THE COLORS



305 Engineer troops passing in Review at Markt Oberdorf

TO ARMS AT BATTALION REVIEW

Markt Oberdorf, July 12. A large contingent of engineer soldiers today bid goodbye to their buddies in a formal review held in their

today bid goodbye to their buddies in a formal review held in their honor. While the departees stood at attention in the reviewing section, the rest of the battalion passed by them with "eyes right in a final salute to their service with the outfit, and in recognition of their excellent spirit, displayed throughout the campaign in the E T O.

Other highlights of the ceremony were the presentation of Good Conduct Medals and an address of appreciation by the battalion commander, Lt. Col. Albert McCollum, in which he thanked the men for their spirit of cooperation, and for the sacrifices they had made. Some of the men are being transferred to other units for duty there, and some will await shipment to the good old U.S.A.

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Pfc. James Comforti
Tec/5 Elmen H. Johnson
Tec/5 Paul J. Koffler
Pvt. George J. Macksoud
Pvt. William H. Purnell
Tec/5 Robert L. Ranum
Pfc. Richard W. Cottle
Pvt. Ralph J. Bennet
Pfc. Richard W. Cottle
Pvt. Earl S. Reid
T 4 George W. Edwards
Pvt. Alvin L. Taylor
Tec 5 Linwood P. Rock
Pvt. Woodrow F. Sanders
Pvt. Richard H. Witte
Sgt. John F. Bridges
Pvt. Kenneth L. Carder
Pvt. Eustace E. Dunn
T.5 John R. Evans
T.5 Vinton C. Franks
T.6 Henry C. Humphrey
Pvt. Loyd Marcum 7.5 John K. Exans
7.5 Vinton C. Franks
7.5 Henry C. Humphrey
Pvt. Loyd Marcum
7.5 Julius J. Pamfilie
Pvt. Raymond J. Paquette
Pfc. Warren E. Scheible
Pvt. "Champ" Smith
Pfc. Booker R. Sykes
Pvt. Phillip M. Towers
Pvt. George B. Banet
Pvt. John H. Jackson
Pvt. Jennings Jenkins
Pvt. Woodrow D. McDamel
Pvt. John Radigan
Pfc. Benjamin A. Stacey
Sgt. Raymond J. Van Trieste
T.5 Virgil E. Mayer
T.5 Joseph J. Perez
T.4 James O. Shores
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CROUP OF ENGINEERS SAY FAREWELL B COMPANY FURNISHES "BANG" FOR DIVISION CELEBRATION

Kaufbeuren, July 4. For a few minits today, during the Division Parade Ceremonies, Kaufbeuren became a noisy place, reminiscent of some hot places we have been in. With a holiday to celebrate, and a place to do so, B Company was detailed to furnish the bang, and it was one that rattled windows. all over town and made children run cryingly toward home.

an over toward home.

Lt. Lembo and a squad of men from his platoon, under the direction of Sqt. Rutkowski, had charge of producing the explosions, 48 of them, one for each state in the Urion. With a novel set up, consisting of an electric battery, a copper plate and four rows of nails, each of which was connected to a 5 lb. charge of explosives, "Rut" calmly and efficiently counted to five between contacts, and the engineer participation in the salute to Independence Day was completed. Thanks to those men for a good job of engineer ingenuity.

BATTALION REST CAMP TO OPEN SOON

Battalion rest camp to open soon

Before many more days have passed the 305th engineer battalion will have their own rest camp, where men can go and get away from it all for a couple of days. Situated approximately one mile south east of Aitrang, on Elb See, it is an ideal spot for rest and relaxation. It will be known as "The Castle", an appropriate name for an engineer camp.

At the present, men of the battalion are constructing a large building that will be used as sleeping quarters for 50 men at a time. It will also include a writing room and lavatory. The mess hall will be in a separate building along with the bar. Beer will be on tap practically all the time, and wines and liquors will be dispensed when available.

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305Th Engineers to Celebrate Activation Day at "The Castle"

C COMPANY NEWS HAWK BAGS SS TROOPER Eng: B'n. will celebrate the third

"A murderer wil always return to the scene of his crime', is an old saying among letectives, and this proved to be tue in the case of an SS trooper, who felt that he could better hide from American justice in a small town, rather than in a large city. For a while everything went well and he did succeed in lying low for bout a month, but he became gradally too confidant, and that proved to be his downfall in the end for he hardly made his first daylith appearance, when he was spotted by a girl he had maltreated during his stay in Unterthingau. That cold hatred that comes of a long suppressed desire for revenge, brought her to denounce his presence in town to her mother, with whom I happened to be conversing at the time. Even had I not known Geman, the magic word SS would have been sufficient to arouse my uriosity, but I understood very clarly what the girl was telling her nother, whereby I questioned her more closely, asking those things they were most important to me. I have saking those things they were most important to me. I have she had a great deal of courage, because ordinarily, pople here are not too cooperative on that score, but she was ready to go with me to his house and denounce him in my presence. I naturally refused, because I did not know whether the trooper was armed, and secondly, I adjudged this to be a case for the military only. We did arrange

a disappointment, because the (Please turn to page 4, Col. 2) gram there will be beer, music, and a general fun fest for everyone.

On Monday, July 16, the 305th anniversary of the re-activation of the 80th Division. Three years ago on July 15, 1942, the new 80th was formed at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, and of course one of its most important units was the 305th Engineer Battalion. We have a good record, both in training and in combat, and a highlight of the cele-bration will be a review of the Battalion history by Lt. Stranix.

The event will be held at "The Castle" (B'n. Rest Camp) and will start at 1400 hours.

The Program:

1400-1430

Battalion History, Lt. Stranix

1430-1440

Address by Lt. Col. McCollum

1440-1450

Address by 1st. Sgt. Gariglia original cadre man

1450-1500

Intermission 1500 - 1530 G I Show, MC, Joe Faulkiner

1530-1700

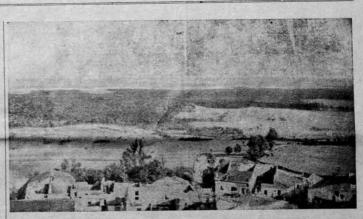
Battalion contests. (tug of war three legged race, volley ball,

log bucking, etc.) In addition to the scheduled program there will be beer, music, and

OCTOBER LULL

Generally speaking, the month of October was a little quieter than the preceeding ones had been. Most of the battalion was bivouaced on the east side of the Moselle, and the threat to our foothold had gradually diminished tatil the danger of a counter attack hardly existed. The battalion objective was to strengthen the bridgehead and mainstrengthen the bridgehead and maintain the road net. We moved out of the field into buildings and everyone felt rather happy about that, as we were in the midst of the rainy season. After shuffling around for a couple of weeks, the companies finally settled down in the following towns: A Company in Pont A Mousson, B Company in St. Genevieve, C Company in Faulx, and H&S in Dieulouard.

The line companies removed countless anti-personnel and antitank mines, installed barbed wire defenses, repaired and maintained roads, set up defensive mine fields, erected road barries, and attended demonstrations of, and built, the "snake" whose main battle function was to breach barbed wire and mine fields. The picture above shows the forest where at least two companies prepared defensive them on their work so far. Maj. was destined to carry us all the way to the Siegfreid Line. It was, for most of us, a little more pleasant than the other months and we enjoyed it to the fullest, return them on their work so far. Maj.



"Foret De Faca" and the ruins of Mousson

positions for the infantry, and built | McCollum received his silver leaf C P's and observation posts. the meantime at Dieulouard, H&S experimented with pre-fabricated culverts and made several that were first used by us during the Seille river crossing.

tune when some German mines,

making him a Lt. Col. Marlene Dietrich appeared in Dieulouard for a battalion show. We had daily passes to Nancy. (good old Nancy) and the Division started granting leaves to Paris. Of course during all this time we were pre-Company met with misfor- paring for the next big drive that was destined to carry us all the way to the Siegfreid Line. It was,

points to his credit he left us for the grand state of Arkansas where he will rejoin his wife and three children — Best of luck to him in his struggles with civilian difficulties What was that one about the goldbrick calling the other fellow a goldbrick? There is a parallel in C Company with a T/4 telling everyone of his days of glory, when I was a company carpenter . . . Old Mike Dzavan asked Scoop to remember him occasionally, well Mike, Scoop is always willing to oblige Schutt of B Company is a demon for cleanliness. He spends most of his time at the motor pool manicuring his GMC, he gets out of detailed driving that way, and also detailed driving that way, and also detailed driving that way, and also he has an ordnance prize in mind.
.... Is it true that in C Company the Bronze Star is commonly called the Buddy Badge? Are you a Buddy?.... Flashes from a dead pan — There was an awfully lot of howling going on in the east wing of the B'n C P building the other day. Looks like both Docs are in business now. One takes them for extractions and the other are in business now. One takes them for extractions and the other ther plenty of material.... For those who wish to spend 65 bucks or more, there's a gorgeous redhead just a couple of blocks from the B'n C P..... What's this the Bn C P.... What's this crow's nest everyone is talking about? Read this column next week for a complete "expoza."... By the way, did one of our warrent officers get married on his last pass to Paris?.... Recommendations: that the battalion S 4 be acting chaplain. He certainly gets enough complaints. That one of our hot headed officers

There is a C Company Sgt. Do the men in C Company go who has just returned from Paris and is abstaining from his usual French cracks. They must have that had just arrived; I thought taught him how to say corny in "gay Paree".... July 6th was a happy dey in the life of T/4 Elbert McMurry, first cook in B Company's kitchen. With 105 points to his credit he left us for the company of the same damn thing all over again.

Al (Confucious) Daunoras,
B Company mess Sgt. gives us his latest adage for the week. latest adage for the week. Confucious say, halitosis is better than no breath at all.".... B Company's official cry is "not enough."
NOT ENOUGH CHOW, NOT ENOUGH SLEEP, NOT ENOUGH POINTS.... Overheard in B Company's beer hall. A Joe displays hear and eating cheese. drinking beer and eating cheese, griping, "Why the hell couldn't this be a ham on rye?".... Nothing to report from Von Mason. the propaganda minister, this week. Seems like he has hay fever or something.... The other evening something.... The other evening Doc Haines was observed craw-ling all over the floor. When askling all over the floor. When ask-ed what he was doing there, he replied, "I am walking on the ceiling. Some people will try any-thing.... It is said that Litz, the medic, has a padlock (looted) that he is going to take home to lock a garage that he hasn't got, to keep thieves from stealing a car he never had . . . Sgt. Ware must have something very definite on his mind. Wednesday morning after calisthentics, which is done without shirts, he returned to his quarters and came out in a few minutes still minus his shirt. He minutes still minus his shirt. He got almost to the kitchen before Sgt. Karesh "wised him up". "I'm sure Lt. Edelman would disapprove of his M Sgt. running around all and the still be day only half dressed Remember "Bedcheck Charlie", well rumor has it that bedcheck is starting week for a complete "expoza."...

By the way, did one of our warrent officers get married on his last pass to Paris?.... Recommendations: that the battalion S 4 be acting chaplain. He certainly gets enough complaints. That one of our hot headed officers refrain from blowing his top so often. Someday he'll bust a blood vessel. That the I and E program get started sometime this year. That the battalion arrange for at least one stage show with some famous personalities... Since when are warrent officers platoon leaders? AR states that they are subject to any duty in an emergency. Some emergency!.... When a junior officer burns up a senior officer the question is invariably the same: "What's your date of rank?"....



B COMPANY SOLDIER RECEIVES RUSSIAN "MEDAL FOR VALOR"



T/5 George Grever

If his smile and gleaming teeth were missing, and he stood six feet tall, instead of a little over five, and if he "cused" and "shot the bull" like the rest of us, Cpl. George Grever would probably never be noticed. But such a model soldier as he, is seldom duplicated and B. Company, was quite ted and B Company was quite proud of him ong before he re-ceived the Rusian decoration. A friend to everyone and a worker to the greatest degree, he has earned the respect and admiration of all who know him. That explains why we were all pleased when George was chosen from the battalion to receive the Rissian Medal for Valor.

He is an expert on mine fields and booby traps and whenever that kind of a job had to be done, he was always one of the chosen few. All the way across France, Germany, Luxemborg, Belgium, and Austria, he displayed an exemplary attitude of devotion to duty, and the desire to serve to the best of his ability, regardless of the personal danger involved. Towards the close of the war he reconnoitered a bridge across the Enz river and was one of the first men in the 80th Division to make contact with the Russians. always one of the chosen few

To you, Cpl. Grever, we say: "wear your metal with pride, you have rightfully earned it, and we, your, comrades, respectfully salute

STRIKES ON THE NOME FRONT CAUSE CONCERN AMONG VETERANS

Markt Oberdorf, July 12... Ten men of the 305th Engineer Battalion were questioned as to their attitude towards the workers at home going out on strike, and their answers were almost identical. Only one of the ten refused to comment and he said the question was too general to permit a definite answer.

The consensus of the veteran' opinion may be summed up as follows. Although the right to strike is, and should remain one of America's most cherished privileges, it should not be exercised in war time. Temporary stoppage in a vital in-dustry may eventually result in the unnecessary loss of American lives on the battlefield. When thousands of men are making daily sacrifices tion to us, when some of our workers back home elect to ouit producing war materials, because they feel they are underpaid. We do not wish to seem litter or unreasonable, but surely we have the right to expect a peaceful solution to the problems of labor and management, when recourse to any other method can endanger our live and the problems of labor and management, when recourse to any other method can endanger our live and the problems of labor and management, when recourse to any other method can endanger our live and labor and that involve perhaps death, or the possibility of being permanently maimed, it seems all out of proporproblems of labor and management, when recourse to any other method can endanger our lives, prolong the war, and give comfort to the enemy. a lot more than that.

POET'S CORNER

305th ENGINEER SONG

By George Macksoud

(He also wrote the music)

305th. 305th. We are the best — we lead the rest Of Combat Engineers 305th. 305th.

we all get tough With us there are no fears.

When work gets rough

305th. 305th. We work and fight thru day and night We're Combat Engineers. 305th.

Thru rain and snow we licked the foe So come lets hear some cheers.

305th. 305th. We cannot hide -

our outfit's pride We're Combat Engineers. Our job is done

let's have our fun So now let's drink our beers.

HELL

What do you mean by this word hell?

Sometimes you say it's hot as hell You sometimes say it's cold as hell When it rains, it's hell, you cry, It's also hell when it is dry. You hate like hell to see it snow,

It's a hell of a note when it starts to blow, Now how in the hell can anyone tell

What in the hell you mean by hell Married life is hell, they say, When you come in late, there's hell

to pay. When you start to yell, it's a hell-It's hell when the kids you have to

tote. It's hell when the doctor sends bills and bills

For a hell of a lot of trips and when you get these, You'll know real well

What they mean by this word hell.

Hell yes, hell no, and oh hell you don't,

The hell you do, what in the hell and hell of it is The hell with your's and the hell with his.

Who in hell, and where in the hell what in the hell do you care, I care, but the hell of it is, it's sure as hell

You don't know what in the hell is hell. Oh what the hell.

Author unknown.

THE LAST WORD

An AAF Captain, returning from Burma, arrived in Florida and met his first WAC officer, a ma-jor. He tossed her a snappy salute and proceeded on his way. He was stopped short by the Major's sharp "Captain"

"That's scarcely the proper uni-form for an officer in the Army Air Forces to be wearing." she de-clared, eyeing his short sleeves and turned down collar with distaste. "Don't you follow regulations?"

"Sorry, Ma'am," he replied politely. "I just got back from Burma, and I don't have any other clothes."



From Company B: Since the war in the ETO ended some men think the movies have been about the dullest possible, and that means a lack of interest in the trip into Markt Oberdorf. Even though Denhis, a former B Company man ta-kes care of the broken film and provides an added attraction at the door as we leave for home, there are less and less who go each time. Is the whole Division seeing as bad material as we are?

From Company C: Why is it From Company C: Why is it that the new men get the best breaks? Quite a few of us asked for the job of managing the Company PX. We were told that it wasn't much to look forward to, as it could only occupy a couple of hours each week, but from the looks of things this Sgt. Lundin has made a six day a week job out of it, and to issue what? Four or five packs of cigarettes, one cigar five packs of cigarettes, one cigar, one package of cookies and one bar of soap to each man. Does it really take that long to issue this stuff or does he know a Washington se-

From Company C: What's the score on the passes to Paris? Do you have to be a new man in this outfit to get one? Or are the Repple Deps still running the war?

From Company B: A case of an "oldman" still never having seen Paris or The Riveria or Thion-ville, while most of the reenforce ments have done so, is not a funny bone to be tickled too much. If there must be drawings for passes, why should re-deployees have the chance of squeezing him furthur to the end of the pass line? And there are several in the same canoe.

From Company B: Most of the men want to know, why the hell can't we wear these ETO jackets now that we've got them. After all this waiting, a nice item like that should be worn and not hung up to be looked at. Could we get to the bottom of this. At least give us a reasonable explanation. The doughboys are all wearing theirs and they sure give us the laugh when they hear about our "chicken" policy.

From B Company: Although you will find someone screwing up the works in most any detail or recreaworks in most any detail or recreational activity, why make the whole company suffer for one mans blunder. We realize that is the way the army operates, and that it is a mild form of the "hostage system", but with the elimination of horseback riding, half of our recreational facilities have been taken. creational facilities have been taken away from us. Why not, in this case anyway, punish the one who screwed things up, and not deprive all of us of a well earned means of

FIRE IN THE HOLE

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the same man is batting twice when O and W Teague come up to the plate in succession — and an umpire can make a silly argument out of his own ignorance. What we need is more twins... The officers are the H&S welley bell team had need is more twins... The officers on the H&S volley ball team had better give up. There's no sense in losing all the games... By the way, H&S men say that they could have the best softball team in the battalion, but the few players don't get enough support from the rest of the company. Why don't you "goils" come out next time they play?... A good sportsman loses with a grin, and expects to win the next time, but not with growls, excuses, and his out for blood spirit.... B Company men are waiting patiently for some spring weather they have the robin playing third... Dale Mathewson, hurling for the New York Giants is a personal friend of Sgt. Kushinka, A Company's softball manager. They played together on American Legion teams a few years back. Mathewson that the Daillies but first came up with the Phillies but was later traded to the Giants. Kushinka likes to think back to the days when he was battery mate to Mathewson before he hit the big Mathewson before he hit the big time. Another hurler on those teams was lanky Carl Hilbert, who before entering the armed forces, tossed them up in the Texas League. "Those teams were really crackerjacks," said Kushinka. "There was "Big John" Vatsa, slugging outfielder, who worked for a while with the Detroit Tigers. "Bobby" Thochston, now playing in the Canadian ston, now playing in the Canadian American League, "Eddie" Wood-zichi holding down third sack for Wilmington in the Interstate League, and many others who are still fol-lowing the diamond sport. But when Kushinka finished school he decided baseball was not for him and he put away his ball and bat until he joined A Company in 1942... Our apologies to B Company for printing the wrong score about the same game for two weeks in succession. The game in question was played on June 28th at Markt Oberdorf and the final score was B Company 3, H&S Company 1.

Now, does that put us back in your

This cancels and replaces all pre-

Company B congratulates Cpl. Pederson, one of five men on the Special Troops pistol team that won the 80th Division finals. Careful men, a "Dead eye Dick" in the crowd... Some of Company B's softball opponents still think that the same man is batting twice when O and W Teague come up to the plate in succession — and an umpire can make a silly argument What we get under way a few days after the soft ball schedule ends. As soon as we receive the schedule we will pass it on to you... Mgr. Hoffman of the battalion baseball team says that we should have a good squad, and he expects the engineers to stay in the top class all through the season.
... "Fire in the Hole" will give you complete coverage of all the games, including individual batting records etc.

Soft Ball Standings

Companies	G	W	L	0/0
В	2	2	0	1000
C	2	1	1	.500
H&S	2	1	1	.500
A	2	0	2	.000
Standings	as of	Jul	y 1	1, 1945

Volley Ball Standings

Company	G	W	L	0/0
В	7	. 5	2	.714
C	7	4	3	.571
H&S	7	3	4	.428
A	7	2	5	.285

Volley hall schedule

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Team	Place
H&S vs A	A Co
Double header	
H&S vs C	H&S Co
H&S vs B	H&S Co
H&S vs B	B Co
A vs C	A Co
H&S vs C	C Co
A vs B	B Co
H&S vs A	H&S Co
B vs C	B Co
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B vs C	C Co
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Hey! Haben Sie Schokolade?

C COMPANY DEFEATS "BRAWNY BRASS" OF H&S IN VOLLEY BALL GAME

Markt Oberdorf, July 7. Today, one of the most exciting and hard fought volley ball games of the season was played, when C Company defeated the "Brawny Brass" of H&S. The match involved three games. with H&S taking the first by a close score of 21-18. C Company had lost three straight matches previous to this one, so at this point it was either fight hard or remain in the defeated column. The second and third games were taken by C Company with the scores of 21-13 and 21-14 respectively.

During the last game a rally was staged by C Company, who was holding the low end of a 12—5 score at the half way mark, which brought them to the final, decisive victory of 21—14. Captain Marshall and Lt. Hoffman led the "Brawny Brass" vith outstanding "Brawny Brass" with outstanding performances, while for C Company, Michalek, Marshall, and Smith showed excellent form. C Company says that they expect to win the championship now that they are in their stride again.

B COMPANY WINS AGAIN, 6-4, FROM C

By Pfc. F

Unterthingau, July 9. B Company's softball team, along with two truckloads of rooters, invaded Unterthingau tonight to stage one of the best ball games of the season.

Winning the tossup, B Company went to bat first an managed to get two men on base with only one down. O. Teague, nxt up, flyed out and Skalarsky's throw to home retired the side, pulling St. John's out of the well known bole. B Company found St. Johns in the second and third innings to the tune of three runs. C Company rallied in the third to tie things up at three all. Hughes, hurling for B Company was pounded out of the box in the third and O. Teagur replaced him. C Company scored their Final run in the sixth, while B Company counted single talls in the fifth, sixth, and seventh.

It was a hard fought game from

It was a hard fught game from first up to last mandown, and both teams showed marled improvement over their first hall showing Um-pires, Halasz and Cento.

SGT. SMITH WIN BATTALION HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT AT UNTERTHNGAU

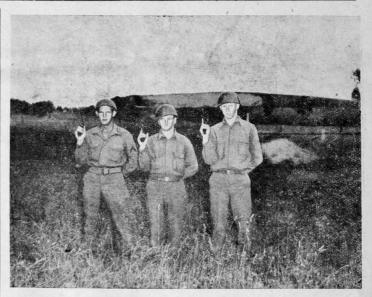
Unterthingau, Juy 10. In the battalion horseshoe tournament at Unterthingau today, Sgt. Smith of C Company emerged victorious after defeating, Lt. Col. McCollum, Lt. Mecham and Pfc Studt. The team representing the battalion in the divisional chamnonship will be composed of Sgt. Snith, Pfc. Studt from B Company and Rabenau from C Company.

The elimination series to determine the battalion champion was as follows:

First Elimination Winner Mediam (H&S) vs Sykei (B) McCollum (H&S) vs Snith (C) Andredas (A) vs Studt (B) Smith Studi Ware (H&S) vs Rabenau (C)

Second Elimination Mediam (H&S) vs Smith (C) Smith Studt (B) vs Rabenau (C) Studt

Finals Smith (C) vs Studt (B)



These three engineers were members of the Special Troops pistol team that won the Division Championship at Kaufbeuren. From left to right; Cpl. Pederson, B Company, Pvts. Jacobson and Middlesworth from A Company.

B COMPANY TAKES FIRST GAME OF SECOND HALF FROM A COMPANY 11-2

Aitrang, July 5. Scoring in every inning but one, the first half champs looked better than ever in downing A Company 11—2. The B Company boys had a field day at

B Company boys had a field day at the bat, each man getting at least one hit, with Frey, the first sacker getting 4 for 4.

"Red" McGuire, pitching his first game for A Company, really looked good in the initial inning, setting down the first three men to face him. But it didn't take long for B Company to feel him out, and then they pounded him for hit after hit.

after hit.

Brownie, hurling for B got into a jam in the 5th, when with two men on and one out, he walked two in succession, forcing one man across the plate. He pulled out of it then by fanning the next two. Batteries: for B Company, Brown and Ruth, for A Company McGuire and Kushinka.

C COMPANY TRIUMPHS AGAIN 6-0 OVER H&S SOFTBALL TEAM

By Pic. R. Ro

Unterthingau, July 5. The soft-ball game today between C Com-pany and H&S held the spotlight in the Battalion Recreation Program. in the Battalion Recreation Program. It marked the sixth straight game for C Company. It was one af the best performances yet given by the boys from Unterthingau, despite the absence of three regulars, Gramlisch, Bavan and Linkensdorfer.

Lt. Mecham, of H&S showed top form and sparked his team mates all the way. Kapolka and Skalarski led the C Company boys at the bat. St. Johns exhibited unusually good pitching for the C Company team, and was ably supported by Clusic behind the bat. For H&S it was "Shorty" Perez on the mound and Fine on the receiving end.

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H&S AND A COMPANIES SPLIT DOUBLE HEADER VOLLEY BALL MATCH

Markt Oberdorf, July 6. In a very exciting and fast moving exhibition of volley ball, the "Brawny Brass" and A Company split a double header match here today.

A Company captured the first match by winning the first two games by the same score both times, 21—19. The second match went the three full games with the following scores, 23—21 in favor of A Company and 21—16, 21—18 in favor of the "Brawny Brass".

SPECIAL TROOPS TEAM WINS DIVISION PISTOL MATCH

Kaufbeuren, July 6. The engineers have every right to be proud of the outcome of the Division pistol match held at Kaufbeuren today. Besides the infantry and ren today. Besides the infantry and artillery teams, there were two teams representing Special Troops, Class D and Class E. At the end of the match the two Special Troops teams were tied for first place with a score of 972 apiece. In the shoot off Class D captured first place with a score of 524 to 476 for Class E.

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The 305th engineers had three men on the five man avinning team. They were Cpl. Pederson from B Company and Pvts. Jacobsen and Middlesworth from A Company. Prizes for the winning teams were as follows.

1st. 7 day furloughs to England 2nd. 7 day furloughs to The Riveria 3rd. 3 day passes to Paris.

The course included slow fire, rapid fire, bobbing targets, and snapshooting from the hips.

H&S NOSES OUT A **COMPANY IN NINE INNING** THRILLER., 5-3

Markt Oberdorf, July 9th. Sparked by the hard hitting Christof, who pounded out a triple and two singles, H&S eked out a 5-3 victory over a fast playing A Company team. The first run was scored in the initial inning when Warrington, of A Company, scampered home on DiVivo's single to right field. H&S first tallied in the third inning when Christof started a rally with a mighty triple to left center. Before the side retired, Christof, Shores and Marshall had crossed the home sack.

Witte, batting for Nelson in the seventh, slapped out a double with two men on base and they both counted for scores making it 3-3. The tie was broken in the ninth when Porambo connected, allowing Marshall to come on home, and then later scoring himself.

Outstanding play of the evening was DiVivo's sensational catch in the sixth, when Marshall drove a long hard fly to left field that could easily have been a round tripper. Batteries for H&S, Hoffman & Shores, for A Company, McGuire and Kushinka. McGuire gave 8 hits, while Hoffman only allowed 6.

Umpires: Viscardi and Ehrardt.

A SOLDIER'S DREAM



HUZIT

This loving family group is the wife and children of one of C Company's most industrious Pfc's, who may yet get to see them if time and laws will tell! Although a previous service man with a full hitch to his credit, he has only 48 points, because his previous service runs prior to Sept. 1940, but he may still be lucky enough to get up to the count on nine, I should say 39, and get home after all. Anyone with such a charming little wife and two such beautiful, healthful boys, should be given the right to go home. The writer of this is wishing him the best of luck, a speedy discharge and a set of twins.

(Answer in col. 4)

DEPARTEES (con't)

M/Sgt. John H. Ware Pfc. Franklin W. Hurt T 4 Peter Slaczka S/Sgt. Irry J. Holesapple S-Sgt. Delvin Litzenberg Pfc. Charles E. Boyer Pfc. Layton H. Ozborne Pfc. Paul Hicks Pvt. Herbert P. Allen Pvt. Michael J. Cycyk Pvt. Jack King Pvt. Junius C. Sweet Pfc. Robert M. Focht Pfc. Clifford Edwards T/5 Edward Palumbo T/4 Francis N. Keahy Ist/Sgt. Edward T. Sroka Pfc. Glenn T. Poster Pvt. William R. Matthews S Sgt. Walter A. Tienken Pfc. Michael Rawlinko Pfc. Howard A. Hupp T 4 William C. Carbley Ist/Sgt. Joseph P. Guariglia T/5 Trannie D. Bowen T 4 Max Aub Pvt. Herman C. Mildrexter T/5 John H. Obringer Pvt. Donald R. Morrison Pvt. Donald F. Thompson Cpl. William R. Crawford S/Sgt. William T. Coburn Pfc. Joseph B. Hardesty Sgt. George H. Lake T/5 Adam J. Linkensdorfer Pvt. Ralph Haworth Pvt. Deaderick A. Barnitz

SS TROOPER (cont)

man had not shown up for three days, but he had a few days earlier mentioned the exact location of his new sleeping quarters, so with this man I walked partways and from a distance had the house pointed out to me. Again Benedetti and Dovenberger resumed their positions, guarding the approaches to the house. Still another disappointment. a distance had the nouse pointed out to me. Again Benedetti and Dovenberger resumed their positions, guarding the approaches to the house. Still another disappointment, he was not at home, and it being Sunday, the people of the house did not know when he would return. It was then 1630 hours so I advised the boys to go on home and told them I would wait inside the house for him. To the people in the house I said, "I have ten men surrounding this building and they are heavily armed, I want this man because he is an SS Trooper, and you must cooperate with me." — I then outlined my program to them, which was very brief; that they were to introduce me as a friend, and conduct a normal conversation in his presence, after which I would in some way have him go for a walk with me, and then mymen would arrest him. I actually did not feel half the assurance that I endeavored to display, in fact I was hoping that he was not armed, because I did not have so much as a penknife on my person. After three hours that seemed like three centuries to me, I heard the front door open and heavy footsteps approach the door of the litchen where we were, and in walted the man I was after. He was of medium height, stockily built, a face as bulldoggish as they come. His fingers were nicotine stained and he spoke in a forced way as if conversation were an effort for him. The evening went along nicely and I believe he was convinced that I was just another foolish American who did not know that he had an SS'er before him. Our host then expertly shifted the conversation to documents and personal identification papers and the fool fell for it like a child goes for candy. He disexpertly shifted the conversation to documents and personal identification papers and the fool fell for it like a child goes for candy. He displayed his papers which were evidently forged, and I very conveniently found a little something of great importance lacking, which made those papers worthless, and I suggested that he come down with me to the office, and that I correct them for him. He remarked about the late hour and suggested that he come down the next morning, but I assured him that as long as he was with me, he need not fear, that I would personally escort him back home. His suspicions were aroused then and he was visibly nervous, and he even forgot to excuse himself in leaving. to excuse himself in leaving. He made one last attempt to

He made one last attempt to have things go according to some desperate plan he had formulated in his mind on leaving the house. He suggested we turn right at the corner, it was a road leading out into the fields. That clinched my suspicions that he knew the jig was up, and I firmly insisted he go the way I wanted. He complied and that was the end for him. A few minutes later I had him in the orderly room, where I advised him he was under arrest. He never said a word, but the look he gave me was eloquent enough. This man is with the rest of his SS brothers today, somewhere behind barbed wire, where he belongs. And there he will remain for quite some time, thanks to a girl who never forgot and a man who will never sidestep the chance to find more of his kind.

ON GOING HOME

By S/Sgt. K. B. Walters

There was a time, not too long ago, when every newspaper or magazine that we picked up contained at least one article, written by a so called authority, on how to treat the returning veteran. I say not long ago, because the phase seems to have passed or is in the process of passing. But we still read too much long haired advice from well intentioned, but sadly misinformed individuals, who feel it their duty to assist the soldiers family in the rehabilitation of the returning yeteran. And we hold no grudge against them, even though their sin-cere desire to help has proved more of a hindrance han anything else But it is our wish that the people at home be made to understand that, largely speaking, we are not oddities, nor people who have completely forgotten the niceitis of civilian life.

Most of us had, prior to 1941, spent the greater part of our life as decent, respectable citizens of the United States. Yet, when Uncle Sam called us into his services there was no wdespread lamentation over the possibility that we would need special consideration to assist us in making the proper adjustments so necessary in the building of good saldiers. The proof that that change over was successful lies in the news headlines of the past few years. And yet, army life was, and is a far cry from anything of a cyilian nature. We stepped into a mode of life radically different from any we had known before, and we did it with pride and a feeling of confidence in our ability to aclimate ourselves to a completely changed environment.

Now surely if we accomplished this with such treat success, can there be any doubt but what we will once again be mentally capable of assuming our place in a world with which we were once fami-liar. Of course here will be some among us who have suffered so greatly and seen to much of horror, that readjustmen to any type of life will be difficult, but they. thank God, are in the minority, and it is the privilege of our government to take care of them and their dependents for as long as it is necessary. The great majority of us are still, basically, the same persons who left our homes for a distasteful but vial job. And uppermost in our minds at all times has been the thought of that great day when we should once more be plain Mr. John Doe, United States of

Gus says that marriages in the U.S. are up 11.8 per 1000 population. Now how did that happen with all us guys over here and in the Pacific. Wonler what they are using for grooms



A view of one of three rooms used by B Company as a mess hall. The three soldiers are part of the kitchen personnel. From left to right: Carl York, Joe Faulkiner, and Mess Sgt. Al Daunoras

I AND E TRAINING BEGINS FOR SIX MEN IN ENGINEER BATTALION

Six men from the 305th engineer battalion started taking special training in other outfits July 10. The courses will last for three weeks and during that period the men will be on Special Duty status. Sgt. Russell Dunlavey and Pfc. Henry F. Brown will study basic music with the Division band at Kaufbeuren. Sgt. Ralph F. Hamilton of Company will study blacksmithing and welding with 780th Ordnance at Bad-Worishofen. Cpl. Louis H. Wendell Jr. and Pfc. Armond Biagini will study auto mechanics with 780th Ordnance at Bad-Worishofen. Sgt. Amos Smith of C Company will study radio operation and repair with the 702nd Tank Battalion at Buchloe.

After completing the courses, the men will return to their original outfits.

About twenty three men from the infantry are on Special Duty with the engineers learning engineer functions that are closely related to infantry work.

"HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"

Home for Christmas? Well, at least we can dream. The idea was first given us by one of our own officers, and recently the "Stars and Stripes" came out with the news that the 80th would head for the States in December. Knowing that the army operates on the basis of many changes, no one seems to want to make any definite statements, but we are certain that you can make some bets one way or the other.

"We shall be glad", wrote the firm to the Selective Service board, "if you can assist us in retaining this man a little longer. He is the only man left in the firm and is carrying on with fifteen girls."

B COMPANY HAS UNUSUAL KITCHEN

By Henry E. Brown

Like all of the army, this company is a happy bunch of chow hounds, only we eat our meals in surroundings a little out of the ordinary for the average messhall.

The picture shows one of three rooms used by our men for Morgenessen, Mittagessen, and Abendessen and when the barrel is rolled out and the gang gathers, it does very well as a commodious Bierstube (drinking room). Except on rainy days, when the hallway is jammed, the cooks have ample room in which to serve, after wheeling the pots out of the ventilated kit-chen. But the novelty of our kitchen in not to be found on the inside, but rather on the outside. Fronting the full width of the house, above the upper windows, is a highly interesting mural, in colors, depicting a battle scene that took place in this vicinity a long, long time ago. There is an inscription underneath the mural that would enlighten the student of Deutsch history.

The main door to the kitchen is a massive wood affair with flush, carving on the upper half. We invite all to stop and stare, if they pass through Aitrang, at our unusual kitchen.

DID YOU KNOW THAT

Austria is about the size of Ohio, but has a few more people?

France is not quite as large as Texas in area but has over six times the population?

Germany is larger than France in area, had twice the population of France and 13 times the population of Texas or about 6 times the population of New York State?

Japan proper is about the area of Montana, and has around 6 times the population of Ohio?

Luxembourg is about half the size of Rhode Island and has only about half as many people?

Answer to Huzit Pfc. Angelo Benedetti

