. m.; SKETCH CLASS, Service Club, Music Room, 7 p. m.

### MONDAY—MARCH 13

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, "TENDER COMRADE" with Ginger Rogers, Robert Ryan and Ruth Hussey; No. 2 and No. 4, (Double Feature) "MY BEST GAL" with Jane Withers and Jimmy Lydon and "CURSE OF THE CAT PEOPLE" with Simone Simon, Kent Smith and Ann Carter.

**DANCES**—301st Wing Dance, Service Club, 7:30 p. m.

**SPORTS**—WRESTLING, T-10, 8 p. m.

### TUESDAY—MARCH 14

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, "LADY, LET'S DANCE" with Belita and James Ellison; No. 2 and No. 4, "TENDER COMRADE" with Ginger Rogers, Robert Ryan and Ruth Hussey.

**DANCES**—Greensboro YWCA, 8 p. m., 303rd Wing Dance, T-499, 7:30 p. m.

**SPORTS**—WRESTLING, T-10, 8 p. m.  
**SPECIAL EVENTS**—"PARADE REST," Radio Broadcast, WGBG, 6:30 p. m.

### WEDNESDAY—MARCH 15

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, "NINE GIRLS" with Ann Harding, Evelyn Keyes and Jeff Donnell; No. 2 and No. 4, "TENDER COMRADE" with Ginger Rogers, Robert Ryan and Ruth Hussey.

**DANCES**—303rd Wing, Windsor Community Center, 7:30 p. m.; USO Greensboro, 8 p. m.

**SPORTS**—WRESTLING, T-10, 8 p. m.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**—HOUSE OF MAGIC, Theater 3, 7 p. m., 9 p. m.; MUSIC APPRECIATION LISTENING HOUR, Service Club, Music Room, 8:15 p. m.; SKETCH CLASS, Music Room, Service Club, 7 p. m.

### THURSDAY—MARCH 16

**THEATERS**—No. 1 and No. 3, "THE UNINVITED" with Ray Milland, Ruth Hussey and Donald Crisp; No. 2 and No. 4, "LADY, LET'S DANCE" with Belita and James Ellison.

**DANCES**—302nd Wing, Service Club, 7:30 p. m.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**—"ON THE BEAM," Radio Broadcast, WBG, 8:15 p. m.; HOUSE OF MAGIC, Theater No. 3, 7 p. m., 9 p. m.

### Library Schedule

Post Libraries 1 and 2 are open daily from 8:30 to 4 to military personnel with written permission; from 12 to 6 for civilian personnel and wives of military personnel;

from 4 to 9:45 for military personnel only. On Sunday, the libraries are open from 2 to 9:45 and restricted to military personnel. The Training Intelligence Library is open daily

from 8 to 9 p. m. and on Sundays from 1 p. m. to 9 p. m. For military personnel only.

# Open Five Overseas GI Schools

Five overseas branches have been established by the U. S. Armed Forces Institute to enable soldiers in the active theaters of war to continue, in off-duty hours, with the studies that will help them land a job or obtain a degree when the war is ended.

The Institute is an official school operated at home and abroad by the war department for all the armed forces. It offers hundreds of courses, some in conjunction with colleges and universities, that:

Give the serviceman a chance to continue the education interrupted by the war.

Give him an opportunity to better equip himself for landing a post-war job.

Provide him with diverting and valuable study in areas where monotony is a problem.

Enable him to acquire credits that can be applied later toward obtaining a college or university degree.

The five overseas branches are the Alaska branch, European branch, Central Pacific branch, Middle East Branch and the Southwest Pacific Area branch.

The address of these branches and the scope of the educational training offered by the Institute can be obtained from Lt. B. O. A. Bailey, Library No. 1.

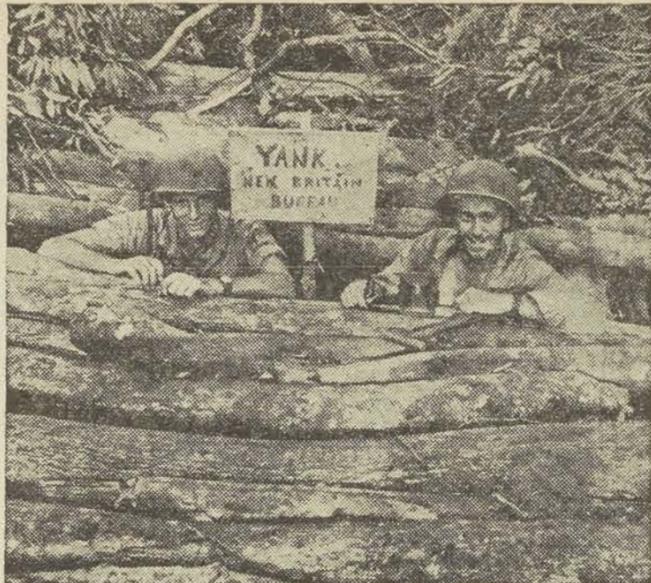
# Japs Hire Gunmen To Kill U. S. Fliers

Chinese military authorities have warned the AAF that Japs have hired organized gunmen to kill American officers, particularly fliers.

The Japs offer a bonus of 70,000 Chinese dollars (\$35,000 in American exchange) for the assassination of a colonel or officer of higher rank. The gunmen move in bands.

# General's Wife Enlists As Private

Ft. Des Moines, Iowa—(CNS)—WAC Pvt. Pauline Ogden, who is taking her basic training here is the wife of Brig. Gen. D. A. D. Ogden, deputy commander in the Mediterranean. She enlisted in the WAC when her husband went overseas.



NEW BRITAIN—Seated in YANK Down Under's branch office in New Britain are Corporal Thomas R. St. George, correspondent, and Sergeant Dick Hanley, YANK's front-line photographer. The two of them form a team that is covering the present invasion of the Japanese-held territory surrounding Rabaul. This office lacks many of the modern conveniences of YANK Down Under's mainland office in a large Australian city.—(Photo by YANK Down Under.)

# The PX Garden

My poor, old, busted, G. I. back! That is the most popular complaint here on the Range this week, we blame it all on the Physical Fitness Test. It won't last long, fellows, don't worry! But don't forget to carry the little white card with you at all times, they are checking on them in camp these days... Welcome back, Joe! Yes, T/Sgt. Joseph Turigliatto has been on a 15-day furlough. He spent it in Joliet, Ill. ... Congrats this week to Pvt. James McDearman and John Leonard. They both made Pfc. Get the reflection of that stripe out of my eyes... News! The PX Garden is about finished and will be ready for the "formal opening" soon. Do you have your reserved seats for the great event? ... T/Sgt. Schurkamp is doing a swell job as P & T man; he is substituting for "Sully," who is away on furlough.



Another Congrat! It is to S/Sgt. Ben Friedman. He shot a Marksman score here on the Range and will be wearing the medal before long. Do the boys in Boston know about this, Benny? ... Pfc. Irving Zall tells me that he is shipping (Back to BTC). Have a nice time Snuffy; we know you will. Glad to you out, Dave! es, Pvt. Dave Wilson, the first sign painter here on the range has returned from DS to BTC 10, Greensboro, N. C. ... It is time to stop this SNAFU column, but we will be back next week if nothing comes up in the meantime.

—SGT. JOHN O. POTTER.

# Heavy Sneezing

A basketball game Sunday afternoon between EM of the 906th and Quartermaster officers resulted in the Detachment's defeating the officers 33 to 23. The officers' team consisted of Capt. George J. Wilson, Lt. Ernest T. Woodruff, Capt. Frank P. DeLuca, Capt. Howard E. Eldridge, Lt. James P. Collins and Lt. Rodney M. Samuelson, while the Detachment's cage players were S/Sgt. Charles B. O'Keefe, Cpl. Gerald P. Crowley, Pvt. Everett J. Sellers, Pvt. Lawrence Vitsky, Cpl. Dennis F. McInerney and Pvt. Frank T. Vivacqua. S/Sgt. Thomas J. Reilly, Jr. was the referee. Wearing the outstanding scarlet red trunks was Capt. Wilson, Salvage Officer. The Detachment's softball team, largely from Barracks 111, was defeated Sunday afternoon by the Signal Detachment.



Cpl. Thomas O. Scull will insist upon wearing a raincoat for parades hereafter if Cpl. Dennis F. McInerney continues to sneeze as he did last Saturday. ... Each morning at the Laundry Warehouse, Cpl. Leland Cartwright starts his tour of duty with a telephone call—to whom, we wonder. ... Our latest hospital admission is Pvt. Patrick G. McCaffrey, who was rushed to Surgery for an emergency appendectomy Saturday. ... Chow hound or just plain food lover—that's Pfc. Joseph A. Giummo, who delights in eating two breakfasts, one at 0430 and the second at 0700.

—CPL. R. R. REHO.

There are about 625,000 types of insects in the world.

# Old Timers Can't Smile Now At Young Teacher

Old Timers used to smile when Jimmy Hamilton spoke. "He was just a kid," they'd said. "A 20 year old kid. What did he know about combat? The only battle he'd ever 'sweated out' was the battle to graduate from gunnery school."

# Chap. Tull Tells Of Days In Far East

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Gen. Chennault, Chaplain Tull said, lived very close to his men and was a conspicuous figure at the daily activities around the American fighter base.

## Chinese Love Chennault.

"The Chinese love Gen. Chennault," Chaplain Tull commented, "and possibly no man has mastered Japanese mass psychology better than he has. He can outsmart the Japanese everytime."

The afternoon of December 7, 1941 found Capt. (then Lt.) Tull bound for the Philippines with ground forces of the 7th Bombardment Group in which he was an administrative officer.

The 7th, and Lt Tull, however, never reached the Philippines. The skipper of the ship that transported them got word of Pearl Harbor and circled for three days around the Pacific to avoid submarines. Finally they put in at the Fiji Islands and later, made their way to Australia.

In Australia the 7th consolidated with remnants of the 19th Bombardment Group which put up a gallant defense of the Philippines while planes lasted.

And then they set out by boat for Java, escorted by the Aircraft Tender Langley. The Langley was sunk, and the boat bearing the combined 7th and 19th never got to Java.

## First to Arrive.

Chaplain Tull's ship was re-routed to India and made up the first contingent of Americans to arrive there in March, 1942.

Chaplain Tull entered the service in July, 1941, as a reserve officer and it was not until May, 1942, that he was transferred to his chaplaincy.

He is a graduate of Ouachita (Ark.) College; obtained a master's degree from Baylor and his master of theology's degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was pastor of the North Benson Baptist Church, Frankford, Ky., before he entered the service.

Chaplain Tull was promoted to captain while in China. He returned last December and entered the chaplain's school at Harvard, upon completion of which late last month he came to BTC 10.

The old timers were right—in a sense. James R. Hamilton had never been in combat. As an instructor at the AAF Training Command's flexible gunnery school at Buckingham Field, near Ft. Myers, Fla., he only had two qualifications. He had ranked high in his class as a graduate of that same school. He had been a pretty good quail hunter as a boy in Georgetown, Ky.

Knowing Hamilton's background, the wise guys used to chuckle when during his lectures to new classes, Hamilton would stress over and over again—

"When a dozen planes are spitting hot lead at you, it takes guts, quick thinking and guts, to fix your guns and keep 'em going—and when the Messerschmidts start coming in, you won't have time to figure out what's wrong with your gun when it jams. You'll have to know..."

## On To Oschersleben.

On the morning of January 11, 1944, Jimmy Hamilton was in the tail gunner's section of a formation of more than 100 Flying Forts.

The mighty bombers were on their way to Oschersleben, Germany. Oschersleben, the lair and birthplace of the deadly Focke Wulf 190.

Suddenly German fighter planes roared from the skies. Guns chattered. One Nazi flier came too close to Hamilton's guns and went down in flames. Then there was a flash and a crash. A 20 millimeter shell creased the back of Hamilton's neck and his right ear. He was knocked out. There was silence from the tail section.

But in a few minutes the guns in the rear were spitting again. Fighting dizziness and fading consciousness, Hamilton regained strength, leveled his sights, pulled the trigger. The battle continued.

"I know it's hard to believe," said Lt. Fred Grinham, pilot of the Fortress, when he landed back in England, "but there are at least nine of us who saw it. And if Hamilton didn't get at least eight fighters, well, we'll eat our helmets—earphones—and all."

"Most of the enemy passes were against that tail, and Hamilton got the brunt of the attack. We'd never have reached England if he hadn't been along."

Today news dispatches reveal that Jimmy Hamilton, the now 21-year-old kid from Georgetown, Ky., is recovering from wounds in England.

And at Buckingham Field, Ft. Myers, the fellows who knew Jimmy Hamilton still remember his words—

"And when the Messerschmidts start coming in... you'll have to know..."

Jimmy Hamilton knew what he was talking about.

(Note: This is the 39th in a series of columns entitled "Ring Sight Seat.")

# CHAPEL BELL

(All Sunday Services unless otherwise noted)

## CHAPEL NO. 1

Bldg. 106.

7 P. M. Protestant worship, (General Communion), Ch. Allen.

9 A. M. Catholic mass (Theater No. 3), Ch. Hans.

9 A. M. Episcopal Holy Communion, Ch. Brann.

10 A. M. Protestant, worship service Ch. Allen.

Catholic Mass 5:45 P. M. each week day, Ch. Hans.

Protestant Service, 7 P. M. Wednesday, Ch. Allen.

## CHAPEL NO. 2

Bldg. 800.

7 A. M. Catholic Mass, Ch. Hans.

9 A. M. Protestant worship, Ch. Harvey.

10 A. M. Catholic Mass (Theater No. 2), Ch. Martin.

11 A. M. Catholic Mass (Theater No. 2), Ch. Martin.

Catholic Mass 6 P. M. each week-day except Wednesday, Ch. Martin.

Protestant worship 7 P. M. Wednesday, Ch. Harvey.

## CHAPEL NO. 3

Bldg. 605

9:30 A. M. Protestant, Ch. Vaughn.

## CHAPEL NO. 4

Bldg. 504.

(For the 303d Training Wing)

9:30 A. M. Protestant Ch. McArthur and Ch. Weaver.

7 P. M. Protestant, Ch. McArthur.

Protestant Worship 7 p. m. Thursday, Ch. McArthur.

## CHAPEL NO. 5

Bldg. 402.

9 A. M. Protestant, Ch. Babbidge.

7 P. M. Protestant worship, Ch. Babbidge.

## JEWISH SERVICES.

9 A. M. Saturday, Chapel No. 3 (Bldg. 605), Ch. Aron.

10 A. M. Saturday, Station Hospital, Ch. Aron.

7 P. M. Friday, Chapel No. 3, Ch. Aron.

## RANGE SERVICES.

9 A. M. Protestant Worship, Ch. Weaver.

10:30 A. M. Catholic Mass, Ch. Seninger.

## HOSPITAL SERVICES.

8 A. M. Catholic Mass, Ch. Seninger.

10 A. M. Protestant, Ch. Jordan.

7 P. M. Protestant, Ch. Tull.

Jewish services, 10 A. M. Saturday, Ch. Aron.

Catholic confessions 3 to 4 P. M. Saturday, Ch. Seninger.

Catholic Mass, 5:15 P. M. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Ch. Seninger.

## GUARDBOUSE SERVICES.

6:00 P. M. Protestant, Ch. Harvey.

6:30 A. M. Catholic Mass, Sunday, Ch. Martin.

Protestant worship 6:30 P. M. Thursday, Ch. Jordan.

# HOW TO VOTE IN 11 STATES HOLDING PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN MAY

NAME OF STATE	DATE OF ELECTION	FORM OF BALLOT	HOW TO VOTE	Earliest Date State Will Receive Application for Ballot	Earliest Date State Will Receive Application for Ballot	Final Date Earliest Ballot Must Be Sent To Be Eligible To Be Counted	SPECIAL STATE PROVISIONS
ALABAMA	Primary: 2 May Run-off: 30 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with Alabama law, or b) By mailing the WD post card to Secretary of State, Montgomery, Ala. (Separate application must be made for each primary.)	12 Apr	12 Apr	10 May	Note that there are two primary elections and that separate applications must be made for each one.
CALIFORNIA	16 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with California law, or b) By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Sacramento, Cal.	Any time	6 Apr	Ballot must be marked by 16 May & get back to state by 1 June.	
FLORIDA	Primary: 2 May Run-off: 23 May	Official War Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Tallahassee, Fla.	Any time	Primary: 18 Mar Run-off: 12 May	Primary: 2 May Run-off: 23 May	If a serviceman is not, or has not been, registered, his votes for Federal offices only will be counted in this election. Note that there are two primary elections but that one application will suffice for both.
INDIANA	2 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with Indiana law, or b) By mailing to the Secretary of State, Indianapolis, Ind., the WD post card on which the serviceman has written that he wishes it treated as an application for a State Absentee Ballot.	3 Apr	17 Apr.	2 May	Note that the serviceman must write on WD post card that he wishes it to be treated as an application for a State Absentee Ballot. This information is on basis of existing state law. The Indiana Legislature will hold a session that may change some of the provisions, but any change will probably make existing requirements less strict.
MARYLAND	1 May	Official War Ballot or State Absentee Ballot, both covering Federal offices only as no other offices will be voted on.	a) Official War Ballots: By mailing WD post card to the Secretary of State, Annapolis, Md. b) State Absentee Ballots: In accordance with Maryland law	Any time	7 Apr. (Either form.)	1 May	Note that Maryland provides servicemen with either of two kinds of ballots. Method of application and date by which ballot must be received differ for the two types. This information is on basis of existing state law. The Maryland Legislature will hold a session that may change some of the provisions, but any change will probably make existing requirements less strict.
NEW JERSEY	16 May	Official War Ballot covering Federal, state and county offices.	By mailing WD post card to the Secretary of State, Trenton, N. J.	Any time	21 Apr	16 May	This information is on basis of existing state law. The New Jersey Legislature will hold a session that may change some of the provisions, but any change will probably make existing requirements less strict.
NORTH CAROLINA	27 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with North Carolina law, or b) By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Raleigh, N. C.	1 Apr	1 Apr	27 May	Servicemen who are 21 or will attain the age of 21 years on or before 7 November 1944 are eligible to vote in this primary.
OHIO	9 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state, district and county offices.	a) In accordance with Ohio law, or b) By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Columbus, Ohio.	9 Apr	9 Apr	6 May	This information is on basis of existing state law. The Ohio Legislature will hold a session that may change some of the provisions, but any change will probably make existing requirements less strict.
OREGON	19 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with Oregon law, or b) By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Salem, Ore.	Any time	9 Apr	13 May	
SOUTH DAKOTA	2 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with South Dakota law, or b) By mailing WD post card to Secretary of State, Pierre, S. Dak.	10 Apr	10 Apr	Ballot must be marked not earlier than 17 Apr. & get back by 2 May	
WEST VIRGINIA	9 May	State Absentee Ballot covering Federal, state and local offices.	a) In accordance with West Virginia law, or b) By mailing to Secretary of State, Charleston, W. Va., WD post card on which serviceman has written that he wishes it treated as "Request for State Absentee Ballot or Ballot Application."	Any time	19 Feb	9 May	Note that servicemen should write on WD post card that he wishes it treated as "request for State Absentee Ballot or Ballot Application."

\*Application should reach officials on, or as soon after it as possible, the date the state starts sending out ballots.

# Silver Star Winner Shot Down 7 Zeros

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had sent two Zeros down in flames of the more than 40 that chased them for more than an hour.

## First Purple Heart

His first wound occurred during a bombing attack on Lae, when he was hit in the right shoulder with a 25 cal. machine gun slug. That was on Sept. 5, 1942—his first mission, his first wound and he got his first Zero. He remembers the date quite easily.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded him after he had shot down five Zeros. In his opinion the anti-aircraft fire was more dangerous than the fighter opposition they encountered on their missions. It was only toward the end of his stay in New Guinea that they were given any substantial fighter escort. Before that they had to go it alone.

But, he points out, "Our group was definitely credited with more than 300 Jap planes in a year which was a better record than any fighter group established except one. Our gunners really knew their stuff."

By the time he came back home he had piled up 430 hours of combat time with Gen. George Kenney's Fifth Air Force. Now he wants to go back to flying again, this time as a pilot. And he'd like to go back to the South Pacific theater.

Sgt. Seper now is in the 1179th Training Group as a pre-aviation cadet.

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## It Pays To Be Dumb

First case of a serviceman being charged with treason in World War II came to light recently when an American soldier allegedly helped two Nazi prisoners escape from an army internment camp in New Mexico.

The soldier told the U. S. district attorney that he had hoped to accompany the two Germans back to their homeland and that he had intended joining the Nazi army as he held the German government in higher esteem than that of the United States. His case will be presented to a federal grand jury in a few days and should he be found guilty of treason he will be executed.

This is an extreme case. But other soldiers in the army may be aiding the enemy unwittingly or boastfully divulging military information. Troop movements, information about the strength of the post or methods and types of training can prove helpful to enemy agents who piece together just such scraps of information to form a complete picture.

If you have access to military information it is your duty to keep it to yourself. There is a heavy penalty for divulging such information whether it is intentional or because of carelessness. It pays to be dumb sometimes.

## Veteran Of Action Speaks

(This is another in the series of editorials written by men stationed at this post who have seen action overseas. This week, T/Sgt. John Seper, flight engineer and turret gunner on a B-24 in the Southwest Pacific, whose story appears elsewhere in this paper, passes on some advice to the men in training.)

"The old saw about 'practice makes perfect' really is true in gunnery. Anyone with good eyesight, coordination and guts can be a good aerial gunner.

"Out there (in New Guinea) we did a lot of practicing between missions. We rigged up a gadget that was something like shooting skeet from a turret, although it was all done on the ground. But we used this for practice. As a result our bomb group had a record of 300 Jap planes destroyed in one year, which was better than every fighter outfit except one.

"Every gunner cleaned his own guns, too. That included both officers and enlisted men. That helped maintain pride in the man's own guns and everyone knew the guns better, too."



"Sir, all night I keep hearing reveille!"



"Sgt. Zilch, there, had a very nice law practice before he joined up!"

## THE Private Talks Back

By PVT. LEONARD S. OSBORNE

THE QUESTION  
What were you doing a year ago this time?

"I was on the road for a wholesale grocery house, H. J. Heinz. It was a sort of tough grind bouncing around the country, but I liked it. I was my own boss and nobody was telling me how to make up my bed. That was strictly for the chambermaid. And if I felt like eating an order of scrambled eggs at midnight that was my business. And when anybody called me too early in the morning I could tell them to hit the road. Gee, when I think back..."—Pvt. Ben Marshall, 1177, Casper, Wyoming.



"I was sitting on top of the world, flying Wacos down at Beaumont Field in Louisville, Ky. Yeah, life was just a bowl of cherries, believe me. I was taking the course for the Ferry Command. But now I'm grounded. I feel like I'm living in a gopher hole. Yes, your question is an easy one for me because that's all I think about..."—Pvt. John Voytes, 1187th, Petersburg, Ind.



"I was shooting for an assignment with the Ferry Command. Was flying 'Howards,' the low wing monoplanes. That was out in Columbus, Ohio. Now, as you see, I'm picking up cigarette butts. But the course closed up. It's a tough break, but there's no sense in knocking myself out thinking about it..."—Pvt. Bert Carothers, 1187, Franklin, Ohio.



"I was with W.T.S. (now the accent is on the last two letters). I was a flight officer flying Luscombes (High Wings). Had six weeks to go when all of a sudden—whammy! That's all, brother. I was right in the middle of piling up flying time. Had 150 flight hours when they tossed the program over..."—Pvt. Dick Tatum, Greeley, Colorado.

"I was making a pretty penny. Yessir, a pretty penny. I was a junior engineer in Waterbury for the Chase Brass & Copper Co. Was making a buck fifty an hour. Now what am I makin' per hour. I guess it's about 7 cents, huh? But don't get me wrong. I'm not squawking. I've been accepted for PAC and I want that more than anything in the world..."—Pvt. Joseph Scopino, 1177, Waterbury, Conn.



Spring is here (B-r-r-r) and once again baseball is in my veins. Sometimes I wish I had blood in them. You remember last Autumn I worked out with the Tech-Hawk football team. They used me for a tackling dummy. Now it's baseball and as the old familiar cry "Batter up!" rang across the field six guys in the mess hall stopped making pancakes. I remember our last night game under the arc lights at the stadium. It ran for 18 innings and finally the game was "called off on account of daylight." I remember Cpl. Horsehide, our star pitcher. He lived, breathed and talked nothing but baseball. When they told him he was about to become a father he ran up to the maternity ward at the hospital and panted, "Tell me, Doc, is it a single or a double?" We had an umpire last season whose vision was strictly minus 20-minus 20. He used to stand at home plate and call the balls and strikes by the Braille system.

Well, we've got best baseball equipment available. Smart looking uniforms, new catchers mask, fielder's gloves, chest protectors. Gee, I wish we had a ball. But baseballs are hard to get these days, Snooky. The women who used to sew on the covers are all working for the AAF—sewing on Air Corps patches. I love baseball players. Last night I spent a couple of hours with a pitcher—50 cents an order and darned good beer.

I'm starting out as a trainer for the team. I work in the locker room as a rubber. Swell job, and it gives me a chance to give my sergeant a spanking.

I remember the big game last season. In the eighth inning they stopped the game to change batteries. The lighting equipment had blown a fuse. Well, they couldn't get the lights back in order but the game continued anyway. Everybody was instructed to pull hard on their cigarettes. Then the field was all lit up. And so were a couple of boisterous Pfc's in the bleachers. I had a seat on the third base line, but they made me get up and sit in the stands.

The Tech-Hawks had a terrific pitcher with a powerful arm. He could throw a screwball like Carl Hubbell. In fact one night he threw a screwball clear out of the park (my neck is STILL sore). Before the game the umpire called both captains together and said, "I'm going to toss a coin in the air. If it comes down heads you take the field first. If it comes down tails you come to bat first. If it stands on edge we call off the game and we all go home." It never worked out, however, because it was the 28th of the month and nobody in the stadium had a coin. So they tossed up an I.O.U. It was a great game. We wound up No runs—No hits—658 errors.

I'm a great baseball fan. One year I was nuts about the Detroit Tigers. Later I switched allegiance to the Pittsburgh Pirates. Last season I was an Athletic backer. Last night they didn't have any sacks for bases. So they made me third base. I'm always glad to come to the aid of the party, but at the end of the third inning, Snooky, so many spiked shoes had run over me that my face looked like twenty-five cents worth of hamburger.

If the handwriting in this letter appears a trifle askew and awry, try to remember the difficult conditions under which I am writing. That snarling sergeant is standing above me lashing me with his bull whip. Ouch! He's the guy with the buck teeth (although he CLAIMS he paid five bucks for them).

Love & kisses from (J. O.K.)



BY SGT. JACK O'KEEFE

Ripley, the Believe It or Not guy, should mention Pvt. Arnold Jacobs who fell out of a training plane while still hearing the voice of his instructor over the earphones. Jacobs loused up on "snap roll" and tumbled into the wild blue yonder as the voice of the instructor inquired, "How you doing back there?" Jacobs, now with the 1176th, is incidentally a registered member of the exclusive "Caterpillar Club" made up of people who have saved their lives by the use of a parachute. Jacobs came out of the ordeal hale and hearty. The instructor suffered a nervous breakdown.

Pfc. Herb Crosby diagnoses the trouble with "Washout," the sick mascot of the 1175th: He seems to be suffering from cirrosis of the cycosys neurosis, complicated with advanced hypochondriacal floogle... Pvt. P. W. (Just a pal) Kelly at the 1185th is fast becoming "the most popular boy in class." Seems his pal, Pvt. Walter Lozowski, currently hospitalized, received an enormous chicken in the mail and Kelly is passing it around with a lavish hand... A Slight Case of Murder scheduled for Bks. 159 according to Pfc. Manuel Katzman, if Pvt. "Back house" Stackhouse continues to turn on all the lights and start waking up pals at such an ungodly hour of the morning.

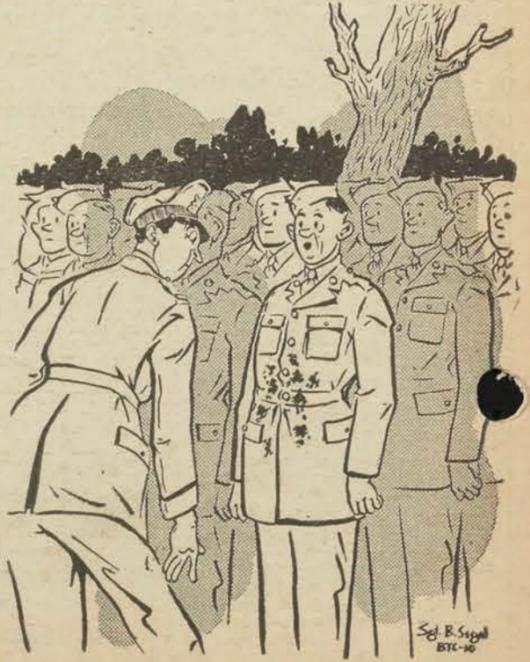
It's stories like this which make you feel "soldiers are my favorite people." A kid up at the 1188th received a furlough. It wasn't emergency. He wasn't expecting it. But he was presented with it. The kid's home is the hellangone out in California and he was flat busted. He hadn't been home since first putting on his soldier suit. His pals heard about it, pooled their nickels and dimes and handed the guy a round trip ticket—to California. Take a bow, boys. You deserve it... Pvt. Joe Turpitz, reading the comics, throws down the paper and snorts indignantly, "How do you like that? Little Orphan Annie is behind the eight-ball again. And after all she did for Gooneyville!"

Just in case you don't already know, the Army Post Office here recently turned back to its authors two huge bundles of letters because the upper left hand corner was typed. Also the word "Free" in the upper right hand corner was typed. In the future both corners must be in your own handwriting, announces APO or it's no dice... Cpl. Charley Iwanusu, once referred to affectionately as "Chunky" is fast losing weight working overtime in the X-Ray darkroom. Now, however, S-2 reports that his figure is svelte, streamlined and breathtaking...

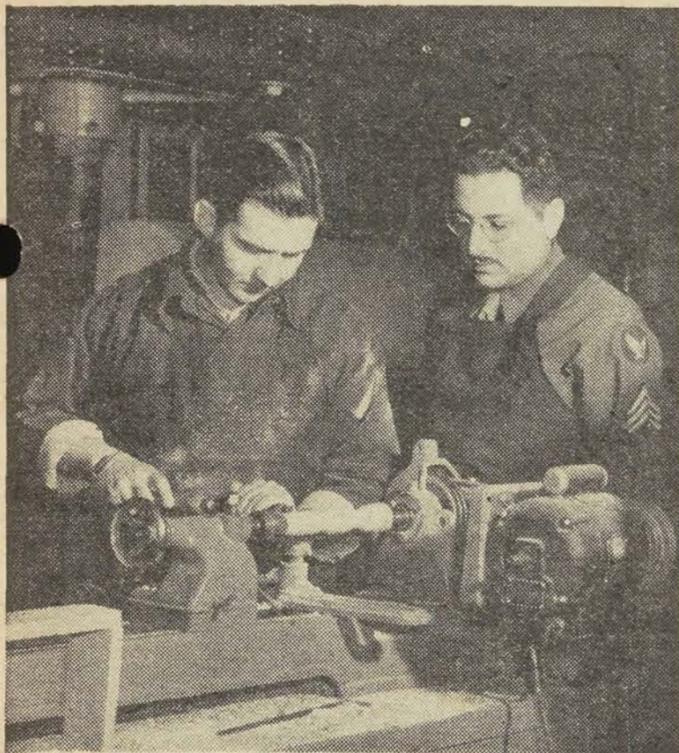
Sgt. Merrit Finch, band arranger, has a pet chicken entitled "Offbeat." When the band starts playing "Offbeat" trills along with it—on key. The chicken has a deep rooted affection for Finch because he has stepped in on a couple of occasions when voracious band members have piled into the bks. at night. They look at the stove. Then they look at the chicken and ask each other, "Well, what are we waiting for?"... Shortest name on record here at BTC 10. Cpl. Leong Ng now stationed out at the range... Despite the loss of a stick of type at the newspaper listing the menu for our "Anniversary Dinner" M/Sgt. Joe Sherr and his boys put on a spread which you couldn't duplicate within 500 miles of here... Pfc. Milton Stroll, ex-dean of the Brooklyn, N. Y., Hi-Skool, is addressed by his squad as "Hey, Teacher."

A recent issue of the Washington Post carried an interview with Jacqueline Cochran, famed aviatrix and now boss of the WAAFS referred to Isabel Fenton as "my good right arm." All of which was good news to Pfc. Bernie Obitz, post theater manager, her fiance. Incidentally, Isabel cut the eye teeth for a bunch of the WTS men now stationed here. Just that they'd like to know that she's still in there pitching. Glancing at the new Chamber of Commerce sign designating the intersection of Bessemer and Summit as a "pick-up station," T/Sgt. Fred Lambert remarks, "My favorite spot I was once just a doorstep baby. Picked up when only three days old—and picked up ever since."

Pvt. "Fat-Stuff" Geoghan who tilts the beam at 239 lbs. (E. W. T.) says, "I wonder if the post knows that in me they have another movie star. I was known as 'The Elephantine Boy.'... T/Sgt. Dave Alexander, a blushing groom-to-be has converted his footlocker into a "hope chest" and is spending his evening preparing his trousseau (it looks positively LOVELY, fellows) and nervously awaiting his bridal night... At Mess Hall No. 1 at Sunday chow the Rhumba Band went to town on Besame Mucho (they introduce it as Bessemer Mucho) and Pvt. Paul Tomkinson, carrying a tray started to toss his hips around in a mad rhumba. Knocked a cuppa cawfee out of another soldier's hand. Had to pay for it, too.



"Them's hash marks, sir!"



IN THE CARPENTRY SECTION of the program's occupational workshop, convalescing Pvt. Reese Edwards (left) of the 1187th and Sharon, Pa., is learning to use a wooden lathe to fashion a leg for a wooden stool. His instructor is Sgt. Milton Flaster, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who taught shop work in civilian life.



THERE'S NO NEED TO COUNT nails or spots on ceilings for these two bed-patient GIs. The post's program for convalescing soldiers provides them with model airplane kits. Here, Pvt. C. D. Shoffit, (left) 1187th and Grand Prairie, Texas, and Pvt. Otto Tuma, 1186th and Elizabeth, N. J., put the finishing touches on a Spitfire. In some AAF hospitals, radio operators practice on bedside lights and keys, increase their speed instead of losing it.

## CONVALESCENT TRAINING

AAF Devises Unique Program To Help Ailing Soldiers Recover Quickly

BY SGT. MORRIS DWECK  
PHOTOS BY CPL. RAY MASCALI

A convalescent soldier, at one time, just "sat around" or wandered aimlessly through a hospital and its grounds. His muscles, hardened by drill and exercise on the drill field, became soft and flabby. He read detective stories or comic strip books. And any technical knowledge he may have had soon became a dim memory.

But now, thanks to the unique convalescent training programs put into operation at AAF station hospitals like BTC 10's, soldiers return to duty in a much shorter time. They return in first-class shape, physically and mentally, ready to continue the job of preparing themselves for war.

The story of this convalescent-rehabilitation program begins at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., about a year and a half ago. At the basic training center there, Lt. Col. Howard A. Rusk was struck by the unnecessary waste of time in convalescent wards and all that it involved—boredom and lowered morale.

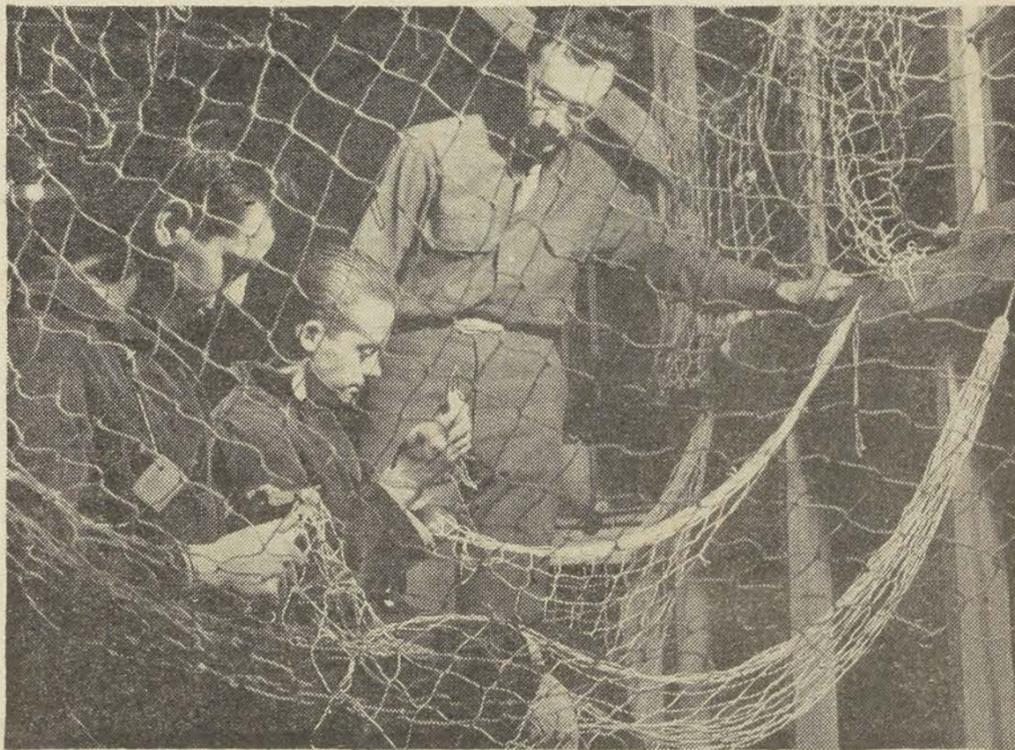
He conceived the idea of an educational and rehabilitation program and put it into effect. It got results. The Air Surgeon was highly impressed with the idea and ordered Lt. Col. Rusk to Washington, to help extend the program to all AAF hospitals.

The program was established at the station hospital here in the latter part of May after a personal flying visit by Lt. Col. Rusk. In the months that have elapsed, it is estimated that more than 120 thousand man hours of physical training and military education have been given at the post hospital with excellent results. An average of 115 men take part in the program here daily.

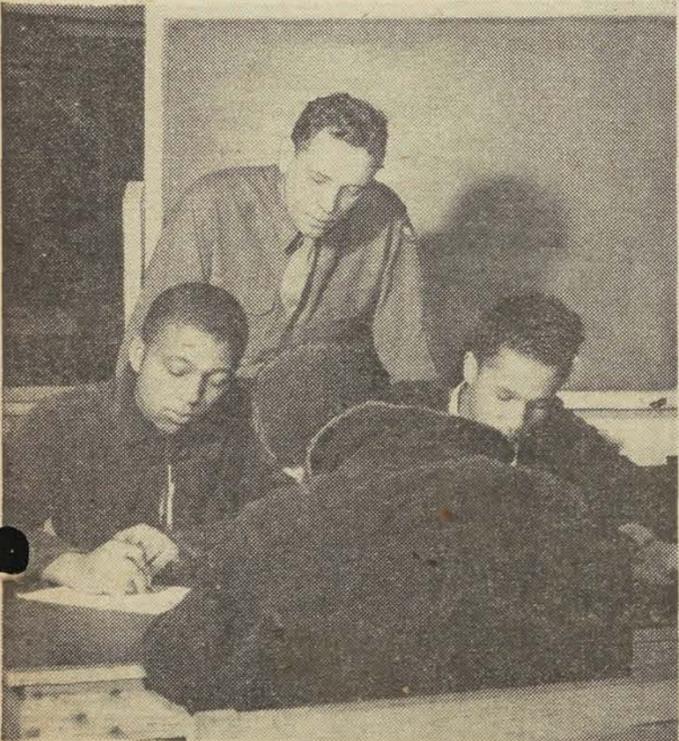
A typical day's program for a convalescing trainee includes an hour of physical conditioning, an orientation session devoted to news and world affairs, a recreation period and a supervised reading period in the morning. After noon chow, there's a half hour of drill (weather permitting), an hour devoted to lectures and a period spent in the program's occupational workshop.

In a foreword to a pamphlet which explains the program to every recovering GI, General Arnold said: "The quicker you get well, the sooner we can get at the enemy with our full force and powers and destroy him."

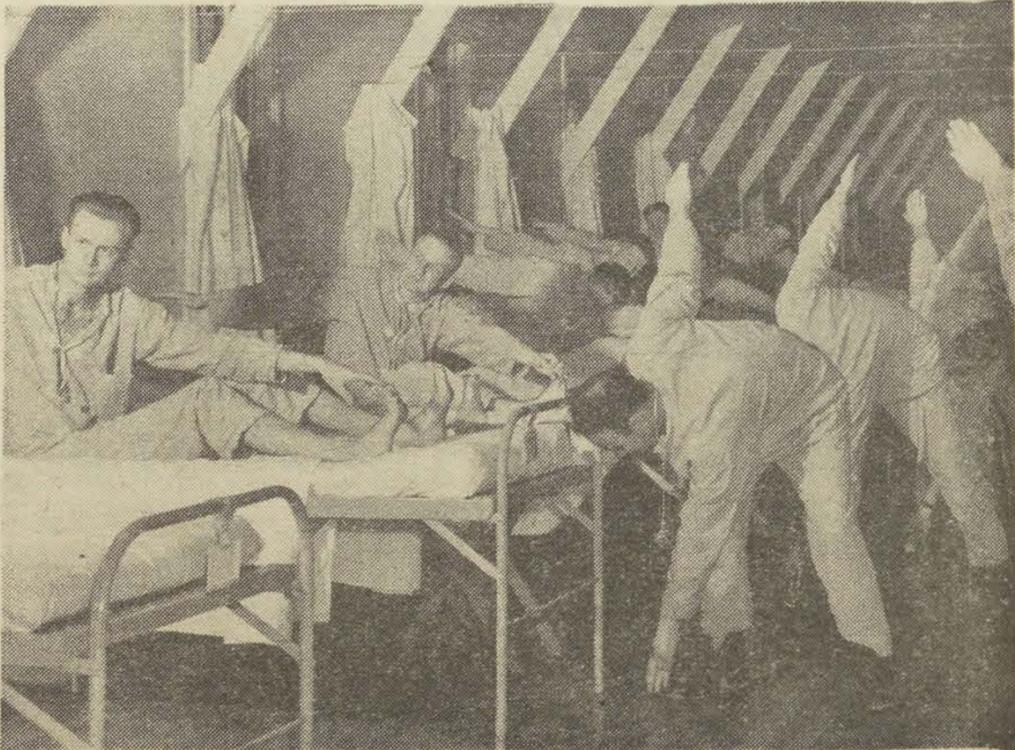
The unique convalescent training program in operation at BTC 10 and at other AAF hospitals does just that.



"JOE PATIENTS" IN HOSPITALS of the AAF employ their spare time usefully. The convalescent training program, nine months old at BTC 10's station hospital and a little over a year old in the Air Forces, encourages recovering soldiers like (l. to r.) Pvt. Chester Di Pietro, 1175th and New Britain, Conn., and Pvt. Edward Weinz, 1175th and Syracuse, N. Y., to weave camouflage netting. Their teacher is Pfc. Edmond Wynn, assigned to the medics detachment.



CONVALESCENT TRAINEES BRUSH UP on academic subjects such as mathematics, history and English in one of several classes under the supervision of Pvt. Franklin Bills, Syracuse, N. Y. Working on math problems (seated l. to r.) are Pvt. Russell Howard of Dayton, Ohio, and Pvt. Nathaniel Ray, New York City.



CONFINED TO BED or allowed to walk around, recovering soldiers in GI pajamas must continue calisthenics which their buddies on drill fields take daily. Under the AAF program, even a man with an arm or leg in a cast is encouraged to keep the other muscles in his body toned up by scientific exercises. When weather permits, patients undergo physical conditioning outdoors. Exercises are stepped up or slowed down in accordance with a patient's physical ability and progress.

Party Goers

Question of the hour is—when is Sgt. James Gargano going to pop the question—you know the old chestnut about "Faint heart," Jim! . . . Rumor has it that anyone wishing to establish connections at W. C. can do so by contacting Pvt. Richard Mount in Bks. 124 . . . Sgt. T. T. ("Turk") Holderness is still trying, in vain, to explain away that little episode at the "Tarzan" Club. . . Pfc. Arthur Grimes, Service Records, and S/Sgt. Frank Lau, Post Locator, are now official equestrians for the squadron. . . We wonder how it happens that Cpl. Wayne Jones and Pvt. John W. Wood were so royally entertained on their recent trip to Durham when they claim to be strangers in Durham. . . Hail to All-American Sgt. Charley Trippi, now assigned to Hq. & Hq. and residing in the infamous 123.

This corner's regular correspondent, the dashing Rudy, sends his best from Chi, where he is comfortably entrenched for fifteen blissful days and nights. . . Squadron Party highlights—sitting at one of the best-located and, incidentally, "rankest" tables: T/Sgt. John Wainwright, M/Sgt. Byron E. Battershell, and M/Sgt. Eugene F. Hopf, with wives et al—Pvt. Walters O. Brooks in his usual good form despite a troublesome PA system—the Range well represented with T/Sgt. William Doran, M/Sgt. Albert Palmer and our real veteran, S/Sgt. Melvin Kern, on hand.

Did you ever see such "eats"? And did you ever see such a variety of atmosphere, which ranged from the soft lights, sweet music, night-clubbish one that prevailed during the performance to the garish, windswept one after intermission—Leon Fields, with a bewildering assortment of really top-notch routines, performing for a good half hour and still not exhausting his repertoire. . . Tech Hawks star footballer, Pvt. Bill Hunnicutt, dancing with a pretty little miss; everybody saying hello to everybody. . . Sgt. Frank Sorrentino jitterbugging at a furious pace. . . Sgt. Dick Haley, exponent of the smooth style of dancing, gliding about the floor with consummate grace (which is not the name of his date, Pvt. C. W. Douglas).

Sgt. Robert Grogan attempting to monopolize his own date to the exclusion of his numerous friends. . . Pfc. Lloyd Steiner winning the prize (what a prize!) and surprising everybody with some real razz-ma-tazz jitterbugging. . . Sgt. John Linden, now a Ranger, entirely unaffected by the airplane spinning he received. Who would be with such an incentive! . . . Consensus of opinion: the party was a tremendous success. —SGT. FRANCIS W. MULCAHY

Third Hitch

Good luck to the group of PAC's, formerly of bks. 721. The lads are now hanging their hats at the 1177th. . . Add farewells: Pvt. Yearsley, off to new glory. Moved out the day his wife arrived here to visit him. . . Cpl. Ashby, area inspector, giving after duty safety schooling to his wheelbarrow gang. Too many accidents in the area, says the cpl. . . It's not "Two gun" Zettley, it's "Two language" Zettley. . . Sgts. Kostiak, Tech-Hawk football star, and Hogan, blushing very prettily as one of the trainees compliments them on how well they hammer stakes into the ground. . . Bks. chief in 714, a M/Sgt. serving his 3d hitch.

Sgt. Taylor, actg. 1st Sgt. of Squadron D, is very happy to hear how much his boys love him. . . Speaking of 1st Sgts., doesn't S/Sgt. Miller, bossman of Squadron C, look darling propped up in bed nightly reading his "Ranch Romances"? Miller also never misses a single copy of "Love Story". . . Weather forecast from Squadron A—Monday thru Saturday—rain

Officers Of The 1182nd



1ST LT. JOSEPH R. WHELAN, adjutant and a unit commander of the 1182nd, was the first of the Whelan family to arrive at BTC 10. Soon there will be another. A sister, 2nd Lt. Marian Whelan who enlisted in the ANC has received orders to report here in the near future for Nurses Basic Training. Lt. Joseph Whelan came here last April, following graduation as a second lieutenant from OCS at Miami Beach. He enlisted in the AAF in April, 1941, and was stationed at Orlando (Fla.) Air Base and at Greenville, S. C., with a service group. Before entering the Army, he was engaged in the wholesale candy and tobacco business at Westernport, Md., his home town. Lt. Whelan was graduated from Westernport high school and attended Potomac State College, Keyser, W. Va. At high school, he established a reputation as a soccer player. Lt. Whelan was promoted to 1st lieutenant on the post last February 17. He is married to the former Miss Anna Marie Robertson of Lenoconing, Md. A baby girl, Patricia Ann, was born to the Whelans last October.



1ST LT. JOHN D. AMISS, CO of the 1182nd, is the proud father of a baby girl born six days ago in Station Hospital. The baby is named Courtney Page Amis and weighed nine pounds and three ounces at birth. The wife and mother is the former Doryce Boswell of Washington, D. C. Lt. Amis was engaged in the fire insurance business in Washington before he entered the Army two years ago yesterday. He took basic training as an enlisted man at Keesler Field and was later stationed at Herbert Smart Airport and Warner Robins Airport, both near Macon, Ga. At the latter base, Lt. Amis was first sergeant of an air depot group until he entered OCS at Miami Beach. He was graduated as a second lieutenant there April 21, 1943, and was sent immediately to BTC 10. Lt. Amis is a graduate of Bethesda Chevy Chase high school, Chevy Chase, Md., and has a twin brother, Lt. Edmund Amis who has been overseas 18 months with the Engineers Corps.



1ST LT. HARRY P. ROM-ANOFF, squadron commander of the 1182nd, is now on special duty with the 392nd Wing as officer in charge of preparatory marksmanship. He came to BTC 10 last July from Niagara Falls, N. Y., where he was physical training officer at the Bell Aircraft plant to which he was assigned following graduation from OCS at Miami Beach. He was graduated in the same class with Capt. (then 2nd Lt.) Clark Gable, Lt. Romanoff was graduated from New York University in 1935 with a B. S. degree in physical education and health. He was president of the Kappa Phi Kappa fraternity while in school and a member of the student council. Following graduation he was a health education and community center teacher and at the time of his entering the Army, April 1941, he was a teacher and field and track coach at Riverdale-on-Hudson Country School, New York. Lt. Romanoff is married to the former Eleanor Black of Ridgfield Park, N. Y.



2ND LT. ANTHONY A. SPIRITO, unit commander of the 1182nd, was a school teacher and something of a baseball player before he entered the Army in October, 1941. He taught social studies in the Lynn, Mass. Junior high school and played semi-professional baseball in the summertime around the Lynn sandlots. He was captain and star pitcher of the Massachusetts State Teachers' College club in 1939 when he was graduated with a B. S. degree. He received a master's degree in education from Boston University and did further post graduate work at St. Louis University. He says his most notable accomplishment at St. Louis was meeting Marjorie Kimbrel, who is now Mrs. Anthony Spirito of Greensboro, Lt. Spirito entered the Army as an enlisted man and served all of that time at Scott Field before entering OCS at Miami Beach last June. He was first sergeant of the 29th Academic Squadron at Scott Field. Graduating from OCS in August of last year, Lt. Spirito was sent to BTC 10.

with a little hail to kill the monotony for Sunday. . . Pvt. Dick Tuttle making use of his commercial artist background. . . Dangerous Dan Honig, Detail Clerk, back from Frisco, was greeted by the trainees singing, "Lay that roster down, Dan, lay that roster down." —SGT. H. GEORGE LEVINSON.

Rumor Factory

Our newest Pfc. Bob Hunter, made the quote of the week as he filled a bucket with coal, "It's a heck of a thing when a Pfc. has to shovel his own coal!" Rumors will be regimented beginning Monday, when all rumors must first clear "Breaker" Silverberg's Message Center. They will be stamped, marked and then sent by carrier pigeon to the less imaginative outfits in camp. Any groups desiring to subscribe to the late editions of said rumors may take out a subscription with Pfc. Antonia Peatee. Other groups are warned that "1176th Rumors" are copyrighted. Cpl. Bell leads his "Swallows" to Danville. Dry, isn't it, Sgt. Corona. . . When we went out this morning and saw corn growing on the cinder path that was just built yesterday we knew that "The Rocker" had a lot to do with it. . . Pfc. Perry has started a collection for a brass rail to be installed beneath the railing in Hq. Sgt. Winkler will feel more at ease when he leans on the railing if that brass rail is underfoot. —PFC. RAYMOND COLEMAN.

Sad Goodbye

Our "JEEP" basketball team did pretty well for themselves. With no outstanding player to take the spotlight, they ended up a good season by placing third in the Post standings. Nice work, boys. . . We wonder why Pfc. Brock beats it out to High Point on Saturday nights? Could it be that he discusses the Yankee and Rebel

situation with a bunch of his N. C. colleagues? . . . The 1177th Volley Ball team took a beating last week, but doesn't prove anything. The players were all PP men. Wait till the Jeeps take over, and we'll take on any other outfit, says Pvt. Levitsky. . . In the rear of 1177th Hq., an exhibit has been set up by Pvt. Perlitch and is kept up to date by means of maps, articles and pictures. It is a War Room, to which we suggest that all men pay a visit for up-to-date news.

It is a sad goodbye to our own Sgt. Walker, who takes off this week to attend to Diesel Engine School. . . Pfc. Harrison has been walking around in a daze, and he probably won't come out of it until he gets another three-day pass, so he can be near his little woman. . . Don Scribner is all smiles this week. Could his wife's visit be the cause? . . . Just what is it that makes Art Sweeney yell, "Let's go," and "Come on fellas, fall out" in his sleep? . . . Harry Travers and Hank Turci didn't meet until Uncle Sam called, yet their girl friends are sisters. Who said this was a small world? . . . "Synthetic Joe" Rose is the wonder boy of Sq. L. Ask him how he got lost on our daylight skirmishes at the range. . . Where does Mike Timura get all those sweet smelling letters? Please let us in on the secret, Mike. John Somma and Shorty Scopino resemble the "frigid midgets" When they fall out for morning roll call. —CPL. MICHAEL DI GIANNI.

Real Confidence

The 1178th welcomes the new men received from 1175 last week. Just to prove how welcome you are you can come to our G. I. party next Friday night. . . Staff Sgt. Moody, (a gunner who has seen active overseas duty) is now in charge of the coal detail instead of working on it. . . Talk about confidence—Pvt. Charles A. Warfield (12th day of training) has already picked the name for his plane. . . Pvt.

"Shorty" Schlessinger refused to capitalize on his height to become a rear gunner—he insists he'll be a pilot or nothing. . . Pvt. E. M. Nowak wishes he'd move before they run out of 10 day delays en route. . . S/Sgt. Lowell G. Barker smiling all over the place. . . Some of us of the PP celebrated our first anniversary on BTC 10 last week—just a bit different than when we didn't have bunks to sleep on, isn't it, boys? The things we miss most of all are those mess kits. What fun having your ice cream and gravy together. Try it sometime! . . . Congratulations to Pvt. John McDonough—the proud father of a baby girl. . . Congratulations to Sgt. James Stevenson, the proud owner of a new 650-16 tire. . . Pvt. Lewis Pappano all spruced up to go a-courtin' all day Sunday. . . One of our former trainees has written back from another base telling us how wonderful BTC 10 is. —S/SGT. DANIEL B. BALLOW.

Egg Flipper

The 1179th Training Group has 12 P.A.C.'s who were Aerial Gunners, and who have obtained the following: Missions—300; Enemy planes shot down—17 confirmed; Air Medals—96 clusters; Two Distinguished Flying Crosses; Five Purple Hearts; and one Silver Star. All the above took place from India, China-Burma, to the Southwest Pacific, then on across the globe to Europe and Africa. The men were: T/Sgts. Drake, Barter, Mocklin, Kirk, Naughton, Brown, Falvey, Seper, Zeoli, and S/Sgts. Kennedy, Hogan, and Williams. . . S/Sgt. Bidwell and Gougeon were stationed in the Aleutians with duties consisting of Rescue and Weather Missions, and Photo and Reconnaissance. It is believed by all these men that becoming a pilot will be their toughest mission. . . The '79th is looking forward to a very successful baseball season with the addition of George Yankowski, who played for the Philadelphia Athletics and Leland Gambling, who played for the

Cincinnati Reds. . . It seems that S/Sgt. Perlman has a mania for "frying" pennies. Could it be that his "better half" has him practicing to "flip" eggs? . . . Congratulations to Sgt. Oropallo on his appointment as Sergeant Major. —PFC. J. B. KUSSMAUL.

Better Half

Flash from Washington, D. C.: What prevented S/Sgt. DePuyt from returning to camp early on his pass? . . . The PP of this Group bid adieu to S/Sgt. James K. West, who has left for other parts. Good luck, Jim! . . . Attention Sgt. (Don Juan) Bunce: who phoned you away from your first date in order to make the second one last Sunday night? . . . The management of what hotel in Raleigh will never forget the eventful sojourn of Cpl. Sharp and Pvt. Gonzales? . . . Welcome to our new M/Sgt., Louis F. Sleeman, who came from Hq. and Hq. Sq. . . Pvt. ('wie mann sagt') Beerbohm is once more a happy man. His better half is here. . . Will the master 'mechanic' who crossed the wires in Cpl. Shavin's car last Tuesday please report to the nearest Detail Clerk in charge of coal piles. . . It must have been the homing-pigeon instinct in Cpl. Behrens that brought him safely back to his bunk (Bks. 960) last Saturday night. . . Cpl. Levens, connoisseur of 'Kulatch', (explanation furnished gratis by the corporal upon receipt of self-addressed envelope) is also the proud possessor of a brand new, drip-type, coffee percolator. Said perc. brews a good cup of java for that delicious nut-cake his mom-in-law periodically sends him. —SGT. LOUIS F. TRAMOSCH.

Barnstormers

The Post Basketball season ended with our boys taking all honors, Bomber League, Post Champions and Post tournament Champions. Well done, fellas! . . . Our trainees in Barracks 657 were heartbroken with the loss of their mascot, "Little Ackabelles"—but only temporarily. They found him sound asleep in one of the empty footlockers. . . We welcome Cpl. John Jorgenson into our group. . . If present examples have any bearing on future accomplishments, P. U. 51 will be commended as the best singing unit in the Group. Keep it up, "Daddy's". . . While on the subject of accomplishments, ask the Drill Instructors of P. U. 34 who has the best marching unit. . . What S/Sgt. was seen tripping the light fantastic with his daughter, Barbara Evelyn, in Group Hqs. last Sunday? . . . Bks. 694 has Pvt. Joe Daiuto, who excels in "boogie-woogie" on the ivory keyboard. . . During a P. T. lecture on grass drill, one of the trainees asked where the grass was. We live and learn! . . . Imagine the surprise of the "jeep" who came running into Bks. 669 and asked the Acting 1st Sgt. if he had an extra pass. . . Oh, oh, wrong Barracks! —PFC. MICHAEL POJA.

Jobs Awaiting

Captain LeCroix, C.O. of the High Point Airport, treated the patients to the interesting story of the Air Transport Command. He convinced the boys that ferrying planes and cargoes all over the world is a work-horse job, but it has its share of thrills and adventure. . . Pvt. E. Greenwald, Ward 16, returning to the Convalescent Training Program, was surprised to find several jobs awaiting him. His ability shown last October was not forgotten. . . Chaplains note: G. M. Goodman, 3/c, Ward 7's sailor, doesn't approve of the way the army does things. When the smoke battle (the players' steaming breaths) cleared, Pvts. Shaffer and Camerot emerged as the winners of the doubles in the Hospital Ping Pong Tournament, while Pvt. Schnapp, Ward 24, copped the singles title. —ANONYMOUS.

Male Call

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

What You Hear Is A Roamer



Girl Priority

The Stork Club took on a few new members this week, beginning with our CO, who favored our group with a bouncing baby girl, weighing in at 9 lbs. 3 oz. Congrats from the whole group to Lt. and Mrs. A Miss. Cpl. Floyd Storey, too, favored the group with a charming bit of femininity. Cpl. and Mrs. Storey's little girl weighed in at 9 lbs. 9 oz. Who said this was a man's world? Farewell to S/Sgt. Al Parlett, who leaves us to join the 1181st. The 1182nd is scheduled to sing on "Parade Rest" in the near future. Here's hoping they ring down the roof. The zebra disease hit us and Charlie Chapin, Luke Sapan and Aden Clarke are now wearing two stripes. Our ex-columnist, Pfc. Erwin C. Harris, left for Knobnoster, Mo., which is reported to be somewhere in the United States. Lt. Whelan and Lt. Spirito are looking forward to another group party. T/Sgt. John R. (they all know me in Henderson) Collins loves to mark up his new blackboard in the orderly room. He's a born "doodler." Everybody does enjoy his sense of humor, though I wonder if the jeeps can say the same. -SGT. A. J. RODRIGUEZ AND PFC. ART KRAMER.

Water Wings

The men of this group were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Pfc. Roger P. Ingram's wife last Friday night. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Pfc. Ingram and all of the relatives. Eight of our permanent party men motored to Lexington, N. C., on Sunday as pallbearers. What Cpl. PT Instructor loves to hide behind the bushes? Since Dot of PX 5 has quit her job, you can see a great deal of a certain S/Sgt. in the area now. I understand the Sgt. is looking for a new flame or maybe he will revive an old one. Boys be patient. Water wings will be issued to all EM the first of the month. Until then, wade and bear it. Ask S/Sgt. George M. Thomas what kept him awake on Monday night at the Rifle Range. Couldn't Cpl. Duffy hold the tent down alone? The lovely green grass in front of Headquarters is the result of Cpl. "Red" Irwin's work last fall. Maybe he could do just as well on a Victory Garden. The majority of the men of this Group are on the range, therefore there isn't so very much news. We hope they are enjoying the fresh air and wide open spaces of the range. S/Sgt. Don E. Herron has a new hobby besides pounding the typewriter. He is now a candid camera fan. The permanent party are looking forward to a party being planned by Capt. Clark, T/Sgt. Hazen and S/Sgt. Tillman. -CPL. THOMAS N. DEATON.

Three Strikes

A parable being recited by PP's of the 1184th: "My cup runneth over; surely ratings will not be frozen all the days of my Army career." The telephone building charge of quarters is contemplating having Pvt. Channing Price sign a statement of charges for the pulp he uses in composing missives to folk in the Yankee stadium section. Cpl. Prentice "Pee Wee" Moreland has been to Kansas City, and everything was really all right—except the train schedules. The 376th Av. Sq. has recently been augmented by Sgt. Arthur Wilkerson, Cpls. Eugene White, Willie Rowland and others. Sgt. John S. Harris escorted a WAC around the post, the other Sabbath. Sgt. George Gayley likes to fall between the lily-whites on early nod time, so creep easy boys. Pvt. Hobar Martin is ready for business, with sign and all. Pvt. Thomas Richter is arranging the treader debate of the century, pitting Sgt.

ALL PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR

Robert Lowery versus Pvt. Channing Price. Cpl. William C. Wright, the polished C. Q. at the 1184th has three strikes against himself. He lost his heart in Manassas, Va. Sgt. James "Hawk" Shaw and Sgt. Samuel "Schatkop" Little secured the aid of 1st Sgt. Paul "Valentine" Miles to throw a cordon for some goof-offs in Sq. A. In spring, it seems, a soldier's fancy turns to passes and furloughs. Is Pvt. Manuel Pina's sudden interest in Benneget purely terpsichoric? Cpl. Roy D. Brown, the growler from Atlanta, has discovered a "Big Bertha" on the post. Quaffing a stein of suds while listening to platters by "the Duke," "the Hawk" or "the Count" you dreamily go back to days at "the Track," Rendezvous and Smalls, when a voice from the mike brings you back to reality. Cpl. Dennie Hoggard will soon be leaving A. & T. for a sojourn to Philly. Pvt. Harold Hedgeman, "Pied Piper of 1184th," is gradually losing his following. -SGT. RICHARD SOWELL.

The Epstein Boys

The PP of the 1185th gave 100 per cent to the Red Cross's 1944 War Fund. No busman's holiday for Pfc. Morris Rosen, for he has no watch, even though he used to sell them. The old one-two punch, KP and Guard Duty keeps Pvs. Berry, Day, Montgomery, Schlossberg and Shorter out of mischief on the range. 1st Sgt. Milton Epstein's twin brothers, Julius J. and Phillip G. Epstein were awarded an Academy "Oscar" for the best written screen play of the year, in the motion picture Casablanca. Warning all mediocre pinochle players to steer clear of S/Sgt. Harold Pierce. So don't cry on our shoulders. Sgt. Anthony Butler and Egg Man, Lombardi, whose recently added stripe earned for him a gift of much needed folding money, is recuperating from the celebration in Jersey. -PVT. P. W. KELLEY

Tater Pie

Hats off to S/Sgt. Fry for his group singing class. Yes sir, it's a real treat to see you, and your squadron, go thru the singing, while marching time. S/Sgt. Gordon gave himself away last Sunday when someone overheard him ordering "tater pie" for dessert. So did I, Sarge, and it was real good. Huh, two, trip, your, hut two trip your. Get in step Matlock! Hut, two, trip, etc. Overhead in Barracks 246—Am I sore! My legs hurt! Who's got any liniment? How about a rubdown? ooh-me! A visit to Drill field 2 will reveal a treat—see Capt. Schwartz's Swashbucklin' Commandos doing their stuff. It's all-off! they're gone! I mean, woe is me—What's the trouble, Farris, have you lost your boxers? No, my hair, alack, alas, woe is me—hi, Charlie. A sight to see: S/Sgt. DeMarco bringing up the rear, and if you read this, sarge, am only kidding, hiya pal. Don't stay away too long, Sir Malcolm, as I'm just about to run out of news and am near my wit's end. Now. -PVT. BILL REXER

Easy Dough

This week marked the return of 1187th to the 304th Wing. Another major change called to our attention is a marriage. T/Sgt. Clifford is the man of the hour, and what an hour! Three-thirty on pay day morning would be judged a bit unusual for an event in most circles. Best man, M/Sgt. Brady, says it is not too uncommon in Danville, Va., either. South Bend, Indiana's twins, Mike Marcus and "KP" Peregrine are growling at each other as loudly as

ever since returning from furlough. A/C Pierce sees little humor in their noise. Cpt. Papy discovered that a Kansas rancher in the barracks sold \$7,500 worth of cattle on furlough. "Easy dough," Papy says, "think I'll be a farmer." Southern gentlemen bound for Yankeeand technical schools are a bit disturbed over the stories they've been hearing. Don't believe a word of them fellows. It almost never gets below 30 below in Wisconsin. The N. C. B. O. Q. has gone so veddy, veddy high-brow. Three sergeants wearing such loud pajamas. -PFC. LEE O. DONLEY

All Smiles

Smiles, yes, all smiles is Lt. Brotman these days. And who could have a better reason to be happy—Mrs. Brotman and their nine-pound son are home from the hospital. M/Sgt. Anderson has not lost his KP knack. Anderson was recently observed dishing it out on the serving line to a bunch of new recruits who had come in after feeding time. Although two weeks have passed since Maj. Norton's return, he is still receiving constant requests for the interesting story of his journey to many distant lands. While on furlough, Cpl. Louis Rocca appeared in the male leads and performances of "The Masked Ball" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" and excerpts from various other operatic tenor roles with much success. We extend our sympathy to all the possessors of aching backs in the 1186th Permanent Party. -CPL. HARRY FORGERON.

Future Deb

Lt. T. D. Harris, back in Plans and Training, has planned a real he-man training program for the permanent party men that is a corker. The 304th Wing volleyball team took over the 302nd Wing on Thursday and the medics took over the stiff joints of the volleyball team on sick call the following morning. M/Sgt. Taylor Weaver stopped a persistent soul this last week with this corker: "Pardon me for talking while you're interrupting." Sgt. Burt Stuart is doing nicely in the BTC No. 10 hospital after his wife gave birth to a future deb in New York City. Your humble columnist apologizes for all those things he wrote about T/Sgt. Heis—and promises not to write all those other things he knows about his love affairs. Certain bits of femininity around the town of Greensboro have found that the charms of Pfc. Piscerchio far outnumber those of the Wing's glamorous Sgt. Major. It reached a point where he couldn't even walk into the office without taking his hat off. As a matter of fact, Mrs. Nigro wouldn't even let him in the house, so the master sergeant bought a new one to replace the 1917 model. Candidates for Wing characters: Flattop—Cpl. Dave Dolin; The Thin Man—S/Sgt. Maman; Huey Long—Sgt. Stacey Maguire; Henry Aldrich—Pfc. Walt Senior. -CPL. H. I. SILVER

Prize Winners

Congratulations to winners of the individual prizes for participation in the Fourth War Bond Drive. They are: Mary Stearns, MPEU, Margaret Garrett, Ordinance, and Wm. Venning, Hospital. The prizes are well worth winning, being a beautiful metal plaque and two metal trays, hand-wrought by Cpl. Corey of the Convalescent Training Program. Margaret Wilson and Evelyn Millican of QM also won intradepartmental citations for their bond sales. Gertrude Corkery, attractive member of the Consultation Service

Unit, is transferring with AAFETTC Hq. to St. Louis. Peggy Brown, MPEU, is visiting her mother in Tenn. Fan Hinchee of the same section is in Florida these days. Martha Brown and Ellen Keane, PE, are in New York City enjoying a respite from duty. LaVera Morgan, MPEU, is vacationing in Alabama, and Katie and Don Winfield are honeymooning in the same state. T. L. Davis, QM, has submitted in a state-wide contest a poem inspired by the death of the first Red Cross nurse. Robbie Pampin's colleagues in QM surprised her with a birthday party last Friday. Sabu's visits to the MPEU have caused much excitement; we're beginning to believe Martha Dearman is Hollywood bound. Felicitations to C. B. Childress, Virginia Riddle and Doris Brim for their commendable records in the Motor Pool. The first drivers hired, they are among those who have not had a single accident in their period of employment. Home responsibilities, we are sorry to report, recently have forced Mrs. Brim to resign. -MARJORIE A. KING.

Potato Picker

Whadyaknow! I have had a regular field day getting the news this week! And I'm not sure just where to begin. But a certain medic with serial number T/5 Palmieri gets top billing, I think. Do you know what he has been doing with his evenings lately? Well, said gentleman is engaged to a nurse in St. Leo's hospital. You'll be sorry, MP, or will you? And who should we find picking potatoes out of the street in front of the Paramount Cleaners but M/S Kaplan. Now what do you suppose that he wanted them for? Which reminds me that Lt. Bokinsky won a bag of onions at a bond rally last week. Now if we could only get hold of a nice big beefsteak! And speaking of bond rallies, as who was, Dental Clinic 1 had a raffle on two \$25 bonds. The lucky guys were Pvs. Beard and Meyers. The new M.R.C. (morning report clerk to you) is Pfc. F. E. Hunter. Since Sgt. Farmer left for OCS, S/Sgt. Nadle has been appointed acting 1st Sgt. by the CO. It's rumored that Pfc. Norman Curmutte will be homeward bound soon on a well deserved furlough. Pvt. James Ward, the "Arkansas Traveler" is carrying on for "Furlough" Barella. Pvt. Bond is in the hospital. He's wearing a patch over one eye and looks like the Floyd Gibbons of the Medics. -PVT. FRANKLIN H. BILLS.

Potato Picker

Dick Merriwell

General Mess volley ball team started off in the post tournament by beating the Classification team two straight, let's go team. Any EM interested in fisticuffs will see Pvt. Max Shapiro, Mess expects to have a strong boxing team for post competition. Sgt. Anthony C. Ginolfi claims to be a great pitcher and throws with either hand, a la "Dick Merriwell." Pvt. Richard G. Hess once did a little boxing and is anxious to put the gloves on again for the glory of mess No. 3. Orchids to the band for the swell music they are furnishing in the mess halls, that added touch is just the thing for that crowded day in a trainee's life. Anyone interested in playing hard or softball report to Staff Sgt. Richard Cramins, mess will be represented in the post league. A swell show was planned by special services for the General mess and it was greatly enjoyed by those who attended. Cpl. John (the kid with troubles) Delorenzo is applying for a job with the Treasury Dept. after the war so he will always be in reach of that happy cabbage. A "Star" was born in the person

Poor Chick

Sgt. Jimmy Lyon, Group instructor, and an excellent pianist, has played with Tommy Dorsey, Gene Krupa and several other name band leaders, but T/Sgt. Gagliardi informs us that it was a baseball game. Our pet chicken tried to outdo Pvt. Galimiri's flute remblings and strained its chirper trying to hit the high notes. The chicken is dead and we call it murder in the 3rd degree. Sgt. Merritt E. Finch left in such a hurry he telephoned the copyists from the station and dictated the last 8 bars of his unfinished arrangement on King Porter Stomp. Sgt. Jack O'Keefe has invited the entire Band personnel up for a Spaghetti dinner. He will supervise the cooking himself and pay all expenses after the war. Listen for the debut of "A Moocher on Bessemer Ave." original composition; and where do you think he stole the title? Sgt. Paul A. Cardia will be leaving on pass shortly so all you kids had better get the brain blanket trimmed, because he won't give the haircut after someone else has mauled you. -PFC. HARRY DORAN

Poor Chick

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

of a smiling daughter to Pfc. Aron Weinstock and wife, she won't have to go far to make Broadway. Pvt. Leon (Dimples) Pink quietly slipped away from the noise and the turmoil of barrack 167 last Sunday to take a stroll with a gorgeous blond or was she a brunette. Pfc. Elzie M. McCann represents Sulphur Springs, Texas, and claims that there isn't another place like it, to which Manuel Debalsky says "thank heaven". Pfc. Ferdinand L. Casavecchia, one of the bigger names working in mess hall No. 8, is one of S/Sgt. Earl Sherman's mainstays. Pfc. Dinapoli Guilio hails from Brooklyn, N. Y. and works in subsistence, really on the beam. Pfc. John W. Kovacs 1st cook in mess No. 8, a New England lad, loves that section of the country—only one drawback, T/Sgt. Charlie Baxter haunts that neck of the woods also, brrrrrr. -S/SGT. ANDY IMPERATO.

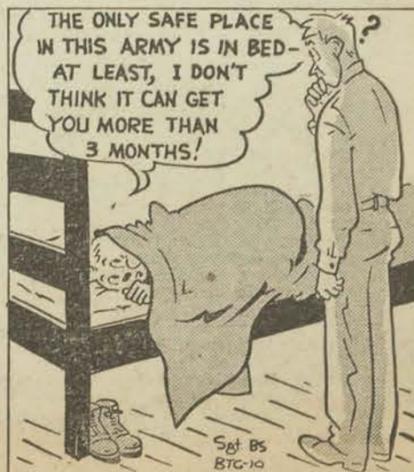
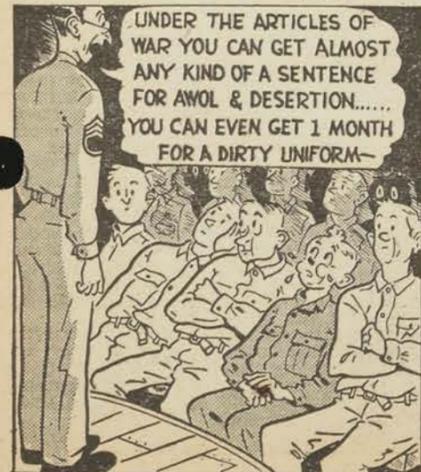
Paper Dolly

Question of the week: Is it true that Sgt. "Mike Chaplin" Rosenfeld requested this DS so that he could shop around and buy his baby a dolly? When will he ever grow up? Look alikes: Sgt. Max Kalish and Walt Disney's "Mickey Mouse". What is this world coming to—the city slickers, Pvs. Chuck Connolly and Frankie Linskey, beating the country boys, Cpl. Art Edgerly and Sgt. Art Peterson two out of three games in horse-shoes. Pfc. Jerome Kraus was seen in a daze the early part of this week and blames it on his better half. She up and went back to civilization in "New York" and the poor guy misses her something fierce. The loonatic in his John-L's running around the obstacle course every day is none other than pass and furlough clerk, Pfc. James Gisondi. Pfc. Jack Phillips played Class B league baseball for Greenville, S. C., prior to entering the Army. Cpl. Charles Borek believes in delivering the male and deposited himself at the station hospital last week and was operated on for appendicitis. Boys, pay Cpl. Borek and S/Sgt. Sklar a visit in Ward 3. Pfc. Jacko London, the squadron "Tom Mix," is rumored to be a cowboy. He ate off the mantel piece for a week. Applications for the squadron baseball team are now being accepted. Sign up on the A & R board. The newly formed motorcycle squad is still looking for capable men. If you are interested, see Lt. Donald G. Coleman. How many of you boys noticed that handsome guy in last week's edition of 10-Shun. Some guy with the dreamy eyes. It is known that he gathered all existing papers and sent them home. Pfc. Patrick Meagher was formerly an Al Capone chaser in Chicago, a handy cop with a rod. -SGT. MILTON BLEIMAN.

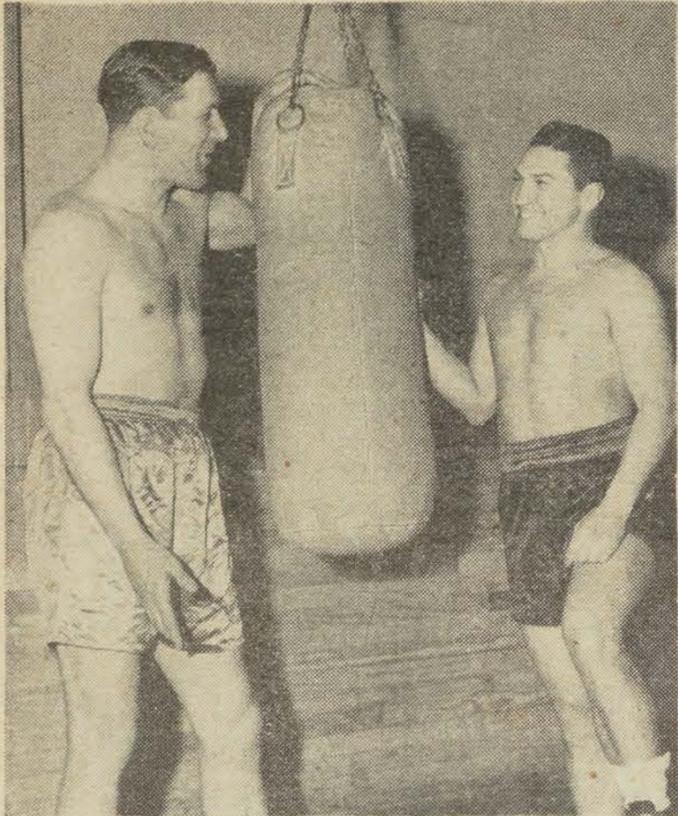
Band

By Sgt. Bernard Segal

SLAPPY—The Happy Warrior of BTC 10



## Boxing And Baseball Hold Sports Spotlight On Post



INSTRUCTORS NOW are S/Sgt. Eddie Mader, left, and Pvt. Max Shapiro, a pair of outstanding professional boxers in civilian life. Mader, twice defeated Two-Ton Tony Galento as well as a number of top-ranked heavyweights. Shapiro holds the decision over Bob Montgomery of Philadelphia, who recently regained the lightweight championship from Beau Jack. Shapiro coaches the Mess Group boxing team while Mader is instructor for the Military Police.

## Boxing Finals Tonight; Swing Band To Entertain

With miniature golden and silver gloves the prizes and post titles their goal, 16 GI fighters square off tonight at gym T-10 in the finals of the BTC 10 indoor boxing tournament. The first bout is scheduled for 8 p. m. and a swing band will be on hand to entertain early arrivals and to play between bouts.

All of the fighters reached tonight's finals after a week of battling up through the opening rounds and the result should offer a collection comprising the cream of the post's pugilistic crop.

One of the noteworthy aspects of the tourney has been the ascent of the 302nd Wing punchers, and it appears a certainty that the Wing will capture the post banner now held by the MPs who were unable to enter a team. The MPs won the banner last October in the outdoor tournament at Memorial Stadium.

**11 From 302nd Wing.**  
Of the 16 fighters on tonight's card, 11 will represent the 302nd Wing. This is not too much on the surprising side when you consider that the Wing had been outstanding since the weekly inter-wing indoor matches were launched last December.

The Mess Group, coached by Pvt. Maxie Shapiro, former top-ranking lightweight contender, will have two entrants, along with the 304th Wing. Pvt. Frank Serafine, Rochester, N. Y., will be the lone representative of the 301st and will meet Pvt. Vic Cavalieri, Chicago and 304th, in the featherweight scrap.

Probably the standout bout on the bill brings together Pvt. Gerry Ginsberg, Maplewood, N. J., and 302nd, and Pvt. Felix Oires, Lynbrook, N. Y., also of the 302nd, for the welterweight crown. Both are scrappy battlers who gained their way up by upsetting favorites.

One of Shapiro's prodigies, Pvt. Waugh, a Mess heavyweight from Berkeley Square, W. Va., meets Pvt. Hank Zajkowski, 302nd Wing, in the wind-up. The other Mess representative, Cpl. Gene Olker, Brooklyn, N. Y., faces Pvt. Tommy Shields, 302nd Wing and Boston, Mass., in the lightweight bout.

Pvt. Bill Denney, Dayton, O., tangles with Pvt. Leon Goldfarb, Liberty, N. Y., for the senior welterweight title. Both are from the 302nd Wing.

The bantamweight division brings together Pvt. John Trisch, 304th, and Pvt. Jimmy Hueger, 302nd, while the middleweight contenders are Pvt. Bruno Dalmas, Anticote, Pa., and 302nd, and Pvt. Bill McCullie, another 302nd Winger, from Astoria, N. Y. Another 302nd battle, this time for light-heavyweight honors, involves Pvt. George Constandakis, Yonkers, N. Y., and Pvt. J. B. Moose, Birmingham, Ala.

S/Sgt. Eddie Mader, the MP who once made a flurry in heavyweight circles, will referee.

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### Tonight's Card

**BANTAMWEIGHT**  
Pvt. John Trisch, 304th Wing, vs. Pvt. James Hoerger, 302nd Wing.

**FEATHERWEIGHT**  
Pvt. Victor Cavalieri, 304th Wing, vs. Pvt. Frank Serafine, 301st Wing.

**LIGHTWEIGHT**  
Cpl. Eugene Olker, Mess, vs. Pvt. Thomas Shields, 302nd Wing.

**WELTERWEIGHT**  
Pvt. Gerald Ginsberg, 302nd Wing, vs. Pvt. Felix Oires, 302nd Wing.

**SENIOR WELTERWEIGHT**  
Pvt. William Denney, 302nd Wing, vs. Pvt. Leon Goldfarb, 302nd Wing.

**MIDDLEWEIGHT**  
Pvt. Bruno Dalmas, 302nd Wing, vs. Pvt. William McCullie, 302nd Wing.

**LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT**  
Pvt. George Constandakis, 302nd Wing, vs. Pvt. J. B. Moose, 302nd Wing.

**HEAVYWEIGHT**  
Pvt. Jesse Waugh, Mess, vs. Pvt. Henry Zajkowski, 302nd Wing.

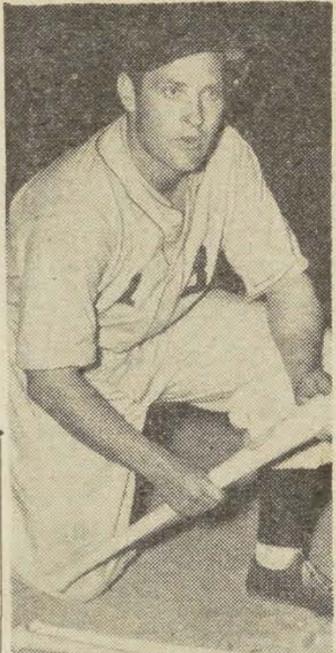
## Spring Sports Get Underway

Post Potpourri . . . it's nearly spring and most young men's fancies are turning to thoughts of love sets and if you're looking for tennis racquets or a restringing job, see M/Sgt. Harry Fogleman in the physical training office . . . but with spring, Sgt. Les Kalchik's thoughts turn to heaving the 16-pound shot as he used to do in track meets for Marquette . . .

New trainee basketball tournament coming up . . . and this time odds favor an 1177th club which reached the semi-finals in the recent post-wide tourney . . . S/Sgt. Herb Goren, 10-Shun sports editor, stopping off to see the gang at the New York Giants' training camp while on furlough . . . He was a New York Sun baseball scribe . . .

More grunting and groaning for Headquarters squadron permanent party as conditioning exercises augment games in physical training periods . . . Sgt. Charley Trippi, the Tech-Hawk tailback, aiding PT men Cpl. George Ockershausen, Pfc. Bill Hunnicutt and Ellery Ward, in administering "next exercise will be done in the following manner . . ."

Reunion of former Northwestern captains at Piedmont basketball tourney in Greensboro . . . Sgt. Spence Van Ess, playing for headquarters, led Northwestern freshman cagers . . . while Sgt. Ed (Buckets) Hirsch, was captain-elect of football team in 1943 but entered the army before season rolled around . . . Hirsch plays for the Camp Mackall team . . .



WITH BASEBALL in the air, the Tech-Hawks prepare for a new season. Capt. Ralph Erickson, above, will coach the team and Sgt. Taft Wright, below, former outfielder and heavy hitter for the Chicago White Sox, will serve as playing assistant.

## Post Hoopmen Play In Meet

Six teams from the post were entered in the servicemen's division of the annual Piedmont open basketball tournament which got under way in Greensboro Wednesday night.

Prominent among the entries include a team from the 302nd wing which includes such players as Cpl. George Senesky, Cpl. John Jorgensen, and Lt. Ed McDowell, 1181st CO.

Other teams competing for tourney honors are the MPs led by Cpl. John Mahnken, Cpl. Dick Gray's 303rd Wing Tigers, the 301st Wing paced by Sgt. Hugh Flaherty, Hq. & Hq. Squadron headed by Sgt. Spence Van Ess, and a strong 304th Wing entry led by S/Sgt. Walter (Tee) Frye.

## Groups Launch Banner Drive

With the first nine-month plan of athletic competition won by the 1186th and the banner the permanent possession of that group, competition for the second banner was launched this week.

A spirited rivalry has arisen among the detachments and wings who, finding it impossible to keep pace with the more powerful groups, have entered competition among themselves.

Hq. & Hq. squadron has announced its intention of going ahead in the inter-detachment race and was credited this week with 18 points on the post physical fitness and athletics board.

## Matmen Inaugurate Tournament To Settle Post Championships

Wrestling takes over the sports spotlight for the coming week when the first post-wide tournament gets underway Monday. Matches will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in gym T-10, with the finals scheduled for the last day.

Entries are coming in now from the various groups and detachments, and Sgt. Milt Bleiman already has been installed in the favorite's role in the heavyweight

# BASICALLY SPORTS

By SGT. DON FREEMAN

## Referees Usually Have Thankless Job

They arrive at the gym shortly before game-time, dress hurriedly in a room separate from that of the players, then make their entrance knowing full well that for the next hour their main reward from the audience will consist of loud references to: (1) the immediate necessity of their consulting an oculist, (2) their direct lineal descent from Jesse James, and (3) this resultant combination of chronic myopia and incurable kleptomania.

They are the basketball referees and, similar to that of a mess sergeant, their's is a thankless job. There is no rest for the weary and seldom if ever praise for the referee.

"It bothered me for a while,"

said Lt. Jack Heffernan, one of the officials for the majority of Tech-Hawk games this season, "but now after 15 years of refereeing, I hardly notice the crowd and the yelling and the fact that I'm supposed to be a villain. There's too much else going on during a ballgame.

**Like Playing.**

"You know, refereeing is a lot like playing. Sometimes you're in a slump and you miss a few. Other times you feel that you're red-hot and can't miss. You've got eyes in the back of your head on nights like those.

"What's really tough is calling a game when both teams are tense, like in the Cherry Point game and that second game with Fort Bragg. If you remember, the Bragg game had a lot of carry-over rivalry from the night before, and there was a lot of fouling, especially the first half.

"We called 25 fouls all game, 19 in the first half. Then they loosened up and concentrated on playing ball.

"You know who tried to get away with murder all year? Dick Kravitz. He's a referee himself and knows all the angles. I had to keep an eye on him all the time," concluded Lt. Heffernan.

**Dick Has Tricks.**

Following the theory that all's fair in love, war and basketball, one of Kravitz' particular tricks was one which he, Kravitz, used to guard against while he was refereeing himself.

"This is what they'd do," said Sgt. Richard, "A Blue team, say, would have the ball. Then there'd be a time-out and I'd take the ball and hold it. When time was called in, a player from the Whites would rush up and try to pretend it was their ball.

"Sometimes I'd forget and let him have it—the ball, I mean, and then there'd be trouble."

Cpl. Jim Boran, another able referee for Tech-Hawk and intergroup games this year, finds post officiating mild compared to his pre-service experience calling games in the Pennsylvania anthracite region.

"Those small-coal mine communities are nuts about basketball," said Jim. "Everybody comes to the games, and if the home team doesn't win, they go wild. As a matter of fact, they go wild no matter who wins, and the referee is always in the middle.

**Luck Saves Him.**

Jim recalled one experience when only the traditional "luck of the Irish" saved him.

"It was a coal-mine town, and I was calling a rough ballgame between two rival high schools. The game was decided in the last few minutes, and when it was over everybody in the stands rushed down on the floor and I was mobbed. I thought sure it was a riot, and me the center of everything.

"Then one of the home-town boys hollered out in a rich Hibernian brogue: 'He's an Irishman, we gotta get him out of here,' and they picked me up and carried me out to the car so I could drive home safely.

"Things like that don't happen here in the army—thank goodness."

But, as they say, you still can't beat them hours.

## 1181 Captures Cage Diadem

Adding insult to injury, the 1181st rolled over the 1186th by 49-27 last week to win the championship of the first post cage tournament. Just a week before, the 1181st had bested the same group in the three-game play-off series for the post league title.

Cpl. George Senesky, 1181st guard, was named the most valuable player in the tourney by the officials and was presented with a wallet to commemorate the honor. Senesky climaxed his brilliant play in the tournament by scoring 21 points in the final game. S/Sgt. Walter Frye was credited with 14 for the losing club.

An underdog and rugged 1177th trainee outfit won third place by tumbling the 1188th, 39-23, as Cpl. Hal Bevedge poured in 15 points, and Pvs. Bill Mock and Bill Diaz had nine each.

## Baseball Team Starts Drills On Gym Floor

An insight into the baseball fortunes of the Tech-Hawks for the coming season was afforded Wednesday afternoon when the battery candidates reported for their first indoor workout in post gym T-10.

Turning his attentions from a post football team which won national honors to the task of turning out a creditable baseball club, Capt. Ralph Erickson plans to continue the indoor drills until the weather permits outdoor work.

When that day arrives, the squad will hold practice sessions in Memorial Stadium, where the majority of Hawk games will be played.

A left-handed pitcher in his undergraduate days at Springfield college, Capt. Erickson was interested in a promising southpaw hurler from the 1186th, Pfc. Jimmy Halperin.

Halperin attracted big league scouts in 1936 when, pitching for the Irvington, N. J., high school team, he struck out 23 batters. He then started on the long trail, via farm clubs, to the New York Yankees. But a sore arm interceded and now Halperin is on baseball's voluntarily retired list.

Some of the other pitching candidates include Pvt. Frank Jackowitz and S/Sgt. Bill Jacobs, both of the MPs, and Pfc. Barney DeForge.

Behind the bat, the captain expects to have the services of Sgt. Roman Peskor, huge backstop out of Niagara University, and stocky Bob Newhall, a corporal in the 1186th, who played for Norwich University.

Sgt. Taft Wright, former slugger for the Chicago White Sox is assisting the captain in his coaching duties. Wright is a physical training instructor in the 1185th training group.

## Volleyball Teams Open Competition

Inter-group volleyball for assigned men made a popular comeback into the post sports program this week with the first round of the tournament nearing completion.

Six teams forged ahead on the basis of opening victories. The 1178th bested 1188, and 1180 was downed by 1182 in the Fighter league.

In the Bomber loop, the 1175th defeated the 1177th, while the 301st wing club outpointed the 303rd.

**UMPIRES NEEDED.**

Umpires are still needed by the physical training department to handle games for the coming season. A reasonable fee will be paid and equipment provided. If you've had any experience, call or see Capt. Mont C. Elliott, in Building T-11, phone 66.

**HORSESHOE MEET OPENS.**

The MP duo of Cpls. Art Edgerly and Will Cook places its singles title on the line in the post horseshoe tournament to be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Edgerly and Cook captured the championship in the last post meet in December.