

# Blood and Fire

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## Red Cross Girls Are Busy Group Cheering GI Joes

One of the busiest group of people in the Blood and Fire Division is the American Red Cross Girls. These seven girls are continually making the rounds, trying to cheer homesick GI's and chase away little clouds of gloom that settle over the doughboys of the division as they contemplate life in the Pacific. Each one of these girls represent a different type of American womanhood and one of them is sure to be just like your big sister, or the girl friend, whose picture you have in your billfold.

Helen Stafford, who is in charge of this merry troupe, and hails from San Francisco, Calif., worked in a department store before volunteering for the Red Cross, soon after the Pearl Harbor disaster. She served in the Red Cross Motor Corps in San Francisco and came overseas in November of 1944, and immediately began serving donuts to the boys of the 14th Armored Division. Helen joined the 63rd in March of this year and says, "the 63rd Div. is the best and the fellows in it are the best friends I have, in fact, I'd go any place in the world with any of them."

Eleanor, the little brown haired girl with the pleasing personality, was christened Eleanor Martha Jones in Gloversville, N.Y., but she lived in New York City a long time while working for Southeastern Cottons, Inc. She attended high school in Troy, N.Y. and Smith College in North Hampton, Mass. Eleanor told me, "Confidentially, I don't know about other GI's because I've only been around doughboys. But it wouldn't make much difference to me because to me it's a civilian army and I always think of each GI as being a civilian... the army doesn't bother me much!"

"Won't you have a cup of coffee?" asked Joan, as I interrupted her breakfast. Of course I couldn't refuse... especially with girls like Joan Eleanor, and Birdie sitting across the breakfast table from me. It was darned good coffee too. Each one of these girls serve coffee and donuts at 1500 every afternoon in the Service Club in Bad Mergentheim and every afternoon and evening one of girls is present in the room downstairs to talk to you and make you feel at home, and each day, approximately 4,500 donuts and 2,000 cups of coffee are served over the counter to the waiting soldiers.

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## Composer of Popular Ballad in 63d Band

Among the newer members of the fighting 63rd Division is T/5 John Forte, formerly of the 36th Division, who wrote the ever popular ballad, "Somewhere On Via Roma".

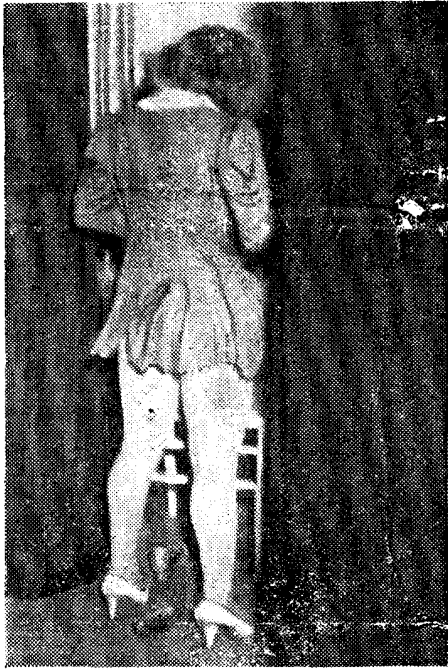
This song was written at a time when the American troops were experiencing their most bitter fighting of the Italian Campaign, and won instantaneous success with the GI's, from the doughboys fighting in their mountain foxholes to the khaki clad PBS troops, who walked with their WAC girlfriends to the movies and cafes along Via Roma in Naples. John Forte got his inspiration for the song while pulling guard duty one night on cold, windy Mount Maggiore, better known as "Million Dollar Hill".

Humphrey Bogart heard the music during a USO tour and immediately realized the possibilities of the lovely song. Mr. Bogart took the music back to the States with him and Hoagy Carmichael, composer of Stardust, started plugging it every chance he had.

Forte has since, received several offers for the music, one came from Hollywood, as they wished to use "Somewhere on Via Roma", in the Ernie Pyle picture, "GI Joe".

T/5 Forte is now a trumpet player, guitarist and composer, in the 63rd Division Band and is devoting much time to the "Harmony Course" in the Division I & E Program.

THE FRONT LOOKS GOOD TOO



Petite Peggy Alexander, dancer and singer with "All American Varieties", USO show appearing in the 63d Div. this week, is caught unsuspectingly by Blood and Fire photographer while making a quick change of costume just off stage. Nice work, this photographic racket!

## 21 Men to Attend School in Biarritz

A quota of 21 men has been allotted the 63d Division to attend Army University Center No. 2 at Biarritz, France for classes beginning 20 August 1945.

Courses, which are of eight weeks' duration, will include two men for Agriculture, five men for Commerce, two men each for Education and Engineering, one man each for Fine Arts and Journalism and four men each for Liberal Arts and Science.

Attendance is restricted to men with 85 points or more with a minimum of a high school education. Attendance will not delay return to the United States.

Selection of men to attend the courses was made today (Saturday) at the Division I & E Officer from applicants throughout the Division.

## 63d Band "Hot Licks" Hot Sports in Paris

Twenty-two members of the 63d Division Band left this morning (Saturday) for Paris where they will spend one or two weeks furnishing "hot licks" in night spots for officers and enlisted men on pass, wounded men in hospitals and playing a thirty-minute spot on the radio over the Armed Forces network.

Tec 4 Carlton Wiggins of the 63d, Special Service Section, will accompany the musicians as master of ceremonies.

## 533 Men in 255th Attend I&E Classes

A total of 533 men of the 255th Infantry began attending classes last Monday under the guidance of 21 instructors of 20 subjects as the regimental Information and Education program got under way.

Numerous school houses taken over for the classes have been remodeled, rooms painted and in some cases, new furniture has been installed.

Available courses include electricity for beginners, radio for beginners, small business management, salesmanship, book-keeping, shop mathematics, review arithmetic, business arithmetic, successful poultry management, cooks and bakers school, American government, American history, business english, psychology and life, livestock production, auto mechanics, photography, spoken French, commercial art and machine shop training.

## Southern Germany-Austrian Tours Arranged for 63d Div.

Groups of 35 Leaving Daily for Six-Day Visit to view  
Scenic and Historic Spots

"The world's foremost megalomaniac, Adolf Hitler, lived at the top of Berchtesgaden Mountain at his Eagle's Nest and while American soldiers stand and look out the huge glass windows of this nest one can see five different countries. If you looked out those windows for an extended period of time you'd get the idea you too, could rule the world. French officers who were looking out the windows at the time I did said they would go crazy looking at such a vast territory. The house, being the home of Hitler, would lead you to expect a luxurious set-

ting that could not be surpassed but actually it is just a small stone cottage consisting of three rooms atop Berchtesgaden. The furnishings are very cheap and gawdy." These words were spoken by T/5 Seymour Bernhardt of Hq Div Arty after returning from the tour over Southern Germany and Austria, with Captain Vernon C. Hines, also of 11q Div Arty.

Capt. Hines has been working on a plan whereby all the 63d Division could make a tour of this nature and see the beauties and points of interest of the European countries. Accompanied by an officer from each of the Infantry Regiments, 1st Lt Francis E. Donovan, 255th Inf, 1st Lt William H. Hale, 254th Inf, and 2nd Lt William R. Jones, Jr, 253rd Inf, Captain Hines made a survey of these points and made arrangements for members of the 63rd Division to make this tour.

With Bad Mergentheim as a starting point, the tour will take six days and will cover approximately 800 miles. A few of the things you can expect to see are, Munich, Prien on the Chiem See, Salzburg, Berchtesgaden, Hitler's Eagle's Nest, Brenner Pass, Innsbruck, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, the summer palace of the Mad King of Bavaria and Ober-Ammergau-scene of the famous Passion Play Theatre. This trip would cost hundreds of dollars if you viewed them as a civilian, and many of the places would not be available for the curious eyes of aforementioned civilians.

So put on your ETO Jacket, roll your bedroll and take your swimming trunks, cameras, field glasses, sun glasses, and get ready for the time of your lives when your turn comes to make the tour. It won't take long because each tour will take 33 enlisted men and 2 officers. The first tour left the Division area August 3rd and each day thereafter a new group, from a different Regiment will leave.

Sgt Walter Brown, Hq Div Arty, and Pfc Earl Hager of the 255th Inf enthusiastically agree that it is the finest trip that can be offered by anyone at any time, or any place.

## Current Broadway Musical Hit Here for Week's Run

The current Broadway musical hit, "Up In Central Park", which will be presented to the men of the 63d Division through Friday of next week, opened at Bad Mergentheim last night (Friday) with a performance meeting with the enthusiastic approval of the audience.

Boasting a fine cast including Paul Hankson, one of the top dancers of the United States, George Young, a leading singer at Radio City Music Hall, and Marjorie Cooke, soprano who has appeared in many Broadway musicals, the show has an excellent score by the renowned Sigmund Romberg.

The performance Sunday, August 5, will be for the Division's three infantry units and 63d Division Artillery while beginning Monday, August 6, attendance will be limited to personnel of units as indicated below:

Monday, August 6 — 253d Infantry.  
Tuesday, August 7 — 254th Infantry.  
Wednesday, August 8 — 255th Infantry.  
Thursday, August 9 — 63d Division Artillery.  
Friday, August 10 — Sp Trs., 363d Med. Bn., 263d Engr. Bn.

## 254th Dedicates Field to Former Member



Shown above is Bisinger Field dedicated by Company "I", 254th Infantry, to the memory of the late Staff Sergeant Albert Bisinger, first member of Company "I" to make the supreme sacrifice when he was killed in action while leading his squad in an attack near the Weiss River in France. The field is located at Nassau, Wurttemberg, Germany.

## Music Lovers Hear Well Known Organist

Music lovers in the Weikersheim area were recently treated to some of the finest in classical and sacred music, played by the dean of organists in this part of Wurttemberg. Fritz Lehmann, opera and symphony director Lehmann presented a program on 29 July at the church in Weikersheim.

The church organ, reputedly one of the finest in the division area, is known as a "baroque" organ. It is purposely built without a swell box and certain modern stops in order to give a better rendition of "polyphonic" music. This is the type written by Bach and his contemporaries, full of deep, resonant tones.

Lehmann's concert at Weikersheim included the following: Bach's "Prelude and Fugue in G-Minor", "Fantasia in G-Major", and a chorale, "Awake, Awake". Also included were selections by Pachelbel, Strungk, Kerll, and Buxtehude.

Next Sunday, 5 August, Lehmann will give another concert at the Evangelical Church in Wertheim at 1700 hours.

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## The Inquiring Photographer

By Pfc. L. A. JACKSON

**THE QUESTION:** Do you intend to take advantage of the G I Bill of Rights in any way?

T/Sgt. WILLIAM M. GANTT, 254th Inf. Yes. I think it has a lot of good points, but the only one I will be interested in will be the loan part, although I understand it involves a lot of the usual army red tape, which is nix good. But anyhow that will give me some time to take the much needed rest, you know. I was in the dry-cleaning business before I came in, and that will be what I will go back to I had to sell out, and I will need around \$1000.00 to get started again. That is to buy equipment etc. And if possible, I can use the rest of what they will let me have to help build a home on. When will I start? Well, I intend to start the loan as soon as I get out.



1st Lt. WILLIAM W. SHIELDS, 254th Inf. Yes. I plan to take a small part of the loan to help build a home. I won't need all of it however. As things look, however I'm not even sure if I'm not even sure that I understand some of the officers that went back with over a hundred point didn't get out. While we are speaking of it, I want to say that I think the G I Bill is a fine thing. The school part is really good. Of course, the average fellow should realize he isn't the only one, there are millions of otherk you know. However I don't think the men are worrying very much, we Americans always get long. I even remember seeing a steamheated foxhole.



M/Sgt. L. E. STAULCUP, 363d Medics. No. I think I am getting a little too old for school, anyhow I am planning on going back to the old job. As for the loan I have to have some backing to get it, and if I have backing, I don't need a loan, do I? What they should do is pay us more mustering-out pay. That \$300.00 stinks. Why it would only take two more months of the war debt to pay a little more, and I think it would be worth it. I wouldn't mind helping to pay that two months, to get a little more mustering out pay.



Pvt. ALFERD TROTTIER, 116 Evac. No. I don't think so. I intend to go back to my old job. I was dying cloth in a plant in New Hampshire, and I think I would like to go at it again. However I think later on, I would like to buy some of the surplus war material. Namely a jeep. I have a small farm, and I think it would come in handy. I've been reading about the use jeeps on the farms. I'm married and have one child, so the main thing is to get to work.



1st Lt. RAYMOND W. PRITZKE, 763rd Ord. Well, I would like to take out the loan but I understand it is pretty hard, and takes quite a while. But, I do intend to go to school though. I want to go to a business college in Chicago for a course in Advanced Traffic. I was in that before. The course I want includes Traffic in Rail, highway, etc. I hope some day to wind up as an industrial Traffic Manager.



# NEWS AROUND the DIVISION

## NEWS FROM 255TH INFANTRY

The NCO Club of Hq. Co. 3d Bn., opened Friday, 27 July. Not having received its ration of state-side stuff as yet, the elbow benders had to celebrate with wine and beer (the word is used in a liberal sense). The opening judged by the line at the tomato juice the next day was a big success.

As the supply of drinks was disappearing and the conversations growing we thought it a good idea to find out what the trend of talk was so we approached two of the zebras to record their words for posterity. Finding a soft job was the topic and the following was overheard:

"The tennis shop in Bad Mergentheim is quite a racket," said Staff Sergeant Bryl.

Sergeant McIntyre said "Maybe, but there might be a lot of strings attached".

Oh, brother, any more like that and we'll close the joint.

There aren't many of the old familiar faces left in the 255th Medics since the Division is being broken up. Some are gone forever and some we'll see back in the states or Tokyo. The states we hope. Long faces and false rumors add to the discomfort of the few old timers who are still left in the outfit. Long faces because their destination is unknown. The few hardships we have encountered in this theater will enable us to act with more caution and respect for future enemy warfare.

The detachment is scattered among the small towns and villages and far from the unit's central set up. We manage to meet quite often and have a real "bitch" session.

As a whole the 255th Medics have come through with many honors. Some "strut" Purple Hearts, Bronze Stars and a few Silver Stars. We are all proud of our two battle stars and our unit citation. All are waiting patiently for our Combat Medics Badge and the much needed \$10.00 pay boost.

Proudly we bore the nicknames bestowed upon us by our comrades in combat. Now things have changed and so

have the names from "Doc" back to "Pill rollers". Most prefer "Doc". The point system has made psychos out of strong combat men and those short of the critical 85 are sweating out their future by continual liquoring and bitching about this man's Army.

Fraternization or non-fraternization does not affect the men of the Detachment because we have been fortunate in receiving several passes to different places in Europe to satisfy the thirst for women and other pleasures.

Although we bemoan the loss of our buddies and officers, we have been fortunate in receiving high type officers an EM to replace those lost by this deactivation.

## Quartermaster Notes

The athletic field being used by the 63rd Quartermaster Company has been named Edwin J. Layne Memorial Field in honor of the late Private First Class Edwin Layne of this organization who was killed several weeks ago in the line of duty. The large sign erected at the field was painted by Corporal Pancho Anziani while the carpentry was done by Private First Class Carl Gable.

Corporal Bob Handel of the 63d QM Co. is the proud father of a baby girl and both mother and daughter are doing very well from the last report back in the garden state of Jersey. Bob says the new Hand will be Roberta Tec 4 Donald "Doc" Stoops, QM medic, is also the father of a baby girl, his first child and both daughter and mother are doing well back in the Windy City. The girl will be named Marian.

The company had the distinction of another "first" when all authorized members of the unit were awarded the Good Conduct Medal on Monday 30 July.

In a change of officers in the company Second Lieutenant Howard Mullady is the Division Supply Officer, Captain John I. Redman is the Purchasing and Contracting Officer and First Lieutenant Edward W. Gallagher, who hails from Chicago, is company commander.

## 63Hq EM Enjoy Varied Recreational Facilities

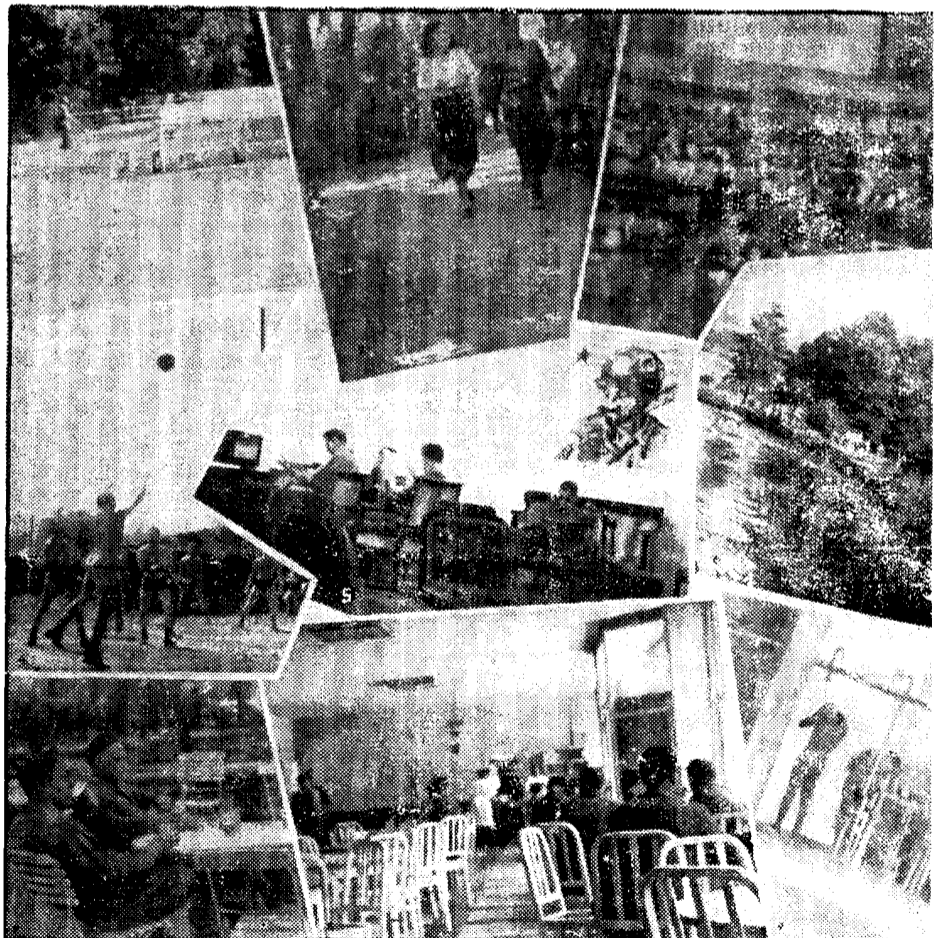


Photo by Jackson

Shown here are the places of amusement and recreational facilities provided for the boys at Division Headquarters. Top, Left to Right: GI plays tennis on courts near Division CP; Soldier discusses personal problems in "Public" Park in Bad Mergentheim; The fellows wait patiently for the evening movie to start. Center, Left to Right: Volley Ball proves popular to boys; Mauldin's Joe looks disgustedly upon the quiet scene in the Reading Room of the Recreational Palace; The GIs and Germans swim in the river near Mergentheim Park. Bottom, Left to Right: Two lonesome soldiers sit on the terrace at Recreational Palace with mug of beer; The boys get their ration of coffee and doughnuts every afternoon in the same building. Just

## The Chaplain's Corner

By WILLIAM E. PATRICK, Division Chaplain

"The mills of the gods grind slowly, And they grind exceeding small."

The San Francisco Conference was a remarkable gathering. Bishop Edward L. Parsons of California describes the conference as follows: "It is an effort to assure security; it is a coming together of peoples who have been frightened into action by a terrible world upheaval" it is a great power project to assure stability in trade; it is an effort to make the business of getting rich a bit safer; it is an effort on the part of honorable and far-sighted men to establish a law-governed world in the place of one governed by jungle ethics, a gathering to safeguard the freedom of independence of the small and weak."

The Charter has many defects and imperfections. The national self-interest of the countries involved naturally presents many complex problems as each country rightly desires to protect its own interests. Idealistically, however, it represents a step in the right direction, a movement towards better international relationships by a unity of purpose and a unity of action.

Cynics and pessimists will scoff and sneer. "It can't be done, we have wars and always shall have wars; peace is an idle dream". God forbid! Naturally because of the complexity and the overlapping of interests there will be disappointments galore. Remember that "Rome was not built in a day".

died in this war. Divisions with a longer time at the front lost many more. What a useless sacrifice of fine young manhood if these men have died in a mere struggle for power politics! Let us earnestly pray that the nations who sign this great document are not doing it with their tongues in cheek, but that through and beyond God is working his purpose out and guiding men into the paths of permanent peace.

## Schedule of Religious Services

Services at Division Headquarters, Bad Mergentheim.

Protestant Services: Sunday, 0830 — Holy Communion (Episcopal) at Castle Church.

0900 — General Protestant Services at Castle Church.

1500 — Christian Science Service at Hirsch Hotel.

Catholic Mass, Sunday, 0930 — Holy Mass at Church near DAC.

Note: Confessions at DAC Church Saturdays, 1800 to 2000. Daily Mass at 1700 (Monday to Friday).

Jewish Services: 1930 Friday — Synagogue, 15 Holzapfelgasse.

1000 Saturday — Synagogue.

SPOT WISDOM: "A wise man will hear,

# SPORTSLANTS

By Pfc. Sidney Tatz

We hear that pitcher Mc Carthy, of the 3d Recon softball team, pitched a no hit, no run game against Signal Co., on Monday, July 30. The final score incidentally, was 4-0, in favor of the Recon team. Congratulations, old chap. That's really putting them over the plate.

The trials and tribulations of Lt. Dooley, of the 253d Inf., in trying to complete his boxing ring, have the sympathy of this column. It seems that the lieutenant finally got the floor of the ring completed, but now he needs ropes. Keep trying, lieutenant, you'll make it.



The Division baseball team is showing some form in daily workouts. I have an idea that our boys are going to give a fine account of themselves in the second half of the Southern League baseball season which opens this weekend.

We think that the boys of the Division softball team deserve a word of praise, for the team, which was composed wholly of the "B" Btry, 863rd F.A. Bn. softball team, competed against teams made up of the best players in their respective divisions. You did a swell job, fellows.

## 254th Regt. Nine Wins Over "F" Co., 5-0

The 254th Inf. baseball team ran their string of victories up to eleven by defeating "F" Co. of the 254th, 5-0. The hard hitting nine has only one loss chalked up against them, and that defeat was handed them by the 1184th MPs on July 24, when the "Police" ball players won, 4-2. But on July 26, the "White" team avenged their lone loss by trouncing the 1184th, 2-2, in a return engagement.

Some of the victims of the smooth playing 254th team are: 745th Tankers, 2nd Air Depot, 18th Inf., and others. A picture of the team appears on this page.

## 253d to Hold Boxing Bouts at Wertheim

Lt. Dooley, 253d Athletic Officer, announced that a series of boxing matches would be held at Wertheim, Monday night, 300, August 6, to determine in which classes applicants for the regimental boxing team would fight.

Four classes have been set up, and the rules governing the classes are:

1st Class: For boxers with pro or semi-pro experience.

2nd Class: For men with some experience.

3rd Class: For men who show promise.

4th Class: For inexperienced men.

The bouts are under the supervision of Sgt. Seymour Friedman, of "L" Co. A wild and woolly evening is expected, and the fans will see plenty of action.

## 63d C. G. Hits One Back in Volley Ball Game



Photo by Jackson

The officers take a little time off from their duties to indulge in a game of volleyball at the courts near the Division CP. Brig. Gen. Harris (second from left) gets ready to bounce the ball back to his opponents in the fast moving game.

## Softball Standings

253d Inf. 1st Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"C" Co	5	2	.714
"A" Co	4	2	.666
Hq Co	4	3	.571
"D" Co	3	3	.500
"B" Co	3	3	.500
Officers (Bn)	0	6	.000

2nd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hq Co	3	1	.750
"Hq" Co	3	1	.750
"G" Co	3	2	.600
"E" Co	2	2	.500
"F" Co	0	5	.000

3rd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"M" Co	8	2	.800
Hq Co	6	2	.750
"L" Co	7	3	.700
"I" Co	4	6	.400
"K" Co	4	6	.400
Officers (Bn)	0	9	.000

Special Units			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Reg Hq Co	3	1	.750
Cn Co	2	2	.500
At Co	0	2	.000

255th Inf. 1st Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"C" Co	1	0	1000
"A" Co	1	0	1000
Hq Co	0	1	.000
"B" Co	0	1	.000

2nd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"E" Co	4	0	1000
"G" Co	3	1	.750
Hq Co	2	3	.400
"H" Co	1	2	.333
"F" Co	0	4	.000

3rd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"M" Co	3	0	1000
"I" Co	3	1	.750
Hq Co	2	2	.500
"K" Co	2	2	.500
"L" Co	0	5	.000

Special Units			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Cn Co	4	0	1000
AT Co	3	1	.750
Hq & Hq	0	2	.000

Officers League			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Green	3	0	1000
Blue	1	1	.500
Red	0	2	.000
White	0	1	.000

254th Inf. 1st Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"A" Co	1	0	1000
"C" Co	1	0	1000
"B" Co	0	1	.000
"D" Co	0	1	.000

2nd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"H" Co	3	0	1000
"G" Co	2	1	.666
Hq Co	1	2	.333
"E" Co	1	2	.333
"F" Co	1	3	.250

3rd Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"L" Co	3	0	1000
"M" Co	2	1	.666
Hq Co	2	2	.500
"I" Co	0	1	.000
"K" Co	0	3	.000

Special Units			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sv Co	1	0	1000
Medics	1	0	1000
Hq Co	1	0	1000
AT Co	1	1	.500
Cn Co	0	3	.000

718th F.A.A. Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"B" Btry	3	1	.750
Sv Btry	3	1	.750
Hq Btry	2	2	.500
"C" Btry	1	3	.250
"A" Btry	1	3	.250

861st F.A. Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"B" Btry	4	1	.800
"A" Btry	3	1	.750
"C" Btry	1	4	.200
Hq Btry	1	5	.166

862nd F.A. Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
"A" Btry	4	0	1000
Sv Btry	3	1	.750
"B" Btry	2	3	.400
"C" Btry	1	3	.250
Hq Btry	0	3	.000

## Red Cross to Conduct Swim Course Aug. 6-11

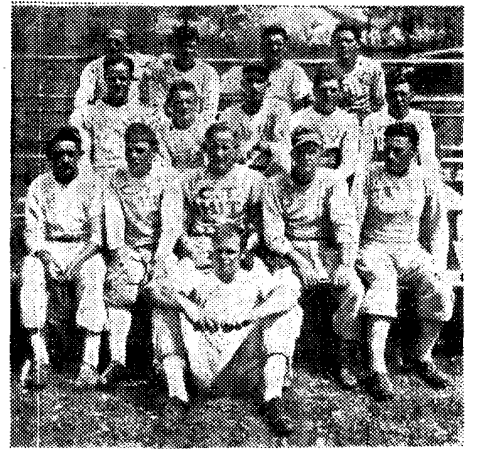
The 7th Army has announced that from August 6 until August 11, they will conduct a series of courses in Life Saving, Red Cross Instructor Training, Water Safety, and Swimming, at the Ladenberg Pool, Ladenberg, Germany.

The men who attend these courses must be carefully selected according to the following order of preference:

- Those who already hold Red Cross water safety instructors' certificates.
- Those who hold Red Cross senior life saving certificates.
- In absence of any Red Cross training, men who are strong swimmers and life guards.

Leadership qualifications and teaching aptitudes are necessary attributes for applicants. Upon the successful completion of the course, the student will be qualified to teach beginner swimming, intermediate and advanced swimming, life saving, water safety in all its phases, and war time functional swimming. The Division is allowed two students for these courses, who will be picked through the aid of Unit Athletic Officers.

## 254th Diamond Nine



Seated on ground—Pvt. Sam Mauns, pitcher. First row: T/5 George A. Mendez, 1st base; T/Sgt. Robert J. Bridge, catcher; Pvt. Michael A. Kurek, pitcher; Cpl. John Petro, outfielder; Lt. Orville G. Barr, pitcher. Second row: S/Sgt. Meyer Lehowitz, outfielder; Sgt. Robert G. Portune, outfielder; Sgt. Joe H. Jones, pitcher; Pfc. Arthur F. Collard, shortstop; Sgt. Jean Sullivan, 3d base. Third row: Pfc. Joseph Montesi, 2d base; John J. Famularo, outfielder; Sgt. Francis R. Young, catcher; Pfc. George P. Bridgum, outfielder.

## 63d Div. Loses Game to 106th Nine, 11-5

Faulty fielding cost the 63d Division baseball team the game against the 106th Division nine by a score of 11 to 5 played at the winner's field on Tuesday of this week. The game was the last one of the first half of the baseball season.

	R	H	E
63d Div.	5	9	6
106th Div.	11	10	2

Batteries: 63d Div., Cincent and Petersen. 106th Div., Maloney and Copeland.

863rd F.A. Bn.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hq Btry	5	1	.833
"B" Btry	5	2	.715
"C" Btry	3	3	.500
Hq (DA)	3	4	.429
"A" Btry	2	4	.333
Sv Btry	1	5	.167

263rd Engrs.			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
H & S	0	1	1000
Co "C"	1	0	1000
Co "A"	0	1	.000
Co "B"	0	1	.000

## Male Call

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

## And He Used To Welcome Cover



WE BROUGHT YOU FROM THE CANTEEN TO THIS FASHION SHOW TO OBTAIN A SOLDIER'S REACTION ON CURRENT MODES! A STENOGRAPHER WILL TAKE DOWN YOUR REMARKS...

HE KEEPS REPEATING... AND IN ITALY I USED TO COMPLAIN THAT IT WAS JUST ONE MOUNTAIN AND ONE VALLEY AFTER ANOTHER.

