

## A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The DEADEYES of the 96th Division during the year 1944 have gone into initial action against the enemy on Leyte Island in the campaign of Philippine Liberation and have successfully sustained their baptism of fire, and,

WHEREAS, the forementioned DEADEYES have slogged thru bottomless mud and trackless jungle with such soldierly distinction and efficiency as to merit the admiration and approbrium of the High Command, and,

WHEREAS, The DEADEYES in this effort have despatched a total of 7,341 of the enemy, which in conjunction with Naval, Air and other forces of the SWPA has resulted in giving the Japanese the greatest defeat that they have ever suffered in the course of their history, and,

WHEREAS, we pay tribute to our departed comrades who have given their all to achieve this great victory and whose brave deeds have been forever inscribed in our hearts, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that we rededicate ourselves to the greater tasks that lie ahead in the fight to preserve and defend our freedom, our institutions and our ideals; that we further perfect ourselves in the ways of war in order that a greater vengeance and quicker final victory may be exacted of the treacherous and dishonorable enemy; and that we implore the Almighty God to strenghten our spirit and help us to be true to our cause and to each other.

Subscribed to at Leyte, P.I., this first day of January 1945, by,

THE 96TH INFANTRY DIVISION

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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## YANKS HOLD GERMANS EVERY POINT STABLE

\*\*\*Dec 30--Determined American doughfeet have driven back the Nazi prong near the Meuse River for a distance of three miles. Instead of being four miles from the Meuse River, the Germans are now seven miles. The Meuse is a strategic barrier to the road leading into northern France. If the Germans had advanced to the Meuse, the great Allied port of Antwerp and even Paris itself would have been threatened. A Paris dispatch says that the American armies have surrounded a large enemy force between Celles and Rochefort. It is possible that the Germans in this northern sector have overextended themselves and are being trapped by the Allies. Elsewhere along the northern flank of the breakthrough, the Americans beat off heavy attacks to hold the Nazis to a standstill. The narrow Allied relief column to Bastogne was being held and widened.

Coming piecemeal from the western front are dispatches giving glimpses of the Americans' courage in holding Bastogne. It is a story of dogged infantrymen knocking out Nazi tanks with their bazookas from muddy fox holes, a story of cooks, clerks and riflemen. The German siege of Bastogne which had trap-

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WELL SON, I'VE BEEN HAVING  
SUCH A WONDERFUL TIME  
THAT I HATE TO LEAVE.  
MAYBE YOU CAN FINISH UP!



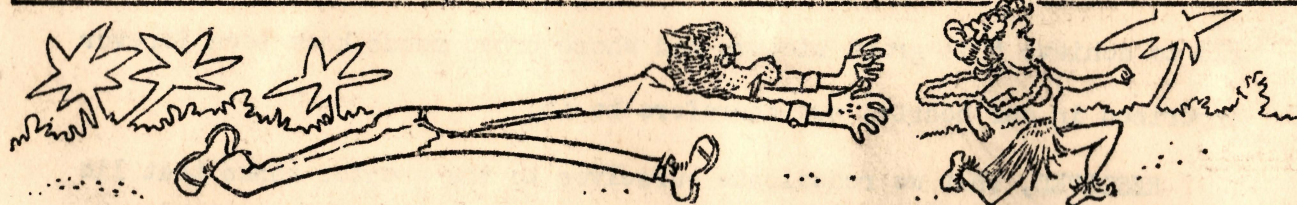
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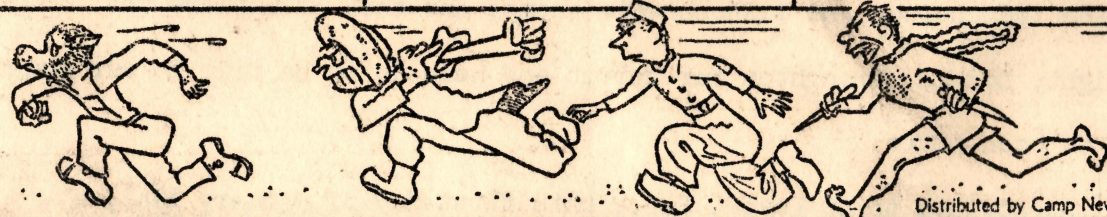
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## ARMY ENTERS MAIL ORDER BUSINESS!

WASHINGTON, D.D.—29 Dec—Operation of Montgomery, Ward and Company in seven cities has been taken over by the United States Government. The cities are Chicago, Detroit, St Paul, Denver, Portland, San Rafael, California and Manaca, N.Y. Immediate direction of the plants was assumed by the Army, with Major General Joseph Byron named Military Manager. Byron is the Director of the Army's Special Service Division.

Reason for the shut down, as stated in a Presidential order, was the company's persistent refusal to abide by terms of War Labor Board directives to end labor disputes involving 12,000 employees. Sewell Avery, Company head, said, "The Government's action is a violation of the constitution". Congress has given the President no power to take over non-war business, he declared and asserted that Montgomery and Ward cannot obey commands of those who have no legal power to give them and who are seeking to deprive the company of its constitutional rights.

But the government also had something to say concerning constitutional rights. Montgomery and Ward is engaged in the war effort because it produces and distributes articles and materials essential to the maintenance of the war economy. Such being the case, the company is obligated to follow the WLB directive, which it is doing at present.

### WASHINGTON.

\*\*\*Dec 30—The American government, through Sec. Of State Stettinius, announced that France will sign the Declaration of the United Nations January 1. Although she has long been an active unofficial member, France will then be officially part of the United Nations. At the same time it was announced that a French committee is studying methods of fitting the French-Russian alliance into the over-all security scheme outlined at Dumbarton Oaks.

### JAPS STRIKE AT MARIANNAS. DAMAGE LIGHT.

\*\*\*Dec 30—For the second time in three days, the Japs raided super-fortress bases on Saipan and Tinian. Whipped to a fury by the impressive formations of B-29's that have blasted Tokyo and Nagoya, they appeared in formations of five and two planes over our fields. Minor damage was inflicted on the American installations for which the Nips paid the price of two planes.

Although the Saipan attacks were intended to quell the B-29's which pound the Nipponese homeland, there was no percentage for the Japs in what amounted to a see-saw battle. The Japs were suspended on the high side of the see-saw, for in addition to the super-forts appearing over Honshu in ever increasing numbers, the Bonin based harrassers were having their ears slapped back sharply.

On the same day the Japs raided Saipan and Tinian, Liberators and Lightnings of our new Strategic Air Force in the Pacific bombed and strafed Iwo Jima. Flak was moderate, but the Americans shot down (Cont'd on page five.)





LETTER FROM HOME (Cont'd from page six.)

not yet felt it safe enough to risk the taxpayers' money by coming this far forward, I find it necessary to remit in the only cash available, captured Japanese occupation currency.

You will note that the value of my remittance is ten Pesos, which is equivalent to five American Dollars. Therefore, and I quote your letter of the 20th I "must ask that you send immediately" a remittance of \$1.94 to cover this overpayment.

Very truly yours,  
/s/Sgt A. D. Dubin

NAZI WESTERN FRONT COMMANDER  
COMMITTS SUICIDE.

\*\*\*DEC 30--The BBC broadcast from London said yesterday that the copy of the German High Command order of August 31st confirmed Von Kluge's suicide. To quote the German publication, "In view of depressing responsibilities for the outcome of the Normandy battle, General Von Kluge resigned as commander of the western front and subsequently committed suicide. Further comments on this issue is banned". General Von Kluge had relieved Von Rundstedt as supreme commander of the western front last summer. After Kluge's debacle in Normandy, Von Rundstedt was returned as commander.

MITSCHER PREDICTS CLASH WITH JAP FLEET

\*\*\*Dec 30--Vice Admiral M. A. Mitscher anticipates another big fight with the Japanese surface fleet. Mitscher, who directed the Navy's air arm in the two battles of the Philippines, said: "They have reached the point where they'll throw everything in the fight. I think that in another year we should have their Navy pretty well cleaned up".

"In case the Japs refuse to come out and fight with their remaining surface fleet, we will be in a position to step in and clean them out where they are", concluded Mitscher.

NEW BURMA ROAD WILL OPEN SOON.

\*\*\*Dec 30--Back in Chunking from a trip to the border of Communist China, Lt Gen A. C. Wedemeyer, Commander of American Forces in China, said that the new land supply route between India and China is almost complete. He saw American road engineers working day and night to push through the road and gasoline pipeline that will succeed the old Burma Road.

Wedemeyer expressed confidence in the Chinese troops in Burma who had recently captured Cerfang and Manhis on the Tengchung-Myitkyina shortcut of the road. These troops were in good spirits and could give the Japs a sound thrashing. Already the Japs are fighting a rear guard action in Northern Burma and the Chinese are going to make further advances against them, said the General. He also revealed that there is an American advisor but warned that China must carry the main burden of war in her own country.

Driving southward along the Mandalay Railroad and Irrawaddy River in Central Burma, Allied troops gained steadily against light resistance. Gains of 20 miles were made in the Kanbalu vicinity.

The ultimate object of the Allied drive is the main Jap supply center of Manday and that city is now under threat of being cut off from the north and west. Its capture could cut the main Japanese supply line now facing the Allies in Burma.

In western Burma, the Port of Akyab, on the Bay of Bengal, is now only six miles away from Allied forces. They gained 30 miles in the past 14 days while driving toward Akyab and over-ran Jap positions on the tip of the Magwe River Peninsula, just across from the city.

It looks like trouble for the Jap Navy, whether it plays hide-and-go-seek or shoots the works on an all out smash at the American Fleet.

YANKS: (Cont'd from page one.)

ped thousands of Americans, had reached its seventh day. In spite of superior German artillery, the Nazis were never able to get infantry troops into the city, although large numbers of Germans died in the attempt. The only contact the American troops holding out in the city had with the outside were Allied air drops; more than 800 such drops were made supplying our troops with food and ammo.

On Christmas Day the Germans made their third assault against Bastogne. They also dropped Christmas cards on the Yanks urging them to "come on over boys, just three hundred yards from where you are, you will get a Christmas present". The German commander of the assault gave the Americans an ultimatum: "There is only one possibility to save the troops from annihilation; that is to honorably surrender. In order to think it over, the term of two hours will be granted beginning with the presentation of this note." The American reply to this note will go down history ranking with that of John Paul Jones. They returned it in 30 minutes. It was one word, double-spaced, twice underlined and followed by and followed by an exclamation point.

NUTS!

On the seventh day of the siege of Bastogne, an American relief column spearheaded by tanks neared the city. There was yet a large force of Nazis that had to be passed. Covered by a mighty barrage, the tanks thrust through the middle of the Nazis line and reached the beleaguered doughfeet.

SHAEF in Paris announced yesterday that the unsuccessful German seige of Bastogne, Belgium tied up the better part of five German Divisions. Some Allied officers estimated that the Nazis lost about 200 tanks in the battle for the town. One American tank destroyer knocked out seven enemy tanks in several minutes. It has now officially been determined that the Nazi counter-offensive on the western front was made by three German armies; this is about 20 divisions,

MARIANNAS: (Cont'd from page two.)

one Jap plane in the air and destroyed two on the ground. A Navy search plane also shot down an enemy bomber near the Bonins during the period.

Other Liberators hit ChiChi Island in the Bonins and scored a direct hit on a cargo vessel. Further south, fliers of the Marine Air Wing bombed and strafed enemy positions on Babelthaupt in the Palaus and bases in the Marshalls.

B-29 PILOTS FAVOR TOKYO FACTORIES.

\*\*\*Dec 30--Tokyo aircraft workers are having a rough time of it these days. General Arnold's men in the Super-fortresses especially fond of visiting the city's aircraft factories, are playing favorites with the day shifters. Yesterday, for the fifth time, the B-29's roared over the Tokyo industrial area during daylight hours and dumped large quantities of explosives on the Musashima Aircraft plant. Pilots and crewmen said they observed from 12 to 14 bomb flashes in the center of the factory area and presumed that some damage was done. Although General Arnold's headquarters has issued no statement on results of the raid, it can be assumed that even 12 to 14 B-29 Blockbusters could send a lot of spare plane parts flying over the Tokyo industrial area.

The Japs tried smoke to throw our boys off, but pilots and bombardiers said it did not cause them too much distraction. It is likely that when the smoke cleared the Japs themselves were distracted.

A SOLDIER OVERSEAS WROTE HIS WIFE AND SAID "SEND ME \$25 FOR RAZOR BLADES AND STUFF". SHE WROTE BACK AND SAID "I AM SENDING YOU 25¢ FOR BLADES AND YOUR STUFF IS HERE, HOME, WAITING."

or one quarter of a million men. The entire western front situation was again summed up by Secretary of War Stimson, who said, "Today the latest news from France is favorable, although the overall situation on the western front continues critical."



# TO THE INFANTRYMEN OF THE 96TH

The ships were anchored in the bay, the troops were all aboard.  
The days behind them had been gay, now battle-rumors soared.  
The time had come to face the foe, he was so close at hand,  
That the last few days seemed awfully slow before they hit the land.

The Navy shelled the beach before, the men were watching all that night.  
They'd hear the thunder and the roar, the flashes, too, were bright.  
Their thoughts that night aboard the ship were very far away,  
They'd grind their teeth and bite their lip-----Tomorrow was A-Day.

It was ten-hundred, Army time, the first waves hit the sand.  
Liberation then was at its prime, for Americans were on land.  
The troops moved fast across the plains, the enemy was driven back.  
From day to day they'd make new gains, till all his lines would crack.

And while the men would fight on land, the Navy'd do its job  
By bringing all they had on hand with help from every Gob.  
They hauled supplies at day and night, they labored on the beach.  
The troops would need the food to fight, they'd put it within reach.

While doughboys deep inside the land were suffering as brothers,  
With beds of foxholes dug in sand; the beaches had tents for others.  
The beach? It was a dream to them, they only knew of mud and rain.  
Their huts were just of leaf and stem, and water would not drain.

And many a night the doughboy sat up, their foxholes filled with rain,  
They'd use the water to fill their cup. Not one of them would complain.  
The people could say, "They're use to it!" "They've done it all their life."  
But all those boys were just doing their bit, they too, had a home and wife.

Yes, somewhere back in the good old States a mother or a sweetheart would pray.  
She'd sit up at night and cry while she waits for the one to come home to stay.  
and may, with God's help, that day be near, when the war and peace are both won.  
Then You'll find at some American pier, a doughboy, his job well done.  
(By Pvt Hans A. Kaufman,, 381st)

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DEAR SOLDIER:

Ain't you got no paper?  
Ain't you got no pen?  
Ain't you no envelope  
To put my letter in?  
Has ya lost my address?  
Lost my letters too?  
Don't ya know I'm wonderin'  
Why I ain't heard from you?  
Is ya mad or somethin'?  
Or maybe...digging a well?  
Is ya gonna write tonight?  
Ya is? Gee, that's swell!

Jack had money  
Jill had nil.  
Jack Married Jill  
So Jack had Jill.  
Jill went to Reno  
Now she's back.  
Jack has nothing  
But Jill has Jack

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"Is the Oak Leaf Cluster a new decoration"  
"Why no, Adam wore one."

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### LETTER FROM HOME.

Even on far distant Leyte, a GI cannot escape his debts at home. Arthur Dubin, company communications Sgt, received the following letter:

Atchison, Topeka and  
Sante Fe Rwy Company  
Chicago, Illinois  
September 20th, 1944

Arthur D. Dubin  
1 Sheldon Lane  
Highland Park, Illinois

Dear Sir:

On June 13th 1944, you presented to us a coach furlough form X177-4Rt, Number 13,807, purchased in Oceanside, from Chicago to Los Angeles, with the request that we change the class from a coach to an intermediate, account of you wishing to use tourist pullman.

In effecting this exchange we charged you \$26.80 plus \$12.21 tax. We

were informed by our auditor that the correct charge should have been \$29.46, plus \$12.61 tax. This results in an undercollection of \$2.66, plus \$.40 tax, or a total of \$3.06.

Inasmuch as we are compelled by law to collect only correct tariff rates for all tickets sold, must ask that you send us immediately, a remittance of \$3.06 to cover this undercollection.

Very truly yours,  
/s/ H. R. Landes  
Sante Fe Railway

Sgt Dubin, conscientiously wanting to pay his debts, replied as follows:

Philippine Islands  
23 December 1944.

Sante Fe Railway  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Please pardon the delay in my answer to your letter of Sept 20th, which refers to an underpayment on my part of \$3.06 for a ticket I purchased just before going overseas, but I received it only yesterday. It was found in an abandoned mail sack in the front line area. The mail orderly delivering that sack, I understand was wounded enroute to the front.

I appreciate your inconvenience, but regret that although you are compelled by law to collect correct tariff for all tickets sold, I am compelled by circumstances to make an unusual payment. Inasmuch as the Finance Dept has (Cont'd on page seven.)



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1 January 1945.

RESTRICTED  
DEADEYE DISPATCH

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## "WHEN A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY--"

We have all read or heard of the innumerable unique ways in which fellow soldiers in the Philippines have met with and liquidated the Jap, sending him happily on his way to his ancestral home (with a higher rank, we understand). It is the feeling of this writer that Pvt. David A. Yeomans, Co "G", 382d Inf had an experience with a Jap that would certainly rate a unique classification.

The morning of 23 December 1944 dawned clear and beautiful, a type of spring day at home that a "young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love." The romantic element of the day caught Yeomans unaware. Since the natives didn't look any whiter than they did on A-Day, he snatched up his pen and sat down to write that "girl that is waiting at home". But, the right atmosphere for such an epistle could not be found in a foxhole, especially with a latrine trench in sight. Yeomans, with pen and stationery in his hand along with his trusty carbine, departed from the company's perimeter and sought a shady and also more romantic setting for his letter. He spied a queenly coconut tree which gave forth abundant shade. Propping himself against the tree, he continued with his writing. Presently he heard a slight rustle in the tall kuani grass, but upon scrutiny he believed it to be only the breeze rustling the grass. Shortly, however, the noise was repeated and the alert Yeomans detected that no breeze was blowing. This dispelled the possibility of an element of Nature being the source of the disturbance. Yeomans immediately exchanged his pen and paper for his carbine and took up a position where he could advantageously observe the source of the noise. After a few minutes, ten feet from Yeomans' position, a brown-colored helmet came into view, followed by a yellowish-brown face pierced with slanted eyes. Receiving no reply when he called "who's there", Yeomans fired several rounds at the Jap who



"HMM! THIS SHOULD MAKE AN INTERESTING PARAGRAPH!"

had so rudely interrupted the letter to "his one and only". Upon investigation after the firing another "good" Jap was found, with a shot group in his chest that our assistant Division Commander would have been most proud of.

As yet, Yeomans is trying to figure out if his ignorant foe desired a lesson in personal correspondence, or were the Jap's intentions to attempt to kill him. The Jap was well armed with a rifle, ninety rounds of ammunition, a live hand grenade and a machette.

Pvt. Yeomans hails from 66 Clark St., Glen Ridge, N. J.

By-Lewis W. Perry, F/Sgt.

1 January 1945

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## "SWAMP-DRAINERS INC."

(321st Engr Bn to you.)

The road-building efforts of the 321st Engr Bn have recently been aided by the attachment of a platoon of colored dump truck drivers. Besides assisting the war effort with their principal job, which is wheeling rock from the quarry to the "Little Burma Road" (also known as Halloran's Highway, Route 203, and Sterner's Turnpike), the colored lads gave rise to a yarn which is fast becoming legend within the battalion. On the night of the recent paratroop attack a group of the dusky drivers were observing the low-flying Jap bombers and transports. Flak burst in a furious flurry all around the planes. Fifty calibers streaked their tracers skyward in a wall of flame. Still the Japs flew on. Observed one impressed driver,

"Mmmmmmm-mm! That must be some of them Jap soooey-side pilots."

"Yeah man", replied his equally impressed colleague, "But unfortunately ain't none of 'em committed yet."

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Our Bn CO, Lt Col Kelley, has been bemoaning the fact that he has not received any mail for weeks and weeks. Finally the spell was broken, and on the day after Xmas he received a lone package. Inside, among other things, and carefully wrapped as a gift from the folks at home, was a can of SPAM.

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Since A-Day, the 321st Engrs have built or maintained over 100 miles of roads, much of it involving construction across virgin swamps hitherto unexplored by man, carabao, or their lower forms of life, such as Japs.

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Today's DRIVE CAREFULLY lesson:

Demon-Driver Ray  
Is really here to stay.  
He slid off last December;  
He'll still be here in May.  
BURMA SHAVE.

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### TODAY'S GEOGRAPHY LESSON:

The following terrain study has been prepared at the request of three GI's named Moe. They enrolled in one of those USAFI courses in "World Geography". Then the War Department sent them back a nasty note stating that their applications were "not favorably considered" (Which means in English: 'The damn books are lost somewhere in the Pentagon Building'). Leaping into the breach, the S-2 Section of the 321st Engrs hastens to supply the following notes on the Philippines as a partial aid to the learning of the three studious GI's:

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: 1. An Archipelago in the Western Pacific, consisting of approximately 7000 islands ranging in size from LUZON, which is about the size of Ebbetts Field, to tiny BONGA-BONGA, which is only slightly larger than your October partial-pay. Recent aerial surveys have shown a startling increase in the number of islets, particularly in the Ormoc and Manila Bay areas. These islets appear not unlike the wreckage of sunken ships. (Gad! Maybe that's what they are--Ed.)

2. The archipelago is surrounded on the west by China, on the north by Admiral Halsey, on the east by Admiral Mitscher, and on the south by General MacArthur.

3. The climate is divided into three phases, namely (a) the wet season, which lasts 12 months, (b) the hot season, which occurs at the same time, and (c) the dry season, which occurred last Thursday from 1225 to 1400 hours, local war time.

4. FLORA: I once knew a blonde named Flora in Medford--whatta gal! (Oops, wrong flora) Flora is really a two-peso word for vegetable life, so let us get back to the subject at hand---and a very nice handful was Flora.

(1) Coconut palm--a tree from which come coconuts. Edible--ask the 383rd Inf.

(2) Nipa palm--the leaves are used by natives to build houses, and by GI's for covering foxholes.

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THE ROSE BOWL -- TENNESSE VS UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

(ANS)--The 30th annual Rose Bowl game--they don't count the 1902 Michigan-Stanford battle as a real Rose Bowl game--pits the Pacific Coast conference champions against the undefeated and once tied University of Tennessee.

It will be the Trojans' eighth appearance in the annual classic and they have yet to meet defeat. The Tennessee Volunteers are making only their second appearance. The first time was in 1940 when Southern California defeated them 14 to 0.

The Los Angeles eleven made their debut in the classic back in 1923 when they trounced a Penn State eleven 14 to 3. The Trojans came back to the Bowl in 1930 when they ran up the record score of the classic, murdering a Pitt team 47 to 14. In 1932 and 1933 the Trojans beat Tulane 21 to 12, and Pitt again 35 to 0. In 1939 and 1940 Southern Cal was again in the Bowl, beating Duke 7 to 3 and Tennessee 14 to 0. Last year the Trojans once more took the Pasadena Laurels with a 29 to 0 triumph over Washington University when wartime restrictions held the classic to a championship playoff between the Northern and Southern divisions of the conference.

While the Trojans have confined their post-season games to Rose Bowl competition, Tennessee is a veteran of three different bowls. The Volunteers beat Oklahoma 17 to 0 in the Orange Bowl in 1939, bowed to Southern Cal 14-0 in 1940 in the Rose Bowl, bowed to Boston College 19-13 in the Sugar Bowl in 1941, and beat Tulsa 14 to 7 in the Sugar Bowl in 1943.

This year Southern Cal brings a team to the bowl that is undefeated in nine games with two ties marring the record, one each with UCLA and California. In return engagements the Trojans shellacked California 32 to 0 and UCLA 40-13. Paced by Jim Hardy and George Callahan in the backfield, Southern Cal got hot in the middle of the season after a poor start and raced through to the Rose Bowl Bid. They tied UCLA 13-13 to open the season, then beat College of Pacific 18-6 and tied California 6-6. St. Mary's Proflight fell 6-0, then the Trojans got under way. Washington was beaten 38-7, St. Mary's 34-7, San Diego Naval 28-21, California 32-0 and UCLA 40-13.

Up on the front wall is where the Trojans have won most of their games. With All-American Johnny Ferraro anchoring the line at the left tackle, the Trojans have thrown back every threat to their supremacy. Russ Antles, a 200-pounder at center and the gigantic Johnny "Pee Wee" Pehar at right tackle, Bud Curtis and Willie Wall at guards and Don Hardy and Jim Callahan at ends make up a line that averages better

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SWAMPS-DRAINERS INC. (Cont'd from page 9)

(3) Poisonous plants--(a) the Nip-pus Snipus palm (now nearly extinct) which fires an Arisaki .25 Cal rifle at advancing GI's. Sometimes found to contain a small slant-eyed insect in its foliage. (b) the deadly SPAM tree, from whose branches hang the dreaded meat-like sustance fatal to man.

b. FAUNA: Another two-peso word meaning animal-life.

(1) Carabao--an amphibious bovine capable of crossing any type of terrain except that of Eastern Leyte.

(2) Fighting Cocks--very aggressive fowl which, nevertheless, always get killed by that insignificant little white rooster on which you didn't place your money.

(3) Gekko lizards--small reptiles which talk back to first sergeants.

5. The population of the islands consists of the Filipinos, a Malay race who derive their living from washing fatigue clothes and selling tuba; a few Spaniards, Germans, and one Swiss, who should have known better; and many Japs, a low type of Oriental who may or may not be members of the human race. Of late there has been considerable unrest among the last-named group, and many of them have emigrated with haste to the interlands of the Visayas, where they engage in hide-and-seek, hara-kiri, and other tribal games.

6. Agriculture is the main occupation of the islands. Forty percent of the land is covered with trees, 60% is under cultivation, and 90% is under water.

All in all, the Philippines are a very fine group of islands. Just think, where else can you get a shower, a steam bath, and a mud pack all at the same time.

(End of today's lesson. More will follow is requested by any of you six readers.)

"Bull" Dozer  
321st Engrs

RED ARMY IN BUDAPEST

\*\*\*Dec 30--Unlike the 36 hour news lag from the western front, there is plenty of late news from Hungary. Moscow announces that the Red Army has entered the city of Budapest and is fighting a bitter struggle. The Nazis are defending the city from street to street, and house to house. It appears that Budapest will have to be reduced as was Aachen, stone by stone. Budapest was partly in flames due to Russian shelling. The Russians say that the Germans defending the capital are putting up a suicidal resistance. As the Red Army airforce has control of the Hungarian skies, German transport planes can reinforce Budapest only by night. As the fight for Budapest was in progress, even more powerful columns of the Red Army had swung west and north of the city on a 35 mile front, 95 miles west of Vienna. It was reported that the Nazis are rushing completion of a defense line in Austria using more than 10,000 forced workers.

GREEK-BRITISH SETTLEMENT APPEARS NEAR

\*\*\*Dec 30--Although diminished fighting between British Tommies and ELAS troops still continued in Athens, a settlement appears probable. Prime Minister Churchill and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden has left for London. A BBC broadcast reports that Churchill and Eden are expected to urge King George II to create a temporary regency for Greece.

DRAFT CHANGES

(ANS)--Selective Service Headquarters has just announced that a "much larger" proportion of older men will be inducted into the armed forces after Feb. 1.

Boards were told that men between the ages of 26 and 37 whose jobs are not in the best interests of the war effort should be put into LA and placed near the top of the list for induction. These men will be called up right after volunteers and "delinquents"--those who violate draft regulations.



## BOB HOPE WINS!

(ANS)--Bob Hope romped in an easy fourth-time winner as radio's "Champion of Champions" in the ninth annual poll of newspaper radio editors and critics of the United States and Canada, conducted by Motion Picture Daily, a trade publication. The smiling, Cleveland-born air and screen star was again voted "Best Comedian on the Air", and his program was designated "The Best Comedy Show on the Air".

Bing Crosby decisively displaced Jack Benny for second place on the mythical list of "Champion of Champions", and Benny fell back to fifth this year. Crosby was third in the 1943 poll. That position this year went to Cecil B. DeMille's "Radio Theatre", and "Radio Hall of Fame" finished fourth.

Crosby again took top honors as "Best Popular Male Vocalist" and as "Best Master of Ceremonies". While no figures were released, Frank Sinatra was described as "far behind Crosby in this year's voting" for second place as popular vocalist. Dick Haymes, voted "Most Promising Star of Tomorrow" in the 1943 poll, was third in the vocalist balloting.

Clifton Fadiman of "Information Please" and Phil Baker of "Take It Or Leave It," moved in over Don Ameche and Milton J. Cross, who held second and third positions respectively in last year's poll for "Best Master of Ceremonies".

For the second successive year, Joan Davis was named "Best Comedienne" by a wide margin. Fanny "Baby Snooks" Brice was again second, and Gracie Allen, third.

Dinah Shore nicely held her position as "Best Popular Female Vocalist" for the fourth time in a competition that saw Kate Smith toppled by Ginny Simms for second Place. Kate easily fell into third place this year.

"The Army Hour" continued as the favorite "Best War Program". "Words At War" was second and "Meet Your Navy", third. George Hicks of the Blue Network

was credited with doing the best individual news job performed in radio in 1944, especially because of his handling of reports from the invasion beachhead in Normandy on D-Day for all networks. Columbia Broadcasting Co. was voted as performing the best news job done by a network.

Commentators and newscasters were combined in this year's poll, and Raymond Gram Swing was again chose best. Lowell Thomas, newscasters winner last year, was elected second and H. V. Kaltenborn, second in the commentators' group in '43, was third. Columnist Walter Winchell didn't show.

No differentiation was made this year between "sweet" and "swing" bands. Veteran Guy Lombardo and his orchestra bested all for the honor of "Best Dance Band." Harry James' band, last year's leader, was second, closely followed by Tommy Dorsey and his boys.

Jack Benny was second in the "Best Comedian" voting, and his show was second in the "Best Comedy Show" category. Although infrequently on the air now, Fred Allen was a close third as "Best Comedian" and Ed Gardner's "Duffy's Tavern" finished third in the "Best Comedy Show" group.

Fibber McGee and Molly were renamed "Best Comedy Team." George Burns and Gracie Allen again were second, and Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, third.

Andre Kostelanetz's show, which is going off the air because he is heading out on a tour to entertain servicemen, continued its position as "Best Musical Show", with Fred Waring's program second and the "Telephone Hour" third. On the brainy side, "Information Please" was reelected "Best Quiz Show." Phil Baker's "Take It or Leave It" was a strong second, and "Dr I. Q." next.

WE HIRED HER!

A local Blonde applied at our office for a job. She was Asked: "Have you had any experience?" To which she replied: "I had a funny one last night".

ROSE BOWL: (Cont'd from page 12.)

than 210 pounds. Pohar gives the Trojan wall that weight lift with his 290 pounds on a six-foot-seven inch frame.

Hardy is ranked as one of the best passers in the nation, while Georgia Callanan is a breakaway back in anyone's class. Duane Whitehead adds the needed plunging power at fullback, and Don Burnside is considered the top blocker of the Coast conference.

Tennessee, out of football during 1943, made terrific strides this season with a green unseasoned group of kids. Coach John Barnhill, making his first appearance as mentor of the Volunteers, has a squad with only one man over 20 years of age. Yet the Vols got through a seven-game season undefeated and tied only by Alabama. The Vols whipped in succession Kentucky 26-13, Mississippi 20-7, Florida 40-0, then played a scoreless tie with Alabama. After that, Barnhill's kids beat Clemson 26-7, Louisiana State 13-0, Temple 27-14 and Kentucky 21-7.

The Vols placed two men on the all Southern Team--Bob Dobelstein at guard, and Duster Stephens at tailback. Casey Stephenson at Wingback gives the Vols a veteran passer, while Bud Pike and Chuck Wildman at ends make a pair of fine targets for the typically Southern wide open passing game.

With a line average of only 190 pounds, Tennessee is giving away weight to the Trojans in the department where they can least stand it. All odds call for the Trojans to make it eight straight Rose Bowl wins in as many appearances.

NEW RECORD.

(ANS)--Dick Walterhouse of the Army Cadets, national champion football team, set a new conversion record when he booted three extra points in the Army-Navy game making 49 of 57 tries during the year. The team that gets to try for the extra point 57 times is few and far between, much less than kick it 49 times.

1944 ALL-SERVICE FOOTBALL TEAM  
(Selected by the Associated Press)

POSITION	PLAYER & TEAM
E	Sgt JACK RUSSELL Randolph Field, Tex.
T	Lt (jg) JOSEPH STYDAHAR Fleet City Navy, Calif.
G	GARRARD RAMSEY, SP(A)lc. Bainbridge Navy, Md.
C	A/C GEORGE STROHMEYER Iowa Pre-Flight.
G	RUSSELL LETLOW, CSP Camp Peary, Va.
T	Ens. JOHN WOUDEBERG St Mary's Pre-Flight, Calif.
E	Lt. NICK SUSOEFF Second Air Force.
B	A/C OTTO GRAHAM North Carolina Pre-Flight.
B	Sgt. CHARLES TRIPPI Third Air Force.
B	Lt WILLIAM DUDLEY Randolph Field, Tex.
B	Lt LEONARD ESHMONT Norman Navy, Oklahoma.

1944 PROFESSIONAL ALL-STAR FOOTBALL TEAM  
(Selected by United Press)

POS.	NAME	TEAM
LE	Don Hutson	Green Bay
LT	Frank Cope	New York
LG	Riley Matheson	Cleveland
C	Clyde Turner	Chicago
RG	Len Younce	New York
RT	Al Wistert	Philadelphia
RE	Joe Aguirre	Washington
QB	Leroy Zimmerman	Philadelphia
HB	Frank Sinkwich	Detroit
HB	Ward Cuff	New York
FB	Bill Paschal	New York

ARMY FOOTBALL TEAM LOSES

(ANS)--Army loses only nine men off the two first teams. The heavy loss is both quarterbacks Lombardo and Kenna. Arnold Tucker of Florida is expected to take over and add even greater passing strength than Army has ever had.



STORK MADNESS

(PRO)—Prospective papas, Sergeant Robert A. Smith, St. Paul, Minnesota and Staff Sergeant William "Jockey" Sloan, San Francisco, whose wives both expect the stork to arrive on March 27, have much of Division Headquarters sweating it out with them.

A nice piece of change hangs on which stork arrives first. A Diaper Derby pool has been formed at the Division CP with participants equally divided in their choice of the winning baby. Neatest gesture is the intention of the Baby Derby bookies to present the leading infant with the proceeds of the entire pool.

Sgt Smith is in the Division Special Services Office while Staff Sergeant Sloan is a mainstay of the Division AG Office.

Here's a toast to the girl who steals, lies and swears—who steals into your arms, lies there and swears she loves you.

THE WOLF

by Sansone

NEWS SHORTS FROM HOME

(ANS)

Ardmore, Okla.—Local citizens have decided it's just about time to build a new jail. It was insult enough when two jail birds flew the coop by hacking their way through the outer wall with a mere beer can opener. But when three 15-year-old boys almost escaped by using a little

piece of iron—well, authorities got the idea that maybe something ought to be done.

Los Angeles.—Before he could attend a cocktail party in honor of Gen Shang Chan, chief of the Chinese military mission to the United States, Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz had to go home and change his clothes so he wouldn't outrank the honor guest. China's full generals wear only three stars. The Los Angeles sheriff wears four.

Kansas City.—Everything's up to date in Kansas City, but the police have had to go back to the cowboy days. A few days ago a stock truck and a passenger car came together. For two days disgruntled police chased 58 pigs and 48 calves before they finally got them corralled. Then...another stock truck hit another passenger car. This time 14 cows and 38 calves went mooing and bawling in all directions. Last report: Three calves and several policemen's tempers are still missing.

Farragut, Idaho.—The latest order to naval personnel at this training center needed only three words to describe sailors and Waves walking arm in arm: "Unbecoming military conduct."

Denver.—It was nothing to laugh about, even though it did make her giggle. So the judge granted Mrs. Lolita Hartke a divorce after she testified that her husband kept tickling her foot.

COLLEGE AND SERVICE BASKETBALL SCORES11 December 1944

Great Lakes 62; Lincoln AAF 57  
De Paul 66; Illinois Wesleyan 43  
Rider 42; Villanova 27

Kansas State 33; Washburn 29  
Iowa 87; South Dakota State 37  
Concordia 46; Moorhead Tchrs. 34

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Notre Dame 71; Alma 30  
Kansas 47; Rockhurst 23  
Idaho 39; Walla Walla AF 28  
Cp Butner 50; Duke 49

Dubuque 68; Upper Iowa 27  
Camp Ellis 63; St. Ambrose 61  
Toledo 45; Wayne (Det) 39  
St Olaf 38; Mankato Tchrs 31

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Penn 34; Marshall 32  
Ball State 79; Anderson 20  
Indiana 55; Wabash 39  
Concordia 40; Jamestown 29  
Central Normal 35; Franklin 33  
Pittsburgh (Kan) 56; CpCrowder 55  
Olathe NAB 55; Topeka AAF 46  
Greensboro Ord. 55; Elon 21  
S. Methodist 57; Tex Tech 36  
Rice 59; Blackland AAF 44  
Buckley Fld. 53; Ft. Warren 43  
Pueblo AAB 42; Peterson Fld. 28  
Gorvan Field 55; Mt Home AAB 39  
Cp Miramar 48; Mojave AAB 37

Ellis Is. CG 50; Manhattan Bch 35  
N. Ill. Tchrs 38; Wheaton 37  
Hamline 78; Mankato Tchrs 27  
Assumption 34; Toledo 33  
Norfolk(Neb) Jr. 48; Kearney Tchrs 34  
Augsburg 56; Luther 46  
N.C. Ft Bragg PC 42; Cp Mackall 36  
Loyola 37; N. Orleans NAS 29  
Phillips Oilers 66; Dayton AATC 38  
Texas 51; S. Plains AAF 50  
Denver Legion 54; Fitz. Hosp. 38  
Colo A&M 48; Ft Logan (Col) 41  
Geiger Fld 52; Idaho 47

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NYU 59; Bklyn Tech 24  
Pittsburgh 63; Allegheny 30  
Baldwin Wallace 42; Rochester 38  
Pinellas County AB 40; Florida 34  
Loras 57; St Mary's (Minn) 45  
S. Illinois Nor 33; Illinois Wes 32  
Detroit 55; Western Ontario 26  
Olathe Naval 57; Mo Valley 39  
Drury 53; Warrensburg 36  
Otterbein 48; Heidelberg 38  
Baker 36; Ottawa 33  
Wichita 39; Bethany 19  
Mayville Tchrs 36; N.D. State 35  
N. Carolina 67; Catawba 35  
Hampden-Sydney 41; Maguire Hosp 31  
Pepperdine 42; Colorado 36  
Walker AAB 51; Colorado 46  
Carroll 59; Montana 27  
Idaho 47; Gonzaga 39  
Whitman 47; Washington State 37  
Camp Luna 46; Amarillo AF 42

Brookly 64; Fordham 34  
Marshall (WVa) 52; Bucknell 49  
Mitchell Fld 52; Moorshead (Ky) 47  
Akron 82; Muskingum 56  
Hendrix 34; Ark. State Tchrs 27  
DePaw 78; Earlham 22  
Missouri 40; Westminster 26  
SE Missouri State 49; Blytheville 38  
Central Michigan 61; Alma 49  
Wittenberg 50; Kenyon 30  
Simpson College 85 Carleton 28  
Wentworth 46; Marshall 31  
Iowa Wesleyan 54; Parsons 42  
Denver 38; Doane 35  
Murray State Tchrs 76; Ark State 21  
Texas Christian 45 Texas Tech 28  
Ft Logan 42; Colorado A&M 35  
Wichita Cessna 43; Norman Navy 20  
Utah State 75; Weber Jr. College 29  
Idaho U. 45; Brig. Young 35  
Great Falls AAB 61; Gore Field 42