

Gen. Confusion Says:
Are You Sending The
Commander-In-Chief
Christmas Greetings?

Pfc. Confucius Reply:
Sure. Mr. President
Send Greetings Once
To Humble Me

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Yule Greeting Card for Rainbow GIs



Shown here is the first page of the four page Rainbow Division Christmas card which, with envelopes, Rainbows may obtain without cost in their orderly rooms this week. The cards were designed by Pfc. Carl Haines, Co. B, 142d Engr. Combat Bn., and are printed in five colors. An inside page of the Christmas card contains excerpts from the official Division prayer, composed by Chaplain John E. Kline.

Typhus Can Be Side-Stepped by GI Who Takes That Ounce of Prevention

In combat areas, where living conditions are deranged, there is likely to be little soap and not much chance for showers, baths, or other means of keeping clean, so it is up to the GI to be on the alert against the dread scourge of typhus. Capt. Morris Flierman, Division Medical Inspector, who has seen epidemics of the louse-borne disease in the Near East and in Europe, points out that preventive measures are available and it is of life-and-death impor-

ance for every soldier to know what they are.

One of best preventive measures is, of course, to prevent risk of exposure of troops to typhus whenever possible. This is one principal reason why cities where the civilian population is in a state of malnutrition and living in unsanitary conditions are declared out of bounds. Also, it is impor-

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PXs Close at 2130 Instead of 2200

If you need a pack of razor blades or a tube of toothpaste, don't wait till a quarter of ten to run down to the PX to get it. The PXs are closing half an hour earlier now, at 2130 instead of 2200.

Midday opening and closing hours and the evening opening hour will remain unchanged.

USO-Camp Shows Bill Vaudeville Here 12-13 Dec.

"Riffs and Rhythms," newest of USO-Camp Shows to troupe the troopers' trail, brings its fast-paced collection of variety acts to Camp Gruber on Tuesday and Wednesday, 12-13 December, with a one night stand each at Theaters No. 3 and 2 respectively.

Among the entertainers in the admission-free vaudeville show are Mable Lee, dancing swing sensation; Sally Gooding, contralto, who has sung with Duke Ellington's band, Cab Calloway, and Gene Krupa; Mason, Rogers & Taylor, comedy and singing trio. Besides acts of magic, acrobatic and novelty dancing, there's a six-gal dance line.

Patients Scrimmage At Thanksgiving Football Party

Patients took over the roles of Big Ten football players at a lively Thanksgiving Football Party held last Thursday night in the Red Cross Recreation Building at Station Hospital.

Players grouped themselves under the banners of their designated schools and captains led them through scrimmage, tackling, forward passing, and lung capacity tests. Patients of opposing teams sought to blow a miniature football across the opponent's goal, but bean bags and a real football were also used in the course of the grid tussles which ended in victory for the Indiana team.

Carnival hats were provided by Junior Red Cross, and paper chrysanthemums by the patients. Training table consisted of hot dogs and coffee.

Braggs and Band Put Over Rally

Braggs and the Division Band both did themselves proud again in another war bond drive, when they got together Monday night to put a rally across to the tune of a bagpipe and \$16,700. The band furnished the music and the citizens of Braggs furnished the cash.

To get things started, the band paraded through the streets and gathered up practically the entire population of 400, plus all the dogs in town, and headed the procession to the Braggs USO, where everyone—including the dogs—went inside for the rally.

The concert was conducted on a pay-as-we-play basis. In order to have the band play a number, somebody had to buy a war bond. Conducted by WO Daniel Wolfale, the band swelled the war bond coffers with such numbers as "Beer Barrel Polka," "American Patrol," "Camptown Races," "Black and White," and "Mountain Dew."

The biggest sale of the evening was effected by a bagpipe and

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Yassuh, It's Spider



Spider Bruce (John Mason) noted colored comic who'll dispense laughs in "Riffs and Rhythms," variety revue coming to Camp Gruber, 12-13 December.

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Who's Who at the Front

More than a great military victory was won last week when the GIs of General Patton's Third Army captured the fortified city of Metz. It was a triumph for a freedom of the press policy in combat zones inaugurated in September by General Patton. At that time, he ordered that the name of every division, every unit, and every commander in his Army be released for publication every day.

In this startling break with tradition, he had the full support of Generals Marshall and Eisenhower. Other generals, however, alarmed at immediate public disclosure of customarily secret battle orders, predicted misfortune as a result of this policy. Events have underlined General Patton's belief that the gain in fighting morale has more than offset the losses of full publicity, since the enemy usually knows in a matter of hours what divisions are opposing it anyway. GIs at the front like to read what their outfit has accomplished, what divisions are fighting alongside them, where their former buddies may be. For these reasons the Third Army Commander put a free press policy into practice. In the great victory at Metz it has borne good dividends.

Movie Schedule

Theaters No. 1 and 2

Thursday—"Together Again," Irene Dunne, Charles Boyer. Friday and Saturday—"Lost in a Harem," Abbott & Costello, and "Army-Navy Screen Magazine." Sunday and Monday—"Wilson" (starts at 1745 and 2045). Tuesday—"Alaska," Kent Taylor, Margaret Lindsey, and "Murder in the Dark Room," Donald Cook. Wednesday and Thursday—"To Have and Have Not," Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall, and "This Is America."

Theaters No. 2 and 4

Thursday—"The Missing Juror," Janis Carter, Jim Bannon, and "The Great Mike." Friday and Saturday—"Together Again," Irene Dunne, Charles Boyer. Sunday and Monday—"Lost in a Harem," Abbott & Costello, and "Army-Navy Screen Magazine." Tuesday and Wednesday—"Wilson," Alexander Knox, Geraldine Fitzgerald (starts at 1815 and 2115). Thursday—"Alaska," Kent Taylor, Margaret Lindsey, and "Murder in the Dark Room," Donald Cook.

Service Club Doings

Service Club No. 1

Thursday 2000—Indian Pictograph Demonstration by Harriet Westbrook. Friday 2000—Dance. Service Cadettes. Saturday 2000—Catherine Neff Dance Studio of Tulsa. Sunday 1830—Dance. Tulsa girls. Floor Show. Monday 1845—Language Classes. 2000—Bingo. Tuesday 1845—Songfest and Movies. Wednesday 2000—Dance. Muskogee USO girls.

Service Club No. 2

Thursday 2000—Open House. Friday 2000—Open Dance. Saturday 2015—Musical featuring Louise Karshner and entertainers. Sunday 1830—"Hey, Rubie." Show. Monday 2015—Movies. Tuesday 2015—Bingo; prizes. Wednesday 2015—Blind Date Show.

GI One-Minute Interviews

The Question

What was your most enjoyable pre-Army job?

The Answers

T-5 Robert Finlay, armorers, 43d Qm. Co.—I got my greatest kick doing construction work on



Shasta Dam and Grand Coulee, two of the biggest jobs of their kind this country ever tackled. Part of the time at Grand Coulee I was a caskinmer, a rough-house job if there ever was one. I also worked on Treasure Island in '38 when that World's Fair site was scooped out of the bottom of San Francisco Bay and made into an island. In '39 I was ready to go to Wake Island to work on a naval base when my mother died. So I didn't get to go but two of my buddies did—now they're prisoners of the Japs.

Pvt. Walter J. Pratt, ass't. driver, 742d Ord. Co.—I liked nothing better than flying. Before and after Pearl Harbor I put in a total of 14 months flying in the Civil Air Patrol over New York State. I've done about 70 hours solo flying. In winter it was great sport landing and taking off on snow and ice with ski landing gear. Now I'm anxious to try a sea-plane. A buddy of mine has opened an airfield near Palmyra, N. Y., and we plan to run it jointly when the war is over.

T-4 Alvin Kemmerer, radio operator, 132d Sig. Co.—I've always had the most fun out of photography—started dabbling in it when I was 12.



Once I traveled from my home in Pittsburgh to Columbus, O., to take pictures of one of my friend's weddings. I guessed that typed me—I've since been called in to take pictures, stills and movies, of at least a dozen weddings of friends of mine. Last month I got married, so my dad and a couple of friends came to my rescue. We covered the wedding with two still cameras and one colored movie camera. I supervised the "shots," and believe me, I felt a lot more at home behind the cameras than in front of the minister.

THE IMMATERIAL WITNESS



By SGT. SCOTT CORBETT

Dear Santa Claus:

I wonder if you'd do me a favor? It won't cost you a cent.

With Christmas bearing down on us once more, I can just picture what's going on among some of my civilian friends. At the "Gifts for Servicemen" counter in the department store, they're rubbing their hands together and saying, "A money belt! Just the thing for the old sarge! He'd love one!"

This is to serve notice that I have already had the opportunity to love one. In fact, there have been three or four in my life. I think I can safely say that a money belt heads my list of "Don't Wants" for this Christmas. Other items on the list are:

1. Pocket flashlights. I got a couple of those when I came in. I'll bet I used them a good four or five times before they burned out. After that, of course, I couldn't find any batteries for them.

2. Cute knitted mittens for dogtags. I've got enough hair on my chest, thanks.

3. Elaborate stationery kits, with compartments for stamps, snapshots, address books, pencils, and everything except perhaps sealing-wax, an inkhorn, and a goose quill. On the average, I find that the stuff in these handy, compact kits can be kept handier separately in one-third the space.

4. Attractive bottles of after-shave lotion. Rates low on my list of liquids conducive to morale—and there are such liquids.

5. Non-GI neckties. Different materials and unusual shades of brown have their place. That place is not around GI necks, for my money. I warn you, friends, I'll get a lot of use out of any non-GI neckties you send me. I'll shine my shoes with them.

Getting back to that money belt; I'll never forget the one and only time I tried using it. On my first three-day pass I decided to be cautious. I put my precious pass in it—to hell with money. Then an MP came through the train and asked to see my pass. With my face a nice Christmas red, I began to burrow through my shirt and undershirt, after which I had an undercover battle with the zipper on my money belt.

"What is it, bud—hives?" asked the MP.

By the time I got through pulling myself apart, nobody would sit next to me. Everybody was sure I had something. I did. I had a money belt, and I don't want any more. So get 'em to lay off this year, huh, Santa?



Pay Tables Set For Bond Drive

Division participation in the Sixth War Bond Drive will start its big push with an all-out offensive at the pay tables today. Special efforts will be made to increase the number of Class B allotments, which call for monthly deductions from pay for war bonds, with special emphasis on the \$10 GI war bond. Cash sales will also be encouraged.

Full participation in the Sixth War Bond Drive is called for by the War Department, and the Army and Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, AGF commander, have stressed this in recent communications. No quotas, however, have been set for Army personnel, as has been done for civilians all over the nation.

The Rainbow's drive for war bond sales will not end at the pay table, but will continue throughout the Sixth War Bond Drive with efforts being made in all units to add consistently to the total sales of the Division.

Snoopers Map Out Plans for Party

Visual reconnaissance of the Masonic Hall in Muskogee on Saturday, 2 December, will reveal the presence in force of the Snoop Troopers, enjoying music, dancing, entertainment and refreshments with their wives, sweethearts, and any and all young ladies of Muskogee who care to attend. They're all welcome, according to the Recon Troop's party committee.

In charge of arrangements for the affair are Sgts. Austin W. Wright, Joseph Licari, Robert Ketcham; Cpls. Charles Aguirre, Max Orenstein, H. E. Arnold; and Pvt. George Hall.

OFFERETTA COMING

"The Student Prince," with a road show cast and the famous male chorus, will hold the stage of Muskogee's Masonic Temple next Wednesday night, 6 Dec. Price range is \$1.22-\$2.95.

Miniature Reveille Gets Pat on Back

A pleasant plug has come to the Reveille from Mr. Barry Blumenthal, a Chicago lawyer who is a World War I Rainbow Veteran prominent in the Chicago chapter of Rainbow Veterans:

Plug—"Congratulations on the new dress you have given the Reveille. It isn't frequent that a change in garb is made without harming the all-over virtues of the old, but in this instance you have certainly captured everything that was of value in your original Reveille. Good luck to you. Wherever you take the Reveille I know you will leave a ray of hope in its wake"—unplug.

Braggs Bond Rally Brings in \$16,700

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drum solo, which brought a \$6000 bond purchase by a single woman. The bagpiper, who had never played a single number for \$6000 before, was Pfc. Earl McKay, and the drum was caressed by T-Sgt. Ira B. Morton, first sergeant of the band.

Another number, this time by the band, brought a \$4000 purchase.

In the Fifth War Loan drive, and in the community war chest drive, Braggs was the first town in the county to reach its quota. Its quota for this drive is already within a hundred dollars or so of being filled.

Artillery Choir Is Re-Activated

A re-activated Division Artillery Choir of 75 men is taking up where it left off last year. For the past two weeks the choir has been rehearsing under the direction of T-5 George Lynn, under whose baton it performed before.

The aim is not only to develop one big Division Artillery Choir, but also to train a good choir within each of the four Field Artillery battalions.

"You'll Be Sorry!" - If You Don't



No, that's not the legendary hypodermic with the square needle that Pfc. Charles Conwell seems to be stabbing T-4 Louis Leichter in a vital spot with. These Co. D, 122 Med. men are demonstrating the way DDT, the new insecticide, is "dusted" on the body of a person whose clothing has become louse-infested, by use of a powder sprayer. The "lousy" condition is strictly simulated, so far as Leichter is concerned.

Knowledge of Typhus Preventive Measures Is Vital to Every GI

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tant not to introduce the disease by land, sea, or air, into cities where it does not exist.

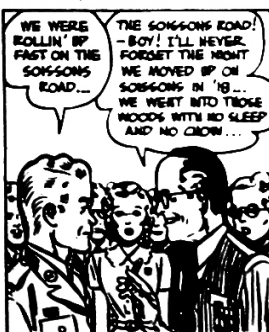
Body lice live in the underclothing, and may be removed by various means. Boiling the clothes in hot water, or burning infested clothing if practicable, or a change of clothing (lice die of starvation if clothes are discarded for one week) are recommended methods, as is use of an insecticide such as DDT, or chemicals such as methyl bromide. Preventive vaccine is not a sure safeguard, and

there is no satisfactory medication as yet for the disease.

Killing lice on infected people is more important than how many people are deloused or than how many lice are killed. When hundreds of cases of typhus appeared among the civilian population after the conquest of Naples the incipient epidemic was stopped when the Army dusted more than a million inhabitants of the city with DDT. This achievement is often referred to as the "second battle of Naples."

Make Call

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



Cooked By A Hash Mark



Artillery Football League Warms Up



Battery A's Cpl. Bill Teasfittler (white jersey) bats the pigskin out of the hands of a Service Battery man in a 232d League tilt. The touch football game, played Tuesday and won by Btry. A, left that team untied and undefeated.

Indian Scholar Will Teach GIs Writing In Sign Language

GIs have a chance to get the low-down on Indian signs from an expert tonight at Service Club No. 1 at 2000 when Harriet Westbrook, formerly in the Indian Service and a scholar of Indian lore and languages, presents a novel lecture-demonstration of Indian pictographs.

Mrs. Westbrook will demonstrate these language symbols on panels and tell a story with them. GIs in the audience will be invited to write a letter home in Indian sign language, and a prize will be given the soldier composing the best letter.

WORKSHOP FOR ARTISTS

Commercial artists who want to brush up on their technique, exchange ideas and shop talk with fellow artists, will find themselves right at home in the new commercial artists' workshop which—equipped with brushes, paints and paper—will be available for their use every Tuesday night at 1900 in the music room of Service Club No. 1.

Pot of Gold

This week's glittering goblet of beautiful bullion goes into the haversack of an artilleryman—Pvt. Claud Mitchell, Hq. Btry., 42d Div. Arty.

With one of his battery buddies, T-5 Sam Waldman, Mitchell was arguing the merits of his home state, Arkansas. Waldman was beating the drums for New Jersey, his home state, when Mitchell broke in with:

"Aw, go-wan! Jersey is just attached to the United States for rations."

Unit Briefs

Inter-platoon football is flourishing this week in the 42d Recon Troop's back lot. As a result the expression, "Oh, my aching (or Aachen, if you're up on your orientation) back," holds a lot of truth.

Since Pvt. Norman Juney, 42d Ren. Tr., has been in the Troop he has gone to Tulsa on every pass. But last Saturday, G-twoing Muskogee for the first time, he reported a very exciting week-end.

From Pfc. John Cartusciello, Reveille reporter for the 42d Qm. Co., came the following ruminant notes of the Quartermaster men's big party: First Sgt. Olimbio J. DiSalvo taking a turn at the mike and giving forth a very likeable rendition of a Ted Lewis . . . The Sapulpa girls proving a pleasant surprise with T-5s Walter Nealey and Charles Bell, and Pvt. Max Nussbaum taking more than a passive interest . . . Pfc. Gunnar Rood keeping the wolves away from his girl friend . . . One GI waiting around mumbling, "I'm a married man, I'm a married man." Evidently trying to build up his will power—hope he succeeded . . . Mrs. Gaynell McLain, with a bevy of beautiful girls from Pryor, was a big attraction. Her genuine kindness and generosity is well known to many a GI.

Wives of the following men joined their husbands at the fine Thanksgiving dinner prepared by the cooks and KPs of H & S Co., 142d Engr. Bn.: M-Sgt. Archer, First Sgt. Powell; Sgts. Hall and Arnold; Cpls. Gutka, Payne, Peterson, Wiemeyer, Kading, Davis, Hunter; Pfc. Anuskiewicz. Also present were Capt. Alfred C. Laywell, CO, and Mrs. Laywell.

Grid Games Near Semi-Final Mark

The Division Artillery's battery elimination tournament in touch football charges into the home stretch today, with but three days remaining before the best battery of each battalion is selected to compete in the semi-finals.

Leading the field today within their respective battalions are the gridsters of Btry. A, 542; Btry. C, 402; Btry. C, 392, and Btry. A, 232. By Monday each battalion will have selected its best battery team to represent it in the semi-finals which begin next week. In these play-offs, the 542d's winner will tangle with the 232d's champ, while the 392d and 402d winners fire passes against each other.

Below are present standings in each battalion league:

542d				
A	W	L	T	Pct.
A	2	0	1	.833
Hq.	3	1	0	.750
B	3	1	0	.750
C	1	3	0	.250
Hq. Divarty	0	2	1	.167
Sv.	0	2	0	.000
402d				
C	W	L	T	Pct.
C	2	0	0	1.000
Hq.	1	3	0	.500
B	1	1	0	.500
A	1	1	0	.500
Sv.	0	2	0	.000
392d				
C	W	L	T	Pct.
C	3	1	0	.750
B	4	2	0	.667
Sv.	2	2	0	.500
Hq.	1	2	2	.400
A	0	3	2	.200
232d				
A	W	L	T	Pct.
A	4	0	0	1.000
Hq.	2	2	0	.500
C	2	2	0	.500
B	1	2	0	.333
Sv.	0	3	0	.000

BILLFOLD GIRL OF THE WEEK



Here's Miss Florence Willis, a true Southern red head from Greenwood, S. C. She's what Pfc. Ezekiel Gibson, Co. F, 242d Inf., is fighting for.

'Hey, Rube' Show Returns Sunday

The ever-popular "Hey Rube," show—a longstanding favorite of all Gruberites—brookes into camp for another return engagement this Sunday night in Service Club No. 2 at 1830.

With Lew Miller at the emcee's post, Elmer Jarrell's patter and Leana Dotson's singing, the current edition of "Hey, Rube," promises to please as many fans as former ones. In addition, the eye-appealing chorines, the Rubettes, will be present in full strength to round out the bill of entertainment.

The Wolf

by Sansone

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"His girl will be along any minute!"