

To you men who have joined the Third Armored from the 6th Armored Division, we extend a sincere word of welcome. Like the Third Armored, the 6th has an outstanding combat record and we fully appreciate your feelings in leaving that record behind and joining a new Division; however, rest assured that you will never have to take a back seat to anyone when you accept the record of not only the "Spearhead" Division but the First Battalion of the 36th Armd. Inf. Regt. We're proud of you as new members of this unit and we want you to feel that friendships and associations which you have had to sever temporarily will be regained in a sense with the men of Ozark Red.

Many of you are perhaps reenforcements who joined your outfit during the past few months, but many of you may have, like many of us, fought all the way and yet because you lack a few points find yourself staying on duty a while longer. However it may be, we have a big job waiting for us wherever it might be and that job will be well done by all of us working together as one unit.

OZARK RED PRESENTS

MON & TUES
 "LEAVE IT TO
 BLONDIE"
 Arthur Lake and
 Penny Singleton

WED THURS FRI
 "MR. SKELFFINGTON"
 Starring...
 Bette Davis and
 Claude Rains

SAT & SUN
 "DARK WATERS"
 Marie Stoen and
 Franchot Tone

Nightly--1900 Sun.--1500
 1900

ALWAYS AIRCOOLED COMFORT



moving out on the...
 inning. Winters was the...
 cher.

The longest drives of the...
 triples off the bats of Boris...
 Gospodarek, while the most time...
 hit was Thomas' line single with...
 bases loaded in 1st Bn's big 7th...
 inning. Cooper's two run double...
 the big blow of the day for Division...
 Supply.

The Ozark Red baseball team...
 stormed on to its third triumph...
 the season in a 10 to 5 victory...
 2nd Bn at Mulheim July 5th. Ed...
 Grube was combed for 16 hits in...
 seven inning encounter while...
 1st Bn pitchers were reached for...
 hits. The game was a close contest...
 up to the last inning when the...
 bunched seven of their hits to...
 garner seven welcome runs. Meyer...
 a hot day at the plate with four...
 five and five other 1st Bn players...
 had two hits each.

In the 6th the 2nd Bn bunched...
 singles and two free passes to...
 three runs and take the lead.

After being taken for a ride by...
 Company A to the tune of 4 to 0...
 Company B's softball team...
 3 out of 4 by trouncing L Co...
 in the Regimental League.

C Company would like to play...
 postponed game with 1st Bn...
 if Cpl. Horowitz and Pfc Sullivan...
 can get enough interest up among...
 players of Seligenstadt.

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SORRY---

'Scuse us for being a couple...
 days late with this issue. The...
 edness of these Jerry mimeographs...
 snowed us under.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

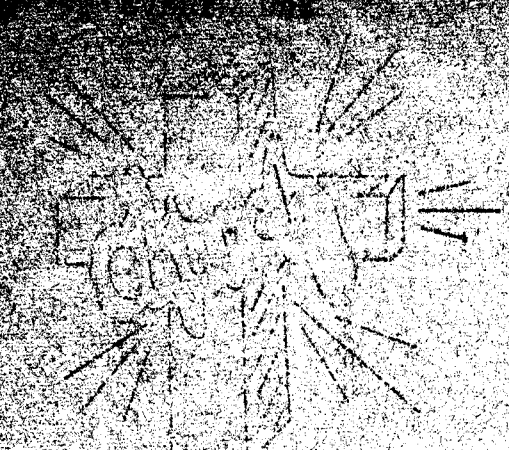
Whether you're short, or what...
 you're tall, doesn't determine you...
 size at all. You should measure...
 yourself by the width of your...
 the depth and the breadth of what...
 is within.

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transferred from Co B to the 6th...
 Div. we say "Bon Voyage" and the...
 lot of luck; your record with the...
 6th Armored is superb.

SPORTS SPORTS SPORTS

The 1st Bn baseball team register-...
 ed second win in as many starts...
 defeated the Division Supply...
 6 to 6 at Zellhausen, June 30th...
 wind, bothered the pitchers...
 first inning but from then on...
 lighted up.



HOW TO PRAY

A little while ago, see, they
knocked down a buddy from the top of
the ridge. He was full of holes. He
had his shirt on him to help stave
the shock. That means that there are
no more shirts there in the patrol on
the ridge with no shirts. It's cold
at night. Flies are big as bats
and they bite like pliers. That case
will get blood plasma transfused
in. Quarts of somebody's blood.
I'll get it eagerly, quickly, willingly,
without question. It's things like
that, more than any creed or dogma,
that tell me God is Love. You
see His holy expression shining
through your fellow man. Now I know
God is Love, understandingly. --New
York

ROSE MEMORIAL

The total contribution
for the General Ross Memorial Hosp-
ital to be contributed by the
Armored Division for a part in
the structure to be erected in Den-
ver, Colo. was generally less than
needed for the total for the First
Battalion was good, considering the
lack of sufficient time for the
arrangement.

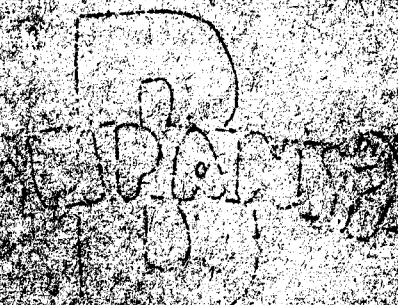
Contributed by companies:
Co B -- 232.70; Co A -- 227.00;
Co C -- 369.40; and Co D -- 308.00.
Total of 1127.10.

WHEN THERE WERE NONE

Two weeks ago this Battalion
was something like three bottles
of coke per man in the weekly rat-
ion. We cooperated and turned
in the bottles. The following
week still not enough bottles
back and we had to be satisfied
with an average of two bottles per man
the next weeks rations. Want to
know how we stood last week? An average
of 1 and 1/2 cokes per man. Did you
wonder why? The coke is rationed
according to the bottles turned in.
If you don't turn in the bottles
the whole Battalion and
your buddies aren't going to like
it.

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know how we stood last week? An average
of 1 and 1/2 cokes per man. Did you
wonder why? The coke is rationed
according to the bottles turned in.
If you don't turn in the bottles
cuts down the whole Battalion and
your buddies aren't going to like
it.

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did a lot of remodeling. He
is stationed with the ADG
Occupation at Frankfurt.

Co B's cruiser has a new paint
job, so when you see the Red, Blue
and White Cruiser floating down
Main you will know that its CO is
"Miss America".

Pfc Ray B. Cloyd, Pvt Garland
Pfc Dominick Maggipinito and Pfc
Alfred Brown have just returned from
a three day pass in Spa, Belgium.

Attention to all female Army
personnel of Frankfurt--Co B's
is ready for inspection.

We understand that in the States
when one has committed an error
associates inform him by saying,
believe you made an error, and
instead of, "I think you've gone
screwed up".

Co C visited Co B's softball
last week, nice game for Co C and
Co B were --oops sorry no more

Co B has been having a good
out for church every Sunday.

To the three...

... might be compared to Cham-
agne. Those who were not broken or
busted in the rat race from Normandy
to the Mulde and those who haven't
blown their corks under duress of
Army life, have made it to the indi-
vidual who like St. Peter stands at
the top of the ladder and gives you
either a highball or a straightarm.
These men have been inspected and had
their points checked. And they are
going to heaven. When they finally
get home, they will go for a high
price because of the present over-
strength of females in the States.

Then no doubt as soon as they are
bought up, they will blow their corks
all over the place. They will bubble.
We wouldn't be surprised if a few ev-
en got intoxicated over themselves
and then, poor fellows, they will
start to become just ordinary empty
bottles taking out insurance against
cracking up under civilian life, in-
come taxes, the Mrs' hats. They'll
even have to wear starched shirts and
they'll begin to wonder why they sw-
apped three squares a day for all
this, especially since there is
still plenty of "chicken" like wash-
ing the supper dishes and God knows
there's a "topkick" trying to get
you to mow the lawn when you are
"bucking" for some bunk fatigue. And
twenty years from now, you'll be say-
ing that you didn't know when you
were well off.

Hats off to the men who left
Friday morning--these G.I.'s made the
company what it is today. They had
a lot to do with earning its two
Presidential Citations. We wish you
the best of luck. We don't necessar-
ily believe that you should sweat us
out on the dock but we do hope you'll
drop us a line now and then.

THIRD PLATOON NEWS

A few of the enlisted men in the
platoon have been sorely tempted to
commit a justifiable murder or two
among the German house-fraus who are
a bit cantankerous about loaning out
their best sofas and easy chairs for
the company day room. You can tell
men that their contribution will
keep the GI's off the streets,
V-Menace and the like, even
at a hotel point, but they still don't
want to part with their furniture.

For this project have already
been set up the place; Horch's Beer Halle
opposite the Mess Hall and are
equipped with an acceptable pool table.
Tables and chairs are being

made and the gale opening will be
announced in a few days. Bring your
ladder for there may be drunks on
the house on 7% beer.

For several nights running there
has been quite some goings on in
Machine Gun Squad. Pfc "Cliff" Ra-
cliff has been nightly leading some
hot sessions of hill-billy music on
his guitar and the help of Sgt.
Steve Francko who has a midget vi-

Spectators from the squad got
emotionally inspired that they bro-
ught a little furniture. (It was that

FIRST PLATOON NEWS

Lance Corporal "Charlie" Charva
was last seen knocking himself out
Ice Cream somewhere in Holland.

What S/Sgt of the Mortar Squad
can wiggle his ears and at the same
time twitch his nose. They call him
Bunny.

Kill 'em but dead and watch out
for every conceivable type of trick
ery were the concluding words of a
stirring lecture given the other day
by Lt. H. J. Lavin. The topic was
Characteristics. Who said we weren't
going to the Pacific. Well, it's
rumor material, huh.

Lance Corporal Ralph Seymour
just come back from a leave at the
Hotel Vancouver where he spent a
week-end. It seems that "Ralph"
used to play cops and robbers. Glad
to see you back, soldier.

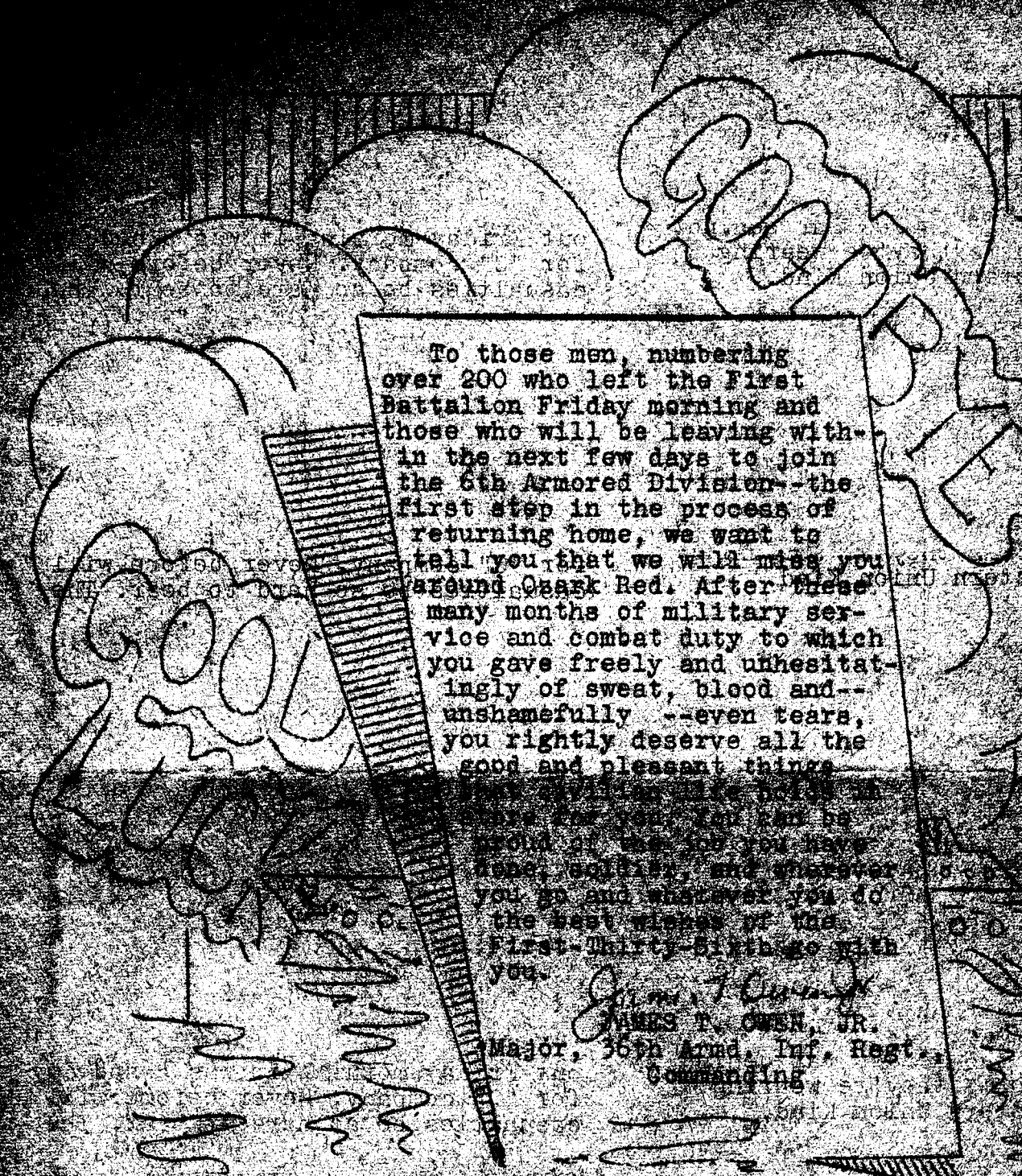
--T/5 Johnny Slivk

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The Grapevine Staff will deeply
miss the ever faithful Pfc Ben V.
Miodochowski, Technician and Chief
Doodler since the first issue some
weeks ago. Bennie has transferred
to the 6th Armd Div.--the first step
in the process of returning home. It
was Bennie who contributed all the
work and general layout plan for
the issue. Thanks, Bennie, for a



To those men, numbering over 200 who left the First Battalion Friday morning and those who will be leaving within the next few days to join the 6th Armored Division--the first step in the process of returning home, we want to tell you that we will miss you around Oaak Red. After these many months of military service and combat duty to which you gave freely and unhesitatingly of sweat, blood and--unshamefully --even tears, you rightly deserve all the good and pleasant things

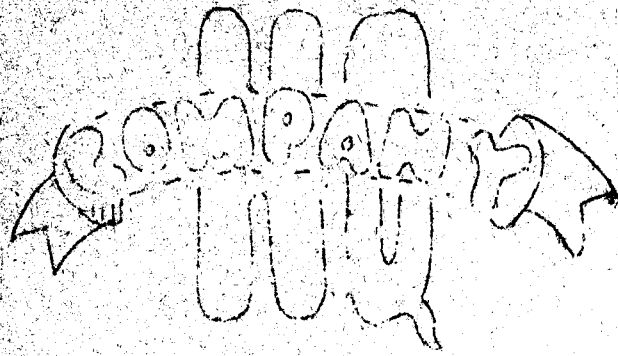
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OAK RED GRAPES FOR ALL

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PUBLISHED BY AND FOR THE MEN OF OAK RED



--by Pfc Merle J. Nunes

We think it fitting and proper that this week's column be dedicated to those men of 1st Bn who are 85 pointers or better. While interviewing Cpl McCluag, asked him how he felt about leaving the 3rd Armored, he said, "I do not want to leave; I would like to stay with the 3rd Arm'd all the way." We believe the men "parteeing" are not all as happy as they act about leaving. This column takes this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you the best and may God be with you all in your next battle, the most important of them all. "The Battle of Life". Good luck soldiers!

While visiting in Heerlen, Holland and this past week, had a very enjoyable time, eating on third floor of a large apartment house with soft American music and all the comforts of home; not bad fellows. A little tip in the event you visit Holland, do not get caught with too much Netherland money as you can only change it back at maximum of 10 dollars. The regular U.S. beer and ice cream are tops.

Read the following three times:
 "No man ever strives harder for perfection, or comes nearer to achieving it, than he who sets out to make a fool of himself."

In closing, can think of no better way than, "Let's go to church every Sunday, what'a you say?"

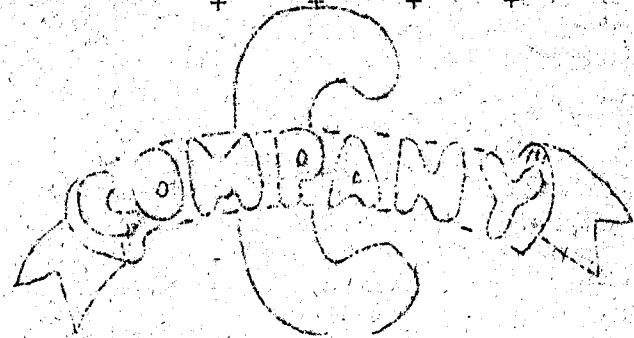
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BE KIND

Just think of some poor Captain
 Miras all his Silver bars--
 Standing behind a counter
 Selling peanuts and cigars;
 Think of all the Majors
 With their Oak leaves far behind,
 And the uniforms they're wearing
 And the Western Union Kind.

Shed a tear for some poor Colonel,
 If he doesn't feel himself--
 Jerking sodas isn't easy,
 When your Eagles are on the shelf
 'Tis a bitter pill to swallow
 'Tis a matter for despair--
 Being messengers and clerks again,
 A mighty cross to bear.
 So be kind to working people
 That you meet where'er you go,
 For the guy that's washing dishes,
 May have been your old C.O.....

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--by Pfc John Tower

There was a passing small article in the S & S about programs for the glorious 4th to be had in the various Armies. We seemed to have had a very nice one for there was some fine sport lot volley-ball between the old men and the thirty-pointers and as usual the Softball Team was out on Cook Field. And for a change it was a bright, sunny day.

It's not recorded whether any cherry bombs exploded under the 1st Sgt.'s "fanny" but occasional "pop" could be heard from the platoons as they opened a Champagne ration, particularly the 1st Platoon and especially, Platoon Headquarters.

It was a good day because it was free for almost everybody except KP's, the cooks and the CP guards. There was _____ on a shingle for dinner. And everyone lolled around shooting the breeze with the old men who are getting their last crack at telling about Indian Town Gap, St. Lo and fish and chips. The la made quite an impression on "Nick Kline from Kansas who composed an excellent poem about the UK ending (quoting verbatim): "So cut the bagage ballons loose and let the dam place sink".

When the "Eighty-fivers" pulled out Friday morning it was a sad day for "C" company. Never before will I remember he so hard to hear.

OZARK RED GRAPEVINE

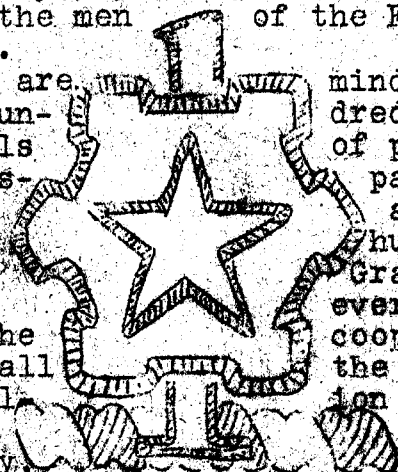
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We have just had a quick squint at the new weekly Regimental Newspaper and are highly impressed with it even beyond our most vivid expectations. It is a splendid job and indicates careful planning and skillful work throughout.

Speaking for all the men of Ozark Red, we offer our word of appreciation and thanks for a fine publication to Captain Crumpler, Regimental Public Relations and Information and Educational Officer who has personally given the paper his untiring attention, to the Editor Sergeant Benjamin F. Carpenter and his entire staff and to both Col Howze and Col Orr for their personal interest and attention in helping present to us a Regimental Newspaper of which we are all proud. We extend our word of assurance that the Ozark Publication may depend upon the cooperation from the men of the First Battalion.

We are mindful of the one hundred and one details of publishing a newspaper--one as small as this humble one, the Grapevine. We are ever thankful for the cooperation from all the men of the Battalion in getting out the issue weekly and from Major Owen our CO who gives personal attention to every issue.



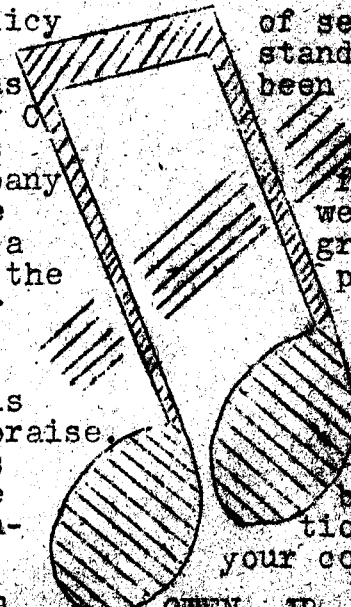
For your information we thought you might like to know that we have been mailing the Grapevine to those men in the Battalion who have gone home for discharge and to those who are at home on furlough. We are finding, however, as the list grows that it is becoming quite a chore and in time ask each company to take charge of the mailing to the men of each unit.--The Editor.

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COMMENDATION

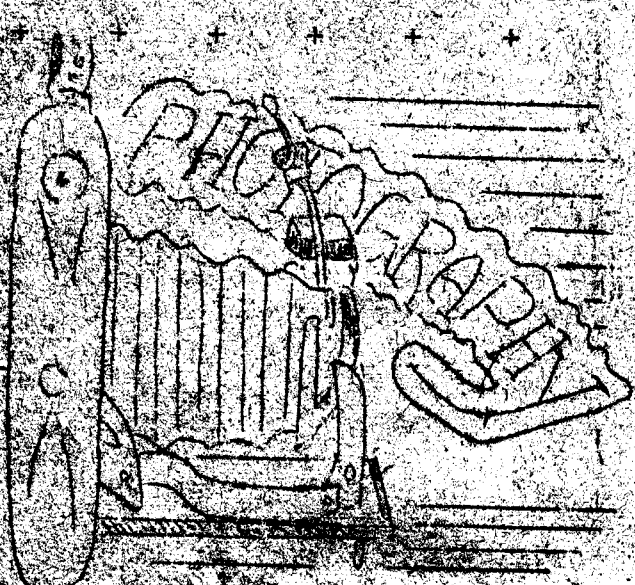
The following letter of Commendation was received by Captain Cook CO of Company C this week from Major Owen, Battalion CO:

"Sincethe policy of selecting the out-guard Company has been initiated, Company C has been selected as outstanding Company four consecutive times. This denotes a deal of work on the part of every officer and enlisted man of your splendid organization and is worthy of high praise. We desire that this commendation be brought to the attention of every member of your command." (Signed) JAMES T. OWEN, JR., Major, 36th Armd. Inf. Regt., Comd.



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"Fog" is the bug-a-boo that has ruined many a good picture and it usually is caused by carelessness in the handling of film. Since a fogged film is usually a lost film we're giving these hints to you in order to help save your prints. In the first place "fog" is caused by light striking the film other than through the lens—it kills everything that is on the negative and it turns it black in the case of a lot of light or gray in the case of a little light. Both will ruin the photo. When we mention amounts of light it must be remembered that the emulsion on a film is extremely sensitive and it takes only the slightest amount of light to register on the film. This can be understood when it is considered that only 1/1000th of a second of light is needed to take a photo in many cases.

Getting back to fog, don't open the back of a loaded camera unless you are in a room that is dark enough that you cannot see your hand held six inches in front of your

roll, place your name and organization on the roll itself in ink and wrap it in any light proof paper better still in the original box—then be sure to place your name on the outside. You don't need to tape the roll unless you plan to store the film undeveloped for a great length of time. Fog may appear on your negative in streaks or all over all shadow—on the negative it will be black—on the finished print it will be white. However if appears it's not good.

C.O.'s ORDERLY

Some few weeks ago, shortly after the reappearance of a formal dress mount, the smell of shoe polish, creased trousers and the familiar contest of who's to win the honor of being selected for C.O.'s orderly, the rule here in First Battalion rang forth that when a sentry was selected a second time as orderly he would be eligible for the next promotion available in the battalion while the way is not deducted from the Company's quota.

Pfc Walter W. Crowder, No. 10, East St. Louis, Ill., returned from a Paris pass for having been twice selected; last Tuesday Evt. en M. Greco, Co C, from Cincinnati, Ohio, left for the Riviera for the honor two times, and Pfc Joseph L. White, Co A from Charleston, S.C. left this morning for Paris. He also been selected a second time as the neatest and best instrument sentry. Sgt James Storey, Co C, now in the U.K. because of the war honor.

WE LAUGHED AT THESE

"May I have another cake?"
 "Another cake what?"
 "Another cake, please."
 "Please what?"
 "Please, mother, dear."
 "Hell, no, child, you've had two already."

Rushing into an eating establishment the customer swung himself onto a stool and faced the counter and said, "Boy, I'm hungry I could eat a horse."

COMPANY

--by Pfc Harrison O. Schneider

A number of Officers and men of Hq Co went on the excursion to Heidelberg last Sunday. The fact that several of the fellows have already made known their desire to return the next time a recreational convoy goes to Heidelberg, is a pretty good indication of the good time they had. The attractions were beautiful scenery, Heidelberg Castle, the American Red Cross recreational center, Heidelberg University, the swimming pool, and last but not least the gals from France and Belgium who work in the G.I. restaurant and in the Recreation Center.

Major Owen visited the company last Monday to present awards for "Heroic Achievement in Action". T/Sgt James E. Butcher received the Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal and the following men received the Bronze Star Medal: S/Sgt Guy R. Snedeker, Sgt. Merlin A. Stelz, Cpl Edward C. Schladweiler, and Pfc Frank Zoubee.

They say that Hitler's secret weapons were V-1, V-2, and V.D.

S/Sgt Anderson of supply said he thought that things were improving around here when he found a laundry ticket for the following: 2 blouses O.D., 2 skirts, O.D. The items were found by this reporter lying in state on the supply room couch; how about that, Lt. Brown?

MEDICAL DETACHMENT

With the next shipment of "happy warriors" 1st Bn Medics loses one of its stalwarts, Pfc John L. Searfoss from Wilkesbarre, Penna. John joined 1st Bn Medics on 26 Sept just after the battalion had pierced the Siegfried line. First as an aid man then as head man with a forward ambulance John did valiant work in treatment and evacuation being twice decorated for outstanding work. His second decoration was the Silver Star given for directing evacuation in a very difficult spot while supporting B and C as they forded a river on foot. He has also received the Purple Heart for a grand total of 101 points. Everyone here says "Good luck, John and all the best." --T/Sgt Elwood Case.

COMPANY

--by Pfc Alex Gribol

With the return of four old men from the hospital, the talk on points has been resumed. It seems that the returning "vets" stand quite high on points which places some of the old men a little lower down on the "going home list". Nevertheless we are glad to welcome back: S/Sgt Kenne O. Becker, S/Sgt Vincent J. Dougherty, S/Sgt Michael J. Lucas and Pfc Roland A. Roland.

Sunday is always quite a day for this company. To supplement our dinner meal we are fortunate in being able to get ice-cream for desert. Owing to this fact "the chew line" has quite an attendance long before closing time.

Due to the efforts of Lt. Hoenes and several of the men, Co A is the possessor of a first class Softball Field. Opening day saw the initiation of our ballteam. Initiated it was bowing to Regiment Hq Co by the score of 10 to 7. For a first game, the teams showed promise of turning out pretty well. With a few minor variations Co A will have a team to be proud of. Mondays practice was cut short because of lack of equipment. Our total of balls and bats shows zero. Hoping that the right people read this and are able to get us placements.

The popular pass time around the area at present, is trading. Guns, cameras seem to be the high rating articles, irregardless many small items are traded also. Whether the boys are looking for something better or just out to get rid of most of their junk, one will never know. However it provides good entertainment and keeps the mind thinking clear. One of the boys, T/5 Brannum, by now is quite accomplished at the art. He seems to have made some good deals. He's one of the men who will trade you anything--even your girl back home if you're looking to get rid of her.

There is now a double staff around the company; with the regular staff working with the understudies everything is going along efficiently. The only trouble is that if it keeps

There will be no one in the company to run.

COMPANY

--by Pvt. Gorman B. Scranton

B Company welcomed back this week, Pfc Francis Obert, Sgt Austin Bailey and Pfc Ronald Cleekley who have rejoined the outfit again from the hospital.

T/Sgt Frederick Roberts returned this week from the Riviera where he has been enjoying the scenery of southern France and so on, especially the "and so on". His plane on its homeward journey was forced to land only 50 miles from the border of Switzerland, avoiding the unfortunate outcome of what might have happened had he landed in Switzerland where he would have been interned. Would have been especially bad since his pockets are just about to indicate a ticket home. His plane was forced to return to the landing field and blew a tire on landing. He claims he sweat out the front for months, sweat out a pass to the Riviera and then to the everything he had to sweat getting back safely.

Lieut. Waltrap claims that the trip to Heidelberg is indeed worthwhile. He enjoyed it so much himself that he returned a second time. What could be so interesting? (we just learned that the restaurant and recreational facilities are run by French and Belgian misses.)

Captain Bohme says "thank you" to the Crepevine for last week's write up on the Company Cruiser, which reminds us that we hope the Lieut. Bohme who gave the cruiser her approval this last week will come again.

Pfc Anthony (Tony) Sassi was star-
[with mouth open] at some chickens that were sunning themselves in the dust. Pfc Roy Welchert came along and asked, "Tony what's the matter?" These chickens are dying, exclaimed Tony. "Hell no," answered Roy, "they are just digging in, expecting an attack."

Pvt. Parker Leslie, veteran of all the World War I campaigns spending his leisure time in enjoying the scenic views of the Riviera.

Belgium.

Second Platoon of B Company has a brand new theme song, "Two Down and I Don't Want to Go."

COMPANY

--by Lt. H. J. [unclear]

We pinch hit for "Danny" this week for we have a hunch he's a bit tied down with getting the last minute awards in so we take type writer in hand to make sure that "Bob" has enough to fill Ye Old twining vine.

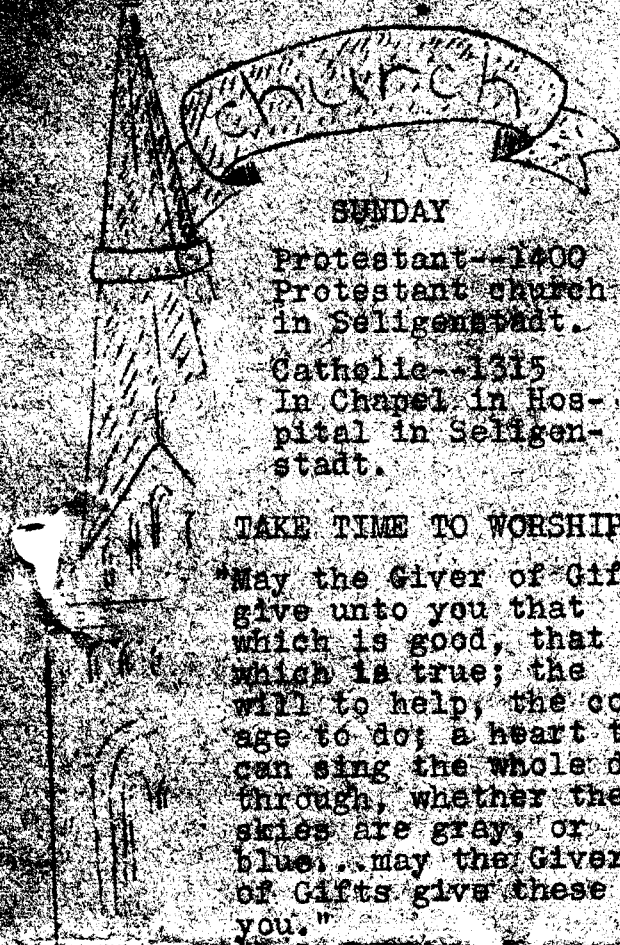
On Wednesday morning, we took on our second company trip to a and tradition bound Heidelberg started off with a foreboding touch for not only was it drizzle and raining but just as our one half tonner "Cannon Ball" one without the boxing gloves set to pull out, Pfc Dale Sawyer of Harvey, Illinois who was at the rear of the truck drove S/Sgt "Bar" Morgan's field back on the pavement. "BAR" spilled of the bottles and left his jacket to air out on the floor.

We arrived at BH HQ and got a map whereupon Lt. Janze, a Chicago man, reminded us that 7000 such maps at "C" company the whole thing threw us off and we forgot to sign out. We fixed that up for us in a reliable fashion.

We were off again by way of stad to Heidelberg. Once through Darmstadt, we hit the Autobahn sailed right through (still on highway) to where there is a bridge out and were derailed over a bridge into Mannheim which seems us to be quite out of the way which we had wanted to see and is also quite "hoped".

The entrance to Heidelberg is impressive what with all the planted shrubbery and trees. The entire city is clean, interesting and more important, has a lot of pretty women.

We packed the "Cannon Ball" lot which we had found right in the middle of town and went down Red Cross and some other things. The help was good and the girls were beautiful, all of them.



SUNDAY

Protestant--1400
Protestant church
in Seligenstadt.

Catholic--1315
In Chapel in Hos-
pital in Seligen-
stadt.

TAKE TIME TO WORSHIP

"May the Giver of Gifts
give unto you that
which is good, that
which is true; the
will to help; the cour-
age to do; a heart that
can sing the whole day
through, whether the
skies are gray, or
blue... may the Giver
of Gifts give these to
you."

(Go on Cont'd)

...like and are quite friendly
...attractive. Talk to
...they like it. And
...vocabulary is limited,
...say, "yes", "no", "O.K.", "I
...you", and of course, "maybe".
...then hustled down amidst the
...to the Casual Mess where with a
...ticket as our credentials, we
...carved a good meal, on their
...by some rather "heavy" but
...interesting French girls.
...band plays tunes while
...they are heard occasion-
...of G's yelling
...who never seem to
...their good humor.

...took a hike up to the fam-
...Castle built, if I
...correctly, around 1400. It
...while taking a "gand-
...it is one of the more
...to Europe, and the
...is unexcelled
...Stadens, so that
...each
...number

place and what has remained with a
most is the thickness of the masonry.
Some of the walls are as thick
as 21 feet.

The "piece de resistance" of the
tour is the finale when you are taken
down to the biggest wine barrel on
the face of the earth. And that it
must be, for it is 21 feet high, 2
feet long, holds 49,000 gallons or
for you more fastidious drinkers 3
000 bottles of wine. It's worth a
visit.

We were told that it was complete-
filled three times, the last time
ing, I believe, around 1720. More-
portant--now, it is empty.

There is a Mountain Train which
takes you up to a much higher and
newer castle and it ascends just a
perpendicular. The entire place is
worth seeing and must have been
something during the happier days
Krautland.

We had the good fortune to meet
most interesting young lady, and
may have the same good fortune if
look hard enough.

Supper, again at the Casual Mess
and just to show you how small the
ETO is getting, we met there a
ernity brother and college roommate,
Capt. Wm. F. Wright of Worcester.

That is "allus" for Heidelberg
except that the University, which
tes back to 1586 doesn't look like
is quite a place.

In a return match, the Ohio State
were just a little too good for the
veteran Fordham River Rats and won
21 to 14 and 21 to 17.

The Ohio State's travelled away
from home last week to play "F" of
of the 2nd Bn and were taken into
camp by the scores of 14 to 15, 15
8 and 15 to 9. In case, the above
confusing, we won the first game.

Co Athletic NCO Pfc Lyle Butler
who played frosh football for the
Univ. of Ill. until drafted and
right now tips the scales at 240
doing a first rate job with the
At present, he is putting the finishing
touches on two horseshoe courts.

THIRD PLATOON NEWS

--by Pfc Morris

Amiable S/Sgt "Johnny" vaulted a few more steps
of success when he
from the
study of

few days were Sgt Homsey, Pfc Garzleri and Pfc Webb. Good to see ya!

"Paratrooper" Green, trying to effect a peaceful settlement with his stomach, blapped his usual after dinner touch for a butt on Pfc Alvarez. "Wassa matter", remarks Alvarez, "didn't you get your cigarette ration?" "Sure", replied Green blandly, "but you're smoking my brand."

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WELCOME TO OZARK RED

We extend a word of welcome to three new officers assigned this week to the First Battalion. They are: 2nd Lieut. Ernest E. Watson, from Brockton, Mass., assigned to 2nd Plt of Co A; 2nd Lieut. John M. Ring, from Boston, Mass., assigned to Co B 1st Plt.; and 2nd Lieut. Gordon J. Banks, from Brooklyn, N.Y. assigned to Co C as Motor Officer.

All three officers are old Third Armored men and have recently graduated from Officer's Candidate School near Paris.

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FLASH FLASH FLASH FLASH

As we go to press we learn that in the place of an excursion to Heidelberg tomorrow, Sunday, the convoy will go to Weisbaden. From the report of a reconnaissance yesterday, you'll be missing a bet if you fail to get in on it. Here's the deal--there is swimming, horseback riding, concerts, dancing, movies, a big photo contest, Tennis, Golfing and hold on to your helmet men, there is a good sized WAC detachment stationed there. Your company will follow the policy of first come, first served, so better see the topkick today and get a seat in your company truck.

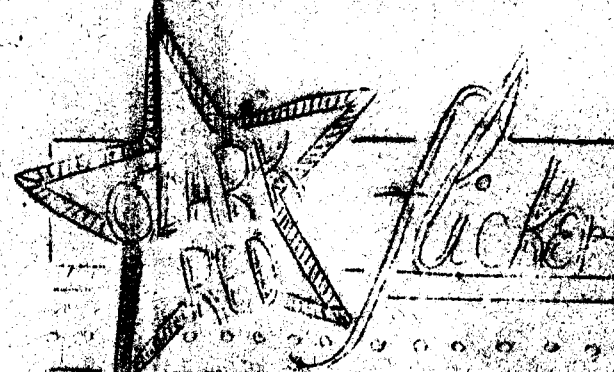
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ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT HERE

At last we have received and have already distributed a portion of the athletic equipment that the men have been awaiting according to Lt. Leslie H. Pearce, Jr., 1st Bn SSO.

The equipment included 21 soft balls, 4 hard ball bats, 12 soft ball bats, 16 gloves, 15 pair athletic shorts, 8 sports caps, and 162 swimming trunks.

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of June 17th	
Sat	"National Barn Dance"
Sun	Juan Heather + C. Quigley
Mon	"Animal Kingdom"
Tue	Ann Sheridan + E. Smith
Wed	
Thu	"My Pal Wolf"
Fri	
the management	

Governor Dewey says the only way to keep the world at peace is for United States to feed it. Even then there's no guarantee it won't bite the hand that's feeding it.

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General Eisenhower says it's O.K. to be nice to the German babies. It's a whale of a lot of fun that letter "i" in "babies" keeps us from having.

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TODAY'S NEWS HEADLINES

British troops have captured V Ribbentrop, Hitler's foreign Minister.

In N.W. Borneo Australian forces have completed the capture of Lab Island and the whole of Brunel Peninsula.

American forces on Luzon have advanced over 20 miles down the Cagayan valley.

Heavy bombers have again hit Formosa.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I complained when I had no shoes to wear until I found a man who had no feet."

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...on fraterniz-
 ...be less severe. One pop-
 ...expression to date, "Ossen zee
 ...of I'll sheesen zee lock", Oth-
 ...expressions likely to remain,
 ...and, "Do ya hear me ovah
 ...-da!"

MEDICAL DETACHMENT

The men in the Medical Detach-
 ment of the 1st Battalion, 36th,
 are proud of the number of decorat-
 ions received by its personnel.
 Headed by Capt Moses Rabinovitz, Bn
 Surgeon, from Phila., Pa., who has
 been awarded both the Silver and the
 Bronze Star while with the Recon-
 naissance Bn (83rd), the list adds
 up to eight silver and fifteen bronze
 stars. Sgt Gilbert Green, Wyandot,
 Ill., and Pfc Ralph Arcelay, San Juan,
 P.R., have each received both
 the silver and bronze stars while
 Sgt Angleka, Berlin, Pa., has recei-
 ved the bronze star and oak leaf
 Cluster. We believe that is as good
 as any record of any unit in the
 Division. --Pfc. Elwood E. Case

THINGS I NEVER NOODLE NOW

THAT--Contrary to popular opinion,
 the Congressional Medal of Honor does
 not have a salary. Only ~~commissaries~~
~~allowances~~ and warrant officers rate
 the highball.

THAT--No decoration or award will
 increase the amount of mustering out
 pay to the G.I. In fact there is no-
 thing that will affect the amount--it
 still stands that service in the
 zone will entitle you to 200 doll-
 ars upon release from the service,
 but if you served overseas you will
 get an additional 100 dollars--a tot-
 al of 300 dollars.

THAT--There are actually only
 three Battle Theater ribbons in ex-
 istence--The Asiatic; the American
 for participation outside the centi-
 nental limits of the U.S., such as
 Alaska etc.; and the ETO or European
 Theater of Operations.

THAT--However appropriate or nice
 it might seem for your girlfriend,
 sister or wife to wear your Combat
 Countryman's Badge, Award ribbons
 or decorations, it just cannot be
 done and stay within the rules. Only
 the person to whom the decoration
 is awarded may wear the insignia.
 It may be real mean about the info we'll
 mention that the violation act-
 ually carries a 20 dollar fine or
 30 days in the brig or both. It

planned on her to receive it for
 in case you're not around but that
 is only possible for the ceremony.

THAT--Your overseas bars are not
 authorized to be worn on overcoats.
 Only on blouses, shirts, or service
 jackets when authorized for wear.

AND FINALLY I NEVER NOODLE NOW
 "She was a good little girl as far
 as good little girls go, and as far
 as good little girls go, she went."

**BE SURE TO INSPECT YOUR
 GIRLFRIEND'S FORM**

Memorandum No. 11 from higher
 says members of this command must
 fraternize with any civilians with
 in Germany until her form has been
 inspected to ascertain whether or
 she possesses, WD AGO Form 65.

"WILCO"

Anything can happen around Ome
 Red Hagtrs, and usually does--Pfc
 Bennie Miodochowski, CP radio op-
 erator, and man of all trades around
 place, from Cleveland, Ohio, while
 the Bn was coiled in a field during
 preparations for another attack
 found it necessary to send a message
 to our higher command CP. The mes-
 sage was sent via the radio. But Bennie got
 some trouble with the radio. Bennie got
 message through. At Savannah, Ga.
 took a look out the back door of
 "Iron Lung" and there sat the 36th
 Command vehicle less than 25 yards
 away.

The Regimental Officer's staff
 team did it again to the 36th
 Doctors Thursday evening of this
 scored 4 to 3 over the 1st Bn of
 Frankfurt. Officers box set on
 ing: Major Owen, Lt. Pearce, Lt.
 bert, Lt. Brown, and captain Brown
 Captain Gruver former Lt. O. 1st
 now Regimental S-3.

GONE HOME

Men who have well earned their
 charges and have already headed
 home and final stage are: Sgt
 Wilbert O. Brunell, Sgt. ...
 and Sgt. ...
 Clair Pa. From A Co. ...
 Eliza, Colorado, ...
 mit Hale, ...
 Lucas, ...
 ...

THE FLICKERS

Tonight (Saturday) at 1900 hours in Clark Red Theatre--"A Tree Grows In Brooklyn" starring Dorothy McQuire and James Dunn. Sunday--two showings of "A Tree Grows In Brooklyn". 1430 and 1900. You'll enjoy it. It's a good one. "Shorti" Rothman says the projector and sound systems are both working better than ever.

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A Chaplain had asked if he might go up in a bomber with its crew on a mission to give the men courage in a particularly dangerous battle. Talking over the inter-communications system to the uneasy men at their posts in the plane the Chaplain explained that even up here in the sky in the midst of the flak and smoke, God is always present. The tail gunner replied, "Look Chaplain, religion is all right on the ground but you can't make me believe that God is present on the plane on this mission." At that instance a 50 caliber slug cut through the tail gunner's position missing him by inches. The Chaplain's speaker burst out with, "Correction Sir, He just came in!"

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Protestant--1400 Protestant Church in Seligenstadt.
Catholic--1315 Catholic Church in Seligenstadt.

"DEAR SIR"

Dear Lt. Frankenberg:

Sorry not to have been able to re-turn to camp last night but my wife had a baby and it wasn't my fault. -- Private Joe D

PHOTOGRAPHY

Many good photos are ruined due to movement of the camera at the time you snap the picture. It is impossible to eliminate camera movement, shooting at less than 1/25th of a second if you're to hold the camera in your hand. When shooting at slower speeds pre the camera on something solid; use a tripod. When shooting at 1/25th or 1/50th be particularly careful that you hold the camera rather solidly against your tummy or chest. Hold

your breath at the time you snap release just as you do with your

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I shot an arrow into the air
It fell to earth I know not where
I lose more damned arrows thataway.

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

As taken from BBC broadcast at 0900 Saturday 26 May 1945.

Mr. Joseph Davis has arrived in London on a mission from President Truman. Mr. Harry Hopkins has arrived in Moscow. Messages of Greeting have been exchanged by Mr. Molotov and Mr. Eden on the Third Anniversary of the Anglo Soviet Ally.

Five hundred American Superforts have dropped 4000 tons of incendiaries on Tokyo. Two airfields north of Tokyo were bombed yesterday by American Mustangs which made a round trip of 1500 miles from Iwo Jima. Carrier borne fighters have made a 5 day series of attacks on the Amami Islands in the northern Ryukyus and on Kyushu. The Japanese have lost 111 aircraft in more desperate attacks on the American Fleet off Okinawa. Eleven light warships were damaged. American troops on Mindanao have captured an airfield 15 miles north of the chief town. On Luzon Phillipino forces have occupied two towns on the east coast. In Burma British 14th Army troops have occupied the river fort of Bassein about 90 miles west of Rangoon.

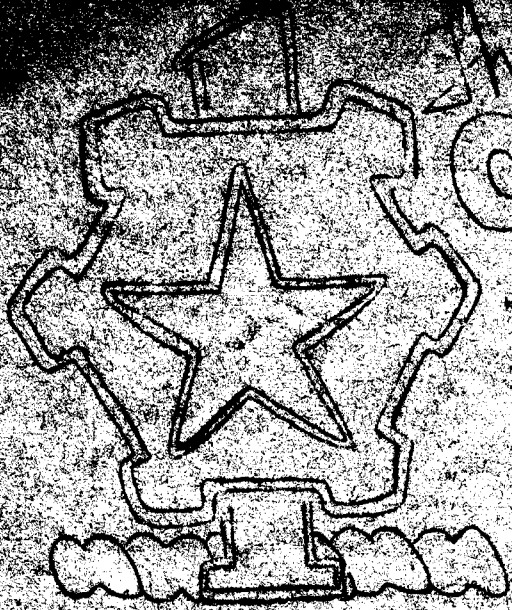
Field Marshal Montgomery was yesterday invested with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour by General DeGaulle in Paris. The Field Marshal was given a tremendous ovation when he drove through the streets to open the British Army Exhibition.

It is announced in Ottawa that 3rd Canadian Division will represent Canada in the Allied Army of Occupation in Germany. Hamburg will be the center of the Canadian Service.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"The one thing worse than a coward is the man who is afraid to begin."



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MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW COMMANDER MAJOR OWEN

Well thanks for the good things you were brave enough to say about the first issue of the Grapevine--and thanks too for the good job you did in helping in the staff for this issue--we'll be looking for it right along.

It is no longer news to most of you but just to keep everyone even on the goings on we'll mention that we have a new Bn C.O.--Major James T. Owen, Jr. former Bn Ex. O. Major Owen has been a permanent fixture in the First Battalion and needs no introduction--he is as he puts it, "just one of the fellows who has come all the way with the outfit and feels very much at home anywhere in the place." Col. Orr left last week to go up to Col. Howze's Regimental Hqs. an Executive Officer, Captain Edwin Gruber, former Bn S-3 went to the front as S-3. Captain Goldner came to the front from Hq Co C.O. to be S-3 and Ex. O. Lieut. Prieskorn is now C.O. of Hq Co. and we're expecting Lieut. Janze back from Officers' training school to become Ron Plt Ldr and I & E Officer.

There are plenty of rumors beginning to float about concerning what's to happen to us but we'll sweat out the real dope which may come along some day. We're reminded, with all the rumors being started, of old Uncle Josh who used to say, "The trouble with most folks isn't so much their ignorance, as knowin' so many things that ain't so."--The Editor.

"To the men of the First Battalion Thirty-Sixth: During my service with this Battalion, which covers a period of more than four years, I have had the opportunity of personally observing you under many different circumstances--both while at work and at play. During the more pleasant months of the States we spent together in the States you displayed the highest caliber of leadership in athletics and recreational events and during the more serious of your early training in Louisiana and the trying days of desert training you displayed a keen desire to lead. Later in the strenuous training in the land at the threshold of the enemy you showed then the determination and will to win that has made you the conqueror that you are today.

During the past 11 months you have spent 301 days in combat--218 days in contact with the enemy. During the difficult days, in your will to overcome an unjust opponent, your loyalty to duty and to this Battalion, you were superb.

I am indeed proud to become the Commander of this the finest Battalion in the Army. I consider it a privilege to serve with you and proud to be part of such a fine organization. Accept my assurance that I will give you all the cooperation possible.

Editor's Note--Attached at the end of Major Owen's copy to the Grapevine was this note to the editor. "This expresses my feelings rather poorly. Hell, you can't say enough for the men of the First Battalion."

"FLAK"

Did you know the word "flak" comes from the German word "Fliegerabwehr" which means "air defense".

NOTES WE FOUND IN THE BATTLE LOG: We busted the enemy on the 1st of May. We were in the air.

MEET THE STAFF

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Pfc Harrison G. Schneider
CO A COR. . . . Cpl G. M. Greenberg
CO B COR. ..Pfc Raymond E. Farrell
CO C COR. Pfc Kenneth Danielsen
MEDICS T/5 Elwood E. Case

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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

--by Pfc Harrison G. Schneider

A likely candidate for fullback on the Battalion football team was discovered near the Hq Co CP the other day--he was observed plunging headlong through a high board fence without even waiting for a hole to be opened up. Result--a few scratches and a neat hole in the fence. Sources close to said candidate say, however, that when he really carries the pigskin he doesn't travel on a motorcycle. We won't mention names but his initials are Sgt. McAllister.

The boys of Hq Co have been searching for someone to take over their guard, calisthenics and close order drill ever since K.P. was taken over by the Italians.

The kitchen reported the first day with permanent K.P.'s to be rough in spite of the heroic work of interpreter Salvatore Cardinale. "It would have been easier to do all the work myself" said Mess Sgt. Meller, "in fact it started me smoking my one cigarette a day, to calm my nerves."

T/Sgt. Harry Spiering was "sweating out" the letters "C.B.I." on his record until he found that they stood for "Combat Badge, Infantry".

LeRoy D. Barnett is leaving for Spa, Belgium on a pass in the near future.

A COMPANY

--by Cpl G. M. Greenberg

The first man to leave A Co under the new point system of demobilization thus taking the first big step forward toward home and civilian clothes, is Tech Sgt. Louis W. Elza, of Arkansas. He has forty-one months of overseas service to his credit, including a long, cold visit to the Aleutians, and a total of 107 points, and that's

soda jerk in his teens, and decided to don OD's long before Pearl Harbor. A popular and capable Plt Sgt, he held the position of Acting Plt Ldr the way from Paderborn to Dessau.

T/Sgt Elza will be long remembered in A Company for his inspiring leadership, his good judgment, and his devotion to his men and his duty. He plans to start a small business of his own when he gets home, and a host of good wishes go with him as he leaves his G.I. friends.

B COMPANY

--by Pfc Raymond E. Farrell

Sgt Kermit Hale, who had enough points to get him back to the state intends to go back to where the "tater corn grows", his home state Iowa, and resume the quiet life of farming. Sgt Hale's new address will be MR. Kermit Hale, Rt 3, Nampa, Iowa.

Those three fugitives from the N rejects, Captain Bohme, Ralph Garre and Bob Klassey of B Co have been trying, unsuccessfully to rig up an outboard motor for the Captain's boat. Thinking they had what it takes, they put it on the boat, gave the rope a twist and lo and behold the boat started to move backward!! The last we heard they were working on another one in the hopes that they won't have to look up some oars.

C COMPANY

--by Pfc Kenneth Danielsen

At a recent guard mount the Officer of the Day was making his inspection. As is usual, certain of the soldiers were asked to give the General Order. One such individual hemmed and hawed unable to answer the query at all. A little grimmer, the OD snapped, "Give me number eight". Still nothing but a slight gurgle. Whereupon the OD decided to play with his fish a bit and proceeded, "To report"--. Eagerly rising to the bait the EM spat out, "To report all orders not covered by fire!!!"

The Second Rifle Squad of the Third Platoon was well represented when the likeable S/Sgt James Johnson and Pfc Jean "Anzio" DiGiambattisti received Silver Stars last Saturday. Doc Arlay, who has found himself a home, awarded the Bronze Star.

The cigarette shortage became a last week. Some suggested tooth pickers others worked the "strasse" over. Fritz Meuler, age 11, bitches that he was beaten out of butts by many GI's these last few days.

award on ~~the~~ the Bronze Star for participation in the original breakthrough at St. Lo and the Bronze Star Cluster for action at Dossau, he recently was awarded the coveted Distinguished Service Cross for heroism in the fight for Hoven.

He has never carried a good luck charm or had any superstitions about his luck but confesses that he never changed his battered and torn helmet net and parachute cloth camouflage from the day he entered combat.

The Captain's wife, Beatrice G. and little 2 year old daughter Beth Ann have a candle burning in the window at 2043 Fairmount Ave., Baltimore, Maryland since hearing that under the point release system the Captain will be heading home soon.

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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

--by Pfc Eugene Bauer

It isn't often you find men in the same Co that lived in the same neighborhood back home and not knowing each other, but such is the case of S/Sgt Willis Green, S/Sgt John Vadney and Pfc Jacob Zimmerman, all of Hq Co. It wasn't until the 3 were engaged in a "bull session" with other fellow G.I.'s back in Weissen-see that the fact became known that they were all from the same "New Scotland Avenue" neighborhood in Albany, N.Y. and all live within a radius of a block or two.

Leave it to the G.I. to have a fancy answer for the current subjects of conversation--Pfc Ellis Pittman, McCrae, Ga. when asked by a buddy, "Hey, 'Wobble', when you goin' home?" "The First!" answered "Wobble". "The first of what?" asked the buddy. "First chance I get," was his answer. Speaking home, "Wobble" claims he lives so far back in Georgia that he has given up the idea of buying a new suit of clothes every Spring. For by the time he gets back from town with it, the style has changed.

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A COMPANY

--by Cpl. C. M. Greenberg

Men of the First Platoon were happy to hear that their much admired Platoon Leader had ~~received~~ his gold bars for silver ones, so now it's a 1st Lieut. Presley L. Treme, who hails from Washington D.C. via Louisiana.

At a colorful ceremony on May Silver Stars were presented by Brig. General Hickey, Division Comdr. Lieut. Treme; 1st Lieut Paul E. Co of Millersburg, Pa.; S/Sgt Herbert Hannah of Woodlake, Neb.; and S/Sgt Irvin M. Smoot of Portland, Oregon. They certainly did their bit in helping reduce the size of the Wehrmacht in the Bulge and from the Roer to the Rhine.

Bronze Stars were awarded to Sg Bernard P. Dumler of Hutchinson, Kan.; Pfc Chas. A. Ponzetti of Bridgeport Conn.; and Pfc Fred N. Kleber of Pittsburgh, Pa. Congratulations from C to these men who helped make it one of the most outstanding companies in the Regiment!

The First Platoon badge said add to one of those high point men this week. He is Pfc Paul H. Baggett of Tampa, Florida, whose four years of service in Panama had a little something to do with his total of 102 points. How did you say "Cum-in-see heer" goes in Japanese?

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B COMPANY

--by Pfc Raymond E. Farrell

Pfc Thomas W. Viar of B Co has had the distinction of having been chosen as the neatest dressed, and best instructed sentry at Guard Mount twice in a row. He almost ran it up to three in a row but nervousness overcame him and his record remained at two. "Something to strive for".

Is the Lieut from B Co. trying to let us in on an inside story, or was it just an error when he used APO 253 P.M., San Francisco as a return address. Will his error turn out like the Esquire Calendar!!! (We hope not!!!)

A certain Platoon Sgt in Co B came up to Captain Donadeo at the station and asked him if he had any thing for worms. All the time the thought the Sgt had the worms but upon inquiry he found that "Head-space" the platoon mascot had them.

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C COMPANY

--by Lt. H. J. Lavin

Thursday, the last day of May, was a big one for "C" Co for it finally succeeded in sending off to a rough start its first league. The 2nd platoon built the Volley Ball Court while "Big Boy" Button of the 1st Platoon



MEET TIME TO WORSHIP

SUNDAY SERVICES

Catholic - Catholic Church, Seligen-
stadt - 1315.

Protestant - Protestant Church, Seligen-
stadt, 1400.

There was a man whose cross seemed much heavier than any his friends were bearing. So he went to the place where crosses were made. The maker of the crosses said: "Try one of our crosses. They may fit your shoulders better." The man finally chose one which seemed lighter. "This is the one for you," he said. "Well, my man," said the maker, "that is the one you have chosen."

COME HOME

Another shipment of deserving 1st Cavalier men to hold enough points to say "howdy" to the folks in the States in a few days left early last Monday morning from Battalion CP. They were: From A Co--James R. Blakely, Chicago, Ill. and Paul A. Baggett, Florida. From B Co--Jack B. Thompson, Columbus, Ohio; Orlan C. Jones, Memphis, La.; LeRoy Woods, Cashport, Pa.; Frank W. Rabasa, Prince George, Va.; and Irving Jaffer, Detroit, Mich. From C Co--Cecil F. Corum, Independence, Mo.; Chas. V. Messinger, Douglas, Ariz.; Keith E. Mortimer, Pontiac, Mich.; and Milner E. Hattenman, Independence, Kan. Capt. Fred Grover, recently appointed S-3 Battalion from S-4 of 1st Ba, left for European Front, Ohio.

OPTIMISM

It is the one about... and immediately began look... and a send.

...issued blouse or jacket. Rather than to continue your words, we have drawn the... low of the way your decorations... lock on your uniform. In addition... those shown, if you wish to wear... marksmanship, sharpshooter or... rifle medal, it will be worn on... pocket label. Your Citation ribbon... will be worn, centered, over the... wearer's right breast pocket. The... which denote fraternal organization... affiliation such as Veterans of... eight Years or American Legion are... authorized for wear while a man is... serving on active duty.

U. M.	D. S. C.	S. L. S.	R. I. S.
R. H. T.	G. C. O. A.	A. I. D. E. F.	E. T. S.

MOVIES EVERY NIGHT AT 1900 GRAND THEATRE. Sat. "Dangerous Passage" Rept. Lourey & Phillip Brooks. 1500 and 1900. Mon & Tues. "Indemnity", Fred MacArrey, W. & Tri. "Winged Victory" with O'Brien and Jeanne Brain. Sat. "Destiny", Gloria Jean and A. J.

TODAY'S NEWS HEADLINES

President Truman to Congress in a year's time U.S. Army in Pacific will total 7,000,000 - double the present day strength there. For the first time at sea there can not be even a partial naval demobilization until the blow has been dealt to Japan. Japanese air force will be shattered and relentlessly as the Luftwaffe.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Tomorrow a... to close this... of... Passionate... and...

"Big Boy" Button of the 1st Plt measured and marked it off with the aid of a chart furnished by Bn P.R.O., 1st Lt. "Piano Playing" Pearse.

Each of the 3 plts has two teams, one a Weapons Team and the other a Rifles Team. And in the inaugural game the First Plt Rifles swamped the 1st Plt Weapons to the tune of 21 to 5. The Weapons had the size but the Rifles most of the finesse. T/5 Lloyd Boulware and 3 pvts. higher grade, Benama, Komar and Alvin just didn't let up the pressure one bit and while it is too early to make a sound judgement, looks like a hard team to beat.

The 2nd game, between the 2nd Plt Rifles and 2nd Plt Weapons was a thriller. Although the quality of play in this game was marred by the presence of "rank" in the persons of Co Comdr. Cook and 1st Lt. "Twins" Schra-tweiser, it was a nip and tuck affair right to the end when the Rifles came from behind to snatch a 22 to 20 victory.

The Weapons were greatly handicapped due to the fact that just at game time their sky-high and star player Pfc "Zeke" Thompson from Texas was reminded by "Top Kick" Hudspeth that he had a 4 hour tour with a pack.

Tech Sgt "Bill" Herrick, Sgt "Dave" Weinstein, and Pfc "Butch" Antolovich of the victorious Rifles are a "cagey" trio with the poise and confidence to overcome a bad start and that is just what they did in this game for at one stage they were behind 16 to 9.

Lt. Cook, Sgt. John Taylor and Pfc "Whitey" Long kept the Weapons right in the game to the very end. They can probably lay their defeat to a little overconfidence plus the fact that "Zeke" was not at the net.

The league will operate five nights a week and is scheduled through July 3rd by which time each team will have played 16 games.

The popular S/Sgt. Jesse Sarret recently returned to the 3rd Plt from the hospital. Welcome back Jesse.

The 3rd Plt again copped the Guard Mount as well as the Colonel's Orderly Garrison Class, "wot"? "K Ration", 3rd Platoon Mascot, is nosing out civilized ways. she now uses the straddle trench. Sgt. John Packowski has become a legendary figure on Cannizzarastasse. The civilians look upon him as another Monty Wooley.

The 3rd Plt has organized two crack volley-ball teams. Sgt Doyles

anctly beating the 2nd Plt aggregation. The Jr Varsity headed by "Anzio" Digiambattiesti and "Big Time" soundly trounced the varsity recently. And both will take all comers from any where in the Battalion.

We want to officially say "welcome back" to T/Sgt Bill Herrick who has just arrived back from a furlough to the U.S. Bill left us in the Belgian Bulge.

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MEDICS

--by T/5 Elwood E. Case

When an outfit goes into battle for the first time it puts to test the theories and practices it has been taught in training. As a group the original Ozark Red Medics (19th and 2 Officers) had probably been a well trained when they hit the beaches of Normandy as their comrades in the line companies. At Indiantown G in England, the schedule called for daily classes in first aid, litter drill by the numbers, the application of splints and the complicated measures to be taken for gas casualties. A few battles taught us how much of the haberdash we had been taught was useful. For battle situations requiring first aid we soon learned that the following were most important: Control of bleeding, use of sulfanamide powder, when and how to give morphine and speed of evacuation.

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MEET THE STAFF

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- CO B COR.... Pfc Raymond E. Farrell
- CO C COR... Lt. H. J. Lavin
- MEDICS..... T/5 Elwood E. Case

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"DEAR SIR"

To Waacs, Wash. Please tell me how to go about joining up. I'm anxious to get in without a lot of red tape as I've had no relief since my last project was out off. --Mrs. M...

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You may have heard it mentioned from time to time but just to prove to you that it was not a rumor here is our humble attempt of presenting to you, your Battalion Newspaper--THE OZARK RED GRAPEVINE.

Colonel Orr, our Battalion C.O. planted the seed some months ago when he expressed his wish for a newspaper within the Battalion in order to present informally to each one of you the up-to-the-minute news, movie and church schedules, helpful information from headquarters, news items about your buddies and features of interest to your liking; but we were just too darned busy to water the thing and it withered up a bit but the other day we give it a sprinkle and what d'ya know--it sprouted!

We can make no promise about how often the sheet will get off the press, so--let's be on the safe side and just say it will be issued semi-occasionally.

Due to many short-comings like limited space, unforeseen mechanical troubles, not to mention our unprofessional mannerisms, we'll warn you in the beginning that we'll probably break every rule there is concerning newspaper publishing but if you get a kick out of the patter, we'll feel the effort worth while.

There's a catch to the whole thing however--you are just as much a part of the newspaper as anybody--so consider yourself a news reporter right now. We are dedicating a special section in each issue for your unit and it will be up to you to see that your press agent gets the dope to us. We'll be looking for it.--The Editor.

MESSAGE FROM COL ORR

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and satisfaction for the performance of every man during this final phase of the war in Europe.

Everyone is well aware of the merits of this Battalion so there is no need for me to further clarify that but I think I can explain why this Battalion has the record it has. In the words of Col. Doan, whom we would all follow any place, any time, "I wouldn't trade that Battalion for two other Battalions in the U.S. Army and in the words of our Commanding General, "You need never take a bad seat to anyone with that Battalion Yours"--we find an expression of the merits of this organization. My answer to that has always been that I have had the best fighting men and officers that a civilian army can produce. We all knew of our comrades who gave their lives, of the job that they had to do, and it was done. We have learned to work together, conscientiously and to consider the people who are beside us. That and that alone, have been responsible for our successes. The job wasn't always done in the most economical fashions, but the teamwork, the cooperation was, results were obtained. Our job is finished some of us will remain here some will continue the attack on the aggressor but our reputation is established, and we must never forget that a great part of it is based on our buddies who were killed in action. Our big job now--then, is to never let them down. Wherever we go, wherever we serve with, it is our job to see that that reputation remains unchanged.

Our standards are high, "Perfection" is the word, one that can never be attained but one that gives us, all something to work for. Wherever we go, there should never be any doubt

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

10:00 hrs. Prot. Church, Selig.
11:00 hrs. Cath. Church, Selig.

... of the war has been
 ... the greatest dis-
 ... army in history. Your
 ... it was well done and you have
 ... to be proud of, as a mem-
 ... of this great Division of ours,
 ... the 26th Regiment, which has taken
 ... of every difficult engage-
 ... the Division has been in,
 ... as a member of this, our Battal-
 ... to you belongs the credit, the
 ... and the responsibility for
 ... the reputation you have
 ... us."

... was cleared by
 ... found and it was
 ... the camera belongs to
 ... And finally, I
 ... now that--The most
 ... the world is the woman
 ... husband with a boy and
 ... not to wake the children.

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY--20 May 1945. --
PROTESTANT
 1300 Protestant Church--Soligenst.
CATHOLIC
 1200 Catholic Church -- Soligenst.

Best for all around appearance
 and best marching company in
 night's Retreat Parade was
 Cook's Company C, according to
 judges.

I NEVER KNEW TILL NOW

... You say now mention in
 ... letters, your location within
 ... theater and you may even mail
 ... post cards and photos
 ... THAT--Lieut. Schott-
 ... has been inquiring about a
 ... in "Onboard Motor Mech-
 ... THAT--B-Company's 1st Sgt.
 ... from Two Rivers, Wis.
 ... the bandage off yesterday. THAT--
 ... has recently been awarded the
 ... (Distinguished Service Order)
 ... award equal in distinct-
 ... The award was a
 ... For the engagement at
 ... Belgium by General Mont-
 ... while this battalion oper-
 ... the British and was the
 ... held its position ag-
 ... thrust by the enemy.
 ... an honest man in the
 ... Walter Karp-
 ... of Marwan, Wis.
 ... recently awarded Captain
 ... of 1st.

- MEET THE STAFF**
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 - TECHNICIAN AND ARTIST**... Ben W. Michelson
 - Hq Co CORRESPONDENT**... Pfc Eugene Hauer
 - Co A CORRESPONDENT**... Sgt. Stanley...
 - Co B CORRESPONDENT**... Pfc Raymond...
 - Co C CORRESPONDENT**... Pfc Kenneth Dan...

Colonel's Orderly picked
 last evening, guard mount
 dressed and best instructed
 was Col. Ray V. Faust, B. Company
 from Auburn, Penna.

In the softball game
 night between 12th Regimental
 1000 and the 12th Army Band
 the Regimental Officers scored
 a 15 to 2 victory over the
 1st Battalion players including
 Lieut. Lambert, Capt. Robert
 Brown, Captain Gruber and
 Pearce.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The following personal message has been received by General Eisenhower from His Majesty The King:

Several months ago, you led the expeditionary force across the English Channel, carrying with you the hopes and prayers of millions of men and women of many nations. To it was entrusted the task of annihilating the German Armies in Western Europe, and of this liberating the peoples whom they had enslaved. All the world now knows that, after fierce and continuous warfare, this force has accomplished its mission with a finality conceived by no other such expedition in history. On behalf of all my people, I ask that you, its Supreme Commander, will tell its members how grateful we are to them, and how boundless is our admiration for the courage and determination which, under wise leadership, have brought them to their goal of complete and crushing victory. I would ask you also to convey a special message of congratulations to my own forces now under your command. Throughout the campaign, they have committed themselves in all services, with a valor and distinction for which their fellow-countrymen will forever hold them in honour. By COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HICKLEY. /s/ Raymond A. Knox, Acting Adjutant General.

MOVIES

... had every night at Clark Red ... in Seligenstadt, 1930 and ... hours.

We welcome 2nd Lieut. Berman ... back to 1st Battalion after his ... at OCS of 6 weeks making him ... fledged officer. He tells us ... it's really surprising the ... of training that can be crowd- ... into eight weeks. Lieut. Lavin ... worked as a clerk in the ... of as a Pfc. He has been ... to Company C, 1st Platoon ... We all wish him well, we ... that he do a good job.

If you are one of those who have been nipped by the photo bug, you may be interested in the hints and helps we plan to put in this column from time to time. We promise to stick to the practical angle in order to serve the greatest number of camera fans.

Colonel Orr recently made the statement that he was very pleased to note that the hobby of photography that has so completely gripped this Battalion has proved to serve as one of the finest types of relaxation and morale boosters.

Many of you have been taking some unusually fine pictures--and that you will cherish all your pictures that you will never have an opportunity to take again, under similar circumstances, at least we hope--then again some are turning out a lot of blanks.

We notice that too many camera men are shooting too many photos without using the care necessary for shooting good pictures. You know how to use your particular camera, even though it is a cheap one, you are better off with a 50 cent camera. Find out how to use your camera before you shoot.

If time permits we want to have a few pow-wows around at the units to talk over informally the things that are bothering you about your camera. We'll announce the time soon.

You have been very patient in waiting for your photographs to clear our processing room--and we promise that after we clear our large number of accumulated photos that has been unloaded upon us, we have set up here, we will get quicker service. To give you an ample, we have in process over 450 rolls of film. We hope you will continue to be patient for a few until we can get to yours.

There are many good photographic subjects in this area, besides the regular subjects, and we hope to get a lot of fine pictures.

... IS GRAB! Run with better ...

FIRST BATTALION'S V.E. DAY

THE NEWS

Thought you'd be interested in knowing just how the announcement of V.E. Day was accepted here in 1st Bn. --the lack of unusual excitement of course was the most noticeable thing and that as we all know was due mostly to the fact that our V.E. Day was the day we pulled back from Dessau to Wippra knowing or least being told that we were through fighting in the ETO. Well at about 0847 on the 7th of May Major Curlee called Major Owen and said that V.E. Day had been officially announced by higher headquarters as of 0845. We recall that the Major gave a little whoop and a holler or somethin' and after telling the switchboard operator to notify the companies dashed up to Colonel Orr's office. The C.O. wasn't excited about the thing--just simply said, "Let's have a drink, Major," in just about the same tone he used when we had breached the Siegfried Line, or broke into the Cologne plains, or when we took Cologne. Bennie Mlodochowski was at the switchboard at the CP and called the news out to the companies. This was the response: Pfc. Karpowich answered at Hq Co and when told the news, merely remarked with all the gusto of a rumor doubter, "B---S---!" Sgt. Dumlér answered at A Co. and said "Is that the straight fact?" We don't recall who answered for B Co but he excitedly yelled, "Roger, I heard it on the party line when you told A Co., thanks!" At C Co, 1st Sgt. McCreary answered and after being told the announcement he said nothing--there was just the sound of someone falling off a chair. Meobery and Watterson, battalion wiremen were repairing a broken line picked up the news on the test phone. Watty yelled, "Come on down "Moo", let's quit, it's all over!" A KP at the kitchen at B Co tossed his scrub brush into the air. Most of us weren't impressed outwardly but deep down inside there was a feeling of relief. Around the Bn CP the realization of the real V.E. Day struck us when five minutes after we made the announcement, C Co's 1st Sgt. McCreary called and said, "Hey, Bob, how about getting us a Chaplain over here for about 15 minutes--you know we've all been asking for quite a lot the last

Here are the highlights of today's news as taken from the BBC news-cast at 0900 today.

A great force of superfortresses from the Marianas today bombed industrial targets in the western outskirts of Tokyo. South of Japan American troops on Okinawa have made small gains against very stiff opposition. The Allied campaign on Tarakan Island off Borneo is virtually over. Australian and Netherlands East Indies troops have reached the east coast and all the important points on the island have now been taken. In the Phillipines American troops in Central Mindanao have captured Valincia and two nearby airfields. British heavy bombers of Eastern Air Command have smashed the Jap harbor installations at Ft. Blair in the Andiman Islands.

The Allied Armies in Germany have so far found about two and one half million slave laborers from various European countries. Over 40 per cent of them are Russians. About half of these people have been placed in some 200 camps and centers set up by the Allied Armies in Germany.

In a statement on the Polish problem Marshal Stalin says it can be solved only on the basis of the Crimean decision and by agreement among the Allies if three conditions are observed. 1. That the Polish provisional government formerly known as the Lublin Committee should be recognized as the nucleus of a government of national unity. 2. That such a government should be friendly with Russia. 3. That the reconstruction of the Polish provisional government must be solved as Marshal Stalin put it, "Together with Poles who at present have ties with the Polish people and not without them."

Yesterday's news stated that British troops have taken Max Schmeling in Hamburg. Many Gestapo officers have been rounded up by British military police.

END OF TODAY'S NEWS

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY --

If what you did yesterday seems big to you, you haven't done much.