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Cannoneers Show Wares In Demonstration

The newest member of the Infantry regiment's family is the Cannon Company. And as yet its particular mission there is not generally known—even among some Infantrymen.

So last Friday the Cannon Companies of the 222nd, 232nd, and 242nd Infantry regiments hit out for the hills on the outskirts of camp, and put on a show just to prove what they could do in a battle situation.

SIMULATE DARKNESS

With a reconnaissance made earlier in the day, the demonstration was conducted under simulated darkness. Swinging the 105's into the area, the guns were loosened from their prime movers and pushed into firing position by good old manpower—the crew of each gun taking over.

The art of camouflage came next with netting and other tricks to hide the howitzers from enemy eyes. And then they were ready for direct hits on the enemy—had the show taken place in real combat.

CANNONS BACK INFANTRY

Put on under the direction of Maj. James C. McFerran, of the Field Artillery, the demonstration proved the value of the Cannon Company in backing the Infantry in what might be an actual situation on the battlefield.

Officers said the occasion could arise in combat where the Division's Artillery might not be on hand to support its Infantry. In such a case, the Cannon Company might save the day.

Division Bands Aid In Bond Rallies

The war bond rallies in Muskogee and Braggs opened today with music by the 42nd Division bands. Today marks the beginning of the Third War Loan Drive, and the 42nd Division has turned out with a vengeance, not only to buy all the bonds that it can, but also to interest civilians in the campaign.

From 10 to 11 this morning the people of Braggs heard the Division band and listened to speeches by their civic leaders.

In Muskogee the entire block between Second and Third streets on Broadway is roped off. There are exhibits of weapons and equipment used by units on the post.

From noon until 1 o'clock the Division band played for a bond rally that got Muskogee off to a rousing start on their bond quota, and all during the afternoon people continued to pour through the street looking at the exhibits of our armed forces and buying bonds.

Tonight in Muskogee the Division will provide additional entertainment for the crowds.

It's Ho, Heave, Ho, in the Cannon Company



Pushing the 105-mm howitzer around into position for direct fire on the enemy are these members of the Cannon Company of the 222nd Infantry. A demonstration on the use of the new cannon company in backing up the infantry was made last Friday with members of the 222nd, 232nd, and 242nd Cannon Companies participating. The two men on the barrel of the gun, are left to right, Sgt. Elmer J. Hanson and Sgt. Andrew Vasko. (U. S. Signal Corps photo.)

222nd Men Hold Song Fest Monday

Fillers and cadre alike turned out Monday night for a song-fest held in the 222nd Infantry Recreation hall. Over 600 strong they shook the rafters with the old favorites as well as the popular modern songs.

Under the direction of Lt. Ramirez, special service officer for the 222nd, and assisted by members of the Division Band, the boys exercised their throats on such old time songs as, "I've Been Working On the Railroad" and "Over There." T-Sgt. Ira Morton swung the baton.

Fearing nothing they worked over newer songs that almost everyone knew the words to, and then listened to various musicians of the band work on solo.

This first song-fest in the Regiment was so successful that others are planned in the near future. If your singing is not exactly encouraged around the barracks or in the shower, here's your chance.

Variety Program To Be at Club No. 1

"Camp Gruber Varieties" returns to Service Club No. 1 tonight at 8:30 p. m. with something new added. The something new is Miss Patty Page who takes over the show, in place of genial Jack Elroy. Elroy has become an aviation instructor.

The show features talent from Tulsa, the 42nd Division dance band, plus the REVEILLE's own Pfc. Loye Minor with interviews and other dope on the Division.

MPs and SPs Now Have Way With Girls

MPs and SPs can now exercise their authority over WACs, SPARS, WAVES, and members of the Marine Corps Women's Reserves, according to an agreement reached by the War and Navy Departments, it was announced recently.

However, they do not have the right to throw women in uniform into guardhouses, brig, or other places of detention.

Gen. Collins Speaks To New Men of 42nd

"You men are fortunate to have been assigned to the Rainbow Division. The Rainbow Division is the best known division in America."

Thus did Brig. Gen. Harry J. Collins, division commander, address new members of the 42nd Division in an informal talk last Thursday evening.

It was an outdoor meeting held on the parade ground and was appropriately decorated with the state flags of the union, since the men present were from all sections of the nation.

Explaining that he has always been a "soldier's officer," the general told the new Rainbows that he was interested in their welfare and they could expect a square deal. In return, he told them what would be expected of them as soldiers of the 42nd.

General Collins gave the new men an idea of the tough training program ahead, with emphasis on the fact that every man in the division would be trained to perfection in the art of modern fighting.

Non-Com Club Established For 42nd Division

A non-commissioned officers club was organized last week for non-coms of the first three grades in the 42nd Division. Applications for membership among non-commissioned officers of the Rainbow are now being accepted by the club.

The clubhouse is located at Sixth and C streets and will be opened to members before the first of October. It is being redecorated and furnished, complete with bar, dance floor and other facilities, according to M/Sgt. George Villareal, of Special Troops, temporary president of the organization.

VILLAREAL PRESIDENT

Villareal was elected temporary president of the club at the first meeting last Friday when the senior non-commissioned officers of the Division met to start the club. He will serve during the formative period of the club and later a permanent group of officers will be elected by club members.

Villareal estimated that there are approximately 700 non-coms in the Division who are eligible for membership in the club. The dues have been set at a dollar per month with an initiation fee of \$2 per member.

OTHER OFFICERS

Other temporary officers on the executive committee are M-Sgt. E. M. Robertson, 242nd Inf., M-Sgt. S. C. Barber, 222nd Inf., M-Sgt. R. K. Hicks, Div. Arty., M-Sgt. R. Demsky, 122 Med. Bn., M-Sgt. T. L. Dockrey, 142nd Eng. Bn., and M-Sgt. H. L. Crowley, 232nd Inf.

Non-commissioned officers of the Division who desire membership in the club may make application through their executive board member of their unit or to Villareal by calling 7025 during the day.

The club is patterned after the similar clubs now established at nearly all camps and posts throughout the nation.

Air Mail Stamps Illegal on Packages

The six-cent air mail stamp is to be used for air mail only and its use on packages or any other class postage is prohibited, Camp Gruber postal authorities announced this week following the disclosure that this practice is holding up mail.

In the future any incorrect usage of the air mail stamp will cause the parcel or letter to be returned to its sender for correct postage.

The Post Office would also like to remind everyone that the deadline on sending Christmas packages to servicemen overseas is Oct. 15.

Classification Section Speeds Assignment of Rainbow Fillers

Men Put Where They Are Most Useful Within Few Hours After Arrival

Although it works with lightning speed, the Army's classification system is practically foolproof, and fillers coming into the 42nd Division this week were being placed where they will fit in best within a few hours of their arrival.

It is said the correct classification of men when they enter the service has a direct bearing on

success later in combat.

As new men step off the train, their WD AGO Form 20 cards (personnel records) are sped to the Division's classification center, where they are processed and assignment of the individuals to units in the Division made.

Fillers' records are broken down according to their occupations, leadership qualities, Army General

Classification Test scores, previous military experience, education, and other things in their backgrounds. Even hobbies enter into the picture—for example, an amateur radio operator could make a good man for a communications section.

They are classified into two groups — "specialists" or "non-specialists."

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Income Tax Pay Extension Given

Members of the military forces of the United States in active service on Sept. 15, 1943, have an extension of time until March 15, 1944, in which to pay income tax under the 1943 income tax laws.

If you wait until March 15, 1944, to make your declaration for 1943, the tax must be paid in full at that time.

Under the new law, if the estimate is made and filed Sept. 15, 1943, a quarterly payment is then due. Another estimate is due on December 15, 1943, if your income has changed by that time and another quarterly payment is due.

Because of the exclusion of the first \$1500 of Army pay in computing the 1943 tax, soldiers who have been in service all year will have to pay either a small tax or none at all. Soldiers who have entered the Army since Jan. 1, 1943, will be able to exclude only that part of their pay received from the army, even though it totals less than \$1500. They will have to include all civilian pay.

Here's how to figure your tax. Take your gross income (exclude the first \$1500 of service pay), subtract the deductions listed on the form and the result is your net income. Subtract \$500 personal exemption if single or \$1200 if married and the result is your surtax net income.

Take 13 percent of the first \$2000 and 16 percent of the second \$2000 of the net surtax income and that is your surtax. From your surtax net income subtract 10 percent of your net income and that balance is subject to the normal tax of six percent.

In addition to the regular tax you have a Victory tax. You take your gross income (minus the \$1500 exemption) and subtract \$500 allowed as a specific exemption. Take five percent of the balance and that is your Victory Tax.

Forms for filing may be obtained in the Federal Building in Muskogee.

Lose a Bottle; You Rob Yourself

More than 18,434 beer and pop bottles were lost from the Camp PX during the month of August, according to Maj. John B. Payne, officer in charge.

This loss is indirectly paid by the men themselves, cutting down PX profits—a share of which goes to their company funds. Major Payne requests the cooperation of all Gruber soldiers in returning all bottles taken from the PXs.

PX No. 6, located in the 242nd Infantry area at 17th and C, is now open for business and No. 10, at 12th and D, will soon be opened to serve Division Artillerymen.

PXs stop serving at 9:50 p. m., remaining open ten minutes longer to allow lingering GIs time to finish that last bottle of beer. Closing hours for the PX barber shops are the same.

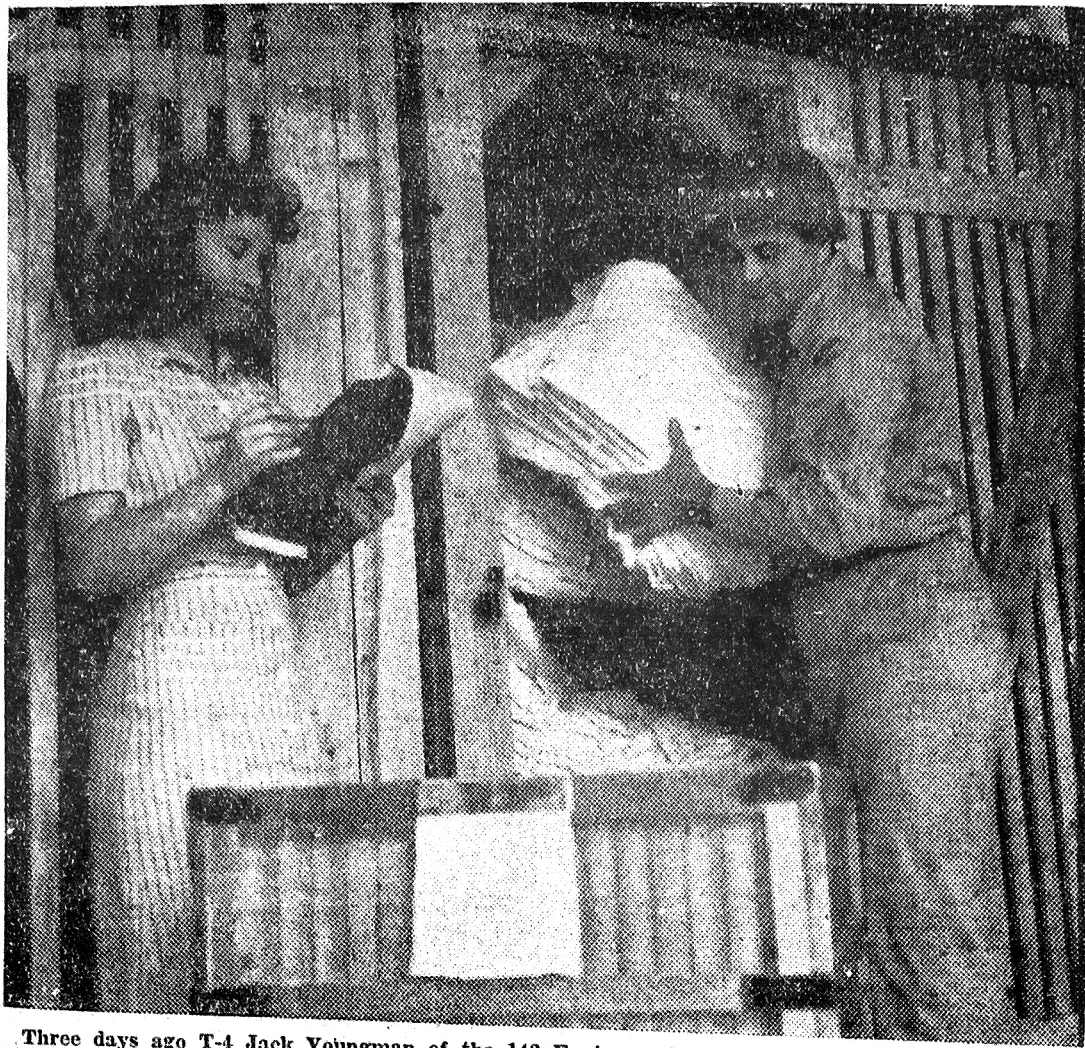
Division Wants Articles Mentioning Rainbowers

Anyone who receives newspaper or magazine articles from home in which the Rainbow Division is mentioned is asked to send the article together with a slip telling the name of the newspaper or magazine from which it came, to the Division public relations officer, in care of the REVEILLE.

A history of the Division is being compiled through the medium of newspaper stories and articles.

Your mask will save your life in a gas attack. Handle it carefully and never put anything in the carrier but the mask and antidote.

And It Comes Out Here



Three days ago T-4 Jack Youngman of the 142 Engineers hopefully brought the company laundry. Youngman went back to his company and about the duties of a supply sergeant. What the laundry went through is another story, which is printed below. Anyhow, here is Youngman loading up the week's sheets while Miss Cornelia Johnson checks them off. (U. S. Signal Corps photo.)

Laundry Does Things GI Way Here Everything Comes Back Clean

Every week the laundry goes out, and the next week it comes back clean. It's your own laundry and it's done in a way that few civilian laundries equal these days.

Here's what happens to it between the time your supply sergeant takes it in, and the time that he puts up the notice on the bulletin board that the laundry is ready.

The full bags are dumped into large bins at the entrance of the laundry, each bin reserved for the laundry of one company at a time. From there it is taken to be marked, and the pockets emptied.

No matter how often the supply sergeant tells you to empty your pockets the laundry still finds everything from your last month's pay to the picture of your best girl in pockets. They're all returned safely and promptly to you.

After the laundry is marked it

is sorted, different types of clothing going through different machines. It is washed and dried and ends up at the other end of the laundry to be ironed. The ironing is done on a variety of machines, the simplest of which looks like what the Norden Bombsight must look like.

Having been washed and ironed the laundry is reassorted so that each man is sure of getting his own clothes. It's then packaged, put in large bins and taken back to the company.

Stark Is General And Stark Private

Alexander Stark, Jr., is a general.

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No, Alexander Stark, Jr., is a general.

This could go on for two and a half columns but it won't.

The explanation is that Brig. Gen. Alexander N. Stark, Jr., is assistant commander of the 42nd Infantry Division and Pvt. Alexander Stark, Jr., is a new recruit assigned to Company A of the 142nd Engineer Battalion. Private Stark recently was transferred to the division from the reception center at Ft. Logan, Colo.

Let's hope Private Stark does as well as his predecessor, General Stark.

Use extra care when you are tired. Fatigue leads to carelessness.

At Last Dogface Who Thinks Up Abbreviations Is Found

He's Got Just the Background Necessary to Make Headaches for Clerks

By CPL. ROBERT F. POPP

There's a small padded cell at Station Hospital where they keep a venerable old dogface who every day is fed a bushel of anagrams, half a dozen cross-word puzzles and an unabridged dictionary.

For two hours every day he is taken out of his straightjacket, and immediately he goes to work, scratching unendingly on discarded copies of The Racing Form. And every night a runner from Division Headquarters stops in the old GI's sanctum and laboriously copies the meaningless words and letters.

The old man's existence has been a carefully guarded secret for years but now it can be told.

He's the man who thinks up the abbreviations that are used in special orders and on payrolls and in correspondence and in practically everything that is written anywhere in the Army.

He comes by his calling naturally. His father was a traincaller and

practiced double-talk in his spare time and his mother was frightened by a cross-word puzzle shortly before his birth.

So it's no trouble at all for the abbreviation-writer to dash off something like this, for the information and confusion of all concerned:

"DP 2d Lt Robert O. Smith, 0-1030449, Inf, is EAD eff 10 Sept 43. WP Cp Gruber, Okla, rptg on arrival thereof to CO 42d Messkit Repair Bn for dy. TDN. TPA."

Which means: "By direction of the President, Second Lieutenant Robert O. Smith, whose serial number is 0-1030449, and who is an infantry officer, is ordered to extended active duty effective September 10, 1943, and will proceed to Camp Gruber, Okla., reporting on arrival to the Commanding Officer of the 42d Messkit Battalion for duty. The travel directed is necessary in the military service. Travel by privately owned conveyance is authorized."

In his odd moments, the old GI originated cute little abbreviations like DS, SD, EM, O, BOQ, Bn, CO, Co, AWOL, sk, NLD, dy, asgmt, bks, CG, MSG, GPLD, ldy, AGCT, ROA, MA, CA, OCS, ASTP and others too confusing to mention.

He has a brother—though less versatile—who dreams up the conventional signs and symbols for military maps.

Although he's been writing abbreviations for years, he often is dissatisfied with his work, and changes many of them as often as three times a week—ask any Army clerk.

Right now, he's compiling a new Army Regulation that will be abbreviated to 57 words, calling for all Army Regulations to be condensed to a minimum of three paragraphs, and allotting just 47 words—and all in authorized abbreviations—to cover the Articles of War and the Manual for Courts Martial.

Hometown Paper In at Library

The library at Service Club No. 1 probably has your own hometown newspaper. There are newspapers from several towns in each of the 48 states, according to Miss Elizabeth Cooper.

And if you're looking to see if anyone from your home town is here in camp, the library is the place to go. On the second floor there is a register for each of the 48 states, where you can list your name under your own state, and also see who else has signed in.

Another feature at the library is the large map of Oklahoma, which is the work of Miss Winifred Clark. Miss Clark has also done a series of water colors on Oklahoma which are on display in the library.

In the book section the "How to Do It Books" still are most popular, Miss Cooper explained. With books on military subjects taking the lead. Second on the popularity list are the mystery stories.

This week the most popular books, listed in the order of their popularity are: any of the Perry Mason Mystery stories; "The Human Comedy," by William Saroyan; "The Sun Is My Undoing," by Marquerite Stern; "The Immortal Sergeant," by Jules Brophy; "Mein Kampf," A. Hitler; "We Took To The Woods," by Louise Dickinson Rich; "Mathematics For the Millions," by John Hogen, and "Air Transport and Navigation," by Repath and Cornburn.

Club Observes First Anniversary

Saturday Service club No. 2 celebrated its first anniversary with a gala "Gay Nineties Party," complete with an old time community sing, beards, derbies and dancing.

With girls from Tulsa, the dancing got under way early, and stopped only when the last bus was ready to leave to take the girls home.

Music was furnished by both orchestra of the Division in a battle of music that brought the house down. The "Barbershop Quartette" from Tulsa rocked the club with their rendition of songs that were all the rage 40 years ago.

Sgt. Eugene Jones brought his fine quartette from the 969th F. A. Bn, and also presented for the first time his own original song, "Furlough."

The 400 men from the Division who attended the party agreed that it was a great success and joined in wishing Service club No. 2 a happy birthday and many of them.

Girl Band Slated For Gruber Theaters

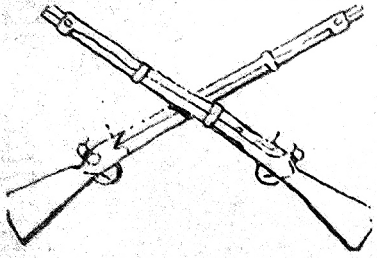
Joy Caylor and her all-girl band will occupy the spotlight when the USO-Camp Shows present "Happy Landing," a bang-up musical review, this Saturday and Monday at two Camp Gruber theaters.

The show will play at Theater No. 2 Saturday and Theater No. 3 Monday. Two shows will be presented each evening, starting at 6:45 and 8:30 p. m.

Direct from Broadway, Joy Caylor and her band of beautiful girls, will play the latest hit tunes. Joy alternates playing her trumpet and swinging the baton, and the band has several instrumental soloists and vocalists. The girls have just made a tour of the mid-west and east, and have one of the most successful girls bands playing.

Several variety acts will be presented, rounding out a complete musical stage show.

Let Reveille Be Your Friday Letter Home



242nd Infantry First Battalion

S-Sgt. Peppino Fazi, First Bn. Hq. Co., returning from an emergency furlough the other day remarked how nice it was back home for a change, but that he was glad to get back "Home" again.

Another group of men have left our ranks temporarily to attend school at Fort Benning. They are Sgt. Romolo Nespica, Sgt. Elwood Ewan and Pvt. Edward Miller, all First Bn. Hq. Co.

S-Sgt. Raymond Avery, the Company A mess sergeant, is very well pleased with his new KPs. Especially the broad backs he's received from Michigan.

High rejoicing going on in Company A supply room, with T-3 Claud Penland singing "Pistol Packing Mama" and a few other sweet hillbilly numbers too nauseating to mention.

Three cheers for our own glamour lad T-4 Lawrence Hesselgrave for making first cook.

The latest news in Company A is the approaching marriage of Pvt. Emmett Maynor and a Muskogee maiden.

Hero of the Week: Sw S-Sgt. Eugene Tulbane, Co. C, successfully launching an attack on a cheese-loving rodent.

A pat on the back to T-5 James Smith, Co. C, for the fine manner in which he has been greeting our newly arrived fillers.

Add Hobbies: Cpl. Marvin Larson and Cpl. Andrew Romanelli, Co. C, the REVEILLE'S ace reporter, playing baseball at every opportunity.

S-Sgt. Lloyd Thomas, Co. D, is doing a great job in making real soldiers out of our recruits. He'll keep it up, he says, if his voice holds out.

Question from a Rookie: "Why is the recreation room called a 'Day Room' when it is used only at nights?"

Friday night's general policing of the area should eliminate gigs on Saturday's inspection. "Do we do this every night?" asked one of the fillers.

Second Battalion

Company E boys are looking forward to Sunday dinners at the home of Cpl. Thomas R. Hollandsworth, who was married last week.

Over in Company H, the official bird herder (yard type) is Cpl. Harry A. Lee.

With the coming of the rains, Pfc. Michael J. McHale, Co. H, dusts off his lifesaving certificate. But the rains aren't going to be that bad, Mac.

Third Battalion

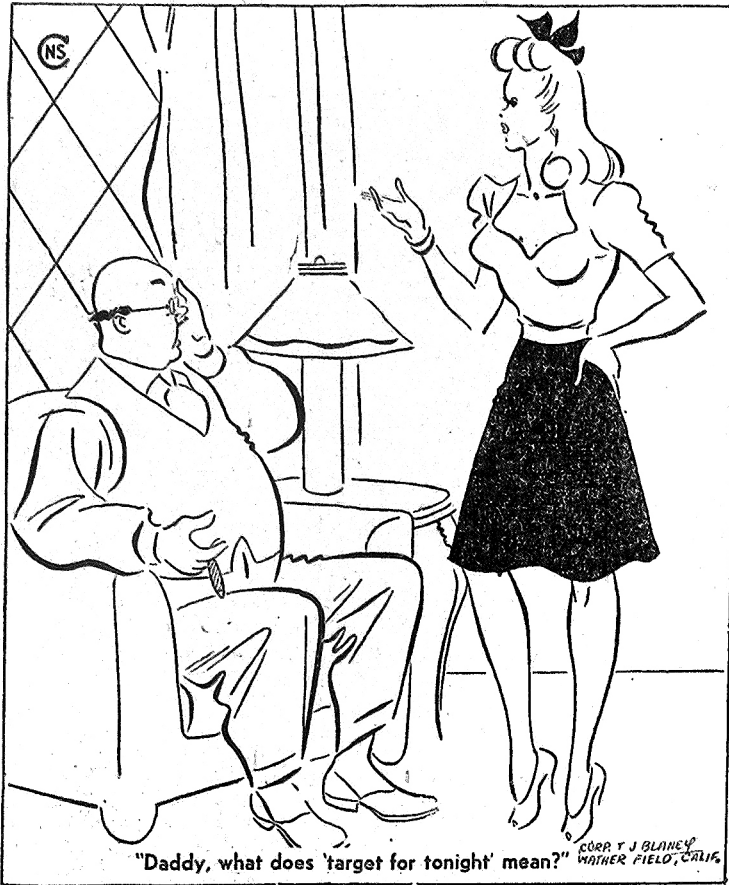
S-Sgt. Gunnard C. Peterson is back in his right frame of mind now that his pride and joy, Junior, is back as mascot of Company I. The leading comics of Company I seem to be Pvts. Jack R. Wise and Arthur L. Schneible.

Anyone desiring information on how to sleep and where to sleep, contact Pvt. Roland C. Jackson.

Another marriage in Company I. This time it is T-4 Andrew Yanick. Hope the new Mrs. Yanick's stay in Muskogee is a pleasant one.

When will First Sgt. Edward D. Dalton, Co. L, take the same step?

Company M's mess hall (they



"Daddy, what does 'target for tonight' mean?"

call it a dining room because of its class) has not been opened yet, but the heavy weapons company boys bet it will take highest honors when it is.

A side bet has been put up by S-Sgt. Porter Moore that the stork is going to bring him and his wife a girl.

Special Units

At this writing final scores from record firing on the range with the M1 rifle have been compiled, and we are proud to say that the filler Medics have added to the detachment's share of good scores. Congratulations to M-Sgt. Wilton Nabors who obtained a score of 187, highest in the detachment. Congratulations also to T-Sgt. Thomas North and Pfc. Elmer Watson, who fired 180 and 181 respectively. Its a tribute to their instruction to say that most of the medics made sharpshooters and had never before handled weapons.

That relieved look on T-4 John Remesnik's face appeared the other day when he learned that a certain gal arrived safe and sound.

And we wonder why T-5 Harold Everment, of the Medics, has been seen frequenting Service Club No. 2 lately.

T-4 William (Bill) Newman's outfit really turned the tide in Thursday's softball contest, of the current afternoon series. Memorable events in the game (not to mention a whale of a score) were Sgt. Denver Crawford's flycatching and Sgt. Mike (Rusty Hinge) Miller's nailing 'em at home bag. In Friday's game both teams were better matched. This resulted in stiffer competition and virtually an "all" game at the final inning.

Those long-awaited furloughs have arrived at last for Sgts. Mike Miller, Wilton Nabors, Ernest Motley, Matias Venegas, and T-5s Edward Ryan and Hardman Hammond, all medics. Many and varied are their plans; and they all add up to a whale of a lot of fun.

Long Distance Operator On Duty at Two Clubs

For long distance phone calls there are operators on duty at both Service Clubs. This service is available from 6 to 10:30 each week night, and from 2 to 10:30 Saturdays and Sunday.

The left foot comes down in the parade with the heavy beat of the drum.

222nd Infantry First Battalion

Glad that Pvt. Mervin Cooley's wife is now recovered from a recent illness.

We feel for "Junior Commando," Corporal Olsen. We know what he's going through.

Is it true that Corporal Tilley is trying to grow a mustache before his next visit to Tulsa?

Our Ammunition and Pioneer platoon sergeant, Crow, spent a day at home when he went to Pennsylvania on M. P. duty.

Second Battalion

Confucius said, "One picture is worth ten thousand words." Our First Sergeant Lawrence deserves a picture.

Pfc. Fred Skrabanek is now a T-5 and company artificer. And Supply Sergeant Erickson says, "Thank heavens, help at last."

Now that the complete tallies are in these men were tops on the range. Staff Sergeant Bobbie made expert on the M1 and the light machine gun as did Sergeant Pullen, Sergeant Kilgore and Corporal Blum.

In case of an air raid, avoid outstanding landmarks such as lone trees, rocks or fence corners. These points are easily picked up as targets.

232nd Infantry Second Battalion

Fillers arriving all the time, and Corporal Klein, Second Bn. Hq. Co., has already found a buddy in the new men.

What happens to Staff Sergeant Hall's car? Everytime he goes out in it he walks back. He's found out you can't wear your gas tank.

Cpl. Ben Silverman, Second Bn. Hq. Co., left on an emergency furlough to visit his home in Brooklyn, where his father is very ill.

Sgt. Edward (Muscles) Whittier, Second Bn. Hq. Co., went through combat firing with flying colors, but he says it's hard to make a line soldier out of a communications chief.

Staff Sergeant Dodd says he is going to start an information center at the reception center, where he has been on special duty.

Private First Class Davis, Private Sager and Private Nelson finally got that furlough that they were sweating out so hard.

Private Klick was assigned to the reception center mess, to fill the fillers.

T-5 Ed Kobierowski nearly had to ask for a three-day pass to read a letter that he received a few days ago. The letter is on a piece of paper slightly larger than four feet square. And who is she, Ed?

BILLFOLD GIRL OF THE WEEK



If someone asks you what California has got that your own state hasn't, the answer is printed above. Her name is Miss Wanda Hale, of the San Francisco Hales. The picture is from the billfold of Cpl. Larry MacWilliams of Co. "I," 222nd Infantry.



"Is she your beneficiary?"



742nd Ordnance

Ordnance must have priority on false teeth or else join the Ordnance and get your tusks replaced, according to Sgts. Paul Thornton, Gerald Beeson and "Winnie" Jones.

While rambling through our "Willow Run," take note of supply's huge flaming bomb, creation of our artistic welder T-4 Ed Waterman.

We proudly boast the various athletic teams we have organized. We have several all star basketball players such as Sgt. Harold Barnhizer, and T-5 Ralph Hannie.

And what's the matter with the other special troops? They've called off two softball games with us this week. We're plenty good, but we promise to take it easy with them if they'll play.

Mess Sgt. Modesto Garcia, who is an ex-Golden Gloves boxer, is getting in shape to take on all comers in the Division boxing bouts.

We are mighty proud of our one-man band, Pfc. Brown Rowe, the only man to play a saxophone from a songsheet without music.

The sight of the week is the tallest man in the Division, First Sgt. Ellsworth Lillard, driving a jeep.

Welcome to Pvt. Mel Jasperon and Pvt. Frank Bartonek, two fine Ordnance men in the making.

For fine portrait painting in the G. I. manner see Pfc. John (Rembrandt) Sabatella.

There's a battle going on next week in our area while we select the girl friend of the Ordnance. There are some mighty beautiful pictures to choose from. The winner will appear in the REVEILLE.

Recon Troop

Sgt. Joe Buccellato of the Rainbow Recon Troop swears that from now on his right hand will know what his left hand is doing.

Joe had been dividing his week ends in Tulsa between two young women and keeping them on the beam during the week by sugar reports penned in the Troop day-room.

All went well for a couple of weeks, until one day the "Mabel" letter got into the "Evelyn" envelope, and vice versa.

The next weekend two very irate young women greeted the suave young sergeant in Tulsa, but Joe managed to get the "one who really mattered" back on the beam with a monumental bit of explaining.

Four Troopers added stripes to their sleeves this week. They're Thomas F. Duke and Arthur N. Wheaton, who were appointed corporals, and Byron B. Cassin and Carl W. Koppenhaver, who made T-5.

Sgt. Albert Renner and Pvt. Roy Holloway left on furloughs on the returning heels of Cpls. John D. Dye, Franklin P. Arscott and Charles Cohen.

The officer's roster showed arrivals and departures also. Lts. William C. Marquis, Samuel L. Oakleaf and Keith W. Green joined the Troop last week from Ft. Riley, Kan., and Capt. Lawrence K. Thompson, Jr., Troop commander, prepared to leave this week for a three month's advanced course at the same post.

Cpl. Robert F. Popp is the father of a son born Wednesday in Clarksville, Texas.

Keep Up on the News of Your Division

42nd Division Hospital Patients

Cpl. Westly "Chief" Hare, Headquarters Company, 42nd Division, played a little too rough not so long ago so they have him all plastered up with a cast on his broken leg. Under such a handicap and a "few other" minor reasons, he has been thoroughly tamed and now is spending his leisure convalescing hours improving his bridge game. Even with all this extra practice he is getting, he is a long way from Culbertson!

Some patient seems to have the idea that when you take a book from the Red Cross Library its yours to keep. How about it, Sergeant Walter Sloan of Headquarters Battery, 402nd Fa. Bn? Also, rumor has it that one of his biggest ailments is a broken heart. Cupid, let's get on the beam!

Thanks go to Sergeant Monath and Sergeant Sabis of the 132nd Signal Company for the program they gave us on Tuesday night at the Red Cross Recreation Building in the Station Hospital. It was really swell. We certainly appreciate the entertainments the 42nd Division has been bringing to the hospital for our enjoyment.

Cpl. Roy Wolfram, 232nd FA, really had his ward fooled when he was admitted to the hospital. He came in wearing dark glasses. How did they know he wasn't a movie star?

Pvt. Sharon Reeves, Battery B, 392nd FA, is so new here we don't have much dope on him yet—but just wait till next week, then we'll get you the lowdown on him.

Sgt. Joseph P. Nakapalan, Hq. Co., 232nd Inf., has gone native on us. He has been making varied colored leis that are the envy of all the hospital female personnel.

S-Sgt. Grant S. Southworth, 142nd Engineers, left us yesterday, for a 21 day convalescent furlough. He deserves it, too, for he has been in the hospital for about 10 weeks with a broken leg.

Sgt. Walter Allison, Co. C, 232nd Inf., lost his front teeth in the Battle of Bull Run, I mean B-1. Anyway, he may be toothless, after his visit to the Dental Clinic but after all the treatment he has received for his arthritis, that leg of his will be more shapely than most chorus girls.

A stranger in the Red Cross Building Friday night would have thought he was in the north woods from the howls of the wolves. It was nothing but a movie at that—Judy Garland in "Presenting Lily Mars." Silly, "boys," aren't they?

T-4 Allen Walters, Hq. Battery, 542nd FA, who was a chief cook back in the chow house surely has been demoted here. Now all he says he does is K. P!

Sgt. John L. Montgomery, Hq. Co., 242nd Inf., who is in here because of a fractured wrist will have it fractured again if he isn't careful. Warning, Monte, "Keep out of your neighbors' cigar box!"

Wanted: One yale lock to insure safety of either the cigars or the wrist.

What happened in the Red Cross pool tournament this last week? Thought a certain Rainbow patient was picked as favorite for the winner. Say, just where did that C. D.D. "dark horse" come from?

When Private First Class Shorts first came in the hospital he was really worried. The first thing he said was, "I can't see how they're going to get along without me. I won't be there to cook for them, and I think I'm the best cook they've ever had." Funny, but that's not what the rest of the fellows in the 742nd Ordnance Company say, is it, Shorts?

Send your gal to the Station Hospital because Pvt. Norman Stark of the 132nd Signal Company would like to have a visitor. He wants to sit out on "lover's land," but his gal is 2,000 miles away. Come on, help out a buddy, fellows.

Pvt. Frank J. Bergert, Service Company, 222nd Inf., has been the "right hand man" for Recreation Workers at the Red Cross. He has been working hard and doing a swell job. We're sorry that you'll be going home soon, Frankie.

42nd Div. Hq. Co.

T-Sgt. Joe Ruotola and Pvt. Thomas McGinnis have been accepted for the Air Forces and have left for Mississippi.

Pfc. Harold Stowasser returned with a dreamy look from his furlough. He spent it in Philadelphia. S-Sgt. Simeon Metzgar walks around the company with a dazed and slightly pleased look these days. He can't get over the home run he hit in the game with the MPs.

S-Sgt. Oliver Friesen, supply sergeant extraordinary, is busy plotting revenge on First Sgt. Oliver Friesen. Seems they found a new game in Tulsa and Friesen lost with a score of 69 to nothing.

Corporal Calahan taking life easy the other night by quitting work at 8.

Add SNAFU situations: Master Sergeant Jergens receives a telegram informing him that he is the father of a 10-pound boy. While S-Sgt. Alfred Shortridge heralds the arrival of a new Rainbow named Alfred Shortridge, IV.

142nd Engineers

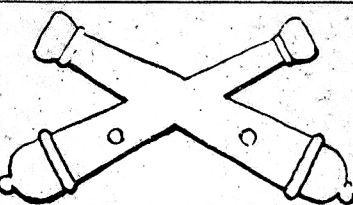
S-Sgt. Curtiss Hassel Hatler, of the Headquarters and Service Co., is the son of a Rainbow veteran. He says he's proud to be carrying on in his father's footsteps.

Because of the quarantine period, special Chapel services were held in the Battalion Recreation hall last Sunday for the new men, with 65 men attending. On duty were Chaplains Yaeger and Fortner, and Private Colbo assisted as pianist.

Moving the rear sight to the left moves the strike of the bullet to the left.

The Wolf

by Sansone



392nd F. A. Bn.

T-5 John Mathew of Service Battery is spending his 10-day furlough at his home in Stamford, Conn.

M/Sgt. Lelias Lindsay spent the weekend visiting friends in Muskogee.

Pfc. Aigmund Luczak from Headquarters Battery is visiting friends back home in the Quaker City.

Sgt. Ray Marshall has relieved T-4 Ginter as mail orderly. Now Sergeant Wyatt's letters from Juanita won't have to be censored.

T-5 Meyers was a bit disappointed this weekend because T-4 Coats ranked him on a three-day pass. There's always another weekend, Meyers.

Sgt. George Creighton didn't lose any time in catching the bus for Tulsa.

232nd F. A. Bn.

We received some excellent men in our battalion from New York. These youngsters say that paradoxically enough, the finest show on Broadway is titled, "Oklahoma."

T-Sgt. G. B. Johnson, personnel sergeant major, has just returned from a furlough. It seems his absence caused all his clerks to keep awfully busy and most of them reported to sick call the morning following his return.

Cpl. Frankie Novay has left the

kitchen to help train the new men. He likes the work, too, he says.

Staff Sergeant Krambeck is the possessor of the "Purple Heart," won in action against the Japs. In Hawaii he is credited with shooting down two Zeros with a Browning Automatic rifle.

Rumor hath it that Cpl. Joe Kershitsky is headed for the altar early in October, the bride-to-be being a native Muskogean.

Orchid of the week goes to T-5 Winslow, of Battalion Headquarters, who did the work of four men recently when four clerks were on special duty and two were on furlough.

402nd F. A. Bn.

Returning from a recent furlough, S-Sgt. Walter Sloan went straight to the hospital. Our best wishes.

The battalion has been busy, the past week taking care of new fillers coming in. The ambition of the 402nd is to be the best outfit in the Rainbow.

542nd F. A. Bn.

Furloughs are the big news among the men of the 542nd, and we have members scattered all across the country. Sergeant Forbis and Private Stewart are in South Carolina. Privates Hoke and Heckathorne are seeing Pennsylvania, while Staff Sergeant Odom, Private Hill and Private Kilpatrick are "deep in the heart of Texas."

In Michigan is Corporal Kiwala, while Corporal White is in Massachusetts.

A former bugler, Private Perez, is now trying his hand at cooking chow.

Romance Blooms In Field Artillery

Romance played an important part in the lives of some of the Division Artillerymen this past week.

Last Friday T-5 Joe Miller, chiropodist supreme of the Medical Detachment, and Miss Selma Shipper of Trenton, N. J., were married in Tulsa. It had been a two-year courtship, but as Joe says, "Too much of it by mail."

Miss Shipper made the 1500-mile trip from Trenton, and arrived in Tulsa just a few hours before the ceremony. Pvt. Leslie Goldman did the honors as best man.

Corporal Miller had planned on a three-day pass for the occasion, and was pleasantly surprised with a 10-day furlough just as he was about to leave camp. An informal reception was held at the Tulsa hotel last Saturday night.

S-Sgt. George Kelder, radio chief, also has had his innings with Dan Cupid. He just returned from a furlough at his home in Bethany, Mo. While there he seriously considered asking his girl to marry him. Now that he's back in camp he finds she would have said yes. So all he needs is a three-day pass to be a married man.

T-4 Albert Sloan, chief mail clerk for Division Artillery, has made elaborate plans for the arrival of his wife on a visit. She will be coming from their home in Greenville, S. C.

Then we have T-4 Gerald Tuinstra who is awaiting the arrival of his first child, expected some time in the next three weeks. Expectant father Tuinstra has been accepting all advice from other fathers in the battery, and honestly admits he's nervous. He plans to bring his family to Muskogee some time in October or November.

Day Rooms to Get Cartoon Posters

All day rooms of the Division will soon have a large color reproduction of an original cartoon by our staff artist, Pvt. Ted MacKechnie.

The cartoon shows a very sloppy dressed soldier leaning against a lamp post, while in the foreground the customarily neat Rainbow man is walking with a luscious MacKechnie lovely who is asking, "Is that A soldier too?"

The cartoon was reproduced by the silk screen method, and has no less than 11 different colors on it. T-5 Irving Blustein handled the reproduction work.

In the field, don't congregate in groups. Dispersion increases your protection from air and ground observation.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of Terry and the Pirates



Slight Snaf In Cupid's Path



SPORTS

Special Troops Continue Battles

The Special Troops League members continue to battle it out for top honors in their league, and for the chance to play in the 42nd Division Softball "World Series."

Tonight the 132 Signal Company tries out against the league leading 142 Engineers, and are confident that they have solved the sensational pitching style set up by the Engineers filler pitcher, Private Stewart.

The M.P. Platoon, still smarting under their defeat by the Head-

TONIGHT

132 Sig. Co. at 142 Engr. Bn.
42nd Q. M. Co. at 122 Medic Bn.

M. P. Platoon at 42 Ren. Trp.
742 Ord. Co. at Hq. Co.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

122 Medics at 142 Engr. Bn.
42nd Ren. Trp. at H. Q. Co.
132 Sig. Co. at 42nd Q. M. Co.

742 Ord. Co. at M. P. Platoon.

quarters Company, try out against the 42nd Recon. Troop, who have completely revamped their troop after their defeat by the 42nd Quartermasters.

The 42nd Quartermasters meet the 122nd Medical Bn. in a game that promises to be a slugfest.

The 742nd Flaming Bombs of Ordnance tackle the Headquarters Company who will be without their star second baseman and manager, Corporal Hale, who is on Furlough.

Meds Take Thriller From Recon Troops

Although called by darkness at the end of the sixth inning the 122nd Medics and the Headquarters Company game, played last night, was a thriller.

The Headquarters Company made a determined bid in the third inning and managed to push 12 runs across the plate. It wasn't enough however, and the game ended with the Medics on the long end of a 16 to 15 score.

The game was marked by the fine playing of Sgt. Leo Bailo and Sgt. Bob Johnson, both of the Headquarters team.

During dry weather the dust raised by your weapon will reveal your position. This can be avoided by wetting down the ground or covering it with wet cloth.



Semi-Finals in Ping Pong Tourney To Be Held Monday and Tuesday

Service Club No. 2 was the scene Tuesday night of the third and last in the series of preliminaries in the ping pong contest sponsored by the Rainbow REVEILLE.

Semi-finals will be held next Monday and Tuesday at the two Service Clubs, with finals the following week at the Field House.

Winners in the preliminary games from the 222nd and 232nd Infantry regiments and Special Troops will play off at Service club No. 1, Monday, at 7:30 p. m.

Champ Artillerymen and winners from the 242nd Infantry will play their semi-finals at Service club No. 2, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.

Players participating in Monday's preliminaries at Service club No. 1 are as follows, with winners listed first:

First games:
Pvt. Joseph Faber vs. Pvt. Russell Kronenberger.

Cpl. Wally Hanson vs. Pvt. Bob Huwitt.

Pvt. Ernest Paboff vs. Sgt. Louis Toke.

Cpl. Paul Dietrick vs. Pfc. Richard Goff.

Pvt. Victor Gould vs. Pvt. George Fredericks.

Second games:
Sgt. Horace Dabney vs. Pvt. Jean Hayden.

Sgt. George Kentowitz vs. Pfc. Alex Santini.

Sgt. Herbert Ward vs. Pfc. Mac Goren.

Players participating in Tuesday's games are as follows, with winners listed first:

Private Webb vs. Pfc. H. E. Raubolt.

Pvt. Richard Herriott vs. Sgt. Frank Smith.

Pvt. Roman Wojtunik vs. Pvt. Loring Applby.

Pvt. Melvin Posey vs. Pvt. Ben Garfield.

Pvt. Arthur Tenny vs. Pvt. Joseph McLaughlin.

Pfc. Lovick Draper vs. Pvt. Chester Good.

Pvt. Robert Black vs. Pvt. Lewis Noel.

Pvt. Maurice Sholle vs. Pvt. William Williamsen.

Pvt. Sammy Lovasco vs. Pvt. Danny Colangelo.

Engineers Win Third With 10-4 Victory

The 142nd Engineer Bulldogs clinched their first place position last night by running over a weak Reconnaissance Troop team to the lopsided score of 10-4.

STANDINGS			
Special Troops Softball League			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
142 Engrs.	3	0	.1000
122nd Medics	1	0	.1000
MP Plt.	1	1	.500
Hq. Co.	1	1	.500
742 Ord. Co.	1	1	.500
42nd Q. M.	1	2	.333
42nd Ren. Trps. .	0	2	.000
132nd Sig. Co. ...	0	1	.000

Private Stewart, the ace filler pitcher of the Bulldogs, started again by holding the Cavalry boys down to five hits.

Another filler took his place on the field for the Engineers when Private Andrea accounted for three of the Engineers runs.

Engineers Take Baseball Tilt 3-1

A pitching duel almost carried the softball game between the 742 Ordnance Company and the 142 Engineers into extra innings Thursday. The game went for eight and a half innings at a one to one tie, until the Engineers were able to slip over two runs in the final frame to make the score 3-1.

Pitching flawless ball Pvt. Willard Stewart, one of the fillers, held the Flaming Bombsmen to one hit, Stewart has a fast ball, and a low drop that has baffled batters in the last two games the Engineers have won.

Early in the first inning the Engineers were able to sneak across one run, despite the stellar pitching of T/4 Barney of the Bombsmen.

The Ordnance men retaliated in the same inning, and from then until the very last inning it was a tight game, with neither side being able to push across a tally.

As darkness settled across the field in the final inning the Engineers were able to push across two more runs as Barney tired slightly.

The league leading Engineer Bulldogs seem to specialize in tight games, having taken the decision from Quartermasters on a score of 10 to 9.

In all movements to right, while marching, the command is given as the right foot strikes the ground.

Artillery League Starts Tonight

With the softball tournament in the Special Troops well under way, the Division Artillery has set up a league to pick their team for the Softball World Series, planned for the Division sometime the first part of October.

Teams have been formed in all of the organizations, and intensive practise is now going on. Fillers have proved to be a great support to many of the teams, and all men are encouraged to try for a place on their own team.

First games in the new league will be played tonight, and other games will be played each Thursday from now on.

Games tonight are: The Div. Arty. Hq Btry at the 542nd F. A. Bn; the 402 FA Bn at the 392 FA Bn, and the 232 FA Bn at the Div. Arty Medical Detachment.

QM Cops 14-12 Win Over Recon Troops

The 42nd QM Company took the Recon. Troop over the ropes to the tune of 14 to 12 in their Tuesday night game, in a game in which both sides featured heavy hitting.

The Reconnaissance Rangers took an early lead of 6 to 0 and held it until the fifth frame, when the Quartermasters were able to push across 10 runs.

From then until the end of the game the Quartermasters were never seriously threatened, although the Rangers ended up their innings with a five-run rally to bring their total to 12.

Division Hq. Co. Nine Scores Win Over MPs

The MPs proved to be an easy victim for the fighting Division Headquarters Company team. They scored at will, ending up at the long end of an 18 to 12 score.

Sparked by M-Sgt. L. Cole, who pitched, and helped in the infield by Cpl. Landis Hale, a veteran of the Lemone, Pa. Coalbreakers, the Headquarters Company presented a team that promises stiff competition in the finals.

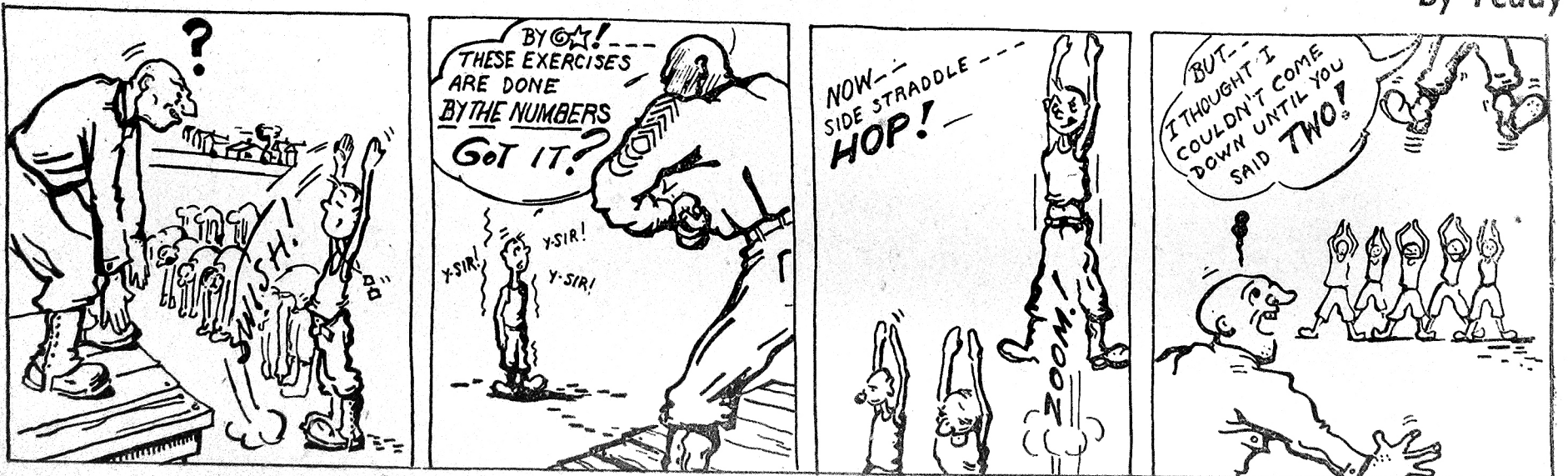
Sports Arena to Be Open Every Night Until 10

The Sports Arena, located near Main Gate will now be open until 10 each evening, according to Lt. John Hall, officer in charge.

Space is available for badminton, basketball, boxing and volleyball. Space can be reserved for scheduled games between outfits by calling Lieutenant Hall at 261.

RAINBOW RODNEY

By Teddy



Captain in Guard Private in 42nd

From captain to private in six days is the record of Pvt. William McKnight of the 132nd Signal Company. And he's proud of it. In fact Private McKnight had to work hard to get from captain to private.

A veteran of the last war Private McKnight served overseas with the First Division as a radio operator. When war came again to his country he "was thrown out of every recruiting office on the west coast." But he fooled them by getting in the California state guard, and working his way up to captain.

The State Guard was mobilized in 1941, and until August 24, when his resignation was accepted, Private McKnight was on active duty as a captain, guarding installations along the coast.

When the State Guard was going to be demobilized McKnight decided the only way he could stay in the army was to enlist. This time he passed the physical examination, and after a few days was on his way to the Rainbow.

"The First and the 42nd Divisions were rivals in the last war," explained Private McKnight, "and I never thought I'd be wearing the Rainbow. But we all had a lot of respect for it then, and the way it looks now, I'm going to be proud to wear the Rainbow."

Private McKnight is 47 years old, looks 30, and is a topflight radio operator and soldier, according to his officers.

JUST A FEW LINES

BY THE RAINBOW GADABOUT

Now the troubled GI has a new problem . . . shall he see the Chaplain or write Superman?

According to the comic pages, "Superman's Service for Servicemen" is at your service. At present the dynamic hero is busy helping out a distressed sailor on the high seas; but knowing Superman, the Gadabout is sure he can take care of the Army too.

Formation of the 42nd Division Band brought together Sgt. Clair Gibson and Sgt. Bill Conover after five years. The two musicians formerly played in Duke Barron's orchestra, touring the South, and their meeting here was a surprise.

From Floyd Wrightsman, of Lafayette, Ind., comes an interesting letter telling of a "Last Man Club" formed there among 15 Rainbow veterans. Organized nine years ago, the club has lost one member by death.

Reward to the surviving last member will be a bottle of 1918 wine from the Champagne country of France. The wine is now 25 years old and Wrightsman reports the vets hope that the wine will be at least 70 years old when it reaches its rightful owner.

The Gadabout envies the high non-commissioned officer who sports about the Artillery area with his polished swagger stick. Oh, for the life of a sergeant!

Who is the enlisted man in the 42nd with the most service?

The Gadabout wants to know the answer to this question, and promises a story about the soldier in an early issue of the Reveille. Send names of candidates in to the Gadabout, in care of the Reveille staff.

Keep out of unprotected dug-outs after a gas attack. Mustard gas and other vesicants may remain in the area for days.

Many Fragile Articles Improperly Wrapped

Many men of the 42nd bring improperly packed articles for insured mailing, according to T-4 Dave Wirebaugh of the Division post office. Here are some of the requirements, from the Postal Laws and Regulations: "Fragile articles such as toys, musical instruments or glass shall be securely packed and cushioned in strong double-faced corrugated fiberboard, or solid fiberboard or wooden boxes, and the parcel stamped or labeled 'Fragile.'"

Filler Questions Stump Cadre

From every state in the Union the fillers pour in. They're a fine bunch of men, and have received a hearty welcome from the cadre, but they've also sent many a grizzled master sergeant running to his "Soldiers Handbook" with questions that he had never thought of before.

One promising young lad noticed a jeep tooling down the road with the G-1 sign on its bumper. After throwing a natty Rainbow salute to the surprised private driver the recruit asked, "Why does that car have GI on it? I thought all Army cars were GI." (That G-1 is the personnel office).

Another filler has the postoffice on the post immersed in a flurry of Postal Regulations and laws, and they still haven't found an answer to his question.

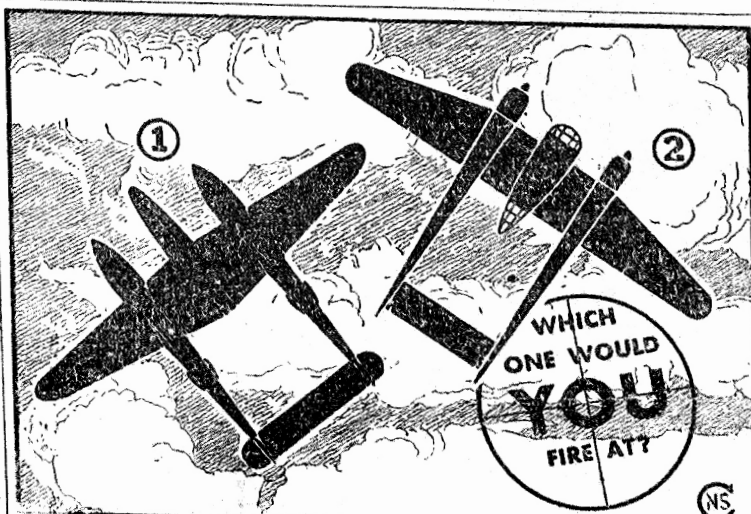
It seems he turned up in camp broke, but not without inspiration. His idea was simply this: The postoffice should give him a dollar then and there. They were to send one dollar's worth of postage due stamps to his home, and the postman would collect one dollar on it. This, he reasoned, would put the postoffice even, he would have a dollar. And his parents would have paid a dollar to the postoffice.

Officials at the postoffice gave him a firm "No," but they're still trying to find the regulation that makes it official.

MP Platoon Makes Bid In Softball League

The MP Platoon made its bid in the softball league Tuesday by defeating the fighting Quartermasters 6-1.

Pvt. Clarence Hysch of the M.P.S. held the Quartermasters to three runs in the seven innings. The losing pitcher was Pvt. George Brown.



Not at No 1! It's our P-38 "Lightning," a two-engine, single-seat high altitude fighter and bomber escort plane. The pilot's nacelle projects ahead of the engines but does not extend behind the trailing edge of the wing. Both edges of the wing taper to narrow rounded tips. The tailplane, which is set between the slender, twin tail booms, has straight edges and rounded tips.

Fire at No 2! It's the Nazi Focke-Wulf Fw. 189, a high-wing, twin-engine ground attack plane. The center section of the wing is rectangular and the leading edge of the outer sections is swept back to rounded tips. The two engines are forward of the nose and the crew nacelle extends behind the trailing edge of the wings. The tailplane is set between the booms.



Humorous Author To Write for Paper

The Rainbow REVEILLE will step into the "big time" next week, with a article by Scott Corbett, magazine writer and for the past 10 years a regular contributor to the Saturday Evening Post.

No, we're not paying more money than the Post these days. You see, now it's Pvt. Winfield S. Corbett, of Service Co., 242nd Infantry. He was among the first group of fillers to reach the Rainbow last week and his article will deal with his first impressions of Army life.

A graduate of Missouri university, where he majored in journalism, Corbett had his first squib in the Post in 1933 while in his Junior year. Since that time his name has appeared in the magazine over humorous writings two or three times a month.

Just before his induction into the Army, one of the large publishing houses had placed an option to buy a book on children's entertainment, written by him. Newstands will spring forth in the next month or two with many recent Corbett articles — one of them to appear soon in Esquire.

A New Yorker, he is married and has a daughter three months old.

Loose conversation on buses, trains, at clubs, in private homes and at public places in regard to military matters lays us wide open for enemy information seekers.

War Chemicals Already in Use

By MAJ. H. H. GRICE
Chemical Officer

Chemical warfare, as commonly understood, has not yet been resorted to openly by either Axis or Allied forces. However, chemical agents have been playing an important part in battles since the beginning of the present war. Screening smokes and incendiaries have been projected from the air and from the ground by both sides.

Germany's vaunted Luftwaffe has showered London with thousands of magnesium incendiary bombs to cause devastating fires, while Gen. Jimmy Doolittle's crews dropped thermit incendiary bombs with unerring accuracy on Hirohito's factories and plane plants. Flame throwers and huge incendiary oil bombs, both chemical warfare material, have been used by axis and allies alike in active combat with great success.

It has been reported with some uncertainty that both the presence and the absence of screening smoke at Dieppe were respectively responsible for both the success and the failure attributed to that operation.

Germany has used her trained smoke troops ("Nebeltruppen") with their smoke weapons ("Nebelwerfer") to crack enemy lines from the Maginot line and the Russian front to Africa, while the Yanks have been using smoke from planes, guns, and even battleship smoke stacks from Attu to Sicily with great success.

All armies have found, as the Germans have repeatedly reported, that smoke helps save blood. When the enemy can't see you, he can't so easily hit you. This phase of operations, along with night fighting, is now considered by many tactical commanders to be most important in winning battles. Therefore, it is anticipated that we will take every opportunity to use smoke in training to prepare for its proper use in battle.

The use of toxic gases has not yet begun on a large scale. Brig. Gen. Alden H. Waitt has reported in his book "Gas Warfare," that the Italians used toxic gas from the air against the unprotected Ethiopians, and that the Japs have used toxic gases in shells and bombs against the relatively unprotected Chinese.

It is not known when the enemy will be forced to dig into his huge stocks of chemicals in a last attempt to win, as in the last war. Maj. Gen. William N. Porter, chief of the chemical warfare service, has said, "This war will never be

Pvt. Jerk Makes Errors Galore

(There are errors in the following article on Pvt. Jerry Jerk's army experiences. Read the story, then turn to page 8 to find if you spotted all of his mistakes).

The sharp blasts of the first sergeant's whistle awakened Pvt. Jerry Jerk from dreams of Pittsburgh's Golden Triangle and Baum Boulevard.

Reveille over, he hastily swept the accumulated dust under his bunk beneath his shoes, but noticing that his shoes needed shining he put them in his barracks bag and swept the trash under his footlocker.

Just then the weather-beaten countenance of the first sergeant hove into view.

"The CO wants to see you in his office right after chow," he told Jerry.

Worried about real and fancied misdeeds, Jerry absent mindedly flipped a cigaret butt at the trash can as he headed for the mess hall. It missed; but he vowed to do better the next time.

CHISELS A PLACE

Jerry spotted his friend, Joe, near the head of the chow line, so he fell in beside him to discuss what lay ahead in the day's training.

After chow, he dashed to the orderly room to keep his appointment with the company commander. The first sergeant was not in the orderly room, so Jerry walked into the captain's office, saluted, and said:

"Sir, I'm Pvt. Jerk. Did you want to see me?"

Jerry found that he wasn't in trouble, after all. The captain merely wanted to tell him that his application for an allotment to his wife had been approved in Washington.

RELAX, SAYS JERRY

So Jerry returned to the barracks to tell his friends of his experiences in the captain's office. It was 15 minutes before drill call, so he made himself comfortable on a friend's bunk.

Soon a whistle blasted outside; it was time to fall out for calisthenics. But Jerry was stymied—he couldn't find his helmet liner.

"Take Smith's helmet; he's on KP today and won't be needing it," suggested his buddy, Joe.

That solved the problem. Jerry snatched Smith's helmet from the shelf, gave his leggings a last tightening, and fell out with his company.

"All Out" until gases once more flood the battlefield.

The smoke troops of Germany, mentioned above, are battle worn and well prepared to substitute chemical shell for smoke. Suffice it to say, that both Axis and Allied armies are well prepared to wage offensive chemical warfare. Likewise, we are well prepared to defend ourselves with the best gas mask and protective clothing in the world.

It is realized, as in the last war, that the first side to use chemicals will have a tremendous initial advantage. However, proper training will cushion us against any initial use of gas by the enemy.

The program of chemical warfare training prescribed by the War Department has been stepped up to meet the possibility of the use of chemicals by the enemy. More time is being allowed for this training. Added emphasis is being placed upon the use of practical exercises and reality in training. Despite the possibility that this Division may never encounter chemical warfare, we must never let the soul of a comrade say "Had I the proper training," or as Maj. Gen. William N. Porter has charged us "Let no brave man die because I faltered."

Weather Tough On First Rainbow

(The third article in the series on the Rainbow Division of World War I, written by Sgt. Harry L. Mickelson, appears below.—Editor)

CHAPTER 3

If Rainbrowsers thought they were fortunate to escape the wind and cool nights of New York's Camp Mills, they were in for much worse the first days following their arrival in France. A steady downpour of rain, cold temperatures, and ankle-deep mud made things anything but pleasant.

The Division gradually left for training areas, with Division Hq. and the Infantry going to the Vaucoulers area in Lorraine, near the city of Toul—and just a few miles behind the fighting lines. The Artillery Brigade went to Coet-guidan in Brittany.

HOUSED IN BILLETS

Here the troops were housed in "billetts"—resembling stables when they were not being used as such. In general they were cramped, chilly and dark.

Training began in earnest, with the latest warfare tactics known up to that time. French instructors brought the knowledge and battle experience of our Allies, who had been in the war several years.

Training subjects were much the same as today minus the high pitch of modern blitz. There were several hours of drilling every day and the soldiers spent a great deal of time digging trenches. Maneuvers and terrain problems brought the active program to a conclusion.

FIRST CHRISTMAS

By now the Rainbow had spent two months in France and the time was December, 1917. It was almost Christmas and the Vaucoulers area had a deep, appropriate dress of snow for the holiday. It was not strange that the main topic of conversation among the men concerned how their first Christmas aboard would be spent.

Their answer came in the form of a move order, to begin on Dec. 26. So Christmas Day was spent packing for the march. And on the next day the men of the 42nd Division began a hike which was to be one of the most trying times in their lives.

(To be Continued)

Theater Ticket Books Save You 30 Cents

Theater books are on sale at all station movies. These books cost you \$1.20 and contain 10 15-cent theater tickets, a net saving of 30 cents. Tickets in these books are good at any theater on the post, or theaters at other stations.

A sneeze may be prevented by pressing upward with your fingers against your nostrils.

Chief of Staff for Rainbow



The experience of 27 years of army life is brought to the Rainbow division by Col. Lester A. Sprinkle. Colonel Sprinkle, as chief of staff in charge of training and administration, holds the same position that Gen. Douglas MacArthur held in the Rainbow.

General MacArthur's Job of War I Held by Col. Lester A. Sprinkle

Col. Lester A. Sprinkle is the chief of staff of the new Rainbow, a position held just 26 years ago by Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Like his counterpart of the first World War Colonel Sprinkle must solve the administration and training problems of forming rookies from 48 states into a coordinated fighting force.

To this job Colonel Sprinkle brings the wisdom and experience of 27 years of service. The son of a rancher-stockman, he was born in 1891 at Cedar, Kan.

His collegiate careers ended in November of 1916 when he accepted an appointment as second lieutenant in the cavalry at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

A member of the 96th Division during the last war Colonel Sprinkle was stationed at Camp Wadsworth, S. C. He was in command of an infantry battalion with the rank of major. The Armistice was signed just as the young officer and his men were prepar-

ing to sail for France.

After the war Colonel Sprinkle studied cavalry tactics at the Ft. Riley Troop Officers' school, graduating in June of 1920. He returned to the 12th Cavalry at Del Rio, Texas as a troop captain.

Again at Ft. Riley Colonel Sprinkle was a student in the advanced class. And with the gold leaf of major on his shoulder he attended the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth.

A period as an instructor at Ft. Riley followed, and then Colonel Sprinkle went to the Sixth Division as plans and training officer.

With his promotion to full colonel came a transfer to Washington as head of a section in the strategic Logistics Division of the Army Service Forces. Colonel Sprinkle served there until he was called to the Rainbow Division.

Oh, My Gosh— It's Cousin George

Sgt. Daniel Dempsey of the 42nd Recon. troop was on CQ and busy filing assignment orders the other night, and, as even the best of sergeants do at times he happened to drop a whole batch of them.

"Not too important," thought Dempsey, as he stooped to pick them up, "these men are all assigned to our next door neighbors the medics, anyhow."

Imagine his surprise when he picked up the first one off the floor under his desk and found it was for Private George Huffman, who has just arrived in camp. Private Huffman is Sergeant Dempsey's cousin, and they had grown up together in their home town of Leavenworth, Kan.

The sergeant got someone to relieve him on CQ and walked across the street to have a long talk with cousin George, whom he hadn't seen in two years.

Pvt. Jerk Exposed, Here's His Errors

(Here are the errors committed by Pvt. Jerry Jerk in the story on his experiences. See if you spotted them all).

Probably Jerry's biggest mistake was his slipshod policing of the area around his bunk and attempting to dodge the work of shining his shoes by hiding them in his barracks bag.

Every man in the squad room must do his share toward keeping the living quarters spotlessly clean, and a soldier who shirks the duty soon earns the strong dislike of his barracks mates.

And not only shoes, but other articles of equipment must be kept clean and in good condition. The Articles of War cover that point.

Jerry should not have thrown his cigaret butt away carelessly, it only adds to the difficulty of policing the area later. And he would not "buck" the chow line, because that Bible adage about the last being first and the first being last doesn't hold true in the Army.

To report to the CO, Jerry should have first reported to the first sergeant, instead of walking into the captain's office unannounced. And after saluting the CO, he should have said: "Sir, Pvt. Jerk reports to the company (or battery or troop) commander as ordered by the first sergeant." Incidentally, he would stand at attention throughout the conversation, unless given "at ease" by the officer.

Jerry shouldn't have made himself comfortable on another's carefully made-up bunk—every man's little spot in the squad room is his own "private property" and he doesn't want to see its orderly arrangement spoiled by another.

"Borrowing" another's equipment is a cardinal sin. Jerry should have had his helmet rounded up and his leggins tightened up in the interval between chow and drill call.

"Right step. March" is the only command on which you step off on the right foot.

Soldiers' Wives Get Medical Aid

By Camp Newspaper Service

Hey, soldier! If you expect a little gold brick in your home you won't have to worry about the care your wife will get, because she'll receive the best—for free. Write her to get in touch with the director of maternal and child care in your state health department back home.

Complete maternity care for wives of enlisted men below the first three grades in any of the armed forces can now be provided without cost through the state health department under a plan recently approved by the children's bureau of the U. S. department of labor.

States providing these services are:

Alabama	Nebraska
Arizona	Nevada
Arkansas	New Hampshire
California	New Jersey
Connecticut	New Mexico
Delaware	New York
Florida	North Carolina
Idaho	Oklahoma
Illinois	Rhode Island
Indiana	South Carolina
Iowa	Tennessee
Kansas	Utah
Kentucky	Virginia
Maine	Vermont
Maine	Washington
Massachusetts	West Virginia
Michigan	Wisconsin
Minnesota	District of Columbia
Mississippi	Alaska
Missouri	Hawaii
Montana	

Forms for requesting care are made available by the state health departments through local health and welfare agencies, local Red Cross chapters, pre-natal clinics, military posts and through local physicians.

Your wife and her doctor complete and sign the form and mail it to the state director of maternal and child health.

The plan provides complete medical service during the pre-natal period, childbirth and six months thereafter—including the care of complications, operations and postpartum examinations.

Classification Aids Filler Assignment

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specialists"—that is, as far as their proficiency in a type of work useful to the Army is concerned. A man who is a truck driver in civilian life could step right into that same job in the Army. While a sales clerk would have to be assigned an entirely new line of work.

Among fillers arriving this week were school teachers, policemen, truck drivers, lumber jacks, stenographers, pharmacists, miners, farmers, fishermen, and musicians.

Some unusual occupations noted were horse trainers, mule skinner, chiropractors, and radio script writers.

Key to distribution of the new men is a big master chart, showing the requirements of each unit as it is brought up to strength. More than 75 major classifications are listed. If a certain unit needs five truck drivers and two cooks, the cards are automatically sifted until the required specialists' names are dropped out for immediate assignment.

Fairness in distribution of fillers to the different units is another feature. Men with outstanding qualities are assigned equally so that no one unit gets a better group of men than another.

In charge of the Division's classification center is Capt. George W. Bercik, with Lt. Samuel Gershon assisting. Helping Captain Bercik on the program are Capt. Clarence Frey, T-5 Anthony Cherok, and Cpl. Albert Lewis, all of Third Army Headquarters.

Other Rainbrowsers in classification are T-Sgt. Louis Genoversi, S-Sgt. Gust E. Hedin, T-4 James E. Jones, T-5 Stephen J. Bennett, and T-5 Robert F. Hartling.

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