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ARC Opens '46 Drive On Feb. 28

\$6,000 Goal Set For Men Of ORD

Pointing to its January record of 2754 cases as an example of its aid to GIs at the ORD, the American Red Cross will begin Thursday the annual membership campaign on the post. A goal of \$6000 has been set for the 8-day drive.

With Col. Paul R. Younts, commanding officer, as honorary chairman of the drive, and Maj. Louis B. Cannon, personal affairs officer, as active chairman, the Red Cross will offer ORD men an opportunity to help themselves and their buddies. Both at this base and overseas, the Red Cross—as during the war—is continuing its welfare and morale-lifting activities.

National goal of the Red Cross for 1946 is \$100,000,000. A goal of \$2,000 has been set for the Greensboro area, of which the ORD is a part.

Contributions from officers at the ORD will be solicited through the mails during the campaign. Enlisted men may contribute at their pay tables, February 28.

Miss J. M. Loer, employees' counselor, has been named chairman of the campaign for civilian personnel.

During the membership drive, Red Cross representatives will be stationed in Post Exchanges to accept donations and enroll members. Membership in the Red Cross is \$1 for one year.

S. H. Bennett, Red Cross field director at the ORD, has announced that in January a record number of cases—2,754—were handled through the Red Cross headquarters on the base. Previous, the largest number of cases handled in one month was 2,717, set in 1944.

A staff of 34 professional ARC workers and 10 clerical assistants are assigned to this base.

During January personal problems of military personnel were handled through the Field Director's office by eight Red Cross workers and six clerks. In that period, 1,526 verifications of telegrams for emergency furloughs were made by the office, and, when necessary, loans were granted to GIs for the furloughs.

Information was given to 3,095 personnel in regard to dependency discharge applications and in solving personal family problems during December.

At the Post Hospital, Miss Hazel Turnage, head recreational director, works with five Red Cross members in providing bed patients with handicraft materials, and her staff furnishes GI invalids with six to eight (Continued On Page Seven)

Snags Flag

Valiant Fireman's 75-Foot Climb Saves Day At ORD

Fireman William L. Watson of Greensboro's fire department saved the day for ORD at retreat last Sunday when he scaled a 75-foot aerial ladder to unwind post headquarters flag which the wind had bound tightly around the pole.

That flag just wouldn't unfurl. For several minutes, the retreat designated to Sunday's ceremony p. m., tried in vain to unwind by pulling at the flag's cords from all angles. Nothing happened.

The frantic GIs called the officer-of-the-day. He was baffled, so he called in the post fire station. Then, in a final attempt—for it was already about 5:30 p. m.—the post chief sent for a Greensboro fire department hook and ladder.

Within 15 minutes after the urgent call, Watson climbed up, unwound the silk, and waved that the retreat ceremony be continued—45 minutes late.

Your RED CROSS must carry on!



Separation And RS Top 64,000 Mark At ORD

As work on the processing line swings back to overseas replacements alone, final statistics released this week by Statistical Control reveal that a total of 32,200 men were separated at the ORD, and that 32,108 men were reassigned by Redistribution Station No. 5.

Redistribution activities began at Greensboro on February 12, 1945, with the separation center opening on September 17. Both sections closed last Friday.

During the last two weeks of operation, 2,594 men were processed for separation, and 1,314 for redistribution.

Squadron K, which handled EM separates and redistributes, has become an ORD processing squadron. Assignment of ORD men to Squadron K began on February 8—before separation and redistribution closed—and the squadron now has more than 1,300 overseas replacements. Fewer than 100 men awaiting assignment to other separation and redistribution centers are still in Squadron K.

Squadron H—composed of ORD, separation and redistribution officers—has become a squadron for ORD officers only. At present, 357 officers awaiting redistribution assignment are still in Squadron H, but no separates remain. Attached ORD officers are in the majority.

GI Math Courses Begin

Extensive mathematics courses began this week at ORD. Under the guidance of Pvt. Worthiel L. Doyle, prospective students will receive individual courses in Elementary Mathematics, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Analytic Geometry, Calculus, Differential Equations, and Engineering Mathematics.

Instructions are held in the I&E lounge, building T-132, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, between the hours of 1900 and 2100.

Personnel interested in these courses can still apply at the I&E office.

PLAIN GREEK

Chicago, (CNS)—Dissatisfied with his new name of Thomas V. Adams, a Chicagoan has asked the court to change his name back to the original Athanasios V. Stamatopoulos.

Read editorial, "Jumping The Gun," page 2.

WANTED

Experienced, competent letterman and artist wanted for Permanent Party position. Report to Lt. Arnold W. Brown at the Training Aids building T157.

Inactivation Of PDC Slated By June 30

Continental Air Force To Absorb Greensboro ORD, Louisville Says

The AAF Personnel Distribution Command will be inactivated by June 30 and PDC installations will be absorbed by continental air forces, according to an announcement Monday by command headquarters in Louisville, Ky.

Greensboro ORD, operating under the PDC, is expected to be placed under command of one of the continental air forces as soon as possible and before June 30, Louisville reported.

"This does not mean that there will be a wholesale closing of PDC installations," the Public Relations Office at the ORD declared Monday night, "but that there will be a gradual elimination of PDC functions as they are absorbed into other air force branches."

Two of these functions, separation and redistribution, were recently dropped from the activities at the ORD.

It was indicated that as long as the Army Air Forces continue to send men overseas, Greensboro ORD and Kearns (Utah) ORD will be maintained.

Other bases to be maintained are the convalescent hospital at Coral Gables, Fla., and the service base at Bowman Field, Louisville, Ky.

Verifies CO's Remarks

The Monday announcement followed closely a statement by Colonel Paul R. Younts, ORD commander, that, according to all information he had received, there was no likelihood that the ORD would be closed anytime soon.

As quoted in the Greensboro Daily News, Colonel Younts said, "Present plans indicate that we will have a capacity load of ORD men processing here through April. Whether there will be a decrease in personnel even after April, I do not know."

Approximately 15,364 officers and men are on the post now, with an overflow of 8,219 temporarily stationed at Seymour Johnson Field in



BRIG. GEN. JOHN BARKER
... PDC Chief

Goldsboro. Contemplated flow of personnel through the base is from 750 to 1,000 daily.

New PDC Chief

Brig. Gen. John DeF. Barker assumed command of the PDC on February 7, succeeding Maj. Gen. Hubert H. Harmon.

The new distribution command chief was assigned from Santa Ana (Calif.) Army Air Base, a PDC installation. Before taking command at the California base, he held a staff position in the operations division of the War Department General Staff.

General Harmon, who was the first CG of the PDC, was credited with the successful direction of the command in returning airmen to active duty, training jobs, and civilian life.

COOK'S TOUR

Nek York, (CNS)—Recruiting advertisement in the New York Times: "Conducted tours available to men 17-34, of Switzerland, Norway, France, other foreign countries. Complete details at Army Recruiting Stations. Apply now."

OCS Quotas Still Unfilled, PDC Reports

Officer's Candidate School quotas assigned to the PDC are unfilled because of lack of applications, according to an announcement this week by the Base Classification Officer, The AAF (Administrative) OCS is among the schools currently open to enlisted men.

Permanent party men at this installation may obtain information and application forms from the Base Classification Office, Room 7, Bldg. T-1. Overseas replacements cannot apply at Greensboro.

Candidates for admission to OCS must have an Army General Classification Test score of 110 or more, and must sign a waiver indicating that they are willing to remain in the Army for one year after completion of the OCS training.

Applicants for OCS follow this procedure: (1) fill out application forms; (2) submit forms to commanding officer for rating and first endorsement; (3) return forms to Base Classification Office; (4) take 45-minute written OCS test; and (5) appear before OCS Examining Board. Upon passing the examinations, the candidate awaits assignment from PDC headquarters at Louisville, Ky. Assignment of quotas may be made within six months' time.

A new OCS Examining Board for the ORD is expected to be named soon. Members of the board are appointed by PDC headquarters.

Formerly located in Warehouse 21, the Base Classification office was moved to Bldg. T-1 last week. The classification and counseling section on the processing line still remains in the warehouse area.

Pass Forgers Given Warning

A warning that the forging of furlough papers and passes is in violation of the 96th Article of War was issued this week in the form of ORD letter 250, tacked onto bulletin boards throughout the post.

Such offenses have been specifically denounced by an Act of Congress and will be handled by general or special court-martials, according to the Provost Marshal's office.

Exact wording of the Federal Statute is quoted in the letter, as follows:

"Whoever shall falsely make, forge, counterfeit, alter, or tamper with any naval, military, or official pass or permit, issued by or under the authority of the United States, or with wrongful or fraudulent intent, shall use or have in his possession any such pass or permit, or shall personate or falsely represent himself to be or not to be a person to whom such pass or permit has been duly issued, or shall willfully allow any other person to have or use any pass or permit, issued for his use alone, shall be fined not more than \$2,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both."

FOR SALE

LaSalle, model 1937, four-door sedan. If interested, see Pfc. Leonard N. Howell, Barracks 470, Squadron "V," before 5 p. m. daily, except Sunday. Reasonable offer.



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The Pepper-Morse Bill

There are fireworks pending with the Pepper-Morse Bill and the Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution. The Pepper-Morse legislation provides that all businesses employing women must pay them equal rates for comparative quality and quantity and that women may not be discharged for the purpose of replacing them by men unless there is sufficient cause for the action. The Equal Rights Amendment states: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Many women's organizations support the former, but oppose the later, a most confusing and woman-like attitude. They do so on the grounds that the amendment would remove all the safety and protective measures passed for the exclusive protection of women. The fallacy is easily seen by the fine record women set for themselves during the war when most of these "protective" measures were suspended to facilitate greater production. Women indisputably proved themselves capable of working along with and even outworking men.

Another cause for this paradox may be traced to the prejudice most employers and men's unions have toward women workers. But that is one of the antiquated prejudices women have always had to contend with in their fights for equality.

The opposition boils down to the old case of women "having their cake and eating it too." If they want equal wages women must realize that with this advantage they must take the responsibility of an equal position in the eyes of the law.

Jumping The Gun

On Feb. 15th, post MP officers and enlisted men received a verbal order that stated, "EM are not authorized to wear forest-green caps." The order came during the day, when most men on post are on duty. The MPs had to carry out that order. That's understandable . . . but . . .

At Gate No. 1 shortly after 5 p. m., a bus, jammed with tired people—mostly soldiers and their wives—was inspected by an MP. He was cocky and belligerent. His attitude and self-expression was all wrong. Apparently, he didn't assimilate the rules taught him on how to act like an MP. Most of them, we all agree, are swell guys; they give a GI the benefit of a doubt. But this man got his signals crossed.

He stepped aboard the bus and as the GIs filed out, he shouted, pointing to about 10 men who lived in town and whose wives were aboard the bus, "Ya can't go into town. Dat's da wrong cap."

One answered him, "Why? Nothing was said when I came on post this morning." Another replied, "I bought this cap in the PX in the enlisted men's furnishings!" A third came back with, "My wife's on that bus, and I live in town." Actually, most of the men lined up outside, lived off post and kept all their clothing in their homes.

The MP snapped back arrogantly, "I don't give a G—D—! You're not going into town. Get it?"

As we say, his attitude was all wrong, and furthermore he showed no respect whatsoever in front of women. Now, that's not the Provost Marshal's fault, nor is it the fault of the other officers or enlisted men in the MP section. This man was just vulgar and contemptible. There's no excuse for discourtesy to women or GIs!

He was carrying out his orders. All right!

Getting back to that verbal order, which incidentally, didn't come off the mimeograph machine until Feb. 16th and was a case of "jumping the gun", and catching men completely unprepared. The EMs wearing the banned cap should have been given proper notice of the action to be taken. Had they worn a "forest green cap" the following day, then MPs would have had sufficient grounds to stop violators.

There is still no excuse for discourtesy and arrogance by a member of the MP force, anymore than another individual. The Editor.

The Chapel Bell

CATHOLIC MASSES

Sunday
8 A. M. Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.
11 A. M. Theater No. 2, Bldg. T-907.
4:30 P. M. and 5:30 P. M., Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

Weekday Mass
11:50 A. M. Daily, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.
7:00 P. M. Saturday nights, Novena and Benediction, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

Catholic Chaplain's Office, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.
Confessions before and after all masses and every night at 7:15 in

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

9 A. M. Episcopal Holy Communion, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

10 A. M. Morning Worship, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

10:00 A. M. Morning Worship,

Chapel No. 4, Bldg. T-504.

7:00 P. M. Vesper and General Protestant Communion Service, Chapel No. 4, T-504.

Weekday Services

7:00 P. M. Tuesday, Prayer Service, Chapel No. 3, T-605.

7:00 P. M. Tuesday, (Christian Science) Chapel No. 3, Bldg. T-402.

7:00 P. M. Thursday, Christian Service Men's League, Chapel No. 3, Bldg. T-605.

Protestant Chaplain's Office, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

JEWISH SERVICES

7:30 P. M. Friday, Sabbath Eve Service, Chapel No. 5, Bldg. T-402.

7:30 P. M. Wednesday, Discussion Group, Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106.

Jewish Chaplain's Office, Chapel No. 5, Bldg. T-402.

A Chaplain is on duty each night in Chapel No. 1, Bldg. T-106 from 6:30 to 9:00 P. M.

The Lake Charles Log

While there are many men who fail to recognize the simple yet significant truth that life is essentially a matter of human relationships, they continue to ignore it. Consequently, we have met the disgruntled soldier who has seen all, knows all, but sees no purpose or meaning in life. But let us pause for a moment and make a few observations. The first observation is the fact that as individuals there are a number of things that we just cannot do by ourselves. For example, as individuals you or I cannot play a softball game. Possibly someone might try, but we surmise that he really isn't playing the game. A real softball game requires more than a single player. As individuals you and I cannot have a language or a culture by ourselves. We cannot educate ourselves. As individuals you and I cannot get married by ourselves no matter how hard we try. Finally, we cannot be religious by ourselves. Yet occasionally there is a rugged saint who thinks that he can live by himself and serve God. Life that is worthwhile is essentially a matter of human relationships.

If you and I are to escape the fate of undeveloped Christian personalities, we must maintain a sane relationship between men and God. Without this right relationship, you and I might become like Ben Gunn, the shipwrecked sailor, who, living as a hermit, became shriveled in body, mind and spirit. Surely we know from experience that to grow in body, mind and spirit we must live and associate with other men, women and children.

Life again and again has been described as an adventure. Truly life is an adventure with and with God. For life that is worthwhile, that has any meaning, is and adventure with other people. This is true of the Christian ideal of marriage. It is something more than a legal contract. Those who enter matrimony do not and cannot foresee the innumerable blessings and difficulties. Even today, we are reminded by aged couples that it is possible to maintain the bonds of trust and goodwill. Persons who lose faith in life soon grow old in mind and spirit. The essence of youth is a firm belief in life. Once we lose our sense of responsibility to a meaningful life, we grow old and weary in spirit. This is possibly one good reason why we are now fighting for a better kind of world. A world in which boys and girls have the chance to grow in body, mind and spirit. To assume that all has been well in the past is merely to ignore the facts.

Finally, the community of the spirit of which we read in the thirteenth chapter of Corinthians was essentially a matter of human relationships. It was an "in group" within the mighty Roman Empire. And for the most part, the members of this little Christian fellowship tended to be an isolated group; to be against the world. They believed that God in the fullness of time would come and establish his kingdom on earth. Yet, within these pages, we note a kind of human fellowship of creative goodwill which we can actually know and experience. We can experience a "we feeling", a feeling that is inclusive of all men. Yes, the sacredness of human personality and the inclusiveness of all men is in short the Christian message.

PRENTISS C. PENTICOFF, Chaplain, U. S. A.

The Colonel's Column

During the coming month the American Red Cross is asking America to replenish the cash in its former War Fund, now a Peace Fund. Those of us who have been overseas do not hesitate to speak in behalf of the Red Cross and urge everyone to give all he can to this very worthy cause.

Throughout the war, the Red Cross has through its Blood Bank saved thousands upon thousands of American lives. Untold thousands were kept alive in Prisoner of War Camps by ARC food packages. Wounded fighters in hospitals were kept cheerful and happy by Red Cross workers. Men short of funds and going on furlough were assisted all around the world. Fighting men fresh from battle were served coffee and doughnuts by a real live smiling American girl. Relief for thousands, sometimes millions, of refugees and civilian victims of the war came from the generous American heart and pocket-book through the Red Cross.

That was while the war was in progress, but now the war has been brought to a victorious close, that is for the armies. The Red Cross battle goes on. War is never over for them.

The relationship to the soldier still keeps on going. It affects the soldier in training here, the man on occupation duty, the men in the hospitals and the veteran. We need only

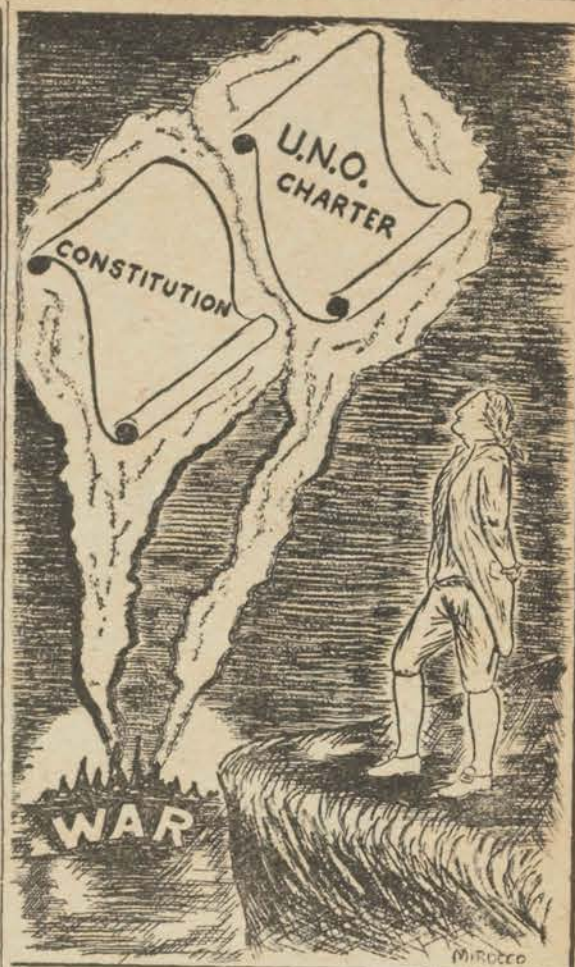
take example from the activities here at ORD in the past months. There are the ARC girls in the various clubs on our post, the workers at the hospital, the representative who has taken care of Emergency Furloughs, and the assistance for Veterans' claims when this was a Separation Center.

I have dealt only with the military activities of the American Red Cross. Soon, however, many of us will be civilians; and being civilians does not immunize us from emergencies. In many circumstances we will meet the Red Cross again. We'll find it rebuilding the conquered, and war gutted countries; on hand at floods, fires, and other catastrophes that will never make a peace treaty with the democratic countries and peace-loving peoples of the world.

All these things around the world cost a huge amount of money. We do not want a single one of these Red Cross services to cease. There is a real task that in every respect deserves our honest and unflinching support. Your dollars can help immeasurably. So when the call goes up in the weeks to come, don't hesitate! Give all you can to help.

Remember the Red Cross battle goes on . . . Help your RED CROSS carry on!

Paul R. Egan
Colonel, Air Corps
Commanding



Washington: "One united a nation in peace; may the other unite the nations!"



FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE: A new section has been added to the Rotator. "Amusements" section is edited and printed with the express desire of placing at your disposal all activities that would interest GIs. If we have not included all suitable and necessary information don't fail to let us know. It's the same and oft repeated story—"This is your newspaper." If you've any ideas that would help to improve the Rotator or any of its individual departments, drop us a line or still better, come in and see us. Incidentally, under consideration is a Letters to the Editor column. If you've any views and gripes that should be aired, this'll be the place for it. When "Yank" closed it left a crying need for such a column. What do you think?

STARS AND STRIPES SAGA PUBLISHED: The fascinating story of the great Army publication "Stars and Stripes" has been placed on the market for all the world to see. It relates the oft mentioned battles between the powers-that-be and the EM who edited the sheet in every one of its twelve editions, those battles when the editors found that only their staffs and a guy named "Ike" Eisenhower thought that it should be a reflection of the average GI. It relates the anecdotes that made life worthwhile for these typewriter soldiers. The epitome of the whole can be expressed briefly by mentioning the Colonel who thought they should include the following banner in each issue: "Have You Killed Your German For Today?"

MILKMAN, KEEP THOSE BOTTLES MOVING. We note with much satisfaction the return of Cow Juice to the refrigerators of the PX. The milk shortage in the vicinity has had at least a temporary return to near normal. Those who suffered the discomforts of "chocolate drink" can now heave a sigh of relief and give an extra prayer or two in honor of Daisy Borden and her bovine sisters. Congrats!

RABBIT FOOD MESSTAKE. We asked a lady we know why the salads thrown together by the cooks always seem to get thrown out. She's a well-known cook around these parts and came out with the following info on the green stuff. The probable reason for dirty wash-rag sensation and atmosphere is that the salads are made too far in advance and allowed to stand around, thereby losing their crispness and becoming soggy. She added that the nutritional food value is also deterred by the waiting period. Wonder if some arrangement can be made by the Mess Department to improve the situation; as it stands the salad is merely a waste of food and labor.



"O. K., Colonel, I'll send my boy over for it"



LT. COL. F. R. BOWLIN
... mapping plans

Bowlin Plans New Program Of Training

A new training program for all ORD units will soon be underway, directed by Lt. Col. Francis R. Bowlin, Director of Troops and Training.

Coming to Greensboro on February 9 to replace Lt. Col. C. W. Webster, the new training chief has planned a three-part schedule of Army orientation, physical training, and review of basic training for overseas replacements. Permanent personnel will participate in the orientation and P. T. program.

Colonel Bowlin, a field artillery officer who served in the National Guard before the war, commanded an air base security battalion in the Philippines from 1943 until late 1945. He has also been assigned to headquarters of the 13th Air Force, and to Headquarters Base of Service of Supply in the southwest Pacific area.

Capt. G. F. Bradburn is Assistant Director of Troops and Training.



A veteran movie actress-dancer at 21, Joan Leslie is still soaring high as probably the best in the biz. If you remember back, she hit the top in Warner Brothers' "Sergeant York" and "Yankee Doodle Dandy", and is the current sparkle in "Cinderella Jones".

'Ike' Appeals For Regular Army Men

Claims It Will Be Profitable

Gen. Eisenhower, urging a "rapid re-building of our Regular Army" as the way "to safeguard the victory we have won at such enormous cost," declared that legislation passed by Congress makes enlistment "more attractive than ever before in our history."

"Every American should know the valuable provisions in the new Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act," the new Chief of Staff said.

These provisions include: Enlistments for 1½, 2, or 3 years (with 1 year enlistments permitted for men now in the Army with at least 6 months' service).

An opportunity to enlist for men from 17 to 34 years of age inclusive, except those now in the Army (who may reenlist at any age), and for former servicemen (depending on length of service). Retention of grade by men now in the Army provided they reenlist before Feb. 1.

The best pay scale, medical care, food, quarters, and clothing in the history of our Army.

An increase in the reenlistment allowance to \$50 for each year of active service since such bonus was last paid, or since last entry into service.

A 30-day furlough every year at full pay. In addition, up to 90 days reenlistment furlough, depending on length of service with furlough travel paid to home and return, for men now in the Army who enlist.

Mustering-out pay to all men who are discharged to reenlist.

Option to retire at half pay for the rest of your life after 20 years' service—increasing up to three-quarters pay after 30 years' service. All previous active federal military service counts toward retirement.

Extension of the time limits within which application for GI Bill of Rights benefits can be filed, if you're now in the Army and reenlist before October 6.

Family allowances for the term of enlistment for dependents of men who enlist before July 1.

Opportunity to earn one or more of 200 skills and trades taught in Army schools in U.S. or occupied countries.

Choice of branch of service and overseas theater in the Air, Ground, or Service Forces on 3-year enlistments.

Privilege of benefits of National Service Life Insurance.

Reserve and AUS commissioned officers who are released from active duty may be enlisted in Grade 1 (master or first sergeant) and still retain their reserve commissions.

Varga Girls Win In Supreme Court

Washington (CNS)—Varga girls included, Esquire magazine is "published for the dissemination of information of a public character, or devoted to literature, the sciences, arts, or some special industry" and is thus entitled to second class mailing privileges. So the Supreme Court has ruled in rejecting former Postmaster General Walker's order barring the magazine from certain mail privileges.

Apparently the Supreme Court justices did some extensive reading and looking at Esquire before handing down their decision, for they found that the material objected to comprises only a "small percentage" of the total contents. They didn't comment specifically on the Varga girls nor the cartoons but confined their decision to the argument that to give the Postmaster General the privilege of determining what was "good" and "bad" in a publication would be to create a censorship which Congress has never approved.

From now on the Postmaster General will have to prove that a publication is obscene before he can withdraw mailing privileges.

GOOD CONDUCT AWARDS

By order of Colonel R. Younts, post commander, the Good Conduct medal has been awarded to 110 enlisted men here, February 12. The medal, awarded for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity was given to two Staff Sergeants, 12 Sergeants, 49 Corporals, 28 Privates first class, and 19 Privates.

Plan your future with the AAF. Enlist now.

Fighter Pilot And Buggy



LT. COL. JIM THORSEN
... 238 missions, and back to the ETO.

Fighter Pilot Thorsen Slated For ETO Return

238 Mission Silver Star Holder Flew Spitfires Over Dieppe, Anzio

With 238 missions chalked up, Lt. Colonel James G. Thorsen is returning to Europe for occupation duty.

Behind this fighter pilot is a story packed with active participation in the American conflict of World War II, from an insignif-icant trickle of pilots arriving in England in early 1942 to the abrupt collapse of the Italian front on April 25, 1945.

In the very first U. S. Fighter Group in Britain, Thorsen, then a 1st lieutenant, piloted Spitfires with American markings. Of the fighters he's flown, "the Spit is the finest air-to-air combat ship."

When the disastrous commando raid was made on Dieppe in August '42, Jim Thorsen was over the French city three times as flight leader. It was the roughest aerial fighting he ever saw.

Tough Opponents

"We met the Germans when they had the top air power. Their pilots and ships were easily comparable to our own. Only when we out-produced them in our factories were we able to over-power the Luftwaffe. We thought we were pretty lucky at Dieppe... we lost only 8 out of 36 planes."

The African invasion in November 1942 presented few problems to the attackers. The French put up everything short of a token resistance. Thorsen's group was assigned to land at the Oran airport on D Day. Their only opposition was four French fighters. The Americans ignored the French ships until one dove down and riddled an American plane just as it prepared to land with wheels and flaps down. The Americans accounted for three out of the four.

From there on, the 39th Spit Fighter Group could always be found by the high tide of the war in the Mediterranean.

Enter the Mutt

In Africa Thorsen picked up the dog whose story was told last week. Speaking of the pooch's phenomenal record of 238 missions with Thorsen and a few others, the fighter pilot smiled nostalgically, "Pharaoh was about the best co-pilot you could ever have in a one-place fighter. He was sympathetic and intelligent and what's more he never got drunk. I guess I'll miss the pup." The dog, who has a background that would make him the ideal mascot and watchdog of the UNO capital, is now devoting his time to very heavy bombers and wintering in Florida.

Traveling moved quickly for the group from Oran to Tunisia, over "Mare Nostrum" to beleaguered Malta. And, through all this, going up in missions every day.

Startling fact revealed by Thorsen was that while in Tunisia they were moving so far ahead of supply that there was not sufficient food to go around, no cots, and very little medical equipment. Thorsen, normally tipping the scales at 195 pounds, was down to 130 during the African campaign.

Change to Mustangs

Malta to Sicily and on to Salerno, dogfighting Anzio during the gruelling days of the beachhead, it came "pretty close to being as rough as Dieppe."

The group was forced to give up its sentimental attachment to the Spit when it was transferred from the 12th to the 15th Air Force. And another "first" was piled up by becoming the initial long range fighter group in the Mediterranean Theater, raiding, among other places, Ploesti and Austria.

With the war over, he returned as commander of his group he had entered as a green lieutenant. He's

supposed to—but usually doesn't—wear the Silver Star ("For shooting down a plane or two"), the British DFC (Dieppe), two DFC's, 18 Air Medals, Purple Heart, ETO and Mediterranean ribbons with 9 battle stars.

Adventure was nothing alien to the Portland (Oregon) flyboy. At the tender age of 15 years he had managed to get himself shipwrecked en route to Siberia.

At that time young Jim Thorsen was shipping as a Cadet on a U. S. mail ship. He had seen Singapore, Japan, Siberia, and Shanghai on the even of the Jap invasion of 1937.

Saved by One SOS

Caught in a freak Alaskan storm, his ship struck a reef and foundered. It managed to send out one S.O.S. stating the position off Amatignik Island, the westernmost in the Aleutian Chain. Out of 37 aboard, 34 perished. Thorsen and two others managed somehow to get over the reef on to the beach. Three days later they were picked up by a ship that had received the message.

When asked how they had managed on the beach Thorsen turned philosopher and answered, "We tried to keep warm and forget about food, but we weren't going without meals—merely postponing a few. I've never lost a meal, always make up for them."

In between high school and college he managed to squeeze in a trip to Alaska where he "just looked." The 29-year-old Oregon U. history major was eight hours short of his degree when he entered Randolph and Kelly Fields from which he emerged in December 1940. The reason for the shift was simple: "because I wanted to fly."

This Will Be Rough On Gals Who Wear "Gay Deceivers"

Hollywood (CNS)—Girls with bare bosoms and frontless evening gowns—that's the breathless fashion news of the day! The wonderful post-war world will find women's formal finery without even a wisp of covering across the front. Who says so? Renie, the lady who designs costumes for movie starlets like Jane Russell.

Renie wanted to get something off her chest, so she made the following prediction—quote—"The emphasis on femininity will soon result in transparent covering of the bosom for cocktail and evening clothes, and complete exposure in some instances." Unquote. Enough said.

Well, this startling announcement about evening gowns with exposed bosoms has all Hollywood glamour

Army, Navy Courts To Be Investigated

Hawaiian Cases First On List

By Camp Newspaper Service

Thorough examination of what the GI faces during court-martial is the aim of a new United States Senate investigation. The whole military justice set-up will soon be probed by the Senate Judiciary Committee. Alleged abuses of "the Constitutional rights of servicemen" will be checked, and Congress has authorized investigators to spend \$25,000 to call witnesses in the inquiry.

Examining the military law procedure in Hawaii will open the investigation, with Congressmen later studying the operation of both courts-martial and places of confinement used by the Army and Navy.

Charges have been made that GI punishments are sometimes excessive and are not uniform when the same crime is committed in different parts of the world. Senators will now check these accusations, and also examine alleged miscarriages of justice among soldiers already sentenced.

Army officials report that their own Advisory Clemency Board has already been established and has reviewed more than 8,000 court-martial cases. In nearly 90 per cent of these war-time cases investigation has resulted in a reduction of sentences, the War Department disclosed.

Meanwhile, the Army has ordered all overseas commanders to refer all court-martial cases involving the death penalty to President Truman. And President Truman himself has issued an executive order easing future court-martial sentences. The Chief Executive restored—except in occupied territory—a peacetime order preventing courts martial from imposing the death sentence for desertion, aiding or advising desertion, AWOL or misbehavior of guards and sentinels.

THE JUDGE SAID SO

Chicago, (CNS) — When Corrine Capito sailed into Judge Donohue's court here with a bottle of champagne under her arm and insisted the judge join her in a drink, there was nothing he could do but accept. The judge had ordered her to stay on the wagon for six months, excepting only her birthday. It was her birthday.

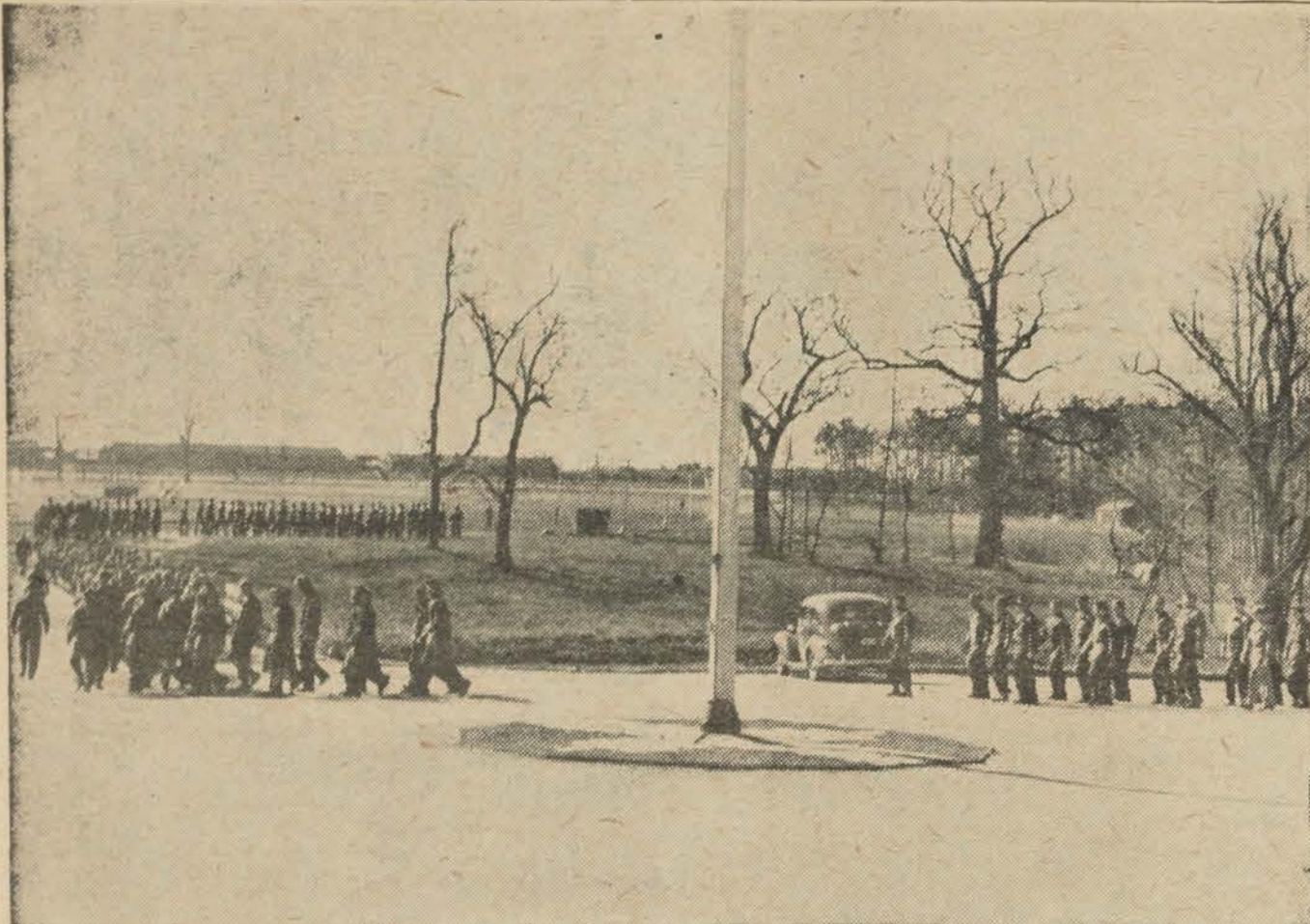
PROMOTED

Four sergeants and four corporals were added to the non-coms' list this week in Sq. "D", the WAC squadron. The new three-strippers are Rosalind Straus, Rosalie Johnson, Helen Strapp, and Marjorie Schuster. Promoted to corporal were Margaret Ozier, Bertha Shapiro, Jane Hicks, and Ruth Klonsky.

LADY LUCK SMILED

San Diego, Cal.—(CNS)—Albert Gideon is lucky his car was stolen. It was found after 3 weeks with 2 brand new tires, 2 newly recapped tires and a spare which he didn't even have before.





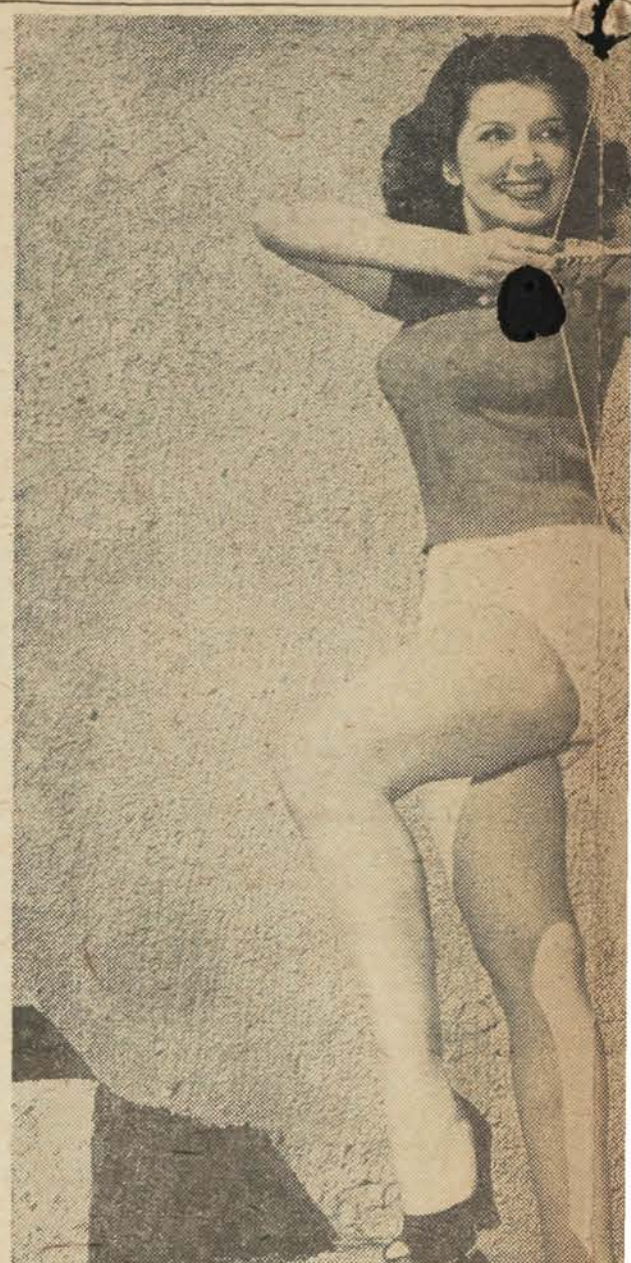
"RETURN OF BASIC TRAINING"—well, almost! This familiar distasteful scene is part of the training program which began last Monday for personnel slated for overseas shipment. In addition, the program will conduct drill and orientation classes. The office of Troops and Training has something to offer permanent party men too: PT, three times a week, and orientation. So if you hear some grunts, groans and gripes—that's right!—nasty PT!



"ALL-GIRL ORCHESTRA"—Conducted by Ernest Lee, pop dance band leader, this feminine aggregation can boast as the first girl-work to perform in the renowned Bayreuth Opera House, and hence are among those, according to legend, who will be haunted by the offended spirits of Wagner. Receiving one of the greatest GI-audience ovations at the Big Top Monday night, the entire show recently returned stateside after "clicking" throughout the ETO.



LAST LINE OF SEPARATEES—At 2 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 14, scores of men filed, one by one, from their seats in the Big Top, to receive the "coveted discharge papers," presented to them by Lt. Col. F. R. Bowlin, new director of Troops and Training. Separation at ORD ended with a remarkable record: 32,000 men and officers discharged in less than five months! Few AAF installations can boast that pace in the Demobilization Plan.



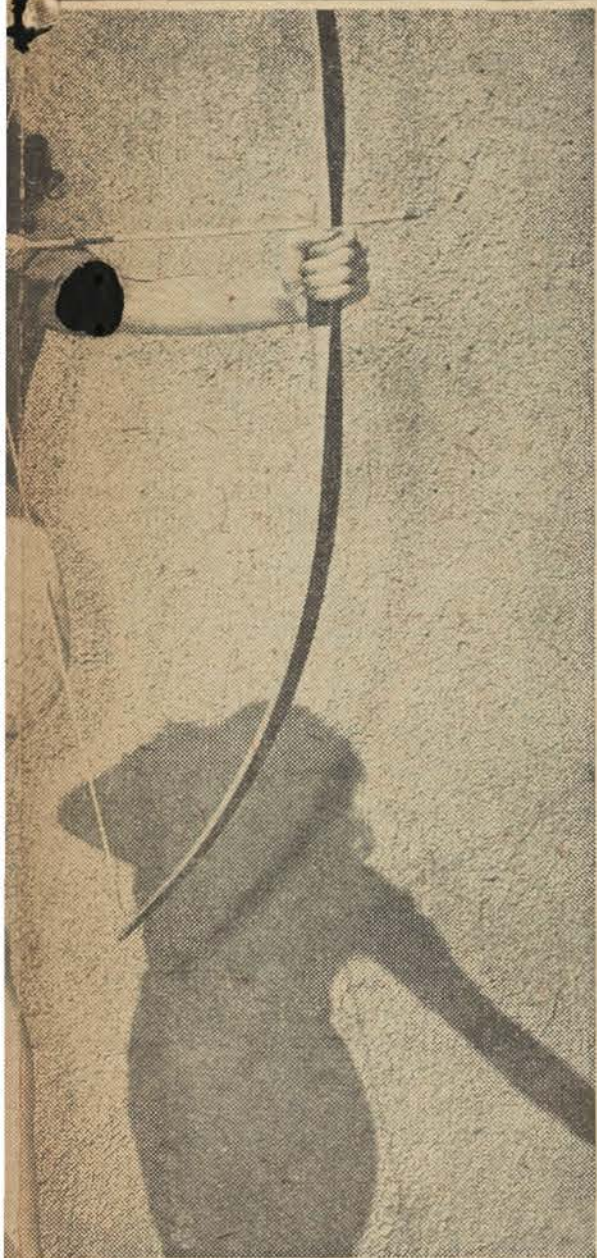
"DON'T SHOOT ME BABY, I'll marry you," some lucky guy pleads. And after taking a verrrrrry long glimpse of the exotic curves and delicious appearance of this pretty warrior, no one can justly blame him for making the

ORD PICTURES

Photos By SGT. C.



"ORD'S LAST MISTER"—There's no doubt about it, James L. Winchester of Wilmington, Del., sweated out processing and separation lines the longest of any one at ORD. At the last ceremony, Feb. 14, his Valentine gift was



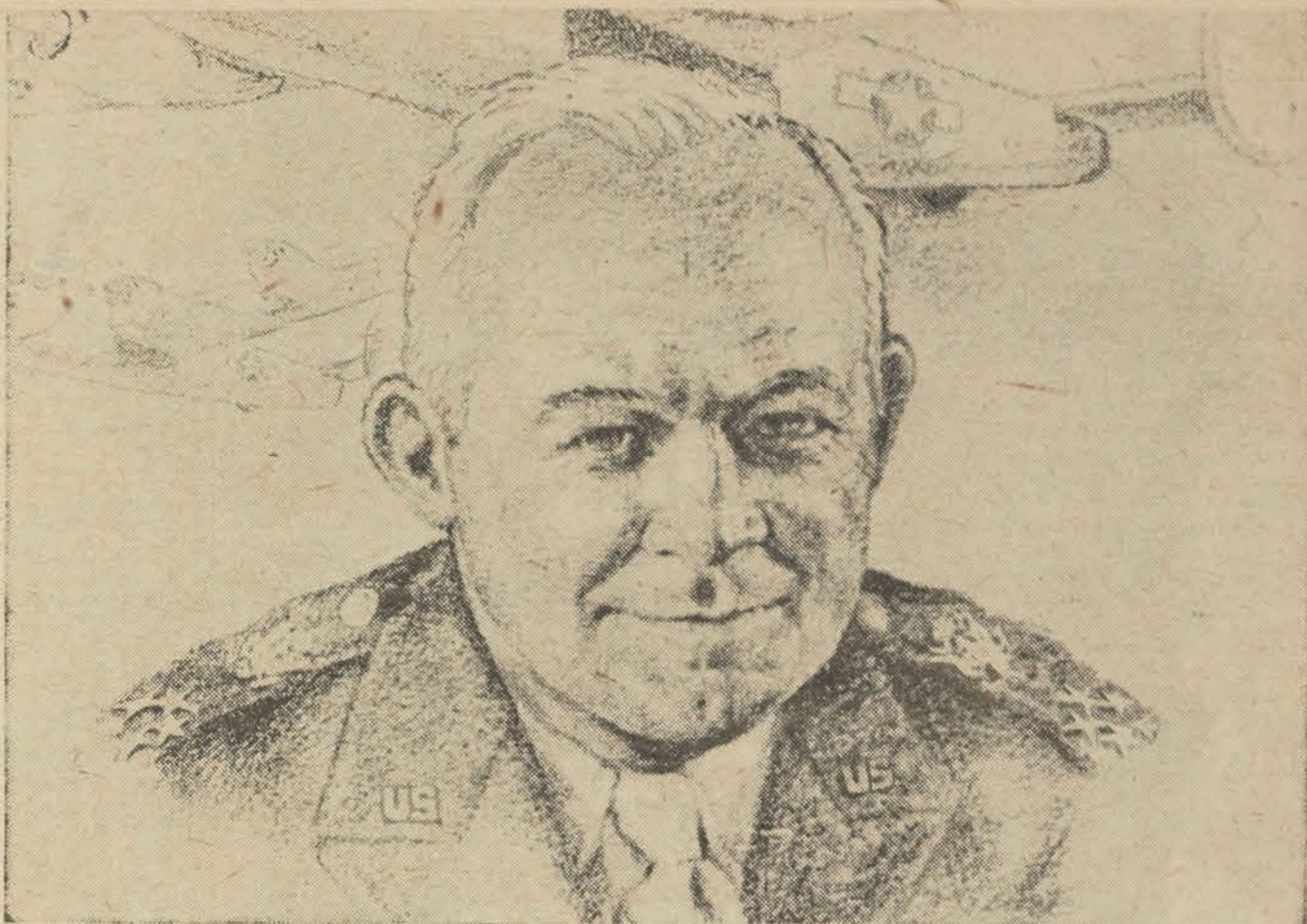
soopreme sacrifice. This bumptious, scrumptious young miss goes by the handle of Poni Adams and she hails from San Antonio, Texas. A Universal starlet, Poni made her movie debut in the picture, "Salome, Where She Danced."

OF THE WEEK

CHARLIE FEILER

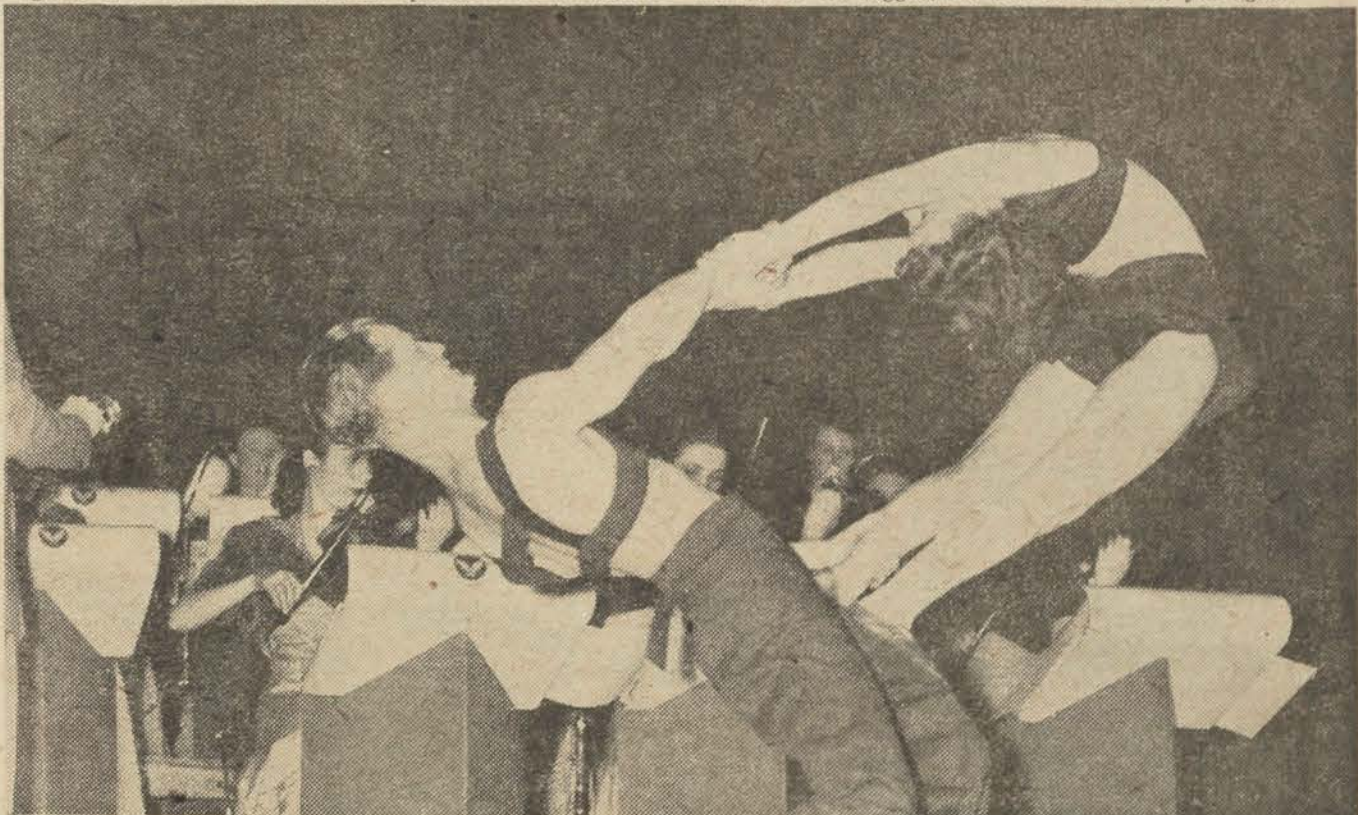


the final hand shake and discharge hand-out. With 27 months of active duty, Winchester spent 15 of them in the China-Burma-India theater. We'll say no more about "discharge," the service forces have taken over.



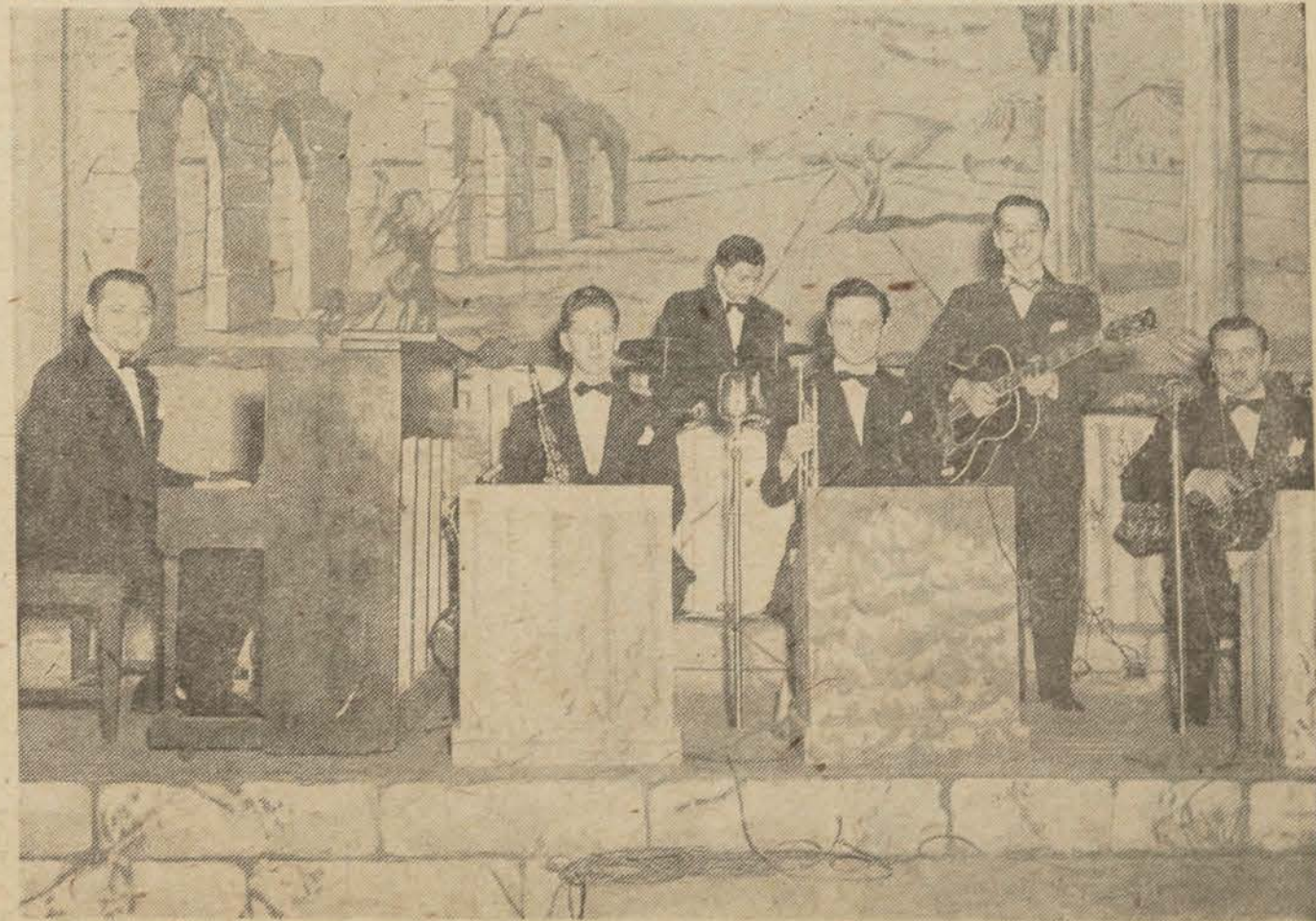
"CREATOR OF AIR POWER"—This perfect likeness of Gen. "Hap" Arnold, oddly enough, was drawn by David Attie, while a prisoner in the post stockade over a year ago. One of ROTATOR'S staffers spotted it in an obscure

corner—neglected! In our opinion, it should be displayed conspicuously so that all AAF men may see it. And—give tribute to the man who built the mightiest air power in the world. We suggest the Service Club. Do you agree?



"THE MARTINGALES"—That's the handle of this novelty-acrobatic-adagio-and-hand-balancing act. Something comparatively new in show biz, Veloz and Yolanda, top-flight dance team, once offered to back up this young team.

But no—they preferred to hit the one-night stands, coast to coast and entertain GIs. Before their Big Top billing Monday night, the "Martingales" toured with USO Camp Shows in the North Atlantic and the ETO.



"FIVE SHADES OF BLUE"—We thought W/O Floyd Smith's "Skyliners" had bowed out, made their final ORD appearance—but last week, a new smooth sextet took over the ORD Officers' Club band stand—former Smith bands-

men, out of khaki and into shiny tuxes. Now known as Billy Mure and "The Five Shades of Blue," they are (left to right)—Murray Singer, Irving Frank, Harold Smith, Billy Mure, Edward Mehas and Charles Hershfinger.

Time Off

Ormandy Ork Gets Enthusiastic G.I. Appreciation

There were several features worth noting at the concert of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under Eugene Ormandy, Saturday last. The big musical event of the season at the Aycock Auditorium found khaki well in evidence which avered well for the exponents of the fact that the G. I. is not just a comic-reading imbecile, but rather a representative distillate of the populace who knows a good thing when he sees it.

The astuteness of Ormandy's direction was enhanced by his effective practice of working without aid of either baton or score while on the podium.

Consisting of four pieces, the program seemed short, though rewarding. The selections in the order played were first "Arie Di Corte" by Ottorino Respighi from some themes by Beaud; second, the main piece, Brahms' Symphony No. 2 in D Major (Opus 73); third, Prelude to "Afternoon of a Faun" of Claude Debussy; and finally Richard Strauss' tone poem "Death and Transfiguration."

The striking point here is the predominance of selections which are largely devoted to strings. The Respighi piece dealt solely with a string orchestra, for it was originally written as six airs for the lute. The D Major No. 2 is usually referred to as Brahms' pastoral; and having this motivation it makes prominent use of the strings. Afternoon of a Faun, though noted for the haunting beauty of its flute passages, also works greatly with the string sections. It was only with the Death and Transfiguration that the rest of the orchestra had a chance to really show its mettle.

The program was wisely chosen and showed a complete utilization of the organization's finer points. Mr. Ormandy's string section is superb, particularly the violins. Perhaps it was the brilliance of the strings or some fault of the acoustics, but the brass and wind sections never seemed to quite make the grade set by the strings. It was for this reason that Respighi was so well received. All through Death and Transfiguration one continually got the impression that Mr. Ormandy was attempting to get more out of the brass and wind than the results indicated. The violin passages, were extremely well modulated and restrained. Brahms and the ever popular Afternoon of a Faun were received with much appreciation.

The audience was somewhat disappointed at the close of the final ovation. Apparently they had expected an encore, which didn't materialize. This might partially be accredited to the attendance which completely filled the balcony but left the orchestra about 1/3 empty. The management of these presentations which has developed such an attractive schedule might find it profitable to look into the question of further advertising or revision of price scales. So many limited incomes, especially soldiers', could not stretch to the \$3.60 top and yet lots of good seats were empty . . . perhaps some arrangement could be made to accommodate these smaller incomes. . . . R. T. E.

Lauritz Melchior, Metropolitan Opera tenor, will be presented at the Aycock Auditorium on March 4, Monday evening at 8:30 p. m. The concert is part of his 20th anniversary tour as Met tenor.

Give to the American Red Cross freely. The war is over, yes, but their fight against disaster never ends.

AMUSEMENTS

THEATERS ~ SERVICE CLUBS ~ U.S.O. ~ TOWN EVENTS
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Activities On and Off Post

Dramatic Group — USO Green Room, 8:30 p. m.
Bridge—USO Main Lounge, 8:30 p. m.
Washington's Birthday Party, USO ballroom, 8:30 p. m.
Dance — Y.W.C.A., Greensboro 8:00 p. m.

(On Post)
Bingo—Service Club No. 1, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—NCO Club, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—Club 499, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—Club 118, 8:00 p. m.

SATURDAY (In Town)
Formal Dance—USO Ballroom—8:30 p. m. Music by Michael Brook's Orchestra.
Voice Recordings—USO Den, 8:30 p. m.
Dance, High Point USO, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—(Winston-Salem) YWCA, 9:00 p. m.

(On Post)
Dance—NCO Club, Members and Guests, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—Club 499, 8:00 p. m.

SUNDAY (In Town)
Jaca Club—Library, USO, Pvt. Harry Bosky speaks on "UNO," 10:00 a. m.
Guilford Battleground Tour—3:00 p. m.
Social Hour—USO Lounge, 4:30 p. m.
Symphonic Hour—USO Ballroom, 5:00 p. m.
Voice Recordings—USO Den, 8:30 p. m.
Movie—Ballroom, 8:30 p. m.
Church Parties and Suppers, 5:00 p. m. Tickets at USO.

(On Post)
Tea Dance—Service Club No. 1, 3:00 p. m.
Tea Dance—Club 499, 6:00 p. m.

MONDAY (In Town)
Square Dance—String Band, 8:30 p. m. USO Green Room.
Sketch Group—USO Studio, 8:30 p. m.
Arts and Crafts—USO Craftroom, 8:30 p. m.

(On Post)
Dance—Big Top, Lee Castle's Orchestra, 8:00 p. m.
Dancing—Club 499, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—NCO Club, Members and Guests, 8:00 p. m.

TUESDAY (In Town)
Table Tennis Tourney—USO Ballroom, 8:30 p. m.
Voice Recordings—USO Den, 8:30 p. m.
Dance — Y.W.C.A., Greensboro, 8:00 p. m.

(On Post)
Dancing Lessons, Service Club No. 1, 7:30 p. m.
Dance, NCO Club, 8:00 p. m.

WEDNESDAY (In Town)
Informal Dance, Paul Bell's Orchestra, 8:30 p. m.
Beginners' Bridge—Lounge, USO, 8:00 p. m.
Voice Recordings, USO Den, 8:00 p. m.

(On Post)
Music Listening Hour, Service Club, 8:30 p. m.
Dance, NCO Club, 8:00 p. m.
Dancing, Club 499, 8:00 p. m.

THURSDAY (In Town)
Shellcraft, USO Lounge, 8:00 p. m.
Amateur Party, USO Ballroom, 8:30 p. m.
Dance, East Market USO, 8:00 p. m.

(On Post)
GI Movies, Club 409, 8:00 p. m.
Dance—Big Top, 8:00 p. m.

This Week's Theater Bill

Daily schedule: Theaters 1 and 2, 6:25 p. m. and 8:35 p. m. Theater No. 3 (Main) 7:00 p. m. and 9:00 p. m.
Sunday matinees: No. 1 and 2 begin at 2:00 p. m.; No. 3, at 2:30 p. m. All evening performances remain the same.

Uniform regulations are enforced at the Main theater, No. 3. Wear Class "A" or class "B" clothing; no fatigues admitted.

Theater No. 1 is located in the 500 block, near the Squadron "V" area; theater No. 2 is in the 900 block; theater No. 3, which is the post's main theater, is in the 100 block, Squadron "A" area.

SATURDAY
"Behind Green Lights"—Carole Landis and William Gargan.
"A Bird in the Hand"—Three Stooges.

"Flicker Flashbacks"
"Screen Snapshots."

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
"Bad Bascomb"—Wallace Beery and Margaret O'Brien.
"Movietown News."

TUESDAY
"Swing Parade of 1946"—Gale Storm and Phil Regan.
"Pins and Cushions"—Sports Review.

"Snap Happy"—Little Lulu Cartoon.
"Magic on a Stick."

WEDNESDAY
"Terror by Night"—Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce.
March of Time — "With With Baby."

"Bedminton."
"Popular Science."

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
"The Bandit of Sherwood Forest"—Cornel Wilde and Anita Louise.

"Community Sing."
Movietone News.
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
"Tomorrow Is Forever"—Claudette Colbert and Orson Welles.
Movietone News.

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Film Flickers

BEHIND GREEN LIGHTS with Carole Landis and William Gargan. Although Miss Landis is the main draw in this film she gets cheated out of a lot of footage by being forced to sit in an off-screen waiting room during most of the time it takes Gargan to figure out what went on in the murder room. The audience's curiosity concerning the real identity of the murderer will prevent too much moping over the fate of Miss Landis. This picture should please the murder-mystery fans.

BAD BASCOMB stars Wallace Beery and Margaret O'Brien. Miss O'Brien is the perfect foil for Beery's portrayal of a rough outlaw with a heart of gold. This is a story of the old wild west and the Mormons trek across country to Salt Lake City. It contains plenty of the usual fights that are found in westerns plus the humor of two of the screen's best comedy actors.

SWING PARADE OF 1946 with Gale Storm and Phil Regan. This is a musical that concentrates on music, and the result is one of the best bundles of entertainment to come from Monogram to date. The picture contains a little of everything. Gale Storm with her charm; Connie Boswell singing "Just a Little Fond Affection" and "Stormy Weather"; Three Stooges for zany comedy; Louis Jordan and his Tympany Five and Will Osborne and his orchestra; Phil Regan for the ladies.

TERROR BY NIGHT, with Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce, another Sherlock Holmes-Dr. Watson in their usual suspense thrillers, as the British sleuth and fumbling com-patriot. Most action occurs on a train bound for Scotland and involves such characters as a British noblewoman, her son, a mysterious brunette, a retired Army officer and assorted policemen.

THE BANDIT OF SHERWOOD FOREST with Cornel Wilde and Anita Louise. Here is a colorful, fast-moving picture filmed in technicolor. The story deals with kings and queens and their courts; and the villainy taking place to overthrow the rulers.

Sgt. Joseph Friess

Your RED CROSS must carry on! Give.

Squadron "O"

NO MORE CRUSH CHAPEAUS. Alas, the sad news broke this week, no more fifty-mission-crush chapeaus permitted on the post. With a tearful eye the owners of these snappy ensembles laid them to rest in the deep dark caverns of their barracks bags. Cpl. Schildings' venerable topper left him for the home of the underground farmers in Pennsylvania.

With a thunderous cheer, S/Sgt. Mazor rode out of camp, strapped firmly in a straight jacket, astride a log amid the fervent sighs of relief from Sqdn. "O" personnel.

I now am the proud possessor of a nice, healthy replacement—Cpl. Earl G. Van Boeschoten—how do ya' pronounce it? I dunno, ya' chew it over a few times and then call him "Stinky."

The cry of "Timber" was heard, as the local woodmen felled a tree across from "O" headquarters; the odds were three to two it would hit headquarters, but no such luck.

M/Sgt. K. G. Carter now heads the Morning Report section. An ex-C-47 pilot, he will no doubt institute a traffic pattern for all personnel to follow to get to his desk having them report in every five feet or so . . . That's all the words I can mangle so I'll sign off.

SGT. NEVILLE W. SMALL

Club 118

Tonight will find the 118 again opening its doors to the St. Leo cadet nurses and the WACS as guests of the club patrons as the twentieth Friday night session gets under way. John Crider and his orchestra plan another special show for the enjoyment of all.

Shades of St. Valentine held sway last Friday night as cupids,

hearts, and red and white crepe paper streamers colored the scenery for the dancers. Coffee and valentine decorative cakes sated the appetites of the dancing crowd. In the entertainment line John Crider introduced members of his orchestra in special solo numbers. Frankie Hudec, former Charlie Barnett drummer, beat the skins in a special rendition of "Dark Eyes" and Stan Botwick, ex-Sid Catlett pianist, gave out with "Tea For Two." Leader John imitated in his own familiar style through "Sweet Sue." Horseback riders really turned out in great style Sunday afternoon when 29 enthusiasts took off via truck for Sedgfield Stables.

Girls from the Guilford Bank Building in Greensboro helped make Sunday evening more entertaining for club members by dancing to the music of Johnny Crider's Jive Five. A group of the same girls is expected Wednesday for a card playing session and more dancing.

ANNE CRAWFORD, ARC 118.

Squadron 'R'

After months of intensive study, Pfc. Donald Kerr, discharge clerk, at last found the answer to the \$64.00 question . . . It took him two and one-half years to solve the problem, but he said "Better now than never." . . . Pfc. Dan Golaszewski joined him in that long trek to civilian life—S/Sgt. Harris C. Erickson is replacing Acting First Sgt. Sidney Feldman in Sq R Hqs. while the latter is home on furlough—Our congratulations to S/Sgt. Erickson on his recent election as President of the N.C.O. Club . . . A cordial welcome was extended to Cpl. John Malski, Furlough clerk, upon his return from the hospital—Much to the

alarm of Sq R Personnel, the Finance Section has adopted as its theme song, the popular "Money is the Root of All Evil." . . . Sq R was ably represented at the annual Woman's College of U.N.C. Sophomore Prom by Pfc. Ed O'Callahan, discharge clerk . . . We hear that he has quite a way with the brunettes . . . Sgt. Oliver Rasch, Locator Clerk, doing a valiant job but working himself into such a dither that he has caused a rumor to the effect that he can't even locate the C.O. . . . Block one orderly room has been shining the past few days, since Lt. McDonald put that new insignia on his hat . . . The CQ's are getting to know all Sq R Permanent Party very well, especially when they come through the barracks at 0600 with a whistle . . . Having missed getting discharged by two days, Sgt. Otto Jaehnert is sure he's the forgotten man . . . O.R.D. men better stop running from details because Marvin (Flash) Heiden, Detail Sgt. has just bought a new pair of track shoes. . . . Judging from the cheers that Pat DiBenedetto, Processing clerk, gets when stepping out of the orderly room, he must be getting extremely popular with the Attached Men of this squadron . . .

PFC. R. SPOON'S
PFC. M. VICTOR

MISSED ARMY, REJOINS

Washington (CNS)—Six weeks of civilian life were enough for ex-Maj. Clarence George, 29. He re-enlisted. Said George: "By the time I paid Social Security and withholding taxes on my civilian salary I wasn't as well off as I am in the Army. Besides, I missed Army ways." His civilian job was with the Washington fire department.

Male Call



I DON'T UNDERSTAND THESE VETERANS, ELLA I... YOU'D THINK A YOUNG MAN WHO HAD BEEN A MERE CORPORAL ON A PACIFIC ISLAND FOR MONTHS AND MONTHS WOULD BE HAPPY IN A POSITION AS MANAGER OF AN ENTIRE DEPARTMENT, BUT TODAY THAT LOGAN CHAP CAME TO ME AND SAID HE WANTED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FOUNDRY—FOR THE GOOD OF THE FIRM!





S. H. Bennett (right), field director of the American Red Cross here, presents Colonel Paul R. Younts, commanding officer, with the honorary chairmanship of the 1946 Red Cross membership campaign which begins at ORD February 28. Major Louis B. Cannon, personal affairs officer, is the post active chairman.

Red Cross Drive Begins Feb. 28; ORD Goal: \$6,000

Col. Younts Names Major Cannon Post's Active Chairman For Drive

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movies weekly, stage entertainment, and parties.

Also at the hospital, five social workers help patients with medical discharge problems, verify telegrams, settle pay difficulties and take cleaning into Greensboro for the men.

The largest number of workers are used in the entertainment phase of the ORD program to arrange parties and dances in the Service Club and the Big Top.

In four squadron clubrooms, the workers serve coffee and doughnuts daily, hold weekly birthday parties, wiener roasts and dances, with the co-operation of local chapters and the USO.

Although the active campaign at the ORD will end on March 7, Greensboro's campaign will continue through March 13. Over the nation Red Cross campaigns will be continuing throughout the month of March.

A "March of Time" film about the American Red Cross will be shown at downtown Greensboro theatres next week.

While death and destruction rained from the skies on people of foreign lands, Americans offered emergency relief through the Red Cross. With the withdrawal of the military from civilian relief work, the Red Cross will continue emergency assistance through sister Red Cross societies and other welfare agencies as long as needed.

Around the world, when tragedies occur Red Cross disaster workers are on the scene immediately. They feed, clothe, and shelter the needy victims, give medical care to the injured, and stay at their side through the long period of rehabilitation.

ARC officials have revealed that, since Pearl Harbor:

500,000 victims of domestic disasters were given food, clothing, shelter, and medical care. \$7,200,000 was spent in meeting their needs.

1,400,000 Home Nursing, 700,000 Nutrition, and 1,200,000 Water Safety Certificates were issued.

3,000,000 women served in Volunteer Special Services . . . as Nurse's Aides, Gray Ladies, and in the Production Corps, as well as in many other wartime activities.

35,000 articles for servicemen were made by members of the Junior Red Cross.

More than 13,000,000 pints of blood were collected for the armed forces by the Red Cross.

27,000,000 parcels were packed for prisoners of war by the Red Cross.

And in 1945, 4,600 Red Cross workers served in 1,320 clubs and recreation centers overseas.

All 2-Year Men To Be Out July 1, Congress Is Told

By Camp Newspaper Service

A rising clamor in Congress, the press, and among GIs themselves over the rate of demobilization has brought an explanation from the army of its desperate manpower requirements and a definite statement on which American soldiers are going home.

The troops have Gen. Eisenhower's promise that every soldier eligible for discharge will be out of uniform by July or aboard a States-bound ship.

Gen. "Ike" set up this schedule when he appeared before a special joint Senate-House Committee session. He had a detailed 8,000-word statement with him outlining the Army's commitments and giving demobilization statistics. He pointed out that discharges during the months after VJ-Day had far exceeded Gen. Marshall's estimates of last September. And he said, "If we were to continue shipping men home at the rate we reached during the past few months, by April . . . we would literally have 'run out of army.'"

The Chief of Staff explained that GIs were needed for many occupation duties; to guard prisoners, to classify, assemble, and protect billions of dollars worth of supplies, to register graves, to care for the sick and wounded, to supervise and police the enemy peoples. He said these "commitments" couldn't be carried out unless some men stayed in uniform for one, two, or three months longer than they had anticipated, because replacements weren't coming through fast enough.

Selective Service, he said, had been asked to give the Army 50,000 men a month. But this quota was not being met and the Army got "in December only 21,000." And he added that enlistments were not as high as had been hoped, that despite the intensive recruiting campaign, enlistments totaled but 400,000 by Jan. 1.

Join the Red Cross! The post drive begins the 28th, ends March 7. Give.

High Employment Level Seen In Tire Industry

By Camp Newspaper Service

Tires are in such demand that rubber manufacturers are able to sell every one they make almost before it cools in the mold. And the nation's need for tires is so tremendous that the industry doesn't expect to satisfy it for at least two years.

The Rubber Manufacturers Association, which represents 90 per cent of the industry, says it will take until 1948 before US drivers have all the tires they want and dealers' inventories are restored to required levels.

This doesn't mean that there is an unlimited number of jobs available to veterans in the big rubber factories. The Association declares that while the industry was hiring help of every category up to January 1, it is now caught up on its requirements to a great extent.

There is still a need for technicians and maintenance men, such as mechanics, but a man can't walk up to a factory gate today and count on getting a production line job automatically. Employment rolls, however, are considerably larger than before the war and this means a bigger normal turnover than the industry formerly experienced, with resulting opportunities for job-seeking vets.

Huge Synthetic Production
Synthetic rubber will play a role in the future of the industry, but just how big is still uncertain. Production of a general purpose synthetic—known as GRS—was almost zero before the war, but manufacturing capacity zoomed to 1,000,000 tons a year. That's as much natural rubber as the entire world used in 1940.

Another synthetic will definitely be manufactured in quantity. It is butyl, used in making tubes, and is superior to natural rubber because it holds air much longer. There are also many other uses for synthetics. For example, hoses on gas station pumps all over the country are ersatz, and for a good reason. Gasoline is a solvent of rubber.

Some rubber companies plan to expand their facilities, with consequent job opportunities. The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. will soon start construction of a \$3,000,000 plant for the conversion of resins into films and sheets (for foodbags, raincoats, etc.) and a \$1,000,000 chemical products division development laboratory for research.

Sponge Rubber for Seats
The B. F. Goodrich Co. has already broken ground for a research lab and the industry in general is becoming increasingly active in the making of rubber goods. For example, there is sponge rubber, used for seats in most commercial planes, in a few theaters, train and bus seats. It is a substitute for the wire springs and cotton batting generally used today. The demand for sponge rubber, which wears longer than pre-

sent-type seats and is not a happy hunting ground for moths, is expected to grow as the public becomes educated to its advantages and production costs are cut.

Sponge rubber is the kind of thing the industry believes will keep employment rolls at high levels after the market for tires is saturated. Ordinarily, a letup in the demand for tires would mean layoffs. But the Rubber Manufacturers Association believes that public desire for the countless items produced by the industry will enable companies to switch men around when certain production lines shut down.

The committee for economic development, organized by big business to analyze the future, estimates that by 1947 the value of all rubber manufactures will be about 50 per cent above 1939, and the number of jobs in the industry 30-to-40 per cent higher.

While jobs open in the rubber field are limited, the industry offers many opportunities and reasonable security in the foreseeable future, if you can get your foot in the door.

Pvt. Harry Boskey To Lead Java Club Discussion Of UNO

Pvt. Harry Boskey—AAF wrestling champ, chaplain's assistant and soldier of fortune—will be discussion leader at the USO's Java Club Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, when GIs will gather to discuss the United Nations Organization.

Also on the USO's packed schedule are two parties, including a George Washington's birthday party tonight. Tomorrow night, February 23, a formal dance is slated.

Myrtle McCormick's group of the Girls' Service Organization will be in charge of social activities for the week.

1,000,000 BY '47

Washington—The War Department is aiming at a one-million man army by July 1, 1947, according to the New York Times. This is regarded as the minimum strength with which occupation and defense commitments can be carried out and, if reached, would be the largest peacetime Army in the history of the U. S. By next July the WD plans to strip from its present force of 3,410,000 to 1,500,000 and a year after that it would go to the one million mark, according to the Times.

Close Harmony

When Diz Was In Mel Tones 4 Years Back

The great Harry James sat quietly for a moment after the Mel Tones finished singing. He looked earnestly at the five eager faces and said, "You're way ahead of your time. The public isn't prepared to take the harmony you kids give. It's good stuff, but music hasn't developed far enough to make the pay-off."

Heard any of Eugene Baird or Bing Crosby recordings lately? The Mel Tones are singing with both artists. The public has grown up fast since 1942. The Mel Tones are now recording their own records exclusively for Decca.

Sgt. Samuel Sheldon Disrud, better known as Diz Sheldon, looks



DIZ SHELDON

. . . public wasn't ready

back at the beginnings when he was one of the original founders of the group and says with a grin, "That left-handed compliment from Harry James was almost enough to make us quit, but we felt too much like singing all the time even if it did belong with Buck Rogers in the 25th Century."

In December 1943 when Disrud came into the army, he was considered by both Uncle Sam and himself to be a citizen of California. Though he was born in the Midwest, he is noncommittal about it. But, "California," he sighs ecstatically, "that's where life begins."

Anyway, that's where Diz got his start in professional singing. Until then he'd been singing at school and particularly with his mother's choir at his father's church. His father is a Lutheran minister.

It was at Los Angeles City College that the direct predecessor of the Mel Tones had its beginnings. Here, with the tag of the City College "Collegiates," co-eds and four fellows started singing at school functions—"Just because we enjoyed singing together."

The next change came after a series of auditions when two of the fellows were drafted. At the Aragon Ballroom in downtown L. A., they appeared as the School-Kids with Harry Schooler and his band, but Schooler pulled another Errol Flynn and they were back looking for bookings again.

While being coached by Robert Linn of Star Duster fame, they met up with Mel Torme, a young singer-composer-arranger with a terrific future. They joined forces and thus was born Mel Torme and his Mel Tones. Auditions followed fast and furiously. Bandleader Harry James heard them and came the discouraging compliment. Universal Studios signed the group up for pictures and two weeks later the Army signed Diz up for service. With a replacement for Diz, the Mel Tones are making movies for Universal and Columbia, records for Decca, and musical history with close harmony.

"I guess the gang clicked so much sooner than the 25th century mostly because of the war. Soldiers have been the biggest audience for popular music lately, and they're willing to accept innovations and new stuff no matter how revolutionary, as long as it's good."

Vets New Medical Plan

NEW YORK (CNS)—A plan by which vets may be treated by their own physicians, with the Veterans Administration paying the bills under a standardized schedule of fees, was approved by the Council of the Medical Society of the State of New York. The plan was tried successfully in Monmouth County, N. J., and is being tested in Michigan. The program permits ex-service-men to pick their physicians, and take necessary treatment, relieving VA hospitals and staff of their present overload. The VA contemplates, it was said, permitting vets to be privately hospitalized under the care of their own physicians.

Your RED CROSS must carry on Give freely.



HONEY CHILE "DOT" HIGHFILL, a most delectable Southern dish with a little New York flavor in her accent, gets a class A priority for pin-up space. This little bit of fluff and stuff has a chart that is filled with exciting vivaciousness in the form of 105 well-nurtured lbs. neatly packed into a 5 foot 3½ inch frame and accompanied by suggestive blue eyes and enticing brown hair. Dorothy, a native of Mayodan (we all never heard of it), N. C., now makes her home in High Point while working in the Classified Files section of the Post Adjutant's office. She's single and quite wil . . . oops . . . did we ever tell you the story of Snow White?

Hawks Enter CAAU Semi-Finals Tonight

Stand Good Chance For Denver Meet

Local Tourney May Be Called

The high-flying ORD Hawks travel to Winston-Salem tonight to battle in the semi-finals of the Carolina AAU tournament. Hanes Hosier, seeded first, and the Hawks, seeded second, drew a bye in the first round of the meet.

In the quarter-finals, Shaw Field took on McCrary Mills Wednesday and the 517th Parachute Infantry of Fort Bragg tackled Erlanger YMCA last night. Hanes will play the winner of the Wednesday game at 1930 while the ORD five will clash with the victor of last night's scrap later in the evening. The two remaining winners are scheduled to fight it out in the finals tomorrow night.

CHANCE TO SEE HAWKS

Two buses have been secured by the Physical Training Office for the purpose of transporting GIs to tonight's basketball game at Winston-Salem. The game will feature the ORD Hawks in the semi-finals of the Carolina AAU tourney. The buses will start out from building T-11 at 1830 and first come will be first served. It is believed that a regular admission will be charged at the gate.

The outcome for the local club hinges, to a large degree, on the physical condition of their two ailing stars, Earl Shannon and Charles O'Connor. Coach Sanders announced that Shannon was coming along fine and would probably take part in the coming contests. O'Connor's status won't be known until the Medics render a decision late this week. At any rate, the club's chances of coping honors and qualifying for the Denver Nationals have improved considerably.

Meanwhile it was learned with great disappointment that the Greensboro Servicemen's Tournament would, in all probabilities, be called off. This speculation came as a direct result of the withdrawal of entry applications by Camp Lejeune and Cherry Point who will be participating in a conflicting Marine tourney.

This bad news is compensated with the knowledge that if approved by higher headquarters, the ORD Hawks may be chosen to represent North Carolina in the American Congress of Basketball tourney which will be played off in Atlanta on March 8, 9, and 10. The winner in this meet will be declared the No. 1 service team in the nation. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

Hawks Finish Up With 71-53 Win

The Hawks brought their scheduled basketball season to a whirlwind climax last Saturday with an easy 71 to 53 win over the Mocksville Merchants on the Mocksville court.

Playing over the heads of their opponents throughout the evening, the Hawks used the game as a warmup for the Carolina AAU tourney.

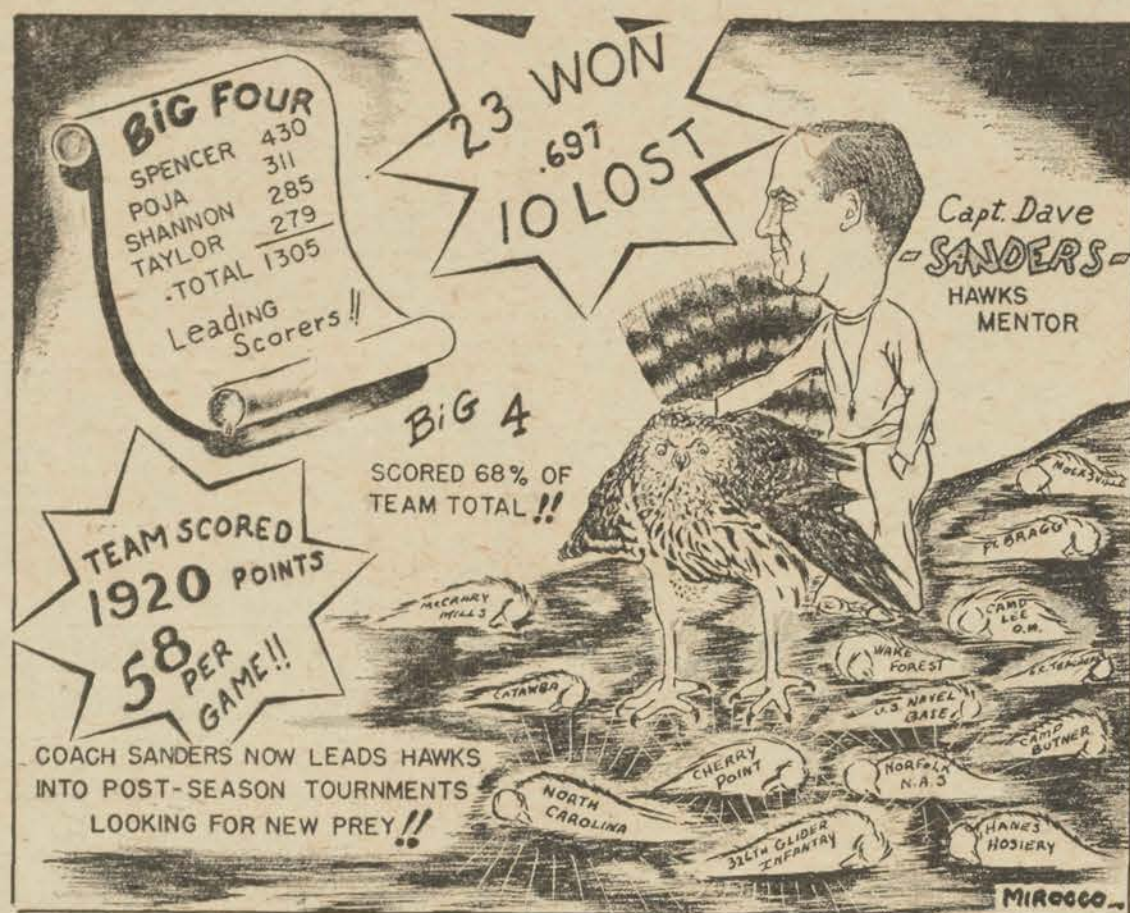
Pacing the Hawks to the rousing victory were Spencer and Dolan who tallied 20 and 14 points respectively. Tomlinson kept the Merchants in the game and emerged high scorer with his 24 markers.

The Hawk defense plus their dazzling floor play and accurate shooting were too much for the Merchants who did their best to hang on for the finish of the game.

Handball!

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! Enter the Post handball tournament now! Today is the last day for entries and play will begin Monday. This will be a four wall doubles affair and awards will be given to winners and runners-up. Register at once with your Squadron Sports Center. Deadline is 1700 tonight.

WELL DONE, BOYS



Hawk Trainer Traveled 18,000 Miles With PDC Club; Has Colorful Diary

He's a team trainer and athletic director by trade but his main attributes lie in his unending magnanimity and congenial personality. He was the force behind the scenes of the powerful PDC football eleven and he's now the force behind the scenes of the great Hawk basketball aggregation.

He's a man that has made friends with such luminaries as Steve O'Neill, Detroit Tiger Manager, Dick Horne, N. Y. Giant football player, the great Hank Greenberg, Jim Castiglia, Phila Eagles leather lugger, Dick Plasman and Ken Cavanaugh of the Chicago Bears, Johnny Vander Meer of the Cincinnati Reds and many others. His album of signatures reads like a conglomerate Hall of Fame.

He hails from Lincoln Park, N. J., and he entered the service over four years ago on February 14, 1942; 22 months of which were spent overseas in the CBI and African theaters. In Madras, India, he was in charge of a rest camp that handled 250 GIs every 15 days. His morale building efforts have been acknowledged by innumerable letters of recommendation from appreciative COs. In Cairo, Egypt, and in India, this baldish, 32 year old GI managed and trained various foot-



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ball and baseball teams.

Although eligible for separation many months ago, he was asked by the "Wheels" to stay in a while longer so that he could make the 18,000 mile tour with the PDC football club. As a trainer of the Hawk

quintet these past six weeks he has been mainly responsible, along with Michailovich Poja, for the good frame of mind the players have found. His cries of "use plenty of foot powder," "lets have your dirty socks," and "watch your oranges; here comes O'Connors" have instilled the locker room with a much needed tinge of humor. Proof of that fact is the constant ribbing he has to put up with from the team members.

After the post-season tournaments are over he is contemplating re-enlisting for a year so that he can go to Germany and continue with his rest camp work. He says he likes the job and the experience he has gained in the Army is going to prove invaluable to him after he gets out. As a civilian he is pretty confident of getting a job with Steve O'Neill and the Detroit Tigers.

The redoubtable wintergreen man has never married but he has intentions of rectifying that situation in the very near future. "As a matter of fact," he says with a wink, "I'm working on the problem about three or four times a week now."

He's a good man to know and a worthy friend indeed.

His name is a name to remember; Sgt. Dante "Doc" Caldara.

Basketball Passes All Sports As A Single Game Card

An evolutionary jump from a small auditorium and a couple of peach baskets to Madison Square Garden and many of the larger sports centers in the nation is the success story of basketball in a nutshell.

The one sport that is distinctly American has outdrawn all others in recent years and now matches football as a single game attraction. Main reason for this is that the expense of equipping and maintaining a basketball team, relatively speaking, is slight and the places where a quintet can toss a ball around is flexible indeed.

College basketball has caught fire all over the country and the result has been that many of the institutions of higher learning are building more spacious field houses that will hardly prove commodious enough by the time they are completed.

Many of the schools that do not have the facilities nor the student enrollment to field a good football team are now producing the leading quintets in the country. West Virginia and Kentucky are two outstanding examples of this.

Basketball Tourney Begins

Twelve teams representing individual squadrons on the base are now battling for the Post Open Basketball Championship. The tournament is well underway this week with eight games already played.

Highly favored to win the tourney are the Orioles of Squadron O, now boasting a clean record of two wins against no defeats. The Orioles, recent winners in the Intermural basketball meet, are using the same quintet that carried them to victory before, with the exception of

Julian Leon, who has been lost to the varsity Hawk squad.

In games of the past week the Orioles turned back the Vultures 35-32, the MPs outscored the Outlaws 38-28, the Beavers scored a 46-30 win over the Hooligans, and the Squadron H Officers beat the Avengers 53-28. In the last three games of the week the Orioles ran up a 60-26 score on the Redheads, the Beavers hung a trouncing on the Owls 54-4, and the Medics downed the MPs 38-27.

TOO MANY SHORT MEN

(CNS) The Brooklyn Dodgers face the 1946 season with a plethora of shortstops. Besides Tom Brown and Eddie Basinski, who shared the shortfield berth in 1945, our Bums have three shortstops returning from the services, Peewee Reese, Claude Corbitt, and Stan Rojek as well as Arky Vaughan, 1943 incumbent, who spent the war on his farm in the Ozarks.

BIG BEAR CAUGHT

(CNS) In North Carolina the largest bear taken during the season was caught in a trap. After dressing it weighed 455 pounds.

Enlist in the Army Air Forces now! Be a guardian of victory.

LUCKMAN HAS A MEMORY

(CNS) Every football follower knows that Sid Luckman was a great passer and ball handler both at Columbia and later with the Chicago Bears. But not every fan knows that Sid has a great memory too, particularly for football plays. "I said that the Bears had 370 plays, and that Sid carried them all around in his head. Not only does he know the plays in theory, but he remembers exactly who does what and when."

IN A RUT

(CNS) The University of Chicago basketball team recently lost its 57th consecutive Big Ten game. Kind of a record, isn't it?

Sports Whirl

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On Pro Basketball

A very interesting talk with Sgt. (soon to be Mr.) Hal Judenfriend in New York recently put some new light on the pro basketball picture. To those of you who are not familiar with Hal and may doubt his ability to discuss authoritatively this topic, here is a little of his power packed background to refresh your memory.

"Judy" is rated by many experts as one of the finest all-around hoop men ever produced by the famed Nat Holman at CCNY. In 1943, his last year of ball before answering the call and his third year of varsity competition, Hal captained that great City quintet boasting such stars as Red Holman and Claude Phillips into the National Invitation Tournaments at Madison Square Garden.

While in the service Hal starred with the Los Vegas AAF "Horned Toads" for 450 points worth and for the Boca Raton AAF "Bombers" this season for about 200 points in only half of the club's games.

The wonder of this boy is not his scoring punch, but his general play on the court. If there is such a thing as a basketball instinct, then Judenfriend has it. To watch him perform when he gets red hot is like fixing your eyes on a well oiled machine that's primed just right for the next move. In this writer's opinion Hal Judenfriend is one of the fastest, smartest little devils to come out of New York hardwoods in recent years. And so back to pro basketball.

The lucky near-civilian made some startling revelations concerning the salaries some of the returning servicemen have been offered by club owners. Since play for pay ball players judge the popularity of the sport by the size of their salaries, it would be wise to analyze some of Judenfriend's contentions.

For instance, Hal informs me that big John Mahnken, former ORD center and more recently with the heralded Wright Field Kitty Hawks, is now playing with the Rochester outfit in the pro league for a reported 1500 smackers per month. This is nothing short of amazing when one stops to consider the pay of pro players six or seven years ago. More conservative examples are players like former All-American and former Kitty Hawk, Bruce Hale, now in competition in the Chicago leagues, and former St. John's University great, Hy Gotkin, now playing in the upstate New York circuit. Both are reported to be receiving in the neighborhood of 1,000 dollars per month for their services. These are only a few of the more outstanding examples. There are many more leagues and many more identical cases and the danger of it all is that these tempting offers are beginning to find the ears of college stars.

I'm inclined to agree with "Phog" Allen of Kansas University when he says that the Brooklyn College scandal was only a meager blowoff on what's to come in the next few years. Marty Berg, in a blistering editorial in a recent issue of SPORTS-WEEK, verbally blasted the living daylight out of Howard Cann and the N.Y.U. team. Most of the Violet's stars, according to Berg, have been playing pro ball on the side all season long. He even went so far as to openly dare Cann to deny his statements.

It all boils down to this: professional basketball is challenging the greatness and popularity of other pro sports such as football and baseball. If the present rate keeps up court players will be drawing down pay checks that can compare in size with second and third year men in the two other major "people's" sports.

I'm all for it myself but only if some means are set up whereby basketball promoters will have to keep their greedy and unclean hands off of college kids. Our primary interest should be to keep college competition on the up and up.

JOE LOUIS will meet Billy Conn for the heavyweight championship in New York's Yankee Stadium on June 19, 1946. Harry Keck of the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegram says that this is Louis' unlucky date. On June exactly 10 years ago Joe suffered his first and only defeat of his career when he was knocked out in the 12th round by Max Schmeling, also in New York.