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# RAINBOW REVEILLE

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## Training To Start With Filler Arrival

From All Parts of Nation Come Rainbow Men



Men of the Rainbow march from the trucks that have brought them to the reception center to the barracks that were assigned to them. In new GI shoes this short walk in the Oklahoma sun was an experience that these men will remember. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

### Classification Places Men in Units; Reception Center Kept Busy

It was a tired group of soldiers who hit the 42nd Division Reception Center last Sunday night, but for the next three hours or more they hit the pace that veterans travel at. First a quick cleanup, then chow of baked ham, potatoes, peas, and applesauce. Followed by a physical exam, and most of our new Rainbows were ready for bed. Some went down to the PX for cigarettes, a beer, or just to talk with someone who had been in the Army a little longer than they had.

For many of them, coming from New York, New Jersey, and Delaware this was the first time they had been west of Pittsburgh. None of them knew where they were heading when they left Fort Dix, N. J., and they were not told un-

What happened while the fillers were in the reception center getting the medical examination and being fed?

Well, the classification center was busy with the WD AGO Form 20 (personnel record), the service records and other allied papers which came to the Division with the men.

These cards and papers contain the information about each of the men—how old they are; what they did in civilian life; what job they are recommended for in the Army, and a host of other information.

This information was checked, and the requirements of each unit filled as the records passed through the classification center. Each unit had a team of several

### It's Time to Vote; Are You Registered?

It's getting around time to vote in many states, and remember you're a long way from home and mail doesn't travel too fast these days.

Your first sergeant should have a form card on which you can request an absentee ballot. If not, write a short note to your secretary of state at your own state capital. One of the things this brawl is about is the right to vote. You might as well use it.

### Shiny Belt Buckles Out; GI Type Only

Only the issue type belt buckle will be worn by men of the 42nd Division from now on, according to the G-1 section of Division headquarters.

And for the dogface who howls: "What? No nice shiny brass buckles anymore?" The answer is "No, because the buckles weren't kept shined."

### Initial Group From New Jersey Men Assigned to Units Quickly

Training programs for all units in the 42nd Division will be getting under way in full swing within the next few days following the arrival and classification of the first fillers.

The initial group arrived Sunday from New Jersey, followed all during the week by groups from all parts of the nation.

### 95 Per Cent Of Enlisted Men Have Insurance

Ninety-five percent of the enlisted personnel of the Division had National Life Insurance on August 10, following the insurance check-up which ended on that date, a report by the Special Service Office revealed this week.

This was an increase of 21 percent in the number of insured men in the two weeks the sale of insurance was stressed in the Division.

During the period from July 24 to August 10, more than \$10,000,000 worth of insurance was purchased by the enlisted personnel.

The biggest increase by unit was in the 242nd infantry which more than doubled its previous insurance holdings, while the best record for the individual men was in the 42nd Quartermaster Company where the average amount per man is \$9790. Every man in the company has some insurance. The Division average is \$9053 per man.

The check-up was part of a nationwide program urging the purchase of insurance. Statistics from the war department showed that as men approached the combat zone, the demand for insurance increased.

However, too few of the casualties in the combat areas had insurance, either through neglect in taking it out or through lack of knowledge about the insurance.

### Father in Old Rainbow, Son Carries On in War II

In the Rainbow Division in the last war Lt. Bernard England was assigned to the Engineers, and went through the entire war with the 42nd.

In World War II Pfc. Bernard England of the Division Band carries on the family traditions started by his father, Lt. Bernard England.

### STARS WITH STRIPES

242nd Infantry  
T-5 Edwin C. Brown, Ho. Co. 1st Bn., to T-4.  
T-5 Clarence White, Co. C, to T-4.  
Pfc. Alexander J. Daya, Med. Det., to T-5.  
Pfc. Morris I. Lipman, Med. Det., to T-5.  
Pfc. Elmer E. Watson, Jr., Med. Det., to T-5.  
Pvt. Clayton H. Frank, Co. M, to T-4.

### CLASSIFICATION FUNCTIONS

While this work was going on, the personnel records of the fillers were being given a close working over by the classification center and the men assigned to their respective units.

As soon as the special orders were published, the men were taken from the reception center to their permanent units where they were interviewed to make sure they were in the best spot for their respective talents.

### MEN SEPARATED

The classification meant the breaking up of the groups into smaller groups. Clerks were separated from mechanics; truck drivers went to the units where they could best be used. All in all, the system worked efficiently and quickly which resulted in the men arriving in their units within a few hours after they got off the train.

In as much as the men are coming from all parts of the nation, the groups will vary in size and it will be a few days until the entire division personnel has been collected and assigned to their individual units.

### Medics Get MD— As a Private

Among the new fillers assigned to the 122nd Medical Btn. is Dr. Anthony J. Triarsi, a physician from Elizabeth, N. J. He is a member of Company D.

This is an unusual case, as most doctors enter the Army with a commission, and apparently was a matter of the draft board being a jump ahead of the Surgeon General's office.

Dr. — now Pvt. — Triarsi is a graduate of Fordham University, where he majored in chemistry and pre-meds. He took post-graduate schooling at Georgetown.

He is 37 years old and his associates in Company D describe him as "a swell guy."

### CARS HAVE OFFICERS' SIGNS

Official cars of the Division now carry a placard in the window when they are carrying officers. This is the letter "O," carried in the upper right hand side of the windshield.

## RAINBOW REVEILLE

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## WELCOME, SOLDIER

Welcome, men of the Rainbow Division. You have become a part of a Division famous for its past exploits, and it is up to you to keep up the traditions and standards set by the Rainbow of War I.

The officers and cadre of the division were picked to give you excellent training; to give you the best which could be supplied by men who have been in the theaters of war on both sides of the Pacific and Atlantic.

It is not always that a newly activated division can start its career with a history, tradition and a reputation such as the 42nd Division has. These things have been turned over to you personally and individually by the men who still treasure the memories of the days 25 years ago when they were in uniform in the last war.

Guard them and cherish them as you would your honor.

Your job now, is to learn the soldier's trade. Remember always that the lives of many are in your hands, though you are nothing more than a private. Your actions in combat might well mean the success and victory for which we are aiming—or they might mean defeat and loss of life to you and your buddies.

Never lose sight of the fact that it is a well-trained soldier who comes home. The poorly trained ones are the casualties.

As your commanding general, Brig. Gen. Harry J. Collins, so aptly put it in an address Memorial Day:

"Above all—I say—that no soldier of the Rainbow Division shall die in battle because we failed in his training. He will be a soldier when he meets the enemy."

So you must accept these heritages and think of them constantly while you are getting your training. Learn, study to learn more, and be a real Rainbow soldier.

## HAVE YOU WRITTEN?

When did you write home last?

Those may seem like foolish questions to most of us, but there are men who neglect to write home often and as a result their mothers, fathers, sweethearts or wives begin to wonder what has happened to their soldier.

Oftentimes worried families will contact the post office asking if their mail is being delivered properly. Then comes a long investigation and the postal inspector finally finds that the man is getting the mail all right, but has neglected to write an answer.

## Theaters No. 1 and 3

**THURSDAY**—"THE SKY'S THE LIMIT." Fred Astaire, Joan Leslie and Robert Benchley. Also War No. 9.

**FRIDAY**—"ABOVE SUSPICION." Joan Crawford, Fred McMurray and Basil Rathbone.

**SATURDAY**—"SWING SHIFT MAISIE." Ann Sothern and James Craig.

**SUNDAY AND MONDAY**—"LET'S FACE IT." Bob Hope and Betty Hutton.

**TUESDAY**—Double feature—"ALASKA HIGHWAY." Richard Arlen and Jean Parker. "HERE COMES KELLY." Eddie Quillan, Joan Woodbury and Maxie Rosenbloom.

**WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY**—"WE'VE NEVER BEEN LICKED." Richard Quine, Arline Gwynne and Noah Beery, Jr.

## Theaters No. 2 and 4

**THURSDAY**—Double feature—"HEADIN' FOR GOD'S COUNTRY." William Lundigan and Virginia Dale. "DANGER, WOMEN AT WORK." Mary Brian, Patsy Kelly and Warren Hymer.

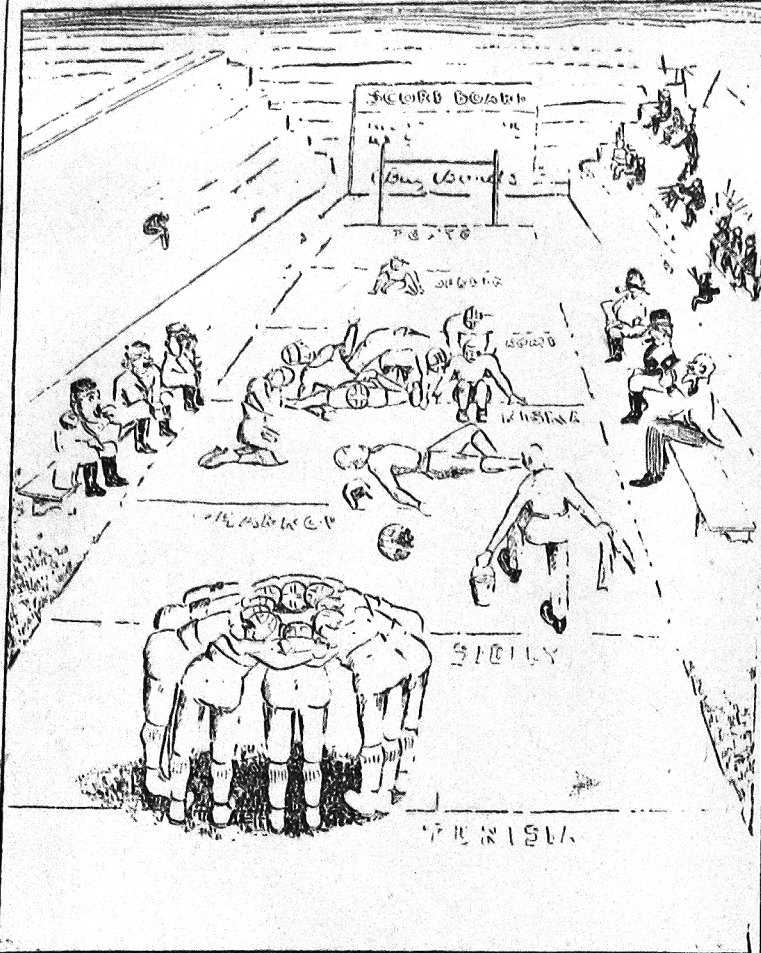
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## Chapel Services

## SPECIAL TROOPS

## Chapel No. 1

0800 Catholic Mass.  
 0900 Holy Communion (Episcopal).

1000 General Protestant Service.

1100 Lutheran Service.

222 Infantry Regiment

## Chapel No. 2

0900 Catholic Mass.  
 1000 General Protestant Service.

1115 Catholic Mass.

0620 Daily Catholic Mass.

1830 Bible Study, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

1900 Choir Rehearsal, Thursday.

## 232 Infantry Regiment

## Chapel No. 3

0800 Catholic Mass.  
 0930 General Protestant Service.

1100 Catholic Mass.

1815 Daily, Catholic Mass.

1930 Protestant Week Night Service, Thursday.

## 242 Infantry Regiment

## Chapel No. 4

0800 Catholic Mass.  
 1000 General Protestant Service.

1100 Catholic Mass.

0545 Daily, Catholic Mass (except Wednesday and Saturday).

1900 Protestant Service.

## Division Artillery

## Chapel No. 9

0800 Catholic Mass.  
 0900 General Protestant Service.

1100 Catholic Mass.

1820 Daily, Catholic Mass.

## Breakfast Schedule Announced at Club

According to Mrs. Bert Jordan who is in charge of the Cafeteria at Service Club No. 2, the following schedule for the cafeteria will be put into effect at once.

Breakfasts, Monday through Saturday from 8 to 8:30 a. m., and on Sunday from 8 to 10; lunch from 11:30 to 1:30 and on Sundays from 12:30 to 2; dinner from 5:30 to 8:00 on both weekdays and Sundays. The soda fountain will continue to be open from 4 until 10 every day of the week.

## Around Clock Phone Service Announced

Eight of the PXs on the post are soon to be equipped with special telephone rooms, that will be open to the soldiers 24 hours a day, according to Mr. George Hamilton, civilian camp telephone manager.



By ARIEL H. ACHTERMANN  
 Chaplain, 222nd Infantry

Every man has a specific task. Your task in life, not only in the generation you live but for all generations to come is to serve your fellowman and by service to your fellowman you serve your God. This then, is your all-important task and your entry into the armed forces of your country does not mean putting aside "life's ambition" but a fulfilling of life's ambition or preparing to meet the demands to fulfill your dreams and ideals.

Do not feel you are the only one in the army with ideals or convictions. You must seek out the friendship of likeminded comrades. Your country called you and you answered, not only because your country called but it was a call (some say an urge) which was deeper, you felt it to be the voice of God.

In spite of this you find yourself in confusion. You are tempted on every side, you are torn betwixt the ideals and the things which try to tear down your ideals.

Because you leave your "civilities for the duration" you do not leave your ideals, your Christianity in civil life for they are a part of you and you cannot separate yourself from them. If you say you left them in civil life then you never had them. God is everywhere and He is where you are. If you had Him in your home, in your church then you will find Him in this present life, in camp, field, on the march, in troop trains, in transports, in the air and on the battlefield.

God must become so real to you that He fills you with the necessary power and strength to overcome the loneliness, the horror of suffering every soldier, regardless of rank, will some day experience. Prayer? Prayer must be a real part of your life, the keeping in touch with God, oftener than you do with your loved ones at home. Men greater than you or I, men who will be remembered longer than you or I ever will be, found it necessary to study the Bible and look to His Divine Word for guidance and wisdom and no one ridicule them. Why then should not you and I follow their example?

In sub-infested waters, the R-4 helicopter can hover over the sea to spot raiders, or take off in a hurry to inspect suspicious oil slicks.

## Service Club Doings

## SERVICE CLUB

## THURSDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

8 p. m.—Bingo Game. With Prizes.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

8-8:30 p. m.—Jive Call with the 42nd Infantry Orchestra.

8:30-9 p. m.—"Camp Gruber Varieties," broadcast over KTUL.

9 p. m.—Professional and GI entertainment. Dancers and singers from Tulsa.

## FRIDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

8-11 p. m.—Dance, with girls from Tulsa, Eu-  
 faula and Checotah. Music by the 42nd  
 Division Orchestra.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

Dance 702nd T. D. Closed.

## SATURDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

8:30 p. m.—Variety show with out of camp of  
 camp talent.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

8 p. m.—Gay Nineties, first anniversary party.  
 Two bands, the Barbershop Quartet from  
 Tulsa. Girls, costumes, derbies, moustaches  
 and favors. Free drinks.

## SUNDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

8:30 p. m.—The 969th F. A. Choir under the  
 direction of Sgt. Eugene Jones in a concert  
 of spirituals and popular songs.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

8 p. m.—Concert with the 42nd Division band  
 under the direction of C.W.O. Albert Coble.

## MONDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

7:30 p. m.—Preliminaries in REVEILLE ping  
 pong contest.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

8:30 p. m.—Song Fest, with Cpl. Carl Varconi,  
 and Pvt. Bill Rushing at the piano.

## TUESDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

8 p. m.—Song Carnival with Cpl. Carl Varconi  
 leading the songs, and vocals by you.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

7 p. m.—Soldiers Art Group. Come on up and  
 puddle with clay, sketch with pencil, pen  
 or what you will. All materials furnished,  
 instruction if you want it.

## WEDNESDAY

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 1:

7:30 p. m.—Bingo game. Prizes.

## SERVICE CLUB NO. 2:

8 p. m.—Dance. With girls from Muskogee.

## Musical Musings

By T-5 DON STELZER

Harry (Grable) James is making a Reveille record for Army use called The Five o'Clock Jump. Sounds like a good idea, most GIs would rather wake up to that than the loud blast of a top kick's whistle . . . Sgt. Lou Bush, former Hal Kemp pianist, now arranging for the Santa Ana radio unit, married actress and singer Janet Blair, lucky guy . . .

Sgt. Jack McCullough, sax man with the 42nd Division Band, recently home on furlough, sat in and played, renewing old acquaintances with former boss, Tommy Tucker . . . Spike Jones and his "MAKES YOU WANT TO BLOW YOUR BRAINS OUT MUSIC," left California for a string of theater dates; Spike recently outflanked Guy Lombardo and Clyde McCoy for the King of Corn trophy . . .

Rainbow Division band made its debut in Tulsa, Aug. 26; it played the stage of the Orpheum theater for the premier of "This Is the Army" show . . . Capt. Glen Miller's Army Air Force band at Yale features outstanding men like Mel Powell, Ray McKinley, and of course Tony Martin, former radio, stage and screen star. With the addition of strings it doesn't sound like the old Miller band . . .

Don't forget Count Basie will be at the Sky Line in Tulsa September 4.

## A Medico's Prayer

By CPL. SIDNEY SKAFF  
 Co. C, 122nd Med. Bn.

Dear Lord what ere may be my lot  
 In this war's lengthy span;  
 How ere with pain and danger fraught  
 Help me to be a man

Give me the joy of steadying those  
 That can not stand alone  
 Of helping bear some others woes  
 As well as face my own

Show me where I can help a buddy  
 That he may happier be  
 Help me to help another  
 So all may be misery free.

And when the time of war has sped  
 And the world's again at rest;  
 May those who then remember me  
 Just say, "He always did his best"

## New Rainbowers Take on First Chow



Here's a table full of new Rainbowers getting their first GI meal at Camp Gruber. Those three, starting from the window, are Pvt. William Colvin, Pvt. John Bennett, and Pvt. Frank Nicosen, all of Iowa. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

## This Is the Beginning



Lined up in front of the trucks that have brought them from the train to the reception center, our new men are assigned to barracks where they take showers and get ready for chow. Here they are being counted, preparatory to being given a bunk. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

## Men Turn Tables; Ask Many Questions

Most roving reporters go out and ask people questions, and then print the answers. It's different with fillers. We went down to the station to ask a few questions of the new arrivals and found ourselves doing our best to provide the answers to these:

**Q:** How soon do we get a three day pass?

**A:** No one ever stayed in the Army long enough to find out the answer to that one.

**Q:** What is the bus fare to New York?

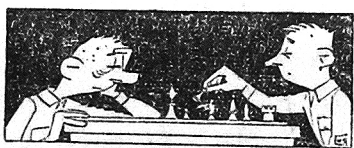
**A:** It's \$32.50 from Muskogee, plus 35 cents from camp to Muskogee. That's a total of \$32.85, and that is the smallest part of your worries.

**Q:** This is an INFANTRY outfit?

**A:** Yes, and one of the best.

**Q:** Do they have radio schools here?

**A:** Yes, and they have cooks schools, electricians schools, auto



TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE a mission and return safely with the information a scout must practise patience at all times. It is the one quality absolutely essential in scouting.

## Maj. Gen. Anderson Inspects 42nd Division

Maj. Gen. Jonathan Anderson, commanding general of the Xth Corp. came from Sherman, Texas, to inspect the Division on Tuesday.

He arrived at 10:30 in the morning and spent the day inspecting the Division. First stop on the itinerary was the classification building that has been set up to handle the fillers.

mechanic schools, drivers schools and many others. They're all open to the men that earn their place in them.

## Classification Sends Men to Companies

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clerks on hand to receive these papers which were then classified further until each man had been assigned to a company. Then the special order would be cut as soon as a group was finished.

These special orders were taken to the reception center and the men separated into groups for each unit. Then men were then taken to the units.

The classification personnel from division and each of the units worked long, hard and fast on these cards, continuing each day until all the arrivals for that day had been classified, even if it took until the small hours of morning.

A Liberator B-24 became the first aerial "Flying Dutchman," flying for 2000 miles without a soul on board. Abandoned in the air over the Gulf near Florida by its crew, it flew on until it crashed into a mountain in Mexico.

## Gosh, What a Mess



Though they had been in the Army for two weeks prior to their arrival at Camp Gruber, this business of tucking away their equipment was still somewhat strange to the fillers. Here are (left to right) Pts. Arnold Lee, James Rice and Joe Schaeffer tackling their equipment before going to chow. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

## Private Jerk Makes Hike, but Suffers

By CPL. ROBERT POPP

"This unit will move out at 0600 Friday and bivouac in the training area."

That notice hit Pvt. Jerry Jerk in the eye as he studied the bulletin board—sweating out everything from a KP to a tetanus shot.

The following morning Jerry hurriedly assembled his equipment and fell out with his platoon to march to the bivouac area. Although his feet blistered on the long hike and his pack seemed to be coming loose at the seams, he was cheerful enough when he fell into the chow line in the bivouac area.

He noticed some suspicious looking traces of dirt in his mess gear, but they wiped out easily enough with his handkerchief. During the dinner-time break, he stretched out under a tree to doze, his head pillowed comfortably on his gas mask.

Jerry and his barracks mate, Joe, got their shelter tent pitched in short order in a cool-looking ravine shaded by a big tree, then proceeded to clean their rifles.

Jerry borrowed his buddy's pocket-knife to open one of the blisters on his sore feet. He touched his friend for a drink from his canteen, too.

(For errors committed see page 8.)

## Braggs USO Club Building Opened

The new USO in Braggs is now open, under the direction of the Salvation Army. Built at a cost of over \$100,000, this modern new building has facilities for all types of recreation.

The building will be open daily,

## Marching Song To Be Published

"There's a Rainbow in the Army," official marching song of the 42nd Division, is being published in a booklet which will soon be distributed to all members of the Division.

Linking the old Rainbow with the new in its lyrics, both words, and music of the song were written by T-4 Norman Monath, of the 132nd Signal Company. Featured first on Activation Day, the song has made quite a hit and was recently played over the NBC "Army Hour."

Monath is a native of New York City and has dedicated the song to General Collins. The lyrics follow:

There's a Rainbow in the Army,  
Like a Rainbow in the sky  
Shining brightly in all the glory  
Of a past that will not die;

Let our voices show,  
In our hearts we know  
That the new Rainbow  
Will carry on—HEY!

We're the mighty Forty-Second,  
And our fathers fought like men.

In the battle now before us  
We will fight like they fought then.

With our chins up high  
We will win or die—  
For the Rainbow in the Army,  
For the Rainbow in the sky

with programs planned for morale and many other special events, according to Major Reginald Clough.

# When You Want the Dope on Everyone, Read It Here

## Ex-Hungarian Soldier in FA

PFC. LOVICK DRAPER

Pvt. Leslie Goldman fought for the Hungarian Army in 1939, but when he thought that the Germans might coalesce with the Hungarian army, he decided to start traveling; this time to the U.S.A.

He had enlisted in the Hungarian Field Artillery in January, 1939, and had been promoted to the grade of corporal. That same summer Hungary struck at Czechoslovakia to regain a portion of the land given to that country at the Versailles Treaty of World War I.

### FRIEND KILLED

In the midst of front line action for several months, Goldman's most vivid recollection is the death of a life long friend and schoolmate by a sniper's bullet while they were taking a city. The friend died in Goldman's arms.

In August of 1939, after Hungary had attained her military objectives, Goldman was fortunate in obtaining a year's leave of absence from the army. He obtained a passport and visa to this country. This was no simple matter since Hitler's machine had started rolling less than a month after he was released from the Hungarian Army. In May, 1940, the weary journey through Yugoslavia, Italy and France to England took place.

### PLEASURABLE TIME

Sailing on the "Britannic" was one of the most pleasurable two weeks in his life, even though there was a strain present in the 25 ship convoy with its flanking cruisers and destroyers.

It was not until he actually saw Manhattan's sky line and the lady with the torch in New York's harbor that he "had the feeling that real freedom existed." He fully admits the moistening of the eyes and that "lumpy feeling in the throat" for those first few moments.

Once more in the Field Artillery, Pvt. Leslie Goldman feels that this time he "is fighting for something really worthwhile and for the country he always knew he would love."

## 42nd Div. Hq. Co.

By T/4 LOUIS TOKE

As a souvenir of his California furlough, T/4 Karoon Balian sports a fine coat of tan.

The chow line is getting longer these days, probably due to the fact that the food is improving with each meal. Those delicious pies hit the spot, too. Congrats to Mess Sgt. Leo Bailo.

It's good to see Sgt. Sam Sachs around the company again, following his release from the hospital. Songs were heard about the hills in Headquarters area Saturday. A beer party was the occasion.

Many smiling faces were noted when the rumor came out rescinding the earlier rumor to the effect that furloughs were to be cancelled.

## Mail Reveille Home When You Are Through

When you get through reading the REVEILLE send it home, using the handy mailing box printed on page 8 of every issue. Just fold the paper so this box is on the outside, address it, put on a one and a half cent stamp, and drop it in the mail box.

The folks at home want to know what is going on here in the 42nd, so

## The Wolf

by Sansone

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"I love Swing. If you boys want anything else—speak up!"



## 122nd Medical Bn.

The Medics are right in there pitching when it comes to fighting fires. Ask those who handled brooms, sacks and shovels the other day.

Congrats to Staff Sgt. Andross N. Lamb, Co. D, on becoming our new mess sergeant. He was a veterinary inspector in civilian life and should know what horse meat looks like if it should arrive.

The two Medics about town, T-5 Alphonso A. Zielinski and Pfc. Vincent D. Cangelosi, Co. D, have gone on special duty and now is a good time for the rest of the men to catch up on their chow.

Company D's Sgt. Walter J. Norton is no longer a bachelor. He was married recently after a whirlwind romance.

First Sergeant Hall, Co. A, is due to become a father any day now. And worrying so was our tower of strength that he went to the hospital for three days.

Company A won the plaque for being the outstanding company in the battalion.

Sgt. Robert Chesney and Cpl. Michele Yamiceli are welcomed to Company B.

Wishes of good luck go with Sgt. Ted Pipchinski and T-4 William Paulos upon their transfer to the Special Troops Medical Detachment.

First Sergeant Keith, Co. B, is on pins and needles waiting for final action upon his transfer application.

T-3 John P. Fletcher must like the atmosphere around camp. He's been in camp for the past nine weekends.

## Service Club No. 1 Being Redecorated

Service Club No. 1 is being redecorated and painted, although it's still open while these alterations are going on. The main room, and the outside of the porch where it was affected by the fire is being repainted, according to Miss Aleece Locke, senior hostess.

## 542nd F. A. Bn.

The 542nd is bragging about a pretty hot ball club and challenges all comers. Among their recent victims are the 232nd F. A., the 396 F. A. and Div. Arty. Hq.

Sergeant Schulken and Sergeant Sloop of Battery A have been enjoying a leave in the pines of Carolina, while Sergeant Flynt took in the cool breezes of the west coast.

Sergeant Price is now out of the hospital.

T/4 Trobough recently visited Lawton to preside at the birth of his first child.

T/4 Stewart took time off from satisfying the officers mess to visit Douglas, Ariz.

Private First Class Sherley is visiting Tennessee on a well earned furlough.

Staff Sergeant Holman is back on the job in Headquarters Battery after a long stay in the station hospital.

T/4 Mishkin, acting first sergeant in the reception center, and Private First Class Rosen are welcoming the new recruits.

Staff Sergeant Dunn and his recently acquired better half are now making their home in Muskogee.

T/5 Davis is furloughing in Braggs, looking after his wife during her illness.

Headquarters Battery will welcome any musicians in their midst, after listening to Private Perez doing a Harry James with a GI bugle.

## 402nd F. A. Bn.

Pfc. Henry Kolesa, our motor mechanic, has been recommended for promotion to T/5.

Sgt. Vincent Nash was just recently married in Tulsa. Luck to you sergeant.

T/5 Gerald Shelton is expecting an addition to his family, which will put the score at two . . . Sons he hopes.

T/5 Russell Decker, who has been overseas, handles those trucks like they were babies.

Sgt. Albert Willburn is attending a communications course at Fort Sill.

T/5 Sgt. Mark Owens, operations sergeant, has brought his wife and son to live in Muskogee.

Cpl. James Morgan is just out of the hospital and ready for duty again.

T/4 Roy Jamison has left for

## 142nd Engineers Hold Swim Party

The swimming party held last week by members of the 142nd Engineer Combat Battalion at the swimming pool at Greenleaf Lake was the highlight of the week for the Engineers.

Many of the men in the battalion received pointers on swimming from Lieutenant Hensley.

It was one of those real hot days and the water was refreshing, according to those who attended.

Following the swimming there was a lunch and refreshments, followed by several boxing bouts. For those who desired, there were quoits and baseball.

Field Artillery, School at Fort Sill, Okla.

Pvt. Hubert Clarks is, visiting Muskogee.

T/4 Woodrow McEwen is still at the motor pool, unless he's out doing carpenter work, at which he is very good.

We congratulate Sgt. Joe Thorne who at any day now will be Mr. Thorne. Luck to you, Joe, and the gang is still behind you.

No one is more pleased now that the mess hall is open than Cpl. Willie (Appetite) Warner, battery clerk. He helped Sergeant Buck paint and clean for weeks, and is now collecting the reward.

Pvt. Louis Basham is looking forward to the arrival of his wife.

A battery cook, Hubert Beard is well on his way to being the most popular man in the battalion, with his cooking.

T/4 Reed, while we're on the cooking subject, is doing a great job over at Service battery.

S/Sgt. Ben Daniels has been reading Superman again. He recently pulled a 24-hour shift as private of the guard, took an overnight pass and fell out for reveille next morning smiling.

When will S/Sgt. Eugene DeMartini take that canvas cover off his car and burn a little of the precious gas.

One of the men who is really on the ball is Pvt. Delphia Elam.

## 232nd F. A. Bn.

We lose a good man today, a good humored sincere and striking personality — None other than T/5 Sylvester Albanese.

His buddy, Pvt. Jimmie (Skinny) Jarvis is going to look all wrong for a time, as he and the "Lover" made a great pair.

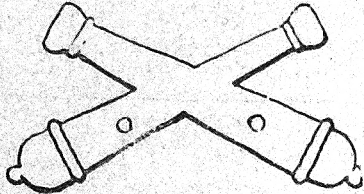
We want to extend belated congratulations to First Sgt. Luther Mitchell, better known as "Red the Luke" who is the proud father of a redheaded boy.

An interesting pair is Staff Sergeant Gamble and Sergeant Cronin. These boys make a good team.

M/Sgt. Charlie Grabe, better known as "Muscles," is really on the ball these days. His wife and children have come down from Baltimore.

T/5 Torquato Melone returned from his first furlough since induction one day ahead of time. He has a beautiful wife and child, and talked for hours about the great time he had. A strange curiosity is the soldier who returns from furlough one day ahead of time.

Pfc. Blaine Dunkle came running in Bn. Hq. the other day puffing, and with a harassed look on his face, "Sergeant, make me out a transfer to the Paratroopers, Infantry, overseas or anywhere. First it's guard, then it's KP, and KP, and KP again . . ." Many a cadremans has said the same thing. We know Dunkle doesn't really mean it.



## 392nd F. A. Bn.

Col. Thomas F. Hickey, commander of the 42nd Division Artillery, addressed all cadre members of the Artillery last week.

Excellent showings on the rifle and pistol ranges bring congratulations to Staff Sergeant Karr and Staff Sergeant Silling.

The personnel of our battalion consists of men from many theaters of operations—from Hawaii, from Bermuda, and others. Incidentally, men, how does it feel to be seasick?

Of course the greater part of the cadre of the battalion came from the famous 18th F. A. stationed at Ft. Sill.

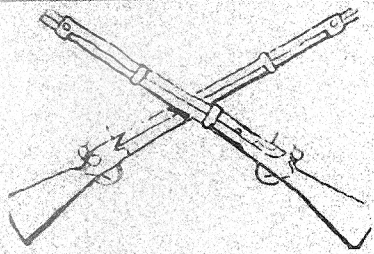
When you have something interesting for the REVEILLE, turn it in to Cpl. James P. England, Service Bat.

Q. Can you tell me why there never is a company "J".

A. "I" and "J" are too similar in appearance, so "J" has been eliminated.



# Here's News and Views About You and Your Buddies



## 222nd Infantry Second Battalion

Corporal Fajans has been assigned to the reception center. Having been through training cycles he should prove a very good assistant.

S/Sgt. Mike Winters thinks the competition is getting too tough for that 'Orderlies' pass.

S/Sgt. Ben Garduna's daily yell of, "Who has a spare tire that will hold a recap?"

The two quietest men in our outfit, Private Scoggins and Sergeant Lopresto, have the swiftest feet in our outfit.

Somebody should get T/5 Ben Silverman a pair of skates to save wear and tear on his toes.

Cpl. Donald Clouse sounds like a broken down nickelodeon every time he attacks the piano in the day room.

Pvt. William Ebner, who is on loan to the reception center, speaks so fast he sounds like he's talking to himself. And Private Cochran who talks so much that he catches himself on the rebound.

Congratulations to Staff Sergeant Butterfield who was married in Tulsa.

It's a toss up amongst Hollenbach, Klein and Ulrich who answers the most letters. Either it's popularity or bill collectors.

Sergeant Skows aviation cadet papers have come through. Lot's of luck to him on his new assignment.

S/Sgt. James Bruce is now our acting first sergeant in company F. Hope he makes it permanent.

Sgt. Cranville Barlow is back with us, after two weeks in the hospital.

Reporters for the 222nd this issue were: T/5 Ben Silverman, S/Sgt. Charles Hlavacek, Cpl. H. V. Gibson and First Sergeant Jenkins.

## 242nd Infantry First Battalion

The ranks of First Bn. Hq. Co. are dwindling fast what with two more men transferring out this past week: T-4 John Eddleman and Pvt. Charley Del Sordo to the 742d Ord. L. M. Co. in preparation for attending school.

Pvt. Alberto Hernandez is really sweating out that furlough that he has heard so much about.

Now that Sgt. Elwood Ewan has to have his nose bandaged up he may have learned that it does

pay to be careful in choosing your friends.

First Sgt. Russell Peters has become used to seeing T-3 Frank Brown in the First Bn. Hq. Co. orderly room waiting for passes that he has decided to make him a permanent fixture of the orderly room. Sergeant Peters feels that now T-3 Brown will not look too peaked or was that the reason?

Since activation day Staff Sgt. Robert E. Churchill, Co. C guidon bearer deluxe, has acquired a sudden love for his pennant; now he is building a stand for it beside his bunk.

Reason for these ear-to-ear smiles on Staff Sgt. Erwin R. Dahl—the missus has arrived.

Who accused First Sgt. Joe Bartok, Co. D, of standing in a foxhole while awaiting chow the other day?

Who said it takes money to take out a gal? Ask Staff Sgt. Norman A. Seacotte, who put the bee on his WAC girl friend for a five spot.

Pvt. Henry S. Fabish is crooning these hectic days, "You'll Never Know How Much I Miss You."

## Second Battalion

Sgt. Ralph L. Schroeder, Second Bn. Hq. Co., is nursing a new hobby—opals.

It has been formally proven by Staff Sgt. Noble D. Porterfield that a sore toe is inevitably acquired when unarmored assaults are made on footlockers.

What's that in the sky? It's a bird. It's a plane. No, it's Pvt. John Bradley in his new parachute.

Staff Sgt. Fay A. Thielbar, Co. E, reports his wife is moving to Muskogee this weekend.

Neatest trick of the Week: Cpl. Robert A. Laudone, Co. G clerk, achieved the distinction of getting himself red-lined on the August payroll by making a typographical mistake of 5c on his own pay.

Pvt. James J. Murphy is amusing himself lately by carving a ship model of the Queen Mary, no less. It will be formally named the "Rainbow" and launched at an early date in the Arkansas River.

Highlight of the Company H Week: First Sgt. Robert A. Koepke ended a day before midnight.

High honors in the mop-and-broom department go to T-4 Arnold C. Phelps, minus mustache.

Strain was too much for Staff Sgt. Percy C. Bryant, he went to the hospital for a rest.

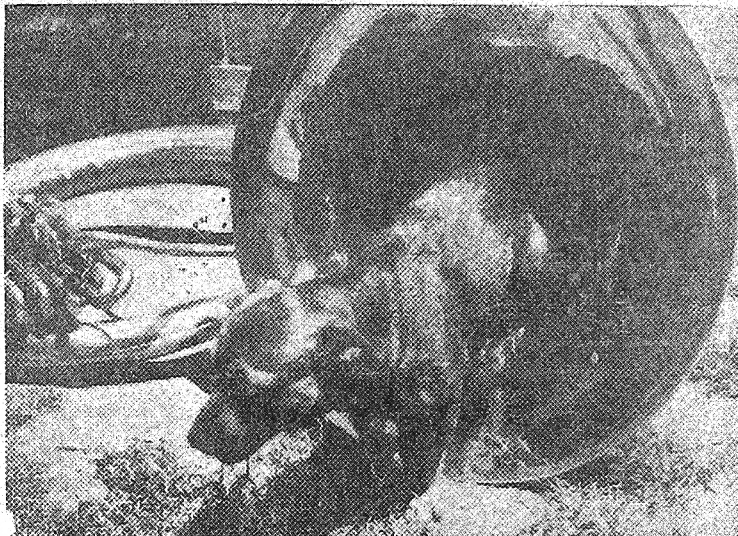
## Third Battalion

Company I mystery of the week: Is T-4 Lee Starbuck married or not?

Staff Sgt. Dave Meier has moved up to the job of Mess NCO at Division Staff Officers' mess.

Notice to MP Detachment: "Judy," Co. I mascot, is AWOL. Please notify all stations to be

## Home Sweet Home



Emerging from his home in the big bass horn, Grover takes a look at the outside world. Mascot of the Division Band, Grover steals the show on parades and reviews as he leads the band with a strut like a circus horse. (U. S. Signal Corps photo.)

on the alert and return our pup.

First Sgt. John Kalani, the Hawaiian minstrel, made KBIX recently. Next stop Tulsa.

Congratulations to Pfc. John Ward on his furlough. Company L is betting even money that he brings back that little blonde with him as a bride.

Note to the men in the hospital: Come back, boys, come back. These duty rosters...

Thanks to Staff Sgt. Joe Zaludny and Pfc. Bob Platt, Company M's powder room passed again with flying colors.

Sgt. Joe Hamm has been giving cigars to the girls in PX 7 as a result of the production of a bouncing baby boy.

Reporters this issue were: Cpl. Joe Snively, S/Sgt. Elden Vestal, S/Sgt. Archie Baldwin, Cpl. George Peterson, Cpl. Sydney Cohen, Cpl. Andrew Romanelli, Cpl. Robert Schuh, Sgt. Larry Carper, Cpl. Robert Brownell, Cpl. Robert Landrone, S/Sgt. Ralph Carver, Cpl. Irwin Ebenau and S/Sgt. Julius Herzog.

## Special Units

Pvt. Phil Palombi, Service Company's one time pride and joy, moved over to the 232d just in time to miss fall housecleaning. And T-4 Manley Hansen and T-4 Ewald Behrens, unemployed cooks, have slid down the street to the new Cannon Company where their talents are allegedly being utilized in bucking for an open mess sergeantcy.

Pfc. Joseph "Shorty" DeLoffi is a handy man with a screwdriver. He decided the mirrors were hung too high for his 64 inches, so the other day he hung them sideways. Now all the tall men in the company have to sit down to shave.

That relieved look on T-4 John Remesnik's, of the Medical Det., face appeared the other day when he learned that a certain gal ar-

rived safe and sound.

We wonder why T-5 Harold Everment has been seen frequenting Service Club No. 2 lately. It's undoubtedly a "her."

Regimental Hq. mourns the passing of its mail orderly, Pfc. George Thomas, who finally succeeded in obtaining the elusive piece of paper inscribed "Discharge."

Antitank Company is still waiting for the cigars which should have been passed around by S-Sgt. Sam Clower in celebration of his recent wedding.

Pvt. Ernest Rutledge has learned that you can't get even with a rifle for the lick it gives you by beating your upper lip on the butt.

## 232nd Infantry Special Units

The Cannon Company is now training with its Field Artillery combat team brothers. We're not messing with the "pea shooters" anymore. The regiment can have the protection of heavier weapons—the '57 antitank or the 105 howitzer.

## Second Battalion

Private First Class Shaw, Co. E, is enjoying a visit from his home town girl friend who is staying in Muskogee for a few days.

Ordinary marksmen are becoming a rarity in Company E, where two more experts, Privates Luma-dur and Morris, were added to the list of qualifiers.

Mess Sergeant Harris, Co. E, has opened his mess hall, made homey by curtains, pictures and other improvements. First Cook Posey is keeping his promise to make his mess the best in the battalion.

Those two ardent fishermen, Sergeant Evers and Private Miller, manage to bring in a good catch of bass every trip.

Over in Company G, Staff Sgt.

## Dog Adopts Band; Lives in Big Horn

Most military organizations adopt a mascot during their stay in the service, and "Oi-Oi" is no exception to this rule; he has adopted the 42nd Division Band.

"Oi-Oi" come from a long line of band mascots, and is a rationed portion of bulldog and Military Police dog. He got his first job with a band at the age of six weeks. He has been on the California maneuvers, and many firing problems with an Artillery brigade.

Present duties include leading the parades, drum majoring, guard, and general criticism of the band. He lives in an abandoned sousaphone in the band barracks, when not on kitchen duty.

## Few Fail to Register For Induction Into Army

According to J. Edgar Hoover, there are less failures to report or register for induction into the armed forces in this war than there were in the last. In the three years of this war, 877 have been convicted, while in 1917 alone the federal bureau of investigation reported 10,000 prosecutions for failure to register.

The FBI handled only 7190 complaints from October 1940 to last July. And of these 5455 were not willful violators, 435 were found ineligible and 383 agreed to immediate induction without prosecution.

Charles Sowell is finding it pretty tough staying from his new bride.

Staff Sgt. Edward J. Woods has applied for a permanent job as CQ in Company G.

Random thoughts: No USO affair is complete without Staff Sgt. Andrew R. Bernard; Sgt. George W. Hagaman still bucking for 4F; Sergeant Keener thinking only of New Jersey; William S. (Tarzan) Harrison, the champion coffee drinker of the 42nd.

Have you noticed Robert F. Marion's slick shaves?

Why are T-4 Aubrey J. Dellinger and T-5 Jewel H. Ivester so friendly with the MP's?

We think Pvt. Daniel M. Holbrook actually prefers Wisconsin to Oklahoma.

## Third Battalion

Company I has followed the "man from every state" idea of the 42nd Division with cadremen from many different states—ranging from roolin' footin' First Sergeant Roberts to T-5 Bobick from Pennsylvania.

Reporters for the regiment this week were Cpl. Jack Sakols and Cpl. Weldon B. Purecell.

The local dogface who always buys two bottles of the 3.2 beer at the PX and pours them together, "Because I'm used to 6 percent beer."

## Male Call



by Milton Caniff, creator of Terry and the Pirates



# SPORTS

## Special Troops Nines Clash Tonight

### Ping Pong Opens At Service Club

A full house of players and spectators packed Service Club No. 1 Monday night for the opening preliminaries in the Rainbow REVEILLE'S ping pong contest.

More than 20 players participated in the games and so many more were interested it will be necessary to have more preliminaries. The contest is still open to newcomers and Monday evening is reserved for players from the Special Troops and the 222nd and 232nd Infantry at Service Club No. 1.

Preliminaries for the Artillery and the 242nd Infantry will be held Tuesday evening at Service Club No. 2. Games start promptly at 7:30 p. m.

All equipment is furnished. The games are open only to singles, with two out of three game play-off. Monday's games will again be played at Service Club No. 1, and the tournament starts promptly at 7:30 p. m.

Finals will be played at the Field House at a later date. Worthwhile prizes will be awarded.

Players in the first preliminaries were as follows, with the winner listed first:

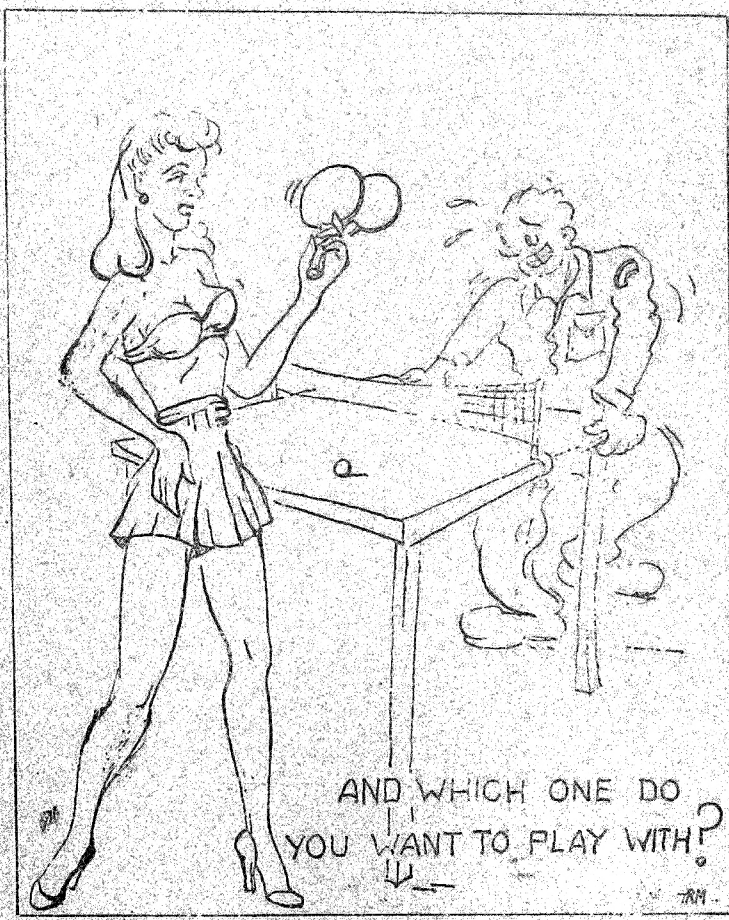
- Pfc. Santini vs. Pvt. Leveck.
- Sgt. Kentowitz vs. Cpl. Dietrick.
- Sgt. Ward vs. Sgt. Young.
- Pvt. Cuchlich vs. Pvt. Nunberg.
- Sgt. Orr vs. Pvt. Marks.
- Sgt. Dobney vs. Cpl. Hoeffe.
- Sgt. Toke vs. Pvt. Hayden.
- Sgt. Croonquist vs. Pvt. Rosenblatt.
- Pvt. Hull vs. Cpl. Burger.
- Pvt. Goren vs. Cpl. Smotrys.
- Pvt. England vs. Cpl. Cohen.
- Cpl. Sheck vs. Cpl. Phillips.

### Filler Hurls Engineer Nine to Victory

The softball league, the 142 Engr. Bn. and an unknown filler from Company C got off to a good start yesterday, when the Engineer Commandos eked out a 10 to 9 victory over the 42nd Qm Company.

The game was played on the Quartermasters home ground, and was tight until the last inning with the QM pitcher and the unknown filler holding a pitching duel to the final frame.

The other games scheduled for last night were postponed, but will be played tonight.



### Left-Handed Gloves Stymie Hq. Co.

The Headquarters Company softball team met last night for a final sneak practice before their big game with the MP platoon.

Arriving on the field they unpacked their equipment, only to find that they had been issued 30 gloves for left-handed players, and not a one for right handed players.

"Not that we would suspect the MPs of this," said Cpl. Landis Hale, Jr., of the Fighting Headquarters, "but that's about the only way they could win ..."

### Gay Nineties Show Planned at Club No. 2

To celebrate its first anniversary, Service Club No. 2 has planned a gala "Gay Nineties Show" and dance for this Saturday night, with talent and girls from Tulsa.

Complete with beards and derbies the Barbershop Quartet of Tulsa will take charge of the program. There will be favors, entertainment and dancing. Sgt. Eugene Jones 333rd Field Artillery, and his choir will be on hand, as well as many other special acts.

### These Are Not Military Secrets

Q. When were serial numbers first assigned to enlisted men in the U. S. army? Who received Army Serial Number One?

A. The War Department assigned serial numbers to each enlisted man in the U. S. Army Feb. 8, 1918. Serial Number one was given to M-Sgt. Arthur B. Crean, an old soldier in the Medics. After World War I similar identification numbers were also assigned to commissioned officers of the reserves and the regulars. Each officer's number was preceded by the letter "O". The number "O-1" was given to Gen. John J. Pershing.

Q. Can you tell me the approximate proportion of officers now serving in the Army that have come up from the ranks?

A. About one-third.

Q. I as a Regular Army man and my hitch is up in three months. When the war is over will I have to serve six months extra?

A. There is no discretion made between Regulars and Selectees in this matter. Everyone is in for the duration and six months.

### Equipment Makes Field House Popular

There is an unlimited amount of athletic equipment available to all men of the Rainbow at the Camp Gruber Field House, located just inside camp near Gate No. 1. It is open to all enlisted men from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m.

Regardless of what your favorite sport is, you'll find it at the Field House. Included in the equipment are three complete basketball courts, as well as volleyball and badminton regulation size nets, balls and court.

Charlie Atlas would be in seventh heaven with all the muscle building facilities in the Field House equipment. Among them are stall, horizontal and parallel bars, tumbling mats, horses, bucks, climbing ropes, boxing equipment, rowing machines, chest pulleys, 310 and 125 lb. barbells, wrestling mats, and springboards.

The floor can be reserved for competitive games by calling Lt. John Hall, camp field house and athletic officer.

### Athletic Assistant For Division Appointed

Pvt. Frank "Lom" Lombardi, former professional baseball player, has been appointed assistant to Lt. Joseph Bates, Division athletic officer. It was announced this week.

Although baseball has been Lom's major activity, he has also participated in football, basketball and swimming. In the Army nine months, he was in charge of a calisthenics program at his last station, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

In civilian life, Lom played catcher with the Lynchburg, N. C., Senators and the Asheville, N. C. team in the Piedmont League. His home town is Hartford, Conn.

### 'Hi Yo Silver' Star Was Member of Old 42nd

From the Rainbow to "Hi Yo, Silver, Away" is the record of one of the 42nd Division men of World War I. Bruce Beemer, who enlisted in the Rainbow in 1918 at the age of 14, is the star of the popular radio serial. He was gassed and twice wounded and was awarded the Purple Heart, the Victory Medal and an accolade from President Wilson.

The Liberator, a 28-ton four-engined, twin-tailed, long-range, high-altitude bomber, can carry a bomb load across the Atlantic and return without refueling.

### Four Big Games On Tap for Fans

Four big games—played on as many different lots—tonight will herald the second in a series of softball games between teams in the Rainbow Special Troops League. The opening ball will be pitched promptly at 6:30 p. m. on each lot.

Headquarters Co., 42nd Division, will play the M. P. Platoon in the HQ Company's area. The 742nd Ordnance vs. the 42nd Recon Troops will be played in the Ordnance area. The lot of the Quartermaster area will see a battle between the 142nd Engineers and the 42nd QM Company. And the 122nd Medics will play the 132nd Signal Company in the 132nd's area.

Games will be played throughout September. The champion team of the Special Troops will then play the softball teams of the 222, 232, 242 Infantry regiments and Division Artillery for the Division title.

### Schedule

- THURSDAY, SEPT. 2, 1943**  
 Hq. Co. 42nd D. vs 132nd Sig. Co.  
 122nd Med. vs M. P. Plt.  
 142nd Engrs. vs 742nd Ord.  
 42nd Q. M. Co. vs 42nd Rec. T.
- TUESDAY, SEPT. 1, 1943**  
 42nd Q. M. Co. vs M. P. Plt.  
 132nd Sig. Co. vs 742nd Ord.  
 122nd Medics vs Hq. Co. 42nd  
 142nd Engrs. vs 42nd Rec. T.
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 3, 1943**  
 132nd Sig. Co. vs 142nd Engrs.  
 42nd Q. M. Co. vs 122nd Medics  
 M. P. Plt. vs 42nd Rec. T.  
 742nd Ord. vs Hq. Co. 42nd

### Two and Half Million Soldiers Overseas

Two and a half million American soldiers are now overseas, according to Elmer Davis, head of the office of war information. He also disclosed recently that this figure is growing steadily. More than half the American troop strength is in the Pacific, and Mr. Davis said the Far Eastern front will be steadily reinforced.

General George Washington tipped the scales at 209, General Lincoln of the Revolutionary war, 224 pounds, and General Knox flipped the needle up to 260. Generals Marshall, Eisenhower and Somervell weigh about 170. General MacArthur weighs about 180.

### RAINBOW RODNEY



## Far and Near Visitors Praise

"The ceremony was awe-inspiring and spine-tingling, exemplifying as it did the solidarity of purpose of all Americans — be they soldiers, veterans or citizens.

"May the Life and Achievements of the Rainbow be as auspicious as was its Christening."

**Sgt. Denny Kenney,**  
Camp Howze, Texas,  
Rainbow Veteran, 165th Inf.  
"Congratulations upon the very colorful and effective ceremonies staged yesterday. It was a most creditable performance and your men looked fine."

**Major Gen. V. E. Prichard,**  
14th Armoured Division,  
Camp Chaffee, Ark.

"On my return to Chicago I can still visualize the wonderful performance of July 14—the activation of the 42nd Infantry. I have never witnessed any demonstration that met with such complete success, not only on the field, but in the hearts of everyone that witnessed it. Every Rainbow Veteran who witnessed the activation has either a tear in his eye or a lump in his throat, and their praise for the Cadre was unanimous. It showed hard work and expert planning. It gave added assurance to every mother and father that their soldier boys are in good hands.

"I was delightfully surprised and pleased, and these are the sentiments of everyone who attended from Chicago, and those whom it was my pleasure to meet."

**James B. McCahey, president,**  
Board of Education,  
Chicago, Ill.

perhaps would like to the deep impression the activation ceremony left on the veterans. In the busses yesterday night, and in the train in Tulsa yesterday, everyone was loud in his praise of the ceremony and in the expression of gratification that the fate of our division rests in such fine officers and men. This I am sure is the unanimous opinion of all who witnessed the ceremony."

**Rudy D. Garrett, World War I Commander of the 117th Field Signal Bn., Rainbow Division, Kansas City, Mo.**

"There never has been, and probably never will be a reunion of the Old Rainbow Division more enjoyed. The cadre of your division is not only composed of officers and men, but every one with whom I came in contact, was also a gentleman. The appearance, conduct and courtesy of those men could not have been better.

"The only thing I regret is that you and your staff could not have heard conversations on the busses on our return when all agreed it was 'the End of a Perfect Day.'

"It is my sincere wish that the new Rainbow will surpass the high standards set by the old division, and I sincerely thank every man in the division for courtesies extended beyond expectations."

**J. B. Cook,**  
Jerome Relocation Center,  
Denson, Ark.

"I have seen a great number of military ceremonies in my time, have participated in quite a number of them myself, but I have no hesitancy in saying to you that your ceremony of the Rainbow activation was the most impressive thing of the kind I have ever witnessed. The maneuvering of the soldiers, the quality of the band, and the quiet, simple spectacular details of the ceremony all worked together so smoothly as to present a truly beautiful affair.

"I do not know whether I am naturally sentimental or not, but it takes something to bring tears to my eyes, and I am not ashamed to tell you that I wiped several tears from my cheeks while watching this ceremony."

**Tams Bixby, Jr., President**

## Commander Asks Questions



Brig. Gen. Harry J. Collins, 42nd Division commander, took a personal interest in the arrival of the fillers Sunday and questioned many of them at the train. Here he is asking questions of a group in a truck. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

**Oklahoma Press Publishing Co., Muskogee, Okla.**

"I write to thank you most sincerely for your courtesy and hospitality during the reactivation of our Rainbow. The honor and distinction of reviewing your troops on Monday will always constitute a most cherished memory.

"Wednesday the 14th, really gave me a fresh outlook. With the Rainbow back in harness I feel as though my own people are again doing their part.

"You and your officers and men will be constantly in my thoughts, and I wish you most distinguished service."

**Jacob McGavock Dickinson,**  
Franklin, Tenn.,  
Brigadier General,  
Tennessee State Guard.

"I wish to take this opportunity to thank you, the members of your staff and the soldiers of the 42nd Division for the splendid time experienced by Mrs. Severe and myself at Camp Gruber last Wednesday. Really, sir, everything was lovely—the reception we 'Old Timers' received was great—the courtesies extended by everyone from the lowest to the highest in rank could not be improved upon. It bespeaks the training and demonstrates that these men have developed already the esprit de corps of the Old Rainbow Division. I assure you, Sir, it was a reunion that I shall long remember."

**William E. Severe,**  
Formerly Co. A, 168th Inf.,  
Rainbow Division,  
Wadsworth, Okla.

"The silver anniversary of the battle of Champagne was a golden one for me as well as every veteran of the Old Rainbow in thrills, sensations and prideful feeling upon observing the splendid reactivation ceremony. Words are poverty to express its beauty, color and pageantry. The splendid execution of its details, including the precision marching of the officers and men all beggars description.

"To headline the greatest moment of the occasion is difficult. I believe the old apple did a little extra bobbing and the eyes were a little dimmer when the battalion commanders executed the command to receive the battle flags of the old Rainbow. It was thrilling and superb and I was not alone with wet eyes. I will never forget it.

"You and your men, General, are deserving of the warmest congratulations for the hard work and efforts which produced the greatest military ceremonial of World War II and one which I do not believe will again be duplicated."

**Cornelius J. Harrington,**  
Chief Justice,  
Circuit Court of Illinois,

## Wonder If He Got His Dog Tags Back

When the fillers arrived at the reception center a lieutenant was dashing madly from barracks to barracks, upstairs and down holding a pair of dog tags and shouting, in best of tone, "Private Luicagi, Private Luicagi."

At 8:30 p. m. the lieutenant was still plodding from barracks to barracks hoarsely croaking, "Private Luicagi. . . ."

## Books Placed In 23 Day Rooms

Library No. 2, located in the Service Club at the east end of the parade grounds on 19th and D Streets, is working on a big program to serve each dayroom in that vicinity with a unit of books.

So far, 23 dayrooms have already received their unit of books upon request from the Special Service Officers, according to Miss Reeder, Librarian; and two large requests have recently come in and will be filled as soon as possible.

"We will be glad to fill all requests as long as our supply of gift books last," said Miss Reeder. "It is our desire to place a unit of books in each dayroom and arrange to have them rotate within the organization every two weeks."

Popular books among the soldiers:

Congo Song, Transport for War, by Hungerford; Life In a Putty Knife Factory, by H. Allen Smith; Chicken Every Sunday, by Rosemary Taylor; Under Cover, by John Roy Carlson; One World, by Wendell L. Willkie; Mama's Bank Account, by Kathryn Forbes; Crescent Carnival, by Frances Parkinson Keyes; Gideon Planish, by Sinclair Lewis; Kate Fenigat, by Booth Tarkington; Capricornia, by Xavier Herbert; The Human Comedy, by William Sarayan; Hungry Hill, by Daphne Du Maurier; The Valley of Decision, by Marcia Davenport; The Robe, by Lloyd C. Douglas; George Washington Carver, by Rackham Holt; Between the Thunder and the Sun, by Vincent Sheean.

men and I am proud to welcome them to the ranks of the Rainbow, feeling that such personnel can only add to the fame and glory of the Rainbow division."

**Francis E. Suter,**  
18 West Green St., Bensenville, Ill.

Wake island was annexed by the United States in 1900 when American seamen took possession of the coral island in the name of their government.

## Division Group Stars in Show

A snappy military parade by Camp Gruber troops officially opened last Thursday as "Army Day" in Tulsa; a day set aside to raise money for the Army Emergency Relief Fund. The entire proceeds of \$4,600 will go for soldier relief.

The parade was headed by the Rainbow Division band, and included fully equipped Gruber soldiers, jeeps and trucks, wormed their way through the thronged streets of Tulsa's downtown district.

An all-soldier stage show opened the premiere of Irving Berlin's "This Is the Army." The Rainbow Division Band started the program with a bright and spirited march and then went into a medley of World War I favorites. A Negro choir from the 969th F.A. Bn. kept the program moving by singing some of the favorite Negro spirituals. Cpl. Carl Varconi, the Army's Frank Sinatra, sang a number.

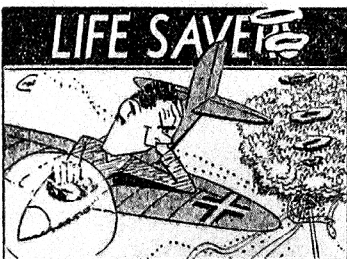
Solemn, shy Pfc. Gil Eckert surprised the audience with some solid boogie woogie piano, and last but not least First Sgt. John Kaloni, native Hawaiian, sang songs of the islands.

The stage show was arranged by Lt. Harry Marshard, Rainbow assistant special service officer. Present were high ranking Army officials, including Lt. Gen. Irving J. Phillipson, executive director for Army Emergency Relief, who came from Washington, D. C., for the occasion; Lt. Gen. Richard Donovan, commander of the Eighth Service Command. Also present was Camp Gruber's own Brig. Gen. John E. Lewis, now commanding the 73rd artillery brigade.

## Fillers Met in Style When They Arrive

When fillers arrive for the Rainbow they arrive and are met in style. Sunday's group was welcomed personally by Brig. Gen. Harry Collins, commanding general of the 42nd, as well as by the Division band, and officers and enlisted men who had come down to the station on their own time.

The train arrived exactly on time and was backed into the Camp siding. Exactly 24 minutes from the time the train stopped the last truck loaded with fillers had left the siding. Left behind, however, were 18 barracks bags, dog tags, hats and countless other personal belongings. These were gathered up and restored to their owners that night.



IF YOU occupy an observation post for several days be careful not to make trails that can be noticed from the air by the enemy.



WHEN APPROACHING a previously selected observation position always stop and observe it closely for at least 15 minutes to be sure it's not occupied by the enemy

**Cook County, Chicago, Ill.**  
"One of the things that endeared you to our hearts was the humble spirit in which you accepted the grave responsibility of carrying on the tradition of the Rainbow Division. You were confident, of course, and that confidence was reflected in the officers of your staff whom we met and dealt with, but there was a certain humbleness that impressed us deeply.

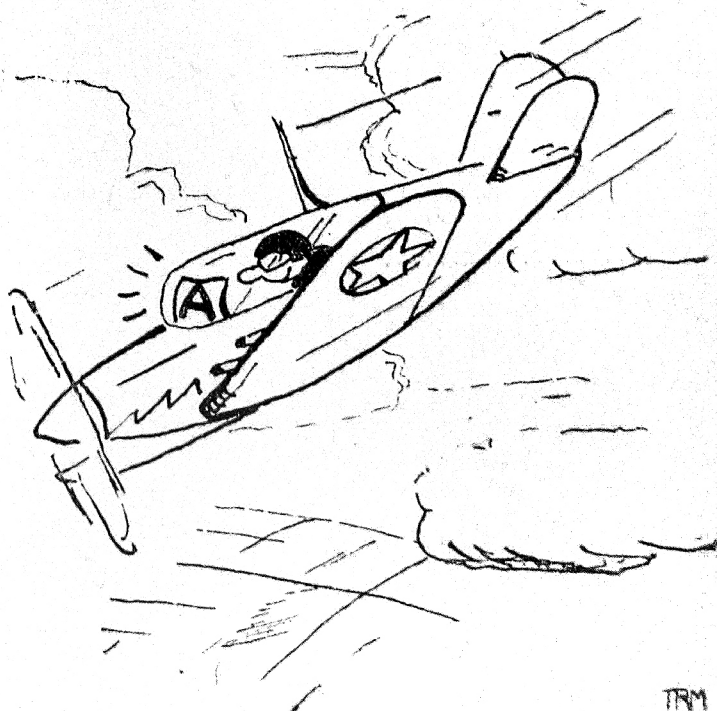
"Men don't change, but soldiers do. After standing there watching your activation ceremony, the most colorful and thrilling spectacle that has taken place anywhere, after seeing your troops pass in review as perfectly as the finest veterans, after rubbing elbows with those same fine officers and men, I have only one thought—we are the ones who are now humble."

**F. E. Crawford, Jr.,**  
Liberty,  
400 No. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

"Speaking for myself and party of four I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the treatment afforded us who are no longer able to follow the Rainbow.

"Just to view the Rainbow in front of Division headquarters upon our entry into camp was worth the trip to Tulsa and little did we expect then the many wonderful and thrilling experiences we were to have.

"No expression of appreciation would be complete without reference to the men of the active Rainbow. They are without a doubt the finest body of men that I have met. We were greeted with smiles wherever we went and their patience in explaining things was unlimited. They are gentle-



"Hope my 'A' card holds out"

TRM

# Ground Forces Show More Power As War Continues Through World

With every new battle, the hard hitting power of our Army Ground Forces becomes more apparent. Swift moving Tank Battalions have broken the ranks of the enemy. The big guns of the Field Artillery have softened his lines. Infantry and Cavalry have moved in to hold territory gained. The sharpshooters of our Anti-Aircraft Artillery have brought down hundreds of enemy planes and kept others from nearing their objectives. Like a boxer, trained to perfection, our Ground Forces have waded in, feeling the enemy out with Cavalry reconnaissance, jabbing him with left and rights of Tanks and Artillery and delivering the knockout blow with an onslaught of Infantry.

Our Ground Forces are modern to the Nth degree. They are fully mechanized, and equipped with the latest type weapons. They travel to and through combat in every conceivable type of vehicle; In planes, tanks, trucks, jeeps and amphibian jeeps and trucks. They move on skis, horses, mules and—yes—on foot. But whatever their weapons or mode of travel, their mission is always the same; to destroy the enemy and conquer his territory.

## NUMEROUS WEAPONS USED

The weapons used by the Ground Forces are so numerous and so varied that it is hard to enumerate them. The Infantry alone is trained to use 15 different types of weapons. The latest of these is descriptively called the "bazooka". Simply speaking the "bazooka" is an anti-tank rocket gun that can be operated by one man.

Men assigned to the Field Artillery learn the use of weapons as varied as the carbine and the 155 mm howitzer. The Coast Artillery not only handles a wide range of powerful guns, from 3 to 16 inches, but must be expert at laying filed mines and controlling barrage balloons. Anti-Aircraft gunners are taught how to fire with equal precision .30 calibre machine guns to stratosphere hunting 90 mms.

## ARDUOUS TRAINING

It hardly need be added that the men of the Ground Forces must be expert in their duties. Months of arduous training are necessary to turn out skilled Infantrymen, Cavalrymen and Artillerymen. These men must be hand-picked for their jobs just as in any other branch of our Army. The men who drive our trucks and operate our tank destroyers must not only be courageous fighters but able technicians.

Units of our Ground Forces are constantly trained for combat on any type of terrain and in any climate. They include desert fighters and mountain troops, ski fighters and pack artillery units. They run the gamut from tropical heat to icy cold. In this global war

any territory may suddenly become a battlefield. Our Ground Forces have units ready to meet any climate condition.

## COORDINATED ATTACKS

In the invasion of Sicily our Ground Forces proved the effectiveness of coordinated attacks. Paratroops captured airfields, Artillery raked enemy forces with deadly fire, Armored Force units pierced enemy lines, followed closely by wave after wave of Infantry to hold the conquered territory. But coordination in our Army goes even farther than that, for in a concentrated attack there must be cooperation among all branches: Air Force, Ground Force and Service Force.

Every soldier in our Ground Forces today may be proud of the task assigned him. His skillful performance under fire is an assurance that we shall win the final victory.

## Here Are Errors Of Pvt. Joe Jerk

Pvt. Jerry Jerk would have made the march to the bivouac area in much better shape if he had taken a short time to prepare properly—made certain that his pack was rolled correctly and that his shoes and socks fitted comfortably.

He should have rinsed his mess-gear in boiling water provided by the kitchen crew, instead of giving it a perfunctory swipe with his handkerchief. And he would NEVER use his gas mask for a pillow or abuse it in any other way.

Jerry would not pitch his tent in a ravine, but would select higher ground that would afford drainage in event of rain. He would not open a blister on his foot with a pocketknife, but instead would seek medical aid. If no medics were attached to the unit, he would open the blister with a pin or needle—first sterilizing it by passing the tip through an open flame.

Borrowing a drink from another's canteen is the sign of a recruit. Jerry either would make certain that he provided his own water, or do without.

## You Can't Send Reveille Home Free

The Rainbow Reveille, or any publication for that matter, can not be sent home under the free mailing privilege. If you send the REVEILLE home you must pay one and a half cents postage, if you use the handy address box on page 8, or place it in an UNSEALED envelope. However, if you seal the envelope it will cost you six cents postage, according to Mr. Guy Griffith, the superintendent of the Post Office here at Camp Gruber.

## Here's Tip From Man Who Knows



Qualifying with the M1 rifle was but a small part of Pvt. Ed Miller's day on the range recently. But that was because Brig. Gen. Alexander N. Stark, assistant division commander, took over the coaching duties for a few minutes. Here General Stark gives Private Miller some hints in the off hand position. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo).

# General Stark Is Field Soldier; Won Two Promotions in Battle

The voice of his coach changed. Pvt. Ed Miller, Hq. Co., 242nd Inf., turned and then went back to work with a will. His coach was none other than the assistant division commander, Brig. Gen. Alexander N. Stark.

Passing on tips to men in the field is old stuff to the general. An "Army brat" he was born at Ft. Sam Houston Jan. 4, 1896, the son of Col. Alexander Stark an Army surgeon for whom the hospital at Charleston, W. Va., is named.

After attending about every school in the country, as the general puts it, he passed a competitive examination and was commissioned a second lieutenant in March, 1917. He was a first lieutenant by the time he sailed with the First Division, the first American unit designated for overseas duty.

Rising to the grade of captain in France, the assistant division commander was promoted to major when he captured a German machine gun nest and 13 prisoners singlehanded.

Twenty-five years later, on the plains of Tunisia he won his second battlefield promotion, from colonel to brigadier general for his work in the North African campaign.

For valor in two wars, General Stark wears the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star with cluster, and the French Croix de Guerre.

"Hard work will be the watchword of the Rainbow's training program," the general said. "And above all, every man must be imbued with a personal and collective hatred of our enemy."

## DEAR EDITOR:

I understand there are two buddies of mine on the Post. I will appreciate you locating them through the Rainbow REVEILLE for me. Their names are as follows: Sgt. Thomas P. Fitzgibbon and (?) Opal Harrington, or Her-rington, I am not positive.

S/SGT. BILLY HUMPHREY.  
Hq. Co. 232nd Inf.

# Rainbow of 1918 Goes Overseas

(This is the second of a series of articles on the Rainbow Division in World War I.—Editor.)

## CHAPTER 2

By SGT. HARRY L. MICKELSO

The new, unique Rainbow Division had been assembled in the fall of 1917, at Camp Mills, for early overseas duty. Shipping orders followed soon, and October 18 found the division starting its voyage across the Atlantic enroute to France.

It was a good time to leave Camp Mills, for the change of season had brought wind, dust, and chilly nights to the Long Island tent camp. The Division had been given a tremendous send-off, being reviewed by the vice-president of the United States and the secretary of war before thousands of spectators.

## TEST IN DISCIPLINE

The voyage was the first test of the Rainbow in stern discipline. Transporting troops to the War in Europe was new for the U. S. Army, the 42nd being the second division to go across to fight against Germany.

Life boat drills, regular daily exercise, and guard duty were the main details aboard ship.

It was during the early part of this voyage that a wonderful rainbow appeared in the sky. The men took this sign as a good omen—and truly it must have been, for the trip was without incident with the exception of engine trouble on the S. S. President Grant, one of the six convoy ships.

## RAINBOW AGAIN

About dusk on Oct. 31, the Rainbow Division entered the port of St. Nazaire.

It seems fantastic, but once again the good luck omen of the 42nd appeared over St. Nazaire in the form of a small rainbow. By now all men of the Rainbow had come to recognize the meaning of the rainbow in the sky. A tradition had been born.

(The story of the Rainbow will be continued in next week's REVEILLE.)

# Reception Center Keeps Fillers Busy

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til just before arrival.

They are of all ages, and come from all walks of life. Most of them had been in the Army two weeks or less. From the 18-year-old high school student to the 37-year-old veteran, these men represent a cross section of American life. The one thing they all have in common is the desire to train themselves to help bring this war to a speedy and successful conclusion.

When asked what they thought of being in the Rainbow our fillers said:

Pvt. William Polivka, a store-room keeper in civil life, who lived in Fairview, N. J., "The Rainbow was a crackerjack last time; Let's make it the same kind of an outfit this time."

Pvt. Franklin Gulik of Washington, N. J., "I've read the history of the 42nd in War I . . . But never thought I'd be a part of it."

Pvt. Al Sullunder, who sold insurance in civil life, "Always heard the Rainbow was a fighting outfit. I'm glad to be a part of it."

Pvt. Mitchell Kelly a photographer, of Highbridge, N. J., . . . "Anxious to get a Rainbow patch on my soldier."

A local Tulsa rancher has written to a Tulsa newspaper inviting Hitler and Tojo to hold a peace conference on "my 20 acres of ground." Did he mean 'under'?

## BILLFOLD GIRL OF THE WEEK



Bill fold girl for this week is the fiancee of Cpl. James D. Reese of Div. Hq. The girl is Miss Catherine J. Rees of Scranton, Pa.

## APO 411 Located Near Division Headquarters

The division postoffice, APO 411, is located in building 205 across the street from Division headquarters. It offers a complete postoffice service including money orders, registered mail and packages, according to Sgt. Dave Wirebaugh.

APO 411 is open weekdays from 11 a. m. to 7 p. m. Mondays through Saturdays and on Sundays from 8:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m.

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