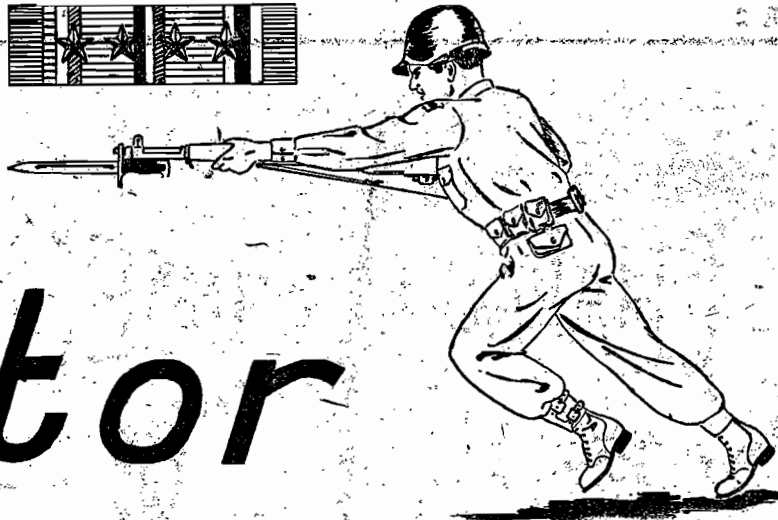


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### Regiment Adds Seventh Nation To Travels

Late Friday, September 14th, the regiment received movement orders, and Saturday morning found the lead battalion, the second, on the road in trucks, bound for Czechoslovakia. Following the next day, Sunday, the remainder of the regiment, plus an attached company of medics, Co. C, 305th Med. Bn., arrived in Czech territory and relieved the units on duty in this area.

Second Battalion, at Asch, relieved the 955th Field Artillery Battalion, Third Battalion, located in Kraslice, took over the duties of the 137th Field Artillery Battalion, and First Battalion, with headquarters in Königswart, assumed positions of the 186th Field Artillery Battalion.

#### Regt C. P. in Franzensbad

The Regimental Command Post, with the Regimental special units, and the attached medical company, are located in Franzensbad. Anti Tank Company, left in Bad Wörishofen to quarter the Regimental baseball team for the duration of the division baseball playoffs, moved north on Wednesday, September 19th, and joined the other special units in Franzensbad.

#### Attached to XXII Corps Army

While in this area, the 319th is attached to the XXII Corps Artillery, and will guard points of entry between the Corps area and the Russian Zone of Occupation. Rifle companies of the Regiment are manning roadblocks at these points of entry at this time.

#### Neighbors

A few of the Regiment's neighboring units are the 17th Forward Observation Battalion, the 919th Field Artillery Battalion, and the 356th Field Artillery Battalion, in addition of course to the XXII Corps Artillery.

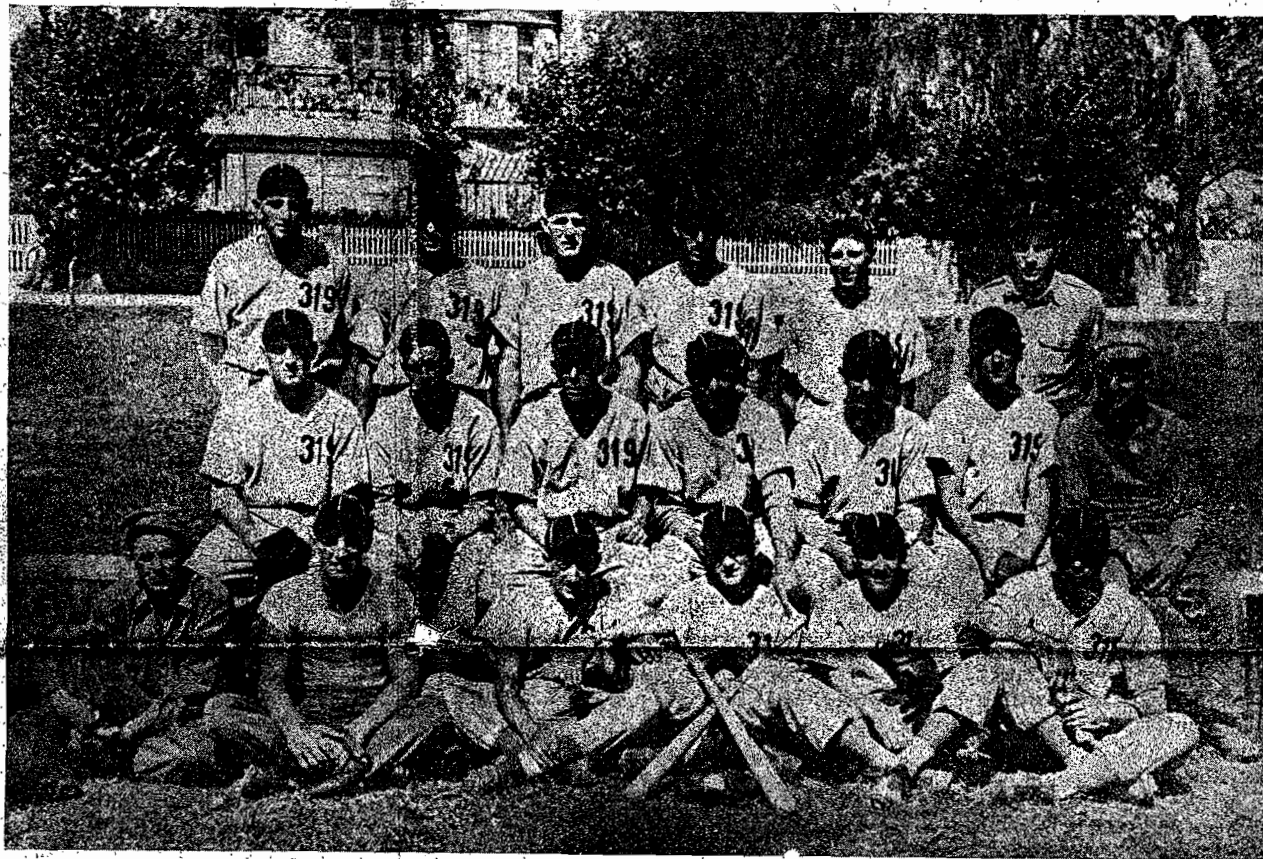
### Regimental Orchestra

Playing for the "boys" in the Special Units' Clubs, Franzensbad nightly, is a combination new to the 319th, a group of entertainers fresh from the 90th Cavalry, redeployed to the Regiment on points. Leader of this outfit, and master of the trumpet, is T/4 Herman Laurie. Featured in the sax section are Jimenez and Redding, while along the rhythm line are Eddie Crook, piano; Joe "Chick" Taylor, bass; Frank Trapani, drums; and Frank Celentano, guitar. The orchestra even goes so far as to provide its own vocalist, in the person of Ben Bornstein.

These fellows are far from lacking in ability or experience. Bornstein and Trapani both appeared with several popular bands in and around Detroit, and Trapani played with local bands in Chicago. In the 10th Armored these swingsters presented many shows in touring that division, presenting in addition to their musical numbers, a comedy show which was highly acclaimed by the audiences to which it played.

In the 319th, Laurie and his orchestra hope to "hit the road" again, and expect to present their talents to all clubs in the regiment. Though at present their appearances are confined to Franzensbad clubs, plans are being completed to feature them in the battalion clubs, and possibly tour their show throughout the Division.

## 319th Runners-Up in Division Baseball Play



THE HAYSEED BASEBALL TEAM, runner's up for the Division championship, pictured here from left to right are — front row: Ferguson, business manager; Marsh, rf; Barillo, 3b; McGuinness, 2b; Scott, 2b; Cleghorn, p. Center row: Hornberger, lf; Jahn, cf; Knight, rf; Molley, p; Donofrio, p; Lis, c; Heppler, ground keeper. Rear row: Lishko, p; Masio, ss; Sewell, c; DeStefano, 1b; Soloninka, lf; Cantlay, p. and mgr. Not pictured here but who contributed greatly to the success of the club are Dugan and Schaar, recently transferred to the 319th from the 14th Armored, Kelly 1b and Mason former outfielder and now business manager.

#### Highlights Of The Series

Second game featured the hitting of Dugan, new outfielder for Hayseed and Mason, Hamper 2nd baseman. Dugan clouted 3 triples to help his team come through with their only win.

Lis' 3 hits in the third game was the standout performance for the Hayseeders with McGuinness', playing at shortstop, also stealing some of the limelite. Donofrio off to a shaky start in the 1st inning, pitched beautiful ball for the next eight. Mason again shone for the Hamper club with his hitting with Correia Hamper shortstop doing his share with a single and a double.

The last games' spotlight shifted to Shutz, Hamper's pitcher, for the day. He pitched a brilliant 2 hit game and left the Hayseed Club with a whole nest of goose eggs. Stellar fielding by his team mates helped considerably. Prize catch of the series was made in this game by Griggs, Hamper leftfielder, on a ball hit by Barillo that had homerun tagged all over it.

So ends another baseball season and the last for many in this man's Army.

#### Hamper Wins Playoffs 3 Games To 1

The regimental playoffs for the Division Championship ended with the Hayseed team winding up in the runner-up spot. The series was interesting but didn't have the following that the two teams expected, especially at Hayseed's home field. The first game at Kempton was well attended and featured the Hamper drum and bugle organization, along with gatherings of the different nationalities that were invited to see the game. The Hungarian assembly was the most colorful, parading around the field in their native costumes and their country's flag at the head of their column. When the game started and different plays were made that deserved recognition these people made as much noise as the GI's, even though they didn't understand the game. Hayseed's mound choice for the first game was their star pitcher, Chet Molley; Hamper had Tommy O'Keefe on the hill as their hope for the day. The game was interesting to the Hayseed rooters until the eighth inning when the bottom fell out and Hamper scored three runs to sew up the ball game, 4 to 1.

#### Mindelheim Scene of Second Game

Mindelheim was the scene of the next game and at same time Hayseed rooters were outnumbered three to one. Despite this, Jim Cleghorn came through with a 6-4 win to put Hayseed back in the running. Jim had trouble the first six innings, experiencing the most trouble in the fourth and sixth innings. In the fourth, eight men faced pitcher Cleghorn but only two runs were scored. After two men were out, Lamb singled, Mason walked, Kovalski singled to bring in Lamb, Holmes singled driving in Mason, and Correia was intentionally passed to load the bases. Kumor ended the inning by grounding out, Scott to DeStefano. In the sixth, Mason, hitting star of the series, started Hamper's bid with a single. Kovalski singled, Holmes reached first on a fielder's choice when Scott tried to catch Mason at third. The ball got away from Barillo and Mason was safe, leaving three men on base with none out and Correia, Ham-

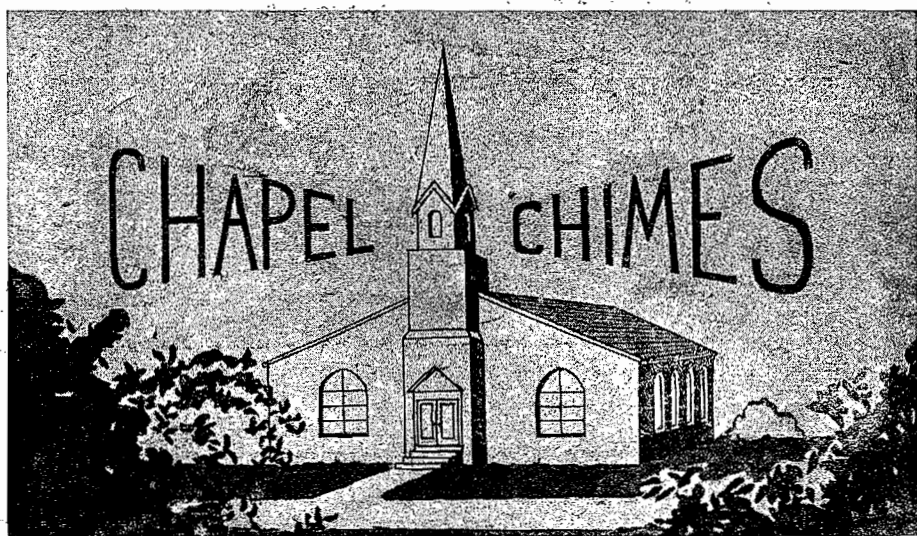
per's long ball hitter, standing in the batter's box. Correia smashed a line drive between 2nd and 1st; Scott, Hayseed second baseman made a "dive" for the ball, made a spectacular catch, and threw to DeStefano, catching Holmes off first, but Mason scored on the play. Kumor again ended the inning grounding out, Scott to DeStefano. Jim was never in trouble from then on and walked off the mound with a hard won but well earned victory.

#### On the Road Again

Hayseed hit the road to Kempton again for the third game. This game, the turning point for the series, was wanted by both teams. Donofrio started on the mound for Hayseed with Hamper bringing Griggs in from left field to face Hayseed. Hamper's first inning proved to be the downfall for Hayseed as they scored four runs on two hits. Mason again led off with a single, Kovalski gained first on an error by Barillo, Holmes walked, and Correia singled driving

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Composite Box Score  
of the 319th - 318th  
Series on Last Page



The shadow of a lonely figure of a man hovers over the world in the noonday sun, and in the light of the moon at night. Idealist, dreamer, rabble rouser was he to the surly, teeming crowd of people that passed him by. They passed him by, this man who dared to say that vengeance belonged to God, that man must "turn the other cheek".

Man is still stunned from the impact of an atomic bomb, this monster of destructive energy, which could smash man to bits as the monster smashed its master, Frankenstein. Fists are still tightly clinching; profane babblings, and fierce threats still rumble in the night air. Revenge is a cancerous growth which slowly strangles the heart and soul of a man. Can it be that nations shall learn from the lives of men, that the clinched fist must become the open, outstretched hand if civilization is to rise, someday, above these costly wars. Shakespeare warns us: "heat not a furnace for your foe so hot that it do singe thyself." In taking revenge, a man is but even with his enemy; but in passing it over, he is superior. Thank God America, and the American does not seek revenge. Retribution, indeed, this is inevitable. Revenge, never; we can not forget Pearl Harbor; we can forget how our lips burned with wine of hate, for those who struck the blow. Let's strive with all our courage, strength and ability to harness the energies of men and machines for constructive purposes. If nations can not learn these simple lessons of life, I see only a slow agonizing death of civilization as a man dying in the excruciating throes of a cancer. With God's help cancer can be solved, with God's help, revenge shall be written out of the books of Governments, and a road to Peace will be found.

CHAPLAIN CARL R. HATFIELD.

## Notes of Interest on Czechoslovakia.

Czechoslovakia was the first country, after Austria, to fall under the Nazi occupation (1938 and 1939). It lies in the heart of Europe, and like Switzerland, Austria and Hungary, is a landlocked country without direct access to the sea.

Prague, the capital, has a wealth of medieval architecture equalled by few other cities in Europe. More than 3,500 years back there was a settlement within the territory which is now occupied by present day Prague on the site of the cast Vysehrad.

The majority of the population, 75%, was Roman Catholic, the rest Protestant. Peace time exports are woolen goods, cotton, coal, glass, sugar, iron and steel, grains, timber and leather. Imports are largely fruits and vegetables, fats and oils, machinery, mineral oils and chemicals.

The Czechoslovak Republic was recreated as the result of the first world war. The reestablishment of independence marked the struggle of the Czechs and Slovaks for freedom, a struggle the beginning of which went to the Middle Ages, when the ancient kingdom of Bohemia was absorbed within the Habsburg monarchy. Czechoslovakia independence was officially proclaimed (Oct. 28, 1918) after the break-up of Austria-Hungary.

German troops invaded Bohemia (Mar. 15, 1939) and seized Prague, two days later Chancellor Hitler declared Czechoslovakia no longer existed and that Reich forces would enforce orders. The Reich assumed supervision of military and foreign affairs, communications and customs. Later the military forces were disarmed.

The Czechoslovakia Government in London, and the Polish Government in exile decided (Nov. 1940) to unite after the war in a Czechoslovak - Polish confederation. A Czechoslovak - Soviet Treaty of mutual assistance was signed in London (July 1941).

The fighting forces of Czechoslovakia within the United Nations consisted of a military unit and air force operating from England and military units fighting in the Near and Middle east as well as in the Soviet Union.

Now that peace has once again been restored to Czechoslovakia they are establishing a government similar to that of the United States, with our help they can get this government well planted and be able to hold their own in the future against any aggressive nation.

## HAYSEED NIGHT SPOTS

Located at Rossbach, Easy and Fox company have a combined club for all the enlisted personnel. The club is run under the direction of the I & E and features a six piece civilian band every night. Beer and other drinks, when obtainable, flow freely; and Sgt. Winterbottom of Easy, and Sgt. Pinkhom of Fox, have a capacity crowd every night to consume it.

Hq. Co. 1st Bn. have their club at Königswart. S/Sgt. Barr, president of the club, has a fine seven piece band for his customers to swing and sway to their heart's content. An overflowing crowd was reported on opening night and will increase as time goes by.

Franzensbad is the site of two clubs catering to personnel of Hq., Sv., and A. T. Co's.

The Pvt. and Pfc. club is the largest and has an immense floor space. Decorated in red it is pleasing to the eye.

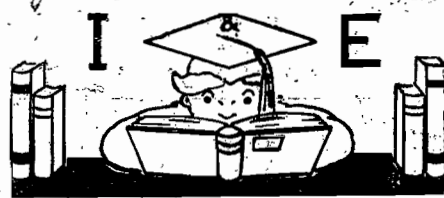
The N. C. O. club with its colonial styling, circular floor, and bubbling fountains

makes an enjoyable place to spend an evening. Both clubs are under the direction of Cpl. Nealis, president, and Pfc. DeSantola, Secty. Two bands, one eight piece G. I. composed of former 10th Armored entertainers. The other an eight piece civilian orchestra alternate between clubs each night.

A pleasing floor show was presented to their patrons Sat. night with a promise of more to come.

## Love Company by Sgt. Joe Di Lauro

Well, fellows, "L" Company has a swell E. M. Club and a band that won't "quit", right from their own company, to go with it. The band is a seven piece job with Joe Di Lauro-beating the drums, Fred Latreille on the saxophones, Ed Galvin tooting the trumpet and Marvin Eubanks strumming the guitar. Love Company would like to thank the following men for their cooperation in making this night life possible: S/Sgt. Pearson, 1st/Sgt. Cecil White, Pfc. Ben Aud and Lt. Murray Levitta recently elected Special Service Officer.



Moving or not moving the mail must go through, and so it is with the I and E schools — for even while in the process of changing locations, men were on their way to schools in England. One man, Cpl. Serois — just transferred from the 65th Division, was sent to the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts in England and two others, Sgt. Craig of "B" Company, and Conradi of "T" Company, left for Laughborough Technical School in England to wade into the mysteries of Department Store Management. The twenty-fifth of this month saw fourteen more men leave for Shrivvenham, also in England. It may be interesting to note that three men, all from different companies in the Regiment, have written letters back to the Regimental I & E Officer, requesting permission to continue their schooling and immediately start on another course. However, this is quite impossible as the schools aren't just for a select few, but are for anyone who really wants to take advantage of them.

It seems that a little doubt and a few questions have arisen in the minds of many as to the eligibility of some men for the I and E school program. A few days ago the I and E office received a letter from the Stars and Stripes, stating that some men in the regiment had written to them, saying that they had been told, because they were thirty five years old, they could not file application for any of these schools. An interview with Lieutenant Halm, Regimental I & E officer, disclosed that these men had been ill-advised. There are NO RESTRICTIONS attached to this educational program. Some men might also feel that because they have beaucop points it would reduce their chances of going home. Here is how the order stands concerning these men. All men who now have over sixty points and still apply for a course of studies in any I and E School, outside of Division level, must state that they will complete the course and waive their rights to go home until it is finished. It is foolish for any man in the forty or forty five point category to think that he is going home now and that by going to school his chances of catching the boat would be lessened. He is the man who definitely should ACT now on this opportunity to study. As for all men under sixty points, if they are in school at the time their outfit is alerted to go home, they will have the choice of either rejoining their units or they may wait and go home when they have finished the course. It must be remembered that this choice is left entirely up to them.

## MOVIE SCHEDULE

### SPECIAL UNITS: Franzensbad

Monday: CHRISTMAS IN CONNECTICUT, with Barbara Stanwyck and Dennis Morgan.

Wednesday: THE CLOCK, with Judy Garland and Robert Walker.

Friday: WEEKEND AT THE WALDORF, with Lana Turner, Walter Pidgeon, and Ginger Rogers.

### FIRST BATTALION Konigsworth

Tuesday: CHRISTMAS IN CONNECTICUT.

Thursday: THE CLOCK.

Saturday: WEEKEND AT THE WALDORF.

### SECOND BATTALION Asch

Tuesday: THE CLOCK.

Wednesday: WEEKEND AT THE WALDORF.

Friday: CHRISTMAS IN CONNECTICUT.

### THIRD BATTALION Kraslice

Monday: THE CLOCK.

Thursday: WEEKEND AT THE WALDORF.

Saturday: CHRISTMAS IN CONNECTICUT.

PICTURE PARADE does not appear in this issue due to engraving delays. We promise results next week, appearing under "THE GRAVEL AGITATOR SPOT-LIGHT" in place of Picture Parade.

## G.I.'s of the WEEK



A tall, quiet, good looking young man sporting a T with three up and one down — that's T/3 Melvin Lechlak Medical Detachment. Mel makes his home in Toledo, Ohio and like everyone else is in the process of sweating out an early return. He has been with the 80th Division since its activation and his first job with the 319th was in personnel. His army career veered sharply a few weeks later when he was sent to O'Reilly General Hospital. There "Lech" breezed through a course of studies that enabled him to assist in training others who were to become medical personnel in combat. During the days of war, when the wounded and weary were brought into the aid station Mel's cheerfulness and coolness acted as stimulants as much as the medicine and plasma he administered.

It was readily admitted that our medics have one of the finest organizations in the E. T., and just as readily we give much of the credit to T/3 "Lech". We will be sorry to see him leave us but Mel more than deserves "the boat" for his faithfulness and hard work. As a parting shot, Mel, "Watch the hook!"

Our hat's off this week to Pfc. John Reese one of the original members of Able Company. John, the old standby, hails from Columbia, South Carolina. He saw the first light of day on June 8, 1923. The Southern gentleman, as a boy, attended Public Grammar School at Columbia and then went to Dreher High School in the same city. After graduation from high school, John continued with the books of knowledge at Clemson College, S. C. Electrical engineering was to be his future. At the outbreak of the war, John heeded the call of his country and donned khaki on Dec. 10, 1942. He was sent to our own A Company for training and has been a consistent member ever since. Claims photography, radio and model building as his hobbies to pass the lonely hours while sweating it out. Holds battle stars for the Rhineland, Ardennes, Central Europe and Northern France, the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. Main ambition when Johnny goes marching home is to pick up the books of learning and continue with his education... and John is really sweating it out as you can witness around the company when he continually pops the question. "What do your hear of late?" Questioned on his plans to win the Peace John states: I sincerely believe that America and the United Nations should make a firm effort to start a sound, and solid re-education program for the younger generation". At present John is helping out with the duties of the Orderly Room.

## Church Call

### Protestant Services

Sunday

0915 — Protestant Church — Franzensbad

1100 — Protestant Church — Asch

1400 — Protestant Church — Rossbach

### Catholic Services

Sunday

0900 — Catholic Church — Asch

1100 — Catholic Church — Franzensbad

1330 — Catholic Church — Falknov

1500 — Catholic Church — Kraslice

Confessions, ½ hour before mass



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### Item Company

by Pfc. "Honest" John Stobbe

Doc Powers, the first platoon medic has just returned from his well earned trip to the U. K. looking like a million. His brilliant work at the Siegfried Line near Walendorf will long be remembered by the men and officers of Item Company. The presence of Pfc. Powers will be greatly missed, as he returns to the U. S. A. very shortly via the point system.

Hats off to the wonderful work of the Items able interpreter, Pfc. Richard Auch. Pfc. Auch hailing from the farmlands of South Dakota, speaks both the German and Russian lingo with a very fluent tongue, the latter proving very helpful to Item's present work in the Sudetenland now being occupied by the famed 319th Infantry.

"MISERY LOVES COMPANY" so the Posimo brothers decided to sweat it out together over here, as Pfc. Fred was permitted his transfer from the 318th Infantry to brother Tech Sgt. John's 4th Platoon, I Co.

Lt. Jones, Item Co. C. O. intends to try his luck in the frog leg business, after he discards his O. D.'s. Could he be referring to the same under pins gazed upon by yours truly in his recent trip to Paris.

Pfc. Terrell and Pfc. Eicher, the two Item Co. chefs, have stumbled upon a new breakfast recipe. After months of endless experimenting they have finally discovered the secret of preparing fresh eggs to taste like dehydrated ones.

Pfc. Cercéo, Item's communications expert, is also noted for his wonderful work in the photographic field.

His delicious steak dinners were the talk of Chicago before he was inducted into the Army. He promises that at a little later date the Cercéo neon will shine again. So when in Chicago "Let's meet and eat at Cercéos."

Pfc. Sanchiz, the Casanova from Louisiana, returned to the company last week looking like a walking billboard. His absence from the company remains a secret. But inside information tells us that the pride of Item company has just returned from school where he completed a most difficult course in "repair and care of damaged mess equipment". Good Luck Elmo.

The combat soldier as usual is remembered again. Although all GI's in the States are expecting their discharge papers within the next four weeks, that once muddy, grimy, not to be forgotten GI whose luck fortunately held up thru all Hell is to receive the large sum of eight points. Let's remind Gen. Marshall that with these eight points plus a Buffalo nickel we can still buy a coke in New York City.

### Farewell to the Golbricker's Club

Well, buddies — we've come to the parting of the ways. Our Goldbricker's Club has been dissolved. All our liquor stock has been distributed to the 24 karat chums — every member received, at least, one bottle of cognac or champagne, but fortunately most of the luckier-boys, received one each. When our funds are converted to the proper currency, it will be properly split up.

Some random statistics: The members drank up, during our forty five days of operation in Bad Wörishofen; 45,516 mugs of beer, 35,568 glasses of wine, 16,903 shots of cognac, and even the non-drinkers were represented with 5,465 glasses of lemonade and soda pop. Now that's a lot of "Prosit"!

Prexy Anderson, Bud Hanline, Rep. Repert, Willie Tweed (UK pass), Kellam (air school), and myself, would like this opportunity to thank all the Goldbrickers for their fine reception and co-operation at the old Club. T/5 Al Sabatino.

### When He gets Home

by T/4 James A. Mason

Russ Carlisle was like any ordinary G. I. sweating it out in the E. T. O. waiting to come home. He dreamed each night of that long trip back to Virginia and tried to plan his first words to his father, mother and his girl. He had planned on running in the house let out a yell of "Hello Mom, hello Dad", then he would act nonchalant as if he had never been gone and had just come back from a football game. They would like it better this way he thought. His girl was a different question. What would he do? Should he run up to the door, into the house, and sweep her off her feet or should he call and tell her he was coming? He didn't know but he said to himself, "I'll think of something before I get home".

Finally the long awaited day came. His first sergeant said "Carlisle you've been alerted, be ready to leave at eight in the morning". So at eight the next morning Russ was ready and happy. Fifteen other men of his company were also going and each one anxious to leave, had the attitude of "let's get going and I don't care what I ride in or on just as long as I get home". They loaded in a truck and went to the railhead where they loaded into a 40 and 8 and began their journey. Russ still hadn't come to the conclusion of what to do when he first saw his girl. He wasn't worried though and said, "I'll think of something before I get home".

After a week's ride they reached the processing point. Russ and five of his buddies were put in a pyramidal tent and got their first night's rest in a week. The next morning all were given new clothes and accessories, Bronze Stars, Purple Hearts, Good conduct ribbons, and Campaign ribbons. "We're all set", they said, and in a short time they were at the P. O. E., loaded on a boat, and were on their way across the Atlantic. Russ still pondering over what to say to his girl was still in the dark. "Well", he said to himself, "I'll think of something before I get home".

One day there was an excited voice heard, but no one understood what the cry was about until someone noticed the soldier pointing, gazing into the direction of his arm the black coloring of land could be seen. Everyone was excited now, and slowly the skyline of New York was gradually coming in view. They passed the Statue of Liberty and entered New York harbor, the boat whistle blowing continually was joined by the tugs and other crafts in the harbor. The big boat slowly swung into it's dock and came to a halt. Now all the returning veterans were streaming down the gangplank and marched to another dock where they were loaded on a ferry that carried them over to the Jersey side, off of the ferry boat, onto a train to a separation center. When all work was completed Russ found himself on a train heading for Camp Lee which was only 130 miles from his home. Still Russ had no definite plan to follow when he met his girl. "I'll think of something though before I get home," he said.

Camp Lee and a 24 hour lay over and Russ had that 30 days furlough paper in his hand. Boarding a bus, Russ started on that final lap, sitting in the bus he thought on the subject that was troubling him and the next thing he knew he was home and still no ideas.

Well, he was going to follow his plan when he reached home. He hurried through the streets that were so familiar to him and saw his old homestead in the distance. Seeing his home for first time in 3 years took all his visions of non-chalantness out of him and he choked with emotion. He ran alright but not the way he had planned. In the door and into his mother's arm, who had seen him coming up the street. "Hello Mom", he said weakly, "gee it's good to be back." "Hello, Dad, how is everything with you?"

After the happy reunion and the usual talk of people who haven't seen one another a long time, Russ asked "How is Mary?"

"Mary is fine son, she was asking about you the other day as she always has", his Mother replied.

"Do you mind if I run over to see her?" inquired Russ.

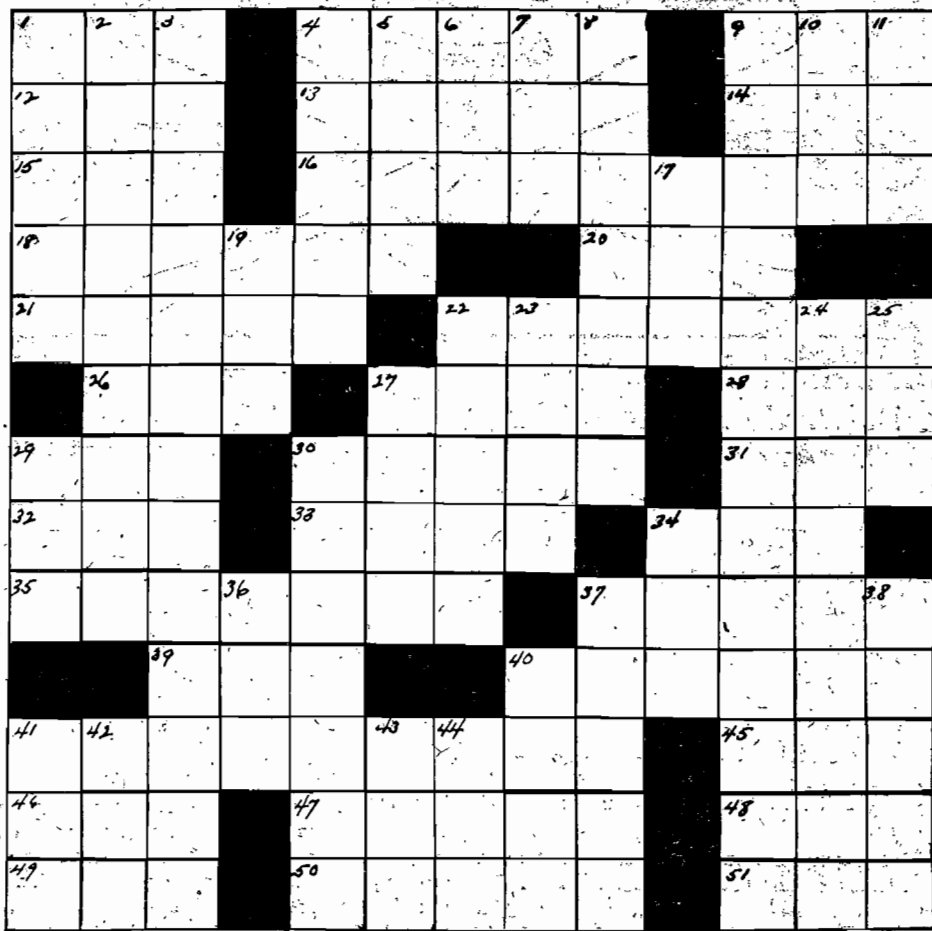
"Certainly not, go right ahead, I can't expect to keep you for myself", Mother smiled knowingly as she gave her consent.

Russ hurried out of the house, hopped into the car and was off. It felt good to be behind the wheel of the old car again but what was he going to do when he reached Mary's house. He wished he knew but he didn't. Slowly he pulled in her driveway, and getting out of the car he spotted Mary running down the steps to meet him. "Here it is", Russ said, "now what". He held his arms open and Mary ran into them. "Hello, Mary", said Russ and that is all he could think of.

The End.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

(ANSWER NEXT WEEK)



#### Across

- 1. Stern (Naut.)
- 2. Narrow by-ways.
- 9. Peep
- 12. Per
- 13. Fail in development.
- 14. Repent of
- 15. Man's name
- 16. Injury
- 18. Hired out
- 20. Rodent
- 21. City in Germany
- 22. Baggage carriers
- 26. Particular period of time
- 27. Theatre booth
- 28. Enclosure for sheep (Sc.)
- 29. Russian village
- 30. Supported
- 31. Louse egg
- 32. English beverage
- 33. River in Belgium
- 34. Small lump of butter
- 35. A spiritual entity
- 37. Moderates
- 39. To perceive
- 40. Entice
- 41. Frozen rain pellet
- 45. Uncooked
- 46. Bustle
- 47. Attains
- 48. Devoured
- 49. Genus Homo
- 50. Woody plauts
- 51. Guided

#### Down

- 1. On fire
- 2. Sails carried on a forestay (Naut.)
- 3. Violation of a law
- 4. Burdened
- 5. In bed
- 6. An adverbial particle
- 7. To mistake
- 8. Aroused
- 9. Extraordinary
- 10. A brook
- 11. Still
- 17. Small rug
- 19. Golf mound
- 22. Detachment of police
- 23. Kind of moulding
- 24. Repeat
- 25. Place
- 27. Secular
- 29. Girl's name
- 30. The thoroughwort
- 34. Comrade
- 36. Elongated fish
- 37. To hallow
- 38. Stitched
- 40. An English Queen
- 41. An amateur (slang)
- 42. Girl's name
- 43. Sailor (colloq.)
- 44. Raw metal

### Medical Detachment

by Pfc. Ted Preis

Sgt. Wade has just returned from the 20th Corp Command school which was at Freising where he was an instructor for several weeks.

Pfc. Labanco is taking advantage of a 7 day tour of the 3rd army sector. He is expecting to visit his old outfit which is stationed at Regensburg.

Cpl. Lipinski is spending a well earned furlough in the United Kingdom.

Sgt. Stasik is now taking over the supply job in the Medical Det.

T/Sgt. Hunter has returned this week after spending 7 wonderful days in Switzerland.

### A Wish

I wish I was a little egg,  
Way up in the tree,  
A-sittin' in my little nest,  
As rotten as I could be.  
I wish that you would come along  
And stand beneath that tree,  
And I would up and burst myself,  
And cover thee with me.

Anonymous

### HELP WANTED

Due to transfers, schools and what have you, the staff of "The Gravel Agitator" is practically nil. Here is what we need: a rewrite man, reporter and PHOTOGRAPHER. The men we would like to have for these jobs are those who do not expect to leave the regiment on points in the near future. Also it is obvious that a company clerk, supply or mess personnel could not be released from his present duties. So if you meet with the above requirements and you are INTERESTED, whether you think you can do the job or not, let us know. Just drop a line to "The Gravel Agitator" thru message center or call Hayseed 39. DO IT NOW!!

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# SPORT

## 319<sup>TH</sup> NEWS

### Battalion Teams Defeat RHQ. Contenders For Pingpong Champs

In the finals of the Regimental Ping Pong tournament played at Franzensbad, Monday, September 24th, teams from First and Second Battalions defeated teams from Regimental Headquarters Company, representing the Special Units, to take the Regimental ping pong titles. These eliminations took place in anticipation of a Division tournament, and climaxed play begun on company and battalion level before the regiment's move north into Czechoslovakia. The regimental champions will represent the 319th if a Division tournament is held.

In the singles competitions, Pfc. Donkon, representing 2nd Bn. Hq. Co., defeated S/Sgt. Burton, of Regimental Headquarters Company, in three straight games: 22-20, 21-18, and 21-17. The doubles team from 1st Bn. Hq. Co., Sgt. Cassazza and Pvt. Wright, took the team from RHQ, Cpl. Rolph and Pfc. Balltrip, by the same margin, three games to none. The scores of these games were: 21-12, 21-16, and 21-14.

### SERIES

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In Mason and Kovalski. Kumor flied out to Dugan in center field, Griggs struck out, Stange walked, and Shutz hit a slow roller to Scott who muffed the ball and Holmes scored. O'Keefe walked forcing in Correia. Mason ended the inning flying out to DeStefano. The four run lead gave Griggs,

who also was shaky in the first, the confidence to carry through until the ninth when Hayseed showed every intention of tying up the ball game. Schaar started the ninth with a single; Sewell batting for Donofrio singled over first. Barillo hit a long single to right center, scoring Schaar, and Lis drove a screaming double to right center scoring Sewell and Barillo. Lis died on second as Dugan popped to Stanga at third, and DeStefano grounded out, Griggs to Kumor, ending the game with Hayseed one run short, 5-4. It was a hard fought ball game with Hamper gathering the spoils to lead the series two games to one.

### Final Game of Series

The last game of the series was played at Mindelheim with the two teams comprising the rooting section. With Hayseed moving to Czechoslovakia and Hamper unable to provide transportation it was almost like a practice game for both teams. Schutz, Hamper pitcher, needed no spectators to help him along as he twirled two hit ball, shutting out Hayseed, 3-0, giving the Division Championship to Hamper. Chet Molley, back on the mound for Hayseed, pitched a good ball game allowing only six hits but his teammates could do nothing against Shutz.

Baseball season over, the Hayseed club have hung up their spikes for another year. Some of them have possibilities in baseball in the future. Whether they will continue their career that was interrupted by the Army, when they return to civilian life, or not remains to be seen. All we can say is to watch your box scores and see if there are any familiar names there. Whatever they may undertake we wish them good luck and success.

### Composite Box Score

319th Inf.														
Pos.	Player	AB	H	R	2B	3B	SH	SO	BB	Avg.	PO	As'ts	E	Avg.
3b	Barillo	15	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	.267	1	5	5	.545
2b	Scott	14	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	.072	14	13	2	.931
c	Lis	17	4	2	2	0	0	2	0	.235	30	1	2	.909
cf	Dugan	17	5	2	0	3	0	0	0	.294	7	1	0	1.000
1b	DeStefano	16	3	2	0	0	0	2	0	.188	40	2	0	1.000
ss	Masio	9	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	.222	4	8	4	.750
ss	McGuinness	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.333	1	7	0	1.000
1f	Soloninka	7	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	.000	1	2	0	1.000
1f	Hornberger	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	.200	2	0	0	.000
cf	Jahn	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0	.000
rf	Schaer	11	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	.364	2	0	0	1.000
p	Molley	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	.000	0	3	1	.750
p	Cleghorn	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000
p	Donofrio	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	.000
	*Sewell	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0	.000
totals		132	28	11	2	3	4	13	6	.212	102	44	14	.913

\* Batted for Donofrio, ninth inning, third game; for Scott, ninth inning, fourth game. Strike outs by Molley — 15, Cleghorn — 7, Donofrio — 4. Base on balls off Molley — 4, Cleghorn — 4, Donofrio — 5. Runs batted in-Barillo — 3, Dugan 2, DeStefano — 2, Lis, McGuinness. Double plays-Masio to Scott to DeStefano, McGuinness to Scott to DeStefano — 2. Stolen bases-Hornberger — 2. Left on base — 22. Earned runs — 8.

318th. Inf.														
Pos.	Player	AB	H	R	2B	3B	SH	SO	BB	Avg.	PO	As'ts	E	Avg.
2b	Mason	16	6	4	0	1	0	1	2	.375	10	7	2	.895
cf	Kowalski	15	5	1	0	0	2	2	0	.333	6	0	0	1.000
c	Holmes	15	4	1	0	0	0	2	2	.267	16	1	1	.944
ss	Correia	15	5	4	2	0	0	1	2	.333	10	11	2	.913
1b	Kumor	16	3	1	0	0	0	2	1	.187	44	1	2	.957
1f	Griggs	15	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	.067	7	4	0	1.000
3b	Stanga	16	5	2	1	0	0	2	1	.313	6	11	1	.944
rf	Page	11	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	.091	3	1	1	.800
p	O'Keefe	7	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	.000	1	2	1	.750
p	Wegman	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
p	Lamb	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	.333	0	1	0	1.000
p	Shutz	7	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	.285	2	3	0	1.000
	*Gaughan	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
totals		138	33	16	3	1	2	26	13	.239	106	41	10	.936

\* Batted for Page ninth inning, fourth game. Strike outs by O'Keefe — 5, Shutz — 4, Wegman — 2, Lamb — 1, Griggs — 1. Base on balls off O'Keefe — 2, Shutz — 0, Wegman — 1, Lamb — 0, Griggs — 3. Runs batted in — Correia — 3, Stanga — 2, Kowalski, Holmes, Mason. Double plays — Stanga to Kumor, Griggs to Stanga to Kumor, Stolen base — Kowalski. Left on base — Kowalski. Left on base — 32. Earned runs — 5.



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### Mike Company

by Pfc. Floyd Pickett

Perhaps the biggest change, effected by the move to Czech, in "M" Company is the sudden appearance of so many men wearing all their decorations. One might also notice that acting 1st/Sgt. Fleetwood is no longer acting but now wears stripes from elbow to armpit. Pete Knight is back with us now that the ball season is over. Pete is bitching because he was pulled off shipment to play in the series for the Division championship. Ventura and his gang finally got in from Landesberg where they were guarding S-4 equipment. Here's a new angle on points — Gallup says that he is glad he doesn't have enough to go home because he wants to wait until he is 21 since he can't vote or buy whiskey till then. Cates and Hacker are on that Riviera road. Jim Atkinson and Bill Perrin are back from England where they were on school and pass respectively. Dick Moorman left for the UK to attend the I & E University at Shrivenham. Welcome to Erwin Duzan who transferred from Anti-Tank Company.

### King Company

by Cpl. Ray Campean

Time marches on and with it the 319th. It appears to me that we Agitated so much Gravel in Germany that someone decided to let us stir up a bit of dust in Czech. During our transfer Sgt. Kennedy of the 4th Pltn. was on pass to Switzerland. Hello Geo how are you at thumbing your way around!

Lt. Aden our CO. is having growing pains, what with a new language to "verstehen" coupled with depressing troubles to cope with I think he needs full cooperation from all before he can sleep thru the nite. King Co is now located in Schonbach, Czech, with hopes that the next change, if it's on Sunday, will find us waiting for one of the Queens. (Pipe Dreams).

New slogan for the Navy's accident prevention campaigns in the Pacific: "Keep the blood plasma in the original container."

A hangover is a headache built for a hippopotamus.

### Charlie Company

by Sgt. Ray Jones

Cheerio and pip, pip! You guessed right the first time. Sgt. Jones and Pfc. Shirt are back after seven days of ease (?) in England. Jones says the nights there are long — especially in Piccadilly. We'll know for sure when Pfc. Reynolds returns from his seven day furlough. The ever popular and gay Patee is playing host to T/4 Diehl and Pfc's Pollit and Soulis for seventy two fast moving hours. Its plenty of time to see the sights though and after all, that was their object in going. Sgt. Kraus was fortunate enough to catch one of the most popular passes available to a GI. He went to Switzerland to see the watches and cameras everyone talks about. Oh, yes, the hotels have nice waitresses too. Pfc. Floyd can be seen lying around the beaches at the Riviera about this time. He has seven days to tan up and a few days coming back to "dry" out. Charlie Company went all out and won themselves another football game — the touch variety, naturally. Baker Company went under by a score of 14-0. S/Sgt. Boumbovias and Sgt. Sharp sparked for the "C's" when they crossed the money line for six points each. Pfc. Nette gathered two more points for his team-mates when he stepped into the picture to take credit for a touchback. It looks like the club is really starting to roll, men. How about getting behind it and giving a big push in the direction of bigger and better wins.



David Ross, American Red Cross Field Director, attached to the 319th Inf. Regiment is now servicing the following units: 319th Infantry, Cannon Company, Anti-Tank Company, and Charlie Company, 305th Medical Battalion.

Red Cross service is available to the above units twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Office of the Red Cross is in the Post Hotel, Franzensbad.