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Lt. Gen. Ben Lear Inspects 63d



IN POURING RAIN Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Chief of the Army Ground Forces, inspected officers and men of the 63d prior to a review held in his honor last Friday. Gen. Lear (right) is accompanied by Col. Joseph H. Warren, 254th Inf. commander. Back of Col. Warren are Maj. Gen. Louis E. Hibbs, 63d Div. Commander, and Maj. Gen. F. W. Milburn, Commander of the XXI Corps. Signal Corps Photo.

Leadership Is Stressed By AGF Head

Qualified Leaders May Decide Victory, Says General in Address

The importance of qualified leadership among small unit commanders was stressed by Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, here last Saturday.

Gen. Lear addressed officers and noncommissioned officers of the 63d Div. and other units in Camp Van Dorn, at the Open Air Theater. His talk concluded a two-day inspection tour of the Division and other camp units.

Gen. Lear, who was introduced to the gathering at the amphitheater by Maj. Gen. F. W. Milburn, commander of the XXI Corps, declared that competent leadership within the squads and platoons frequently is the deciding margin of victory.

"I continue to find faults in my training inspections, but the faults

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27 Division Men Go To Infantry OCS

The Blood and Fire Division's three infantry regiments sent 27 men to Infantry OCS at Ft. Benning, Ga., this week.

The 13 who went from the 253d Inf. were T/Sgts. James F. Hunter and William L. Flynn; S/Sgts. Clarence J. Koehler, Leonard Braverman and John J. Tervo; Sgts. Russell L. Echtenaw, Louis O. Anderson and Eugene J. Mehall, and Cpls. Harold W. Mahar, Martin Weeks, Jr., Gerald H. Bernstein, Charles A. Smith and Thomas N. McLaughlin.

Six were sent from the 254th. They were S/Sgts. William P. Latham and Wilton A. Herring; Sgts. John K. Kern, Charles A. Schweigert and John W. Lawrence, and Cpl. Martin Sacks.

The eight from the 255th were 1st/Sgt. Henry J. Samborski, T/Sgt. Walter E. Kloof, S/Sgt. William J. Quick, Sgt. William J. McCabe and Cpls. Walter A. Zaleski, Stanley E. Samuelson, Lloyd P. Sokolik and William C. Tycer.

254th Band to Play For Troops in Field

The 254th Inf. orchestra will serenade members of the regiment in the field this afternoon, it was announced by Lt. Lawrence Goldschmidt, C'T White Special Service Officer.

The trumpet section which includes Cpl. John Devincentis, Pvt. Richard Sorensen, and Pfc. Duane Lewis, Harry Grigsby and Vladislav Socik, have several new arrangements which will be presented for the first time today. Pfc. Gordon Bland is the conductor.

253d Soldier Receives Unit Citation in Field

A presidential citation bestowed upon his unit following bloody fighting at Tulagi, Gavutu and Guadalcanal, finally caught up with Pfc. Earl D. Jackson of Co. A, 253d Inf., Thursday, while his outfit was in the field.

At a special retreat ceremony held in a clearing in the woods, Capt. H. M. Nance, commanding officer of Co. A, pinned the ribbon on the right side of Pfc. Jackson's shirt. This is the only decoration in the United States forces which is worn on the right breast.

A unique feature of the particular citation is the fact that it is actually a Navy award. The citation was initiated by the late Frank Knox, when he was secretary of the Navy. Because the American Division reinforced the

First Marine Division when it stormed Guadalcanal, the Secretary had the citation prepared to commemorate the assistance given the Marines in the action.

The ribbon is yellow with a bronze star in the center.

The official order citing Pfc. Jackson in the name of the President of the United States is dated February 4, 1943, and reads as follows:

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Pair From 253d Win Battle Honors

Two infantrymen who trained in Co. B, 253d Inf., have been awarded battle honors for bravery in Normandy.

News of the awards was told by a third former 253d man, Pfc. Richard Gemenden, in a letter to Pfc. Joseph J. Candella, Co. B messenger.

The Silver Star was awarded to Pfc. William E. MacMullen, whose home is in New York State, and the Bronze Star to Pfc. Glenn A. Hornberger.

MacMullen was cited for bravery in keeping his foot on a land mine after he had stepped on it. His action saved six of his fellow soldiers, although he lost the foot.

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Artillery Issues News Summary

"Redlegs" is the title of a daily news and orientation summary the 63d Div. Artillery office is issuing to men of the four artillery battalions whenever they are in the field.

Experiments have produced a single sheet with text on both sides, prepared in the field on a duplicating machine, in two colors.

The sheet contains news from the various theaters of war and the home front, all obtained by monitoring domestic and foreign broadcasts on an Army radio receiver mounted at the command post. News of the progress of the field exercise, when obtainable, is included to tell individual soldiers of the progress of the problem in which they are participating. Hand-drawn maps of battle areas accompany the text.

"Redlegs" is written and produced by Pfc. Sy Bernhard, Hq. Btry., 63d Div. Arty., under the supervision of Lt. Richard L. O'Connell, artillery orientation officer.

American Soldier Killed By German Civilian

GERMANY—An American soldier was killed by a German civilian who fired at him from a doorway of a house in the Alsdorf vicinity.

Another American immediately killed the German.

This is the first witnessed and confirmed case of an enemy in civilian clothes firing on American troops inside Germany.

The officer commanding the dead soldier's unit said there was no doubt of the authenticity of the incident.

Don't Be a Fall Guy for Nazi Traps

If ever you are prowling about an abandoned village overseas and in the town's pub you come across an innocent-looking bottle of lager or Rhine wine standing on the bar, shun it as if it contained poison, because it probably will be very bad medicine for you if you touch it.

The world's largest collection of mines and booby traps is housed in an abandoned school house in Italy. It is owned by the Allies who have been collecting these items for the past five years.

The display is maintained for study by both American and British military engineers, and contains some of the most ingenious mines on record.

An inspection of this lethal collection discloses that the unsuspecting GI, wandering at large in a captured enemy village, has to be as wary as a cat stalking chickens. Don't go near anything in any house or touch anything,

not even a stick, unless you have previous knowledge that it has been inspected and proved harmless.

Speaking of sticks, here's one: Recently at a command post, there was an innocent looking stake sticking up in the center of a motor park. One morning one of the GIs pulled it up and a half pound or so of dynamite went off deep in the ground. Fortunately no one was injured.

Investigation disclosed it had been attached to a detonator cord hooked up to 1,000 pounds of dynamite buried a short distance away. A mired truck, a short time before, had churned so deeply into the ground that its wheels cut the detonator cord, otherwise—

Not new, but tricky, was the package of TNT found by a British Tommy beneath an electric light shade in a house. When you

pressed the button you got fireworks instead of illumination.

Then there was the one that looked like a bowling ball which the Nazis tried rolling downhill onto advancing infantry, and next to that the oblong item that looks like the box of blossoms you bring home when you remember your wife's birthday. Also the mine picked up in Tunisia, with a picture of Churchill wearing a derby and bearing the message:

"Happy New Year."

And, getting back to the bottle on the bar, or the table, or the shelf for that matter, an American major found one of those private bars in a home. On the bar was a full bottle of wine. Whether you lifted the bottle or placed a little extra pressure on it, the result was the same. It activated a cap cut into the bar beneath the bottle and the drinks were on somebody else.



ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (CNS)—Local Indians have given up fire water. At recent tribal councils most of the Sagamores went on record as opposed to sale of liquor to Indians.

BALTIMORE (CNS)—A high school paper here recently polled the girls at the school with this question: "How do you get a boy friend to date you these days?" Most popular answer: "I borrow my father's gas ration card."

BROOKLYN (CNS)—A judge dismissed charges of obstructing sidewalk traffic lodged against a bootblack here after remarking that bootblacks are "public benefactors" in war times.

CHICAGO (CNS)—The youthful beauty of the American woman lasts longer now than it did ten years ago, says Dr. Alexander Ward, dermatologist. According to Dr. Ward's statistics, the average age of the applicant for face-lifting today is 45. Ten years ago it was 38.

DETROIT (CNS)—One local policeman, an ex-cowboy, has asked permission to carry a lasso while on traffic duty.

HOHOKUS, N. J. (CNS)—The Hohokus health society has passed a resolution permitting "all veterans to have freedom of the town without the preliminary formality of licensing." The veterans referred to are dogs—honorably discharged members of the K-9 Corps.

KANSAS CITY (CNS)—A stranger walked up to George Sack, 65, and said: "You look like a bum to me." Offended, Sack showed the man his bankroll of \$80. Convinced that Sack was no bum, the stranger grabbed the roll and vanished.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (CNS)—"Have some money," the 11-year-old boy said as he handed a passerby a \$20 bill. The passerby was E. E. Hufford, who had just lost his wallet containing \$850. The kid found the money and was passing it out to strangers when Hufford showed up. He got back \$600.

MARQUETTE, Mich. (CNS)—Four inmates of the county jail are being held on theft charges here. The men have been breaking out of their cells every night, the warden complains, and raiding the prison bakery.

PHILADELPHIA (CNS)—A glass of beer cost Mrs. Jean Hoffman \$80 and 10 cents here recently. Mrs. Hoffman, who is only 19, was fined \$50 and \$30 costs for lying about her age to buy a dime glass of foam.

RAMONA, S. D. (CNS)—D. L. Thompson, 37, is the oldest student enrolled at Ramona High (Continued on Page 7)

KNOW YOUR GENERALS

'Lightning Joe' Collins: Liberator of Cherbourg

On D-Day plus 21, amid formality as stiff as an inspection on West Point's plains, Lt. Gen. Karl Von Schlieben surrendered the French port of Cherbourg and the Germans within it to Maj. Gen. Joseph Lawton Collins, commander of the American VII Corps.

On that day Gen. Collins began dealing to the Germans the same brand of military spanking the Japs had received at his hands almost since the day of the attack on Pearl Harbor, a brand of dynamic, intelligent leadership which won him four decorations for gallantry in action and exceptionally meritorious service.

From the day of his appointment as a second lieutenant in infantry in 1917, until he assumed command of a division in the Pacific in 1942, "Lightning Joe" Collins had never led troops in combat against the enemies of the United States. When he did it was with the same leadership, intelligence, energy and broad tactical knowledge which had previously characterized his command and staff work.

Many Decorations

When the six-foot-three, black helmeted Gen. Von Schlieben appeared before him, the 48-year-old New Orleanian had earned the right to wear the Distinguished Service Medal with bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, the Silver Star and the Legion of Merit. The American was on his way to further distinction when he laid down the terms of surrender; recently he was awarded another oak leaf cluster to his DSM for the Cherbourg campaign and was called a "great general" by Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff. Then he received the Order of Suvorov, Second Class, from the Soviet Union. This is one of the highest Soviet army decorations given to persons outside the USSR.

His previous decorations were the reward of his activities in halting the projected Japanese drive to these shores and then turning the enemy back in that direction which it since has been traveling.

Revised Hawaiian Defense

As Chief of Staff of the Hawaiian Department during the period December 17, 1941, to May 8, 1942, Gen. Collins revised and amplified the defensive plans of the entire department. For this he won the Distinguished Service Medal. Not many months thereafter he assumed command of an infantry division on Guadalcanal.

He initiated an offensive which materially contributed to the defeat of the enemy on that island. The citation which gave the reasons for the award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the previously won medal referred to his personal courage and repeated presence with forward elements of his division during combat. It was gallantry of a similar nature in other actions during the campaign to clear the Solomons and New Georgia which won him the Silver Star and the Legion of Merit.

Gen. Collins, who held every temporary rank from captain to his present one, was first assigned to the 22d Inf. at Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.,



MAJ. GEN. JOSEPH L. COLLINS

following his graduation from West Point on April 29, 1917. He spent most of the time until May, 1919, with that organization, then sailed for France to command a battalion of the 18th Inf., in the Allied occupation of Coblenz, Germany.

A year later he was made A. C. of S., G-3, with the American Forces in that country and remained in that capacity until his return to the United States in July, 1921.

Served in Philippines

For much of the next 10 years, Gen. Collins was an instructor at the Infantry School at Ft. Benning. Then the teacher became the pupil. He enrolled in the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., and upon completion of the course was transferred to the Philippines for duty with the 23d Brigade.

After a term as A. C. of S., G-2, he returned to the United States for instruction at the Army Industrial College and the Army War College, eventually receiving assignment as Chief of Staff of the VII Army Corps.

Command of this military organization became his after the tour of duty in the Pacific and was his when the flabby Von Schlieben, the starch gone from both the man and his clothes, bowed to long-jawed Joe Collins and the 4th, 9th, and 79th American Infantry Divisions behind him at Cherbourg.

'Don'ts' For GIs In Australia

United States servicemen on leave in Sydney, Australia, must not:

- Hold girls' hands in the streets. Walk with their arms around girls.
- Sit on the grass with girls in parks when benches are available.
- Rush ahead of Australians for taxicabs.
- Carry liquor through the streets conspicuously.
- Use official cars except for official business.
- The author of the edict is Capt. Jack Chambers, provost marshal, who it was explained, was determined to tighten up regulations for behavior of United States servicemen on leave.

Orientation Award Goes To Hq. Btry., Div. Arty.

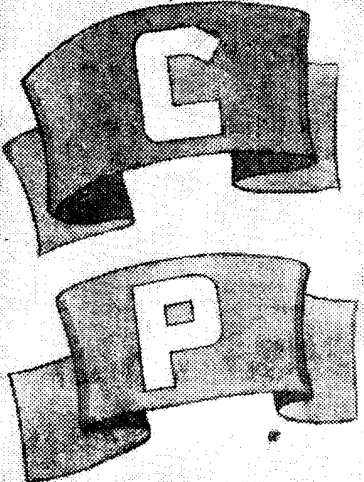
The 63d Div. Arty. orientation award for September went to Hq. Btry. and was presented by Brig. Gen. E. J. McGaw, Division Artillery commander, at a retreat ceremony last week.

Gen. McGaw presented the award to Pfc. Sy Bernhard and Pvt. Howard Van Dyck, who handle orientation for the battery.

Press Insignia

During field exercises members of the staff of BLOOD AND FIRE and other correspondents and photographers accredited to the 63d Div. will wear identifying brassards.

The green brassard bearing the



white letter "C" or "P" identifies the wearer as a reporter or photographer, whichever the case may be.

Together with the green flag attached to a press vehicle, these symbols identify men who are not members of either of the participating forces in a field exercise, but who may be required to visit either force in obtaining news stories and pictures.

Schools at Battle Creek To Preserve Soldier Art

BATTLE CREEK, Mich.—The Ft. Custer collection of soldier art, considered the best of its kind in this country, has been turned over to the Battle Creek public schools as trustee. The collection, including 500 paintings and drawings done by soldier artists in their spare time, will be safeguarded by the schools because of curtailed operations and personnel at the fort. Two traveling exhibits, one in England and the other in this country, have been called in.

Girls Place Fourth On Pacific GI's Lists

TULSA, Okla.—The lassies may not like this, but—

Red Cross representatives at a South Pacific base, according to a report at headquarters here, polled a group of service men on the question:

"If you could have anything you wanted, what would you ask first?"

The winner, by a big margin—a cold malted milk.

Next in order were (2) a thick juicy steak, (3) the et that cheers and (4) a beautiful girl.

GI Finds Uncle Among Germans Caught at Front

Private Louis Gatterer, St. Louis, Mo., a signal man with the 36th Infantry Division, in France, was laying a wire at the front when a soldier came up to him and said: "We have a bunch of prisoners here. You speak German, don't you?"

"I was born in Berlin," Gatterer said, walking over to where several doughboys with Tommy guns were guarding a group of German medical corpsmen.

Gatterer began talking to them in German. A German captain stepped forward to do the talking for his men. He looked fixedly at Gatterer who demanded to know what the German was staring at.

Suddenly the German leaped past the muzzles of the Tommy guns and threw his arms around Gatterer's neck.

"I'm your uncle, Louis, don't you remember me?" he said.

Gatterer waved aside his buddies who were on the German with Tommy guns pointed at his breast.

"I had a hard time explaining to them that it was okay," Gatterer said. "Though I was born in Berlin I never saw my uncle until I went back there for a visit eight years ago. I asked how my cousins were. He said they were fine."

Save Selves First, Nazi Leaders Told

LONDON — Additional evidence that the Germans, realizing they have lost this war, are planning for a third try at world domination is contained in a "super-secret" document described in front-line dispatches from the Western Front.

Contents of the document were first revealed to the American press by telephone to New York from Joseph Driscoll, New York Herald-Tribune correspondent.

Bearing the imprint of the "Supreme Command of the Armed Forces" of the Reich, the document declares that "every officer has the duty to save himself in an emergency," because the Officers Corps is necessary for "the reconstruction of the Fatherland."

"It was the German Officers Corps which almost promoted Germany to world power in the first attempt in 1914-18," the document continues. "It was this same Officers Corps which reconstructed Germany for the second attempt to lead the world. It has been foreseen that this second attempt could also fail.

"The present turn of the war forces us to be extremely conservative with expending our officer material in order to prepare for this unavoidable third contest for leadership of the world expertly, we need our officers. At all times we have found troops in sufficient quantities."

Father Helped Invent 'Chute Soldier Uses

HOLLAND—A chip off the old block is Pvt. Joseph E. Stanger, Jr., who goes into battle by parachute which his father helped invent in 1919.

"People used to call dad a crackpot," said Stanger. "They should see us operate now. His invention is turning the course of the war."

Joe already has parachuted in four invasions—Sicily, Italy, Normandy and Holland.

The silk with which Joe floats to earth is far removed from the canvas parachute which his mother sewed for Stanger Senior's experimental jump, but the main features are the same.

Joe's parents live in Bridgeton, N. J.

12,000 Wounded Flown Back Across Atlantic

NEW YORK—A total of 12,000 wounded service men have been returned by airplane across the North Atlantic since June 6, D-Day, Col. Gordon G. Bulla, senior flight surgeon of the North Atlantic Division Air Transport Command, announced. The figure, he said, included litter and ambulatory cases.

The Wolf

by Sansone



"—oh, let's get out of here! I don't understand a word of French!"

Tips From

Terry Fied

The Old Sarge

The other day they buzzed my outfit for men with previous military police—or just plain police—training for duty with the Division MPs during maneuvers.

Well, it was the day after one of our battalion firing problems and judging from the way my boys got up out of their foxholes and onto the skyline during the night



to challenge, waving their arms all the time, I figured that they had all been traffic cops at one time or another and it didn't make much difference what names I turned in.

I've been in China where the Chink cop waved his arms like a windmill and caused many a collision because nobody could tell who was to go and who was to stop.

I've heard turbaned and bearded Sikh cops bellow at a traffic violator so that you could hear them a mile. I've seen the King's Guards at Buckingham Palace with their tall fur hats on their heads and their noses in the air. (Hell, they wouldn't stoop to challenge anybody).

I've been in Panama where they put long white gloves on policemen at night so that they could be seen and not run over. I've been at army posts where they painted the helmet liners of the MPs white and put flood lights on the gate so that everybody would be sure to see them.

I thought of all these the other night and finally figured that some of my boys had seen the same ones

I had and were trying to be a combination of them all.

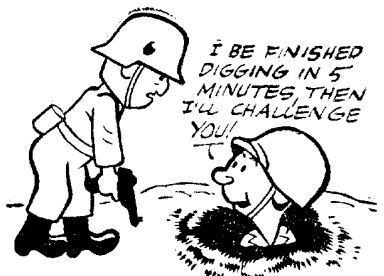
Now, I'm admitting that maybe I'm exaggerating a little, but not much. It was pretty awful. The fact is, I couldn't dig up a better way in combat to get a bellyful of lead.

If you act like this, somebody is bound to take a crack at you sooner or later, just for luck or to put you out of your misery if for nothing else.

You see, guard duty in the field at night is just plain scouting and patrolling, that's all. You pick out a likely looking place on your beat where you can do your job and see without being seen. When some joker comes along you draw a bead on him without moving. If he doesn't kick through with the proposition all the advantage you want him. And how!

But it's just plain, damn foolishness to stand up in the moonlight or run out to meet him. You're just sacrificing all the advantage you had and maybe yourself beside.

And, in closing, I want to give a tip to you squad and platoon leaders. You can't expect a man to dig and do much guard duty at the same time. It just doesn't make



sense that a man be expected, to drop a pick and grab his gun if there's any way to get out of it.

The only answer is for some to dig while others guard, and then vice versa.

My advice to you folks is to get busy and make hay while the moon shines. Teach these youngsters right.

Veterans Will Help Build America, Bankers Are Told

A plea that Americans regard the return of war veterans as an opportunity instead of as a problem was voiced by Homer B. Clarke, president of the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks, at the organization's annual convention.

If the millions of returning veterans are given half the support in peacetime that they are receiving in wartime they will materially help in making America much better and stronger, was the gist of the Tennessean's message at Milwaukee.

"I believe the key to our future will be the attitude with which we approach it," Clarke said. "If we choose to look at our millions of returning soldiers as a problem, we may be sure we will have a real problem."

"I prefer to view them as a real opportunity."

This somewhat unprecedented approach to the subject was complemented by enactment of the so-called "War Mobilization and Reconversion" measure into law last Tuesday.

Inserted into the law in the last hours was a clause specifying that "the War and Navy Departments shall not retain persons in the armed forces for the purpose of preventing unemployment or awaiting opportunities for employment."

Intent of the clause is to squash the suggestion that it would be as cheap to keep Joe in the military service as to "carry him on relief."

Swiss Paper Tells Of German Losses

The Swiss newspaper, "Die Nation," is quoted this week as giving this record of German losses since the invasion of Poland in 1939:

Dead—8,500,000.
Wounded—6,300,000.
An additional 21,000,000 were said to be ill, largely from "war experiences" or malnutrition, and 18,000,000 shelterless from air raid destruction.

Only two German cities, the paper says, can really be called cities. The rest are said to be heaps of rubbish.

It was also noted that in addition to losses in manpower and property, Germany's natural resources had been exploited ruthlessly. Its farmland was exhausted, its supply of game decreased by two-thirds and its forests ruthlessly cut down because the synthetic material industry needed wood.

tarmen became riflemen, Keith among them.

On Arundel Island, his battalion was sent to wipe out a Jap company estimated at 200. The enemy bivouac area was found to be deserted. Suddenly shooting started. The Japs had moved up. Later intelligence showed them to be in force three times as great as had been estimated and it required two additional battalions as well as tank support to wipe out all resistance.

Keith left his farm near Sargent, Tex., to join the Army in September, 1939. He was stationed in Hawaii over three years with the 21st Brigade, which later was incorporated into the 25th Div. He landed on Guadalcanal in December, 1942.

Coming home on rotation last May, he found his family had moved to Long Grove, Okla. Their farmhouse in Texas had burned down nearly five years before.

Keith kept a diary while overseas. His notes include the formula for making raisin jack and cherry wine, a vital subject in view of the fact bonded whiskey sold for \$50 a quart and beer for \$25 a case. Other notes record his section's feat of knocking out two enemy machine guns.

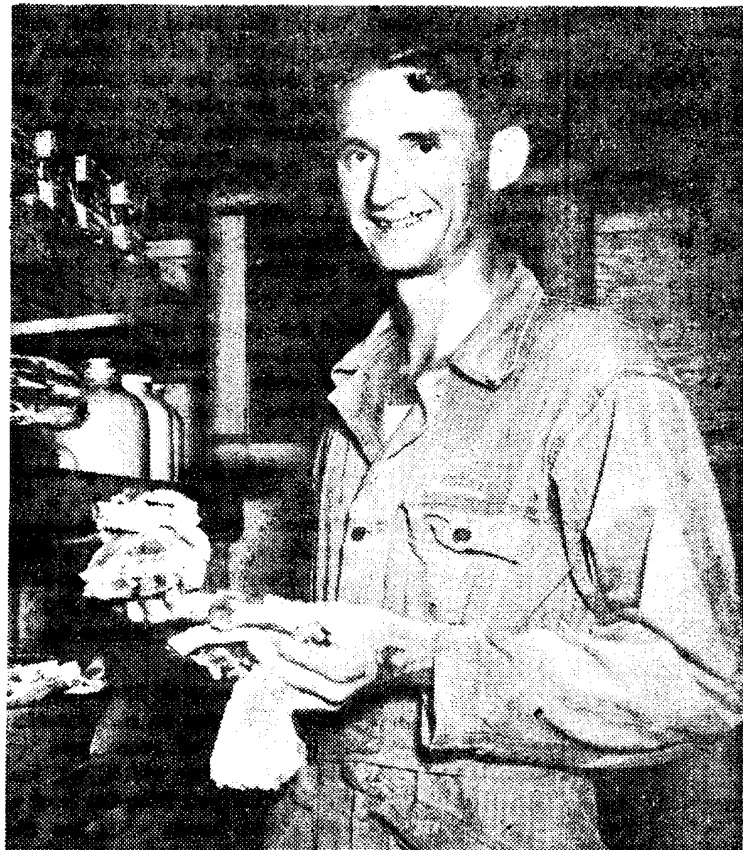
He wears the combat infantryman's badge above his Asiatic and Pacific campaign ribbons, and carries a keener appreciation of his native land.

"No matter what we may gripe about here, it is infinitely better than anything in my experience overseas," he says.



A \$64 QUESTION is answered. Pfc. McAllister Blanton (above) picked up a magazine last week to find a picture showing elements of the 109th Inf. Regt. entering the German-border town of Grosskampenberg. Col. William Blanton, father of this member of Co. K, 254th Inf., commands the 109th and until the GI saw the picture the Colonel's whereabouts was a military secret, even from him.

Jap Shells Provide Fish For Hungry GIs' Dinner



PVT FLOYD C. KEITH

It's give and take on the Pacific islands, says PVT. Floyd C. Keith, Co. L, 254th Inf., who has served overseas almost all the five years since his enlistment in 1939.

On more than one occasion the Yanks traded steel for food with the Japs. Whenever the subject of food is broached Keith recalls the time Nip marksmen missed their target and stunned a batch of fish which the hungry GIs on New Georgia Island later turned into a tasty meal.

The going was rugged and rations short in Keith's mortar section during that same campaign. For four days the men were without food. They relieved the situa-

tion by killing a cow on one of the plantations which had inadvertently become no-man's land. The subsequent meal was a long-to-be-remembered treat.

It was the day after this meaty repast that the Jap artillery overshoot the mark and shocked the fish in nearby waters to provide the seafood dinner for Keith's group.

In jungle fighting Keith found soldiers must be able to adapt themselves to meet changing situations and conditions. Some places were so thick with jungle growth that mortars were ineffective. Mor-

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NO 'FRIENDLY ENEMIES'

If members of the 63d Div. ever are sent into the homeland of the Nazis it would be well for them to remember the warning of American authorities—not to fraternize with the enemy. It would be well to remember that the Nazis regard us as their implacable foe and hate us just as much as they hate the British and the Russians.

The minds of Germans, young and old, have been saturated with the Nazi ideology which is directly opposed to ours. They want no part of us and they are pledged to destroy us in any manner they can.

An indication that the Nazi underground already is at work comes from conquered territory. Three American MPs disappeared mysteriously near Rotgen, south of Aachen. Their jeep was found, in the words of Capt. Lindsey Nelson of Knoxville, Tenn., "shot to hell," two miles from the unit command post.

In Germany Americans are not dealing with peoples like those in Italy or France, where the inhabitants often were forced to take up arms against us. The Germans have been sold, almost to a man, on the Nazi doctrine of superiority and world conquest, and now that the house of cards is tottering some of them may be disillusioned, but they have not lost the determination, born of desperation, to resist the invaders.

It probably will take more than the words of Gen. Eisenhower, "We come as conquerors and not as oppressors," to allay German suspicions and fears for themselves and the Fatherland. Not until Nazism is rooted out and destroyed can we hope to greet the German people as friends.

TRAINING PAYS OFF

Hard work and careful methods employed by members of the 63d Ren. Trp. last week in finding and rescuing an injured airplane pilot and bringing out the body of another after the fliers had parachuted from wrecked planes into a deep woods was but another example of the intelligent application of a good soldier's training.

The Reconns were called to the scene because of their knowledge of cross-country operations and because their training includes the use of a great deal of radio communication. Radio was necessary because the searching parties were isolated from one another and from their base of operations.

With radio sets the Reconns communicated with bases near the wooded area in Louisiana and with the home base in camp. They beat a wide path through the bush so the wounded pilot could be borne to waiting ambulances. When they temporarily lost contact with vehicles on the nearest road, they sent a radio message asking the drivers to blow their horns; then they took a bearing on the sound and walked directly to the road.

Not many soldiers are given an opportunity to demonstrate their real talents and training short of combat, but most of us in the 63d Div. expect to have that opportunity across the ocean. That attention to training and intelligent application of knowledge pay was amply demonstrated by one of our own units.

The glory of this country is that laws permit people to speak the truth and there is always someone brave enough to speak it.

A large number of (Japanese) school children and college students now are discharging their duties with high fervor in munitions factories, amid the din of machinery.—Tokyo radio.

"It is neither an important nor valuable paper." —Supt. of Mails J. W. Bambrough, Salt Lake City, refusing to register love letter to GI abroad.



News of Fighting Men

No Hurrying Court On Soldier Vote

WASHINGTON—A request for a hurry-up ruling on the validity of the Federal Ballot in states which have not certified its use by servicemen and women was turned down by the supreme court. The soldier vote law provided that the short-term Federal Ballot could be used by service personnel in the event that they did not receive a state ballot and that the governor of their state had certified that the Federal Ballot would be acceptable.

Army May Release Requisitioned Hotels

WASHINGTON—A few of the hotels used as reconditioning centers for soldiers returning from overseas may possibly be released now that it has been decided that existing army camps will be used for that purpose. Numerous hotels now are operated by the Army for housing soldiers while they are being reclassified and reassigned after coming back from combat duty.

Massachusetts Voids Ballots of Deceased

BOSTON—Massachusetts will not count the absentee ballots of service men killed between the time they cast those ballots and the November election.

Secretary of State Frederick W. Cook said, however, that ballots of men subsequently reported missing in action would be counted and cautioned local election officials "not to list such men as dead."

GI Shopping Center Set Up at Washington

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The United Nations Service Center, 500 N. Capitol, Washington, D. C., has established a Christmas shopping service for GIs overseas and in the U. S.

Servicemen interested in this service have been asked to send their name and ASN to the center together with the name and address of the recipient of the gift, the first, second and third choice of gift, and a money order covering the cost of the present.

Cigar-Smoking Nazi Yields With 300 Pals

FRANCE (CNS)—Sgt. Herbert Brammer of Arlington, Tex., doesn't like Germans who smoke long black cigars. So when he saw one near Brest, he knocked the cigar out of the guy's mouth and scared 300 other Nazis into a quick surrender. The other Krauts were walking behind the cigar smoker when Brammer showed up.

British Progressing In Fight on Robots

LONDON—Secret detecting devices aid patrols of fast Mosquito planes in their night war against German flying bombs and Heinkel aircraft which the Nazis are using to launch robots. With their powerful twin engines muffled, the Mosquitos have caught the German launching planes by surprise.

Listeners Regretfully 'Walk Out' on Crosby

FRANCE—Bing Crosby was singing to elements of a frontier regiment in an abandoned factory only two miles from German positions when the order to leave was passed hurriedly down the line. The disappointed Joes marched quickly out to battle—and left the Bing singing to an empty house.

Germans Laud Members Of Red-Devil Division

LONDON—Saying its members "fought like lions," the German Transocean News Agency paid high tribute to the British lost division of Arnhem.

"The British air-borne soldiers were the highest qualified men we have met during the entire invasion campaign," Germans who were in the 250 hours of fighting were reported to have said.

Parachutists Now Get Small Cooking Stoves

WASHINGTON—The Army is adding still another item to the 100 pounds of equipment each parachute trooper carries when he drops into enemy territory—a folding cook stove that weighs 17 ounces. He can use it to brew coffee or heat food.

Buglers Now Heeding Their Own Call

SALT LAKE CITY—A dozen boy buglers would line up beside the flagpole at the veterans' hospital and blow "To the Colors" as the flag was lowered at sunset. Now 10 of them are in military service.

'Baseball' at St. Lo Was Dangerous Game

BATTLE CREEK, Mich.—Pvt. Robert E. Fox, recovering from an arm wound, told of a "game" between the Americans and Germans near St. Lo.

"We would catch their grenades in midair and toss them back over the hedges," he related. "They caught on and started doing the same thing with ours. It was a fast game in which you missed just once."

The Sky Pilot Says It

Chaplains are sometimes looked on as of rather doubtful value to the Army because they are so often accused of being impractical. It has been said that a sermon is a large supply of mild eyewash ejected from a big meaty dropper in the general direction of a crowd of people in the hope that a little of it will be lodged in the eye of someone who needs it.

There are at least three ways in which religion proves itself to be a practical factor in the life of a soldier. In the first place religion gives a sense of inner well being that is essential to the best effort of any person. Religion gives this inner security—one might call it a spiritual healthiness—because life is set right with God and the world of His creation.

The second way in which religion proves itself of practical worth is in the answering of our questions of whys and wherefores. We need to know the meanings of the things that have happened and the purpose of the things that will happen in terms of objectives and goals. It is not enough for us to say that "we don't know where we're going, but we're on our way." And religion gives specific answers here in both immediate and ultimate objectives toward which our efforts are directed. Faith in God can be called a spiritual compass that directs us on the right way, both for the present and the future.

Finally, religion gives the guidance we need for the proper kind of action, the right behavior, that makes for victory in the things that count. Since the poet truly spoke in saying,

"For right is right, since God is God,
And right the day must win"

then it is important that we be on the side of the right, if we would desire victory in personal and national battles.

Once Over Lightly

By Pfc. Sy Bernhard
(Division Artillery)

A wonderful magazine story needs repeating, so here goes . . . A 75-year-old countess in Normandy has a neighbor whose sole fortune had been his apple orchard. When the Allied invasion swept across country, nothing was left of his orchard but a heap of burned-out rubble. So the priest came over on his bicycle from the ruined church to console him. He sympathized with the ruined farmer for his "terrible fate" . . . "Poor man? Terrible fate?" sneered the old peasant, "We are free. Free, monsieur le cure!" . . . In his indignation he picked up a half-charred apple and chased the cure away . . . An old man in a corner of France knew freedom is a hard bought thing. . .

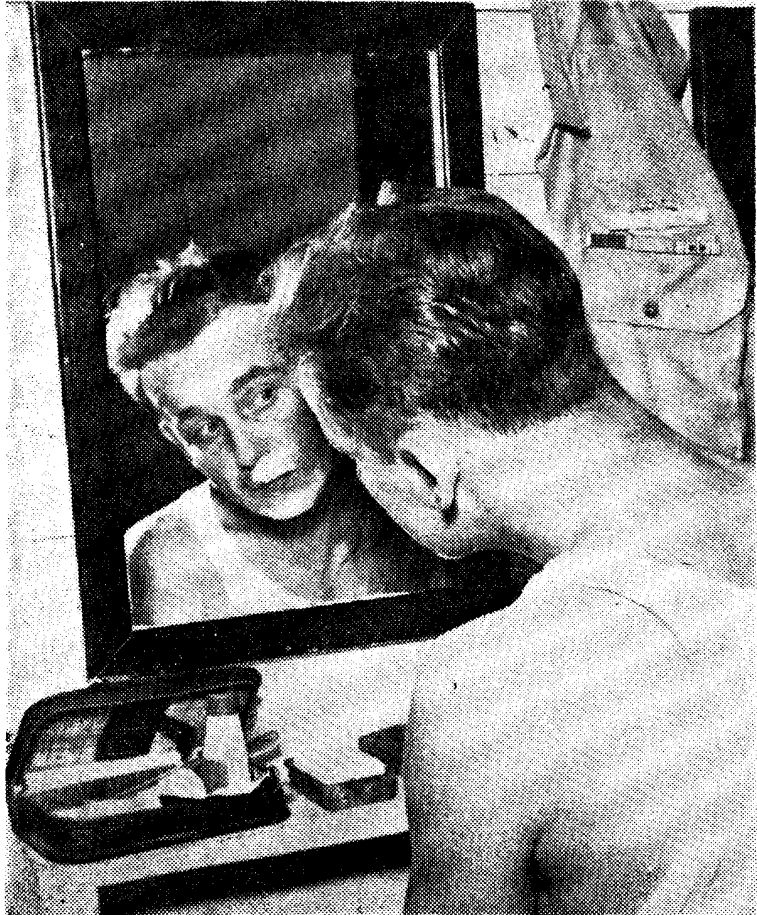
It's a little early for Christmas presents . . . but how about that post-war plan developed from the Dumbarton Oaks conferences? . . . Every GI who knows war for what it is . . . has a real stake in that plan . . .

Talking about One World is not nearly enough . . . some people still don't believe it . . . The new air travel to Buenos Aires may prove we are neighbors in the world of tomorrow . . . From New York to Buenos Aires is now a trip of 21 HOURS and 25 MINUTES . . . a cut of 70 HOURS . . . and will cost less than 200 bucks as against well over half a grand . . .

Liberation? . . . The citizens of Maastricht, in Holland, wrote a letter of thanks to the American people . . . "For the arrival of your boys who have brought us the liberty for which we have longed so fervently . . . Can you imagine how we wept when we could shake hands with the first American boys? . . . We need not describe to you our suffering and our want . . . The tyrant robbed us of everything that has been dear to us . . . Our children became underfed . . . badly clothed. . . Each new day brought new pain and new care . . . Our children have had no youth" . . . Funny how that Crusader's sword looks like nothing so much as a Garand . . . a Bofors . . . or a Red Army Stormovik . . .

No draft in Germany . . . A 50-year-old German private surrendered to a group of GIs in France and then offered to enlist in the American Army. . . "I told those bums that when America came into the war, they'd get the hell kicked outta them," he shouted, waving a mean finger at his fellow prisoners . . . He was turned down for enlistment . . . No permanent address . . .

Twice Buried by Shellfire, 253d Soldier Still Lives To Tell of His Experience



Pfc. Stephen J. Karbowski

Artillery shells with his "number" on them have twice sought Pfc. Stephen J. Karbowski, but after 18 months of combat in the Solomon Islands the former squad leader is still around to tell the tale and several other equally interesting ones.

This newly-assigned member of Hq. Co., 1st Bn., 253d Inf., wore the chevrons of a buck sergeant during the campaign in the Solomons. He turned them in when he was buried alive twice by the upheaval created by shells from Jap field pieces.

"When that happens to you twice you know you're really pushing your luck," the 30-year-old veteran from Cleveland said. "You feel you've got to do something to break the jinx. I did. I turned in my stripes."

Wounded at Bougainville

He was first buried alive on New Guinea Island and spent a month in the hospital on Guadalcanal as a result. On Bougainville, a shell landed only ten feet away. Fragments bit into his feet, shoulders and back, knocked him unconscious and buried him again. A buddy saved his life by pulling him free before he suffocated.

While the Purple Heart ribbon he wears attests to his injuries, Karbowski's Combat Infantryman Badge indicates he did more than merely survive close calls during his four years of service. He was in the thick of the battle on Bougainville for five days. Several of the 1,480 Japs found dead before the American position when the struggle was over doubtless belonged to Karbowski. They were members of the 6th Div., which raped Nanking.

"We were outnumbered three-to-one on that occasion," Karbowski said, attesting to the superiority of the American infantry.

Life in the islands was not all

combat for his organization. His unit held a parade on the airstrip at Bougainville every Saturday, despite the menace of infiltrating Japs. On March 7, when the enemy attacked Americans on the island, they were having close-order drill.

Steak Tasted Good

"I wore a tie for the first time in two years when I returned to this country," the ex-foundry worker said, "and my first steak back here I thought was the most delicious thing I ever had tasted."

"We saw the latest movies even before they were shown in the United States in a theater that was an enclosure hacked out of jungle growth. The screen was a sheet borrowed from the chaplain or a special service officer and our benches were logs.

"Don't entertain dreams of the hula-hula girls in the Pacific islands, either," Karbowski warned. "They don't wear much more than a G-string but neither do they look like Dorothy Lamour."

But you boys who like to hear the click of the ivories, take heart. When the infantry wasn't shooting Japs, it was shooting dice.

"Money didn't seem to mean anything over there. I saw \$20,000 in one game," Karbowski said.

Land Mine Also Used As Offensive Weapon

SAN FRANCISCO—The Army is using the land mine as an offensive weapon, says Col. W. W. Holler.

The Army Ordnance Department research and development service officer explained that when a column strikes into enemy territory, it plants mines along its flanks to prevent the foe from cutting off the spearhead of the attack. As more troops move up, the mines are taken up.

Letters to the 63d From Overseas

A 'TOUR' OF FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE

A GI's view of some French towns as the battle lines swept by is given in a letter from Sgt. Ernest H. Hayhow, formerly of the Blood and Fire's G-3 Sec., now with the same section in the 83d Inf. Div., somewhere in Europe.

"By far the best and largest place I had an opportunity to visit in France was the city of Orleans," Sgt. Hayhow writes. "Here, as you probably know, is the home of Joan of Arc. We were unable to find our way to that place but we did view the famous statue of her located in the heart of town. The statue proper is still intact, but the foundation is pretty well shattered and the name plate has been shorn away."

"In two short visits to the city I found so much of interest that I didn't even stop for a single drink. We did have lunch there once but, miracle of miracles, the meal was served without wine."

The Orleans railroad station was jammed at all times, because a few civilian trains were operating and, Sgt. Hayhow said, "it would appear as though every Frenchman and his brother wants to get to Paris."

"Bus stations were doing a land-office business," he said. "A French bus is quite a sight to behold. They are the old, large, 'fat' kind, similar to some of our sight-seeing jobs. Attached to the rear end is an enormous, ugly contraption which makes it possible to operate the engine by charcoal instead of gasoline. The rail-edged roof contains a quaint conglomeration of luggage of all types and descriptions, plus scores of bicycles. I have seen more bicycles in one French town than I saw in all of England, and that's saying a lot."

Became Interpreter

Souvenirs were in abundance in the stores, the sergeant said, but at prices that indicated "they must have known we were coming."

"There were five of us in the group I went into Orleans with

Mail Call

What do you hear from your buddies overseas? The fellow in the next bunk might be interested in what's happening to them, seeing that the same thing is going to happen to him pretty soon. We'd be interested in looking over any letter you've received and, possibly, in printing excerpts from them. Just drop them in your company mail box, addressed to BLOOD AND FIRE, Hq. 63d Div., APO 410, Camp Van Dorn, Miss.

and, since I was the only one who could speak even a little French, I became the interpreter and I amazed myself at my own knowledge of the language."

The only other large French city Sgt. Hayhow saw was Rennes, but the city was off limits, and he had an opportunity only to drive around the streets on official business, so he turned his attention to small towns and villages.

"First town placed on limits to our outfit was Dinan; aside from Orleans, it was the prettiest place I visited in France. The narrow, winding, hilly streets reminded me of Boston, and I had some enjoyable times there after I got an 'in' with the local fire chief (who spoke a little English) and he practically handed me the key to the town."

Reminded of Home

"Smallest place I've ever visited this side of the channel is Cesson (you probably won't find it on the map); there we drank wine, cognac or cavados while seated in a nice little cafe overhanging a river. Young couples kept passing by in rowboats, so that rather reminded me of the lagoon on Belle Isle in Detroit."

In Vendome the sergeant viewed the statue of Rochambeau, one of the French generals who aided the American cause in Revolutionary War days; with Herb Gibson, an-

other former 63d Div. headquarters man, he climbed the ruins of an old castle and was rewarded by a commanding view of the countryside through a high-powered telescope left on top of the ruins by the Germans.

As a headquarters worker, Sgt. Hayhow naturally has not experienced as many close calls as the men in the line, but he got his biggest nightmare when a shell landed under the truck in which he was riding.

"Jerry was shelling a nearby bridge and missing the mark," he wrote, "but the first couple of shells caught us unawares, as they failed to give off the familiar whistle. As we were all diving for the nearest foxhole, one came over and the whistle was very loud and distinct and I knew it was damn close."

'Dull Thud'

"Then we heard a dull thud and waited in horrified suspense. Nothing happened and after we arose we found that a dud had landed smack under the center of the truck. A couple of the fellows failed to find foxholes soon enough, had dived under the very same truck."

"I think the sight of the shell lying there, after it was all over, unnerved us more than the actual experience. Shortly after that I was walking down a lane through a wooded area and heard the familiar whistle and hit the ground damn fast."

"The shell exploded about a hundred yards away, but a large fragment passed over my shoulder and lit a yard away from me. When I tried to pick it up I found it still too hot to handle. Had I remained standing it probably would have penetrated my stomach."

Sgt. Hayhow said he had experienced several German air raids, including some while he was riding in a truck convoy, but that artillery fire is much more frightening.

Device Teaches 253d Men To Direct Artillery Fire

A sensing board, a novel device consisting of a miniature stage, with toy towns, buildings, enemy tanks and armored cars spread out on a fine mesh wire, is being used to train officers and enlisted men of the 253d Inf. to act as emergency eyes and ears of the artillery in combat.

The setup occupies half the floor-space in an abandoned barracks in Co. D's area, and was ordered by Col. Edward P. Lukert, commanding the 253d. Lt. Seth C. Peatross III, of Cn. Co., 253d, directed the board's construction.

Illusion Created

From a special seat situated in the back of the barracks, the miniature landscape looks real—the illusion created by the same quirk of optics that makes a marionette appear life-size.

By order of Col. Lukert, every officer in the 253d "fires a problem" twice each week. The observer calls the range and direction of fire, issuing a firing order to an artillery battery—just as he would do if he were a forward observer in artillery.

The "shot" is dramatically shown by a puff of smoke, simulating the burst of a shell on a spot desig-

nated by the observer. The spot where the shell hit is computed from a grid chalked on the floor beneath the landscape.

The 253d's innovation, Col. Lukert pointed out, is in line with the 63d's policy of close liaison between all elements of the battle team, a policy which dictated selected artillerymen of the 861st F. A. Bn.,—which along with the 253d forms Combat Team Red—being assigned to the 253d in field problems.

Timely Fire Necessary

Commenting upon the sensing board and the necessity for infantrymen familiarizing themselves with artillery observation, Col. Lukert said:

"On the fighting front, we are told increasing incidents occur where timely artillery fire will make or break an infantry attack. Some sudden target of vital importance is spotted by an infantryman. Immediate action is necessary."

"If the infantryman knows how to get artillery zeroing in on that target, it may win or lose the battle. It may save a regiment from suffering heavy losses."

Soldiers' Babies Get Extra Care

The emergency program for maternity and infant care for servicemen's families was extended to include health supervision for infants during their first year.

The Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor announced that state health departments administering Federal aid for the program now may use those funds to provide such supervision.

This care may be given either in the doctor's office or in child health conferences, in accordance with the operation of the state plan.

Under the plan, wives and babies of servicemen in the four lowest pay grades of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard and Army and Navy aviation cadets are eligible for state-Federal aid for medical, nursing and hospital care for the wife throughout pregnancy, childbirth and for six weeks after delivery, and care for the baby at any time in its first year of life.

BALTIMORE—Ayon D. (Azey) Foreman, 30, whose 10-day stay atop a home-made flagpole 15 years ago was credited with starting a national craze, died while unloading coal from a truck.

Male Call

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

P/O Joe



WHAT GOT ME WAS THE WAY THEY KEPT COMIN'—WAVE AFTER WAVE...THEY WUZ AS GOOD AS ANY JAPANESE OL' HIROHITO HAS IN HIS IMPERIAL GUARD...

OH, DEAR... I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO HEAR ONE OF THOSE PACIFIC VETERANS TELL OF HIS EXPERIENCES



I UNLIMBERED THE OL' SQUIRT BOX AN' THEY DIED LIKE FLIES... BUT MORE CAME ON! I WAS GOIN' NUTS... I DUG AN' SQUIRTED AN' SNIPED AT 'EM DAY AN' NIGHT... I WUZ EXHAUSTED...

THOSE AWFUL FLAME THROWERS! I SAW THEM IN THE NEWS-REELS! UGH!



FINALLY, IT WUZ THEM OR ME... I MADE ONE LAST TRY— THEN I SAID NUTS TO THIS— IF THEM BEETLES LIKE THE VEGETABLES IN MY VICTORY GARDEN THAT WELL— I'LL GO TO THE A&P...



GOTTA RUN, JERRY— BRING THE MISSUS OVER... THE WIFE AN' KIDS WUZ ASKIN' FOR 'EM ONLY TODAY! IF I CAN GET A RENEWAL ON MY B-BOOK WE'LL HAVE A PICNIC SOMEWHERE...

Notre Dame Rated Top Team by Writers

Cards Set Mark Beating Browns In World Series

The St. Louis Cards this week became the first National League club to win the World Series five times, achieving that distinction by beating one of the weakest-hitting clubs ever to participate in the annual play-off, four games to two.

Their rivals in the all-St. Louis series, the Browns, averaged only six hits per game. They won the first with only two hits and bowed out in the game before the last with only three, compiling a batting average of .183.

The Cards didn't do very much better at the plate but they made their hits count, which was what mattered. It gave them their fifth series since 1926, and put them ahead of the New York Giants in that respect. The scores were 1-2, 3-2, 2-6, 5-1, 2-0 and 3-1.

While records were broken and tied almost with each ball pitched, the series was utterly devoid of hero or great. George McQuinn plastered one of Mort Cooper's pitches out of the park to give the Browns the first game and Stan Musial also drove the ball out of Sportsman's Park to decide the fourth. Both were among the batting stars of the series—McQuinn reached the magnificent mark of .428—but they and the others failed to achieve the magnitude of previous series stars.

Form players may have felt the Browns were "in" after they won the third game of the series. Nine times in the last ten years the winner of that game went on to take the honors. In this instance, it was the end of the American League champions' bid for the pennant.

The next day the Cards came back to wallop their rivals by a margin equally great. Then Mort Cooper, deprived of a two-hit victory by McQuinn's first-game homer, came through with the only shutout of the series and the veteran Max Lanier teamed up with the freshman Ted Wilks to win the deciding game.

LSU Plays Texans At Home Tonight

LSU's football team will return to its gridiron tonight still seeking its first victory. Tied by Alabama and beaten by Rice, the Tigers will kickoff with Texas A. and M. at 20:15 with a revised lineup and revised potentialities.

In both games to date Bernie Moore's youngsters showed they were capable of scoring. They made 27 points against Alabama and 13 against Rice. They led in both games. Thus, it probably will be a team arrayed more strongly for defense, yet still maintaining its full scoring power, which will play the Texans for the second time this year.

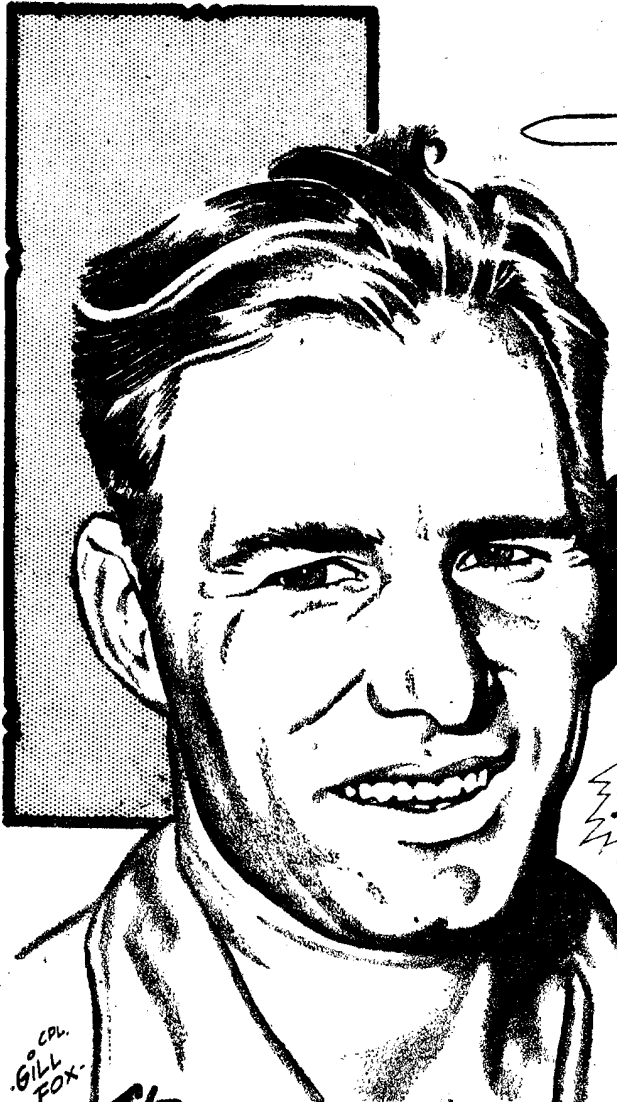
The Aggies will be seeking victory not only for itself but to avenge the defeat received from the Tigers in the Orange Bowl game last New Year's Day. In the regular season the Texas eleven scored a 28-13 triumph.

Rip Rowan, who was at fullback when the Baton Rouge collegians kicked off against Alabama two weeks ago, probably will be the only member of the LSU starting backfield that night who will be on the field at the opening whistle. Dan Sandifer may be in Red Knight's spot at wingback, Jimmy Cason at left and Harold Helseher or Paul McCarron at blocking back.

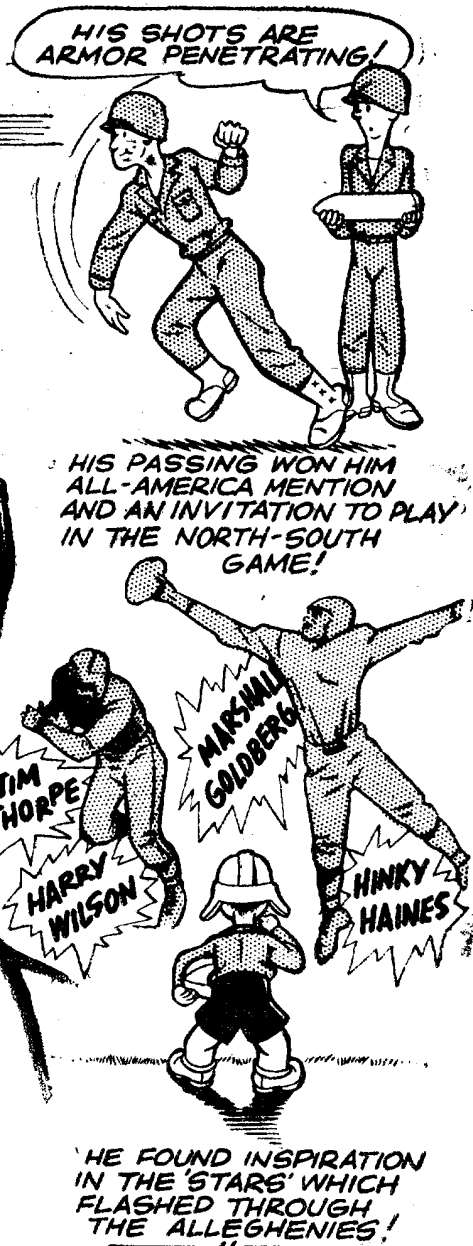
Joe Louis Boxed Pair Who Might Take Title

Sgt. Joe Louis, heavyweight champion for the duration, boxed with a couple of heavyweights overseas who might offer a threat to his title after the war, although he "could not remember their names," he said.

The Brown Bomber fought almost 100 exhibitions during a seven-months tour of the European war zones and declared he hoped to make more such appearances.



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Fighting Irish Get Preference Over Service Elevens

All-civilian teams were in such minority as to be almost completely ignored by sports writers polled by The Associated Press to determine the top football eleven in the nation at this stage of the season.

It was no surprise that Notre Dame, with victories over Pitt and Tulane, should be rated No. 1. The surprise was that the Fighting Irish were rated at all this year. Pre-season indications were this combination would in no way compare to the school's 1943 national championship team. But then Notre Dame teams have been full of surprises through the years.

Thirty-eight of the 93 experts voting named Notre Dame to first place in the top ten, thereby accounting for more than a third of the 800 points received by the South Bend team. The next five teams were virtually all-service elevens with North Carolina Pre-flight, conqueror of Navy and Duke, in second place with 608 points.

Army, although receiving only three first-place votes, was third; Randolph Field, fourth; Great Lakes Naval Training Station, fifth, and Navy sixth. Purdue, Ohio State, Penn and Georgia Tech completed the upper bracket.

A total of 39 teams received consideration. Ten points were awarded for first place votes, nine for second, eight for third, etc.

Thirst for News Halts Volleyball

Redlegs with plenty of service time in were reminded of the old maneuver days when mock battles were stopped by the appearance of the Good Humor man as elements of Hq. Btry., Div. Arty., halted their volley ball game in the field to purchase the day-old stock of a civilian newsdealer passing through this week.

Thus did the power of the press again make itself felt.

A hot game was underway when the bivouacked artillery men called a temporary halt by mutual consent. The Meteorology and Survey sections combined to play a team of Communications men. The players went off on a lot of tangents to get their points. When it was over, the Metro-Survey group was a two-out-of-three winner with the scores 3-20, 21-13 and 10-21.

A poor start contributed to Communications' defeat. Its rival was off to a 7-0 lead before the eventual losers made a point. Then they tied at 8-8, but failed to keep a similarly steady pace straight throughout.

The lineups:
Metro-Survey Pos. Communications
Cherianich Stockton
Reed Sanderson
Hill Bruno
Brown Rushlow
Andruska Colston
Ribus

Lowrey, Cubs' Fielder, Discharged From Army

CHICAGO—Harry (Peanuts) Lowrey, former Chicago Cubs outfielder, has received a medical discharge from the Army and will report for spring training with the Cubs next year, the Cubs' front office announced.

Lowrey, who had been stationed at Fort Custer, Mich., came from the Milwaukee Brewers to the Cubs in 1942 and in 1943—his last year in the majors—he hit .292. He is now at his Los Angeles, Calif., home.

Prestwick, famous Scotch golf town, is now chief airport for trans-Atlantic flying. It seldom has fogs and these are of short duration.

Composite Boxscores

Browns	G	A	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.	
Gutteridge, 2b	6	21	1	3	1	0	0	3	5	113	15	11	3	3	.897	
Baker, 2b	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	009	1	0	0	0	1.000	
Kroeyich, cf	6	26	0	6	3	0	0	0	5	231	29	2	0	0	1.000	
Moore, rf	6	22	4	4	0	0	0	3	6	182	8	0	0	0	1.000	
Stephens, ss	6	22	2	5	1	0	0	3	3	227	9	19	3	0	.903	
McQuinn, 1b	6	16	2	7	2	0	1	5	7	438	59	2	0	0	1.000	
Laubs, lf	6	15	1	3	1	0	0	2	6	200	5	1	0	0	1.000	
Zarilla, lf	4	10	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	109	5	2	0	1.000	
Christmas, 3b	6	22	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	6	991	3	9	1	.923	
Hayworth, c	6	17	1	2	1	0	0	1	3	1	113	45	2	1	.973	
Mancuso, c	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	667	3	0	0	1.000	
Galehouse, p	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	200	0	5	0	1.000	
Potter, p	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	000	2	2	0	.667	
Munierf, p	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	000	0	1	0	1.000	
Kramer, p	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	000	0	3	0	1.000	
Jakucki, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	1	0	1.000	
Hollingsworth, p	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	1	0	1.000	
Shirley, p	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	1	0	1.000	
Byrnes, p	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	000	0	0	0	.000	
Turner, p	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	0	0	.000	
Clary, p	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	0	0	.000	
Charlak, p	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	000	0	0	0	.000	
Totals	197	12	36	9	1	1	9	23	49	183	163	60	10	10	.857	
Cardinals	G	A	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.	
Litwhiler, lf	5	20	2	4	1	0	1	2	7	200	5	0	0	0	1.000	
Bergamo, lf	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	185	14	0	0	0	1.000	
Hopp, ss	6	27	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	304	11	0	1	0	.917	
Musial, rf	6	22	2	7	2	0	1	2	2	218	51	0	0	0	1.000	
W. Cooper, c	6	22	1	7	2	1	0	2	3	256	52	2	0	0	1.000	
Sanders, 1b	6	21	5	6	0	0	1	5	8	256	52	2	0	0	1.000	
Kurovski, 3b	6	23	2	5	1	0	0	1	4	217	4	15	0	0	1.000	
Marion, ss	6	22	1	5	3	0	0	2	3	227	7	22	0	0	1.000	
Verban, 2b	6	17	1	7	0	0	0	2	2	412	15	7	0	0	1.000	
Fallon, 2b	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	000	0	0	0	0	.000	
M. Cooper, p	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	000	0	6	0	0	1.000	
Donnelly, p	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	000	0	2	0	0	1.000	
Lanier, p	2	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	000	1	1	0	1.000	
Wilks, p	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	000	0	1	0	0	1.000	
Schmidt, p	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	000	0	0	0	0	.000	
Jurisch, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	0	0	0	.000	
Iyerly, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	0	0	0	.000	
Brecheen, p	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	000	1	3	0	0	1.000	
Germa, p	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	000	0	0	0	0	.000	
O'Dea, p	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	333	0	0	0	.000	
Totals	204	16	19	9	1	3	15	19	43	240	165	59	1	1	.996	
Composite score by innings:	0 1 4 2 0 0 4 1 0 0-12															
Browns	3 0 3 4 0 2 1 1 1 0-16															
Cardinals	3 0 3 4 0 2 1 1 1 0-16															
Earned runs, Browns 12, Cardinals 9. Stolen bases, none. Sacrifices, Musial, W. Cooper, Kurovski, Lanier, M. Cooper, Wilks, Marion, McQuinn. Double plays, Browns (4), Gutteridge, Stephens and McQuinn; Stephens and Gutteridge; Stephens, Gutteridge and McQuinn; Stephens and McQuinn. Cardinals (3), Marion and Sanders; Kurovski, Verban and Sanders; Verban and Sanders. Passed ball, W. Cooper. Left on bases, Browns 44, Cardinals 51. Umpires, Sears (NL), McGowan (AL), Dunn (NL), Pipgras (AL).																
Pitchers' summary:	BROWNS															
Kramer	G	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BBSO	WP	HB	W	L	Pct.	ERA			
Galehouse	2	1	11	9	2	0	4 12	0	0	1	0	1.000	0.00			
Potter	2	2	18	13	3	3	5 15	0	0	1	1	.500	1.50			
Munierf	2	0	9	10	5	1	3 6	0	0	0	1	.000	0.90			
Jakucki	2	0	6	5	1	1	4 4	0	0	0	1	.000	1.20			
Hollingsworth	1	0	3	5	4	3	0 4	0	0	0	1	.000	9.00			
Shirley	1	0	4	5	1	1	2 1	0	0	0	0	.000	2.25			
Byrnes	1	0	2	5	0	0	1 1	0	0	0	0	.000	0.00			
Cardinals	DONNELLY															
Donnelly	2	0	6	2	0	0	1 9	0	0	1	0	1.000	0.00			
Lanier	2	0	12	8	3	3	8 11	1	1	0	1	1.000	2.25			
Brecheen	1	1	9	9	1	1	4 4	0	0	1	0	1.000	1.00			
Cooper	2	1	18	9	2	2	5 16	0	1	1	1	.500	1.13			
Wilks	2	0	6	5	4	4	3 7	0	0	1	0	.000	6.00			
Schmidt	1	0	3	1	0	0	1 1	1	1	0	0	.000	0.00			
Jurisch	1	0	2	2	2	2	1 0	0	0	0	0	.000	18.00			
Iyerly	1	0	1	0	0	0	0 0	1	0	0	0	.000	0.00			

How They Rate

Team	Points
Notre Dame	800
North Carolina Pre-Flight (24)	698
Army (3)	675
Randolph Field (23)	610
Great Lakes (3)	450
Navy	369
Purdue (2)	346
Ohio State (2)	296
Pennsylvania	275
Georgia Tech	194

Second ten: 11, Iowa Pre-Flight (1) 152; 12, Michigan 53; 13, Tulsa (52); 14, Illinois 35; 15, Tennessee (1) 34; 16, Second Air Force 34; 17, Wake Forest 31; 18, Bainbridge Naval 26; 19, Indiana 24; 20, Wisconsin 24.

Other point winners: March Field (1) 20; California 20; Southern California 19; Washington 13; Iowa State 12; Texas 12; Duke 13; San Diego Naval 9; Georgia 6; Georgia Pre-Flight 6; Third Air Force 6; Rice 6; Yale 4; Mississippi 4; Missouri 2; Alabama 2; Auburn 1; North Carolina 1; Southern Methodist 1.

Last Week's Scores

Team	Score
Army 59, Brown 7.	
Lafayette 30, NYU 0.	
Penn 20, Dartmouth 6.	
Pitt 50; Bethany 13.	
Virginia 34; W. Virginia 6.	
Yale 16; Cornell 7.	
Harvard 13; Boston College 0.	
Columbia 26; Syracuse 2.	
Navy 55; Penn State 14.	
South	
Ga. Tech 28; N. Carolina 0.	
Alabama 53; Howard 7.	
VMI 25; Richmond 20.	
Clemson 13; N. Carolina State 7.	
Auburn 7; Fla. Benning 0.	

Leadership

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are not many," said the general. He cited as outstanding good points of the new infantry divisions the fact that the units have younger men and splendid morale.

"All signs now indicate," Gen. Lear said, "that the battle in Europe is in its final phase. How near it is to its conclusion, however, I don't know."

"I am confident that wherever you are assigned you will successfully carry out your assignment. You have much to offer the men overseas and they will welcome your fitness and skill."

Discussing operations overseas, Gen. Lear mentioned the 85th and 88th divisions for commendation because of their great fighting records in Italy, and the 1st Cav. Div. and the 7th Div. for their performances in the Pacific Theater.

Reviews Troops

The general and his party arrived at Camp Van Dorn late Friday. He was greeted by Maj. Gen. Louis E. Hibbs, Division Commander, and inspected a guard of honor composed of men of Cos. K and L of the 253d Inf., drawn up in front of Division Headquarters.

Immediately thereafter the general took the salute as troops of Combat Team White, the 263d Engr. Bn., the 363d Med. Bn., and a composite battalion from 12th Hq., Fourth Army, passed in review on the Parade Ground. Almost the entire review was carried on during a violent rainstorm which drenched members of the reviewing party and the troops.

Friday night Gen. Lear was guest at a reception at the Division Staff Officers' Club.

On Saturday the general and his party made a thorough inspection of units of the Division, the barracks and other installations and equipment. The general spoke with many enlisted men in the field and observed several field exercises.

Accompanying the commander of the Army Ground Forces on his visit to Camp Van Dorn were the following officers:

Brig. Gens. J. M. Haynes, L. Donovan and Clyde H. Hyssong; Col. N. P. Morrow, E. F. Olsen, G. B. Rogers, S. E. Faine, J. K. Bush and C. E. Howard; Lt. Col. J. Lemp, E. Bacon, P. H. Bethune, B. A. Ford, M. E. Brennan, B. C. Gildart, J. M. Kimbrough, K. M. Matthews, H. W. Dammer, L. C. Gilbert and A. Cushman, and Maj. S. W. Dies, G. O. Hendee, S. H. Fehmann, J. B. Boyle and W. H. Clifford.

Battle Honors

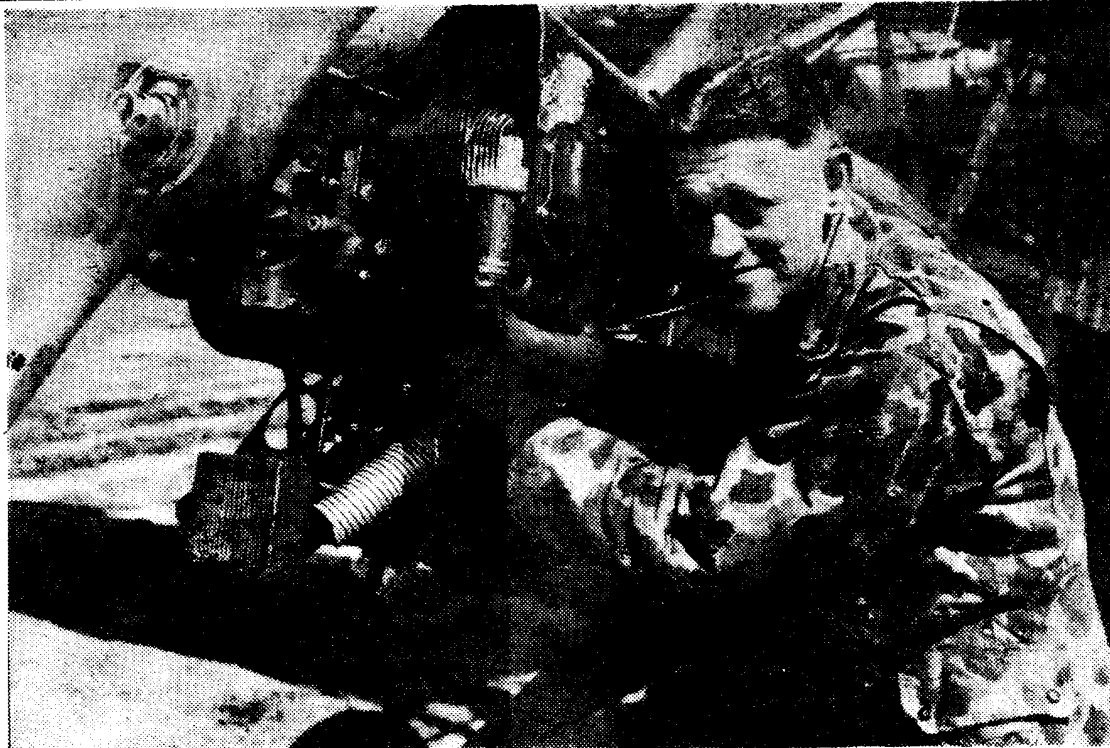
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How Hornberger won the Bronze Star was not disclosed. He landed in Normandy on D-Day.

Members of Co. B also learned that Lt. Henry E. Fulcher killed three Nazis before he was shot in the abdomen by a German tank in France. Lt. Fulcher was a platoon leader in the company. Other word from France told of the death in August of Cpl. Clarence W. Logan, a West Virginian who was a staff sergeant in Co. B for several months.

PHILADELPHIA (CNS)—The cops were called to break up a street fight between two men here. One of the antagonists was armed with a knife. The other was swinging a guitar.

When a girl marries a man five years older, the chances are 1 in 5 that they will survive to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.



PFC. BOB GREENWOOD



Q. I'm now contributing \$22 a month to the support of my mother through a Class B family allowance. Soon I'm going overseas and when I get there I want to take out a Class E allotment of pay for my mother in addition to the other allowance. Will this be possible?

A. Of course. Many soldiers, both at home and abroad, authorize an allotment of pay on behalf of their dependents in addition to the family allowance, in order to provide their families with additional security.

Q. Is it compulsory for a soldier to apply for a family allowance for his Class B-1 or Class B dependents?

A. No. A family allowance for eligible Class B-1 or Class B dependents is entirely optional with the soldier and may be stopped at any time at his request.

Q. Where should I wear my marksmanship medals?

A. The proper manner of wearing marksmanship medals on the Army uniform is on the left breast, below the service ribbons. See AR 600-40, Section 53 (b).

Q. I have just completed basic training in the Infantry. Is it still possible for me to obtain a transfer to the Army Air Forces?

A. No. At the present time no more applications for air-crew or ground-crew training are being accepted for the AAF. The Army hasn't said when or if they will be reopened.

Q. Look, I'm the member of the ground crew of an air combat squadron stationed in England. The flying members of this squadron are permitted to wear service stars to show they have been in combat. But my orderly room tells me that ground crew members are not permitted to wear these stars because we have not seen combat in the air. Is this correct?

A. No, your Orderly Room is mistaken. The War Department says that all members of a unit

credited with battle participation may wear a bronze service ribbon. As a member of a ground crew you come under this category.

Q. What are the qualifications for GIs authorized to wear the glider badge?

A. According to WD Cir. 220, 2 June 1933, personnel qualified to wear the glider badge must be assigned or attached to a glider or airborne unit, or to the Airborne Center; must have completed a course of instruction in knots and lashings, loading organizational equipment in airplanes and gliders and safe loading principles, and must have participated in at least two glider flights or simulated tactical conditions.

Q. Will I be permitted to wear my uniform after my discharge from the Army?

A. You can wear it from the place where you get your discharge to your home, provided that you go there within three months of the discharge date. You may also wear it at military ceremonies in peacetime.

Q. I have two children. One lives with my wife, the other lives with my former wife, now divorced but still dependent on me. Is it true that the child living with my former wife gets \$30 a month, because it was the first born, while my other child gets only \$20 a month under the Class A allotment?

A. No. Each of your children will receive \$25 a month. The total sum of family allowance payments for all children of a soldier is divided equally among them.

Q. How much did my GI clothing cost?

A. Your complete uniform, including your \$15.50 wool overcoat and your 5-cent cotton handkerchiefs, cost the government \$114.86 at the outset. It also costs the Army \$75.37 a year to maintain these duds for you.

Milkman Turns Plane Mechanic

Down along 12th St. men of Hq. Btry., 861st F. A. Bn. might change the words of a popular song to "Milkman, Keep Our Planes Aflying," because Pfc. Bob Greenwood, who used to juggle bottles of moo juice in Peoria, Ill., is now one of the mechanics who keeps in flying trim the little L-4 liaison planes used primarily to observe artillery fire.

Bob isn't a bit like the noisy milkman in the song, however. Although he can get along with a minimum of sleep because of past experience as a member of the "dawn patrol," his barracks mates say that he never disturbs them.

A graduate of Bradley Polytechnic Institute, Peoria, Greenwood took up flying as a hobby after studying aircraft and aircraft engines. Professionally, however, he ran the Meadowbrook Dairy, one of the largest in his home city.

When he reported to the Army, he expected to be assigned to the Air Force, but his age (he is 39) was against him. He was assigned instead to the field artillery. Since coming to the Division last year he has attended the Field Artillery Air Mechanics School, Ft. Sill, from which he recently returned.

Back at his post in Camp Van Dorn, Bob helps keep the Piper Cub flown by S/Sgt. Frank Sabadini, Hq. Btry., liaison pilot, in top running condition.

Gen. Romulo Rejoins MacArthur in Pacific

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Southwest Pacific—Brig. Gen. Carlos P. Romulo, resident commissioner of the Philippines, has arrived at Gen. MacArthur's headquarters by plane from Washington. He said he "hoped" he was on his way back to the Philippines.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—Frank Young, 36, told police that he was sleeping so soundly in his parked car that he didn't realize a thief was removing his shoes and pants. He asked them to help find the culprit so he could get his clothes, and the \$60 which was in his pocket.



(Continued From Page 2) School this season. A steel worker, Student Thompson is married and has two children.

SAN FRANCISCO (CNS)—James Brennan lay tossing sleeplessly on his bed. Finally he arose, gulped down 10 sleeping pills and fell asleep on the floor. He awoke 48 hours later—in the municipal hospital where his stomach was being pumped.

TOLEDO, Ohio (CNS)—A middle-aged mother lost her plea for divorce when the judge learned that she spent her evenings roller skating while her husband sat up with the children.

NEW YORK—Noticing the name of Louis Weber among a list of 24 pretty gamblers on whom he was about to pass sentence, Judge L. Roland Sala asked Weber: "Aren't you the former Brooklyn policy king who used to have a yearly income of \$1,500,000?" "That's right, Your Honor, but now I am rehabilitated and penniless," said Weber. The court fined the others \$5 each and ordered Weber held on \$1,500 bond while it found out how "penniless" he was.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—Police Officer W. F. Treadwell was forced to decline a reward offered by Mrs. E. L. Klein of West Palm Beach for recovery of her lost pocketbook which contained \$430. When reporting the loss, Mrs. Klein told Sgt. W. D. Lockleer and Treadwell she'd "marry the officer who found her pocketbook."

Treadwell is already happily married.

PHILADELPHIA—Lt. Joseph Clark, 24, completed 74 missions—unharmful—as a Thunderbolt pilot in the European theater. Home on leave, he went motoring, his car crashed into a tree, and he went to Abington Hospital with fractures of the upper and lower jaws and left thigh bone.

DETROIT—Acting Chief John L. Rourke was appointed chief of the Fire Department to succeed Chief John A. Keefe, who retired July 17. Rourke, 55 years old, has been a member of the department since 1910. The Board of Fire Commissioners also named Ninnian C. Higby, 52, assistant chief of the department. Higby has been a fireman since 1913.

TULSA, Okla.—"How much will that cost?" said the man who called the Tulsa Tribune to place a classified ad.

"Exactly 60 cents," said the ad-taker. There was a moment of silence, then from the other end came a series of tinkling sounds.

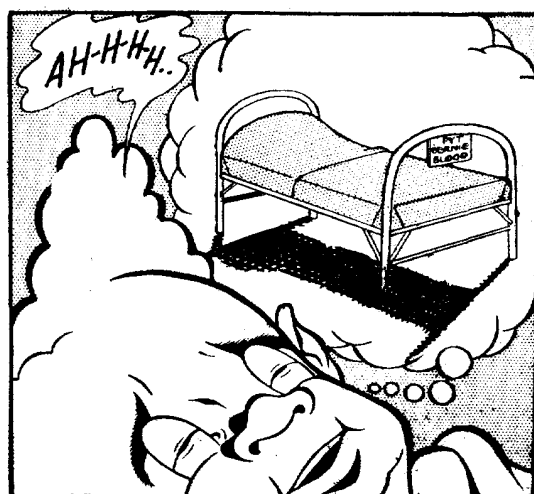
"I'm putting 60 cents worth of nickels right here in the telephone," said the caller.

INDIANAPOLIS—City Judge John L. Niblack dismissed a charge of disorderly conduct filed against a patron by a tavern operator who complained of the patron's singing. Quoth the judge, "When a person sells beer which is likely to make his customers drunk he can expect singing. If he doesn't want people to sing he shouldn't sell them beer."

BERNIE BLOOD

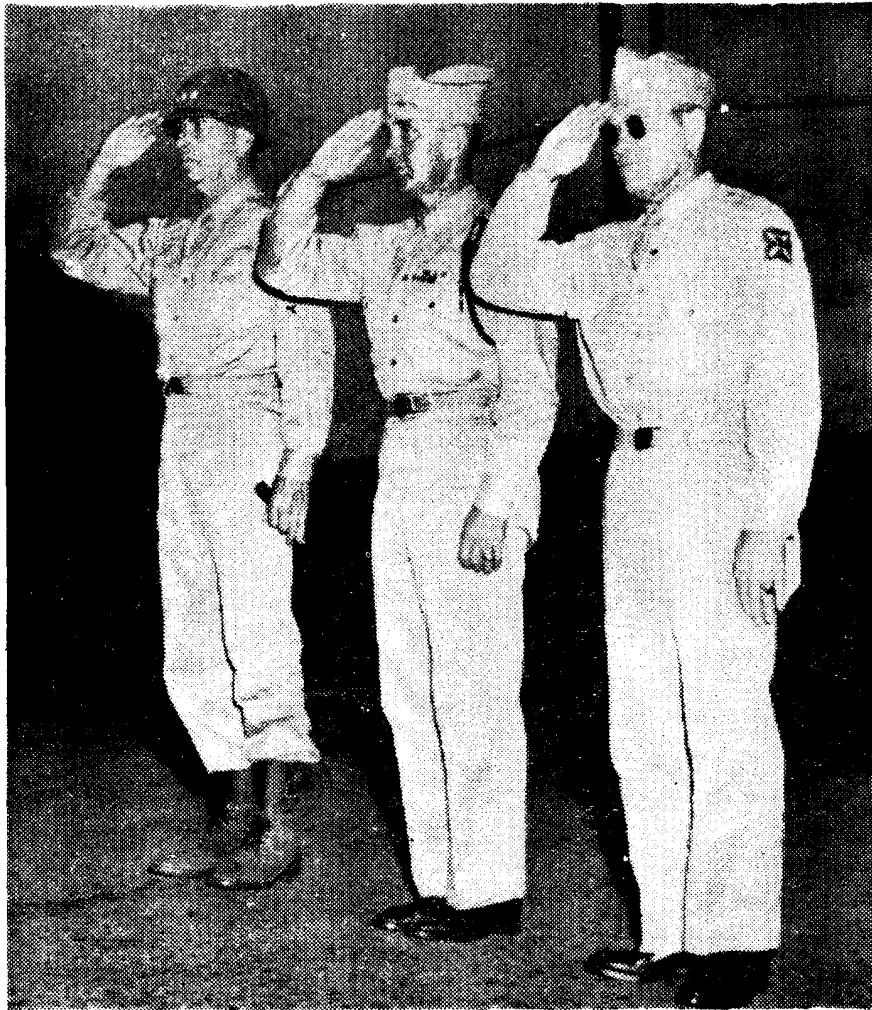
You Can Say That Again!

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Army Ground Forces Head Looks Over the 63d



At left, Gens. Lear, Hibbs and F. W. Milburn, the latter commander of the XXI Corps, return the salute of the guard of honor composed of Cos. K and L of the 253d Inf. assembled in front of Division Headquarters to greet the commander of the Army Ground Forces.

Signal Corps Photo.



Gen. Lear, accompanied by Maj. Maurice K. Schiffman, executive officer of the 3d Bn., 253d, pauses to speak to Sgt. Roland W. Ott, Co. K, 253d, a veteran of the South Pacific, who holds the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Combat Infantryman's Badge. Next to Sgt. Ott, standing at attention, is Sgt. James Decker, also of Co. K.

Signal Corps Photo.

Gold Braid Now Tax Deductible

The gold braid boys of the army and navy got a break from Uncle Sam's income tax collector.

The internal revenue bureau ruled that braid, lace, shoulder marks, chin straps and other doodads are a "legitimate business expense" and thus deductible on tax returns.

It represents quite an item.

Take an admiral, for instance. He dolls up in about 75 bucks' worth of gold braid every time he gets up in the morning unless he's at battle station aboard a carrier or slogging around on jungle beaches. He may have as many as eight or ten uniforms.

A navy lieutenant commander who offers his case as typical says he has spent \$1,000 in four years on uniforms and probably 10 or 15 per cent of that was for sleeve stripes, buttons and other insignia that fall in the tax-deductible category.

There isn't any choice about either . . . an officer wears what the book says until he gets to such a high position he can rewrite the book.

The tax ruling covers changes in uniforms brought about by promotions. That suits just fine the junior officers who'll tell you they're sometimes scared to death of a promotion because they don't have the dough to look the part.

Turns Down Promotion For Combat, Is Slain

PHILADELPHIA—Twice the Army promoted Pfc. Stephen Henik, 23 years old, to a higher noncommissioned rank. Each time, because promotion would have delayed his entry into combat service, Henik declined. He got into combat, and his parents were notified he had been killed in France.

Wasps Wind Up Service With Army on Dec. 20

WASHINGTON—The Wasps—Women Air Force Service Pilots—are going out of business December 20. Gen. H. H. Arnold, in announcing the decision, said there soon would be enough men available for all military flying jobs at home and overseas. Wasp personnel numbers about 1,000.



The Ground Forces commander inspects the forward observer section of Division Artillery. Standing, left to right, near a liaison jeep, are: Gen. Lear; Brig. Gen. E. J. McGaw, Division Artillery Commander, and Lt. Col. Chester H. Anderson, S-3 of Division Artillery.

Theater Schedule

(SATURDAY, Oct. 14, through SATURDAY, Oct. 21)
THEATERS 1 and 2
Starting Times—No. 1, 1845; No. 2, 1810
SATURDAY—"In the Meantime, Darling," with Jeanne Crain, Frank Latimore and Heather Angel.
SUN.-MON.—"An American Romance," with Brian Donlevy, Ann Richards and Walter Abel.
TUESDAY—"When Strangers Marry," with Kim Hunter, Dean Jagger and Robert Mitchum; "Dark Mountain," with Robert Lowery, Ellen Drew and Regis Toomey.
WED.-THURS.—"The Conspirators," with Hedy Lamarr, Paul Henreid and Sydney Greenstreet.
FRI.-SAT.—"Carolina Blues," with Ann Miller, Kay Kyser and Victor Moore.
THEATER 5
Starting Time—1900.
SATURDAY—"Tall in the Saddle," with John Wayne, Ella Raines and Ward Bond.
SUNDAY—"The Master Race," with Osa Massen, George Coulouris and Carl Esmond.
MONDAY—"In the Meantime, Darling."
TUES.-WED.—"An American Romance."
THURSDAY—"When Strangers Marry" and "Dark Mountain."
FRI.-SAT.—"The Conspirators."

The harbor of Alexandria, Egypt, became a gateway to the East the city in 331 B. C.

Citation

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 "The officers and enlisted men of the First Marine Division, Reinforced on August 7 to 9, 1942, demonstrated outstanding gallantry and determination in successfully executing forced landing assaults against a number of strongly defended Japanese positions on Tulagi, Gavutu, Tanambogo, Florida, and Guadalcanal, British Solomon Islands, completely routing all the enemy forces and seizing a most valuable base and airfield within the enemy zone of operations in the South Pacific Ocean.
 "From the above period until 9 December 1942, this reinforced division not only held their important strategic positions despite determined and repeated Japanese naval, air and land attacks, but by a series of offensive operations against strong enemy resistance drove the Japanese from the proximity of the airfield and inflicted great losses on them by land and air attacks.
 "The courage and determination displayed in these operations were of an inspiring order."
 Pfc. Jackson, an elevator operator in civilian life, is a resident

of Seattle, Wash. He was inducted into the Army at Grand Forks, N. D. in February 1941, and trained at Camp Claiborne, La.
 The First Marine Division Reinforced, was led by Maj. Gen. Alexander A. Vandergrift, famed Marine officer.
 In addition to the citation bestowed on Thursday, Jackson wears the Combat Infantryman's Badge, three overseas service ribbons and the American Defense Service Ribbon.
 A similar citation to that which was received by Pfc. Jackson was also been granted Pvt. Glynn Box of 63d Div. Hq. Co. Pvt. Box was also a member of the First Marine Division Reinforced and saw action on Guadalcanal.
LOST
WRIST WATCH, 17-jewel gold Bulova with leather strap; this week near mess hall of Co. M, 253d Inf., or between mess hall and field quarters. Chaplain Saul Miller, 63d Div. Arty.
BOSTON (CNS)—Thieves broke into a local tavern, stole 25 cases of liquor, then carted it off in a hearse they stole from a South Boston funeral parlor.

Veterans Freed From Re-Induction

WASHINGTON—National Selective Service took steps this week to halt the re-induction of veterans who have been honorably discharged from military service, and ordered the abolishment of "limited service" for draft registrants, according to The Associated Press.

In still another change in regulations, draft headquarters ruled that men of 38 and over henceforth will be placed in Class 4-A, instead of 1-A-H. The change places men 38 and up in the same category as those 45 and older, and means they cannot be called for service without a blanket change in draft procedure for the entire 38-45 group.

All servicemen discharged under honorable conditions will be retained in Class 1-C, local boards were notified. This is the classification given all men who enter the Army and Navy. Continuation in 1-C after discharge means that veterans will not be called again since they are in the eyes of selective service, still in the armed forces.

Previously, only registrants who had been discharged for physical or mental disability were retained in Class 1-C, all other discharged men being classified into other groups.

Although there is no official estimate of the number of men called up for service after a previous discharge, there are known to have been cases in which men discharged for physical reasons have been re-inducted after a new medical examination.

New Law Rescinds Forfeiture of Pay

WASHINGTON—Legislation repealing the law providing for forfeiture of pay because of contraction of venereal disease recently was signed by President Roosevelt.

The new law repeals section two of an Act approved May 17, 1926, which provides for the forfeiture of pay of persons in the military and naval service of the United States who are absent from duty on account of the direct effects of venereal disease due to misconduct.

It also amends Veterans Regulation No. 10 to define line of duty and misconduct for pension and compensation purposes.