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HISTORY OF THE REGIMENT

Brownsville, Texas witnessed the birth of the 36th Infantry in July 1916, when it was organized from the 4th, 26th, and 28th Infantry Regiments. This new organization spent the first year of its existence on the Mexican border and when the 40th and 41st Infantry Regiments were organized in 1917, furnished personnel for those regiments. Later it became part of the 12th Division and was in training for foreign service until it was made inactive at Fort Jay, New York on October 13, 1921. The regiment did not serve overseas during World War I.

On April 15, 1941 at Camp Beauregard, Louisiana the 36th Infantry was again made into an active organization. It was organized from the 41st Infantry (Armored) Regiment, 2nd Armored Division, Fort Benning, Georgia, which had originally been formed from the 36th Infantry in 1917. From Camp Beauregard the 36th moved to its present location at Camp Polk to become the Infantry spearhead of the 3rd Armored Division. Since its arrival at Camp Polk, Louisiana, it has had three commanding officers. The first being Colonel Walton H. Walker. When Colonel Walker was promoted to Brigadier General, to become Commander of the 3rd Armored Brigade, Camp Polk, Louisiana, he was succeeded by Lieutenant Colonel Edwin A. Smith. Colonel Smith's stay with the 36th was also short-lived as he also joined the staff of the 3rd Armored Brigade. Colonel W. L. Roberts, who now commands the organization, was appointed as his successor.

The motto selected for the 36th Infantry (Armd) Regiment is, "DEEDS NOT WORDS", while the crest symbolized the birthplace of the regiment.

REGIMENTAL STAFF

Col. W. L. Roberts	Regt. Comdr.
Maj. J. J. Billo	Regt. Exec. Off.
Capt. E. P. Sylvester	Regt. Adj.
Capt. W. C. Owen	S-2
Maj. V. E. Cockofair	S-3
Capt. E. C. Orth	S-4
Lieut. P. W. Corrigan	Personnel Adj.

BATTALION STAFFS

1st Battalion

Lt. Col. E. B. Heylman	Bn. Comdr.
Lt. J. C. Chapman	Mtr. Off.
Lt. T. O. Curlee	Adj.
Lt. R. Richards	Exec. Off.

2nd Battalion

Maj. T. A. Seely	- DS 2nd (A) Div.
Capt. C. P. Russell	Bn. Comdr.
Lt. E. H. Livaudais	Det. Comdr.
Lt. C. H. Sheely	Mtr. Off.

SPECIAL UNITS BATTALION

Capt. Percy Miley - Bn. Comdr.

It is a pleasure for me to send greetings to this fine organization through the first edition of "THE BUGLER".

The motto of the regiment, "DEEDS NOT WORDS", is a worthy one, but let us add to it the following, not only on official, but other occasions, "The 36th does the right thing".

W. L. ROBERTS
Colonel, 36th Inf (Armd)

The Regiment takes pleasure in dedicating this, the first issue of The Bugler to Colonel W. L. Roberts.

SUPPORT IS DUTY OF ANTI-TANK CO.

ANTI-TANKERS GO SOCIAL

Last Friday evening, Sept. 19th, the Anti-Tank Co. had its first event on the social calendar; and it turned out to be a howling success.

For refreshments the fellows had their choice of ice cream and pop, or beer. The three men who had pop enjoyed the evening too. As the session wore on, and the feeling of good fellowship mounted, our poet laureate, Steve Sczerba, waxed eloquent and a new Anti-Tank song was born.

He says that he still has to do a little polishing, but here are the words as they were produced that gala evening. They're sung to the tune of the "Caisson Song". We're hoping that we have a composer in the Company who will come out with an original tune for this song.

"Anti-Tank Comrades"

Let them come, big or small,
We'll lick them, one and all;
As the AT's go rolling along.

In and out, hear them shout,
Let's go knock those big tanks out;
As the AT's go rolling along.

When it's Hi, Hi, Hi,
In the field of In-Fan-Try;
We will stick with the good old AT's;
And when the enemy comes in-to sight,
We will bring them down to their knees.
-Steve Sczerba

HERE AND THERE IN A. T.

Private Andy Sierzega hereby challenges any ten men in the Division to play a chess match. Andy says he could play twenty men simultaneously while blindfolded. After seeing "Yardbird" Sierzega's masterful hand in action we hesitate to urge anyone to challenge him. Andy, it is stoutly maintained by his intimates, once drew (stalemate) a game with the famous Rubenfiar, in a New York tournament.

It has been rumored that "Sandy-Hill" Hopson has met with difficulties on several occasions, upon returning, in the wee hours from his usual nightly jaunt to "The Hill". It seems that some hard-hearted soul has it in for Private Hopson; having resorted to all sorts of skulduggery to provoke him. One night, he found his belongings scattered all over the barracks. Tch, Tch, each goings-on.

ANTI-TANK IS ONE OF BEST ARMED UNITS IN ARMY

The purpose of the Anti-Tank Co. is to support and defend this Regiment against mechanized attack, whether by tank, armored car, or any other form.

It is composed of 143 enlisted men and five officers, arranged in the following manner:

Company HQ	2 Officers
	57 EL men
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Platoons	(each) 1 officer 37 EL men

An Anti-Tank Platoon is divided into four squads of seven men each (Squad leader, gunner, assistant gunner, ammunition carrier, automatic rifleman, assistant automatic rifleman, and driver), plus a Platoon HQ (Platoon leader-2nd Lieutenant, platoon sergeant, transport Corporal, Agent Scout, Agent Scout & Reconnaissance, and a driver) and two Section Headquarters (each having the Section leader and one messenger).

The AT Company if, or rather will be, when it gets all its equipment, one of the best armed units in the Army; having, besides the following transportation facilities:

17 half-track armored cars
3 2½ ton trucks
1 ½ ton truck
4 motorcycles,
thirty-four .30 cal machine guns, two .30 cal air-cooled machine guns, eighteen .50 cal machine guns, twenty-two Thompson .45 cal sub-machine guns, 37mm Anti-Tank guns, one hundred .45 cal. automatic pistols, thirty-six .30 cal. rifles, and twelve Browning automatic rifles.

One of the Company's toughest problems, at the present time, is to train the men in the use of the 37mm gun, without using this weapon (which is temporarily—we hope—unavailable). As a result, there has been a lot of "assuming" going on during Problems. In fact, there has been some talk in the barracks of "assuming" solutions to Problems without actually solving them in the field—we hesitate to mention any names, of course.

PERKINS, PERKINS, PERKINS, PERKINS, INC.
The Anti-Tank Co. is blessed (?) with four Perkins:—Corporal J.L. Perkins (Best man in the outfit), his younger brother, Pvt. 1st Cl. J. W. Perkins (Best man), Pvt. I.H. Perkins (Best man in), and Pvt. G.E. Perkins (Best).

HEADQUARTERS CO. HAS THREE PLATOONS

COMPANY COMMANDER MARRIED WHILE ON LEAVE

1st Lieutenant Charles H. Cooke, our Company Commander, left Saturday on a twelve day leave of absence during which time he will be married. The wedding will take place in Washington, D.C. where the bride, Miss Dorothy V. Miller, is living. They will spend their honeymoon in Lake Plaza, New York. All men in the company extend their best wishes and heartiest congratulations.

Lieutenant J. F. Goodman is acting Company Commander during Lieutenant Cooke's absence.

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P-R-O-M-O-T-I-O-N-S

Within the past week eleven men have received promotions in Headquarters Company. All of them deserve the break for which they have worked so hard.

Staff Sergeant G.H. Kindrex was made a Tech. Sergeant.

Sgt. E. Savage was promoted to Staff Sergeant.

Sgt. Donald D. Mantonya, recently transferred to Headquarters Company from Anti-tank Co., was also promoted to Staff Sergeant.

Corporal John L. Gaspard, who was with Company C until Sept. 16, was made Sergeant.

Pfc. Cavness was promoted to Sergeant on Sept. 24.

Pvt. Zabawa was transferred from Company D and was made Corporal. He is an aid to Chaplain Hamaford.

Pvts. Howard A. Beiswenger, Cecil D. Harman, William A. Geffinger, and Leon C. Edenburn were all promoted to Corporals.

There is a great rejoicing in the barracks now over these new ratings, and the men of the company are looking forward to a great celebration. Who do you suppose will furnish the refreshments???

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A SAD SAD STORY

Hq. Co. is after the culprit who nipped about three inches off Alleycat's tail. Alleycat is the much-loved and highly regarded company feline mascot, and any further interference with his nether appendage or other parts will only intensify the foreboding Voodoo Curse which Headquarters Company has unanimously placed on the unsavory fiend. Removal of the curse can be obtained only by the return of the missing part with the proper explanation of its removal.

COMPANY CHARGED WITH COMMUNICATIONS AND REGIMENTAL RECONNAISSANCE

Perhaps you wonder about Headquarters Company as to the purpose and organization of such a group.

Like any large business organization there must be a system whereby orders from the executives may be presented to all members quickly and efficiently. There must be others to report to the bosses concerning any important matters. Still others must keep the records necessary when so many men are gathered into one team.

Thus it is that Headquarters Company is divided into three platoons, each fulfilling an important niche in the work assigned.

The Headquarters Platoon takes care of the office work, the messages, and the business of supplying the complete company.

The Communications Platoon is responsible for quick delivery of all messages. Radio, telephone and telegraph, and all other types of communications are mastered by the personnel of this group.

The third platoon is the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon. It is charged with the gathering and distributing information. It makes the first contact with the enemy during the actual warfare. Our maps and other important data come from this source and are of value to the entire 36th Infantry Regiment.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HQ. CO.?

On leave at this time is Pvt. Harrison, who has gone home after much anxiety and worry as to whether he really would see Chicago again. No one has seen a more smiling or happy face than the one Bertie was wearing when he left here in a cloud of dust.

Pvt. Lutz has just returned from a visit with his parents in the "Windy City". His father is not well and the visit, we hope, has done much to speed his recovery.

The boys from the North are sorry to hear that there will be no leaves for a month or more this fall. It seems that all have memories of the raking to be done at home.

Unheralded, but not forgotten, Pvt. Robert Bobb recently returned from Fort Knox where he has been studying in the Motor School for three months. Welcome back, Bobb.

Did you know that we have Private Potts in barracks 1066? We find that Pvt. Pott is one of our hefty sluggers.

"SERVICE" WITH A SMILE

SERVICE COMPANY SUPPLIES THE REGIMENT

The Service Company has the distinction of being a company that can do any job that is required of them, from fighting to being nurse maids to government vehicles. Yes, the mechanics are the nurse maids to the vehicles in the regiment and there are no better mechanics in the 3rd Armored Division than those in the Regimental shop. The company also has some very outstanding clerks in Headquarters and in the Personnel Office. We have the pleasure of having the Sgt. Major and the Personnel Sgt. Major for the Regiment in this company. Also we have the Poole brothers, twins, for the Regimental Color Sergeants.

A lot of hard work has been done by the men in this company, such as turning a "bare" room into what is known as a Day Room, which is like a nice living room, with the furniture they have made. We all extend our thanks and appreciation to the expert carpenters of Service Company, Privates Kaltenbach and Jensen.

The area surrounding our buildings is showing considerable improvements since the men are working on it in the afternoons after a hard days work in their various jobs. Our motto is to keep busy and to have no "Yard Birds".

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"BITS OF GOZ"

Privates Mottel and Ritchie entered the Pinochle Tournament September 22nd and ended the evening by being the winners in the first round. We also have a Dart Thrower in the crowd, Private 1cl Breault, who walked away from the Recreation Hall with that title.

Having heard many rumors about the maneuvers which will be coming along soon, especially the newer boys are anxious to get out and show their stuff. The maneuvers will be missed by some of the men who will leave the company, due to the age law, and we too will miss them; but the Company Commander, Capt. Miley, will miss them more than the rest of us. They all have the same question to ask, "when will we get out?", and the question Captain Miley has to ask is: "Where will I get my K.P.'s?"

Our ex-"yardbird", Private Bisulca answered a very difficult question. Question: What is a yardbird? Bisulca: A man who hangs around a yard. Question: What does he do in the yard? Bisulca: Hold down a WPA job.

The THEME SONG of Service Company's maintenance Section--"Pretty Little Motor--Put-Put-Put".

NEW OFFICER ASSIGNED TO COMPANY

2nd Lieut. John M. Talaferro, Jr. was assigned to our company as the Mess and Supply Officer, in addition to his other duties. Lieut. Talaferro's home is in Rapidan, Virginia.

He possesses natural ability to acquire the best of "vittels" for our company and believe us we eat nothing but the best. Lieut. Talaferro says, "There is nothing too good for a soldier". He believes in feeding and clothing his men and anyone who is connected with this problem will tell you the same.

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S-4 PREPARES FOR MANEUVERS

The S-4, headed by Captain Orth and his able assistants, are overloaded with work preparing the regiment for our field exercises and expected maneuvers. Master Sgt. Surine, who has been on a 15 day tour in the woods of Wisconsin is in "A-1" shape and is raring to help the S-4 to maintain the Service to the Troops. Staff Sgt. Kamien is a very much relieved man to see Master Sgt. Surine return and take over his job as Regimental Supply Sgt. "Oh! the life of a Regimental Supply Sgt," says Staff Sgt. Kamien.

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SOME CHANGES MADE

Yes, during the month of September there certainly have been some changes made in our company.

We miss Lieut. McNab, who was transferred to Co. A, as company commander.

We have acquired six (6) new men this month. The first is Pvt. Salters, whose home is near Leesville, was transferred from the Coast Artillery in California. Sgt Van Halst of Co. B, Corp. Smith of Headquarters Co. and Pvt. Posanti of the 113 Signal Co.. Also we acquired Pvt's Bederman and Groves. These men are at present attending the Radio School at Fort Knox, Ky.

We welcome these men to our company and are sure they'll make good.

Sgt's Logan and Perry and Corp. Reed were appointed Staff Sergeants this month. Corp. Moore was appointed Sergeant.

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FORT KNOX SCHOOLS

Service company is well represented at the Armored Force School at Fort Knox Ky. Pvt. Woods is attending the Radio School, Pvt's Janze and Koenisberg in the Clerks School, while we have Pvt. 1cl Cothran, Pvt. Venard, Cherney, Morgan, Sams, Lozmach, Perdue, Fontana, Neprash, and Potter in the mechanics course. We're wishing these men lots of luck and we have confidence that they'll make good.



HISTORY OF THIRTY-SIXTH INFANTRY BAND
TRACED BACK TO 1861

The Third Armored Division boasts of one of the finest bands in the Army, in its 36th Infantry Band. It is believed that few of the Divisions of the Army have a musical organization as versatile, or as capable of performing the many and varied duties required of such a group.

The 36th Infantry Band was originally the 20th Inf. Band, which was organized in 1861. Little is known of the activities of this Band until it returned with the Regiment from the Philippines in 1906. It arrived in San Francisco during the Earthquake and was called upon to perform the solemn duty of playing for the funerals of many of the victims of this disaster. It also performed many other duties during this catastrophe.

During the World War, the Band saw service with the 10th Div. From the War until 1929 little is recorded of the activities of the organization. For ten years from 1929 to 1939, the Band played an important part in the FRONTIER DAYS celebration in Cheyenne, Wyoming. On many occasions of this nature it has performed before audiences of more than 25,000 people.

On October 9, 1939, the organization was combined with the 1st Inf. Band to form the 6th Div. Band, and was ordered to Camp Jackson, S. C. When, however, the 6th Div. Band was broken up at Camp Beaugard, La., in 1940, this organization again became the 20th Inf. Band.

Leaving Camp Beaugard in May 1940, the organization returned to its home station, Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. It was on duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas when orders were received to inactivate the 20th Inf. Band and transfer the personnel and equipment thereof to the 36th Inf. (Armd) at Camp Polk, La.

There are several old-timers in the organization. Tech Sgt. Larurey, Assistant Band leader, has 21 years service. Staff Sgt. Strong, Librarian, has 18 years service. The solo cornetist, Sgt. Aseda, is a musician with 21 years experience and service. Corporal Jablonski, a musician with 45 years experience, at one time played a yellow clarinet and rode a white horse in the Royal Hussars of the Imperial Russian Army, but for 21 years has been a member of this Band.

Warrant Officer, Frank A. Reed, an accomplished musician who has seen much of his service on the West Coast, is the capable and affable director of the Band. He has conducted various concerts and symphony orchestral groups as well as bands and choruses, and under his leadership the future of the Band is assured.

SUPPORT THE BAND!



MEDICAL DETACHMENT--A NECESSARY UNIT OF
A WORKING REGIMENT

One of the most important units of any Regiment is its Medical Corps; therefore it is well that the men of the 36th Inf. know something of the organization, purpose, and duties of their Medical Detachment.

When at full strength, it is composed of sixty-nine men and seven officers who are permanently attached to the Regiment. In peace time the duties of these men revolve around the Regimental Dispensary, but in war time they take the field side-by-side with the rest of the Regiment.

First Aid has been defined as "the immediate and temporary treatment given in case of accident or sudden illness until the service of a physician can be secured." The men of your Medical Detachment have all received the lengthy and thorough training that enables them to efficiently meet these standards under any conditions. They are able to handle everything from simple injuries to the more exacting cases of fractures, hemorrhaging, and gas casualties. Field sanitation is also under the jurisdiction of the Medical Corps. Actual examples of how they handle this problem can be observed at the Sanitation Project on W. 23rd St.

FIELD ACTIVITIES ARE VARIED

When in the field the duties of the "Medicos" are varied. Some are attached to each company as First Aid men; some handle letters; others are assigned to the Bn. Aid Station; and still others drive ambulances. The "Pill Rollers" are apt to take razzing in peace times, but should war come you'll find them "right up there" discharging their duties with dispatch.

The Regimental Dispensary, incidentally is always open and there is always someone there to look after the infirmities of the 36th. It is well to mention in closing that although "Gold Bricking" is severely frowned upon in the Medical Detachment, a man who has really something wrong should never put off going to the Dispensary. It's nothing to be alarmed about or ashamed of to be sick, and at the Dispensary you'll always receive kind and considerate treatment. Remember the Medical men are in the army to make life easier and more comfortable for you at all times.

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UNCENSORED!

On Sept. 25th the Medical Detachment of the 36th bid farewell to St. Sgt. J. R. Lindberg of Westfield, N.J. Sgt. Lindberg, in the service for nine months, received his Release under the Age Deferral Law.

2ND BN. DET. COPS CONTEST HONORS

PRIVATE ALFRING RELEASED

The men of the Headquarters Detachment, 2nd Battalion, 36th Infantry (Armd) on September 20, said goodbye to Private James G. Alfring, who on that date became Mr. James G. Alfring, the first man in the Regiment to be released, by reason of age, under the provisions of the new 28 year law. The popular Private Alfring hailed from St. Louis and during the past two months has been attending the Regimental Radio School of the 36th Infantry. Because he is to become a bridegroom next month, he took with him special good wishes from his fellow soldiers as he left to drive home via Chanute, Kansas. His release came just three months after his induction at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis.

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1ST BATTALION DETACHMENT "READY FOR THE ZERO HOUR"

For the past two weeks, the high-stepping boys of the 1st Bn. Hq. Det., 36th Infantry (Armd), have really been advancing in the art of setting up a Command Post and Message Center Section and are impatiently awaiting the 8th of October at which time they will enter into the more realistic struggle that is now being waged in the surrounding territory.

The untiring effort of Lt. Col. E. D. Heylman, with the able assistance of his Junior Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers, has welded this organization into a well-disciplined and highly morale group unexcelled by none.

Our transportation is well taken care of--with four motorcycles, four "Peeps", one half track, and one personnel carrier. The drivers for the above have been trained into an efficient group by Lt. Chapman, the Battalion Motor Officer.

Our Communication Section consists of a 245 Radio in the half track, two 131's and one 195 which is a Walkie Talkie, attached to us.

In our roster, we have five men that are over the age limit of 28, who have not expressed a desire for release which is undoubtedly due to the fine environment of this detachment. We feel that this expression of high morale is an indication that we are ready to enter into any battle for our country, and from what has been accomplished, we are more than justified in our feeling of competence.

This organization has the largest number of specialists of any comparative group in the Regiment with the exception of a similar unit which is the 2nd. Bn. We now have a full complement of men, and with the assignment of a man to us from Comd. we have every direction of the country represented except the far West.

TAKES FIRST IN AMATEUR SHOW AT RECREATION HALL

The Headquarters Detachment, 2nd Battalion, 36th Infantry, proudly carried off First Prize last Friday night at the Regimental Amateur Contest Night held in the Recreational Hall of the 36th. The winning act was a Colored Drill Squad taking recruit drill, including a most amusing attempt at the execution of the manual of arms. Tech Sergeant Claude A. Clayton, Sgt. Major of the 2nd Battalion not only conceived the idea, wrote the script, and developed the skit, but he also turned in a stellar performance as drill sergeant of the blackface act. Privates Roos Geren, Clyde Harman, and Farnum Schrader were the recruits who comprised the squad receiving drill instruction. They succeeded in taking the hard-boiled sergeant over all the hurdles in his repertoire of problems presented by recruits at drill---much to the enjoyment of an audience which filled the recreational hall. From the viewpoint of the audience, it was never made clear whether even the awesome domination displayed by the drill sergeant did successfully convince one recruit that a 15-inch razor was not a good substitute for a bayonet. Accompanying the honor of winning the First Prize of Amateur Contest Night was a cash award of \$5.00.

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PERSONNEL OFFICE HANDLES REGIMENTAL PAPER WORK

The main occupation of a soldier is to learn to fight. His Officers of his company have as their main mission the instruction of the soldier in modern warfare.

In order to relieve Company Officers from the multitude of paper work so necessary to the morale and justice of the soldier, a Personnel Office is set up.

It handles payrolls, transfers, discharges, insurance forms, classification and all records and reports that have to do with personnel of the regiment. It checks the morning report, makes up furloughs, and submits ration estimates.

The Personnel Office comes under the Regimental Adjutant. It is commanded by a Personnel Officer, Lieutenant P. W. Corrigan, who is also an Assistant Adjutant. It has a Personnel Sergeant Major, Howard O. Witt; two Staff Sergeants, a Strength Clerk, Officer's Pay Clerk, and one Clerk from each Company.

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CO. E SOLVES MORAL PROBLEM

MORALE IN COMPANY E ABOVE PAR

Our Company Commander, Lieutenant Bryan has been doing a very fine job in keeping up the morale of the company.

Some of the ways of doing this has been in the form of monthly Beer Parties, Prizes on the rifle range that brought forth such scores as 301 and 292 from two of our members. They were Pvts. Elder and Olson, respectively.

Excusing the neatest soldier in each platoon at Saturday's inspection from standing Retreat for one week. This has resulted in quite a bit of competition.

On one of these occasions after checking two of our outstanding soldiers, Corporals Lancy and Camp, over from head to foot, including fingernails, Lieutenant Bryan finally wound up by tossing a coin. Corporal Lancy, being slightly unlucky can out on the short end. The winners at inspections have included Corporals Lancy and Camp, and Privates Kolacek, Elder, Bryan, Baldwin, Garrison, Haase, Smith, H., Taylor, Wollak, and Colombo. Fine work, boys.

IMPROVED DAY ROOM MECCA FOR RELAXATION AND RECREATION

After the day's work is done, the boys of Co. E spend their evenings at various forms of recreation.

Many find enjoyment by going to the Company Day Room, reading newspapers and magazines. At present we need a larger quantity and a wider variety of reading material. All men are requested to donate their magazines and papers to the Day Room so that others may read them.

The Day Room is also equipped with a radio, and games of various sorts. We have quite a bit of recreational equipment ordered and should arrive in a few days.

We should take an especial interest in our Day Room as it is for our own enjoyment. We should also try to improve it and keep it as neat and orderly as possible. Any and all ideas for improving the Day Room will be cheerfully received and considered by those in charge.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM HAS SET ENVIABLE REGIMENTAL RECORD

Sparked by the spirited play of Sgt. Ewbanks the Company E volleyball team has built up an enviable record winning nine out of eleven games played. Other stellar performers are Red Kovich, Whittie Kochler, Ray Garrison, Dick Baldwin, John Geertzena, William Wood, Neldar Oleson and Louis Colombo.

GOLDEN GLOVES PARTICIPANT

We are fortunate in having many outstanding athletes. Mess Sergeant Farroll is quite handy with his mitts having fought in the Golden Gloves for three years. At present, however, he is over-shadowed by the boxing prowess of Jessie Kittrell who is knocking them all cold in regimental boxing. Sergeant Pate and Whittie Kochler make up the backbone of Co. E's Softball team, which was runner-up in the battalion.

Privates Carney and Geertzena performed in football and basketball at Drake University at Des Moines, Iowa. They were both successful coaches in Iowa before being called into the service. Sergeant Bridges, six foot four inch giant, has run the century in 9.8, received all-conference rating in basketball at Savannah, Georgia, and coached a league winning basketball team.

Charles McKee made all-conference end at Sinclair Shores, Michigan. He also plays a snappy game of golf. Able representatives on the horse-shoe courts are Kochler, Geertzena and Smith.

The multiple activities, to which basketball and football will be added, tend to keep the morale high--THERE IS NO LACK OF MORALE IN COMPANY E.

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NIGHT LIFE OF A "SOLDIER"

The Captain loves his native wine
The Lieutenant loves his beer.
The Sergeant loves his half and half
Because it brings him cheer.
The Corporal loves his whiskey straight
Because it brings him diziness.
The Private has no choice at all
So he drinks the whole Damn Business!

WANTED: Newspapers, magazines, and improvement ideas for our Day Room. Other companies are asked to offer suggestions as well as those within the company.

CO. F STARTS OWN BOWLING LEAGUE

TO WHOM IT MAY OR MAY NOT CONCERN

On a gloomy Saturday night in June, Pvt. Richard (Peter Plink) Hulse fought his way bravely through the rain and mud. After a few vain attempts at climbing the hill to barracks 1017, he finally succeeded with the timely aid of Pfc. E.G. Lewis. The somewhat odd antics of Pvt. Hulse occasioned no great surprise among the members of Co. F due to the simple fact that most of them were deep in the land of nod. Then of course, the darling of the Chicago police force is known to be a ski addict. Perhaps he had in mind his forthcoming discharge, and was getting his christianas in shape for the Chicago winter.

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Hardest working man in Co. F is Pvt. Joseph A. Canzoneri, former Golden Gloves champion and ex-bartender. Since his recent "promotion" he is eagerly looking forward to a long career in the Army.

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Open letter to Sgt. Wulsch:
 "The current attractions' automobile may be a safe enough place to keep the keys to the gun racks. With that fact before us we hesitate to take issue. However, at 7 A.M.; when the whistle shrills "fall out" it becomes rather embarrassing."

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Pvt. Matthew R. Brija has learned why the West is wild and woolly. Upon his return from Beaumont, Texas after the Labor Day weekend he was heard to remark "Ooooh, my head".

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While most of the boys scream for a 2½ ton truck or at least a ration cart to make deliveries; Pvt. Chet O. Helgemo, assistant to the supply sergeant, picks up 200 pounds of clothing and marches cheerfully to the R.S.O.

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Is it Spring or Fall? From the current actions of Pfc. Curtis Franks we look for the proverbial robin almost any day. The symptoms are all obvious; the dreamy gaze, the benevolent expression, the sheen of Kentucky blue grass in his eyes. Ah, the "Knox" of love.

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Newly-wedded Sgt. Ernest J. Smith is reported in the market for a good second-hand alarm clock. That Reveille whistle blows soooooo early.

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Pvt. Henry "Rock" Heath has issued an open challenge to wrestle anything within his waight, regardless of size--the opposition need not necessarily be human.

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Co. F contends that they have the utilitarian, decorative day room in the Regiment.

FIRST REGIMENTAL BOWLING TEAM STARTED

On September 16, President Malski with his ten pin artists opened the season in DeRidder. Highlighting the occasion was the heralded match between the "Blitz" Fourth Platoon and the "Half-Cracked" drivers. After the heat of battle had cleared, the half-track boys had retreated. Scouts reported they had set up a defensive position and were preparing for a counter-attack. However the "Blitz" bombers appeared very unconcerned about the approaching attack and were celebrating their overwhelming victory.

Anchoring the 4th Platoon, Art Miller tabbed an excellent first night total of 559 including games of 158-212-189. Lead-off man J. Williams secured a 522 series. The bowling scores were as follows:

4th Platoon--

J. Williams	159	181	182	--522
M. Wiersbecky	155	130	104	--389
G. Salner	169	172	156	--497
Pres. Malski	131	154	179	--464
A. Miller	158	212	189	--559

Half-track--

Zitlow	132	114	128	--374
Ellis	118	129	113	--360
Smith	101	146	122	--369
Leo	140	106	174	--420
Brija	164	144	126	--434

4th Platoon--2431

Half-track --1957

The other company bowlers also smashed the reluctant maples for good opening season scores, but their totals are not available.

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PERSONALITIES--HERE AND THERE

Lacking any acceptable space filler ye "Eds" of Company F were forced to simulate the customary habit of racking their respective brains ... Which, of course, gave them nothing to rack ... in other words it led only to idleness ... Idleness, ye gods, what a wonderful thought ... idleness, that is what we need more of in the 36th Infantry ... but then ... ye olde civilians are beseeching and imploring us or their respective Congressmen to do something about the morale of the "Boys"--used advisedly-- in service ... so, we can't well discuss the subject; especially inasmuch as we have no knowledge of the said subject ... obviously that wouldn't ordinarily stop us... but the mere fact that we know nothing of the subject plus the fact that we still have no knowledge of the subject may have some effect on the matter... but with a "Sarge" looking over one's shoulder one can hardly attempt a serious discourse on morale... enough-quite enough.

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ESCORT PLATOON FORMED

COMPANY G SENDS CADRE TO FORT KNOX

Co G of the 36th Infantry sent ten men to Fort Knox, Kentucky this month as part of the cadre which will form Co. G, 46th Infantry (Armed) of the 5th Armored Division.

This group included, Sergeant Robert Link, who will be First Sergeant; Sergeant Robert Brooks, Staff Sergeant; Sergeants Frazier and Smith, who will be platoon sergeants; Corporals Nelson and Watts, who will be squad leaders; Corporal Hooney, Company Clerk; Private Ellis, Company Bugler, and Private Rick as a truck driver.

SNIPE HUNT SPONSORED FOR NEW ROOKIE

Private Löybush Matheson was given a royal welcome by the 3rd Platoon of Co G when he was recently assigned to that platoon. A snipe hunt was held in his honor on a clear, moonlit Sunday evening.

As guest hunter, "Mate" was given the honor of "bagging" the game and so had the privilege of carrying all weapons for the hunt. Namely, a gunysack and a club.

The hunt took place in the swamp region across the road from Regimental Headquarters, and met with fair success. All members of the platoon acted as drivers and left "Mate" literally 'holding the bag'. Poor Mate got so excited or scared (we haven't been able to determine which) he didn't know whether to let go of the bag and run or start beating the bag with the club.

He finally decided on the latter, and was pounding quite vigorously, when a loud chorus of laughter broke out. At this point he realized, he had been duped but took it very good-naturedly and says a vow that when the next new rookie comes, he would personally lead the hunt.

SOLDIER FOLLO'S CIVILIAN WORK IN ARMY

Private Fayis Korbavy is one man who is fortunate enough to follow his civilian career in the army. For eight years Private Korbavy, whose home is in Blissfield, Michigan was mail clerk in the city postoffice. After putting in his thirteen weeks training in Co G Pvt. Korbavy was given the job of Company Mail Clerk and is now right in his own environment.

SPECIAL HONOR BESTOWED ON COMPANY G BY DIVISION HEADQUARTERS

The Escort Platoon of the Third Armored Division was chosen from Company G of the 36th Infantry.

The Platoon consists of four squads of eight men each, a Lieutenant, as platoon leader and a platoon Sergeant. Four half track drivers also participate when vehicles are used.

The platoon is used for special occasions, such as national holiday, welcoming visiting officers, and special events at the camp.

There is much competition among the men of the company to serve on this platoon. The men chosen are those who are most proficient in the manual of arms, soldierly conduct and general appearance.

The platoon has been used on several occasions and has won praise from Camp Polk officers and visiting officers alike. Company G is very proud to have been chosen to form this Escort Platoon.

COMPANY G DISCHARGING MEN DAILY

Co G will discharge seven selective service men on September 30, who have reached or were over the age of 28 on July 1st. Two of these men, Privates Panella and Canzoneri recently transferred to the Co. from Fort Knox, Kentucky. They have seen about three and one-half service.

Three of the men, all of whom are from Chicago, Illinois, were inducted into the service about the 17th of June. This group includes, Billy Gi, a very genial young Chinaman, Carl Salverson and Harry Tompkins.

Private Wilbur Ray and Private George Smith, the other two men of this group are from Arkansas and Kansas respectively and each has in about three months service.

The men of the company will miss their friendships which they have made with these men and wish them well back in the civilian world.

COMPANY G HOLDS BEER PARTY, SEPT. 18th.

Company G held its first Company Social evening on the 18th of Sept. A Dutch lunch was served with plenty of foamy fluid to aid in the digesting of the lunch.

Guests for the evening were Captain Russell, 2nd Battalion Commander; Capt. Orth; Master Sergeants Conyne and Witt.

COMPANY D'S NEWS BULLETIN

The First Battalion has been giving calisthenics the last few mornings. It seems to be getting cooler in the morning for the boys to be going out in their drawers and undershirts.

There has been considerable talk about the different men that were inducted in the Army but this Company seems to have taken the cake. There are several different types of soldier in this company from the Northern States. There is Private Lester H. Thompson a soldier twenty-two years old. Private Thompson is a jeweler in civilian occupation and since he has been inducted in the Army he has done considerable work on the watches of the men of Company D. Slim, as he is often called is very popular with the boys of this Company because he does not charge for his work. Sergeant Mollar was discharged Tuesday September 23, 1941. Before his induction in the Army he was an attorney at law. During his short stay in the Army he was a clerk...Private Duke Kramer sold musical instruments before being inducted in the Army--now he is the bugler for the Regiment.

The Heavy Weapons Company is very different from the Rifle Companies in many ways. Although there are not as many men in Company "D" as there are in the average company, it is very much needed in actual warfare.

The discharge of eight men in this Company will effect it very much. The men to be discharged Friday September 26, 1941, for being over twenty-eight years old are: Corporal Louis Swenson, Privates Raymond Watkins, Walter Schreck, Walter Knapp, Leonard Selly, William Rolph, Victor Galloway, and Russell Manier. Private Otto Wurm will be discharged Thursday, September 25, 1941. The Company regrets the loss of these men.

When Company "D" entered the amateur contest Friday, September 19, 1941, they did not expect to win first prize but wanted to give the audience a good act. They did their best and came out in third place.

First Lt. Pate has left the Company for a ten day leave to visit his home in Bishopville, South Carolina. Before leaving, Lt. Pate expressed great concern over his Cotton and tobacco crops--it had been reported from his home that the weevils were getting the best of both. He was accompanied on his leave by his wife who is from Missouri and this writer does not believe that she is going to like South Carolina after coming from Missouri.

Our Mess Sergeant (who we believe is the best; lay off Lt. Simon) has just recently returned from a leave and brought back a dog (just plain dog) named Skippy. Skippy has been accepted by the Company and since Sergeant Chop was transferred to Headquarters Detachment, 2nd Battalion recently, the chances of Skippy being made Sergeant are pretty good, providing he leaves our new pine trees alone.

We do not know if the Chaplin will redeem a certain ticket that Sergeant Rowe has, but Rowe thinks he should, for he found it attached to a furlough that had been sent to Regimental Headquarters----and all the ticket said was DISAPPROVED. Somebody told him that there was a name for those tickets in the Army--Guess so.

Sergeant Petty returned from his furlough on the 22nd and was not due back until the 25th. His excuse--"I got lonesome"---also "My best girl got married". When he returned he found a package which had been there for some time. Contents---All the present he had ever sent her, including a wrist watch, a cross and several pillow cases.

Pvt. Heller was transferred Tuesday, September 23, 1941, from the 1st Battalion Headquarters Detachment to Company "D"----one thing the Detachment does not know is that Pvt. Heller is a pretty good Cook.....so that makes it "D" Company's gain and the Detachment's loss, for someday they may not be attached to this company for rations.

Pvt. Imbert M. Eslinger was transferred to Company D from Co. H and appointed Sergeant. Who knows, we may lose him next week.

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SGT. DANZ COMPLETES 23 YRS SERVICE

NEWS FROM COMPANY "A"

The 1st Platoon of Company A awoke one morning to find an unexpected addition to their ranks in the form of five husky pups under their barracks. The boys have fixed up comfortable quarters for their new recruits, who are getting a long 'first rate'. Private Steve Adkins is acting Chief Nursemaid.

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Joe Steinberg and Russell S. Wenzlaff, representing Company A in the Regimental Pinchle Tournament have reached the finals and are all set to play for the Championship against the Medical Detachment. They have defeated Anti-tank, the Band, and Headquarters Co. on their way to the championship bracket.

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Privates Milton Berman, Morris Rothman, Manuel Shedroff and Isadore Silverbrandt have gone home for visits on fifteen day furloughs. Lucky Boys!

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Company A cleaned house on Company C Monday afternoon in both baseball and volleyball. They defeated Co. C in baseball by a score of 8 to 7 and won two out of three games of volleyball. One of the noisiest rooters on the sidelines was Sergeant Norman Nixon, Recreational Chairman of Co. A. Any unit in the 36th Infantry desiring some competition should get in touch with him.

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The first man to be released from Co. A under the recently passed military service law is Private John T. Harper, who received his Certificate of Release from Service, Wednesday.

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TID-BITS FROM "H" COMPANY

"H" Co. had a hard day in softball when they were defeated by the 33rd Reconnaissance by a score of 9-6.

Sgt. Ely Geller has returned from St. Louis, Mo. on a day furlough.

A new officer has been added to our company. 2nd Lieut. F. Insley is his name and he hails from Baltimore, Md. Good luck Lieutenant.

We expect to lose approximately 25 men due to the new release act that has been passed by the legislature. The company wishes these men good luck on their return to civilian life.

FIRST SERGEANT DANZ RE-ENLISTS IN COB

First Sergeant Leon Danz, Co. B, after 23 years of army life has re-enlisted for another 3-yr. hitch. Having seen service in the first World War, Sgt. Danz also served two years in Panama.

During his career in the army, Sgt. Danz has served with the following organizations: 2nd Inf., Fort Brady; 4th Inf., Fort Sheridan; 6th Inf., Jefferson Barracks, Mo.; 11st Inf. of 2nd Armored Division, Fort Benning, Ga.; 19th F.A. Fort Myers, Virginia; and 4th F.A., Fort Brown Texas.

It was in 1916, while serving with the 4th F.A. that Sgt. Danz first saw the 36th Inf. which was being formed at that time.

Sgt. and Mrs. Danz are living in Leesville since Mrs. Danz arrived from Chicago.

We of Co. B offer Sgt. Danz cooperation and all the luck in the world in his coming years of army life. Sportsman that he is Sgt. Danz is a fine example of a real soldier.

CAPTAIN SMITH COMMANDS COMPANY B.

Captain Francis A. Smith, Commanding Officer of Company B., is the man Co. B. points to with pride. Since being commanding officer of Company B, his capabilities and leadership are shown by the commendable record Company B has made.

Capt. Smith has been in the Army Reserve since 1932. He was called for active duty in February, 1941 at which time he served with the 2nd Armored Division.

Captain Smith went to school at Louisiana State University. His home is in New Roads, La. where his wife and family are living at the present time. He has sports as a hobby being especially interested in skeet shooting and football.

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Pvt. Ukman reports:

Sgt. Manuel of Co B has been day-dreaming lately. The reason—Sgt. has made plans of marriage in the near future. Funny thing this thing called "LOVE".

Co. B. welcomes Lieutenant Daniels who was transferred from Co. A. Lieut. Daniels is Co B's gain. He was outstanding in college sports.

Co B lost Lieutenant Burton when he was assigned to the cadre that left for Fort Knox. Always eager to aid the men, Lieut. Burton will be sorely missed by all of the company.

Lieutenant Curlee has been lost to the company through his transfer to the 1st Battalion Headquarters. His teachings will be long remembered by the men.

COMPANY "C" TAKES OFFICERS' FAMED SOFTBALL TEAM BY A SHUT*OUT SCORE--10-0!!!!

SELECTEES BLITZ OFFICERS

Battlegrounds--Battalion Parade Grounds
 Zero Hour -- 4 O'clock, Wed. Sept. 24th
 Contestants --Officers vs. selectees
 Casualties --Entire officers' team
 Outcome of Battle--Selectees 10 Offi-
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Colonel Heylman's choice of the 1st and 2nd Battalion companies' softball team, proved too much opposition to the officers' team. The selectees managed to combine hits when needed and proved the ability to score, when the opportunity afforded itself. The officers failed to hit consecutively enough to score, but once they were able to advance an officer as far as 3rd base.

The hard hitting plus the flawless handling of the ball enabled the selectees to control the game throughout the entire seven innings.

After the shouts and boos had ceased at the end of the 7th inning, the selectees had easily defeated their opponents by a score of 10-0. The Regimental All-Star team will play the officers at any time they wish to do the challenging.

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COMPANY "C" REORGANIZED

On Wednesday, September 24, C Company was reorganized and many minor changes were made to give the company more efficiency, especially in the housing of the men. Company Commander, Lieut. Norman, was aided by Lieut. Battson and Lieut. Archer in making the changes to better the company in all ways that they found to improve on.

NEW RATINGS MAKE APPEARANCE IN COMPANY

There appeared several smiling faces about C Company lately due to promotions which lead to visions of better paydays. The following selectees were promoted to the rank of 1st Class Privates:

- Pvt. Herbert Thurston
- Pvt. Carl Moldenhauer
- Pvt. Robert Watson
- Pvt. George Taylor
- Pvt. Lorrain Russell
- Pvt. Joseph Kennedy
- Pvt. Ignatius Jakubek
- Pvt. John Hassel
- Pvt. Ruby Maready
- Pvt. Leonard Herrmann
- Pvt. Edward Speers

The following men were promoted to the rank of Corporal:

- Pvt. 1st Class Loren Phillips
- Pvt. 1st Class Aaron Fisher
- Pvt. William Vaughn
- Pvt. Otto H. Raffenbeul
- Pvt. James Vallera
- Pvt. Wilber Berard
- Pvt. John Beckwith
- Pvt. Leo Rokowski
- Pvt. Robert Leland
- Pvt. Leslie Ward

One Corporal of the Heavy Weapons Platoon was promoted to Sergeant. He was Corporal Albert Hughes.

The officers and men of Company "C" extend their best wishes and cooperation to these men in their new positions.

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36th INFANTRY BOXING TEAM DEPARTS 54th F.A.BN., 83rd RCN. BN, 18thORD. & 15th CM.

The 36th Infantry added more names to their list of conquered in their rapid and ferocious march to the Divisional Boxing Championship. In a series on eleven bouts the 36th dropped the first two by close decisions. Getting their "Dander Up" they then proceeded to take the remaining nine matches. The "Blitz" tactics used by the boxing team indicate that the whole 36th Infantry is a 'fightin' outfit and bows to anything or anyone who gets in their way.

The referee of the evenings' card was Capt. Geo. S. Garten of the 40th A.R. and the judges were Maj. Fremont Standy, 23rd Engr. and Lieut. John E. Watson, of the 54th F.A. Bn. The three two-minute rounds were recorded by Timekeeper Capt. Lorenzo McIntyre, Division Moral Officer. The coaches of the 36th are Lieut. Peter L. Pesis and Mr. Sgt. Gordon E. Murch.

The fighters on the 36th Inf. team are Privates Chan, Co D; Torgerson, Co H; Kittrell, Co F; Pietrzack, Co H; Fernandez, Co D; Havelka, Co F; Wiegall, Hq. Co; Potts, Hq. Co; Rock, Co E; Ott, Co C; and Corporal Baran, Co C.

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RECREATION HALL CHURCH

ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES INCREASED

GLEE CLUB GAINS IN PRESTIGE

Due to the maneuvers of the Red and Blue Armies in the Camp Polk area the activities of the 36th Inf. Glee Club have been greatly curtailed. All convays that are not absolutely necessary have been banned from the roads, thus the Glee Club has been "confined to quarters".

On schedule, as soon as the ban is lifted, are concerts in DeRidder, Shreveport, Lake Charles, Leesville and other points in this locality. For these, new music has been purchased and the Glee Club is diligently working on the scores so as to be ready to present at each a full concert program. Practices are held Tuesday and Thursday evenings, as well as other evenings just previous to an engagement.

Due to the formation of cadres, soldiers goint to schools, of discharges, etc; the complex of any army camp changes rapidly and often. For this reason, Pvt. Julius Zabawa, director of the Glee Club, has found it advisable to have members in reserve. An invitation is herewith issued to all who would care for an audition as prospective members. At present, the Glee Club has a strength of twenty voices, but it is hoped that before long the number will be increased to thirty.

Director Zabawa will gladly interview any person interested in joining the group on nights of rehearsal, or at any time an appointment can be made.

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N.C.O.'S ENJOY GET - TOGETHER

At least once a month the NCO's of the 36th make it a point to forget the hustle bustle of army life and possibly any personal matters, and settle down to a real fun-fest session. Such sessions are held in the Recreation Hall, with wives and gal friends in attendance.

Music for these get-to-gethers is furnished by the 36th Infantry band. Committees arrange for decorations, amusements and most important of all—chow.

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The Little Theatre, under the sponsorship of Miss Elizabeth Bateman, Junior Hostess, has been organized and is now rehearsing two one-act plays, "Escape by Moonlight" and "It Will be All Right on The Night". Presentation will be in the Recreational Hall in the near future.

RECREATION HALL OFFERS DIVERSIFIED ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM.

The Recreation Hall offers a great variety of entertainment for the soldiers of the 36th Infantry. In an attempt to bear out the connotation of its name to the fullest extent, the recreational facilities and activities are so arranged as to make an appeal to diverse interests. For moments of relaxation, there is a branch library with fifty books which are frequently changed. For the convenience of the men of the 36th, library cards may be obtained by merely signifying a desire to draw books. The Post Library is then informed and a card is transmitted via the message center. All requests are filled to the best of the ability of the Post Library's selection.

Other than books, the Recreation Hall has a complete selection of magazines. These too appeal to varying tastes as they range from "Dick Tracy" comics to magazines of the Atlantic Monthly and Readers Digest caliber. Current magazine material is supplemented by a selection of newspapers from six different cities. This selection we hope to enlarge by cooperation of the men in the regiment. Here it has been requested that men from localities who find that the hall does not have a copy of their local paper, write to that paper asking if it would not like to supply a copy of its publication for the daily use of the local soldiers. The copy should be sent to the Recreational Hall, 36th Inf. (Armd), Camp Polk, La.

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SPORTS REPRESENTED

Other forms of relaxation are offered by the numerous games available. There are two ping-pong tables, five dart ranges, checkers, caroms, monopoly and cards in indoor sports. Outdoor sports include badminton, croquet, horseshoes, and the use of either kittenball or handball equipment. Both indoor and outdoor sports programs are being enlarged everyday and when correlated with the facilities offered in company day rooms, should appeal to some interest of every man in the regiment.

Occasional song fests are held Sunday evenings at 7:00, and when scheduled are announced in the daily bulletin.

Until the completion of the chapel, the Recreation Hall is also serving as a place of worship. Each Sunday two services are held. Catholic mass at 9:00 A.M. by Chaplain F. J. Watterson and the Protestant service by Chaplain J. E. Hannaford at 10:00 A.M.



REGIMENTAL SPORTS



BOXING HOLDS ATHLETIC SPOTLIGHT

36th INFANTRY MAKES GOOD SHOWING IN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

Participation in Divisional athletics finds the 36th Infantry (A) Regiment in the upper brackets in all three major sports. With 16 separate regiments and battalions entered in competition in volley-ball, soft-ball and horseshoes the representatives of the 36th Inf. are in no less than fourth place in any of the three events.

Representing the 36th Inf. in volley-ball, is Co. E. and they are at present in fourth place, with eight wins and two losses. Co. H, regimental soft-ball champions, are in third place, with four wins and two losses. Three wins and one loss give Co. C., horseshoe representatives, a fourth place rating.

The ratings of the teams are not true indications of the strength of those participating, as some divisional participants have played only one or two competitive contests.

EQUIPMENT FACILITIES ARE ENLARGED

Equipment for the various sports is rapidly being acquired by two means -- purchase and construction. This accumulation of the necessary articles has enabled the sport and recreational program to include more participants in a larger variety of contests.

Much of this equipment has been constructed by men of the 36th Inf. and credit for making it available relays back to them. At present these men are engaged in building the equipment needed to carry on a regimental track meet. Hand-ball courts will next be constructed, and when finished a hand-ball tournament will be held.

Equipment that cannot be constructed is purchased out of the Athletic and Recreational Fund.

COOPERATION NEEDED

Captain J. S. Giegel, Athletic and Recreation Officer of the 36th Infantry, and Staff take this opportunity of asking for more cooperation from the men in the regiment, in regards to participation in regimental and divisional contests. The program is set up for your interest and you can show your appreciation by participating. The equipment is your responsibility and should be handled in the same manner that you would want your personal property to be handled.

DEFEATS 40th ARMORED REGIMENT

Knock-outs are the orders of the day when the 36th Infantry's boxing team stages a show. This lead-fisted group is managed by 2nd Lieut. Peter V. Lempesis, Regimental Boxing Instructor, and his assistant Mr. Sgt. Gordon E. Lurch.

Thus far the boxing squad has presented two successful regimental shows and took seven of eleven bouts in an inter-regimental match with the 40th Armored Regiment. Of the seven wins against the 40th Armored Regiment, four of them were knock-outs. They met a combined force of the 83rd Reconnaissance, 18th Ordnance and the 15th Quartermaster last Friday evening.

The personnel consists of men from twelve states, having as their theme "Good Sportsmanship". The participating fighters are Pvt. Torgerson, Co. H; Pvt. Chan, Co. D; Pvt. Kerley, Co. B; Pvt. Pieterzack, Co. H; Pvt. Kittrell, Co. E; Pvt. Fernandez, Co. D; Sgt. Rock, Co. F; Pvt. Poteet, Co. C; Pvt. Weibel, Hq. Co; Pvt. Ott, Co. G; and Pvt. Prince and Potts, both of Hq. Co.

Capacity crowds at the past bouts have insured the scheduling of future inter-regimental matches which are being arranged by Capt. John S. Giegel, Athletic and Recreational Officer. The boxers have extended an open challenge to all comers and are ready to demonstrate their "blitz" tactics against all contestants.

REGIMENTAL ATHLETIC PROGRAM IN FULL SWING AS RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCREASE

The regimental sports program is in full swing despite adverse weather conditions. Games are being played in horseshoes, croquet, badminton and pinochle, with plenty of fighting spirit and advice shown by participants and spectators.

Sports already completed with champions crowned are volley-ball, checkers, darts, Chinese checkers, bridge, cribbage and the amateur show. Co. H is two-time first place winner, having won the cribbage and soft-ball tournaments. Hq. Det. 1st Bn. walked off with top honors in bridge and Chinese checkers. Other first place winners are Co. E, volley-ball; Hq. Det. 2nd Bn, amateur show; Co. E, checkers; and Service Co, darts.

Ping-pong and chess will be started in the near future while various track events will be carried on as the equipment is constructed. A full program of sports and recreational activities is being planned for the winter months.

Construction of tennis and hand-ball courts will make possible tournaments in both sports.

36TH TO PARTICIPATE IN MANEUVERS

COMMAND MOTOR INSPECTION SUCCESSFUL

The Commanding Officer, Colonel W. L. Roberts, applied "mass production" methods successfully in the tactical training of the regiment to a "show-down inspection of motor vehicles.

The Doughboys are as motor-conscious and proud of their armored vehicles; their 'peeps', jeeps, and motorcycles, as are their teammates the tankers of their steel buggies.

An inspection group of about 70 selected officers and mechanics was divided into teams. Each team inspected specific parts or condition of the vehicles. The five divisions that were inspected were tires, battery, engine, front seat group, and condition and appearance.

The inspectors were instructed to pull no punches and to be "tough" but fair. By the above method seventy-five vehicles of the 2nd Battalion, Commanded by Capt. C. P. Russell and the Special Units Battalion, Commanded by Capt. P. Miley were "given the works." The only deficiencies noted were of a very minor nature; in most cases caused by circumstances beyond the control of drivers and mechanics.

The inspection showed that the Doughboys will be "ready to roll" when the Division is ordered out on maneuvers next month. Colonel Roberts congratulated all those concerned in a special Regimental Order.

COLONEL ROBERTS INSPECTS UNIT TEST PROBLEMS

Tactical test problems for small units were conducted on a combat range by the 36th Inf. on September 15, 1941. The Commanding Officer, Colonel W. L. Roberts outlined these problems as a test for rifle platoons recently in rapid sequence, and were under direct supervision of a control officer for each different problem. The problems included platoon in rapid attack, platoon attack of anti-tank group, defense, withdrawal, rear guard, and outpost.

At the completion of these problems, a critique was given to all the officers and men involved in these tests. Valuable experience was gained by both men and officers participating in these problems. They not only took an active part in each and all of the problems but they also observed the actions of other platoons.

Each platoon was graded on Reconnaissance, Issuance of Orders, Formation, Security, and Control by the Control Officers.

COMBAT TEAMS ARRANGED FOR PREPARATORY TESTS

"Be ready to roll on October 8th", was the Division Order issued by Major General Alvan C. Gillem, Division Commander, on Sept. 20, 1941. This order found the 36th, a fighting regiment prepared to take to the field and "hold their own".

The maneuvers will last from October 8 to October 20 and will include approximately one-third of the 36th Infantry Regiment. Preparatory training tests are scheduled for the latter part of September and the first week of October.

The 36th Inf. will be part of a combat team with the 33rd A.R., 67th F.A., a company of 23rd Engineers in an exercise on Oct. 2, and Col. W. L. Roberts, Commanding the 36th will have one Battalion of the Regiment in a combat team composed of the 54th F.A. and 1 Co. of the 23rd Engr. on Oct. 4.

These preparatory tests will give the men involved a "taste of maneuver life before the Division maneuver starts.

Let's back Col. Roberts in this problem 100% and live up to the motto "Deeds Not Words".

ORDER SLEEPING BAGS NOW

Have you ever tried sleeping on a "two or three blanket" night during a cold or wet maneuver? If you have you'll be glad to hear that sleeping bags may now be purchased for about \$5.50 from a recommended manufacturer by seeing your Company Commander.

Over 90% of some regiments are using sleeping bags and it is recommended by Col. W. L. Roberts, Regimental Commander, that those who can, purchase them. A sleepless night or a series of them makes soldiers sick and inefficient with hospitals filled, accidents, wrecked vehicles and low morale the result.

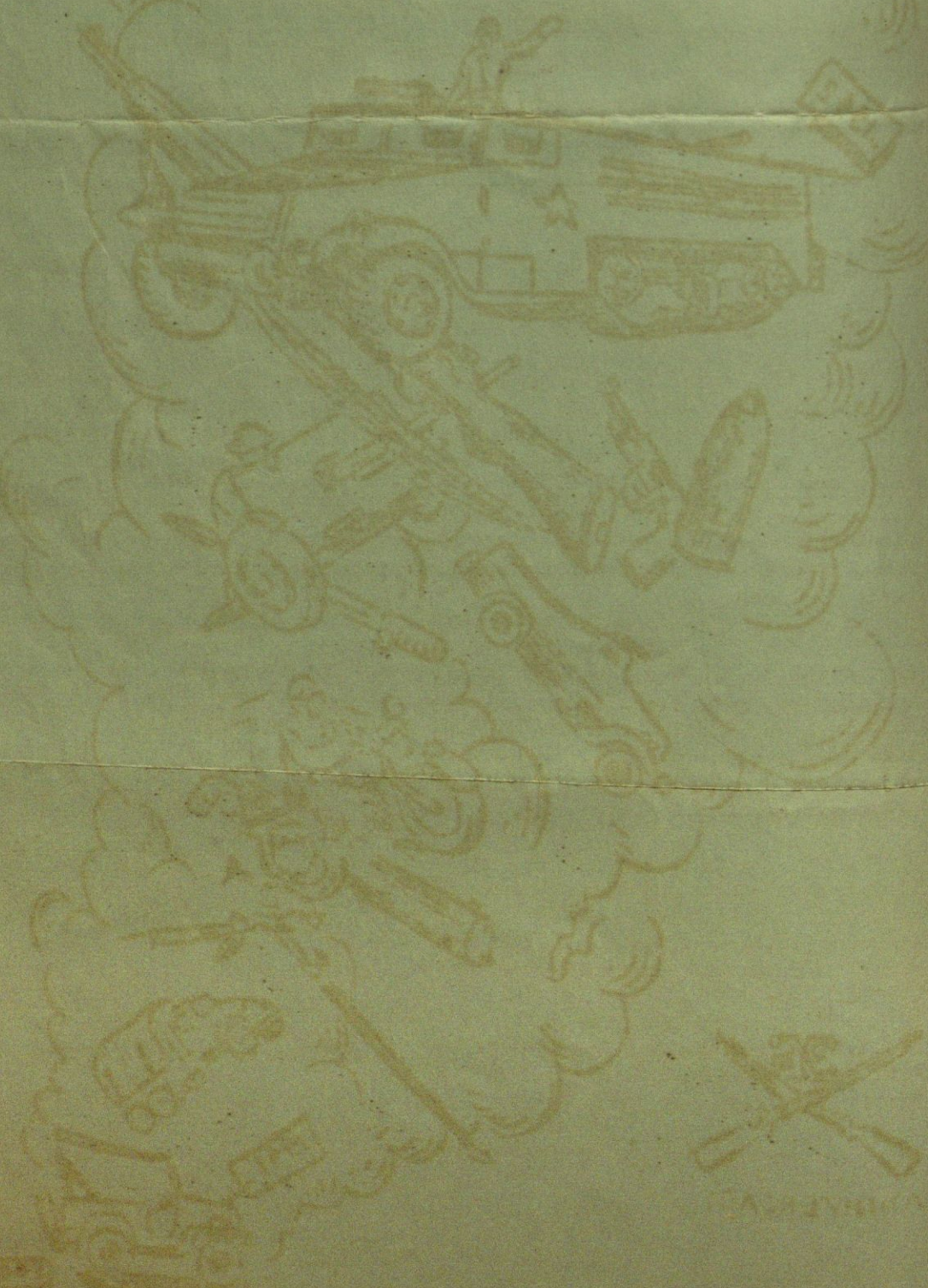
The type desired and most suitable at the best price is the same type bought about five years ago by Lieut. Col. E. B. Heylman, Commander of the 1st Battalion. The payments may be made in two parts on Sept. 30 and Oct. 30.

COAT OF ARMS HAS BEEN SELECTED AND PUT UP AT THE REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

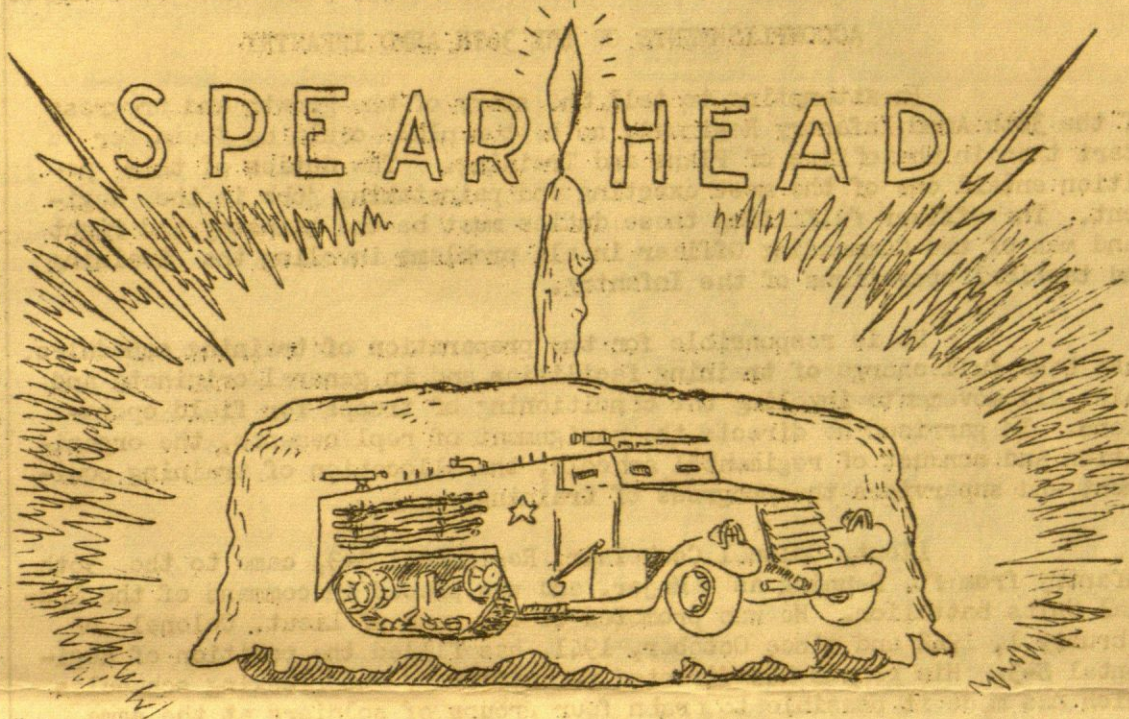
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TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE 36TH ARMORED INFANTRY:

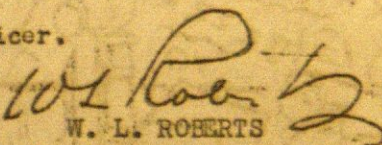
On this, the 1st Birthday of the Regiment, I extend my heartiest greetings. Since re-activation, your history dates only from April 15, 1941, but since that date you have become a well trained and well disciplined Regiment. In the short period of one year you have been called on to give basic training to new selectees, to furnish cadres for 2 Regiments, and at the same time, to train yourselves with that strictness of military discipline which alone can result in an efficient fighting organization. All of these aims have been accomplished in a spirit of high resolve and singularity of purpose.

The course of world events has changed tremendously since that day in April when the 36th went on its own, and the tempo of training has consequently been increased to a faster and more serious pace. The readiness with which added responsibilities have been shouldered by the men of this Regiment and the great efforts that have been put forth to attain the objectives demanded by these recent developments have been a source of great satisfaction to me.

The path has not been an easy one, but by your constant devotion to duty and your close adherence to our motto, "Deeds Not Words", you have been able to overcome the many obstacles and to mold an entirely new though specially selected group, into a unit which can operate independently and creditably, should the occasion arise.

You are becoming a well disciplined and trained unit. Your enthusiasm is remarkable, your compliance with orders is high. In the days to come these qualities will come forward and show you can "take" as well as "give" doubly.

I am proud to be your Commanding Officer.


W. L. ROBERTS
Colonel, 36th Armd. Inf. Regt.
Commanding

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE 36TH ARMD INFANTRY

In attempting to tell the story of the growth and progress of the 36th Armd Infantry Regiment, no better place could be found for a start than in the office of Plans and Training. The duties of this position entail one of the most exacting and painstaking jobs in the Regiment. The officer fulfilling these duties must be the mainstay and right hand man of the Commanding Officer in all problems involving the training and tactical operations of the Infantry.

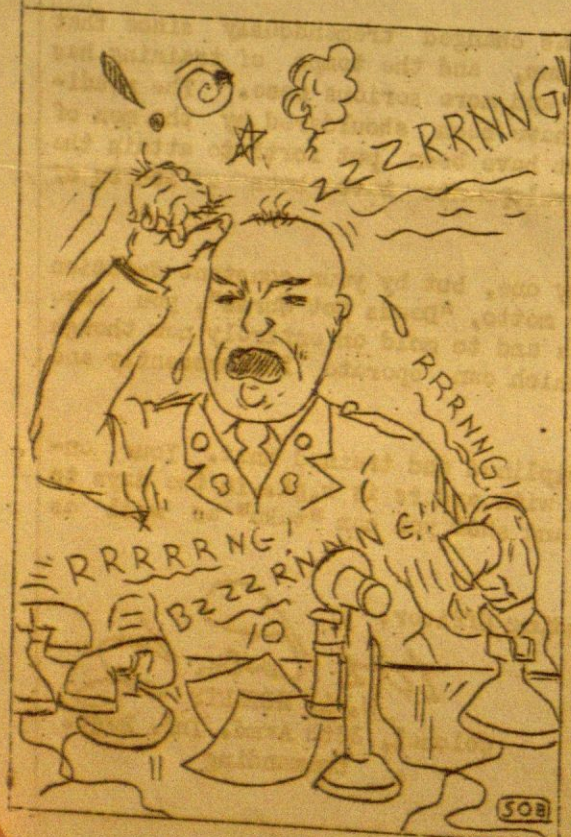
He is responsible for the preparation of training schedules, must take full charge of training facilities and in general originate and guide all movements involving the conditioning of troops for field operations. In garrison he directs the assignment of replacements, the organization and conduct of regimental schools, the allocation of training equipment and supervises the progress of training.

Lieut. Colonel Cockefair, Regimental S-3, came to the 36th Infantry from Ft. Benning as a Major, and was placed in command of the Special Units battalion. He was promoted to the rank of Lieut. Colonel on February 1, 1942 and since October, 1941, has filled the position of Regimental S-3. His genius has directed the system of interlocking schedules which has made it possible to train four groups of soldiers at the same time, each of them at various stages of progress.

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The Personnel Section

It is a well known fact in large corporations that a department which is functioning smoothly requires little attention from the "front office". Under the direction of Captain Paul W. Corrigan and Mr Sgt Howard O. Whitt, such has been the case in the Personnel section. Included in its setup are all the Company clerks and various allied jobs, all concerned with keeping each man's records straight and seeing that he is paid. Biggest job each month for the clerks is the preparation of the Company payrolls. Much midnight oil is burned before this is completed and it is a happy clerk who can report to the Personnel Adjutant that his payroll is signed and no men will be redlined.



With the filling of ranks in the 36th the work of Personnel has become more complex, reaching an all time high early this year with the influx of recruits for the 48th. Of the men now detailed to this section most have been taken from the ranks and trained for these positions. Under the influence of the Captain's Irish geniality, and the Mr Sgt's military vocabulary, a loyal hard-working staff has been moulded that is a credit to the Regiment and a model for the Division.

Many of these men have graduated from clerical positions to ones requiring sound training and a great sense of responsibility and are reflecting the thoroughness of their military education.

One of the best ways of keeping up the soldier's morale is to see that he gets his pay and the Personnel Section typifies that spirit with the motto "Keep Em Happy - Keep Em Paid"

S-4, Food and Supply

When you walk into a mess hall for chow, or turn in a broken old pair of shoes, you probably never consider the men and equipment involved in such an apparently simple matter.

One fifth of all the supplies issued to the entire Division is allotted to the 36th. Seven and one half tons of food are required to feed the Regiment on an average day. Picture 2 tons of meat, 1000 Qts. of milk, 500 pounds of sugar and a like amount of flour and you have a rough idea of what goes through the RSO in one day.

The man behind the scenes in this drama of food and clothing is Lieut. Ernest P. Sheheen. With the assistance of Lieut. Russell, Mr Sgt Surine, Sgts Mills and Hernandez and their men, consisting of Canute, Velesoves, Rothman and others, it is his responsibility to keep the Regiment well fed and well clothed. Lieut. Sheheen has been associated with S-4 since the formation of the 36th.

He was born in Camden, South Carolina, in a family of six boys, three of whom are now in the Army. His father has been in the grocery business for 36 years in that city, and the Lieutenant received a thorough training from him. He attended Clemson College, graduating in 1931 with a B.S. degree. His military experience includes 4 years of ROTC and several training periods as a Reserve officer before being called to active duty in February, 1941. He is married and the father of a 2 year old daughter, Martha Ann. His hobbies are tennis, golf, fishing and hunting but we suspect his greatest diversion at present is trying to make the meat go round.

Motor Maintenance Section

As was the case with many phases in the development of the 36th, the Motor Maintenance section started its operations in a small way. The first shop at Bauregard consisted of one tent to protect the tools and a tent floor on which to service the vehicles. Grease rack was built from logs and, even at this early date, the present high standard instituted.

Upon arrival at Camp Polk a spacious motor park and modern shops were constructed completed with cement floors and excellent equipment. Under the supervision of Lieuts. Jeter and Dunn, Mr Sgts Nash and Massengill, and the crew of Bercy, Cole, Dolen, Logan, Johnson, Dvorak, Bowers, and Beebe the new drivers and mechanics were taught the proper care and handling of vehicles. During the light maneuvers last Fall no vehicles were lost or towed in, all returning under their own power. This was fine tribute to the care they had received and occasioned much favorable comment from other outfits.

The Maintenance shop is considered to be an example and has been used as a model for newer organizations. This is a record to be proud of and one that the repair men and drivers hope to maintain through the problems that lie before them. The thorough training of drivers and the rigid weekly inspections of mobile equipment all have but one object in view -- "Keep 'em Rolling".



I WANNA NEW PAIR OF SHOES
---THESE ARE SOTHIN I CAN
WALK ON A DIME AND TELL IF
IT'S HEADS OR TAILS... (SOB)

CONVOYS AND SIDE TRIPS

It is the desire of the "SPEARHEAD" to keep the men of the 36th informed of their regimental activities, both past and future, and also to serve as a beacon light for recruits who are at a loss as to how to spend their leisure time. In accordance with this policy, we will endeavor to cover briefly a few nearby places of interest.

Soldiers going down into Texas will be especially assured of a grand time. It is not at all uncommon down there to be stopped on the street by a total stranger and invited out to dinner. Port Arthur is a favorite spot and Beaumont is gaining great popularity amongst the men.

Beaumont deserves an article by itself. The Edson Hotel donated \$1,300 set-up for the entertainment of service men. The citizens themselves contribute the funds for the upkeep of this organization, and both individuals and business firms have given the equipment. The building is air conditioned. Besides offering the usual USO diversions, plus free food and showers, dances are held at any time one of our Regiments requests them. Incidentally, a great many of the nicest young ladies of Beaumont are to be found on hand almost every evening to help entertain the soldiers. Miss Adeline Peligo, the efficient and hard working hostess, will also secure a "blind" date for you if you are "in the mood". Invitations for Sunday dinners in private homes can also be arranged through her.

You will find similar organizations in other neighboring cities. The town of Alexandria, 60 miles northeast, offers in addition to a Lutheran USO, several other service centers. Lake Charles, La., has a spacious USO and this city offers much in summer recreation. There one can go swimming, boating and even fishing. Shreveport, 116 miles north, has two USO centers, one run by the American Legion and they feature showers, pool tables and free eats. Baton Rouge should also be visited. The Capitol building and the Huey Long Memorial yearly attract many visitors who come to view the lovely marble architecture of the former and the many mementoes of the late governor. L. S. U. is also located in this city and is noted for its ornate and luxurious campus, not to mention its beautiful co-eds.

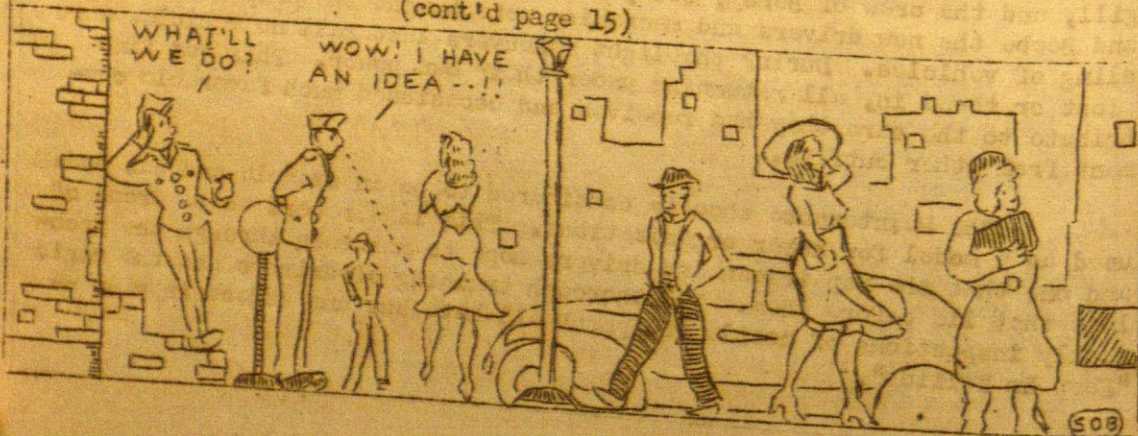
All cities mentioned in this article have created these USO and Service centers for the entertainment of the soldiers and to keep them from holding up lamp posts on the street corners. Whether we take advantage of these facilities or not, let's conduct ourselves as good soldiers and gentlemen. We represent the United States of America. Let our own people be proud to have us among them.

Places to Go

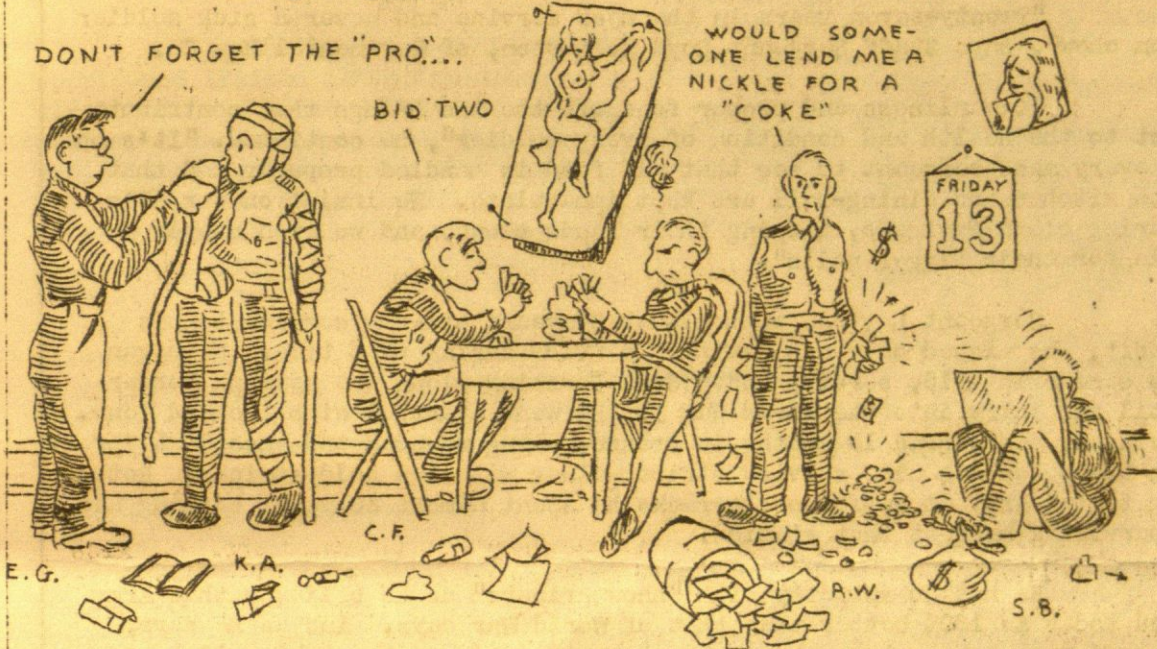
BEAUMONT - - Food: Fuller's Cafe, The Black Cat, Azteca Inn, Felix Mexican Restaurant, Levito's Spaghetti House, Luby's Cafeteria, Moncla's Delicatessen, and ABC Barbecue Place.

Where to Go: The new bowling alley (Don't miss it), Horseback riding at Tyrrell Park, Baseball at Stuart Stadium (Free to soldiers except on Holidays), Willards Lake for swimming, Tavern (dance), Rendezvous (dance), Boat racing at the country club, Picnic grounds and barbecue at Tyrrell Park and also golfing.

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THE EDITOR BLOWS HIS TOP

Sooner or later the time arrives in the life of every publication when it begins to look around for an ideal to espouse or a cause to champion. With an ear to the ground and a straw in the wind Spearhead ventures into the field of public opinion with a few observations culled from the squadrooms and gathering places of the Regiment.

Considering the tremendous number of camera addicts within the ranks, it was truly remarkable that some sort of uprising did not result from the serious crisis occasioned by the string shortage which developed at No. 10 PX in recent weeks. The curious reporter who sought to unravel this mystery found that failure of the film processing company to supply string with which to tie up the envelopes containing undeveloped negatives was the underlying cause. It has been frequently observed that a soldier's preferences are about as follows: first, FOOD; second, pretty girls, and third, seeing himself in snapshots. The handling of cameras and films is a service to the men that should not be neglected.

Along that line it comes to mind that at one time a sizeable quantity of photographic and darkroom equipment was offered to the men contingent on the formation of a camera club. While this offer may have lapsed through lack of interest it is quite possible that some such organization can be formed now and undoubtedly the necessary equipment can be procured. It is not improbable that enough fans could be interested to make it profitable for the club to go into the developing and printing business itself, both as a service to the men and as a source of revenue for new apparatus. It would not be difficult for a group of camera bugs to build a portable darkroom that could be of great use when the Regiment takes to the field. Developed to its fullest extent such an organization would without doubt be of great value along both recreational and military lines. Those interested in forming such a club will find the Chaplain very cooperative and it is hoped that something definite will be forthcoming in the near future.

WE HAVE WITH US

"Twenty-seven years in the mess service and never a sick soldier from chow", says Staff Sergeant Boyd E. Layton, of Regimental Hq. Co.

"Cleanliness and proper food are the two things that contribute most to the health and condition of every soldier", he continued. "It's up to every mess sergeant to see that all food is handled properly and that both kitchen and dining-hall are kept immaculate. We insist on our KP's wearing clean fatigues, keeping their hands clean, and we even supply a file for their finger nails".

Sergeant Layton, with almost 27 years of Army service to his credit, has missed only nine months' service during that time. He began his career in 1915, serving under Gen. Pershing along the Mexican border until our entry into the World War I. He went overseas with the 3rd Tonn. Division, and served 13 months in France, being wounded and gassed at Ypres. His blouse sports nine service stripes along with two gold stripes. Returning to the Army at Jefferson Barracks he spent almost 20 years cooking and supervising mess at that station.

He has no sympathy with "chow gripers" as he believes that Army food today is 100% better than that of World War days. And as he says, "A good mess sergeant can keep a variety of goods on the tables if he is willing to swap."

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It seems unlikely that Corporal Karl Anderson needs much introduction to the men of the 36th. If you have ever spent any time at the Recreation Hall, you undoubtedly have come in contact with Andy and his unique type of humor. In addition to his duties as assistant to the Chaplain he is also a member of the glee club and a steady contributor to this paper.

He has two qualities you notice almost instantly, first, his energy, not just an aimless running around but whole-hearted enthusiasm for the task at hand, and upon its completion a willingness to give everything he has to the next. Second quality, although you would hardly call it secondary is his sense of humor. It isn't a thing he trots out for inspection when an occasion arises, rather it is an integral part of his personality. You get a feeling that Andy gets a tremendous kick out of life and

only he can act like a kid in 7th grade, and at the same time make you realize that he has enough on the ball to qualify him for just about any job he may be called upon to do.

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If some of you recruits want to find out how much can be done with practically nothing, wander down to the motor pool and talk to Sgt. Toybin. In addition to his official duties of policing and cleaning our regimental area, he somehow finds time for other projects.

Among his accomplishments are the original beer garden, now converted by him into a mess hall for "I" company, a new beer garden, the lunch counter in the Rec hall, all the construction of tent floors, the headquarters tents for the 48th Infantry and a number of other improvements on our living quarters and recreational facilities. His work is a reflection of Toby's 20 yrs. experience.

WELL, HOW THE H--L WOULD YOU THROW A CARPENTER, SINGER, AND COOK INTO ONE CARTOON???

signed
Pvt. S.D. Babcock

COMMUNICATIONS

In the modern War of Motion supply and liaison lines are often stretched over great distances, adding new importance to duties of the Communications section. The 36th has a set-up that is the pride and joy of those responsible for its training. Initial equipment at Camp Beauregard consisted of one switchboard, the necessary wire and telephones to furnish communication for the Regiment and a plentiful supply of mud in which to lay it. Radio work was begun with a few brass pounders developing into the topnotch instructors being used in the radio classes at present.

On June 13, 1941 the outfit was moved to Camp Polk and with new equipment work began to progress more rapidly. A class of 40 men was started in radio school with wire and message center schools following shortly.

At the present time more than a hundred trained operators are available, with 26 radios in the Regiment and some of the best operators in the Division. Ultimately the 101 radios allotted the Regiment will be manned by a highly trained force of specialists.

Credit for the fine work done by the Communications section goes to the men who have worked incessantly to train the men and perfect the equipment. Among these are Mr. Sgt. Murch, St. Sgts Gaspard, Mantonya and Savage. Their energy and enthusiasm have borne great results.

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MEDICS

The Medical Department of the 36th looks back with pride upon its achievements of the past year. Since its arrival at Camp Polk many seemingly insurmountable obstacles have been met and overcome. Shortage of such necessities as adhesive tape and antiseptics were constantly arising, but with the key men functioning smoothly, the new selectees have been inoculated, given drivers' aptitude tests, and kept in sound condition. Shortage of men and officers has complicated the situation at times but the Medics have come through.

Many expert technicians have been developed such as: Sgts. Hylden Collins, Lindberg, Graves and Abernathy, under the guidance of Captain Quantz. One thing above all is assured, the men of the 36th and 48th will always receive the best in conscientious medical attention.

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POST OFFICE

The 36th Infantry is proud to have an efficient and smooth operating Postal Service. When the 36th was activated a year ago, the mail arriving in the Regiment was handled by one man - today it takes three.

Uncalled for mail is a problem which is turned over to a special clerk who locates the man and eliminates further delay. A heavy volume of Easter mail and the recent "free" mail service to soldiers has placed a heavy burden on the staff and frequently makes it necessary that they work after evening chow, in order that mail deliveries continue on schedule.

The force consists of Sgt. Kerbawy, Corp. Gifford, and Pvt. Gowell, all under the direction of Captain Corrigan, Postal Officer.

BETTY, DARLING, I DO LOVE YOU----I WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU---FOR-EVER.----- LADIES, ARE YOU KNOCK-KNEED---??



BOXING TOURNAMENT

Commencing April 22, 1942, a Regimental Inter-Company boxing tournament will be held and the Commanding Officer is very anxious that as many men as possible enter this meet.

Let us all try to make this tournament a real event, and it will prove so if we get the co-operation of all the men in the various companies. Every last one of you should get out there and root your respective boys on to victory, and judging from the amount of talent already shown there will be plenty of blood and thunder. You surely will be missing plenty of action if you don't show up. Boxing as we all know is a fine clean sport for boxer and spectator alike. It affords plenty of good exercise and keen competition which are the prime requisites of all good sporting events.

Boxers who were formerly on the Regimental boxing squad will not compete in this tournament, but instead will act as coaches, trainers and assistants.

The points for regimental supremacy will be, 1 point for each entry who participates, 2 points for the winners of the first round or who draw a first round bye, 4 points for the winners of the second round or who draw a second round bye, 8 points for the winners of the third round or who draw a third round bye, 16 points for the winners of the fourth round or who draw a fourth round bye, 20 points for the winners of the final round and 8 points for the loser.

The bouts will be held twice a week, weather permitting and companies will draw lots to determine opponents. It is optional with each company as to the number of men it wishes to enter in each weight class. There will be the following weight classes, 118, 126, 135, 145, 155, 165, 175, and heavyweight.

The boxing equipment of the Regiment will be available for use at the boxing arena at 3:00 P.M. daily. Members of the Regimental team will be on hand to assist in the training of the men. The winners will be determined Regimental Amateur Champions and they will be given a chance to box the present squad to select the new Regimental Champions.



"HELLO MAW, I DONE IT AGAIN...."

The following prizes will be awarded. The winning Company will receive a Silver Cup, the runner-up a silver cup, first place in each class a gold medal, second place a silver medal, and third place a bronze medal. The winner of any bout will also receive a carton of cigarettes and the winner of a Championship will receive a gift of \$10.000 with the compliments of the N.C.O. Association.

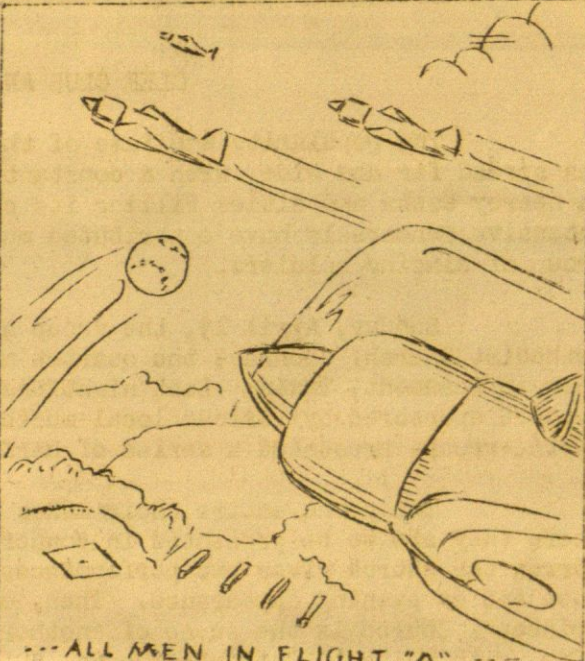
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SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL

Softball and volleyball get underway in tournament fashion this week. Each Company is expected to organize a team and get into the thick of the fray. Games are to be played Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings. The winning outfits will be awarded silver trophies and each member of the winning teams will receive medals. Schedules for both meets may be obtained from your Athletic N.C.O.

BASEBALL

The Camp Polk Inter-Regimental Baseball League got under way Wednesday evening, April 22. From the action in the opening and pre-season games this tournament should be one of the most closely fought Divisional contests. The 36th, 33rd and Station Complement teams seem to have a slight edge on the rest. Even though the 36th was defeated twice in practice games with the 33rd they rule as the favorites to cop the trophy. This is due mostly to the fact that for the first time this season the 36th is at full strength with several of their best players returned from special duty assignments.



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AREA --- 36 INFANTRY PLAYING
BASEBALL BELOW ---

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The team got off to a poor start because of the heavy duty schedule which prevented many players from attending practice regularly, and also because the management was unwilling

to overlook any chance of uncovering good players and gave every candidate a fair chance to make the grade. While the team as it now stands is in shape to enter on a successful season, the lineup is by no means closed and any players who have been unable to get out to practice may still make the team if they have what it takes. Practice is held every afternoon at 4:30 P.M. at the field in back of the Personnel office. The field itself has been improved considerably and from now on will be kept in the best possible condition.

The 36th will present a team which carries a terrific hitting threat; one that is liable to bust a ball game wide open at any stage. The outfield of Fichten in left, Hoff in center, and Wehmeyer in right includes three exceptional ball hawks who have also been hitting the apple at a .450 clip in pre-season games. Any one of these three is apt to pole one over Mississippi Avenue any time he steps up to the plate. Gospodarek at first base is a real find, handling throws that an ordinary first baseman would never touch, and hitting over .500 so far. Shortstop Campo, a topnotch leadoff man, has averaged only 5 strikeouts per season for 5 years and has stolen an average of 18 bases. The infield is rounded out with Rypalek at third and Paentine at second. Rypalek hits to either field and is dangerous at the plate, while Paentine, slow to get going, is now raring to go. Szuderak, behind the plate, can catch for our money any time and should be ready for the big time when this fracas is over. He is now the property of the Detroit Tigers. Pitchers include D'Anna, whose fast ball and hook curve are plenty tough, Shirk, our lanky, bespectacled control pitcher, Morgan, of the knuckle ball and sharp curves, and Doc Mendelsohn, a swell money pitcher in the tough spots.

All in all, it looks like a big season for the 36th. Let's get out and give these boys a great big hand. The Inter-Regiment Schedule:

- April 22 - 3rd Armd Supply
- April 26 - 33rd Armd Regt.
- April 29 - 23rd Engineers
- May 2 - 3rd Armd Hq & Serv
- May 6 - 703rd Tank Bn
- May 9 - 391 Field Art.
- May 13 - 57th Q. M.

- May 16 - 83rd Recon.
- May 20 - 54th Field Art.
- May 23 - 32 Armd Regt.
- May 27 - 3rd Armd Maint.
- May 30 - Station Hospital
- June 3 - Station Complement

If you like a winner, see all these games and we guarantee you a good time. Cut out these dates and paste them on your foot locker cover.

GLEE CLUB AND BAND

The popularity and fame of the 36th armored infantry Glee Club has spread far and wide, with a constantly increasing number of appearances in nearby towns and cities filling its calendar. Increased membership and intensive rehearsals have contributed much to the choral excellence of this group of singing soldiers.

Sunday, April 19, the group appeared in concert at the Alexandria Methodist Church. Monday, the quartet made its second appearance at a style show in Beaumont, Texas. Last night they appeared again in Alexandria in a concert sponsored by various local music groups. Corporal Zabawa, conductor of the group, presented a series of baritone solos.

Today the entire choir makes the long trek to Port Arthur, Texas, where they are to be presented in concert at a Lion's Club convention. Tomorrow the chorus gives two performances in the Beaumont Auditorium, a matinee and an evening appearance. Then, on Sunday morning, the Beaumont Episcopal Church is the scene of another concert of choral and quartet numbers, with solos by Corporal Zabawa.

The membership roles are still open and every new voice will be welcomed with open larynxes.

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The 36th Armored Infantry Dance Band during the last few weeks has made several appearances, and is fast becoming an important part of the recreational program of the regiment. The band has played for two of the regular bi-monthly N.C.O. dances and is scheduled henceforth to make an appearance every second and fourth Saturday in the recreational center.

But the band is not for non-coms alone. In the near future a dance will be given in the recreational hall for all enlisted men, and the 36th Dance Band will be on hand to furnish the music for that affair. Besides playing for the Recreation Hall and for several company parties, the band has made two appearances at the U. S. O. in Lake Charles.

The 36th Dance Band has many entertaining musicians. Outstanding are: Tech. Albright with his nervous, skin-prickling trumpet choruses;

Tech Bee on the Tenor Saxophone; Pfc Kobs on the electric guitar and Corp. Van Loon on the drums. Corp. Marvin Fjeld leads this solid-sounding outfit and anyone desiring to dance to their music will be accorded a festive evening.

New music is being added to the library in preparation for important engagements in the future. Probably the climax of this build-up will be a dance which will be held in the field house for the regiment within a few weeks. Although the date has not yet been definitely set, plans are being tentatively set for a fine program and dance which will be exclusive for the men of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment.

This will be an unequalled opportunity for the men of the Regiment to get out and support a strictly 36th Armd Infantry organization, and one that is doing its utmost to merit support.





THE 36TH PRESENTS A SPRING REVUE

When it comes to entertainment the 36th is always "on the beam." The latest event of interest is the staging of the "36th Armd Infantry Revue" on May 2nd. The Post field house will be bubbling over with music, dancing, magicians, jugglers, and acrobats from the professional field. The Regiment will add to this line-up their dance band, glee club and other novelty numbers. Talent will come from Beaumont, Port Arthur, Texas.

The Widman School of Dancing will bring many colorful dance ensembles to add that decided touch to a revue. Included in their program will be some beautiful ballet, ball-room, acrobatic and tap specialties. Featured soloist from Beaumont will be a blues singer, Miss Jane Nelson. Personality personified plus numbers that will thrill you for a long time will be contributed by Miss Imogene Perone of Port Arthur.

For fun, novelty and variety, the "Eight Rays" will add the flourishes that will keep you guessing as to how they do it. Their part of the show is fast moving and will climax with the entire company in an acrobatic routine.

The 36th Infantry Glee Club will render a group of selections with Corporal Zubawa as soloist. The smooth melodies of the Infantry Dance Band will give background to the program, while the novelty acts will keep things going. There will be skaters and other specialties and the attraction will be closed with the entire company presenting a patriotic pageant "Just Remember Pearl Harbor".

This attraction is being sponsored by the A and R Fund and the proceeds from the N.C.O. counter in the Rec hall. Plan to attend.

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BOWLING COMES TO CAMP POLK

Eight new Brunswick bowling alleys have been recently opened up on Alabama Avenue near the Service club. These have been built solely for the recreation of the men of Camp Polk, all equipment being brand new, and a small Post Exchange is operated in conjunction with the alleys. Play is continuous during the week from four to eleven, and from twelve to eleven on week ends. The charge is only 15 cents a line. If any of you men have not experienced the thrill of sending a Mineralite hurtling down the hardwood and scattering the maples, we suggest you give it a try. It's a good place to forget those "drill field blues".

Speaking of bowling - there are also seven new Brunswick alleys in Leesville under the management of Ira J. Baden. He is endeavoring to get in touch with 180 average bowlers to form a Regimental team which will meet teams from surrounding camps and cities.

Plans are also being drawn up for a Regimental Bowling tournament with a team representing each Company. Prizes and medals will be awarded.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

CERTIFICATE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the bearer has made himself sufficiently obnoxious in this office, by asking for an interview with the Chaplain daily, for the past two weeks. He has proven himself worthy of this, the official T. S.* ticket of the Chaplain's Office. To the Chaplain, and to his assistants, this man has proven himself beyond doubt to be worthy of the term, "Chaplain's Boy". It is to be understood by everyone to whom this ticket is shown that the bearer is not, never was, and never will be a soldier, and as such should be shown the proper consideration.

*T. S. - For a definition,

ASK ANY SOLDIER.

Signed *James E. Hannaford*
JAMES E. HANNAFORD,
Chaplain, 1st Lt.,
36th Armd Inf Regt.

EMERGENCY FURLOUGHS

As an aid to those soldiers who in the near future may find themselves applying for an emergency furlough the following simple instructions are printed.

Since it is necessary that the Red Cross authorities verify the need for a furlough the best procedure is for the soldier to notify the folks at home to get in touch with their local Red Cross chapter. The Red Cross there will send a telegram to its headquarters here, and this will eliminate much loss of time. When a telegram is sent directly to the soldier the Camp Red Cross must be notified and an investigation started from this end, causing considerable delay.

Where the possibility of an emergency furlough is imminent, the soldier should notify his parents of the above and insure quick action.

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THE LOST BATTALION IS FOUND

Most of you have heard of the Lost Battalion and wondered where it was located and how it received its name. The truth can now be told. Most of its members had for their lucky day (day of induction) Friday, the Thirteenth of March. They were promptly shipped to the "garden spot of Louisiana" to be made into soldiers. When the Camp officers saw this group of recruits they decided some special training was in order, so they isolated them in Area OO, so named because of the General's remark when shown the place. This area is located at the end of Louisiana Avenue, past the laundry, and is miles from a theatre or PX.

The officers were right in their judgment. It didn't take long to learn that three out of four had two left feet when marching. However they soon began showing improvement under some personal attention from the NCO's. At this point the Company Commander decided that he should bring his wife out to see the area, probably in hopes that it would have a good effect on his recruits. When Mrs. Hendricks arrived her first remark was, "My what a lovely spot for a country club". Evidently one of the privates must have said "Yoo Hoo."

After some of their rough edges were polished off, the Regimental Commander evidently decided that they would progress more rapidly if they were assimilated into the Regiment. In order to safeguard against an uprising and to protect the morale of the Regiment each company took 25 of them. Thus the Lost Battalion has been found and is no more.

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POISON IVY AND POISON OAK

With warm weather once again upon us, we'll soon be taking to the field for frequent problems. After hours of drill, that ten minute break will be a great relief - IF - we watch where we stretch out.

Any of you who have experienced the discomfort of Poison Ivy or Poison Oak know how annoying and irritating they can be. The former grows as a climbing plant, but sometimes becomes a crawling or low growing shrub. Poison Oak is a closely related vine with more deeply notched leaves. If you have come in contact with either, wash the exposed area immediately, using plenty of hot soap and water, and rinsing with alcohol and clear water.

N. C. O. ASSOCIATION

Master Sergeant Conyne was elected Treasurer of the N.C.O. association on March 31 at a meeting held in the Recreation hall. The opening was left by the transfer of Staff Sergeant Tom Glass to the 7th Armd Division. Master Sergeant Conyne was chosen unanimously. All other officers remained the same with Sgt. Herbert Thurston, President; Corp. Robert Townsend, Vice-President, and Sgt. Franklin Oosterhof, Secretary.

The N.C.O. Association operates the Lunch Bar in the Regimental Recreation hall, using all profits to purchase equipment for the Recreation building and other such beneficent actions. Money cleared from the sale of pies, cakes, cookies, coffee, milk, ice cream, etc., will furnish the cash and tobacco prizes to be awarded to the winners of the newly started regimental Boxing tournament.

Every N.C.O. in the Regiment is automatically a member of this association. There are no dues and every N.C.O. is strongly urged to attend each meeting.

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PROMOTION

Staff Sergeant Marshall Reed, Regimental Headquarters and Headquarters Company, has recently been promoted to Technical Sergeant. Tech. Sgt. Reed is the Regimental Operations Sergeant in the S-3 Section.

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S-3 LOSES CLERK

Technician 5th Grade John D. Albright, Regt. Hq & Hq Co., who has been S-3 Clerk in this Regiment for the past six months has left Regimental Headquarters to go in a line Company. Tech. Albright has recently been accepted for Officers' Candidate School and will be called to the Armd Force O. C. School in the near future. He will be replaced in S-3 by Corporal Harold W. Groves, who has recently returned to the Regiment from the E. R. C.

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OFFICER CANDIDATES

A new group of successful applicants for Officers' Candidate School has been announced by Armored Force Headquarters and Spearhead is pleased to publish the list:

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| Sgt. Leo J. Rakowski | Co. "H" |
| Sgt. Fred Anderson | Co. "E" |
| Corp Drew Verheyden | Co. "F" |
| St Sgt. Louis Swenson | 1st En. |
| Sgt. Matthew R. Brija | Co. "F" |
| Pvt. Bernard Solomon | Co. "B" |
| Pvt. John C. Daniel | Hq. Co. |
| Pvt. James E. Burns | Service |
| Pvt. William Driscoll | Co. "E" |

To these men go the congratulations and best wishes of the entire regiment. We know that they will be a credit to the training they have received here.

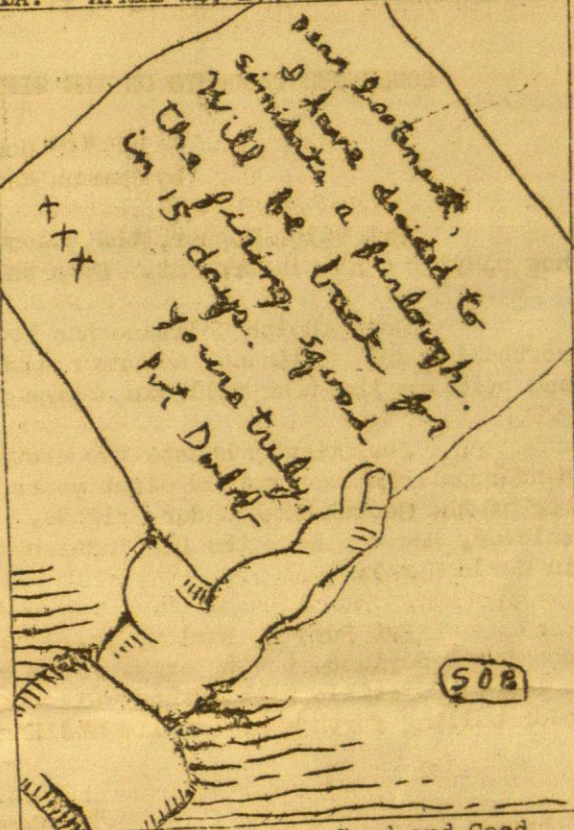
The Army today offers unlimited opportunities to the men who possess the qualities and initiative required to make the grade. More power to our boys who are going up.



PLACES TO GO

(Cont'd from Page 4)

Port Arthur - Food: Tarpon Inn; Sai Woe (Chinese); Victory Grill; Jefferson Cafeteria; Coastal Inn (on the Coast); Granger's (on the Coast).
 Where to go: YMCA (Soldiers have membership privileges); Casanova (Dance); The Pleasure Pier (boat racing); Beach Sea Wall; Bowling Alley, and Loch Lomond (Dance).
 Hotels: The Goodhue, The Sabine.
 Lake Charles - Food: Majestic Hotel; Charleston Hotel; Earl's Cafeteria; Mike's Drive-in.
 Where to Go: Bat Gormly (Dine and Dance); Shell Beach (Dance); Fishing, Swimming, Boat riding, Army Recreational Center.
 Hotels: Charleston and Majestic.
 Orange, Tex. - Food: Log Cabin (Barbecue); Rit Cafe.
 Where to Go: The Groves (Dance); Bowling Alley.



Shreveport - Food: Hotel Washington Youree (Name Dance Band and Good Food); Pelican Club (Dancing); Dehan's; Gardner Hotel Coffee Shop.
 Opelousas - Food: Waldorf Hotel Coffee Shop; James Hotel Coffee Shop; DeLuxe Cafe; Palace Restaurant; Cedar Lane (One of the finest Dince and Dance places in the South); Moonlight and St. Landry Nite Clubs.
 Where to Go: Two golf courses, one in connection with Cedar Lane.

If your a ball fan, all of these cities have baseball clubs well worth watching, especially Beaumont, whose Exporters play in the Texas League which is Class A ball. All of the cities mentioned are within easy reach for either a Sunday or weekend trip. Bus and railroad companies will gladly furnish information as to rates and schedules.

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Convoy Information

- April 25, 26 ----- Lake Charles.
- May 2 ----- Beaumont, Shreveport and Opelousas.
- May 15, 16 ----- Lake Charles (opening of the swimming season).

We've tried to give you a little dope on where to go, where to eat and what to do for amusement. If you have enjoyed them let us know, and let the proprietors know where you learned of them. Our list, of course, is limited by the editor's experience and acquaintance.

You undoubtedly have found others spots every bit as interesting and amusing. Don't be exclusive. When you discover a particularly good spot, slip the editor a line. He'll be glad to pass it on to the other boys.

In all of the cities and places listed you will encounter a warm welcome. Don't abuse it.

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WHY TOP KICKS LOSE THEIR HAIR -

Recruit: "I'm looking for the First Sergeant".
 Sgt. Gader: "I'm the First Sergeant. What do you want."
 Recruit: "Sir, shall I dig another hole, and fill up that hole over there?"

CONDENSED THOUGHTS ON THE GIFT OF GAB AND OTHER THINGS

"I" Company
by Hamann and Funston

Pvt Ralph Wagner, the talented member of the Regimental Band is now playing a new instrument. He's the new Company bugler.

Corp Adolph Golisano has been selected to manage the Company's softball team. Golisano, a former semipro player, has considerable material and believes the team will win a high place in the League standings.

The Company boasts two distinguished veterans on its roster. Sgt Henderson McPherson served eight years in the Canadian army, and was a member of the Scotch Highlander Brigade. Sgt Thomas Grider, another veteran soldier, has won both the Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart, in World War I.

Pvt Burt P. Barlow, Jr., the Company's new cook, brings a large cooking experience to the army. For the past six years he has been chef of a large Louisville restaurant. His tasty recipes and delicious menus have been calling forth many compliments from the men.

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"E" Company
by Sgt. Geertsema

During the past months many of our prominent noncoms have been sent to Fort Knox for officer training. Among them are Jimmie Bridges, Clyde Carney, John Bryan, Jack Elder, Fred Bigelow, Louis Mock and Charles McKee. We conclude from their letters that it is no Sunday School, but we sincerely hope that they all receive their commissions.

It isn't just the doughboy in Iceland who has the marrying fever. Many of our boys have been bitton by the "lovebug" and since last July 11 men have taken the final step. They include Sgts Mabb, Sewell, Wise, Alejandro, Pate, Ryan, Vandergrift, Farrell, Davis, Rickert and Geertsema. Sgt Williams is not to be outdone and will soon join their ranks. Come on, Sgt Eubanks, you'll miss the train.

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Medical Musings
by Corp. Gardner

Staff Sgt Bosveld and his wife will be infantizing come next month----Tech Sgt Harold Hylden really had a queen at a recent N.C.O. dance. Her name - military secret-----Congratulations to Corp Robert Bennet, recently promoted to Staff Sgt-----Staff Sgt Oscar Larson has applied for a transfer to the Air Corps. They can use men of his calibre.

Sgt Sam Haik is really yodeling these days. Seems Sgt Jim Graves signed the payroll on Sam's line. "The Black Man" swears he'll ask Jim out behind the tents if he is redlined-----It doesn't pay to wander into "Daisy Mae" Oglesby's tent. Staff Sgt Reiss did so, unannounced and came out with a broken finger. These medics play rough-----Have you "Internes" seen Iz Mendelsohn's picture of Betty Grable. Wow.

Secret Ambitions: To say "How's it going, Horse," to Captain Quantz-----To promote a chow eating contest between Haik, Bacino and Gabrielson.

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Headquarters Co - 1st Battalion
by Eugene Horan

The "chief" of barracks 1106 is certainly a sharpie. He had all girls giving him adoring looks at the dance at Opelousas. Its his voice boys.

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CONDENSED THOUGHTS AND COMPANY NEWS (Cont'd)

Regimental Headquarters Co.
by Corporal Edie

It is rumored that after a 200 mile drive this past week end, there was a slight odor of fish on the equipment of Lt. Hunziker. We hear from other anglers that there are plenty of bass and trout to be had close to DeRidder, but then, the grass is always greener over the fence. Sgt. Murch admits that an eel in the hands of his son speeds his evacuation.

We are proud of the men who have been accepted for Officers' Candidate School. Corp Daniel is to leave this week end and will join Sgt Smith and Corp Edenburn who have been kept busy for the past month. Others who have been accepted are: Sgt Murch, Sgt Bobb, Tech 5th Albright, Pvt Davies and Pvt Shirk.

The N.C.O. parties at the Rec hall are growing in popularity, partly due perhaps to the transportation furnished the members from DeRidder for the last one. Money spent at the Rec hall is going to a good cause and those parties are contributing much to the fund.

Although we are not equipped for giving showers and such, we want friend Frizzi to know that we are glad to hear of his marriage and wish him lasting happiness. Don Hendricks may also be playing double soon. Could that account for his including a pair of G. I. shoes in his laundry recently?

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"A" Company
by Sgt. Randie

A certain Sgt has bought a pair of cowboy boots and wants to know where he can find a horse. If you know of one see the "Mad Russian". "Smiling Tim" McCoy has been receiving so much mail from unknown girl friends that the mail clerk is complaining.

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Headquarters Company - 2nd Battalion
by Turpie

Sgt Shepherd is still sweating out a three day pass. It looks as though he'll get it -- after the war.

"F" Company
by Corp Auerbach

The sound of George Baresi making preparations for one of his famous spaghetti dinners is better poetry to our ears than can be found in books. His reputation has become so wide-spread that on a recent occasion we welcomed such notables as Capt Corrigan of Personnel, Lts Hutcheson and Pelose, formerly of F Company, and Lts Healy and Jared. They occupied the table nearest the kitchen and kept the table waiters busy refilling.

Another high spot in recent history was the beer party held April 1 at the recreation hall. The event was staged in honor of the retiring Company Commander, Lt Hutcheson. First Sgt McAllen acted as toastmaster and introduced such celebrities as Captain Miley, Lt Freeman, Lt Healy, Lt Plummer and the guest of honor. They all spoke briefly and Lt Healy added to the spirits of the occasion by playing the trumpet with the regimental swing band. Lt Hutcheson was presented with a pipe and can of tobacco and the book, "Eyeless in Gaza". All present voted it a most successful party.

The company is rather worried about the near-marital status of one of its staff sergeants. Seems every time the date is set he lays in the refreshments too soon and the wedding is off.

The boys from the Lost Battalion miss Sgt Hoff.

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SINGING SOLDIERS

Remember, whatever the seasons may bring,
The World marches farther with soldiers that sing;
And nothing is truer beneath the blue sky
Than the world is a loser for soldiers who sing.

The captains of life standing forth in the field
Say the soldiers that sing are the quickest to yield;
While soldiers and free-men that sturdily cling
To courage and hope are the soldiers that sing.

So better leave singing alone for awhile,
And see how much sooner we'll finish a mile;
Hurrah for the fields of the victors that ring
With the shout and the song of the soldiers that sing.

. . . Frank Wolcott Hutt . . .

3rd Artillery (A.M.D.)
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ORIENTATION LECTURES

The Bureau of Public Relations in Washington, D.C. has inaugurated a lecture program designed to acquaint military personnel with the past and present International Situation as it affects this country. Since the Munich conclave, the aggrandization policy of the Axis Powers had caused widespread unrest among the American people. However, the immediate prevalent reaction indicated an isolationist point of view. 1942, in turn, finds the United States engaged in all-out battle with these same nations. The progressive changes in American sentiment through the phases of isolation, passive aid and all-out resistance and the dangers to our territorial, political and economic national safety which motivated these changes, will be dealt with in the Introductory Lecture Phase. Post-World War events, developments in our foreign and defense policies, and the resultant role of the individual soldier in defense of the nation are listed as lecture topics to be covered by this first phase which began Saturday morning, January 17, with the inaugural talk by Lt. Sheely. Other subjects to be covered include, The Fall of Denmark and Norway, The Fall of the Low Countries, The Battle of Britain, The Battle of the Atlantic, The Battle of the Mediterranean, The War in the Balkans, The Russo-German War, Latin America Facing A World At War and The Far Eastern Situation--1931 through 1941.

Chaplain Hannaford has been given the responsibility of directing the course as well as preparing several of the addresses. He will be assisted by 1st Battalion representative Lt. Curlee, 2nd Battalion representative Lt. Sheely, and 3rd Battalion representative Lt. Mason. In addition, from four to six lectures will be given by civilian specialists prominent in one or more fields covered by the program.

The current phase has been installed to orient all military personnel and inform them concerning current developments in the international military situation, and war measures taken by the United States. Company Officers and enlisted men in the individual companies, who have had previous experience in the field of international relations will give short, informal, daily talks in coordination with the training program.

The fundamental purpose of the course, to quote Lt. Hannaford, "is to endeavor to give meaning and definite objective to our fight for freedom in

LT. COLONEL RAINES TRANSFERRED

Lieutenant Colonel Hugh Robert Raines of Jackson, Tennessee, is the new Commanding Officer of the Medical Detachment, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, Camp Polk, Louisiana. His transfer from the Divisions Surgeon's Office, where he was the Division Medical Inspector, brings to the 36th a man who has achieved notable distinction both in Army and Civilian life.

A graduate, with and A.B. degree, of Union University in Jackson, Tennessee and the School of Medicine of Vanderbilt University, Colonel Raines received his commission as a 1st. Lt. in the reserves in 1925. He served with the 317th Field Artillery, the 324th Infantry, and the 94th General Hospital.

In civilian life, he has practiced Urology for the past twenty years. A member of the American Urological Association, Colonel Raines has been associated with the Baptist Memorial Hospital, the Methodist Hospital and the St. Joseph Hospital, all of Memphis, Tennessee.

Among the many fraternal organizations to which he belongs is the S.A.E. Literary Fraternity, the A.K.K. Medical Fraternity, and the K.C.C.K. Scottish Rite Fraternity. Colonel Raines is married, his wife Charlotte being quite active in the Red Cross. His hobbies are handball and movies.

The Medical Detachment and whole 36th indeed extend a hearty welcome to Colonel Raines. His broad medical knowledge and his genial personality will ease many a soldiers' pain and anxiety.

so far as military personnel is concerned". What seemed to us to be, in the not so distant past, unnecessary evils or useless political entanglements, have become in these last few months the directives of actions protecting all we hold inviolate.

The subject material has been carefully selected and the instructors are well qualified; hence a great deal of benefit may be derived from this Orientation Course. It is thoroughly worth a bit of attention and honest thought.

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DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS

The newly formed Drum and Bugle Corps of the 36th Armored Infantry is scheduled to make its first official public appearance at the Regimental Dance to be held in the Recreational Hall Thursday, January 29. According to Pvt Gerald D. Abbott, the Corps has been given a free hand in arranging a program and rounding it into shape.

The Corps is composed of twenty-four men, eighteen of whom are buglers and six drummers. Six of the buglers are qualified according to regulations, while one drummer pounds the big bass and five the snare drums.

Since our 36th Infantry Band has been transferred to the 33rd Armored Regiment, the Drum and Bugle Corps has the responsibility of filling those great, big shoes. The men of the Regimental Band left a truly fine record behind them but we have no doubts that the Drum and Bugle Corps will be able to add to it.

EIGHT MORE MEN FROM 36TH TO 703RD

One officer and forty eight enlisted men evidently proved the worth of good material available in the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment when they were sent on a cadre to the 703rd Tank Destroyer Battalion in December because a call came through last week for eight more enlisted men from the 36th.

The following men were selected by Col. W.L. Roberts, Commanding Officer, to fill existing vacancies in the 703rd Tank Destroyer Battalion; Sgt Lee Badeaux, Cpl Charles H. Hall, PFC Arthur Aultman, and Pvts Chester Klabach, Herbert Carter, James Mills, Clyde Offutt and Harold Wisner. The positions these men will hold are Mess Sergeant, Auto Mechanic, Radio Operator, Cook, Gunner, General Mechanic, Bugler and Typist, respectively.

DART TOURNAMENT

Just how accurate are you? That's a tough question to answer, but we have the gauge by which to test an answer to that query. To make matters more intriguing we are going to offer a prize to the one who can prove, not by talking, but by actions, you know the old 36th slogan of 'Deeds Not Words', that he is more accurate than is his opponent.

All of this is to take place between the hours of seven and nine on Tuesday nite, the 20th of January at the Regimental Recreation Hall. This is how the test is to be made.

At the recreation Hall you will find some new dart board stands, each of which holds a regulation dart board. Anyone wishing to try his skill will be given 10 tries, in two series of five, in an effort to make the highest score. From seven o'clock until 8:30 P.M., anyone may take a crack at the targets. From all those who have thrown the darts, the top five will be chosen as qualified to throw in the finals which will be staged from 8:30 until 9:00. The winner will be determined by an aggregate of scores made in both throwings.

Everyone will have an equal chance in this contest, but we might tell you that the boy who won the last dart tournament is still with us and every now and then he comes over to amaze the spectators in the recreation hall with his accuracy. Now is the time to practice and come Tuesday, you may be the one to come out on top.

Oh, yes, the prize; well, that is a secret, but well worth shooting for.

TRAIN HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Not only did the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment send out an additional eight men to the 703rd Tank Destroyer Battalion but it was also called upon to send eight men to Train Headquarters Company of the 3rd Armored Division. PFC'S Russell Bryant, John Watson, Woodrow Benson, and Pvts Clyde Miller, Walton Crocker, Frank Bartlo, Calquit Waggoner, and Sherwood Powers were the men designated by Colonel W.L. Roberts to aid in the formation of this new unit of the 3rd Armored Division.

These men will see duty as Radio Operators, Mechanics, Drivers, Chauffeurs, Agent Messengers and Machine Gunners and all are well-qualified for the positions.



REORGANIZATION, SIR!

SPECIALISTS TO BE DISRATED, TECHNICIANS RATED

On some day within the next few weeks, all specialists in the Regiment will be disrated. On the same day, Technicians 4th and 5th grade will be appointed. This rating system is new to the Army but is used in the other armed services. The new system will simplify the pay scale, increase opportunities for promotion, and clarify lines of promotion for technical personnel. The pay scale and the ratings will be greatly simplified by the new system. Instead of 25 different ratings for enlisted men there will be 7. They are Grade 1, Master Sgt; Grade 2, 1st or Tech Sgt; Grade 3, Staff Sgt-Technician 3rd Grade; Grade 4, Sgt-Technician 4th Grade; Grade 5, Corporal-Technician 5th Grade; Pvt 1cl; and private.

Technicians will receive the same pay for their grade but will rank after the grade. A Technician 4th Grade will receive the same pay as a Sgt but will rank after a Sgt. A Technician 5th Grade will receive the same pay as a Corporal but rank after a Corporal.

Technicians will wear specially designed chevrons of a new design not yet announced. They will be assigned duties corresponding to their grade. They'll even be made and busted in the old Army way.

The next two weeks should see some fancy and high-class bucking. There is nothing in regulations that states a disrated specialist must be given a Technician's grade. Specialists who have been laying down on the job--Gold-bricking--may not get any rating if the Co. Commander so sees fit. This gives the Co. Commander a chance to recognize and

award those men who have been doing their work diligently, and cheerfully, and as yet have received no promotion. All in all, it seems "There'll be some changes made."

PERSONNEL MOVES TO DAY ROOM

The Personnel Office--Personnel Adjutant Lt. Corrigan, Sgt Major Whitt, Personnel Staff, Company Clerks, and all-- on Tuesday afternoon, January 6, packed their typewriters, stuffed their field cases, grabbed their chairs and staged a mass evacuation of the Barracks to move to new quarters in old H Co's Day Room. Squeezing a bit in the smaller space, they managed to make room for everyone.

With the Regimental reorganization, 703rd Tank Destroyer Cadre, furloughs, assignment of Recruits to Companies, payrolls, and the move-out, Company Clerks kept their type-writers tapping to the "Light's-Out" hour. With this work behind them, they're prepared to take on anything that comes along--especially the first man who says clerking's a "Goldbrick" job.



SGT MAJOR WHITT

ATTENTION MUSICIANS

Since Mr. Reed and the former 36th Infantry Band left this regiment, many of us have become conscious of the fact that a band does have an effect on the morale of an infantry outfit, whether said outfit depends exclusively upon its feet for mobility, or, as in the 36th, its men loll voluptuously on the cushions of tastefully appointed half-tracks. Men who seemingly were unaware of the fact that we had a band have been asking, now that it is no longer here, what happened to that fine organization. The fact is that in the recent reorganization at Camp Polk, the band was transferred to the 33rd Armored Regiment at the other end of Camp.

But in a regiment of this size we must have more musicians than the twenty-eight called for in a regulation army band. It is to those men, who up to now have been keeping their musical ability a secret, that we are sounding this "call to horns". If you play any instrument at all, whether it be a harp or a harmonica, we're interested in you. We're organizing a dance band and a hill-billy band, and whatever else we need to give every man a chance to do his stuff on his chosen instrument. Now remember, if you're a musician on any instrument whatever, come down to the recreation hall and tell us about it. It is no longer necessary to hide your light beneath the proverbial bushel basket.

Colonel Roberts has placed Chaplain Hannaford in charge of the organization of the band, and already we have the making of a good-sized outfit in the offing. Several of the men have sent home for their instruments. It should be of special interest to sousaphone players, etc., that transportation charges on the instruments are being paid by the regiment. By the time this is in print, many of you will already have heard musical (we hope) sounds emanating from the windows, doors, and very walls of the recreation hall.

Anyone interested in band work is urged to get in touch with Corp. Marvin Fjeld at the Recreation hall.

RECRUIT PARTY

For the second time within a month the Recreation Hall of the 36th Armored Infantry was jammed to the walls with the "freshmen" of this organization.

You might say that it was no formal occasion, merely a get-together where new friends meet. The rookies were introduced to all the facilities which are available to them at the Recreation Hall. Every table was put to use, as were a few from Regimental Headquarters, as well as all recreational equipment of the indoor variety.

In all there were 18 tables around which gathered players of chess, bridge, pinochle, whist, five hundred, monopoly, checkers, etc. Also the dart boards, shuffle board and ping-pong tables were given a good work-out.

The gathering took place on the night when Glee Club practice is scheduled, and although the boys were unaware of the fact, they were serving as a dress-rehearsal audience as the Glee Club went through the numbers it presented at Shreveport the following night. Later in the evening a lunch was served, after which Corporal Zabawa lead the group in a bit of community singing.

This is an accident to the party, but a couple of the fellows, former band

members dropped in last night. That wasn't unusual, but it was a coincidence when both of them, during the course of the evening, stated that they wondered if the fellows in the Regiment were aware of the completeness of the 36th Armored Infantry Recreation Hall. "There is nothing like it on the post", said one of the fellows, and the other had a similar remark. If you are not acquainted with what your Recreation Hall has to offer, why not drop and enjoy relaxation in the right atmosphere.

GLEE CLUB

After the Christmas lay-off, the Glee Club of the 36th Armored Infantry is trying hard to catch up on engagements which had to be cancelled because of a furlough riddled chorus.

Thursday night, the 15th of January, the Glee Club was featured at the Chamber of Commerce banquet at Shreveport. This is a return engagement for the Glee Club at the Washington-Youre Hotel in Shreveport as it was not many months ago that they did their part of a program there for the Rotarians at which time General Gillem was the guest speaker. (Continued on page 5)

POWER SAW INVENTED

SOMETHING FROM NOTHING

Staff Sergeant Toybin of the Provost Marshall's Department has proven himself a man of ingenuity as well as initiative. A problem presented itself in the Provost warehouse of the Regimental Motor Pool whenever especially bulky or hard timber had to be cut. The Sergeant wrestled long and thoughtfully with the problem and the solution sent him foraging through various other Regimental Motor Pools. He finally succeeded in assembling a pile of automotive odds and ends which emerged from the Regimental Maintenance Shop as a complete Chevrolet gasoline truck engine capable of developing 75 horsepower. A 16-inch circular cutting blade was attached to the engine and a very serviceable power buzz-saw was the result.

According to Sgt Toybin, credit belongs to the Maintenance Shop. The boys in Maintenance throw the laurel wreath to the Sergeant. Evidently it was a cooperative proposition. Anyway it is a good job--and it works!

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Although this is the fourth time in all that the Glee Club has appeared in Shreveport there still were requests for a return engagement.

In the offing are a couple of

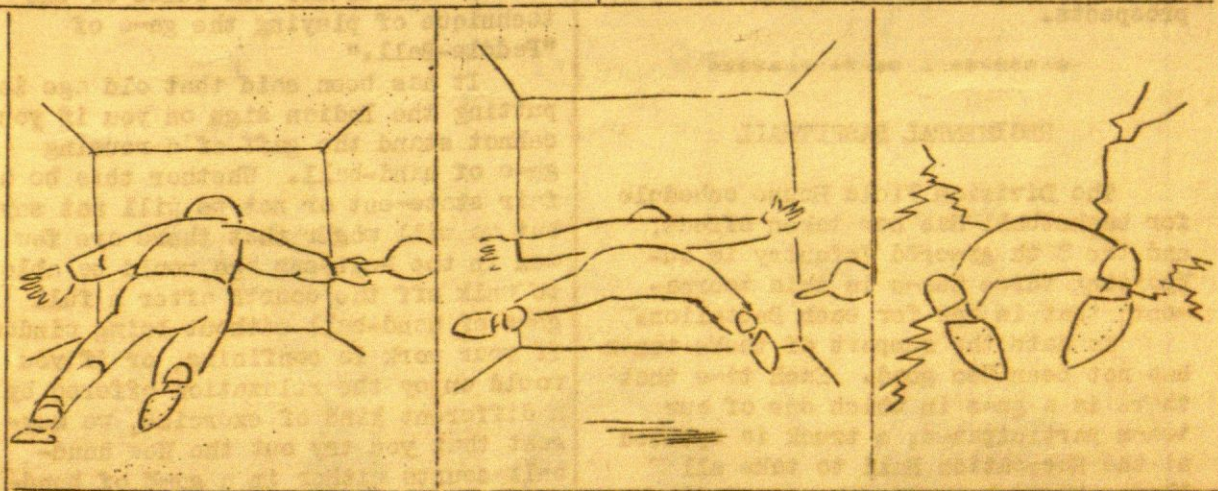
RECREATIONAL NEWS

Starting the new year in truly festive fashion, Chaplain Hannaford has announced plans for several social affairs in the near future. The month of January offers Recreational parties for the 1st Battalion on January 21, for the second Battalion on January 26, and for the 3rd Battalion on January 28. Refreshments for the parties will be arranged by the individual units.

A 36th Infantry Regimental Dance is to be held Thursday evening, January 29, with the Military Maids from DeRidder and Leesville present in abundance. Special entertainment during the evening will be furnished by the newly formed and quite adept Drum and Bugle Corps. An orchestra will beat out the dance music--naturally.

Plans are now under way for a party in the near future for the non-commissioned-officers and their families with refreshments and entertainment for all, and for several tournaments probably including bridge, pinochle, chess, shuffle board, dominoes, and checkers.

broadcasts for the Glee Club. One of these is to be a broadcast from Beaumont Texas on Sunday, January 25th. Other concerts are pending, and in all, the Glee Club has six programs before it within the next few weeks.



TITLE: "Kill Shot"
 STARRING: Sgt VanHalst
 SCENE: Hand-Ball Court

BOXING TOURNEY SCHEDULED

BOXING-REGIMENTAL AND DIVISION NEWS

Boxing for the Regiment is shaping up in good order under the tutelage of the new boxing coach, Master-Sergeant Murch.

Sergeant Murch is pleased with the turn-out of new men, and reports that 20 men out of the recruit companies have reported for boxing. Among these men are many nifty boxers, and Sergeant did not want to commit himself on any of them, but he did say that Chicago had better look out for Private Fasl of company 25, as he is certain to hit the jack-pot somewhere along the line.

Mention of Chicago, of course means that the boys who win the Division tournament, which is to be held at the Field-House on January 29-30-31, and February 2-3 and 4th are those which will compete in the Chicago Golden Gloves Tournament to be held in that city February 23, 24, and 25.

For the winners in the Divisional tournament there are to be many prizes. For each champion a 10 kr. Golden Glove Watch-Char is to be given. For each runner-up there will be a Sterling-Silver Glove Watch-Char, and for the most sportsmanlike and exemplary conduct in the ring there will be a 12 1/2 inch Gold Trophy. Among the other prizes there will be a trophy for the boxer judged most game and courageous, as well as, a 39 Inch trophy for the unit scoring the most points. Sgt. Murch states that these are the places that men in the 36th will capture with Weigel, Chan and Havelka as excellent prospects.

REGIMENTAL BASKETBALL

The Division Field House schedule for basketball has now taken effect, and the 36th Armored Infantry is supporting three teams in this tournament; that is one for each Battalion.

To date the support of these teams has not been too good. Each time that there is a game in which one of our teams participates, a truck is spotted at the Recreation Hall to take all those who wish to see the game. Some of the fellows have stated that they do not hear about the games. This, however, is a reflexion on no one else but himself as the notices are posted on the Company bulliten boards

where all can see them. It is up to each individual fellow to read that board, not just for basketball schedules, but for everything which effect him or his Company.

If you would enjoy some good basketball, played by fellows who know how to play it, and on a floor which can't be beat, plan on attending the games when your battalion plays.

HAND-BALL COURTS

For those who still remain unaware, the 36th Armored Infantry has four of the best hand-ball courts for which any hand-ball enthusiast could wish. These courts are located, one in the 1st Bn. area in close proximity to the bayonet course, and the second is located in the second and third B area just off Mississippi at 21st street.

In addition to the regulation hand-ball there has been issued to all of the companies paddles for the game of "Paddle-Ball", a game which is played according to the rules of hand-ball but with the use of a paddle. It is this game that our Regimental Commander, Colonel Roberts, played so much of during his time spent in the Hawaiian Islands. If the request is made, Colonel Roberts has volunteered his services for a demonstration of the game for all those who are unfamiliar with either the rules or the technique of playing the game of "Paddle-Ball."

It has been said that old age is putting the Indian sign on you if you cannot stand the gaff of a rousing game of hand-ball. Whether this be a fair statement or not we will not say, but we will wager that there are few men in the Regiment who would be able to walk off the courts after a full game of hand-ball without being winded. If your work is confining, or if you would enjoy the relaxation offered by a different kind of exercise, we suggest that you try out the new hand-ball courts either in a game of hand-ball or paddle-ball. Equipment, except the paddles of which each company and detachment has three, is issued at the Regimental Recreation Hall.

RECRUITS ARE ACTIVE

QUESTION--ANSWER

Are you wondering why your letters have been delayed--so are we!

With this question in mind we approached the best informed man in the Regiment when it comes to mail--Sgt Robert Moore. Sgt Moore is one man whose job has'nt changed since he got into the Army. He was a mail clerk in the Chicago Post Office before coming into the Army, and he's a mail clerk in the Army--it can happen here. His 5-years experience mad him the man for the job.

Now back to delayed letters. Re-organization, of course, has delayed the mail. Letters have been going to the old companies, or we who have been transferred, then back to the mail clerk, then to the new company, and then to us. It's not a simple matter to keep tab on the transfer of every man in the regiment.

Sgt Moore says we can do a lot to getting our mail on time. We can let our friends know of the change of address. Give them the correct company and the correct regimental designation--36th Armored Infantry Regiment.

So now we're going to spend half an hour, well 15 minutes, sending penny post-cards to our friends telling them about the change of address. Then we'll be sure to get our mail directly. Simple answer to our question, was'nt it?

RECRUIT REVIEW

Our Recruits have gone to work! After less than two-weeks in Camp, they have been assigned and acclimated to their respective companies. In their primary basic training, they were given a pistol to shoot. Hesitatingly they fired their first shot--decided it was'nt so bad and have since fired the 30 Cal Rifle, 30 Cal Machine Gun, and 45 Cal Machine Gun with the greatest of ease.

Close order drill, road marches; tent, fox-hole, and cover instruction; the shots in the arm; and policing of barracks, area, and fire-arms are rapidly making snappy, solid soldiers of the Recruits.

The Recruit Drill is in charge of an experienced officer, Capt Francis A. Smith, Co B Commander. A selected group of officers and Non-Coms are assisting him.

Wednesday night, January 14, the Recruits held a get-together in the Recreation Hall. Sponsored by Col. Roberts, arrangements by Chaplain Hannaford included popular games, community singing, songs by the Glee Club, sandwiches and coffee.

The Recruits report the party a success. There's a better feeling of comradeship than before.





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NEW FROM HERE AND THERE

Ho, Hum---boring already isn't it? .. hardly fair, is it? ..oughta at least give us a chance to get started .. Started .. on what? .. that's a thought.. oh, yes, on the news from the various companies . . .

Ridiculous?.. Hell, lad, you ain't kiddin!.. just because we don't know anyone in the new companies doesn't mean we can't write some news (?) about them. On the other hand, an entire page about men whom we know nothing about is apt to be at least a trifle boring and uninteresting .. incidentally, please .. if and when anyone has any comments--adverse or otherwise .. to make about The Spearhead they may address their communiques to St. Sgt. LaRue Smith .. at Regtl. Hqs. just label them "Via M/C" and a stamp will not even be necessary .. which more or



SERVICE CLUB DANCE

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less makes it mandatory that all of you take your pen in hand at some time or other and send a bit of news, comment, or criticism to the aforesaid Smith.

Well, let's take the news .. we are eagerly awaiting an invite to Co. "G's" next beer party .. the last one was quite a memorable occasion .. and, why, don't they join the rest of the 3rd Bn. Area instead of remaining in their old habitat? the only thing new with them (and this is definitely not new) is that Co. clerk Caballero seems unable to get back into the swing of things after his furlough which included both Xmas and New Year's Eve . . .

A bit of a word if we may, please ... why don't more of you yokels try out for the respective Bn. basketball teams . . . first games were played last Wednesday ..

Next What's new in H Co.? .. PFC Spears knew nothing of interest in

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NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE (Cont'd).

in that Co. (so, blame him, men) .. oh, yeah, the "Topkick's protege" Sgt. Berard decided to make it legal during the Noel season and so his gal journeyed down from the wilds of Wisconsin and they got spliced .. and so did Sgt. McAllen of Co. F... which sorta leaves the Editor of this rag, St. Sgt. Smith a bit behind .. you know, these 3 guys were college schoolmates--after a fashion--and have been waging a friendly rivalry since their arrival at C.P. ... think you can catch up on the marital score, Smitty? ... PFCs Keeler and Fischer (formerly of Co. C) have decided for PFC Speers that at least 85% of his wages goes thru his mouth ... the latter thinks 50% a more accurate amount .. figure your own ratio sometime, all you yardbirds... remember, that ratio includes liquids, smokes, food, etc ... Amazing isn't it?....

So, here we are at Co. I..a new Co. in the Regt. .. but one which bows to its elders not at all ... under the leadership of its officers--Lts. Livaudais and Carlin--than which there are no whicher--it will certainly acquit itself quite notably we are certain ... a bit of gossip from there---if you please ... Corps. Reed and Camp certainly have a strong attachment for Beaumont... so would you, if you had a live one with a car such as they have ... with romance in our heart, might we also mention that PFC Molnar thought furlough time was quite appropriate for the knot-tying ceremony and withstood that ordeal while relaxing (?) at his parental home in South Bend, Ind...which is famous for nothing other than Notre Dame and auto plants

And now, the news from one of the Bn. Hqs. Cos. ... 3rd Bn., no less this may prove somewhat disappointing, but, anything that has Hq. attached to its title is far too awesome for us to delve into ... so, our only comment from them or for them is--NO--better left out--at any rate, Tech. Sgt. Clayton didn't get any new pipes for Xmas so if you guys wanna???? well, Heck, what pipe-smoker wouldn't appreciate a new furnace on occasion???????

Which brings us to another thought ... which is perhaps not in keeping with the language and thoughts above ... but, we now have some mighty fine chapels on the post ... the services are quite well attended ... but, some Sabbath a.m. you might try a nonchalant stroll toward one of these religious buildings at about 10 a.m.--by the clock--and enter therein and see if you haven't gained something by so doing...personally, we'd love to see a SRO sign hung out on some Sunday a.m. and we sincerely believe that it would be a fine tribute to "our chaplain" Lt. Hannaford and others of his kith and kin who are doing a grand job in a very un-sung manner

No meal would be complete and no food would be properly digested in "E" Co. if we did not hear the very good Sgt. Mabb say, "Gimme a cigarette" One morning Sgt. Bryan obliged with a very tasty Lucky.....the cigarette was expected but such quality wasn't--so with great pleasure the match was applied ---the cigarette went off with a bang, and so did the joke

NOTICE

Co. E needs a new mascot since Sgt. Chambers was transferred to I Co.

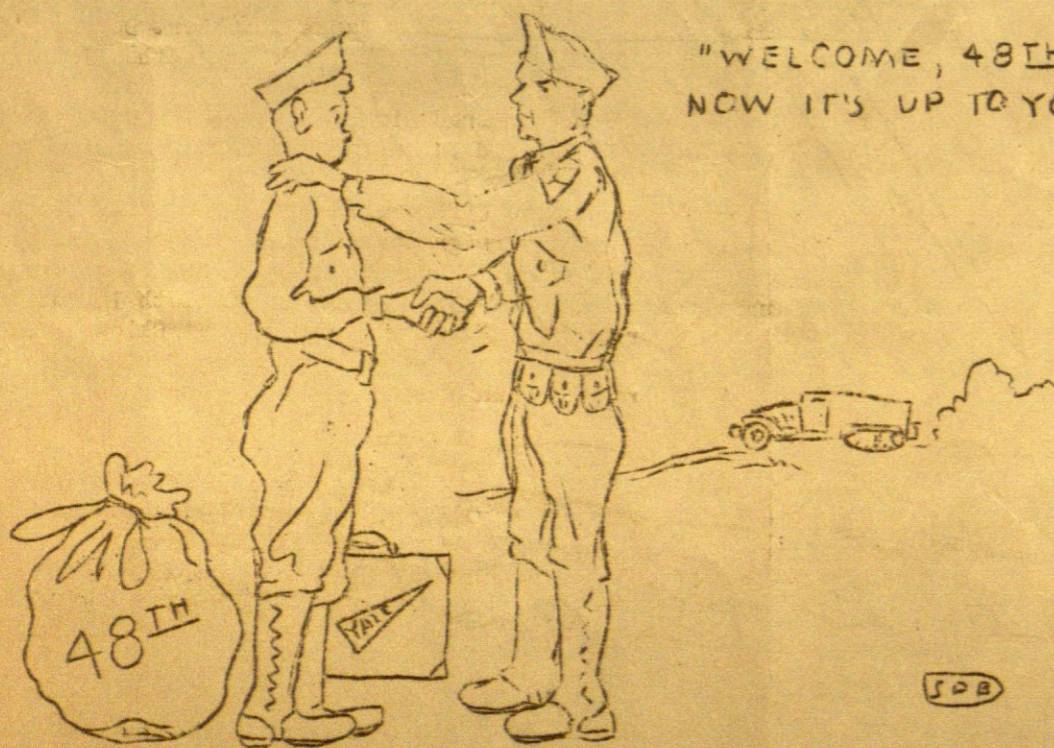
Washington has its OPM's and OFAs but F Co. has its distinguished OBBB (Office of Beck and Baked Beers). It seems that certain men meet at the day's end to discuss everything; the lubricated liver we had for supper, or the new organization If you were to walk in on a meeting you might hear something like this---"I am dry; dry as a desiccated desert, dry as the hoofs of a camel, dry as a sandstorm. here I am with dust in my esophagus and gravel in my gizzard and the PX is all out of 10¢ beer". and so it goes, night after night....members of the club include Sgts. Necaise, and McAllen, Corps. Brendengen and Guthrie, and PFCs Franchi, Hoff, Nutto, Keenan, Berger, Wall, McEvilly, Howard, Ewald and Vernon.

Although Pvt. "Curly" Pele has been transferred to Service Co. we would like to offer him our condolences it seems his young lady has grown tired of waiting and Curly is no longer the fair-haired one.....as he puts it, "things have changed. Before I left for the Army after two drinks she would go out like a light. But when I was home for Christmas I found that after two drinks, out went the lights."



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WELCOME 48TH

On March 1st, a new Armored Division, the 7th, was activated. The honor of serving as god-father for the embryo division was assigned to the 3rd Armored Division and we of the 36th were given the job of organizing the 48th Armored Infantry Regiment. The greater part of the task involved the selection of a competent cadre of non-commissioned officers and men to form a base for the construction of this new outfit. In doing so it was necessary to release from our ranks many fine soldiers. This was not easy but it was realized that in our rapidly expanding Army today, such a situation is inevitable. This cadre will bring to the 48th not only a comprehensive training in the tactics and strategy of the Armored Force, but also the high morale and victorious spirit for which the 36th is rapidly acquiring a reputation.

A great deal remains to be done before the new regiment can take its place beside its elder brothers in arms. However, in the short space of time since its activation, the structure of an Armored Infantry Regiment is already taking form out of the maze of men and equipment diverted to this project.

On behalf of the officers and men of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, we extend a hearty welcome to the official staff and enlisted men of the 48th. Although the Armored Force is less than two years old all the glory and tradition of the Armies of the United States are concentrated in its short career. We firmly believe that the 48th Armored Infantry Regiment, from this small beginning, will build a fighting outfit fully worthy of this tradition.

INTRODUCING YOUR COMMANDING OFFICERS

Colonel William H. Jones, Jr., Commanding Officer of the 48th Armored Infantry Regiment was born in Kentucky, March 4, 1890. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1913 and served with the 8th and 10th Divisions and the Provost Marshal General Department during the World War. In 1920, he transferred to the Field Artillery, and was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 1935. From 1933 to 1937 he served as G-1 with the 2nd Corps Area at Governors Island, New York, and from 1937 to 1939 was Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion, 66th Infantry (Light Tanks), at Fort Devens, Mass. For a period of one and a half years he was Executive Officer of the II Armored Brigade as part of the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Benning, Georgia. On April 15, 1941, he was transferred to the 3rd Armored Division as G-3, and on March 1, 1942, he assumed command of the 48th Armored Infantry Regiment.

Lieut. Colonel Virgil Bell, Executive Officer, was born in Texas, January 25, 1895. His career includes practically every grade and rank since his enlistment as a private with the Texas National Guard. More recently he has seen service for two years as Battalion Commander with the rank of Major in the 17th Infantry at Fort Crook, Nebraska, and two years on Organized Reserve duty at Chicago, Illinois. He served with the 1st Armored Division from January 1941 until February 1942, as Executive Officer in the 6th Infantry. Upon his transfer to Camp Polk, he assumed a similar position with the 48th.

Lieutenant George B. Pickett, Acting Adjutant, was born March 20, 1918. With a military background dating back to the Civil War, it was inevitable that he should follow the military service. He was graduated from Tennessee Military Academy in 1936 and from the United States Military Academy in 1941. Immediately upon leaving West Point, he was stationed with the 6th Infantry and participated in the Louisiana and Carolina maneuvers last fall. He is at present serving as Personnel Adjutant in addition to Adjutant.

LIEUTENANT CHARLES P. ECHERD S-2

The office of S-2, Intelligence, of the regiment is being well filled by 1st Lieutenant Charles P. Echerd, who is also Assistant S-3.

His duties as Intelligence Officer include the establishment and supervision of various systems necessary in time of war. Through his office must go all publicity for the regiment, which in peacetime is of primary importance to the morale of the unit, but which becomes secondary to operations under present wartime conditions.

As assistant S-3 Lieut. Echerd has been in charge of all 36th Infantry men detailed to Regimental, Division and Armored Force Schools, as well as being the "right hand" man to Lieut. Colonel Cockefair, Regimental S-3.

Lieut. Echerd's military inclinations were partly started by his grandfather Patton, a distinguished soldier in the Civil War. In North Carolina State College, where he graduated with high honors and his B. S. degree in Chemistry of Dyeing, Lieut. Echerd displayed his military potentialities when he was awarded a medal for the most outstanding R. O. T. C. cadet in his freshman year.

His military work since his graduation consisted of Officers Training Center under Col. J. J. Billo, at Ft Benning, Georgia, 41st Infantry, 2nd Armored Division, and the 36th Armored Infantry since its activation last April. He has received military honors as expert with rifle, machine guns and pistol.

Amateur photography, tennis, basketball, bowling and swimming comprise his main hobbies. His wife, Mrs. Nell Holloway Echerd, and he were the first couple to be married after the formation of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment.

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CARLTON SHEELY TAKES BRIDE

In the presence of officers and men of Hq. Co. 2nd Bn., 36th Armd Inf., and friends, Lieut. Carlton H. Sheely and Miss Minta Meyers were united in marriage at the Regimental Chapel, Saturday, March 21, 1942, at 2:30 p.m. The impressive double ring ceremony was read by Lieut. James E. Hannaford, Regimental Chaplain.

Preceding the ceremony, Corporal Marvin Fjeld played "Oh Perfect Love". At the appointed hour Lieut. Ralph Leigh lighted the tapers and Corporal Julius Zaba-wa sang "Because" and "I Love Thee".

Mrs. Johnson, immediate friend of Miss Meyers preceded the bride to the altar, where she was met by Lieut. John Massey, the groom's best man. Miss Meyers was given in marriage by Mrs. J. Williams of DeRidder, La. After the ceremony, Lieut. and Mrs. Sheely were escorted off the post by members of the 36th Infantry in well decorated vehicles. The Regiment extends congratulations to Lieut. and Mrs. Sheely.

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HISTORY OF THE 36TH ARMORED INFANTRY

A short excursion into the records of the U. S. Army reveals that although the 36th Armored Infantry is supposedly a new unit, its actual history dates back to 1916. In July of that year the 36th was organized through the transfer of men from the 4th, 26th and 28th Infantry regiments with Brownsville, Texas as the scene of its inauguration. When the 40th and 41st Infantry Regiments were formed in 1917 much of the personnel for those outfits was drawn from the ranks of the 36th.

After five years of active service, it was inactivated at Fort Jay, New York, October 13, 1941. The regiment as a unit remained dormant until April 15, 1941, when it was again activated as a part of the 3rd Armored Division and stationed at Camp Polk. The 3rd Armored Division was formed by cadres of Officers and NCO's from the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Benning, Ga. It is interesting to note that the 41st Infantry furnished the men for the 36th. This was a reversal of the procedure of 1917 when the 36th was the father and the 41st the son.

Motto of the 36th - DEEDS NOT WORDS!

VVV AWARD OF THE WEEK



O.C.S. APPLICANTS TO LEAVE SOON

Per Par. 17, S. O. 67, dated March 17, 1942, eight successful applicants for Officers' Candidate School, have been transferred to O. C. S. and will leave Camp Polk on April 1st or 2nd for Fort Knox, Ky., to start their courses on April 14th.

Those scheduled for departure from the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment include:

Service Co.	Tech 5th Gr Max E. Wood
Service Co.	Sgt. Wendel A. Whitkey
Company E	Cpl. Lewis V. Mock
Company E	Sgt. Charles E. McKee
Company E	Sgt. Frederick A. Bigelow
Company B	Sgt. Charles E. Stratman
Company F	Sgt. Raymond H. Gross
3rd Bn. Hq.	Sgt. A. Schmeiss

The entire enlisted personnel of the 36th extends its hearty congratulations to successful applicants and wishes them all the luck in the world on their new tasks.

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3 MINUTES VERSUS 3 YEARS

There's an old saying amongst medical men, "Three minutes with Venus, Three Years with Mercury", which all men of the 36th will do well to remember.

From practically the very moment when a selectee is inducted into our army, medical officers incessantly hammer away at the necessity of maintaining restraint and caution in our "lighter moments". They warn us of the penalties that will be imposed upon us if we contact a venereal disease. They explain to us the ravages these diseases will inflict on our physical and mental well being. YET there are still certain individuals among us who say "Pooh - I'm lucky; I'll never get caught."

Well, quite a few of our boys have been caught. Oh, the number compares favorably with civilian percentages (we have only had two cases out of the 4,419 men in March), but man days lost in the army can never be replaced. We don't win wars lying in the G. U. ward.

If we don't think of ourselves, let's consider our buddies. Their ultimate success in the tremendous job that lies ahead of us depends directly on what we derive from our training here in camp. Furthermore the honor of our whole country, of our loved ones is at stake.

At this writing Company "F" has a substantial lead in holding the Yellow Flag, our symbol of the "Scarlet Letter" given to the Company each week which has the highest rate of venereals. Companies "G", 1st Bn., and 2nd Bn. Hq., are in a close tie for second place. Let them keep their lead by default.

Remember there's no excuse for negligence. Your Medical Corps is trained to take proper care of you after exposure, and if you use your head, you shouldn't even have to pay it a visit. The 36th is a fighting outfit in every sense of the word. Let's knock these venereals down to zero in future months.



CONVOYS - WHY AND HOW THEY OPERATE

Recreational convoys, as sponsored by the 3rd Armored Division, serve a threefold purpose. For the men who take part in them they provide a period of relaxation replete with new surroundings and amusements. The officers and men charged with the responsibility of conducting a convoy become more familiar with the movement of large groups of military personnel. And the citizens of the communities visited are given the opportunity of better acquaintance with our armed forces and the men comprising them. The satisfactory accomplishment of these aims constitutes a successful convoy.

As the 36th Armored Infantry now includes several thousand recent arrivals perhaps an explanation of the term convoy would not be amiss. Trips are arranged by the Division to nearby towns, usually being scheduled for departure on Saturday afternoon and return to camp sometime Sunday. As many as 1,000 men have been accommodated at times, being transported by means of 2½ ton personnel trucks, to surrounding towns as much as 125 miles distant. Announcement is usually made some time in advance and those wishing to take part may do so by submitting their names to the NCO in charge of recreation and athletics for their company. Occasionally the number of men permitted to go may be limited, but in many cases no restriction is placed on the size of the convoy. It is not unusual for 40 or 50 trucks to move out of camp on a Saturday afternoon, bound for a week end of fun.

The movement of such a large body of men involves many difficulties that should be understood, many of which can be made easy by the cooperation of the enlisted men. The success of the convoy can be assured through the conduct of the soldiers. While the purpose of the trips is to afford relaxation after a week of drill, the responsibility for maintaining the reputation and prestige of the Army rests with each man. Tent camps have been provided in some of the cities visited. These go a long way toward cutting down the expenses of a week end trip. It is not asking too much to expect each soldier to do his share in keeping them orderly.

In most cases the arrival of a convoy in a neighboring city is a signal for the citizens of that community to put their best foot forward in providing a welcome to the visiting soldiers. Dances and entertainments are provided and a great deal of effort is expended in making the weekend a success. This is vital in acquainting civilians with the character and calibre of the soldiers who are being trained for their defense. It is of great importance in the building of our national defense that civilians become cognizant of the army and its activities. For this reason the convoy is an integral part of the public relations work of the army.

SPEAR HEAD



LIFE VISITS THE SPEARHEAD STAFF . . .

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JOSEPH ROGERS, Jr.

REPORTERS

WHO'S WHO ON THE STAFF

Our Managing Editor, Charles F. Fernald, has had considerable experience with New York newspapers, has been featured as a syndicated columnist, and was a member of the staff of various news services.

Ernest Gardner, one of our Assistant Editors, formerly was associated with the Brunswick Balke Collender Co. of Chicago, and has written many bowling and billiard publicity articles for Chicago newspapers and radio stations.

Tech. Ray Watkins, was for 14 years associated with the Western Union Telegraph Co. in Chicago, and has followed newspaper and magazine work as a hobby for much of that time. He's one of those "dragged in twice ERC'S" and is now officers clerk at Personnel.

Corp. Karl Anderson, one of our most active reporters, is the Editor of our Current Events Bulletins, and the Chaplain's worthy assistant. His list of accomplishments is too long for inclusion in this limited sketch.

Pvt. Paul Copeland, Assistant Editor, formerly of the Farm Bureau Insurance Service, has had a wide experience in sports and has written for numerous club papers. We are fortunate in having him as an assistant editor in charge of Sports.

We take off our hats to Pvt. S. D. Babbitt, our talented cartoonist. Without his humorous drawings, which so aptly depict our army life, this sheet would be just another rag. Only 18 years of age, Babbitt has already made himself indispensable to the staff. Last December this budding "Percy Crosby" walked off with the Commercial Art Contest of the Federal Schools of Minneapolis.

More about our staff in future editions.

36TH DANCE BAND ORGANIZED

The transfer of the 36th Infantry military band to the 33rd Armored Regiment left this organization without a musical group for only a short period of time. The regiment was combed for material and in short order a dance band, under the direction of Corporal Marvin Fjeld, was preparing for public appearances. Its Maiden performance came on March 20, when it furnished the accompaniment for a group of fifty girls from Beaumont, Texas, in a musical show, followed by a regimental dance. Since that time its development has been rapid and a fine organization is evolving from the talent unearthed in the various companies.

On Thursday, March 26, the band performed at a dance presented by the 36th Infantry NCO Association. These two evenings of entertainment have been a sample of the many fine programs to be presented in the future for the men of the regiment.

Also in prospect is a hill-billy band, now in the process of organization, but not ready for public appearance as yet. A few places with this outfit are still available and members of the regiment are invited to sign up.

A brief picture of those members of the band available for interview follows:

Conductor - Corp. Marvin Fjeld, a graduate of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, was a high school teacher of music and played with various bands and dance orchestras.

Trumpet - Pvt. Maurice Phillips, a native of England, came to this country after two years of high school there, and has been playing trumpet with dance bands since 1939. He hails from Detroit and is now attached to "E" Company for basic training.

Trumpet - Pvt. James W. Pidgeon, comes from Minneapolis. He attended the University of Minnesota and was employed in the circulation department of the Minneapolis Star before being inducted. Had his own name band while at university and is now a radio operator in Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.

2nd Trumpet - Tech 5th grade John D. Albright, played in his high school band and in a number of dance orchestras, including his own when inducted. He comes from Pine Bluff, Arkansas and is now S-3 clerk at Regimental Hq.

Bassoon - Corp. Frank A. Koukl, comes from Alton, Illinois. He has played with the Decatur Civic orchestra and the St. Louis Philharmonic. Worked in civil life as a draftsman the job he now holds in the army and is assigned to Hq. 3rd Bn.

Sax - Pvt. Ralph J. Wagner, Jr. has done all types of orchestrations and makes special arrangements for the 36th band. Worked as accountant and is now in "I" Co.

Sax - Tech. Robert E. Bee, played with hotel and country club bands in Chicago, and with the Chicago Junior Philharmonic Symphony orchestra.

Trombone - Corp. Lloyd Merriman, of PawPaw, Illinois has played in his home town orchestra practically all his life. He is assigned to Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.

Guitar - Pfc. Ralph M. Kobs, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, played with various dance bands and string ensembles. He is now bugler with Company "C".

Drums - Corp. Justin J. Van Loon, of Detroit, Michigan, has played with bands in Detroit for the last 10 years. He is now assigned to Company "E".



USO DANCE USUAL SUCCESS

Tuesday evening, March 24th, saw the jitterbugs of the 36th turn out for a dance at our attractive USO in Leesville. The local Military Maids as usual gave an excellent account of themselves, most of the young ladies reporting few bruises after their workout. The fine orchestra of the 32nd Armored Regiment furnished the music, and a good time was had by all.

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36TH INFANTRY GLEE CLUB ACTIVITIES

One of the most active groups in the 36th Armored Infantry is the Glee Club under the direction of Corporal Zabawa and sponsored by Chaplain Hannaford.

Most impressive of the many programs in which it has recently participated was the Service Men's Worship Hour held March 7th, at the St. Mark's Episcopalian Church in Shreveport, Louisiana. With military personnel taking over the conduct of the morning worship hour, Colonel Siegfried, of Camp Livingston, delivered a very enlightening sermon on the work of an army chaplain. Lieutenant Hannaford read the honor roll of men in the armed forces of the United States from St. Mark's; Corporal Zabawa sang as guest soloist and the glee club presented fifteen minutes of holy music. The complete program was broadcast over station KWVKH.

Another fine example of how the glee club has cemented mutual understanding and respect between the public and men in the service is to be found in the exchange of talent recently between it and a group of young Beaumont, Texas artists. The latter put on a most enjoyable program at the recreation hall, topped by a former member of one of radio's leading programs, "The Hour of Charm", and members from two well known Beaumont dance schools.

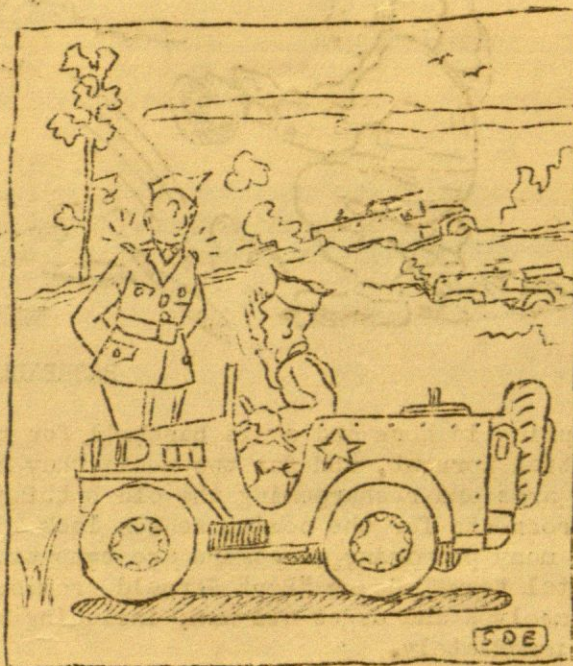
After the program a dance was held, with music by the band of the 36th under the able baton of Corporal Marvin Fjeld. Praise of the entire evening ran high amongst the men who attended, and the girls insisted they be allowed to return in the near future. They were quartered at the Guest House and on the following day participated in chow with the fellows, later going on a tour of the camp in jeeps and half-tracks,

Fulfilling their part of the joint agreement, the glee club travelled to Beaumont on the week-end of March 22-23, incidentally its fourth trip to that city, to be presented by the Beaumont Civic Music Commission. The concert was held in the city auditorium.

With all its commitments, the glee club and the quartet, made up from members of the club, have still found time to appear at both the USO in Leesville and also in DeRidder; to participate in the Southeastern Texas Teachers Convention; in the Beaumont Style Show; and to appear in informal programs for the entertainment of the inmates of the hospital and stockade.

It is the sincere hope of every member of the glee club and Chaplain Hannaford that their organization will be a credit to the 36th and that through its work, all of the men of the regiment will profit. The relationship between the citizens of Beaumont and its own personnel certainly tend to bear out this expectation.

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"SIX HALF TRACKS ARE STUCK
IN THE MUD, SIR, SHALL I
PULL THEM OUT, SIR?"



BASEBALL PROSPECTS

Spring is here and so is baseball for the 36th. Two hundred men reported for the initial workout, and for two weeks they have been busy getting the kinks out of throwing arms and resharpening the old batting eyes.

Prospects for the coming season look very bright. A wealth of experienced players and many promising newcomers are competing for the starting positions on the Regimental team. Coach "Pop" Fernald promises that the lads will give a good account of themselves and urges all men, including recruits, who still desire to come out to do so immediately.

He has arranged a very attractive schedule, both at home and on the road, and the team will appear in most of the larger cities in the South. Competition will vary from college and industrial teams to games with some of the teams in the potent Texas League. Inter-regimental contests will also be played.

The at home games will be held on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays at the new Personnel Field, which has recently been equipped with a new back stop and is in excellent condition.

The season will open on March 28th when we cross bats with the boys from the 33rd Armored Regiment, and as this game will be played on our home diamond at 2:00 P.M. COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE TEAM. On Sunday, March 29th, there's a double-header with the 54th Field Artillery furnishing the morning competition, and at 2 o'clock the Station Complement will test our stalwarts.

Following is the line-up for Saturday's game: Campo, shortstop; Rosinsky, second base; Gospadarek, first base; Hoff, center field; Wehmeyer, left field; Szudarek, catcher; Paseteni, third base; Lawrence, right field; D'Anna, Shirk, Morgan and Boyd will share the pitching chores.

WHO'S WHO

Coach "Pop" Fernald, Co."B" - 15 years of experience in pro football and basketball both as a player and coach. He also has a wide knowledge of baseball, which assures the 36th of a highly successful season.

Pvt. Armand D'Anna, Co."F" - One of our best prospects. Played three years Class A ball in Cleveland, Ohio. Pitched last season for Birmingham in fast stepping Southern Association. Signed up by Cleveland Indians prior to induction. Has pitched three no hit games in pro ball.

Sgt. John Wehmeyer, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn. - Outfielder for Lima, Ohio, in '39, leading Ohio State League in doubles with 28 (batting average .364); with Texarkana Liners in East Texas League in '40 and '41, Class C ball (batting average .313); property of St. Louis Browns and one of our leading hopes.

Pvt. Marion Boyd, Co."F" - Played with Camden, Ark., in '38 and '39; Kentwood, La., in '40; and McComb, Miss., in '41 where, as their No. 1 hurler, he won 15, losing but 5. Batting average for '41 was .370.

Pvt. Stanley J. Szudarek, Co."F" - Caught for four championship Y.M.C.A. teams; chosen on Class E All Star Team; played Class D ball in '41 with West Palm Beach Indians of the Florida East Coast League.

Sgt. Paul Campo, Co."F" - Shortstop of Evanston Boosters, Evanston, Ill., for three years; captain of team '38-'40; three year batting average .350; struck out only five times.

Pvt. Joe Ellis, Co."F" - Three years American Legion baseball; five years with Chatfield Independents. Counted on as No. 1 utility man.

Sgt. Norman Hoff, Co."F" - American Legion ball in Muskegon, Michigan; chosen for All Star Legion Team as third baseman.

Sgt. Sylvester Gospadarek, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn. - First baseman for Manitowoc Blues with four year average of .395; three year batting average of .370 for Manitowoc City team; home Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

Sgt. Raymond J. Rosinsky, Co."D" - Semi-pro ball in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, with OK's. Incidentally, he is a professional acrobat, appearing with Ringling Bros. Circus for three years.

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"I" COMPANY MAN WINS SECOND PLACE AT WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

When it comes to tough men, old Company "I" has really got them. If you would like to meet one, just come to see us and we will introduce you to Pvt. Harold T. Lowe. We are proud to let the regiment know that we have a man in our Company good enough to come back with second place from the Wrestling Tournament at New Orleans. The following is a few of the experiences the boys had while on this trip.

The boys, twelve in all, left Camp Polk at six o'clock on March 12 in C & R cars. They arrived at the Rec. Center in New Orleans at one o'clock and they spent the night there.

At eight o'clock Friday night the first bout started. All the boys got acquainted and had a very enjoyable evening.

What the boys liked best was those beds at Hotel Monteleone. They could not sleep because they sank into the mattresses so deep that they thought they would smother.

After the finals Saturday night the boys were entertained at a chicken supper by Mr. Godberg, a friend of Lt. Overton.

On Sunday the boys visited the docks. For some of them, it was the first time in their lives they had ever seen any thing of this kind.

Pvt. Lowe, with his beautiful trophy, and the rest enjoyed a very nice ride back to Camp Polk, arriving at camp at twelve o'clock Sunday night.

Want to remind you fellows in the 1st Battalion of the excellent handball court just north of the bayonet course available for your use. It seems that St. Sgts. Neal and Swenson of Headquarters Company 1st Battalion have high hopes of demoneering the top seat in the art of the fascinating game of paddle-ball. Know there are some of you here that can take the crown away from them so come on over and show them just who is champ. You boys that are amateurs and would like to play, just look either of the Sgts. up and we are sure they will be more than glad to give you any instructions that you may desire. We are here to tell you that it is a good game and once you play it, you will wonder why you haven't been playing it all your life.

Want to take this moment to express the deep appreciation of the men to Captain Smith for the recent installation of the pool table in the Day Room of Headquarters Company 1st Battalion. The men are very interested in this form of recreation and each night will find a large crowd waiting their turn to play, and too, we feel that the yellow flag will not make a reappearance in front of the Orderly Room of that Company with this kind of recreational facility.

In a fast paddle-ball match, S-3, represented by Sgt. Reed and Technician Albright, took three out of four falls from S-2, represented by Lt. Echerd and Sgt. Sholz. The winners have expressed their desire to take on all competition, so how's about some of you experts accepting the challenge?





36TH WRESTLERS IN SOUTHERN A.A.U. TOURNAMENT

On March 15th and 16th the wrestling team of the Third Armored Division journeyed to New Orleans to participate in the Southern A.A.U. Wrestling Tournament, returning with second place laurels. The Camp Polk boys finished with 26 points, only three less than the victors, the New Orleans Athletic club.

Four men of the 36th, C. Woulf, Co "F", Henry Heath, Co "F", W. Waters, Co "B", and Harold T. Lowe, Co "I", distinguished themselves with fine performances. Waters, who hails from Alton, Illinois and is the division 145 pound champion, battled his way to the semifinals of the 135 pound class before he was defeated by Lt. Arnold Taylor of Pensacola in a very close match. Lt. Taylor went on to win the Championship.

Heath, a stocky 165 pounder also from Alton, after winning his first two bouts by falls, was defeated in the semifinals by W. Meyer of Camp Polk in a close match.

Woulf, participating in the 136, reached the semifinals also before losing. An especially noteworthy achievement as he is a newcomer to the mat game.

Lowe, a light heavy from Omaha, went to the finals, winning a beautiful trophy for his excellent showing.

Four men from the Division captured championships; Santo in the heavyweight class; Kerns in the 155 pound class; Sgt. Elms formerly a member of Columbia University's wrestling team; and Stewart in the 121 pound class.

The showing of the entire team was especially gratifying to its coaches as the men had only a limited period of training before competing in the tournament. Most of the credit for this fine performance goes to Lt. Overton of "H" Company and Lt. Hewitt of the 23rd Engineers, the organizers and coaches of the team.

The team at present is working hard preparing for the National A.A.U. Tournament to be held April 11th and 12th at New Orleans. The boys deserve a lot of credit so let's get behind them and give them plenty of encouragement.

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SOFTBALL

Attention all companies! The athletic NCO organization is soon to sponsor a softball tournament and each company is URGED to enter a team. The roster for each company team must be turned in to "Pop" Fernald at the A&R office not later than 8 p.m. March 30. Get busy men and appoint a team manager for your company so he can get this list in and your team will be entered. All games will be played under the National Softball Rules.

This is a great sport as shown by its recent climb to popularity, so let's get those names in. Remember the deadline, 8 P.M. March 30th.

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HEAR YE NITE OWLS

All men interested in badminton, croquet, and horse shoe pitching will be pleased to know that the courts behind the Recreation Hall have been equipped with flood lights. It is now possible to play until 10:30 p.m. and there is no better way to spend these spring evenings. Take advantage of this new provision for your entertainment and get the most out of these courts.

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UNsung HEROES

Included in the personnel of the new Army's roster is a sprinkling of veterans of World War #1, who have rallied to the cause and cast their lots with the recruits now undergoing basic training.

After enjoying an extended furlough of some 23 years and now undergoing the rigorous basic training period in Company "B", 36th Armored Infantry, 3rd Armored Division, is former Sgt. Frederick W. Westlake, Co. "A", 30th Infantry, of the 3rd Division, of "Rock of the Marne" fame of World War #1.

Veteran of five offensives and one defensive sector, as well as a member of the Army of Occupation in Germany, Westlake is again a recruit and learning again from the ground up the rudiments of a Bayou Blitz soldier.

Enlisting in Syracuse, N. Y., August 14, 1917, Westlake served continuously with "A" Company, 30th Infantry. He saw action at the Aisne, Chateau Thierry-Marne defensive, Aisne-Marne offensive, Vesle Sector, Mihiel, Meuse Argonne offensive. He was gassed slightly October 11, 1918, in the Meuse Argonne offensive, thus qualifying for the Order of the Purple Heart.

Despite nearly a score of years as a newspaperman and former City Editor of the Evening Independent, world famous St. Petersburg, Florida newspaper, which gives away its entire Home Edition each day the sun fails to shine over the city, and as a Florida Press Agent, Westlake finds himself at a loss to describe the terrific fire power and mobility of the new army.

Having been through the mill in the old school and pressed for a few words of advice to the 1942 type of soldier Pvt. Westlake volunteered a few suggestions.

"Don't think that the many hours of marching, co-ordination of thinking and absorption of discipline are new crack-pot ideas thought up to make life miserable for recruits. There will come a time under fire when you will rack your weary brain to think of the proper way to fall, the proper signal for the proper movement when your very life depends on it.

"While you may inwardly cuss your sergeant on the drill field today, a few months from today you may be looking through the thick of battle smoke just praying for a leader that will find the path in the right directions. So co-operate now and it will pay dividends in the future."

"Fortifications are only as strong as the faith of the men who man them."

UNsung HEROES



"NOW I KNOW WHY THEY CALL THIS THE MESS HALL."

NCO ASSOCIATION, 36TH ARMD. INF. REGT.

The NCO association is composed of all the NCO's of the 36th Armd Inf. Regt. The purpose of this organization is to promote athletics, recreation of all types and good fellowship among the NCO's of the regiment. Also any problems which might confront any of the men are brought up and ironed out if possible.

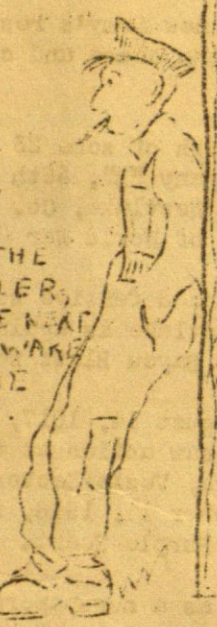
The executive and legislative body of the association, called the board of governors, is made up of the athletic NCO's of each company. This body elects by popular vote the officers of the association. The officers at the last election are as follows:

Pres. Sgt. Thurston, Co "C"
Vice-Pres Cpl. Townsend, Co "D"
Secretary Sgt. Osterhoff, Med. Det.
Treasurer Sgt. Glass, Service Co.

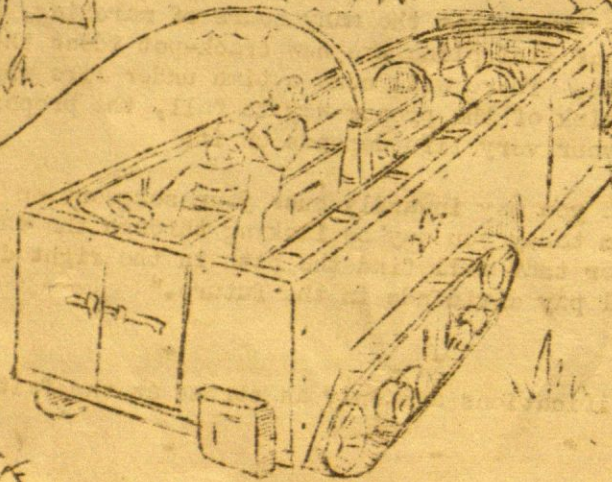
The regimental athletic NCO is Sgt. Wehmeyer of Hq Co 2nd Bn.



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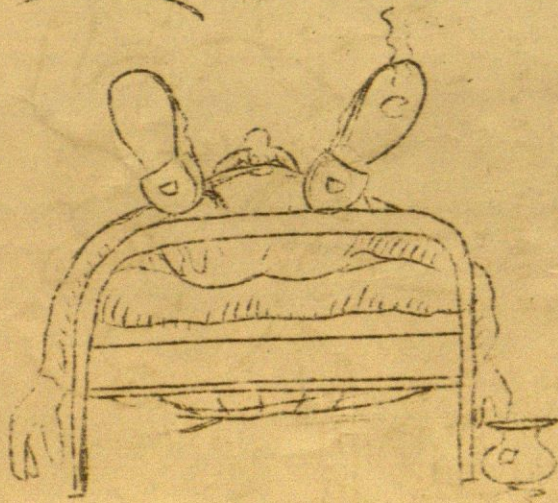
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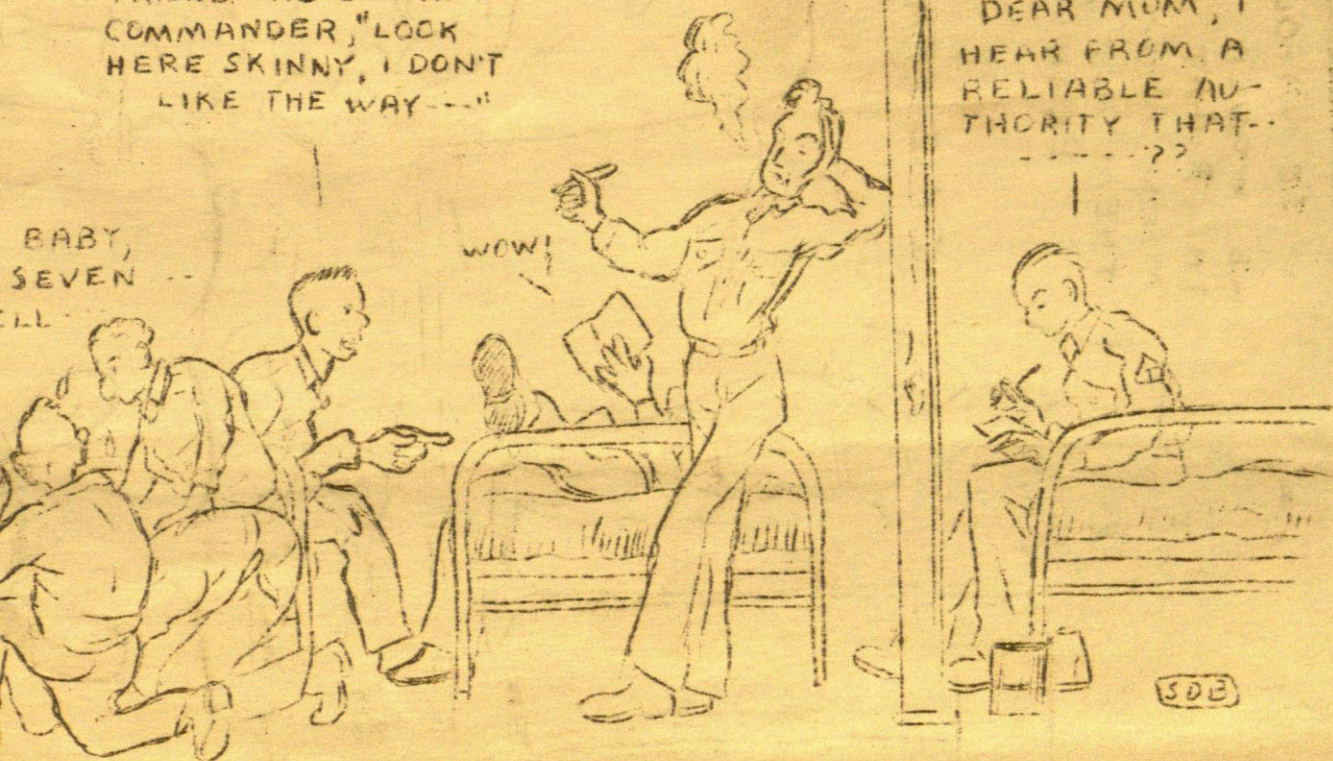
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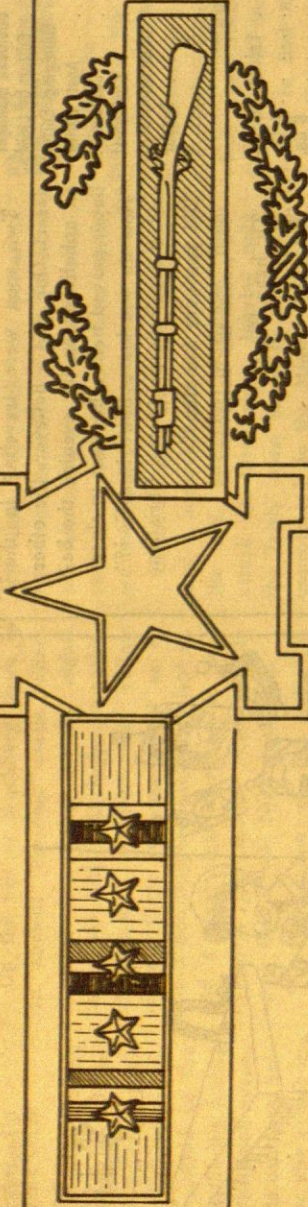
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THE VOICE OF THE MEN OF THE 36TH ARMD. INF. REGT.

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Gen. Grow, CG Of Third Armd., Returns from U.S.

Aalen, Germany: 29 August 45 — Major General Robert W. Grow, CG of the 3rd Armored "Spearhead" Division, today rejoined his command after a brief visit to the United States. The general is a tankman who has served continuously with armored units since the early 1930's. He was assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, under Lt. General George S. Patton, Jr., when the 2nd Armored Division was stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. Later, General Grow commanded the 34th Armored Regiment of the 5th Armored Division until February 5, 1942. He then commanded the cadre from the 5th for the still to be activated 8th Armored Division until April 1, 1942, was assigned as C. O. of Combat Command "B", 8th Armored Division until June 22, 1942 and was transferred to the 10th Armored Division as commander of Combat Command "A". He assumed command of the 6th Armored Division

Surgeon Poses for Artist

Gerabronn — Believe it or not, our Regimental Surgeon was requested by the town "Artist," (imported from Stuttgart) to pose for a water color. P. S. He dood it.

F Co. Man Finds Father in ETO

Kirchberg - Pfc. Clarence Rice of F Co., returned recently from a furlough in France where he spent most of his time kitch-hiking around the country trying to catch up with his father, Pfc. Massie D. Rice, a member of the 1st Air Cargo Resupply Detachment, who was in the process of direct redeployment to the Pacific. Clarence finally caught up with his father at Camp Miami Redeployment Center, and since father and son hadn't seen each other for over a year, they had quite a reunion.

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170 More High-Point Men of 36th

Leave for Trip Home

One hundred and seventy members of the 36th, practically all of whom point scores of 83 or 84, were transferred Monday from the Regiment to the 106th Infantry Division, with which they will depart for the United States in what they hope will be the not-too-distant future. The 106th is scheduled to sail some time in September.

Meanwhile, as the Redeployment Program is speeded up, daily reports (and rumors) are being received about the new critical score for discharges. The latest radio reports state that those who now have scores of 72 or over can look forward to receiving a discharge; when Gen. MacArthur announces that no more combat troops are needed, a re-count of present scores will be made, giving credit for service since May 12 and bringing most of the men now in the 70's up past the 80-

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Rather than spending long days or weeks in a "repple-deppo" sweating out formal transportation back to the outfit (as some of our men have), Clarence put his thumb to work again and made the return trip (from Orleans to Frankfurt) in four days, eating and sleeping in transient messes and barracks. Contrary to some reports, he found the accommodation in those transient establishments he encountered to be very good.

Medics Forced to Evacuate

Gerabronn — About 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon (1600 hours), the entire Regimental Medical Section ran helter skelter through the front door and into the front yard. After assembling in the front of the house, each member of the Detachment heaved a sigh of relief, a sigh that was short-lived, however, as that tantalizing aroma that filled the house so suddenly followed them outside. Investigation showed the cause to be the honey wagon in the back of Regimental Hq. Co. CP in the process of emptying the cesspool.

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The radio also announced Thursday that the age for discharge, now 38, is expected to be lowered within the next ten days.

The discharge rate will be accelerated, the radio announced with 400,000 scheduled to be discharged in November, 500,000 in December and the top figure of 572,000 in January.

Radio Talent Sought By Seventh Army

Seventh Army Special Service has started a survey to build up a talent file of radio performers, directors and technicians, preparatory to launching its Radio Show, which will be heard over AFN stations in this area.

Men with qualifications necessary for radio broadcasting are urged to contact the Regimental Special Service Office. Information desired is: Name, rank, ASN and a synopsis of radio or other entertainment experience.

Types of performers needed include singers, actors, comedians, musical instrumentalists, writers, directors, producers and radio technicians.

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Wallhausen — Big news down G Co, way this week was Station OBG (Orzark Blue George) taking the air at noon Tuesday, broadcasting on the Blue Network, with studios located atop the CP building, 107 Hauptstrasse, in the heart of downtown Wallhausen. Station OBG's equipment and facilities were procured through the efforts of the G Co, CO, Captain Kenneth A. Peters, and Mess Sgt. "Mac" McSwane.

In connection with the I. and E. program, Station OBG broadcasts the latest news headlines and other items of interest three times a day. A request program for all the latest sweet and swing on records is being inaugurated; the men just send in their request a day in advance and it is beamed back at them the next day at show formation. Station OBG also picks up all the AFN broadcasts and beams them out to the men of the company.

Run by the gang in the CP, Station OBG hopes to have a real big-time program setup, oddities in the news, I. and E. information and the latest news headlines.

General Grow is the holder of the Distinguished Service Cross Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star with cluster, Bronze Star, Mexican Border Service, Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, American Defense Service, ETO Ribbon, Legion d' Honneur Officer, Croix de Guerre avec Palme.

He first joined the regular army as a Cavalryman on November 28, 1916, following graduation from the University of Minnesota. He is also a graduate of the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas; the Command & General Staff School, and the Army War College, Washington, D. C.

General Grow was promoted to Brigadier General on March 13, 1942, and to Major General on September 17, 1943. He was born on February 14, 1895, at Sibley, Iowa. His wife and family reside at 2601 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

If you worry about what people think of you, it means that you have more confidence in their opinions than you have in your own.

People

That's what it takes to make a house a home, to make a country a nation, to make of a dead planet a living world. Individuals . . . that's what we'll again become after our discharge . . . important, vital parts of our vibrant nation.

For as long as we can remember we've had contacts with others . . . our mothers first; then our immediate families, neighbors, school, church, and the business world.

In all our contacts we've learned self-control, tolerance, respect for others irrespective of race, belief, or station. Now, these concepts have suddenly blossomed to embrace continents and hemispheres. 6000 years ago the question was asked, "Am I my brother's keeper?" Today it requires answering. We have seen how an aggressor's war against barefoot Ethiopians, peasants of Manchuria, people we've never seen, can directly and inevitably affect our lives.

Our war years have taught us many things about the complex science of human relations. The time has come for us to apply those things in the intricate construction job ahead . . . the task of building a world! Each of us is a necessary link . . . each has his responsibility. Who will decide what each will do?

1st Battalion Grapevine.

Must Be the Atmosphere

It must be the general atmosphere around here. That was not the Oder we crossed in last week's issue; it was the Saale River.

The Chaplain Speaks

Two men were traveling in the desert. One was a believer, the other an unbeliever. In the evening the believer prayed before he went to sleep. "How do you know there is a God?" said the unbeliever to the Christian.

"Did you ever see Him?"
 "No", said the believer.
 "Or hear Him?"
 "No."
 "Then you are a great fool to pray, when you have never seen or heard or felt God."

They went to sleep. Next morning the unbeliever said, "There was a camel around my tent last night."
 "How do you know?" the believer asked, "did you see it?"

"No."
 "Did you hear it?"
 "No."
 "Did you put out your hand and touch it?"
 "No."

"Then you are a great fool to believe a camel was here, when you never saw or heard or felt it."
 "But," said the other, "here are the footprints."

"And look," said the believer, "there are the footprints of God." He pointed to the east where the sun was just rising.

The Lutheran Chaplain.

After the War, What?

Now that the war is over, there is nothing like the present to take stock of ourselves and see if we have enough strength left for that all important battle, the battle of life. As a fighting man you were tops. You have taken all that the enemy had in store for you and you have dished it out. You were brave and strong and resourceful. The enemy will never recover from the devastation that you have so bravely brought upon her. This is her heritage from you. By your well earned victory, you deserve the lasting admiration and respect of the civilized world. By that same victory you have laid the foundation of a lasting peace. The next one hundred years will show whether peace and decency are here to stay-whether "a world so conceived in decency and in peace can long endure".

Winning this war and the peace after is only a fraction of the biggest job in your life. That job is yours and mine alone - - yours and mine alone to fight and win. It is getting back to civilian life-knowing how to live all over again. Things have changed a bit since you left home, soldier.

But don't get discouraged. Don't lose your courage. Things have changed for the better. Waiting you is a life of riches. That life is yours according to your ability to meet its demands. No magic wand can give it to you on

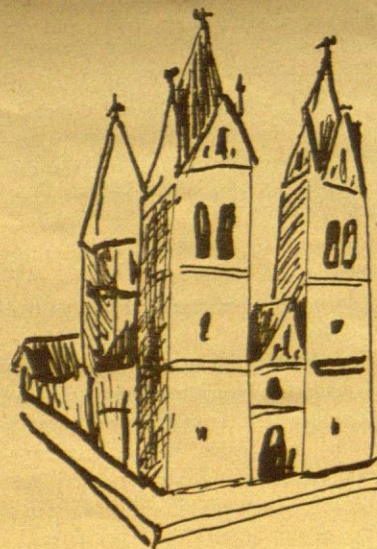


a silver platter. Throughout the world, vast programs of reconstruction are going on. The old must be replaced. Broken cities must be rebuilt. The world must be fed and clothed. Commerce and trade will take on a new lease of life. Our laboratories are creating jobs. These are but a few of the opportunities waiting for you soldier. Tomorrow you will be Mr. John Doe, equal of the greatest

citizen of the world. As such you will assume the responsibilities of a free-man. Will you measure up to the standards of good American citizenship as you have demonstrated your ability to survive in war?

2nd Bn. Men Depart

Rot am See - Twenty-three lucky "JOES" left Hq. Co., Second Bn., Monday morning, HOMEWARD BOUND.



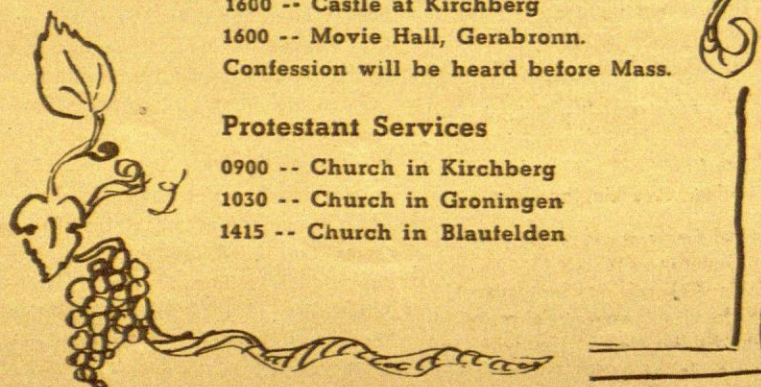
Sunday Church Services

Catholic Masses

1600 -- Church, Crailsheim. 3rd Bn.
 1600 -- Castle at Kirchberg
 1600 -- Movie Hall, Gerabronn.
 Confession will be heard before Mass.

Protestant Services

0900 -- Church in Kirchberg
 1030 -- Church in Groningen
 1415 -- Church in Blaufelden



I Co. Group Seeks Hill Billy Laurels

Jagst-Mistlau — It is sunset in the "Valley of Lost Souls" and the "Valley Serenaders" of Item Co. start their evening performance. This group consists of S/Sgt. Roy L. Kidd on the guitar, Pfc. Pfeister on the big accordion, Pfc. Waacha on the small accordion, Pfc. Dianna on the canteens, helmet liner and whatever else comes in handy. Pvt. Morgan, who hails from "them thar OzarkHills" of Alabama, is the vocalist.

The fun starts around 1900, after all have sweat out the chow line, and continues until around midnight. You can wander to the other end of the valley and hear the faint strains of "I'll Walk Alone" and "When the Evening Sun Goes Down." Everyone wonders why Sgt. High of Inman, S. C., likes "It Makes No Difference Now." The songs vary according to the latest rumors on the point system and transfers, which at the present moment are at top speed as we lost several 83-84 pointers Monday morning.

These Boys plan to start a "Hill Billy Band" upon their return to the States. Look out, Roy Acuff, here they come — some time.

Reunion of Brothers

Kirchberg — Another brother reunion occurred last weekend when Pfc. Edmond F. Adams of the 548th F. A. Co., stationed at Bamberg, Germany, showed up unexpectedly to visit his brother, Cpl. Ray Adams of F Co., who is serving as Officers Pay Clerk in the Regimental Personnel Section. Oddly enough, Ray was spending the weekend with F Co. at Schloss Kirchberg, making plans to visit his brother, and you could have knocked him over with a feather when Personnel called and said Edmond was there looking for him.

Incidentally, the 548th Field Artillery, while a part of the 9th Army and usually firing support for the British 2nd Army, fired preparation missions for six days on Cologne before the 3rd Armored entered that city. Seems that outfit got around a lot.

Misses Seeing Brother

Groningen — T/5 Joseph "Duke" Souza, Third platoon, H. Co., recently informed by his parents that his brother, Pfc. Herbert Souza, was in the same Regiment, set off to locate him some time ago, only to discover that he had been shipped home from F Co. Both men took basic training together and were in the same AAA outfit before coming to the 36th.

Want to Learn Something

Blaufelden — Over 40 C Co. men signed up under the On-The-Job-Training Program and are anxious to get away to learn something which will be of help to them in the future. We, too, are awaiting positive results on this Educational Program.

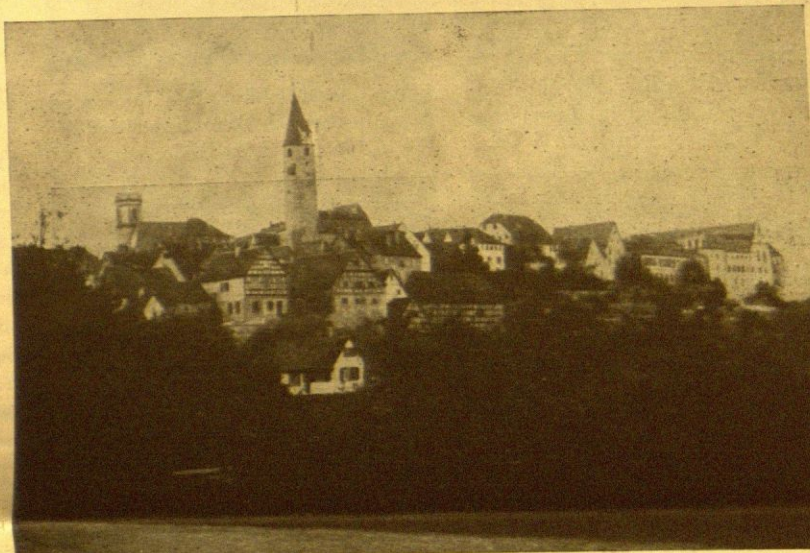
Kirchberg Castle, Home of Fox Co. A Co. Locates Home By Geometry

Up the hill at Kirchberg there is an ancient Teutonic castle where Napoleon once slept several nights in a twin bed. Both beds are rather insignificant, trimmed in yellow cherry; there is some doubt as to which bed Napoleon actually slept in, and a great deal more as to who occupied the other. Most people agree that it was NOT Josephine.

The foundation of this relic of feudalism was laid in the 12th Century, when certain powerful families of the neighborhood declared themselves to be nobility and combined to enslave the peasants. They were, no doubt, the forerunners of the mythical "Master Race". This policy,

ern slope with rock and mortar to accommodate more buildings for more officials for more Hohenlohe-Oehringens until, instead of a lone castle, we now find a walled town.

Centuries ago, the River Jagst formed a horseshoe around the base of the hill, affording protection from attack on three sides, leaving only the fairly open slope to the south unprotected. In the Middle Ages, the river changed its course radically to leave the eastern approach open, but before this happened a moat, complete with drawbridge, was constructed in front of the castle to augment the southern defenses. High walls with niches for archers defended the three



of owning peasants, their work, their families, in short, their body and soul, was known as "leibeign".

About 1525, the peasants decided that too much was too much, so they plunged the country into the bloody "Bauernkrieg", or "War of the Peasants". This war is remembered chiefly in this vicinity by the fact that it produced a people's hero, one Götz von Berlichingen, who, although a nobleman, fought for and with the peasants. In turn, the fame of Herr Götz did not arise so much from his championing the people's cause as from his rough and ready wit, which he passed on to posterity in the form of plays. He originated the expression "Lick my backside", which is quite popular among the Herrenvolk to this day. It first appeared in one of his plays, and ever after when one good German wished to tell another good German off, he merely referred him to this line in this particular play, thus relieving himself of the sin of actually speaking the dastardly words.

To get back to the castle, it is just what one would expect to find in the way of a castle. As first built, it occupied the Exact top of the hill on which the town of Kirchberg now perches; as time went on, more and more little Hohenlohe-Oehringens appeared, and century by century the plodding peasants built up the south-

steep slopes to north, east and west. Sheds for wagons formed part of the north wall, since a winding wagon road led up the northern gate from the valley below. Two wells, one of which is still flowing, supplied water for the castle and the moat.

One of the points of interest at the castle is the "Eight-Cornered Tower" at the northeast corner, from which one can view the country for miles around. Originally twin towers also stood on the southern wall and served the same purpose in that direction, but they have long since disappeared. Under the "Eight-Cornered Tower", in the bowels of the castle, is a storage room where the family kept a generous supply of coffins, made of a metal called "plomb", which they dispatched to the various corners of the world to bring back the remains of various prodigal sons and daughters who perished there.

The castle was renovated and redeccorated many times, the greatest changes probably being made in the period from 1758 to 1785. The last prominent descendant of the original family died in 1835 and the castle and its lands passed into the hands of another family. Now, however, an old woman, descendant of the family, and princess in her own right, lives in the building in the southeast corner of the second courtyard, which was formerly the family chapel.

Bärtenstein — After a much-anticipated move, the men of A Co. find themselves in a more agricultural part of Germany, in a place called Bärtenstein, miles away from any big town which could locate them on a map. A solution has been figured out as to how to find them. On any map, if you draw a line between Mannheim and Nurnburg, and another between Stuttgart and Magdeburg, the intersection of the lines is the approximate location of A Co.

Another reason for the sour faces in A Co. is that the men are now living in a castle which is centuries old, and certainly looks it. Quite a change from the private homes the company had at Hainstadt. Now that VJ Day has been announced, however, hopes are running high that the company won't stay here long.

In the main ball room of the Bärtenstein castle, instead of a dance, A Co. has movies; instead of WACs, they have B Co. down every night. Since it's only a movie, the B Co. men are welcome; they'd make poor dancing partners.

Half-Track Falls Through

Groningen — Faulty construction even exists in the ETO. So says Pfc. Hyatt of H Co., who had the misfortune of dropping the front wheels of his half-track through one of those wooden spans constructed by the Heinies many years ago. The damage was slight, except for Hyatt's dignity. It seems that this incident puts the first mark on his unblemished career as a track driver. It all happened near Niederstetten, when he was returning to Groningen with 220 liters of wine.

P. S. — The wine was saved; nice going, Hyatt.

T/5 Stripes for 1st Sgt.

Groningen — First Sgt. Bush of H Co. was raving mad this past week — all because his Heinie washwoman gave him the wrong shirt. Seems Sgt. Bush doesn't like T/5 stripes on his arm.

New Baggage Rack

Kirchberg — Among the more practical things seen lately around E Co. was the baggage rack on the rear of Holman's halftrack he says he designed himself. It's about the sturdiest one we have seen and has a lot of room.

The castle never has been attacked by foreign troops, although a few of the buildings were damaged by artillery fire in this war. The "Thirty Years War" was the only other war in which battles were fought in this vicinity, but they were sporadic and not in this immediate area. Now, Fox Co., 36th Armd. Inf. Regt., occupies the castle, and they do not consider it a comfortable lodging by any means.

Service Motor Pool Like Grand Central *They'll be so nice to go home to - -* H Co. Step Nearer Civilian Life

Blaufelden — Service Co.'s motor pool looked like Grand Central station last Monday morning while the 83-pointers of this Regiment were milling around and waiting word to mount up in the 2½-ton trucks that would start them on their long awaited trip back to the good old U. S. A.

For us men who have known them since basic training or since the days of combat, it was like saying "So long" to our brother. Best of luck to you men, and "Bon Voyage".

New First Sergeant

Rot am See — T/Sgt. Richard Higgins took over the job as the new First Sergeant of Hq. Co., Second Bn., after First Sergeant Clyde M. Settlemyre left the company to join home-bound "Joes." Sgt. Higgins will get along great with the men . . . they all know he's a grand guy.

New Company CO

Gerabronn — 1st Lt. George N. Leitner, former Regimental Special Service officer, has assumed command of Regimental Hq. Co. Lt. Leitner, the third CO the company had in August, succeeds Captain George Clark.

Returns from Riviera

Blaufelden — Service Co. welcomes back its CO, Captain John D. Webber, Jr., who, looking fine and contented, has returned from a few days visit to the Riviera. Ask him about the Hdqs. Fire Dept. — best in the ETO.

Movie House Moved

Gerabronn — Regimental Hq. Co.'s movie theater has been moved from the downtown section of Gerabronn to the Regimental residential area, where films may now be seen at the railroad station.

Volley Ball Lesson

Kirchberg — Remember that challenge the AG platoon, Second Bn. Hq., had in the paper last week about volley ball? Well, E Co.'s team with a lineup of Huisman, Aiken, Macciocca, Kolony, Keister, Iensen, Goodman and Sherrell, went over and defeated them three times in one afternoon, to practice up on technique. Easy's softball team also defeated Charley Co., 3-2.

Visitor in Offenbach

Groningen. — T/Sgt. Don O'Neil of First platoon, H Co., took a trip up to Offenbach 22 August, to testify at a court martial — the subject, knives. S/Sgt. Kruger accompanied O'Neil to testify in another case.

C Co. Loses Officer

Blaufelden — C Co. didn't take too kindly to the transfer of Lt. Ray Potempa to Regiment, for this 6th Armored transfer had quickly made himself a favorite with his quiet ways, ability and sense of humor.



Miss Mary Faye Raulston, 101 Sherwood Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn., submitted by Pfc. Howard Ives, G Co.



Mrs. Ann Dabbs, 307 Rockwood Ave., Rockwood, Tenn., submitted by Pfc. Alton L. Dabbs, B Co.



Mrs. Sophie Servis, Birch Run, Mich., submitted by Pvt. Roy F. Servis H Co.



Miss Lillian Regis, 364 West 53rd St., New York City, submitted by T/5 Leo Giovanni, Service Co.

Zoot Stitch Makes Uniform Sparkle

Satteldorf — T/5 Simons of Hq. Co., Third Bn., is looking like a real well dressed soldat these days when he takes off "on business" in Crailsheim. The way those shoulder patches are sewn on with that "zoot" stitch is really something. Then don't forget that red-haired soup strainer he's cultivated.

While on the topic of "schnaubarts," look around at the varieties we have here in our company. Mike Brick has a real lulu and Lt. Banks strikes the Casanova tone with his. Of course, the writer also takes (Ahem!) pride in his.

Stork Club Prospers

Kirchberg — Easy Co. has a good source of wine now, so the Stork Club will be doing plenty of business in the evenings. The Non-Coms club is operating now, too, much to the discomfiture of the privates and Pfc's, of which the writer is one.

Several H Co. Men Leave for Home

Groningen — H Co. bids adieu to Pfc. Stough, who is on his way back to the U. S. A. on an emergency furlough.

While saying goodbyes, we bid sad farewell to Sgt. Joe Trammo, T/4 Hilleary Hawkins, T/5 Alvin M. Workman, T/5 Leon E. Frowine, T/5 Pete Klasan, T/5 George Repko, Jr., T/5 Buford L. Hartsell. Pfc. George M. Lacks and last but by no means least, Pfc. Angelo A. Constantino, better known to the men of the company as "Khaki." These men went to the 106th Infantry, where they will soon head for the States and civilian life. Congratulations, men, and the best of luck.

More Men Leave

Satteldorf — This past week Hq. Co., Third Bn., lost some more of our old buddies to the discharge lists. Much as we hate to see them go, we bid them Godspeed. Meanwhile we just wait — and sweat.

Groningen — H Co. men thank the responsible parties for their kindness in bringing civilian life nearer to us. We, the EM, are greatly enjoying the pleasure of eating and drinking from regular china. Yes, sir, it's more like real living with china to eat from. Our thanks to Capt. Mishtowt and Lt. Goodwin for their efforts.

Also our congratulations to Mess Sgt. Haugland — the meals are really picking up. Biscuits and cake are making their entry into our diet, and we had ice cream one night last week. Nice going, Smiley; keep up the good work.

Photo Exhibit Popular

Wallhausen — Remember that book of photos of VD cases? It was decided that a different photo be put on the G Co. bulletin board every day, just to keep everybody on the ball. So far as the GI's go, the idea was a big success, but nobody reckoned on the Heinies; it seems that almost every Heinie family in town makes a daily pilgrimage to the bulletin board to look at the latest in American photography. It even got so crowded at times that the GI's have to fight to look for announcements.

G Co. Men Come Through

Wallhausen — Looking up the batting averages in last week's Doughboy, G Co. men were not surprised to see two of their company ball players right up there in a tie for second place. 'Twas not so long ago that your reporter advised keeping an eye on these two boys because they were really going places. Guess that gives us a chance to say I told you so.

Noticed also was the fact that G Co. men filled six out of the nine places on the Battalion team last week.

Hot Rolls Appreciated

Kirchberg — The hot rolls for chow at D Co. were excellent. We are sure the men of the company appreciate the extra work involved. Thanks to Mess Sgt. Owens and staff for the good work being put out.

That Corn Operation Again

Kirchberg — S/Sgt. Armstrong, the gentleman from the Second platoon, D Co., insists he is still suffering from his recent corn operation. Still out of circulation, eh what, Armstrong? The "ole" TS card should be punched.

NCO's Down Officers

Rot am See — An exciting baseball game was played recently between the officers of Second Bn. and the Non-Coms of Hq. Co., Second Bn. One sensational hit was made by Major Langston off a freak ball tossed over by the pitcher and at which everyone thought no hitter would ever try to swing. But the Major made a three-base hit on this unusual pitch.

The officers played with much vigor and ferocity, but still lost the game in the 7th inning to the NCO's, 11-5.

The G I Bill of Rights - - - Educational Benefits

1. All veterans (including officers) who served over 90 days or, if less than 90 days, were discharged because of disability in line of duty, are entitled to receive one year of free schooling under the law, regardless of age or citizenship.

2. To receive this benefit, you must go back to school with two years after you get out of the Army or within two years after the end of the war — whichever is later. Remember, Congress has not yet set the official date of the end of this war.

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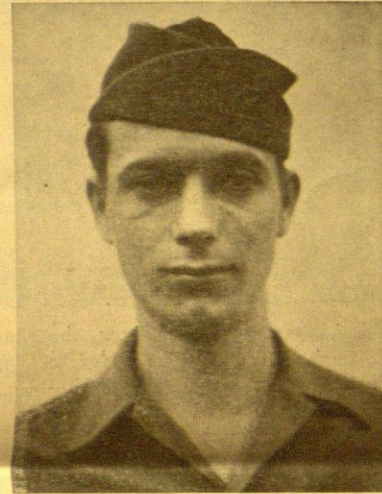
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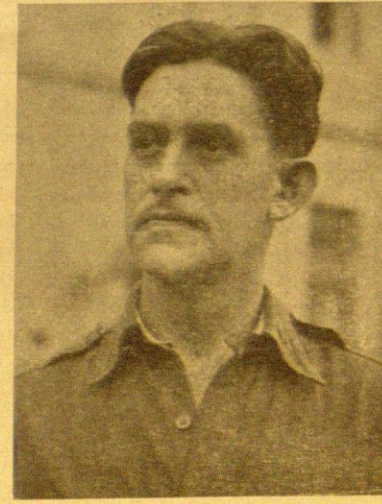
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Bartenstein — Officially transferred to Service Co. are Pfc. Calvert, Simile and Graf of A Co. We know that Service Co. is now better by three men.

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More High-Pointers Leave

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Wallhausen — Pfc. Joe Phoenix of G Co. is resting this week in preparation for resuming his activities "above" the roads of Wallhausen. Joe's trusty peep just couldn't stand the pace and as a consequence it is at Ordnance being readied for another campaign. In the meantime, Joe is sharpening up the old eye and keeping his hand in trim by making an occasional flight in the ¾ ton.

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In a recent softball game, violent objection was made when the umpire called the runner out on this play. A Doughboy photographer happened to catch this fine shot, sustaining the umpire's judgment.

Baseball Interest Is Increased

Satteldorf — Baseball interest in Hq. Co., Third Bn., has increased 100% since the inauguration of the interplatoon league by Lts. Banks and Hintz. For a four-week period, the platoon softball teams will battle it out for pennant honors. The team winning the championship will be given some reward as yet undecided. Then, too, there is a prize being given to the player who comes out with the highest batting average at the end of the season.

Every team shows some fine prospects and already the threats are flying thick and fast. The Anti-Tankers offer some good ball players in Hagsten, Paul, Pfiester and Falcom. Then the Assault Gun boys are showing off their entries in the person of Hendrickson and See. The platoon doing the most shouting about how good their pennant chances are is the "Smoothbore" Mortar outfit. They claim that they'll come out on top, behind such stars as Valentine, Lasota and their brass hat, Lt. Banks. We haven't seen as yet just what the Recon platoon or battalion section offers, but they too have some topnotch performers.

Before we forget, with apologies to Maintenance, Supply and Company Headquarters, we MUST include them on our baseball info. They too have a fighting team, sparked by such peppery players as Lt. Huntington, Kittle, Reed, and of course, "One Meat Ball" Ackermann.

The majors never had a league with such an array of talent. Maybe we should be thankful they haven't. Very soon now, however, the games should show just who is going to cop the league honors.

Winter Sports Program Planned

Lt. John Ring, formerly of B Co., who has been named Regimental Athletic officer, announces that Regimental tournaments in football, volley ball, pingpong, softball, skiing, tennis, badminton, horseshoe, basketball and other winter sports are being scheduled. Men from down the "creeks" are especially urged to participate in the program.

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In the opinion of women, football is by far the most popular sport engaged in by the male. In a poll conducted by Esquire Magazine, football outranked all other sports in every question asked. Answering the question, "What is your most popular sport?", football won by a large majority, 54.03 per-cent choosing the pigskin sport while only 14.11 per cent favored baseball, to be the greatest American pastime. 17.75 per cent favored football to other sports when asked what sport presented men as most attractive.

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Why doesn't somebody say something for the boxers? Where are they? Nothing has been heard of them around the mess hall since we moved to Gerabronn. A pack of cigs is being offered to the man who can give this column any information as to their where abouts.

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The Cornhuskers of Nebraska are a cinch in the Big Six, with the possibility of another Rose Bowl invitation. Chief competition will come from Iowa.

In the Rocky Mountain Conference, Utah gets the call over the Colorado School of Mines.

This Umpire Did Not Need Glasses



In a recent softball game, violent objection was made when the umpire called the runner out on this play. A Doughboy photographer happened to catch this fine shot, sustaining the umpire's judgment.

Baseball Interest Is Increased

Satteldorf — Baseball interest in Hq. Co., Third Bn., has increased 100% since the inauguration of the interplatoon league by Lts. Banks and Hintz. For a four-week period, the platoon softball teams will battle it out for pennant honors. The team winning the championship will be given some reward as yet undecided. Then, too, there is a prize being given to the player who comes out with the highest batting average at the end of the season.

Every team shows some fine prospects and already the threats are flying thick and fast. The Anti-Tankers offer some good ball players in Hagsten, Paul, Pfiester and Falcom. Then the Assault Gun boys are showing off their entries in the person of Hendrickson and See. The platoon doing the most shouting about how good their pennant chances are is the "Smoothbore" Mortar outfit. They claim that they'll come out on top, behind such stars as Valentine, Lasota and their brass hat, Lt. Banks. We haven't seen as yet just what the Recon platoon or battalion section offers, but they too have some topnotch performers.

Before we forget, with apologies to Maintenance, Supply and Company Headquarters, we MUST include them on our baseball info. They too have a fighting team, sparked by such peppery players as Lt. Huntington, Kittle, Reed, and of course, "One Meat Ball" Ackermann.

The majors never had a league with such an array of talent. Maybe we should be thankful they haven't. Very soon now, however, the games should show just who is going to cop the league honors.

Winter Sports Program Planned

Lt. John Ring, formerly of B Co., who has been named Regimental Athletic officer, announces that Regimental tournaments in football, volley ball, pingpong, softball, skiing, tennis, badminton, horseshoe, basketball and other winter sports are being scheduled. Men from down the "creeks" are especially urged to participate in the program.

To insure the success of the program, Lt. Ring announced that prizes would be awarded at the end of each tournament and that the Regimental champions will be given an opportunity to compete against other teams in the Division. Equipment for these sports are on the way.

A feature of the winter program will be a big-time basketball schedule.

Football Most Popular Sport With Fair Sex

In the opinion of women, football is by far the most popular sport engaged in by the male. In a poll conducted by Esquire Magazine, football outranked all other sports in every question asked. Answering the question, "What is your most popular sport?", football won by a large majority, 54.03 per-cent choosing the pigskin sport while only 14.11 per-cent favored baseball, to be the greatest American pastime. 17.75 per cent favored football to other sports when asked what sport presented men as most attractive.

When asked, "What sport do you think presents women in the way that appeals to most men", 58.73 % answered "swimming" with tennis getting the call from 30.95 per-cent.

What amounted to almost a landslide was the answer to this question: "Would you rather marry a famous athlete, a screen star or a 'good, ordinary, guy.'" The vote was 93.52 % for the ordinary guy.

Lt. George Leitner, ex-Regimental athletic officer, announced this week that six former college football stars from the 36th have been named to the Spearhead Division gridiron squad. These men are now attending the division athletic school for one week of intensive training, and on the basis of their pre-war performances, are expected to play an important part in the division eleven's plans for the season.

The men are Lt. Patterson of Hq. Co., First Bn., who won three varsity letters at Iowa State College before coming into the Army; Lt. Glatch of I Co., who played for Waynesburg College, Pa., in 1941; Sgt. Sampson of B Co., who played semi-pro football for College Point, New York; Sgt. Kunken of F Co., who played for the University of Vermont before induction.

Also Pfc. John Fenderbosch, Regimental Hq. Co.'s crack all-around athlete, who learned his football in the tough competition of the Cleveland suburban area. He played with Olmsted Falls High school and was named on the All-Star team of that area. He worked out with the Cleveland Rams on several occasions and also played a year with the Armored Raiders at Fort Knox.

Completing the list is Cpl. Alm of Regimental Hq. Co. Alm hails from Minnesota, where he won letters in football and basketball while a student at Macalester College. He was freshman coach in his senior year and became varsity end coach after graduation. He was named end for the Minnesota All-State college team in 1942-43.

Grid Equipment Expected To Arrive Any Day

1st Lt. George Leitner, new head boss of Regimental Hqs. Co. and athletic officer, announced this week that football equipment for men in 36th is expected to arrive any day now.

A schedule for the Regimental grid loop will be announced in the near future. Each battalion will have a team to be made up of players from the unit. Players will be selected on the strength of their experience and performance in tryouts.

Where are the Boxers?

Why doesn't somebody say something for the boxers? Where are they? Nothing has been heard of them around the mess hall since we moved to Gerabronn. A pack of cigs is being offered to the man who can give this column any information as to their whereabouts.

Regimental Officers Win

The Regimental officers trounced Second Bn., 12-4, in a recent softball game. Major Owen, leadoff man for Regiment, featured his team's attack, making three hits and three circuits of the bases in four trips to the plate. The running score follows:

1st and 2nd Bns. Meet in Baseball

Second and First Battalions, who finished one-two in the Regimental Baseball league race, will start a best three-out-of-five game series Monday to determine the ownership of the championship trophy.

Second Battalion trounced the First, 21-12, in a slugfest Tuesday to clinch first place in the regular league play, gaining a half-game Margin on the First.

Results of Games

August 25
First Bn. 8; Third Bn. 3
August 27
Second Bn. 10; Third Bn. 8
August 28
Second Bn. 21; First Bn. 12.

Final Standings

	W	L
Second Bn.	6	2
First Bn.	6	3
Third Bn.	3	7
Prov. Bn.	1	4

Shelley, Duprey, Lunny Mainstays of 2nd Bn.

2nd Lt. George P. Shelley first started playing organized ball with the Warren Township High School team in his home town of Waukegan, Ill. He turned in a record of 11 wins to 2 losses for one season. In 1938 he pitched for St. Patrick's in Wadsworth, Ill. with a record of 10 wins and 2 losses. After finishing school he pitched for Waukegan in the Wisconsin-Illinois Interstate League during 1939 and 40. He joined the Army in May, 1943, and was assigned to the Third Armored the following Month while the division was stationed at Indiantown Gap, Penna. He served with the 23rd Engineers during combat operations and came to F Co. of the 36th in July of this year. He has a record of 4 wins to 0 losses in the Regimental league.

Pfc. Edward Duprey played high school ball on the Worcester Boy's Trade School in his home town of Worcester, Mass. After leaving school he played all positions on various local teams, including the American Steel and Wire Co. team and Linder's Auto Co. in the Industrial League. He settled down to steady catching when he got into semi-pro ball with the Pomfret team of Northern New England League where he caught two seasons and consistently batted over 300. He entered the Army in October, 1944, trained at Camp Wheeler, Ga. and shipped overseas in March of this year immediately on completion of his basic training. He joined the division in April in time to participate in the hot fighting before Nordhausen and at the Mulde River.

Long-hitting Pfc. Loie Lunny gained most of his baseball experience while playing on the Fort Island team at the

More About Germany, the Wonderful

Saturday in the States means Saturday night and a bath, but in Germany they do it differently. In the first place, except, in the cities, bathtubs are rare, so just what steps they take to put a fitting end to Saturday's cleanup program is a question. But up until the time when the people retire to the privacy of their homes to go into whatever contortions are necessary for a bath, Saturday is the busiest day of the week.

Saturday is officially baking day in Germany. They don't do as some housewives do back home — fire up the kitchen range and put in an intensive day over a hot stove, (because their ovens are not made for that purpose; nor do they run down to the corner bakery or store to get some "boughten" cake, cookies or bread. Instead they use a combination of the two with German variations. Each housewife prepares her own dough, batter or whatever one calls it, in her own kitchen, then takes it on a wooden tray to the corner bakery where it is baked in the oven. As a result Saturday morning is a parade of women of all ages bearing trays (of all sizes) of dough (of all shapes and descriptions) to the bakery and returning with appetizing looking baked goods.

One phase of this practice is that it removes the possibility of using the phrase so popular in the States — "I left these in just a bit too long (or not long enough)" But it does give added possibilities, such as "These aren't quite as good as they might be because Frau — had some concoction in the oven at the same time," or "That funny flavor you get is because I stopped to talk with Frau — for a while, and you know what the people next door keep in their backyard." The finished product must have a truly community flavor — from the various elements that must pass from one batch to another in the baking and from those elements that enter in as the finished product is carried uncovered up the street.

Once the baking is done, the rest of Saturday is devoted to housecleaning. The floors are scrubbed, and really scrubbed. Mopping is not sufficient. If possible, German women seem to prefer to do the scrubbing by hand.

Street-cleaning is a private proposition over here. In the smaller towns, no regular street cleaners are employed.

Naval Air Station in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where he was employed for 8 months as a sheet metal worker, in 1941 and 42. He returned to the States and joined the Army in 1944 and took his basic training at Camp Croft, S. C. He came overseas in March of this year, joining F Co. of the 36th the following month.

yed for that purpose, but the result is not so bad as one might think. The good housewives, in their eagerness to make their gardens grow, keep the streets cleaned of all that material which makes a garden grow, while men, women and children join their efforts to keep the streets free of cigarette butts. On Saturday afternoon, each household sweeps clean the sidewalk, the gutter and the street in front of its home, generally using a broom made of twigs bound to a stick. But they do sweep clean. This Saturday afternoon pavement-polishing is revolutionary in one respect — the entire populace emerges for the first time from behind the shuttered windows, or in the case of the bolder element, from their perching places in open windows. On Saturday afternoon one discovers that there is more to the people than just that portion of the anatomy above the waist which is all one sees of most of the rest of the week.

With the baking done, the house cleaned and the street swept, the people retire to their homes to prepare themselves for the morrow. No doubt when other situations prevail, a visit to the nearest beer garden is on the agenda for Saturday night, but right now it is not so widely practiced. But obviously the people take their Saturday night bath somehow, bathtub or not, for they emerge on Sunday, freshly scrubbed and clothed in their best, to make the most of the day by promenading.

Making the Rounds

"Making the Rounds" is unnecessary this week as some kind (and at times unkind) writer from A Co. submitted the following:

Suggestions

To whom It May Concern

Suggest that we have an issue of vitamin pills Sunday night for Monday's calisthenics.

Suggest that we get an issue of new tennis balls. Three balls don't go very far with 200 men.

Suggest that the Battalion Msg. Cen. hire a detective to track down their distribution. Scotland Yard is stillopen for business.

Suggest that the Battalion Commo Section investigate the "hear not" of their present wire net. There is such a thing as a booster, you know.

Suggest that someone get us an issue of corks, plugs or stoppers if the Medic's can't stop the GI's.

Suggest that the author of "The Sunset Falls on Castle Walls" come down and live with us awhile.

Suggest that we get a well-informed clerk for the motor pool. Paper work is getting knee-deep now and our drivers are not very good stenographers.

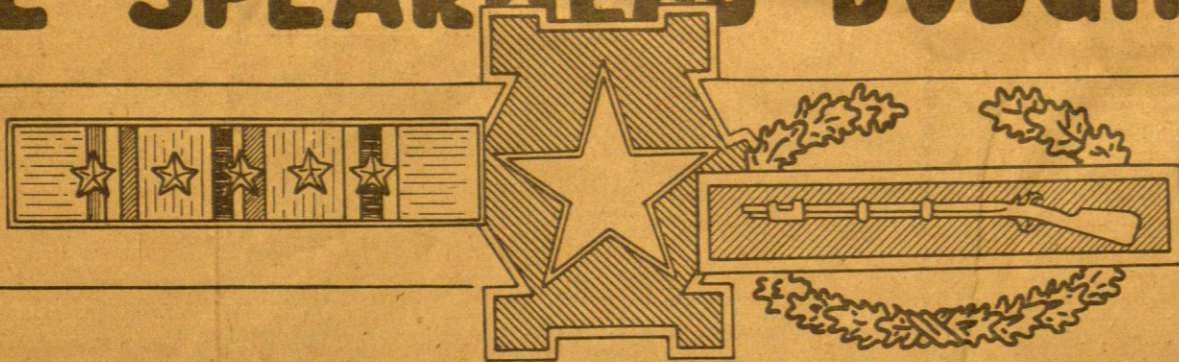
Suggest that all softball scores be published in the "Doughboy," losses and victories alike. (Regimental officers, please note).

Suggest that we get a little more reading material. Chewing fingernails is getting very dull.

Suggest that we have a few more excursions to Frankfurt. They're very interesting, aren't they, men?



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Regtl. Surgeon Leaves

This past Wednesday saw the departure of another old 36th man, one who joined the Regiment back in 1942 and leaves now as our Regimental Surgeon — Capt. Nathan H. Hass

The Captain arrived in England with the Division in September, 1943, and landed on Omaha Beach as assistant Bn. Surgeon of the First Bn. Section of the 36th. In that capacity, the men of the First Bn. learned to respect and to derive inspiration from this man with the typical Brooklyn intonation. He assisted in leading his medical section in the support of First Bn. from their initial action, through France, Belgium and in Germany where the Battalion received the Unit Citation for penetrating the Siegfried Line.

During the rough days of the Belgium Bulge, when the Battalion Surgeon of Second Bn. was wounded, he took over this Medical Section. As in the First Bn., the Medics of Second Bn. rallied around him and soon the voice from Brooklyn was well known by the line men of Second Bn. He led this Section in every subsequent action until he was transferred to the Regimental Section, where he later became Regimental Surgeon when Maj. Cohen was transferred to Division.

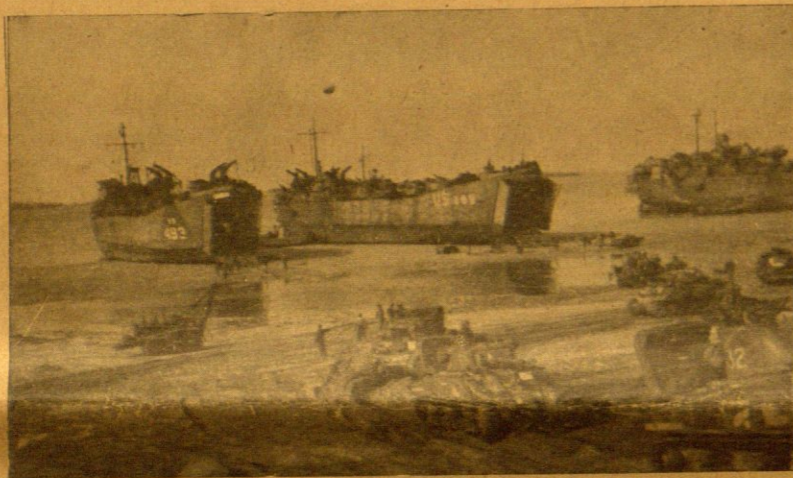
Capt. Hass' history while with the Division can best be traced on our Regimental map, as he took an active part in every action of the Regiment. He always has had the respect and admiration of the men under his command. He was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in Germany, 12-13 December 1944. He also wears the Unit Citation Pin and the Medical Badge.

If you ask him why he wants to go home, he proudly holds up his sleeve bearing four Hershey Bars, holds up a picture of his lovely wife and little female four-year-old 12-pointer, and says, "Oh Brooklyn."

D Co. CO in Paris

Kirchberg — Captain Ellison, commander of D Co., is spending a few days in Paris viewing the sights.

Yanks storm Hitler's Fortress Europa



Men With 60 or Less Points Expected To Stay In ETO - -

UFSET Headquarters announced last night that as of September 1st there were approximately 927,000 Enlisted Men in the ETO with 70 or more points by VJ day computation, that is, including the 8 additional points as we commonly speak of it. It was also disclosed that there are about 908,000 with 69 or fewer points. Following is the breakdown of point categories below 70 points: 61 to 69 inclusive — about 277,000. 50 to 60 points about 313,000. And those with fewer than 50 points, about 319,000. Announcement was made last week that 1,300,000 troops including all men with 70 or more points would leave the ETO between September 1st and December 31st. Of this number figures released yesterday revealed that 927,000 will consist of men with 70 or more points. Leaving a balance of 372,000. Included in the latter group will be an unspecified number of high point WACS as well as men and women being discharged for age. What space is then left over will go to men with 69 or fewer points. Last week's announcement said that on January 1st about 700,000 troops would be left

70 Pointers Leave On their Way Home

Categories, the point system and age have had the 36th verging on a state of madness during the past week, as each day brought reports or rumors of a new change. In three days the category of the Third Armored changed, unofficially, from IV to II to I. At the present time, the Division is officially in Category.

As for the personnel of the Division, it was revealed that men with 61 or more points will be transferred to other outfits for shipment home; that men with 45 to 61 points will remain with the Division, to go home with it when it ships; that men with less than 45 points will be assigned to the Army of Occupation.

More high-point men were shipped out of the Regiment the last of the week. Also a large number of the men over 35 and with two years of service were transferred to other outfits.

Redeployment Hits Spearhead Staff

Events of the past week caused almost a complete turnover on the editorial staff of the Spearhead Doughboy, leaving Pfc. Ben Lagpacan as the only member of the original staff remaining with the newspaper.

MSgt. Robert Minshall, editor-in-chief of the Doughboy, founder and chief announcer of the "Voice of the Spearhead Doughboy," and PRO for the Regiment, was one of the high-point men transferred, but remains on duty a few days to clear his desk.

Sgt. Ben Carpenter, managing editor, moved out Friday by grace of his 37 years and three years in the Army.

Pfc. Clyde Phillips, circulation manager and the manager and the man responsible for the making of the many cuts that have appeared in the Doughboy, left Friday as one of the high-point men moving out.

Wanted - -

Seven week-old Dauchund. Disappeared on or about Sept. 14. Abductor please contact regimental medics. A six month free medical care is offered to the finder.

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T/5 Bill Ullum Reg. Hq. Co.
Pfc. Howard O. Pos Service Co.
T/4 Charles I. Rosen Med. Detach.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

To be good is noble but to teach others how to be good is nobler — and less trouble.

Lest You Forget

One of these days, believe it or not, you will stand in that last GI line—it will be an important line for it will be your opportunity to clear up last minute military matters. One very important item which you will want to pay close attention to, regardless of how anxious you are to get home, is the advice that will be given to you regarding your GI insurance.

Eight per cent of discharged veterans have permitted their GI insurance policies to lapse, with a loss of "billions of dollars of protection to them", the Institute of Life Insurance reports.

A common reason for these lapses is the fact that the GI is accustomed to having the premium deducted from his pay each month and forgets to mail in the money to keep his policy in force after he returns to civilian life.

Since 1490, policies worth more than 137 billion dollars have been written, covering more than 14 million five hundred thousand servicemen and women. A recent act of Congress extended the effectiveness of the policies from the original 5-year term to 8 years.

This means that a veteran who signed up for a government policy in January, 1943, for example, can keep his term insurance in force until January, 1951, merely by paying to the veterans Administration the same premium that was deducted from his pay while he was in uniform. He can keep his insurance for life by converting it to a permanent policy. The veterans Administration in Washington, any of its regional offices, or the Personal Affairs Office of the nearest Army post, camp or station should be consulted as soon as possible after discharge.

A Modern Golden Rule

"Yours is the best squad, of the best platoon, of the best company!" were the first words you heard when you arrived in camp for basic training and unless you have believed that all the way, then the natural question arises, "Well, why weren't you the best." And too, unless you have believed those words whole-heartly you haven't displayed your best qualities of being a good soldier.

In many cases that attitude, however, has had its bad points. It often has been the cause for the lack of good will between units. In combat, there was no harm done for there was an always present opportunity to prove to your rival unit that yours was the best outfit in the Army. And the harder you strived to prove that point, the better job you did as a fighting man. But now that combat has been tossed to the historians, the only substitute for proving that your outfit is the pride and joy of the Army is through the medium of extending good will—helping a new man feel at home by looking him up a bed, seeing that he makes the chow line, or by making a Joe from another outfit who is just passing through feel at home with us even if it's only for chow or stopping overnight, or helping him locate himself if he's lost, or by just batting the breeze with him without belittling his outfit.

We've found it necessary many times during the past weeks to stop off for chow or over night with other units and have felt a genuine change for the better in the good will between outfits. A cherry, "Sure, we've got an extra bed, we'll dig up some blankets for you", from some regular Joe reflects good will not only from just his squad or company but from the whole Division. There is nothing that makes one take a "Let's get out of here" attitude more than to have some G. I. say, "Yes, you can eat with us, if there's anything left after our men go through". And then proceed to give a song and dance about how they've been pinched for rations.

Regardless of how small a part of your outfit you may consider yourself, a cherry greeting or a helping hand to some outsider will reflect the kind of impression characteristic of a good outfit like ours.

In combat, you made the "Doughboys of the 36th" the pride of the Third Armored Division; we can uphold that pride by extending good will in peace times—proving that "The 36th is a swell outfit."

Several Men Promoted

Groningen — Supply Sgt. Arthurs of H Co. has received beaucoup orders for stripes these past few days as an result of the following promotions: To T/Sgt., S/Sgts. Dahlman and Koritko; to S/Sgt., Sgts. Grubiak, Jones and Horowitz; to Sgt., Pfc. Corvino, Heniser, Swife. Cpls. Hersch and Kohl; to T/5, Pfc. Landon and Wojtusik. Congratulations, men, — but when are we going to be promoted to civilians?

"Greater Love Hath No Man" See the Chaplain

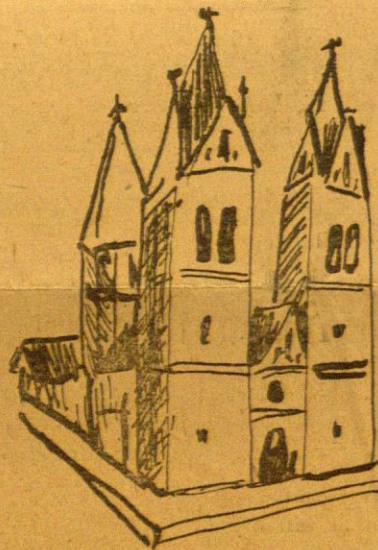


"GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN..."

DEDICATED BY THE MEN AND OFFICERS OF THE 3d ARMORED "SPEARHEAD" DIVISION TO THE SOLE OF WHOMSOEVER MAY ENTER THESE WALLS IN SEARCH OF HEALTH, IN MEMORY OF... MAURICE ROSE, MAJOR GENERAL, U.S. ARMY, KILLED IN ACTION NEAR PADERBORN, GERMANY MARCH 30, 1945, WHILE LEADING HIS DIVISION AGAINST THE ENEMY

Pictured above is the plaque to be used in connection with the Division's memorial contribution. It reads: "Dedicated by the men and officers of the 3d Armored 'Spearhead' Division to the care of whomsoever may enter these walls in search of health, in memory of... Maurice Rose, Major General, U. S. Army, killed in action near Paderborn, Germany March 30, 1945, while leading his Division against the enemy."

A short time ago Col. John A Smith, Jr., Division Chief of Staff, returned to the United States on temporary duty to deliver the 30,000 dollars donated by the men of the Third Armored "Spearhead" Division for our part in the Rose Memorial Hospital to be constructed in Denver, Colorado, by local citizens in memory of a Great Leader.



Sunday Church Services

Catholic Masses

0800 -- Beer Hall at Sateldorf
0930 -- Castle at Kirchberg
1045 -- New Movie Hall, Blaufelden
Confession will be heard before Mass.

Protestant Services

0900 -- Church in Kirchberg
1030 -- Church in Groningen
1415 -- Church in Blaufelden

Jewish Services -- Day of Atonement

Schwäbisch Hall--Spearhead Playhouse
Sunday, 16. Sept. -- 1930
Monday, 17. Sept -- 1000,

If your G. I. buddy dismissed the subject by telling you to see the Chaplain when you asked for a cigarette because your last week's ration didn't quite see you through, then you'll do well to do just that.

The Red Cross has combed the ration warehouses for the extras that have been hanging around and has turned them over to the Chaplains to ease any real shortages. Although the supply is very limited, the Chaplain may be able to see you through on items that due to some unfortunate circumstance you badly need. The list includes such things as combs, shaving cream, tooth brushes, stationery, toothpaste, razors, blades, bath towels, matches, chewing gum, playing cards, soap, cigars, chewing tobacco, and even cigarettes.

Speak to either of the Chaplains about your shortage, preferably following church services Sunday.

Rings and Pins

To clear up the confusion concerning the Division Rings and Pins ordered some few weeks ago we have checked with Lt. Naff, Regimental PX Officer, and learned that contrary to popular opinion they were manufactured in the states and not here in Germany and that although the order was not filled on scheduled time, the shipment left the states on the 20th of August and will arrive any day.

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2nd Bn. Hq. Co. Honors Men Leaving

Rot am See — A splendid dinner was given by the NCO Club (quite a joint) of Hq. Co., Second Bn., recently in honor of all the men leaving the company to take the road back HOME. Steak and all the trimmings were served, along with ice cream and some tasty home-made three-layer cake, some good beer and wine and something else that tasted like whiskey.

T/Sgt. Higgins gave a speech which turned out to be a collection of burlesque jokes and kept the boys laughing for a while. Many men from the Sixth Armored Division and other units were present. Individual credit goes to Pfc. Tegtmier, Cpl. Lord and the cooperation of the kitchen. Truly responsible for the entire success of the affair was S/Sgt. Joseph A. Buonoma.

Most of these men are gone now and we who remain wish them "Good Luck."

Mistaken Philanthropy

Blaufelden — Pfc. Leo "The Lip" Mazur, John "Rumor" Merbetski and T/S Robert Peer have been stumbling around C Co. with a pertinent, far-away-U. S. A. look in their eyes. Poop had come down that 70-point men were alerted to go to a hot outfit for quick shipment home. Philanthropy ran high. They donated their excess equipment with a free hand to their less fortunate brothers in arms. The fickle army sent down another poop sheet, however, jacking the critical score up to 77 points, and the aforementioned EM (74,75,76 points respectively) are still sweating it out. Has anyone see three barracks?

What Spare Time?

Blaufelden — Lt. Cruise, up at Service Co., is the Mess Officer, Regimental Maintenance Officer and assistant, Company Maintenance Officer, Special Service Officer, plus Company Supply Officer and also I and E. chief. Besides this he is doing a fine job and still manages to wear a big smile.

Asst. Telephone Operator

Schroberg — Pfc. James Delmar is now the official assistant telephone operator for B. Co. If only he had a few more pictures, of his dear Lena to gaze at! Pfc. Delmar will submit a picture of Lena to the Spearhead Doughboy as soon as possible, and he says, "It will be so nice to go home to."

Change Name of Kitchen

Gerabronn — The men of Fox Co. have now changed the name of their kitchen from "Butterless Alley" to "Hot Cate Holler."

They'll be so nice to go home to-- Sweethearts of Men of the 36th



Miss Towanda Simons, 464 W. Columbia St., Alliance, Ohio, submitted by Pfc Wade A Fox, E Co.



Miss Dorothy Brooks, Oxford, N. C., submitted by Pfc Aubrey Watts, E Co.



Mrs. Ronald Cleckley, 44 Main St., Langley, S. C., submitted by Pfc Ronald Cleckley, B Co.



Miss Janet Bobeldyk, Inwood, Iowa, submitted by Pfc Ralph F. Kock, D Co.

1st Bn. Hq. Co. NCOs Form Zebra Club

Langenburg — The non-commissioned officers of Hq. Co., First Bn., got together recently, elected their officers and organized the "Zebra Club" for the NCOs. Officers of the club are Sgt. Arthur A. Valesquez, president; M/Sgt. Louis Burgess, vice president; T/Sgt. Willis Green, secretary and treasurer.

The club had open house on the evening of August 26, with a big beer dinner. Major Paul Root, Battalion commander, and Lt. Leon Sensabugh were guests for the evening.

New Chief Cook, Etc.

Schroberg — Pfc. "Juggle Butt" White is now B Co's. chief cook and bottle washer. At the present time, he employs eight foreigners and one sad sack Pfc. White is certainly keeping things rolling and is doing a nice job.

Discharge Situation More Complicated

Satteldorf — It seems that the point and discharge situation is fast becoming more complicated each day. On top of this, one hears so many "reports" and rumors on the subject that it is no longer a joke. Hq. Co., Third Bn., has its share of "bull session" and most of the opinions and ideas expressed are hopeful but nothing official. So, as was said so many times before, we can talk all we want to about it but still and all we've got to sweat it out

While on the subject, we would like the opportunity to explain to the readers that there we submitted to higher authorities certain men eligible for ratings. That ought to keep some of the boys pleased for a short while, anyway. Don't worry, fellas, there are beaucoup ships sailing and you're bound to get aboard sooner or later.

Sgt. Marsh Drafted For 1st Sgt.

Blaufelden — C Co. was pleasantly surprised last week when "Shorty Marsh was drafted for 1st Sergeant. The men who know and have lived with him realize that the CO couldn't have made a better choice.

Sgt. Marsh joined the Spearheaders during the bleak days of last winter's Battle of the Bulge when every day seemed like eternity. Fortune guided the smiling Tennessean's footsteps, for despite being wounded in action, he never left the front.

The company as a whole is looking forward to the new regime, for "Shorty" is the perfect medium to bridge the gap between the 'tront office" and the men. No newcomer to the ranks of men who have seen action, he possesses a superior, disciplined mind brought about by two years of college engineering. The Army has at last done what we've always considered impossible; they've chosen the right man for the right job.

Deset by Puppy Trouble

Schroberg — S Sgt. Chester Sampson of B Co. has his hands full. It seems that he's having a little trouble with Hans and Fritz, two puppies, former property of Capt. Robert Bohme and 1st Lt. Tom G. Waldrop. After the pups had killed six chickens, the people informed our CP that if we wanted our egg supply continued, something would have to be done. So S/Sgt. Sampson was appointed nursemaid, and is now the proud owner of Hans and Fritz.

Finds 50-Foot Flagpole

Kirchberg — A Scotch and soda to Pfc. Grice, that general handy man and jack of all trades of E Co., who dug once more into his grab-bag and came up with a 50-foot flagpole where there aren't any 50-foot flagpoles. Now we can put up the flag without digging a keller at the base of the flagpole for windless days.

Graduates to Sergeant

Wallhausen — At last Ray Putz, supply sergeant of G Co., has graduated from Pfc. to Sgt. Ray sweated out a T/5 as company radio operator for eight months but due to the overage of ratings, in the company, it never came through. Now in the position of supply sergeant, Ray finally gets the recognition he deserves.

Ping Pong Paddles Appear

Kirchberg — There was a definite boost in morale in E Co. last week with the advent of two brand-spanking new sets of ping pong paddles for the two tables which had been wasting away in the recreation hall. Those men who were betting that the termites would gnaw the table legs in two before we got the paddles, please step forward and pay off.

Meet the Athletes

This will be a regular column featuring those boys who are contributing to the success of the different teams within the Regiment. At times we will also include those opponents who show outstanding merit in the field of sports.

John F. Fenderbosch-Track. Comes from the Regimental Headquarters representing the Provisional Battalion. Fenderbosch is remembered for his outstanding performance at the Division's Track and Field meet at Darmstadt. He took first place in the 110 meter and 200 meter hurdles and took a second place in the high jumping with a total of 14 points.

Robert McCoy-Baseball. This snappy little infielder represents the se-

A Case of Mistaken Identity



This is Pfc. Ernie Langosch of Hq., 2nd Bn., whose picture appears here for the first time, but who in the Sept. 2nd issue gave the following answer to "Do You Believe That in Order to Insure World Peace We Should Occupy Germany Permanently?" — "We ought to stay here long enough to teach the bastards a lesson. No use in naving to send our kids back over here later."



This is T5 Eugene Sexton of H Co., whose picture appeared under Pfc. Ernie Langosch's answer to the Question of the Week in the Sept. 2nd issue and also over his, T5 Sexton's, answer to the Question of the Week in the Sept. 9th issue.

cond Battalion. He is that little aggressive speed merchant operating around third base. He was selected as third baseman on the All Star Team.

Lyle Button-Football. Not too much is known of our football prospects as coach and players are rather quiet this early in the season but this former University of Illinois lineman will bear a good deal of watching. All with Button and the men of the squad lies a wealth of previous experience.

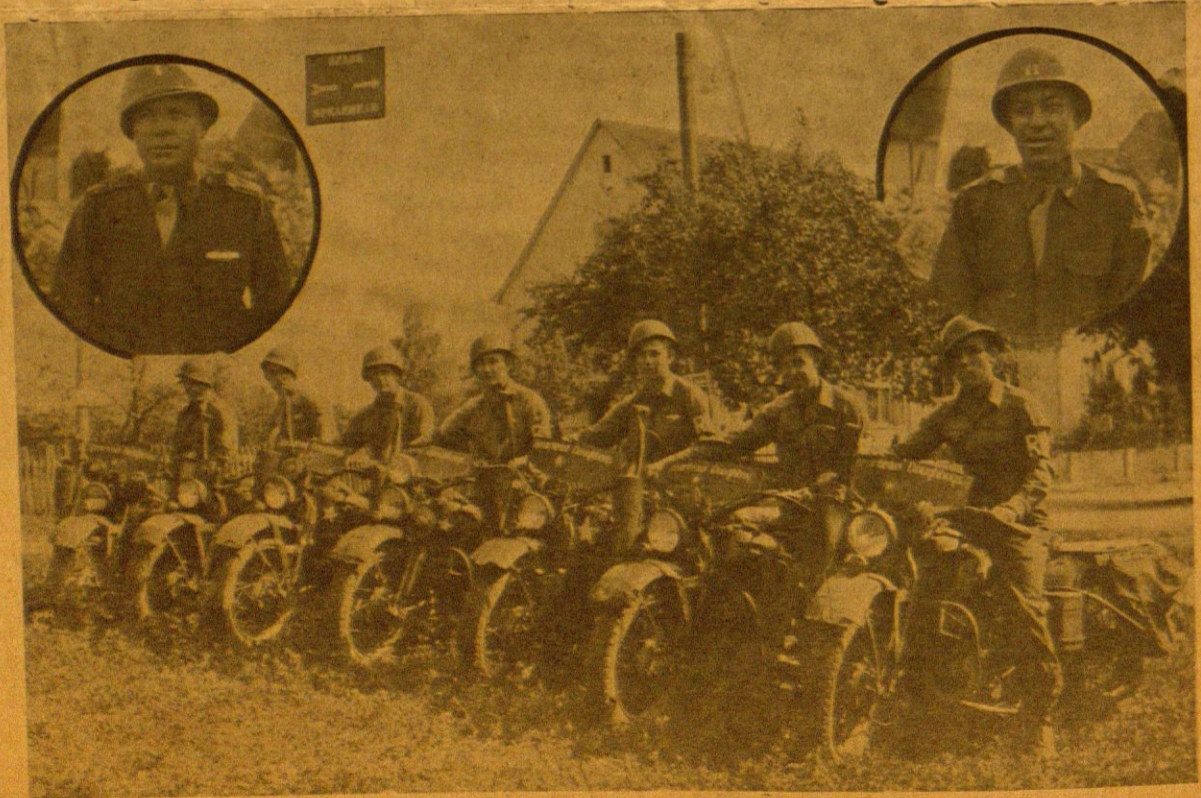
Rehnberg-Baseball. Rehnberg played an outstanding game at third base and was also chosen on the All Star team. He was noted by his comrades as the best player in the league by his Third Battalion mates.

Football Talents Sought

Langenburg — For the past week candidates out for the Regimental football team have been filtering into Head Coach 2nd Lieut. Wesley Patterson's training camp, located in the beautiful surroundings of the First Battalion area. We are particularly fortunate in having Lieut. Patterson as coach, it was only a week ago that he was slated to take over the helm of the Division team, but due to the current changes in personnel the Third Armored has dopped its entry. It has adopted a six team league within the Division, the Thirty second and Thirty third Armored Regiments, Division Artillery, our own Thirty Six Armored Infantry Regiment, and two other teams to be announced, participating.

If any man within the Regiment would like to try out for the team Lieut. Patterson would be only too happy to give every individual an opportunity in making the team.

Roving Patrols of the 36th AIR, always on the alert for emergency. Inset: Capt. Ayers and Lt. Brown



I and E Program In Full Swing

The long awaited program of "going back to school" started last week for scores of men from this regiment interested in "picking up where they left in civilian life". Vocational schools on a battalion level have been set up in the different companies to insure the success of the program. Courses in Electricity, Radio, Photography, Mathematics, Physics, Business Law, Blue Print Reading, German, Small Business, and other allied subjects are being taught. In the meantime, quotas for "On the Job Training" setup at various civilian universities in the ETO are filled as fast as they come in. Other world famous universities in England, Wales, Scotland, and in France are expected to open up in the future for courses in Law, Social Science, and other allied subjects. Qualified low point men are urged to put in applications for I and E courses with their CO's.

Educational Program

Kirchberg — The educational program is certainly obtaining results at D Co. Courses are offered in Math, Photography, Shorthand and German. D Co. has men participating in every class. Instructors are well chosen EM and officers, men who can clarify any point in the courses they are instructing.

Receive Decorations

Kirchberg — Major General Grow presented awards to the following men of D Co. at a formal review: Lt. Costello, Silver Star; S/Sgt. Gard, Silver Star; Pvt. Strickland, Silver Star; T5 Heintzelman, Bronze Star. The last three men named are from the Sixth Armored.

What is good for Napoleon Is Good Enough for Fox

Gerabronn — The ancient castle of Kirchberg once again is at rest. What was good enough for Napoleon WASN'T good enough for Fox Co. No longer the men have to climb three flights of stairways to get to their 12th Century beds or chase down those dark and gloomy hallways at 0300 if they happen to have a case of GI's.

Thanks to the new Battalion Commander, Fox Co. is now located in far better 'Cow Town', the city of Gerabronn.

REGIMENTAL POLICE PATROL 1 to r. Pfc. Grover C. Snyder, Pfc. Emil Laskovich, Pfc. Alfred Hansen, Pfc. James A. Savarese, T5 Roy E. Brooks, T5 Alfred D. Ward and Pfc. Walter C. Washburn.

Inset, left, is Lieut. Harold A. Brown, who this past week became Regimental Provost Marshal when Capt. Spillman L. Ayers, inset right, transferred to another unit in the process of going to the States where he will remain in the service but prefers to be stationed in the United States for the remainder of his Army career. He entered military service in 1918.

Lieutenant Brown, who also becomes Trial Judge Advocate, comes to Regiment from Headquarters Company of the 3rd Battalion.

The entire Regimental Police Force is responsible for all categories of law and order within the Regimental Area, both civilian and military, including traffic control. The force consists of the mounted Road patrol unit as well as several dismounted members.

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Spearhead Boxers Show Class in Exhibition Matches

Boxers of the Spearhead Division team showed plenty of class and versatility in a series of exhibition matches held at Ellwangen Teusday afternoon before an estimated crowd of 400 lustily cheering GIs.

The Division team, under the direction of Sgt. Martin Mazzeo of the 36th, has balance in all departments. The light weight class are represented by such boxing artists as Brown, Dixon, Turney and Savala, the last two being from the 36th AIR. In his first appearance for the Division, against the 36th Inf. Division, Savala showed promise for future divisional honors.

In the middleweight division, Polidori of the 33rd Armd. Regt. and Lowry of the 36th are in a class of their own. Polidori is easily one of the outstanding light heavyweights in the ETO, with a terrific left hand that attracts the crowds. Lowry has yet to lose a major engagement in divisional competition.

Hal Gary of the 36th, with a record of 49 wins and one loss, dominates the heavyweight division. The "wild bull of Oklahoma, the 36th's ace puncher, lost his lone decision to Machino of England, light heavyweight champion of the British Isles. Gary has led his teammates in spectacular fashion against such star-studded teams as the 82nd Airborne, the 79th and 36th Inf. Divisions.

At School in England

Bartenstein — Pfc. John Wylam of A Co. left recently for England where he will attend school. He is taking a course of instruction in aircraft engines, in which he has had previous experience.

Morning Calisthenics

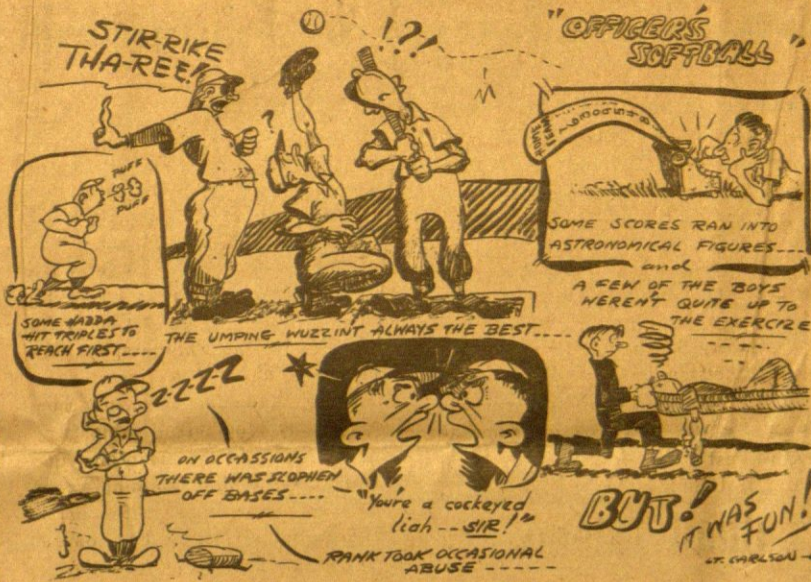
Gerabronn — Eight o'clock in the morning will find the men of Fox Co. doing calisthenics, which is scrutinized from the balcony by "Tobacco Rhgda."

Considers Reenlisting

Gerabronn — It has been rumored by termites that Pfc. Rice of the Third platoon, F Co., is contemplating reenlistment in the Army, providing he can be stationed in England. He claims he never lived so well in his life. Pfc. Rice has only one complaint to make — his friends like his cigarettes better than their own.

Why Yanks are Happy

Blaufelden — While he was in England, a Limey asked S/Sgt. Horgan of C Co. why the Yanks were always happy. Horgan explained, "The Yanks will eventually go home to the States, while the Limeys have to stay here."



Groningen World Series Gets Under Way

Groningen — The States has its World Series, the ETO has its World Series, the Regiment has its World Series — and so has Groningen! Last Friday, the winners of the semi-finals, the First and Third platoons of H Co., started the finals.

Lt. Gavallas' charges pounded out a 12-0 victory in the first game with "Strikeout King" Kruszyński giving up but two hits. He also was a big factor at the plate. Helping him wint the slugging were Levchuck, Jacoby, Farmer and Horowitz. Paterak got the two hits off Kruszyński for the Third platoon.

It was a different story in the second game, however, with the Third platoon getting the verdict by a 7-5 score. Kruszyński had poor support in the field and the First's big rally in the fifth was choked off when some rabbit rooting by Horowitz clogged up the baselines — looked like the Dodgers of old running the bases. "Speed" Anderson did some nice chucking for Third platoon.

Besides gaining prestige, the series winner, 4 out of 7 games, will receive a keg of beer and the top three hitters will receive a bottle of wine each.

Touch Football

Satteldorf — Lt. Banks, athletic officer of Hq. Co., Third Bn., wants the company to know that in the near future a touch football league will be started. The company should turn out for this sport since a man is not so likely to be injured so easily as in the real thing. All you pigskin pilots get on the ball and start in on the game whenever we start playing.

Horseshoe Challenge

Langenburg — First Bn. Medics extend a challenge to any and all comers who think they can beat their horseshoe throwing team.

I Trounces 3rd Bn. Hq. In Two Games

Mistlau — Item Co. slaughtered Third Bn Hq. Co. at Shangri La Park in Mistlau Valley on Sept. 4 by a score of 12 to 1. The losers were credited with only one hit. Cpl. Gallagher was the winning pitcher.

Headquarters, still smarting from the defeat, asked Item for a return game on the 6th on their own field and left word that Item could bring a little on the side with them. The change of atmosphere and environment didn't help the laddies from Bn. Hdqtrs., for they didn't even get a hit this game and lost by a score of 10 to 0.

Practically all the boys from Item were up to cheer their team to victory over the doughs from Headquarters. What was outstanding was that the "little on the side" came back to Mistlau Valley with the doughs from Item. As that song on the radio goes, "It's rough in the ETO."

Redution in Points

Blaufelden — "Spearhead" Parker warns the men of C Co not to inquire about their points at Personnel. He went down to Personnel thinking that he should have 66 points instead of 56. After Personnel figured it out, he returned to the company with only 46 points. "Woe is me," says Parker, who is 37, "Just let them say I'm 18."

Good Ones Come from C

Blaufelden — Did you know that Cart. Bohme used to be a platoon leader in C Co.? And so did Capt. Berlin. Capt. Bohme led the First and Capt. Berlin the Third platoon. It's funny how all the good men, somehow or other, always come from good old C Co.

Citation made Official

Rot am See — The Presidential Citation for the Second Bn. Medical Section has finally been made official. It was a rough deal but we finally made it.

E Co. Enjoys Meal From Dishes

Kirchberg — Stew from earthenware plates and coffee from earthenware cups does taste better than from mess kits and cups, E Co. is finding out. The first meal with the newly-purchased tableware was Sunday dinner and the presence of the white dishes was highly satisfying. Serves a valuable purpose, too, in the transition from line troops to occupation troops to civilians.

Sgt. George, Please Note: One does not throw these dishes out the window. There are only two hundred of them, and one washes them. We hope this little bit of orientation saves you from your wife's rolling pin after you have eaten your first meal at home.

G Co. Loses 1st Sgt.

Wallhausen — G Co. had a very sad moment recently when the men found out we were losing 1st Sgt. Thomas E. Oakes, Bronze Star veteran who had been with the outfit since St. Lo days. Tom came all the way from Pvt. to 1st Sgt. in G Co. and never missed a day of combat. We lost our popular top-kick to some Labor Bn. in Mannheim, but what is our loss is their gain, and we are all wishing Tom the best of luck in his new job.

Our new 1st Sgt. is S/Sgt. Warren G. Edge of the Third platoon, an eight-year veteran who knows all the ropes and is proving to be a very capable man in the top-kick spot.

NCO Club Opening

Bartenstein — A Co's. NCO Club had its gala opening recently, with enough for all and everyone having a good time. A survey of the attendance at the club leads one to believe the name should be changed from A Co. NCO Club to A Co. Club.

Advice to Santa

Satteldorf — Members of the Third Bn. Medics have been looking at the poster of old Santa Claus holding that luscious blond advising them not to request Christmas packages if they were expected home before then, and wondering. Somebody, taking the key from AFN Frankfurt, decided to put the poster to a useful purpose and posted the following advice to Santa: "V. D. N. G."

Bridge Very Popular

Kirchberg — When the bridge in the D Co. area was first constructed months ago, the intentions of the builders surely were to construct a bridge for temporary use. The bridge is now worn to the extent of becoming a public hazard and guards are necessary to allow only light vehicles to cross.

H. Co. Has Week Of Farewells

Groningen — It seems that the past week was a week of farewells for H Co., which lost 23 EM and three officers. The EM were transferred to the 7th Armd., with which they will soon head for the States. Our Co, Capt. Mishtowt, also is headed for the States via the 7th Armd. We wish all these men a bon voyage and the best of luck.

The other two officers leaving the company were Lts. Goodwin and Kenniston. Lt. Goodwin is now S-4 at 3rd Bn. Headquarters. We all hated to see him go, especially the men of the First platoon who were in combat with him. What this army needs is more officers like Lt. Goodwin.

Lt. Kenniston was transferred to I Co., and we know the men of the Third platoon, as well as the rest of the company, are going to miss him. After being in Mistlau Valley for a while, we think that the lieutenant will appreciate Groningen for the first time.

The men of the First platoon also bid farewell to S/Sgt. Kelly, who returned to the States on an emergency furlough. We all hated to see Kelly go, as he was one swell guy. S/Sgt. Farmer, better known as "Pop," has taken over the reigns as platoon sergeant.

The Second platoon said goodbye to S/Sgt. Gruber, who was transferred to 7th Army Headquarters.

Our new CO is Lt. Olmstead, better known as "Pat," and it couldn't happen to a better guy. Lt. Olmstead joined H Co. in the Bulge and has been with the company ever since. He was a driving spirit in combat, and right fielder for the company headquarters softball team of late. We all wish him the best of luck, — and here's hoping that set of tracks comes in before we head for the States.

Rifleman Now Medic

Kirchberg — Easy Co. lost a good rifleman and gained a good medic last week when Pvt., Sam Gentry of the Second platoon was transferred over to Battalion Medics and immediately reassigned to the company as an aid man. Congratulations, Sam, we're glad to have you back.

Speaking of medics makes us want to say something on their behalf. We're all too prone to forget the medics until we get in a tough spot where they're really needed. Let's refresh our memory a bit, men.

Winter Wood Supply

Langenburg — We hope that persistent sound of wood chopping hasn't disturbed anyone in the First Battalion area. It is reported that Captains Rabinovitz and Danadeo, following local German custom, are busy chopping their winter wood supply.

Switzerland The Beautiful

—by Capt. Moses Rabinowitz

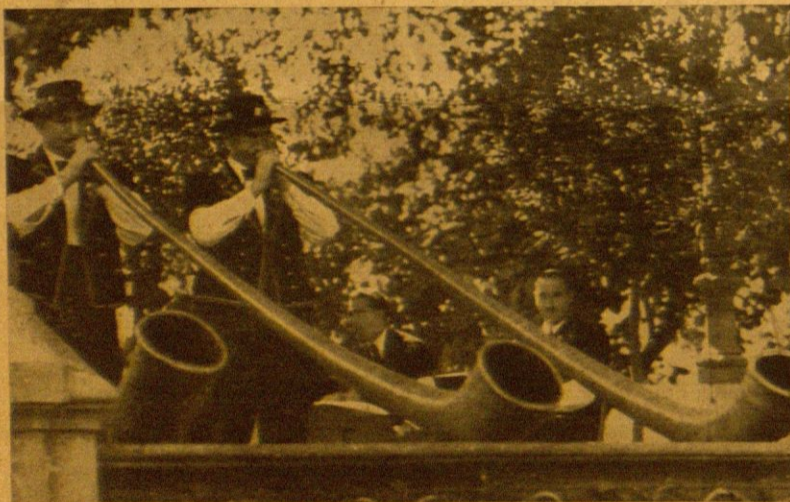
Nestled in the midst of wartorn Europe lies an oasis of undamaged country — Switzerland. A man going to Switzerland usually has a choice of four different tours — one to the south, one in the center, one around the outside, or one to the western part of the country. All tours include three days at one town, usually comparatively small but near quite a modern city with some buildings and bridges that make you realize that you are in the old world.

We left Lucerne by steamer and after a beautiful trip on the lakes, took a train at Brünnen for Zürich, the largest city in Switzerland. From Zürich, we went next day to Basle, were there overnight and then back to Mulhouse in France.



enough to the famous excursions to the different parts of Switzerland. The four groups separate at Basel, the border town where one goes through the customs.

As an example, the tour of the central part will be described. From Basel, the train took us to Berne, the capital, where two hours were spent in a rapid tour of the city. The next stop was Interlaken, a rather nice small city or big town between two lakes, where we stayed for three days.



Here tours can be made up the surrounding mountains and/or on the lakes. On the third day of the tour, an organized trip is made to the Jungfraujoch, some 13,900 feet above sea level. This trip, made by a train that goes up quite a grade, takes only one day.

The next day the train took us to Lucerne where two days were spent looking around. One can go swimming in the lake or, if one prefers, go shopping and see the city. Lucerne is

A word about Swiss shops. Not since leaving the States has one seen such variety or smartness of display. In any field the store compares favorably with those of in the large cities back home. The windows of shoe shops, for example, are stocked with latest types and styles. Fresh fruit of all kinds, meats, fresh, preserved and tinned almost in excess, and even a late distribution of corn flakes and bran flakes can be seen in any grocery store.

Needless to say, most of the men were attracted to the jewelry shops with their absorbing displays of watches. Any style, type or price can be had. For the gadgeteer there were watches that tell time, give the date, the day, the month and the phases of the moon. There is even one with a built-in slide rule! Prices vary from three to four francs (a franc is worth about 23 cents) up to what you wish you had. It is not hard to find a fairly good watch for as little as

F Co. Men Making Post-War Plans

Gerabronn — Now that the war is over, the men of Fox Co. are seriously thinking about their post-war plans. Constantine "The Greek" Xenoulis is burning the midnight oil trying to find a way of making more money out of Roast Biff while S/Sgt. Ray, alias "The Sleeve," is trying to find a way to take two pictures on one negative.

The First platoon also has its future business men. It has been rumored that S/Sgt. Stemen is seriously thinking about opening a bar in 1950, when he is released from the Third Armored Division. In fact, he is already getting prepared by passing eight shots of drippings from the sanctuary per man per month at the NCO Club.

Memories of Satteldorf

Satteldorf — Will the men of Hq. Co., Third Bn., ever forget Satteldorf for these things:

The movie transportation to Crailsheim and the number of men per vehicle?

The bull sessions in the beer hall? The clock that the CQ uses for reveille? Get one that works.

10 dollars, these being watches that would sell in the States for three or four times as much.

In the camera line, prices are about the same as in the States and the better items are becoming quite scarce. Film can be procured, any where, however, although it is quite expensive by our standards.

Zürich offers the best shopping but most of the men arrive there with little or no money. At the present time one can take only an exchange of 35 dollars for 150 Swiss francs. With all the watches lying around, it doesn't take long for these 150 francs to disappear and when the group gets to Zürich, late in the tour, the men are low on funds.

Some general information about the furlough. From Mulhouse on, the tours are so organized that one forgets that there is an Army. Once under way, so long as you are presentable, any variation of the uniform within reason will do. The tour is more or less a changing place to sleep and eat; there are no checks on a man's activities, and he can come and go as he pleases.

Food is rationed but the meals served are well done and attractive. Breakfast is quite light. Meal ration tickets are issued to enable one to buy sandwiches or ice cream occasionally.

The soldier who has been in wartorn Europe will appreciate the contrast that Switzerland offers. He will carry away with him pleasant memories of an enchanted land.

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The GI Bill of Rights - - - Employment Assistance

Congress has declared that there shall be an effective job counseling and employment placement service for veterans With that purpose in mind, a Veterans Placement Service has been created to work with the United States Employment Service. This setup aims toward as many job opportunities as possible for veterans. Special aid for veterans will be available through local offices of the United States Employment Service.

The first thing to do after discharge is to report to your local Selective Service Board (Remember the one that sent you GREETINGS?) within 10 days. They will give you new cards to be carried (registration and classification, but no dog tags), and will inform you of your reemployment rights.

If you want to go back to your old job, you are entitled to do so. BUT you must be still qualified to perform the duties of the position, and you must apply to your former employer for reemployment within 90 days of your discharge.

If you don't have a job to which you can return and want some help to get a job, go to the nearest office of the U. S. Employment Service or to the nearest Selective Service Board.

To help the veteran, the U. S. Employment Service operates approximately 2000 offices, which provide a special service for the veteran. To receive this aid, the veteran must show his discharge papers; these in turn must show he received a discharge other than dishonorable.

Duties of the State and local Veterans Employment representatives, in simple terms, are to provide work for the veteran. A special service is conducted for disabled veterans, placing them in jobs they are capable of performing.

"Company Mother" Leaves

Bartenstein — The big news around A Co. recently was the transfer of the high-point. In this group was included the super-efficient "company mother," 1st Sgt. Malady, and most of the other important and unimportant non-coms in the section.

Among those not going due to the cut in the quota is the compan ram- paging Jehu of the ¼ ton, T15 Frank Day. It will be his turn next and the company is all betting that he'll try to take his peep with him, since he is so attached to it that he's never seen without it. In fact, rumor has it that he takes it to bed with him.

Furlough in England

Blaufelden — Pfc. James Smith of C Co. is in England for a seven-day furlough. He has been working on this for quite some time, and after the trouble he's had, he should enjoy himself.

If you are interested in a Civil Service job, the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 gives you a break. Any honorably discharged veteran who was on active duty during the war receives a bonus of 5 points in addition to his earned rating in a civil service examination, physical requirements for the job are waived; the name of a veteran is certified to the appointing officer ahead of the name of a non-veteran with an equal rating.

(Example: You take a written civil service examination in which a rating of 70 is necessary for eligibility. You only make 65 on the exam, but your bonus of 5 points gives you 70, the passing mark. If a non-veteran made 70 on the test, your name will then

be placed ahead of his on the appointment list.)

If you are interested in Federal employment, you will be able to obtain announcements of civil service exams and the proper application forms at any first or second class post office. Or you may write direct to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C., for the information.

If you had a Civil Service job before entering the Army, you can get your old job back provided it was not temporary, that you entered active duty after May 1, 1940, and that you are still qualified to perform the duties of the position. All you have is an honorable discharge, but you must apply for reemployment within 90 days of your release from active duty.

Question of the Week

Would you buy a peep if they are available after you are discharged from the Army?



Pfc. Ralph E. Hampy, B Co — "Yes, I surely would like to have one to go fishing and hunting with. I live in Colorado and it would be handy too on deer hunting trips in the mountains.



Pfc. Roy C. Benson, C Co. — "Yes, I've been thinking about it. I could use one very well on the farm, especially with a trailer. I could also use it around the filling station as a service car."



Pfc. Frank Panzzie, I Co. — "No, I wouldn't have any use for a peep in civilian life in my work. I'm a us driver and a peep is out of my line."



Pfc. Johnnie B. Porter, F Co. — "I hadn't thought anything about it. I don't believe I'd have much use for one. I'm planning to buy a civilian car when I get home."

3rd Armored's Plans In Boston Paper

Kirchberg — All speculation about the departure of the Third Armored from the ETO can now cease, because E Co. has the facts. Pfc. Edward Rear- don's mother sent him a clipping from the Boston Herald which states plainly, in black and white: "Divisions Leaving Europe — 3rd Armored — Sails in December."

Dubting Thomases may view this historic piece of information at the E Co. CP. It has been mounted in a gold plated frame, as befits such a monu- mental piece of evidence, and is under 24-hour guard. Would-be inquirers are warnet not to touch the document, as it is likely to crumble leave the seat prit will undoubtedly leave the seat of his pants in "Easy's" teeth.

Most Mandarin-Like Man

Kirchberg — E Co. wishes to nomi- nate S/Sgt. Neumeyer for the position of "the most Mandarin-like man we have seen lately." (Any resemblance to captions currently appearing with pin-up girl pictures is purely accidental). No joking, Neumeyer, with his close-cropped hair and moustache, could give five points to Confucius and still win. We live in expectation of seeing two genii with magic lamps appear, one at either elbow, at any moment.

Bn. Communications Chief

Bartenstein — Cpl. O'Shea the air force's gift to A Co., and a super- sleuth on detecting what is wrong with a radio, has been requisitioned by Bn. Hq. to take over as Battalion Com- munciations Chief. There's a good man going to a job for which he is well suited and trained. He's also teaching radio and electricity in Hq. Co. as well as A Co. Who sez the Army never puts anyone in the right place?

I Co. First Sergeant

Mistlau — Item Co. has a new First Sgt. now — Hendricks, Lee, who hails from Detroit, Mich. He joined I Co. last September just after "Purple Heart Wood" near Stolberg, Germany, and has come all the way from first scout to first sergeant in less than a year. So from all the men in Item, we wish you the best of luck on your new job.

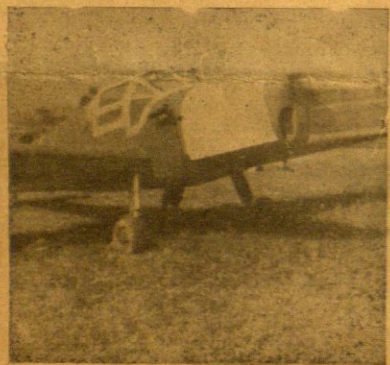
Platoon Commended

Kirchberg — On the D Co. bulletin board is a letter of commendation signed by our acting Co. Lt. Costello. The letter commends the First platoon for its superiority in Saturday's in- spection. The Battalion inspectors were very much pleased and recom- mended the First platoon be notified of the outcome. Keep it up, fellows, that makes three consecutive weeks.

G Co. Adds Airport To List of Firsts

Wallhausen — Not satisfied with having the first and foremost radio station in the Regiment, G Co. has added a flying field and refueling base to its lists of novel Firsts.

It all came about on a recent Sunday morning when 1st Lt. William L. France of the 54th A. F. A., attached



to Division Artillery, ran out gas on a flight to Crailsheim. Lt. France's engine spluttered and coughed over the hills west of Wallhausen, and he had to sweat out a five-mile glide before he found a safe landing spot near our little metropolis. In the Lieutenant's own words, "Boy! I was really sweatin' that one out!" But Lt. France, who has over 1100 flying hours to his credit, deadsticked his Jerry-made training plane to a beautiful landing in a local cow pasture, at the expense of one wooden fence.

After a big chicken dinner with the company, the CP gang took the lieutenant back to his plane where they rolled up a "Spearhead Doughboy" for a funnel and refueled the job. With 1st Sgt. Warren G. Edge and Pfc. Bob Hamer as wingmen, the plane was taxied down the field and faced into the wind for the takeoff. Despite two drainage ditches that crossed the runway, Lt. France got her rolling and into the air with ease. He then circled back to waggle his wings in thanks before going triumphantly on to his destination.

New Co. Day Room

Langenburg — Hq. Co., First Bn., has a new day room. One of the very first visitors was Pfc. "QM" Bennett, who was looking for information on the supply and QM business. He was surprised in not finding the material he wanted.

Cpl. Aubbie Hacker, who is in charge, and Pfc. Dyar, his assistant, are happy to announce that the following reading material and games can be had: Readers Digest, Life, Yank, Stars and Stripes, Army Talks, and numerous short reading subjects, darts, checkers, dominoes, cards with chips, and bingo games. For the lovers of beautiful women, the room is decorated with pin-up girls.

"Sons O' Fun" Coming

"Sons o' Fun" with Olsen and Johnson, is coming to the Spearhead Playhouse (Schwäbisch Hall) in the near future. Watch you paper for the date; you don't want to miss this whirlwind of comedy, this riot of razmitazz, this galaxy of glamorous girls.

Company Mascot Sweating Points

Rot am See — "Queenie," mascot of Hq. Co., Second Bn., has just begun sweating her points. She was whisked into the outfit at Langerwehe in the month of November, 1944. She has a Purple Heart, three Battle Stars, and gave birth to five pups under enemy shellfire near the Rhine River.



Counting up all her points, which total 73, she hoped to be on the next shipping list for the American way of life.

"Queenie" rose to the rank of Lieutenant, serving as a nurse, but was reduced to the grade of private when she was caught fraternizing with German dogs back in Stolberg. "Queenie" states, "Not even a dog can lead her own life in the Army!"

Surprise Visitor

Wallhausen — Pfc. Joe Walter had a surprise visitor the other day when his brother, S/Sgt. Stan Walker of the Medical Detachment, 575th Ft. A. Bn., suddenly drove in from Lindenfels, Germany. Sgt. Walker has almost enough points to go home while brother Joe isn't so lucky, so this may have been the last chance for the brothers to get together in quite some time. Joe, however, has applied for a furlough to go to Lindenfels to visit his brother before he gets his shipping orders.

H Co. Kitchen Expands

Groningen — H Co. kitchen has expanded. Now all the cooks can get in there at one time. The CP was taken over and the stoves put in there. The CP is now where the mail room used to be, and the mail room is on the second floor of the "Gasthaus" in the rear. Any questions.

Flying Peep Driver Awarded Wings

Wallhausen — In a simple but beautiful ceremony recently, Pfc. Joe Phoenix, the flying peep driver of G Co., was awarded his silver flight Pfc. Wings. Captain Kenneth A. Peters, commanding officer of G Co., awarded the wings to this gallant pilot for superb performance of duty, and risk to



his own life above and beyond the call of duty during the period 25 June 1945 to 2 Sept. 1945, on, over and about the roads and strasses of American-occupied Germany.

Modest and quiet in triumph, this outstanding hero of the air lanes was far more ill at ease receiving mob worship than he ever was during the tense moments of aerial flight. His abashed and assuming words were "GEE, Thanks, Captain."

When asked of his post-war plans, the flying peep driver of Bristol, Conn., stated that he hoped to take his faithful peep home with him where he could see that it always had plenty of gas and oil, and would never again be forced down onto roads as rough as those in and around Wallhausen.

One Year Ago This Week

Remember one year ago this week? The "Doughboys of the 36th" added two important "Spearhead Firsts" to Third Armored Division history when the 36th became the first Allied Division Unit to cross the German border: Task force under Lt. Col. William Lovelady, of Soddy, Tenn., east of Eupen, at 1451 hours, September 12, 1944. And on the following day men of the 36th operating with Task Force "X", commanded by Lt. Col. Leander L. Doan, Combat Command "A", in the vicinity of Scheidmühle, Germany, made "first" history again when the Task Force became the first Allied unit to breach the Siegfried Line. Two days later this same Combat Command completely pierced the Siegfried Line.

Early in this week the men of the 36th operating with various task forces had marched with little resistance into the memorable city of Verviers, Belgium, before crossing the Meuse River and across the German border.

Three More Regt'l Surgeons Leave

This past week also saw the departure of three more Regimental Medical officers — Caltain Moses Rabinovitz, Captain Harold, Captain Bernstein and Captain John Donadeo.

Captain Rabinovitz, a 93-pointer, has served with this division since December, 1942, when he joined it at Camp Pickett, Va. He came overseas and entered combat with the 83rd Recon. With them he was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in July, 1944, and the Silver Star for gallantry in action in August, 1944. While evacuating casualties from a lead vehicle at Bushbach, Germany, he was wounded in action. During the Battle of the Bulge he was transferred to First Bn. Medical section as Battalion surgeon and served with them until the date of his transfer. While with the Third Bn. he was awarded the Combat Medics Badge.

His only comment when notified that his orders finally came through was, "I never thought I was essential because I always was considered essential during the days of combat."

Captain Bernstein, an 85-pointer, joined the Division in September, 1942, as a member of the 83rd Recon. He served with them until transferred to the 45th Medical Bn., with whom he entered combat. He was transferred to the Second Bn. Medical section of the 36th in August, 1944, and led his section until he was wounded during the Bulge. He rejoined the Regiment at Cologne where to become surgeon of the Third Bn. section, remaining with them until the date of transfer. He was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement.

His foremost designs for the future include a 12-pointer, and his wife highly approves of the idea.

Captain John Donadeo, in that low-point category, was lost to the 36th Infantry Division. The Captain joined our Division during the Battle of the Bulge and was assigned Battalion surgeon of First Bn. until the date of his transfer. Besides being a very capable doctor, he was well known for his morale-lifting capabilities in composing poetry and singing Italian songs. He was recently awarded the Bronze Star by Major General Grow for meritorious service.

Captain Donadeo, who hails from Pittsburg, has a lovely wife named Jane whom he hopes to see in the not-too-distant future.

T/5 Wiley Transferred

Bartenstein — Good luck to T/5 Wiley of A Co. on his transfer to Service Co. We had recovered him from the hospital only to lose him on the transfer.

A Man for Rumors

Groningen — If anyone has a rumor, tell it to Pfc. Jones. H Co. clerk Jones is one of those unfortunates with less than 45 points and is really sweating things out these days.