

# THE SPEARHEAD DOUGHBOY



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## E Co. Leads Mess Contest

Last Sunday the staff of the "Spearhead Doughboy", visited E Company's mess hall. On the following day it was chosen by a three man Board of Judges as the best mess hall in the Regiment for the past week. We were surprised and very pleased by the food that was given us, the service that was offered us, and the cheerful environment about us, for it was evidently due to the initiative and extra pains on the part of the mess personnel. It was one of the finest we have have seen in the 3rd Armored Division.

When we arrived at E Company's Kirchberg castle, we walked into the kitchen where we found the mess sergeant, T/4 Joe Morrison of Baltimore, Maryland, directing the preparation of the night's meal. Sgt. Morrison has been cooking in the army for the past 39 months and was working over a huge coal stove when we entered. This stove is part of the castle's equipment and is capable of preparing a larger meal in less time than the smaller army stoves. The army stoves had been carefully scrubbed and were left shining in the corner. The other members of the kitchen staff are T/5 Chuck Gantos of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, and Pfc. John Gasparro of Poughkeepsie, New York.

Having been invited to stay for supper, we were given our food and ushered into the dining room. The dining room had been freshly white-washed, and it was equipped with tables covered with oil cloth. At each place were silverware and china plates and cups, and on each table was a vase of fresh flowers. On the walls hung replicas of famous paintings, and Pfc. George Grice supplied a lar-



Holding efficiency banner are cook, T/5 Charles Gantos, mess Sergeant, T/4 Joseph J. Morrison, and cook, Pfc. John V. Gasparro

ge size reproduction of the map of regimental campaigns. Also, in a prominent spot hung the daily menu for all to read. There is a radio in the mess hall to supply music during meal time, but arrangements have also been made for a German civilian pianist to perform daily. This pianist, Richard Lefferts, has played at popular resort hotels in Switzerland before the war. He is a very small and insignificant person, about five feet tall, but he can put out a tremendous volume of music, American tunes that he has learned by ear.

A great deal of work has been put into this mess hall by the members of the kitchen personnel. It was begun before the contest was announced and was done solely for the benefit of the members of the company who eat there. For this generous work they have been chosen the best mess hall in the regiment for the past week. There are only two more weeks to go.

## Best Regimental Mess

A Food Conservation contest has been instituted in all units in the E. T. to determine the two units with

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E Co. Mess

## Regiment Consolidates Spearhead Deactivation

When 125 more high point men left last week to join the 12th Armored Division at Heidenheim on the first leg of the trip home, the long anticipated regimental consolidation was at last effected.

Probably the most radical change was down at the 2nd Battalion where all companies moved into Kirchberg.

B Company joined C in Blaufenfeld while A Company went up to Langenburg, the 1st Battalion Headquarters.

Down at the Third Battalion, more popularly known in some quarters as Little Switzerland, G and 3rd Battalion Headquarters are at Satteldorf while H and I Companies are in Jagst Mistlau.

The consolidation should result in better rations according to sources that are in a position to know. The larger the Mess, the better the rations go around, they say. If anyone is interested in a technical explanation of all this, Lt. Eade, Regimental S-4 is the man to see.

According to reliable sources, the "Spearhead", Third Armored Division should begin to fill up around the 1st of November, leave the area during the middle of November and in all probability set sail for America sometime in early December.

And if all goes well, it appears that a lot of men will hit America in time for the holidays.

It is expected that all men who have points ranging from 45 to 59 inclusive will go home with the division.

Officers with over 75 points will also go home with the division. Those officers with over 85 points can be retained in the division due to essentiality until Nov. 2 after which date they must be released for shipment if they so desire.

However, by that time it is anticipated that there will be no better place to go than the 3rd Armored itself.

Enlisted men with under 45 points will in all probability leave the division.

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## Officers Enjoy First Football Game



(L. to R.) Major General Robert W. Grow, 3rd Armored Division Commander, Lt. Col. William R. Orr, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment Commander, Major Joseph V. Langston, Executive Officer of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, and Lt. Col. Littleton Roberts, 33rd Armored Regiment Commander at the opening of the football season.

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## THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Therefore, since brevity is the soul  
of wit. And tediousness the limbs and  
outward flourishes, I will be brief.  
Hamlet.

## Mrs. Rose Thanks 3rd Armored

On July 1, 1945 the veterans of the 3rd Armored Division contributed part of their monthly pay as a donation for a hospital to be built in honor of Major General Maurice Rose who had led them through many months of combat. General Rose was killed while personally directing operations at Paderborn, and the men of the 3rd Armored Division wished to help perpetuate his memory by financing the 30,000 dollar, 3rd Armored "Spearhead" Division Surgical Ward.

For this generous contribution Mrs. Virginia B. Rose, widow of General Rose, was particularly anxious that all who contributed know how sincerely she appreciated their assistance. She wrote:

"To the Officers and Men of  
the 3rd Armored Division.

I cannot find words to express my gratitude for the wonderful tribute, you men, of the Spearhead Division have paid to the memory of my husband.

I am deeply touched, and with great pride, thank you.

General Rose was so proud of this Division, and you courageous men, who fought with him, to make the Division what it is. May God bless you and speed your return home, to your loved ones.

Your donation of money for the 3rd Armored "Spearhead" Division Surgical Ward, is not only a great tribute to General Rose, but will be forever, a light of healing to mankind.

I thank you in behalf of myself and our son.

Sincerely,

Virginia B. Rose."

## Tune In On The Editor

How the mighty has fallen.  
O, day and night, but  
this is wondrous strange!

The 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, molded at St. Lo, ripened in Northern France, pioneers on the Siegfried Line, bulwarks during the Bulge and the "Spearheads" and always the first team in Central Germany, down from 2387 men at this time last year and 2474 in 1943 to its present strength of 747 men and boys and officers.

A Company, twice Presidentially Cited, down from 155 enlisted men and five officers at this time last year to its present strength of 47 enlisted men and 2 officers.

And C Company, also, twice presidentially cited, down from 149 men and 3 officers to 41 men and still three officers.

While the 2nd Battalion, right arm of Combat Command B, now houses its 184 men and officers in the little town of Kirchberg, after its consolidation during the past week.

At this time last year, D Company alone had 188 men and officers.

Headquarters Company Third Battalion has the lowest number of men as we go to press, 27, while A Company with 47 men has the most.

But A Company along with Headquarters Company Second Battalion, G Company and H Company have only to officers. In the case of A Company one of those officers Lieutenant Watson, is on Detached Service with the boxing team leaving Company Commander Treme all by his lone self.

Even the "pill-rollers" have been decimated beyond recognition. The records show that Major Spitzberg now has 28 enlisted men and 6 officers, including himself whereas a year ago the figures show 93 enlisted men and 9 officers.

While on the other hand Service Company is still a fairly sizable organization with 80 enlisted men and 6 officers. A year ago, it had 141 men and 10 officers.

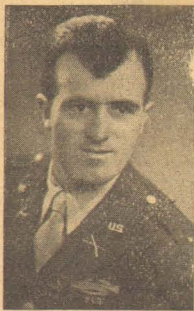
The contracting-pains have been great, but, since most of the men have gone "Stateside", enduring.

Division called us up the other day to find out who in the 36th was the first in Belgium and in Germany. Well, as good as our Dairy is, it just isn't clear on who entered Germany first.

However, it is certain that 1st Battalion was with CCA, 2nd Battalion with CCB and 3rd Battalion with CCR. And that CCB with the 2nd Battalion as its Infantry mite were the first American troops on Belgium soil in World War II. That happened at 1445 on September 2, 1945.

As to Germany, it is our personal conclusion that 1st and 2nd Battalions hit it almost simultaneously, on September 12, 1944.

Even Capt. "Bob" Bohme of B Company who came over from the States with the 3rd Armored and who fought as a Reconnaissance Staff Officer and Company Commander throughout the 301 days of 3rd Armored Combat.



wasn't able to give us a definite answer.

I guess that it just proves that we were too busy to bother about such things.

To get all these figures, I went down to see Lt. Iffland, Personnel Officer, who by the way became a 1st Lieutenant, last week, ditto, Lt. Kruse, and while there I decided to sign my points.

And just as I told you last week, it was a big mistake for I found out that I was the only officer in the Regiment who got the minimum, 6 points. Cpl. Adams, Officers Clerk, was very nice about it all and he explained how he had tried to increase it by every mathematical possibility but it still came to 6 points.

Well, I told him to get Lt. Iffland to look at it and if it was six points, well it was six points. The point or two didn't make much difference but after 13 months with the 36th, it was a blow to my pride.

We are now in the process of compiling a book which will contain the name and address of every man who sailed overseas with the 36th or who joined it later. It runs to some 7000 names, is quite a job but will be completed and should be a big help to you in keeping track of your buddies.

Had a fire up here at Regiment a couple of weeks ago and I am very

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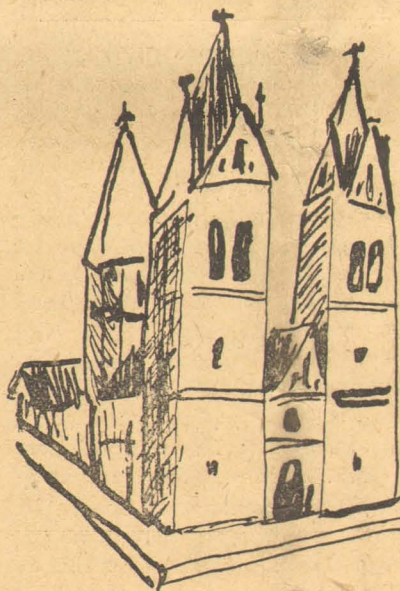
## Chaplain's Corner Obedience In Peace Times

The plain fact is that obedience and discipline work. The war has proved that to you. A well disciplined outfit wins battles. A slipshod, careless, badly run, untrained, unready outfit gets the field cleaned up with it. The officers are right when they want men who can hear an order, understand it, and carry it out. That's the road to victory. There is no other.

One of these days you'll be going back to civil life. Your first inclination may be a natural one. "Whoopie!" The war's over. I'm out of uniform. All this business of obedience and discipline is over. Show me a few laws and regulations and watch me crack "em." That may look smart and it may seem to prove your freedom. But does it? What has so long held back the progress of the world? Why aren't people happier? Why is there so much misery in the world?

The answer to all that is too, too simple: Because people refused to obey God. Because they thought it was fun to kick His laws around and defy His orders. So they did and hell followed right here on earth. No man can break the laws of God without having trouble, and a lot of it. No man can break the laws of nature, without having nature turn on him

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## Sunday Church Services

### Protestant Services

1500 -- Church in Blaufelden

### Catholic Services

0900 -- Movie Hall in Kirchberg

1100 -- New Movie Hall, in Blaufelden

Confession will be heard before Mass



# Under The Sun

By T/5 Ken Danielsen

## The Stars and Stripes Float High



There is an incident that was overlooked a number of weeks ago that should have been recorded in the tomes of the Thirty Sixth. At least it shall not be forgotten by those who

witnessed it and it shall be resurrected more than once over a glass of scotch and soda, for its beginning was grotesque but its ending was majestic.

Capt. Robert J. Cook decided that a new flagpole was needed to make the new company area complete. He called in the veterans of two similar operations and told them that, since they were experienced in this sort of thing, he expected them to erect an improved model in the crossroads before the C.P.

Several days later, the new pole lay, stretched out in front of the C.P., blocking all traffic and being a general hazard for the many people who had to vault across it to go about their business. T/5 Miller looked at it and said, "Father, I can not tell a lie. I did it with my little hatchet." Sgt. English who directed the operation from a halftrack remarked, "I watched." T/5 Veont who fought the pole from the very beginning wanted to know, "How in the Hell are we going to stand the brute up? It didn't look that big in the woods." A Kraut that was involved in the project said that he would go home and get some tools. He probably lived in Stuttgart, but in any event he came back some hours later with a gadget that looked like a set of stilts tied together at one end by a rope. Volunteers to help lift the pole were badgered and coaxed out of their billets until we had a mighty throng. The Krauts lined the streets to watch, while the GIs struggled and groaned. The pole began to move, and the Kraut wrapped his stilts around the top of it and joined the party of toilers. The German audience was more excited than anyone. The pole inched skyward and slid into its hole. However, the pole was so high it didn't look any too secure. T/5 Veont who always looked askance on the brighter side of life, began measuring the distance between the flagpole and the C.P. Being satisfied that it was safely situated, he glanced happily at the nearby civilian dwellings and waited for the "Big Wind."

There is a sequel to this story, for a few days ago some villain under cover of darkness unsnapped the wires

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



Miss Irma Finne, Hubbardston, Mass., submitted by Pfc. Aaron E. Pokki, B Co.



Miss Alicia Teja, 60 Seventh Avenue, North Tonawanda, New York, submitted by Sgt. H. A. Hojnowski, E Co.



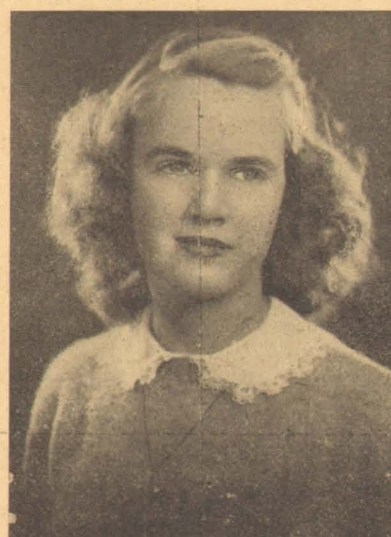
Miss Vi Grudzien, 6610 Ovington Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, submitted by Cpl. Roman J. Dabrowski, Regt. Hq. and Hqs. Co.



Mrs. Thomas P. Forrestal, 3838 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Missouri submitted by T/Sgt. Thomas P. Forrestal, Regt. Medics.



Mrs. Eugene Carboni, 1216 So. 8th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. submitted by Pfc. Eugene Carboni, D Co.



Mrs. John Hallisey, Brocton, Massachusetts, submitted by Pfc. John Hallisey, C Co.

# Looking Back

## THREE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Usual garrison duties at Camp Pickett, Virginia, including preparation for overseas.

## TWO YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

The usual garrison duties were carried out in England.

## ONE YEAR AGO THIS WEEK

October 1, 1944 — During the early hours of the morning Road Block 4 drove off an enemy patrol near Mausbach, killing one German.

October 2, 1944 — Lt. Col. Carlton P. Russell, former 3rd Battalion Commander, rejoined the Regiment and was assigned to Regimental Headquarters as Executive Officer.

The 703rd TD Battalion received their first M-36, 90mm TDs and conducted long range, indirect fire on targets in Eschweiler.

1st Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, reported heavy artillery fire landing on their positions in Stolberg, causing two casualties.

October 3, 1944 — During the early hours of the morning enemy shelling was very heavy.

At 1330 a ceremony was held in the 2nd Battalion area at which Maj. Gen. Rose presented Silver Stars and Bronze Stars to eight members of the 2nd Battalion. General Rose gave a short address to the assembled battalion after the ceremony.

The new 90mm TD was on display at the Regimental C.P. at 1710.

October 4, 1944 — At 0730 the C.O. with a group of staff officers departed for the C.P. of the 47th Infantry. Col. Smyth, C.O. of the 47th, conducted the party on a tour of front line positions. The trip was made so that the group could become better acquainted with the terrain in this sector with future operations in view.

2nd Battalion relieved the 3rd Battalion at 2100. Thirty Sixth Armored Infantry Regiment reverted to CCB control.

October 5, 1944 — At 1300 Col. Howze accompanied General Rose on a reconnaissance. At 1500 considerable air activity was noted, but no damage was done.

October 6, 1944 — 2nd Battalion reported excellent effect of anti-personnel mines upon the enemy. The mines were used to fill a gap in the line. Also, indirect machine gun fire was used effectively up to 3000 yards.

October 7, 1944 — Extensive plans were effected for evacuation of all the civilians from Mausbach. Engineers demolished certain buildings which offered good observation of rear areas and roads leading into the town from the south.



## Doughboy Quiz

### Sports

Note: Each correct answer counts 10 points. 60 is satisfactory. 70 very satisfactory. 80 excellent. 90 superior and 100 perfect. Answers on page 7.

1. The so called Chicago Cub 1945, "world series insurance", was the purchase of:  
a) Nicholson; b) Cooper; c) Cavarretta; d) Borowy.
2. The Duke University football team is known as:  
a) the Yellow Jackets; b) the Praying Colonels; c) the Blue Devils; d) the Crimson Tide.
3. Robert T. Jones, Jr. is one of America's immortals in the field of:  
a) tennis; b) football; c) golf; d) basketball.
4. The present High Commissioner of Baseball is:  
a) Chandler; b) Layden; c) Landis; d) Connie Mack.
5. The last Poughkeepsie Regatta held, was won by:  
a) Washington; b) Navy; c) Cornell; d) California.
6. The all time Olympic pole vault record of 14 ft. 3 1/4 in., was made by:  
a) Meadows; b) Sefton; c) Carr; d) Warmerdam.
7. The record mile run time of 4:01.6 was posted by:  
a) G. Haegg; b) G. Cunningham; c) J. Lovelock; d) A. Andersson.
8. The outstanding, all round, colored athlete from the University of Illinois was:  
a) Jefferson; b) Holland; c) Young; d) Woodruff.
9. Basketball was first played in:  
a) Scotland; b) United States; c) Mexico; d) Australia.
10. The oldest football "Bowl Classic" is the:  
a) Dust Bowl; b) Sugar Bowl; c) Rose Bowl; d) Orange Bowl.

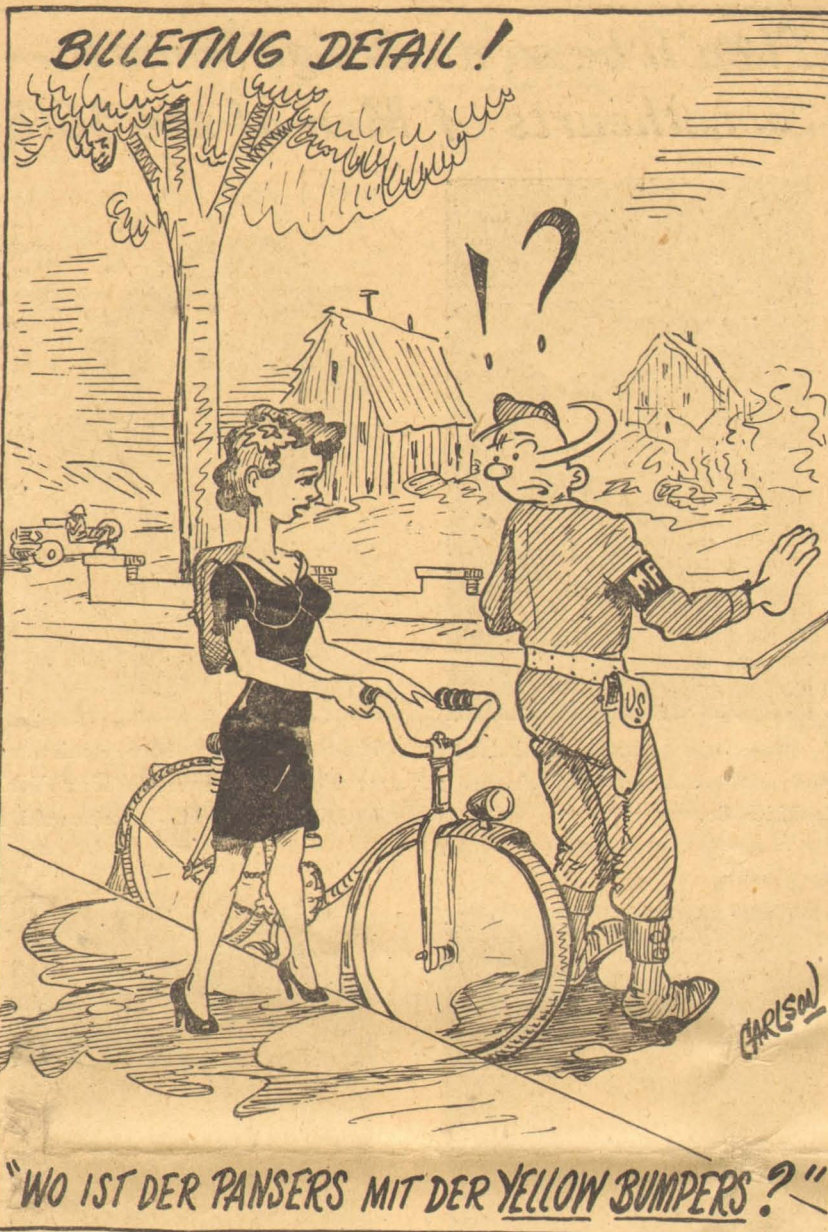
## Done With Mirrors

The modern child quizzed her mother as to her own origin and was given the traditional answer, "God sent you."

"And how did you get here, Mother, did God send you too?" "Yes, dear." "And grandma?" "Yes, dear." "And great-grandma?" "Yes, dear." "Do you mean to say, mother, that there have been no sex relations in this family for over two hundred years?"

### Basketball Teams

In the near future each battalion will organize a basketball team. Anyone interested should contact his Battalion Athletic Officer.



## The Book Shelf

T/Sgt. H. H. Steinhardt  
Staff Correspondent

### "Bermuda Calling" by David Garth

Zachary Taylor Rowland was returning to Bermuda, posing as a vacationist, but actually assigned to investigate the mysterious "accidental" death of another Intelligence operative, who died shortly after he had cabled that he was trying to identify "the wahoo." Zach's only clue was a letter intercepted by Imperial Censorship, written by Lady Phyllis Meade Runnyson, and he is sure the wahoo it referred to is not the fish he had often trolled for in Bermuda.

As the days go by and he can find nothing suspicious. Zach begins to believe that Intelligence has been making mountains out of molehills. He is about to cable this report to his superior when he is attacked in his dark hotel room and finds that his papers have been searched. Now convinced that enemy operatives are not only at work, but getting sorely pressed for time, he redoubles his efforts to unravel the mystery, and succeeds in a rip-roaring climax nearly costs him his life.

## Deactivation...

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sion except a few who may be in highly essential jobs. The policy has been to retain some men for a time, but according to some reports, if you don't have the points, at best, you will only get one foot on that gangplank.

Almost all officers with under 75 points will leave the division on Sunday morning for the 1st Armored Division located in our old area.

Among this group are a number of officers who have "spearheaded" for from 12 to 16 months and with them the transfer is definitely not popular.

Reports are that the football team, the boxers and the band have been declared essential and will be retained in the division probably until it is ready to leave this area.

We are now in Category 4.

### Medical Officers Transferred

Gerabronn — Major Spitzberg, Regimental Surgeon has been transferred to Division and his place will be taken by Capt. Richard S. Desaussure of 2nd Battalion. The regiment is now down to 2 medical officers who are apparently in for a little doubling up.

## Doughboy Quiz

### How well do you know your world?

Note: Each correct answer counts 10 points. 60 is satisfactory. 70 very satisfactory. 80 excellent. 90 superior and 100 perfect. Answers on page 7.

1. Liechtenstein is:  
a) a province of eastern Germany; b) a canton of Switzerland; c) an independent state.
2. Ecuador is ruled by:  
a) a dictator; b) a president; c) a king.
3. The largest bridge in the United States is the:  
a) George Washington Bridge; b) Bronx-Whitestone Bridge; c) Golden Gate Bridge.
4. The city of Leningrad was once called:  
a) Baku; b) Tallinn; c) Vilna; d) Riga; e) Petrograd.
5. Dynamite was invented by:  
a) Nobel; b) Bessemer; c) Volta.
6. Who is the man who attempted to assassinate President Roosevelt on February 15, 1933.  
a) Paul Gargolov; b) Jose Torol; c) Engelburt Dollfuss; d) Joseph Zangara.
7. Cologne is closer to Barcelona than to:  
a) Athens; b) Copenhagen; c) Dublin; d) Marseilles.
8. The first state to withdraw from the League of Nations was:  
a) Russia; b) Germany; c) Japan; d) Italy.
9. Finland became engaged in war with Russia in the year:  
a) 1938; b) 1939; c) 1940.
10. The chief industry of Italy is:  
a) agriculture; b) mining; c) textiles.

### One Or The Other

The latest issue of the "Oriole News", weekly newspaper of the 32nd Armored Regiment, carried a two-page feature article on a regimental pin up contest of the photographs of the girls and wives of the men of the regiment. The seven top photographs chosen in the contest were arranged artfully on the pages, and in the very center was the regimental insignia with the determined motto, "Victory or death!"

### All Alone

Blaufelden — Every morning at reveille T/5 Stroup reports Platoon Headquarters with a snappy salute. Little does anyone know that he is the only one in the squad. After reveille he resumes his duties as barracks guard and telephone operator. What a life.

## Cpl. Hacker Applies For Civil Service

Last Wednesday Cpl. Aubrie C. Hacker left the Regiment on a trip to England where he will make application for a job as a civilian employee with the Occupation Forces. Cpl. Hacker is not yet a civilian, but he has 66 points credit and 2½ years of overseas service. When his 66 points bring him his discharge, he will take a civilian job in England through Civil Service.

Any Person, whose separation from the military service has been completed, is eligible for appointment to civilian positions with the U.S. Forces in this theater. Applications should be submitted immediately, even though individuals can not be hired until separation from the service has been completed. All persons, applying, will be selected and placed on the basis of qualifications and adaptability to positions available. From time to time lists will be published announcing the types of unfilled positions in the theater. All employees will be paid a base per annum rate, and in addition will get a 25 per cent increase as an overseas allowance. Over time payments will be made. Applicants who are accepted will be allowed to return to the United States, under military orders, for a recuperation period of thirty days.

## Non Fraternization Policy Relaxed

A letter was recently received from General Dwight D. Eisenhower stating that on October 1, 1945 current restrictions for United States Troops against fraternization had been further modified. General Eisenhower's letter says:

"The strict Non fraternization Policy, instituted upon the entry of our forces into Germany, has been gradually relaxed to help you carry out your occupation duties. The time has come when it is to our best interests to make further modification. Therefore, restrictions on fraternization will comprise strict prohibition against marriage to Germans and against the billeting of troops with German families. This policy goes into effect on October 1, 1945.

I want to impress on each of you that so long as you are stationed in Germany you will be regarded as representatives of the American way of life, and in your contacts with the German people I expect you so to conduct yourselves as to reflect credit on your country and your uniform".

### Radar

Blaufelden — It was found out that T/Sgt. Davidson has quite a novel nickname. It seems that the boys call him "Radar". He picks up anything

## Mess Contest...

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the best mess halls. In view of this Division has directed the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment to select the two best mess halls within the regiment. The contest within the regiment is to last for three weeks, ending on October 15. At the end of each week of the three week contest, Lt. Col. William R. Orr, Regimental Commander, will present to the personnel of the winning mess hall an efficiency banner to be displayed at the mess hall for that week. At the end of the contest a plaque and a banner will be given to the best mess hall in the regiment, and the person who has earned the most credit for the mess hall will be given a furlough to the United Kingdom or to the Riviera at his own choice.

A Board of Judges has been selected, composed of Major Joe V. Langsten, and Major Randolph Spitzberg. These judges will be aided

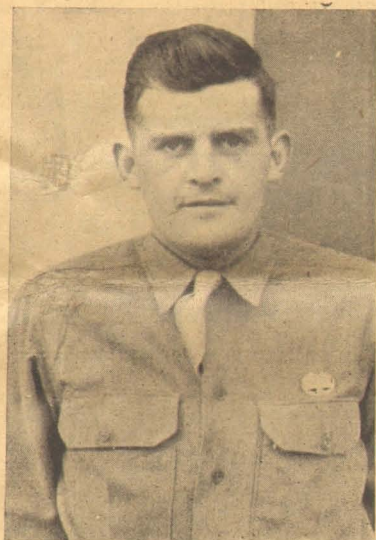
by Inspecting Teams in the separate battalions. These teams will be made up of the Battalion Surgeons Executive Officers, and whatever enlisted men are deemed appropriate. Inspections will be held twice a week by the Inspecting Teams, in addition to those conducted by the Board of Judges.

Many things will be taken into account in deciding this contest. The art of the company's cooks, as shown in the food that is served to the men, will be the most important feature. The presence of excess supplies, effectiveness of the fat conservation plan, and the method of service employed in the mess hall emphasize the purpose of the contest. The neatness of the kitchen, attractiveness of the mess hall, and the originality in the arrangement of conservation posters will, in all probability, be the deciding factors between success and failure in this contest.

Company E is the winner of the first week, with Regimental Headquarters Company and I Company as runners up.

## Question of the Week

Do you think the world will experience an immediate financial depression because of post war reconversion?



Sgt. William P. Lower, 2nd Bn. Medics. — "No, not right away, because all the industries will be busy making civilian goods. There will be plenty of work, we hope."



T/5 Ralph E. Wagner, Hqs. 3rd Bn. — "No, at least not for two years. The men being discharged now from the war plants will go back to the farms, and that's just where we need them."



T/5 Ernest Wales, G Co. — "No, I don't think so. There will be plenty of work producing the many new things that have been developed since 1940. There will be a slow down for the change over, but that won't take long."



Pfc. Robert G. Vredenburg, Hqs. Co., 1st Bn. — "I think there will be a temporary slump in industry and then there will be an industrial boom, greater than any we have ever experienced before. This should last for at least fifteen years."

## First Party A Success

The first of a proposed series of weekly parties was held last Sunday night at A Company's Bartenstein Mansion for a large crowd from the companies of First Battalion. Approximately 120 German girls journeyed to the party from Bad Mergentheim and were ample companionship for the 90 men of First Battalion who were present.

For four hours dancing couples swung to the rhythm of American music delivered by the capable regimental band, accompanied by Pfc. Ronald Onorato at the piano. Tables lined the sides of the crowded dance hall, and white table cloths, flowers, and the famous old paintings hung from the walls, added a thoughtful touch to the atmosphere. Sandwiches, soft drinks of coca cola and hot chocolate, and a generous quantity of cake were on hand for those who desired it.

1st Lt. Prestley Treme and T/Sgt. Paul A. Burg deserve credit for organizing the celebration. Lt. Treme at first desired to have a party for his company, and as preparation got underway, it was developed into a party for the entire battalion. T/Sgt. Burg personally directed the decoration of the dance hall and also took care of many of the small details that arise from such an affair. With the cooperation of all, Lt. Treme and Sgt. Burg produced a party that pleased all who attended.

## Another Party

Kirchberg — On Friday, September 28, Dog and Easy Companies joined in E Company's mess hall to hold a gala celebration in the form of a dance and buffet supper. The 36th Armored Infantry Regiment band was present to provide entertainment. There were German and displaced Estonian and Polish girls from Hall — 20 in all — who came to the party. Ice cream, cheese sandwiches, cokes, beer, and schnoppes were on hand. During the intermission a German pianist and composer in his own right, Dr. Marca of Kirchberg, entertained with his own rendition of several classical pieces as well as one original score of his own. Dr. Marca has also been teaching Spoken German to a member of the 2nd Battalion. On the whole the party was such a big success that another is being planned for this coming week.

### Who "Dunnit"

Jagst Mistlau — Down the canyon from Item Company the Jagst River has been spanned. Just how this bit of construction was done is a subject of much dispute. Lt. Billy Hill demands credit for the ground work. Lt. Malvin Gelof said that he put his mighty brain into the project in the supervising capacity. Confidentially — from the second stool — Lt. Glatch and a group of beavers did it under cover of darkness.

## Doughboy Anniversaries

Kirchberg — T/5 Stanley R. Weyrick, from Columbus, Ohio, has just celebrated his 23rd birthday on Sunday, September 23rd. Headquarters company wishes you a happy birthday, Bob.

Kirchberg — Pfc. Frank Martinelli of F Company celebrated his 20th birthday by packing his duffel bag for his exodus to the 1st Armored Division. Pfc. Martinelli was born in Brooklyn, New York. He joined F Company at Paderborn and will always be remembered for his swell sense of humor and ready wit. Good luck, Frank.

### It's All His

Kirchberg — Jonas Lieberman was left with a fortune when all the high and low pointers left the outfit. T/5 Lieberman has just inherited the entire kitchen plus the four PW workers, since he is the only GI cook left. To the PWs who work in the kitchen he is now the "Big Chief".

### Compliments On Inspection

Wallhausen — Company G went through the Seventh Army Inspection Team with flying colors. This inspection team was well satisfied with the condition of the company. They complimented Supply Sergeant Putz on having one of the best supply rooms in the regiment.

### Mike

#### "The Führer" Vernamonti



Shades of Adolf Hitler! The news just leaks out now that the 1st Battalion baseball team thought it had Adolf playing second base during the past season. When the season was over, skilled investigators dug into the matter and found that the supposed ex-superman was none other than one of the Vernamonti boys — Michael, to be exact — formerly of C Company.

## Brown Nose

Kirchberg — Reveille and chow call need never be sounded for Pfc. Lewis B. Richards of E Company who hails from Chicago, Illinois. For Lewis owns a mutt — there's only one of his breed — a little brown and white pooch with lemon colored eyes, a ring-tail, and a reddish-brown, snub nose. The dog has been given the very appropriate name, Brown Nose. Every morning Lewis is rudely awakened when the covers are stripped from his bed by the faithful Brown Nose.

A few weeks ago Brown Nose was a stray dog, wandering around the company streets looking for a friend. Lew then began to feed and care for him, bathed him and groomed him. A harness was obtained, and a dog tag fastened on it for identification. The two are now an inseparable pair. Lew claims that the dog sleeps in bed with him and that this arrangement keeps both of them very warm on these frosty nights.

Brown Nose is intelligent enough to learn all the conventional tricks of sitting, begging and walking across the room on hind legs. He is not original, but he has still vamped the love of everyone he has performed for. He is very prejudiced to GIs, and completely ignores the civilians, unless he acts in the capacity of a heckler.



Although Pfc. Richards has had many tempting offers for Brown Nose, he has no intention of getting rid of him. A civilian once offered him four bottles of schnapps for the dog, but Lew has refused a furlough to England, in order to stay and take care of the dog.

The fifty dollars saved by not taking his furlough will be used to send Brown Nose back to Chicago. For that amount Brown Nose can be sent home in a kennel with someone to care for and feed him. When he reaches the States he will be given shots and a license. Lew has only one worry. When they get home together, will Brown Nose continue the six o'clock reveille?

## Col. Orr in England

Gerabronn — Lt. Col. William R. Orr, Regimental Commander, flew to England on Thursday for a short leave. He is expected to rejoin the regiment on or about the 14th of the month.

### One Vehicle Per Three Men

Gerabronn — After the departure of the officers with under 75 points today, the Regiment will be down to 700 men and for these men there will be available 234 vehicles of one type or another. So by the simple process of division, you can see that there is a vehicle for every three men.

However, reports are that a considerable amount of equipment will be turned in during the coming week. No information is available, as yet as to what type of equipment, it will be.

### Returns from England

Gerabronn — 1st Lt. Robert H. Anderson just returned from England where he had a very pleasant reunion with his brother. Lt. Anderson says that he detected a distinct coolness on the part of the people. Could it have been the end of Lend-Lease?

## New Sgt. Major

First Sergeant James G. Johnson of Sugar Grove, Virginia, from C Company was appointed Sergeant Major of First Battalion a week ago when Master Sergeant Louis Burgess transferred to the 12th Armored Division on the first lap of his journey home.

Sgt. Johnson worked for the Glenn L. Martin Aircraft Company in civilian life until June 24, 1944 when he entered service. He received his basic training on the sands of Camp Blanding, Florida and came overseas on December 12, 1944. Within the first few weeks after he joined C Company, 1st Battalion, he was placed in command of a rifle squad and shortly after received his Staff Sergeant rating. Sgt. Johnson quickly showed himself to be an outstanding leader during combat. At Paderborn when his Platoon Sergeant was sent to England on furlough, Sgt. Johnson assumed the duties of Platoon Sergeant as well as Platoon Leader and held them until after the fighting at Dessau. He was appointed First Sergeant in July when 1st Sergeant Jeral M. Hudspeth left for home.

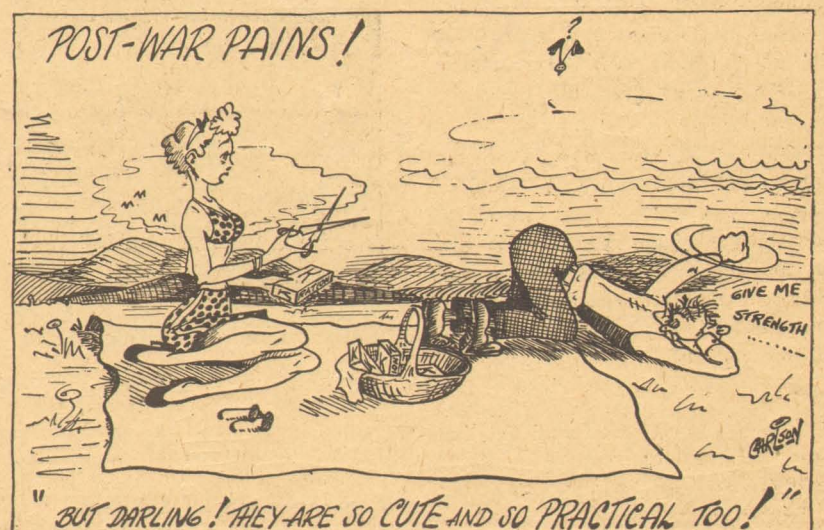
Sgt. Johnson has received the Silver Star and cluster. The first award was presented for his action at Fliesleden when he and two men from his squad pinned down the crews of five German antitank guns. For over an hour the three men fired at the enemy positions until tanks came forward to knock them out. The second award was earned after leading his platoon into Paderborn, at Hersberg, and on to Dessau. At Hersberg a German anti-tank gun scored a direct hit on the tank he was riding, throwing him about fifteen yards to the side of the road. When Capt. Robert J. Cook handed him the order for this award he said, "I'm glad to give this to you sergeant, for this is one that I can give you out of three or four you should have had."

### Lt. Doggett Returns From Switzerland

Gerabronn — Lt. Doggett, Company Commander, of Regimental Headquarters Company returned on Friday from a furlough in Switzerland. He looked tired but reasonably happy.

### Lt. Lavin To 1st Armored

Gerabronn — Among the low-point officers leaving for the 1st Armored is the Regimental PRO, Lt. H. J. Lavin.



## Tune in . . .

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sorry to have to tell you that by the time the local Kraut "yokels" put on their Fireman Best and goosed-step to the sight of the fire that it was all very methodically done but just a little too late.

Well, last week they put on a dry run which met with everyone's approval but when two of the fire fighters were caught sipping beer in one of the local pubs with red and black swastika bands prominently displayed on their arms, it just didn't go over at all.

Pvt. Charlie Schmeltz of the always alert Spearhead Doughboy staff lost no time in reporting it to Capt. Bloxham, Regimental S-1 who put Lt. Harold A. Brown the Provost Marshal on the trail, and he in turn got two of his best men, S/Sgt. W. Y. Mitchell and T/5 Herman Karst to throw the two culprits into jail.

And you will be glad to hear that the jail in Gerabronn is far from the most comfortable in the Fatherland. has no heat, and that the "Wearers of the swastika" were just forgotten for about three days after which they were turned over to the authorities.

When Lt. Brown was asked why he hadn't just shot them, Lt. Eade, Regimental S-4, quickly furnished the information that aside from the waste of ammunition, the paper work was simply out of the question.

As newspaper men, we are proud of the fact that we got the final score of the 36th vs 33rd football game at 1800 on Friday and that by 1100 on Saturday, our paper was ready to hit the street, so to speak, with that front page extra.

Did you notice that the entire left side of that powerful line was from E Company? Sgt. Wibby Koski is at Center, Cpl. Julius Agostinacci at Left Guard, Pfc. William J. Orsini at Left Tackle and Sgt. Garner Allen at Left End. And that their average weight is over 190 lbs. How are your points men?

Down at B Company, the company pet came across with ten pups and the one who had the drive and punch to make it one hour ahead of the others, so they tell me, was promptly and unanimously named "Spearhead".

Now, during these days of minimum training schedules, maximum guard and a lot of time to think of home and the future perhaps you will want to turn to one of the many good books which have come into the Regiment. And, if so, here is what they are reading in America. The best selling fiction as of sometime in September was A Lion Is In The Streets by Langley followed by So Well Remembered by Hilton, Captain From

## Confirmation

On Thursday, September 27, Pfc. Ronald Onorato of Headquarters Company was confirmed in St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Wasseralfingen, by Bishop Francis Fischer of Rottenburg. There were also over six hundred German children confirmed at this same ceremony. Afterwards General Grow spoke with the Bishop expressing his opinion that the Church could be a very good help in the moral reconstruction of Germany.

Castile by Shellabarger and World. Flesh and Father Smith by Marshall.

Up Front by our own Mauldin was the best seller among the General Books followed by the late Ernie Pyle's Brave Men, A Star Danced by Lawrence and Alexander Woolcott by Adams.

The dance with over 100 girls at A Company in Bartenstein was a huge success, and very well conducted. On such occasions we are doubly glad that the 36th had the foresight to hold on to its band. We kinda suspect that it is one of the largest and best bands in the ET at the present time.

All of us have been in the Army long enough to have derived our best laughs at the expense of Army "snafus". And that brings to mind the case of one of our boys from H Company, S/Sgt. Roland T. Jones, who was transferred to an Army Postal Unit at Bad Nauheim and when he got there, he found that the outfit had been deactivated. He promptly came back to H Company, has since shipped out again, and apparently since it was some days ago, and he hasn't returned, this last time the outfit was there.

Some of the men in the Regiment have held their nose while talking to me about the corn which concluded last week's Tune In On The Editor. Well, the other night someone was telling Capt. Flemming, Third Battalion Commander, about an accident in which a peep hit a bank and tipped over and his only observation was: "Was there any money in the bank". Brother I'm topped.

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## Civilian Driver Spills Spuds



Recently German civilians have been permitted by Military Government to drive GI trucks to haul potatoes for nearby cities. Apparently they are not very good at driving American vehicles. This particular potatoe hauler was driving towards Gerabronn on the Blaufelden—Gerabronn Road. As he approached the intersection of the Langenburg Road, there was no one else on the road. However, he drove the vehicle so close to the edge of the road, that it fell into the ditch, almost turning over. It took two wreckers to get the truck back on the road.

## Under The Sun

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and allowed one end to slide to the very top of the flagpole, where it was discovered the next morning. There seemed to be no way of remedying the situation. Lt. Cannizzaro came out of the C.P. and suggested that a handful of Krauts and a couple of cows be rounded up to take down our flag pole and repair it, but Pvt. Slawek who was nearby said that he would climb to the top and do it himself. When he got halfway up, the flagpole threw an epileptic fit, so he came down. By this time the Germans had gathered on the sidewalk again and an anonymous GI began passing out membership cards to the Sidewalk Superintendent's Club. A native of Hawaii, Pfc. Makekau, came upon the scene and dramatically claimed that he would get to the top of this trouble. After taking off his shoes, he climbed every inch of the flagpole and took hold of the stray wire. After taking a look around for coconuts, he nimbly descended to earth.

Most participants in this drama have since departed for the States, but the pole still stands, slender, graceful, and God-almighty high.

## Obedience in . . .

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and make him a mighty unhappy fellow. History proves that. Clearer still, a man's own experience proves it over and over again.

The nations that get ahead are the nations that have a deep respect for law. Understand, they are not the nations that stick a dictator over them, and then yell, "Yah!" to every fool order he gives. They are not the ones who let some fool tyrant crawl on their backs and then jump every time he hits them with the whip. They are intelligent God-fearing men. They watch over the laws that are made and see to it that stupid laws and bad laws are not put into effect. They elect to office good men, and demand that they remain good while in office. But they obey the laws. And they are respectful to the officers and officials whom they themselves have chosen. That is the way in which nations become great. Englishmen have always had the reputation for being great respecters of the laws that Englishmen made. For years America had that same reputation. Then, for a time, it looked as if we might lose our good name. We began to think it was smart to boot the laws about. We elected men to office and then made fools of them, laughed at them, ridiculed them, refused to do as they rightfully demanded. We were proud of the fact that we cracked the laws of God, pretended there were no laws in nature, and played football with the laws of the land. That wasn't good.

Maybe one of the reasons why God permitted a war was so that we would once again become a law-abiding nation. For don't think that there aren't constant emergencies in time of peace. Now that this war is over we are going to have one emergency after another. A mob can't handle these. A lot of men flying off in all directions will meet and conquer no big emergencies. But if we carry back into civil life some of our trained respect for orders and our realization of the value of obedience, America will be great.

## On The Move

Satteldorf — Once again G Company has moved. This time it is to Satteldorf. This move was a necessary one because of losing most of our trained personnel through the redeployment. Most of our kitchen personnel and truck drivers have left, so the next best move was to consolidate the companies which is now going on. I'm sure it will make it easier on everyone.

## ANSWERS

### To World Quizz

1. c) an independent state;
2. b) president Jose Ibarra;
3. e) Golden Gate Bridge;
4. e) Petrograd;
5. a) Nobel;
6. d) Joseph Zangara;
7. a) Athens;
8. c) Japan;
9. b) 1939;
10. a) agriculture.

### To Sports Quizz

1. d) Borowy;
2. c) Blue Devils;
3. c) golf;
4. a) Chandler;
5. a) Washington;
6. a) Meadows;
7. d) Andersson;
8. c) Young;
9. b) United States;
10. c) Rose Bowl.

# 36th "Doughboys" Win From 33th "Men Of War" 3rd Arm'd Boxers Win

Co-captain Cleo Reynolds of 3rd Bn. Hqs., led the "Doughboys" of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment to a well earned 6 to 0 victory over the 33rd Armored Regiment.

The clouds over Langenburg were dark and threatening as the teams Captains met with the Officials for the pre-game toss of the coin. Captain



**Capt. Neal of 33rd, shakes hands with Co-Capt. Button as Co-Capt. Reynolds looks on**

Neal of the 33rd, won the toss and elected to receive. Koski, kicking off for the "Doughboys", booted the ball to the twenty five and a seven yard return put the first scrimmage of the game on the thirty two.

After failing to gain through the alert 36th line, the 33rd punted to the 36th's thirty eight yard line, where the ball was allowed to roll 'til it was dead. From this point the "Doughboys" swept toward the goal, alternating Reynold's bucks and off-tackle smashes, with Fenderbosch's and Dore's sweeps. The 33rd blunted the point of this attack as Estosito intercepted a pass on the four.

In the next series of downs, the aggressiveness of the 36th line, seemingly pulled the "Men of War" out of a hole as an offside penalty placed the ball on the nine. On the next play however, the whole line broke through and the 33rd tailback was smothered on the two. The next play caught everyone napping as Neal, from punt formation, deep in his own end zone connected with a pass to Westmoreland, for a first down on the thirty one yard line. At this point the surge of the "Men of War" ground to a halt.

A favorable exchange of punts and a beautiful spinning runback by Dore, "Doughboy" safetyman, placed the ball on the thirty five yard line well in the territory of the 33rd. As the "Doughboys" approached "pay dirt" the 33rd's defence stiffened. Dore attempting a sweep of left end, was dumped for a five yard loss as right halfback Giles came up fast for the tackle, after Westmoreland had spilled Dore's interference. The "Men

of War" took the ball on downs as a fourth down "Doughboy" pass went untouched. The 33rd took to the air in an attempt to nullify the advantage of the 36th's superior line play, but after one first down was registered an interception by Hanev, substitute guard, gave the ball to the 36th again.

Allen, left end of the 36th gave the spectators a thrill as he outran the secondary, only to have Reynold's pass bounce out of his arms as he fell to the earth. In the final minutes of the first half, passes were futile for a light rain had begun to fall and the black clouds promised more. There was no score in the game as the half ended.

The deluge began, as the whistle ended the first half. Both teams sprinted from the field to their tents, while spectators sought cover in, under, and around the trucks and peeps. The Red Cross Clubmobile proved a very popular place as many volunteer coffee pourers and doughnut dispensers gained sanctuary from the rain.

Play in the second half resumed on schedule, but its nature was indeed



**No. 24 rullback Cleo Reynolds of the 36th, cuts back off tackle as No. 19 Westmoreland moves in for the tackle**

different. The gridiron had become muddy and extremely slippery. To add to the difficulties, the ball became slick in spite of attempts by the officials to keep it dry by substituting a dry ball after each play.

From this point on the 36th took command with Reynold's smashes and lateral runs by the halfbacks, combining with magnificent line play to march the ball over the goal of the 33rd "Men of War". The touchdown

Schwab. Hall — 5 October. The 3rd Armored fighters from Rot am See battled their way to a unanimous decision over the 397th Infantry Regiment representatives of the 100th Division.

The six bout card held in Spearhead Playhouse, ended as Follows:

In the first bout Langen, of the 397th lost to Turney in the first round by the "K. O." route.

"Duke" Camara opened a cut over "Mike" Pappa's eye to win by a "T. K. O." in the first round.

In the most interesting bout of the evening George Massouris won a decision over the 397 th's McNicholls.

The fourth bout was won by Robinson as Laigy was unable to answer the bell for the second round because of an injured thumb.

In the semi-final Remo Polidori won a first round "T. K. O." over Mark Campbell in a hard punching demonstration.

In the feature attraction Lowry slugged his way to a decision over Rase in spite of losing the third round because of an unintentional foul.

## The Sporting Angle

By Pfc. "Harry" Schneider

Sports Editor



It certainly was swell to ride down to the football field below Langenburg last Saturday. Everything looked natural, for the teams were on the field warming up and the band was playing football tunes.

There is nothing else in sports that is so wholly American as "our" football. To a European football means "rugby" which in our estimation just doesn't have "it". There is nothing like a clean block, a crushing tackle, a broken field run, or stubborn goal line stand, to make ones blood pressure rise. There is always the recollection of past participation or other thrilling games seen, to stir the memory. Then too, there are few games which allow for more post game second guessing. Yes, "grandstand quarterbacks" always have many opportunities to win their games, but the beauty of gridiron play itself is that split second decisions spell the difference between victory and defeat on the field.

The hardy souls that stuck it out at the game last week in spite of the downpour, were rewarded with a fine victory for the 36th. Mud, a slick ball, and slashing play usually add up to fumbles, but the ball handling of the "Doughboys" appeared as sure as fate. We have proof that mud can't stop the 36th team, and now we're anxious to "watch their smoke" when they hit a dry field.

The last recreational tour that left this area, had one section that visited Garmish, Germany. This region is comparable, as far as sports facilities are concerned, to Lake Placid or Sun Valley in the States. It was here that the Winter Sports Carnival of the 1936 Olympics was held. Anyone who enjoys ski runs down a mountain side, or a twisting bob-sled run would enjoy this trip.

Lt. Ring, our Regimental Athletic Officer, was discovered the other day in his garage athletic storeroom, amid stacks of newly arrived athletic equipment such as, softballs, bats, soccer balls, archery equipment, and badminton sets. For some reason or other he was muttering to himself. Anyone who has some fall and winter sports equipment available, could arrange a profitable "swap" deal, no doubt. The unseasonable equipment is, by the way, being returned directly.

The athletic office reports a call going out through the battalions for basketball talent for an inter-battalion league. Lack of personnel, and problems of availability make it impossible to announce the plan on the regimental level as yet. Lt. Ring promises us word on the subject as soon as further developments arise.



**Capt. Neal No. 1, well protected by blockers, gets a punt away as the 36th rushes.**

### Starting Lineups

33rd "Men of War"	Positions	36th "Doughboys"
Westmoreland	R.E.	Sanner
Griggs	R.T.	Johnston
Taylor	R.G.	Button
Cappepi	C.	Koski
Tasgano	L.G.	Agostinacci
Cesti	L.T.	Orsini
Munger	L.E.	Allen
Roselli	Q.B.	Kimmey
Neal	L.H.	Dore
Giles	R.H.	Fenderbosch
Estosito	F.B.	Reynolds

## Special Boxing Match

3rd Armored

VS

508 Paratroopers

Schwab. Hall, 10 October  
20:00