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Wreckin' Second Vies For Division Softball Championship

The Wreckin' Second Softball team, representing the 319th is now in the thick of the fight for the Division softball championship. Seven teams from almost all units of the division are now in the midst of the double elimination playoffs.

In order for any team to be eliminated they must suffer two setbacks. The Wreckin' Second opened with a 3-2 win over 317th with Whitey Olsen flinging them to a close victory. The second contest saw them shut out the 305th Engineers by the score of 2-0, Stanley Stein pitching a brilliant game for the Hayseeds. Tuesday, of the past week, the Wreckin' Second clashed with Div. Arty. and suffered a heartbreaking loss, being nosed out in the 13th inning 1-0. Whitey Olsen was the victim in this tough ball game. The Hayseeds must now win their remaining games to keep in the running. Div. Arty. is in the best position to win the tournament, but in a double elimination contest anything can happen. The Wreckin' Second has not given up hope as they have a fine team with two of the best pitchers in the Division, namely, Whitey Olsen and Stanley Stein. There has been some fine softball played in the tournament, so let's get out and cheer the Hayseeds on. They deserve it!!

3rd Bn. Hq. Co. Men Receive Awards

In a recent presentation ceremony Lt. Col. Elliot B. Cheston former Third Battalion C.O. pinned a Silver Star, six Bronze Stars, two Soldier's Medals and one Purple Heart on the tunics of men from 3rd Bn. Headquarters Company.

1st Lt. William A. Nurthen was awarded the Silver Star for bravery under intense artillery and small arms fire. Despite the heavy shelling Lt. Nurthen successfully completed his mission helping to rout the enemy.

For meritorious service under adverse conditions Bronze Stars were awarded to 1st Lt. William R. Keeton, 2nd Lt. Victor J. Zebrowski, T/5 Max Kaner, T/5 James Webster and Angelo Salvatore.

Endangering their own lives S/Sgt. Norman Reifsnnyder and Pfc. George Overend saved the lives of two men in a heavy gale on the Traunsee Lake near Altmunster, Austria. Seeing the plight of these men Reifsnnyder and Overend immediately launched a motor boat saving the two men. For this post-combat courage these men were awarded the Soldier's Medal.

For wounds suffered at the hands of the enemy in Luxemburg, Pfc. Arnold C. Dufresne was awarded the Purple Heart.

Regimental Staff Changes

During the past week the Regiment saw a number of changes in command develop into a reality after being in the rumor stage for sometime. Colonel Norman A. Costello, who saw the 319th successfully through much of the fastest and roughest combat, has bade us farewell and returned to Division Headquarters to assume his new duties as Assistant Division Commander. We'll miss Colonel Costello's recognized leadership ability as well as his gift for being practical in any situation. Into his shoes, however, steps a man who has proven himself as a Battalion Commander and also as our Regimental Executive Officer. Lt. Col. Ives leaves his Red Battalion to become Hayseed 6!! Those famous broad shoulders will look good wearing eagles. Lt. Col. Into the Hayseed 5 spot comes Lt. Col. Cheston who drops his duties as Blue 6 after seeing his men through every inch of combat. We know just how blue, "Blue" will be, Lt. Col. Cheston!!! However, Third Battalion's C.O. post will be in the capable hands of Major Hill who has long been the Regiment's efficient S-4 and during the past few weeks, Reg'l Exec. Don't lose that sense of humor you're noted for, Major!! Regimental S-3 loses its ace of tacticians by sending Major Weavers to take over where Lt. Col. Ives left off in First Battalion. Maybe those overlays won't keep you awake at night anymore, Major!! Captain Miles one of the kindest and most popular officers in the Regiment changes his S-2 title for that of S-3. We remember Captain Miles for his particular ability to capture Heinie mortars and ammo which he delighted in throwing back at them while serving as Company Commander of Dog Company. The S-2 job falls to Captain James Capps who is ideally suited for his new post provided he doesn't forget himself and start laying lines all over the C.P. Captain Capps, as Regimental Communications Officer, was mainly responsible for the reputation Hayseed has acquired for its superior communications.

While this change over has saddened some and gladdened others we can only wish you, Col. Costello, Lt. Col. Ives, Lt. Col. Cheston, Maj. Hill, Maj. Weavers, Capt. Miles and Capt. Capps the best of luck in your new positions and we'll be seeing you!!!

Contenders For Division Softball Championship



The Wreckin' Second Stellar Softball Team

From left to right sitting: Stanley Stein, Harold Curtiss, John Hoder, William Martin, Robert Robinson, Robert McQueen and Harvey Rudolph. From left to right standing: Mathew Barrett, Albert Hiebach, Stanley Olson, Thomas Bount, Wilbert Miller, Thomas Wellington, George Olexa and Lt. Samuel Clement

Charlie Company C.O. Broadway Star

This week the roving spotlight of the Gravel Agitator falls upon an officer of the regiment who is quite accustomed to the glare of the footlights, the play of the spotlight and the traditional smell of greasepaint. We present to you Captain John D. Devereaux, Company Commander of Charlie Company, former star of the stages of Broadway and other Eastern United States cities.

Performing on the stage since he was 15 years of age, Capt. Devereaux has been cast in several Broadway shows, most famous of which is "Life With Father." Prior to his "Life With Father" engagement, he appeared in "Remember The Day," "Bright Honor," "The Ghost Of Yankee Doodle" and others. During the "off" summer months he gained experience in the little summer theatre productions at some of the New England resorts. These little theatre productions proved to be quite strenuous at times for each week meant a new show, and it was necessary to be rehearsing the next week's show during the daytime, while presenting the current week's production in the evenings.

Capt. Devereaux likes to talk most about "Life With Father" which you'll agree was and is a fine production. Acting in the show had its inconveniences and embarrassing moments, he assured your reporter. When the part he portrayed demanded that he have his hair dyed red regularly, he felt quite self-conscious about it, for though the dye job looked fine under stage lighting, on the street he was the object of some very "appreciative" whistles from passers-by. In the play he was cast as the eldest of four brothers, and he says it was quite interesting to watch boys cast as the younger brothers grow up and lose their jobs because they were too old for the parts.

Capt. Devereaux's flair for acting is no mere fancy, for his family from his great-great-grandmother down through the succeeding generations has been associated

with the theatre, and the Barrymores', Ethyl, Lionel and the late John are his cousins. His only performance with any of them, however, has been with Ethyl Barrymore during the run of "The Ghost of Yankee Doodle."

Before entering the theatre, Capt. Devereaux attended a military school, and while there became acquainted with another student who later wrote a play based on the life at the school, "Bright Honor." Capt. Devereaux played in this show which sought to demonstrate how a military school will take a supposedly "nice" boy, and by the time he finishes, will make him into a military robot. Capt. Devereaux told us "That one wasn't so good ... it only ran a week!!!"

Concerning the future, Capt. Devereaux is quite anxious to return to the theatre, though it will probably not be to "Life With Father" (which is still playing in New York), for he says he has outgrown his former part. He prefers the legitimate stage, though if he should receive a good enough offer from Hollywood, he thinks he would accept it, for "they offer you too much money to refuse."

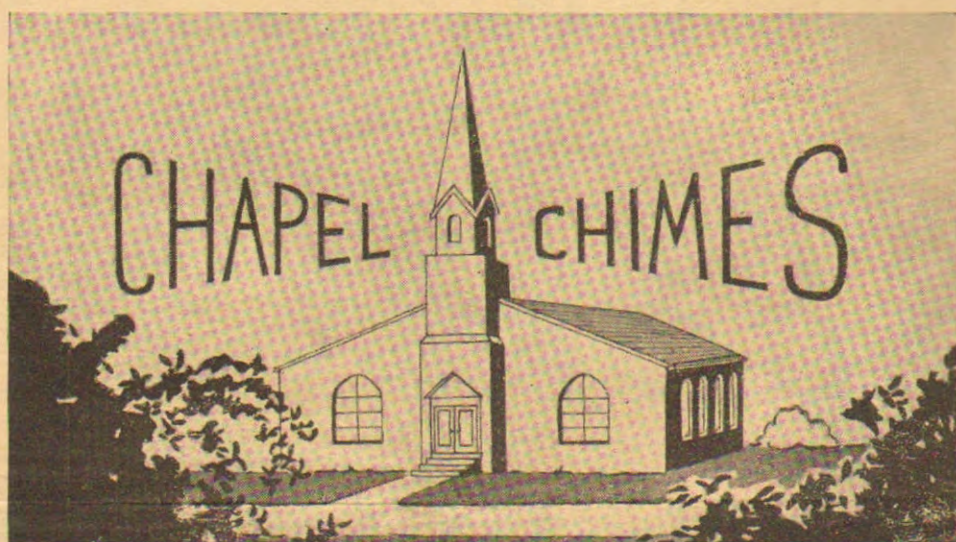
White "Home" (?) Again

Second Battalion is back at its simulated "home in the army."

After an absence of more than a month, "white" found that the recent shuffle put it back in the Krumbach area again, the place it originally occupied upon coming to the present vicinity. In many cases men returned to the same billets they had occupied previously.

Civilians nodded cautious greetings when the troops came to replace the 103rd division's 411th Infantry. The same familiar kids showed up when the chow lines formed, and shopkeepers returned to laundering shirts with Blue Ridge patches, photographing Second Battalion men, and making rings with the 80th insignia as the design.

Headquarters and Fox are in Krumbach itself again. Easy is there for the first time having traded with George and How for nearby Thannhausen.

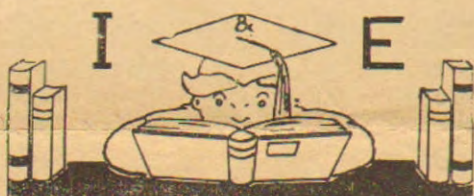


Many men are wondering what Pastors of Germany are saying to their congregations on Sunday mornings. Recently, from Religious News Service, an urgent appeal from Pastor Herman Asmussen, well known champion of the German Confessional Church, was brought to the attention of the world at large. One very striking portion of his summons to the German people reads as follows:

"The German citizen is guilty for he sought his own peace above all... because he sacrificed the right in his desire for ease, because for all during the war he kept silent before horrors provided they had a happy sequence, because he deliberately made a God of his welfare, because he allowed the authorities to exercise influence on his soul belonging to God alone, because he suppressed what he knew to be true... Yes, we are all guilty, whether important or insignificant, rich or poor, educated or uneducated. There is good reason for our present distresses. We must confess before God: 'If Thou wish much worse to be brought against us, we have no right to complain.'"

There are danger signals in this grave indictment, for it is directed at the COMMON MAN OF GERMANY. Wasn't this century called the century of the common man? Let's abolish the term common man. It doesn't belong in the vocabulary of the American. The true American is not a common man. He is the uncommon man. He doesn't maim, he cures. He doesn't destroy, he builds. He doesn't kill, he brings life. He doesn't dominate, he shares. He doesn't hate, he loves. He doesn't take, he gives. No, this man we speak of is not common, but he is an American, a true one. Will you be the uncommon man who is the real hope of the world? Will you help America lead the world to a World Brotherhood to the Glory of God, and the honor of man?

CHAPLAIN CARL R. HATFIELD



After occurs the next potential move and it a large and extensive program will be established within the Regiment. It is advisable for any man who is interested in attending the school to contact his company I and E Officer for further details. The Regimental I and E Officer has procured approximately one thousand text books covering a wide variety of subjects. Some of the courses are; Auto Mechanics, Blue Print Reading, Small Business, Book-Keeping and Accounting, Shorthand, Carpentry, Forestry, Foremanship, Mathematics, Business Law and Agriculture.

The Regimental schools will be conducted at Battalion levels, instructors being selected from the Regiment, who will be qualified enlisted men or officers.

The policy in the Division states that 25% of the morning man hours can be spent in the classroom and the complete afternoon can also be devoted to studies. Therefore it is possible to take as many subjects as your classroom time permits according to the Division regulations. Due to necessity the classes will be held in the afternoon, running five days a week. The success of the program will depend on the response and enthusiasm of the men.

This week a number of men will be sent to centralized technical schools in Wharton, England. Because of the uncertainty of our present status the quota will be small.

The typing and business english classes which were in effect the past few weeks have been disbanded till after the coming move, if we move, where a more permanent set up can be established.

Timeless Topix

Among the people filing into an air-raided shelter was an old man. In one hand he carried a long handled shovel to deal with incendiaries and under the other hand he had an old-fashioned harp.

"My word," said one inhabitant. "There's a fellow who's ready to go either way."

MD: "I can't diagnose your case. It must be drink."

Yardbird Watson: "All right, Doc, I'll come back when you're sober."

A man can be considered well along in years when he pays more attention to

the food than he does to the shapely waitress.

To avoid the rundown feeling—cross the streets carefully.

Self-delusion might be defined as that something which enables a size 44 woman, who tips the scales at a cool 247, to refer to her new dress as "just a little something I picked up to wear around the house!"

Plant one smile a day—and keep it watered.

Remember what happened when the old cow backed into the airplane propeller—that's right, disaster.

Regimental Library



Librarian, Pfc. Uroski helps Pfc. Leins select a new thriller

Editorial On Going Home

Wherever ETO GI's meet—on bomb pocketed Straße in Germany, on the Cannebiere in Marseille, in Parisian sidewalk cafes or London's Piccadilly Circus—the talk turns to the question: "How soon do we go home now?"

Meanwhile speculation and rumours flow out of the news wires and latrines. "Informed sources" and "military observers" say that the army will be reduced to a force of from 2,500,000 to 3,000,000 men within a year of VJ day.

Individually the question remains "when do I go home?" "What about my future?" "What provisions has our government planned and legislated for the returning veterans?" "Will I continue my education, seek self employment or entrance into the labor market?" "Has our victory conquered the menace of war?"

The Federal Government has planned and legislated an extensive program of legal rights. Federal statutes give the veteran every material benefit from transportation home to four years in college. The Army and Navy musters you out as efficiently and speedily as possible and sends you home with severance pay and enough information to cross the first bridge back into civilian life.

The Veteran's Administration has the funds and job of seeing that you get your pensions, vocational rehabilitation and guidance, retraining or education in a school of your choice, guaranteed loans for homes, farms or business, medical care, unemployment compensation and other legal rights.

With Selective Service lies the legal duty to see that you get your old job back if you want it.

The War Manpower Commission has the responsibility of seeing that each of you will have a good job. There are special veterans placement counselors in every U.S. Employment Service office. These are Veterans Service Centers established across the nation where you may go and discuss your needs. Here you will find counselors trained in educational and vocational guidance, placement, loans, small business, consultants in the field of psychiatry and medicine, family and personal affairs, veterans rights and benefits.

If your interest is in further learning a survey indicates a growing deficit of trained personnel occasioned by the war. The largest deficit is acute in the liberal arts and teaching fields. Both tuition and subsistence will be available to you under the GI Bill of Rights.

If your interest rests with self employment it is important to note the decline in the number of firms in construction, retailing and service activities. There is a huge backlog of pent up customer demand for these commodities.

Under the GI Bill of Rights the government's guarantee of 50% of a loan up to four thousand dollars and a guarantee of net earnings of one hundred dollars per month for one year make your first and most vulnerable year a success. Operation of a business calls for a background of work experience, adequate capital resources and long work hours.

If you plan to work for an employer you may exercise your reemployment rights on your old job under Selective Service regulation. If you desire work elsewhere or have not had previous employment then the War Manpower Commission will see that you have a good job if you so desire.

The responsibility of peace may be said to fall more heavily upon those of us, the citizen—soldiers who have seen war. Peace rests in your individual determination to prevent wars. Your government today, is more than ever, sensitive to the will of the people. Peace or war tomorrow depends upon the individual. More documentation will not give us a new world.

Think of these things today and plan prudently for the future. It is a bright one.

The Scourge Of The Highway

by Sgt. W. Leininger

You've seen him, you know him—maybe he's you. He's the G.I. who drives a jeep or truck and thinks he has a pilot's license in his pocket and the controls of a P-38 in his hands. He thinks the roads are there for his use alone. In his mind, no one else could want to use the same road at the same time. The possibility of dangerous sections of road ahead never enters his mind. While he's behind the wheel his combat boot assumes the weight of a diver's lead boot. Ask him once, he's going nowhere in particular and is in no hurry to get there, but the speedometer must register maximum speed anyway. During combat there were a great number of accidents, but the greater percentage was not caused by excessive speed alone. They were caused by a combination of speed, blackout and poor road conditions. Speed was necessary then to save lives, etc. Since the war ended there has been more road accidents than at any time during combat. Why? Now, nothing, or very few things are so urgent as to justify driving like a maniac. Blackout is no longer enforced. Road conditions have been vastly improved. The increase in accidents is caused by the thoughtless love of high speed. Getting to a show or to see a friend a few minutes earlier isn't worth jeopardizing your life and the lives of others who may be on the road. You've come through the war, you have your life, don't throw it away or take the life of someone else by driving a motor vehicle as though you were insane. You fought to destroy all engines of destruction and death—don't turn your jeep or truck into one!! Don't be the SCOURGE OF THE HIGHWAY!!!



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CHATTERBOX

1st Bn Hq Company

by T/5 John W. Siler

Several new faces have made their appearance in Hqs. Co. the past week namely, Pvt. Walter Scobie, Pvt. Alfred Russell, Pvt. Thomas Burns, Pvt. Harry Sunn, Pvt. Thomas Welch, Pvt. William Risser, Pvt. Dermott McDermot and Pvt. William McRorie. These men are newly assigned and are American citizens who were in Ireland, Scotland and England and entered the service from these countries. . . . S/Sgt. Miller is back from the Riviera looking no worse for the wear and tear. . . . T/Sgt. Evans felt right at home upon entry into the Park Hotel as he is a former bell hop. . . . Pfc. Philipp Bova and Pfc. Pikuliuk off to Paris while Pfc. Moskowitz departed for London. . . . S/Sgt. Schmalz and his labor troubles. . . . Big Deal Caminita remarked, "What no elevators?" . . . Pappy Deming trying to keep up with the youngsters. Pappy that is out of your league. . . . Chuck Ferritto now busily reading the book on Psychology of Women or a Better Understanding Between Man and Woman. . . . Lt. Toepfer, S-3, has procured the training film "Three Down and None To Go" and this film will be shown to all personnel sometime this week. . . . With the rumors of moving in the air all members of this organization are closing out their affairs. . . .

Able Company

by Pfc. Cecil Chapman

Pfc. Howard Schwager has been transferred to an Engr. outfit in Epernay, France. . . . Pfc. Paul J. Landry gone on the sick book with streptococci sore throat. . . . Pfc. Robert Rogers promoted to Tech. Fifth Grade along with Pfc. Everett Schlenter who made T/4. . . . Sgt. Kenneth L. Mann off to the Riviera on 7 day furlough. . . . T/Sgt. Harold Stonebraker, Pfc. Emmett O'Reilly, Pfc. William Sandry, S/Sgt. Leroy Porter, and 1st Sgt. John C. Carlow have all been transferred to the 19th Armored Inf. Bn. . . . Sorry to see the boys go. . . .

Baker Company

by Pfc. Ted Buchezk

Wendell L. Colegrove and Meniphee Dew were both awarded the Bronze Star. . . . Dew has also been transferred to the 19th Arm. . . . 2nd Lt. Carroll C. Cook and Pfc. Andrew Kender both awarded the Purple Heart. . . . 2nd Lt. Joseph Hanson has been placed on Detached Service with the Army I and E Staff School, The Caserne, at Ober Ammergau. . . . Pfc. Norman J. Dufour transferred to the Arm. Inf. . . . Sure are a lot of the fellows leaving us now. . . . Their past performances have finally caught up to them, as Pfc. Matthew Tarr, Pfc. John Schmiede, T/5 Ralph Patterson, T/5 Donald Pohlmeier, T/4 Lowell Southern, T/5 Ernest Sprowl and Pfc. John D. Johnson were all rewarded recently with the Bronze Star. . . .

Dog Company

by Pfc. Adam Petrella

Pvt. William Ballew has joined us, coming over from B Company. . . . S/Sgt. Willis Des Jarlais has gone off on furlough to Switzerland. . . . For the picturesque scenery no doubt. . . . Sgt. Percy F. Timmer, our former company clerk, has been transferred to Hq. USFET. . . . Actg. Transportation Cpl. Robert E. Clinger lost one of his best drivers this week when Pfc. Edward Bruck with 82 points left for the 19th Arm. Inf. Bn. . . . Cpl. Richard L. Hughes and Pfc. Lawrence Aquilino were also transferred to the same outfit. . . . Sgt. Kenneth Darr just back from Paris. . . . See him for postcards. . . .

Easy Company

by Pfc. Al Tarentean

The biggest news from "Easy Holler" this week is that Pfc. Gus Buyse finally signed his freedom papers, and will prob-

ably be on his way home by the time this goes to press. . . . Cpl. Parsons of the third platoon and Pfc. Farmer of the kitchen crew are on their way home and all of the fellows wish them the best of everything. . . . Pfc. Michelin is still counting his points and sweating. Several of the boys were rather worried last Saturday—weren't they S/Sgt. Huston? . . . Very few left on pass this week, the only two being Pfc. St. Martin of the 1st Platoon and Pfc. Patterson of the 2nd Platoon. Both went to Paris. . . . Some of the boys were very glad to get back near Thannhausen and very, very happy over the swell quarters that were secured for them. We all want to thank Lt. Migloritti for his fine work in securing the little extras that help to make a company area a little more pleasant place to live. . . . There are several fellows making regular trips to Thannhausen and when they leave they all have a gleam in their eyes and are full of pep and vinegar. But. . . when they come back they all look beat. How about that 1st Sgt. Butters, S/Sgt. Wickersheim, S/Sgt. Lee, Pfc. Buco, Pfc. Cull and Pvt. Conley. . . . On the diamond the 3rd Platoon softball title is still in the bag. The 1st Platoon publicity was just a lot of gas as the 4th Platoon knocked them for a loop very easily. With football season creeping up on us, we find that the 2nd Platoon is hiding an All-American namely Pfc. Nobriga of "Poor Little Rhode Island" and "Wreckin' Second" expects much from him this season according to Coach "Mouse" Miaki. . . .

George Company

by Pfc. Frank Finn

The company mourns the departure of T/5 Charles Kent and Pfc. Kenneth Dalm. . . . They were real soldiers, as well as gentlemen. . . . Sgt. Edwin Bauer has left on a three day pass to Paris, Pig Alley and points west. . . . We're waiting for him to bring back some tall tales of his doings. . . . The Battalion softball team has been strengthened with the addition of T/5 Bobby Robinson. . . . Bobby's doing a bang-up job in short center. . . . Lt. Winborne is off to school in Bamberg along with S/Sgt. Tom Parker. . . . George Company's beer emporium has opened without very much ballyhoo. . . . Cpl. Don Corembe, Sgt. Frank Peccols and S/Sgt. Bob Cantando make the boys happy with the ease and dexterity with which they deal out the lager. . . . My candidate for the Academy Award for Acting is Pfc. Donald Lutz. . . . His dramatization of the way he won the Bronze Star hits a new high in dramatics. . . . Since reading the news in the Division paper, everyone with sixty-five points or over is walking around with broad smiles on their faces. . . . T/5 Joe Jacobson and Pfc. Jack Hoffmann aren't so happy. . . . They have 64. . . . S/Sgt. Jim Murphy came back from the Riviera looking as if he needed another rest. . . . The boy's aren't too enthusiastic about our present location, Thannhausen. . . . They say its the only cemetery they ever saw with electric lights. . . . Pfc. Tom Chowenski wants to know if he has to salute Lutz since Lutz got the Bronze Star. . . . Ab Abdella's waistline is giving him plenty of trouble. . . . He claims that its the rich food that the kitchen dispenses. . . . Are you kidding chum? . . . As the entertainment publications say—Sgt. Jimmy Burke is still on the road with the Hayseed "White" Scandals, along with Lt. Phil Sterling. . . . Pfc. Bob Eshoo tells his cronies of the days when he made shorts in Hollywood—and sold them for half a buck a pair. . . .

How Company

by Sgt. W. Leininger

Lt. Gerald G. Ohlmann, commanding H Company since the departure of Capt. Lewis T. Kahlil for discharge, has also left for the same purpose. . . . Succeeding him is 1st Lt. Charles A. Book, former mortar platoon leader, and more recently executive officer. . . . Tuesday, the com-

pany pulled up stakes at its secluded area at the Pforzed ammo plant outside Kaufbeuren, and now jointly occupies Thannhausen with George company. . . . T/Sgt. "Buck" Bouchilon, hospitalized while the company was at Krumbach, joined the outfit again only to leave for home Saturday. . . . Who absconded with Comm. Sgt's machine gun ammo box full of toilet articles? . . . German speaking Cpl. Walter Klahn has been advised to have T.S. cards printed and distributed to the Germans who come to him with their troubles. . . . Cpl. Darnell Green is happy now, he has a jeep to herd. . . . Sgt. Ercole Olivetti is off to the Riviera. . . . Pfc. Stultz back from the same place. . . . The many night clubs and hot spots in Thannhausen amaze this outfits men. . . . Its impossible to go to bed before 1900 every night. . . . Thats when any sign of life in the town stops! . . . Who upset the apple cart on the main street of town one night this week? . . .

3rd Bn Hq Company

by Pfc. Floyd Pickett

Blue Hq's bade a fond farewell to Robt. Locke and Clarence White who transferred to the 14th Arm. . . . 1st Sgt. Sharpless, that Penna. cowboy, was seen riding his horse from Buchloe to Landsberg last week-end. . . . Alvin Gulley made the jump from Pvt. all the way to T/Sgt. recently. . . . Now he is alerted to go home. . . . Going with Al is S/Sgt. Stan "Red" Nowoczynski who says he is going to provide himself with an heir the first thing. . . .

Item Company

by Pfc. Floyd Pickett

Robt. Cole is back from Thionville where he has been on duty at the 3rd Army rest center. . . . Mail clerk Santucci hates to leave his present place of business. . . . In Landsberg, his own little private post office complete with mail drop, could be found in the next room of his own exclusive apartment. . . . To give things that "ultra" touch, the C.O. was seen painting the aforementioned mail drop. . . . Jimmy McJunkin and Nick Parazzi have transferred to the homeward bound 14th Arm. . . . Ernie Capp and Wayne Handy are in Parea on a well deserved pass. . . . Two fellows with an unusual story joined Item recently. . . . Both are Americans and both have lived in Scotland the last eleven years where they enlisted through the American Consulate. . . . Frank McCormack was born in Sharon, Penna. but has lived in Motherwell, Scotland since 1933, while Erskine Brash hails from Elizabeth, N.J. and Glasgow. . . . After six weeks training in England these men were sent to the 16th "Repple Depple" for their basic and eventually to the 80th. . . . Jose Arriaga is on furlough in England. . . .

Love Company

by Pfc. Floyd Pickett

Three sharp soldiers are now in Paris as the result of making "Col's. Orderly". . . . They are Pfc. Peter Howenstein, John Martz, and James Gilbert. . . . Thanks to the efforts of the Red Cross, S/Sgt. Talbert Murray and Pfc. Marvin Holmes are on their way home to be discharged. . . . Rudy Berman is teaching German in the Bn. school. . . . He is well equipped for the job having lived in the Rhineland the early years of his life. . . . At one time Love passed within three miles of his home during an attack. . . . Although many of his relatives still live in Germany he has seen only one, an aunt who lives in Munich. . . . Dallas Smith is now an English instructor in the Bn. school. . . . Five more doughs are homeward bound via points. . . . T/4 William Green, Pfc's. Harry Brownworth, Rudolf Garcia, Geneveno Garcia and Rex Smithson. . . . Rex was one of those boy's who were in Iceland with the 5th Inf. Div. . . . Veron Spenler is in Switzerland on pass where he hopes to locate some relatives. . . . Albert Irwin and Robert Waldo joined Love last week coming to us from France where they recently com-

pleted their basic. . . . Al is now resident of Belfast Ireland although he was born in Detroit, Mich. and Bob calls London, England and Sharon, Pa. his home. . . .

Mike Company

by Pfc. Floyd Pickett

"Red" Roberts finally has left for a "states" bound outfit. . . . With him went S/Sgt. Midas Spiers and Paul Cunningham. . . . Lt. Killian is in Paris attending an Intelligence School. . . . Pfc. Jones is still crying the blues about his 64 points. . . . Sgt. Richard "Madman" Moorman is at the Riviera. . . . Rob't Sullivan recently joined us coming from the Canadian Paratroops by way of transfer. . . . Bob is strictly American as he lived in Salem, Oregon until joining the Canadian service. . . . After two years in the Army and over seven months in combat including a D-Day jump, Sullivan was still subjected to basic training, U.S. Version, upon transfer to our Army. . . . Who said "chicken"? . . . Accompanying Bob was John Bonnländer who hails from Edinburg, Scotland and Bernardsville, N.J. . . . John claims to be as near the low point man as anyone in the Regt. . . . He has the grand total of 4. . . . Ed Thomas is enjoying a furlough to Switzerland. . . . Sgt. Ralph Galoway wants his name in the paper. . . .

Medical Detachment

by Pfc. Ted Preis

S/Sgt. Elise Cash is spending his seven days in the beautiful Alps in Switzerland. . . . T/4 Leroy Rubino has been promoted to Staff Sergeant. . . . Cpl. Paul V. Boren, one of the original 319th men, has left for the 14th Armored Division. . . . T/3 Lechlak left for Salzburg to attend the music festival.

Headquarters Company

by T/5 Al Sabatino

S/Sgt. M. C. Gibbons off to the Riviera on a well earned furlough. . . . John Sweet going along with him, also well deserved. . . . M/Sgt. John Close and Pfc. John Dancy off to see the wonders and glories of Switzerland. . . . Lenord Aquilina on pass to Paris along with James LaPrade who flew down. . . . Pfc. Eugene Briggs gone to the UK for a little furlough. . . . Ralph Tomasik and Charles Harmon both in the hospital. . . . New additions to the company arrived recently from the 65th Div. They include S/Sgt. Odford Ballard who is to assume the duties of mess sergeant, S/Sgt. David Eisenberg new M/C chief, T/4 Sam Bailor, T/5 Carl Krueger, Pfc. John McClure, T/5 Carl Moholt and T/4 Ernest Siller. . . . Glad to have you men with us and hope you like the company. . . .

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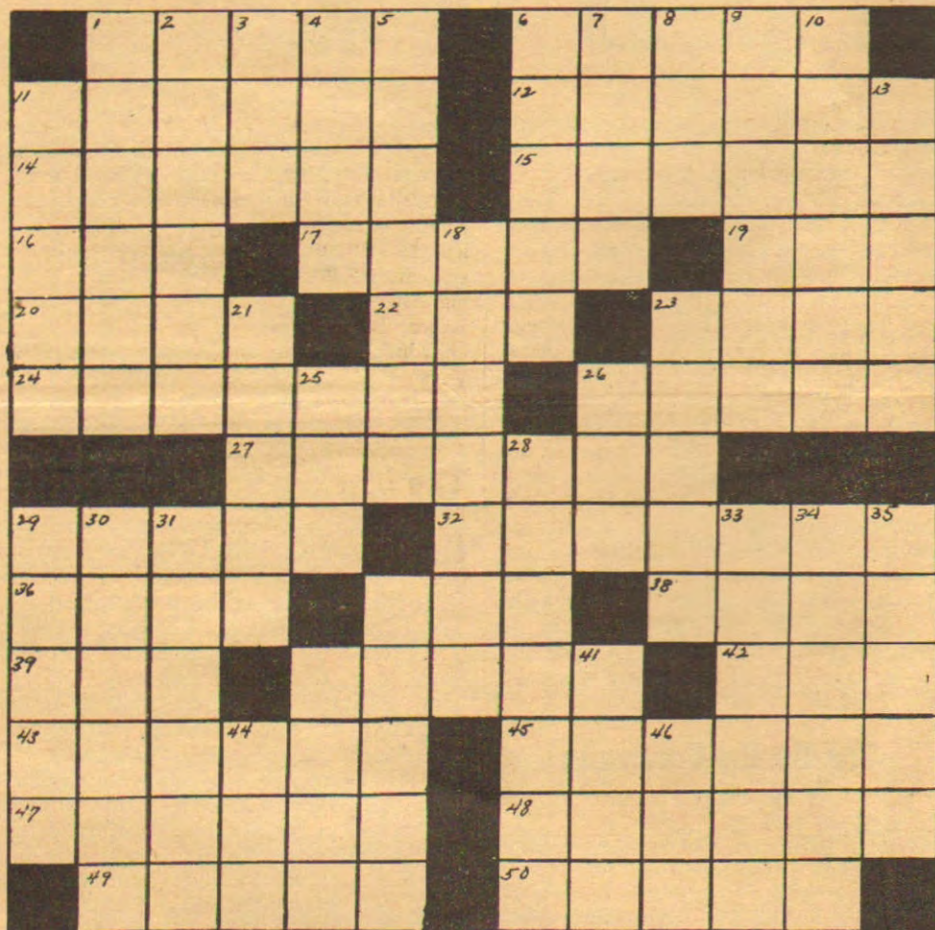
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PUZZLES AND QUIZZES

Answers next week



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| 1. Blots | 22. Drinking vessel | 38. Petty quarrel |
| 6. To sweep rapidly | 23. Booty, as of wild beasts | 39. Felt pain |
| 11. The rim of a wheel | 24. Takes away | 40. Aids |
| 12. Embarrass | 26. Rain in very minute drops | 42. Hasten |
| 14. Without nodes | 27. To support | 43. Stones for roofing |
| 15. Dominion | 29. Reason | 45. Resist |
| 16. Marble | 32. Wrinklers | 47. Wild animals |
| 17. Valleys | 36. Single | 48. Make a hostile incursion |
| 19. Finish | 37. Deface | 49. Poor |
| 20. To set or note down | | 50. Braid of hair |

DOWN

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| 1. Legislative body | 11. Stinking | 31. What a cask lacks of being full |
| 2. Furrowed | 13. Recolor | 33. Priestly vestments |
| 3. Aged | 18. Pertaining to purification | 34. Elevates |
| 4. Leaping amphibian | 21. Disordered | 35. Horse |
| 5. Chooses | 23. Sharp, hissing sounds | 37. In a state of dirt |
| 6. Young fox | 25. Billiard rod | 40. Flock |
| 7. Thighs | 26. Between | 41. Box |
| 8. Sprite | 28. Landing field | 44. Mound (golf) |
| 9. Spies | 29. Seashore | 46. Pastry |
| 10. A grain or seed | 30. Coal-tar dye | |

The Thief

Three men, Mr. White, Mr. Black, Mr. Brown and their wives were entertained at the home of their friend one evening. After the departure of the guests, the host and the hostess discovered that a valuable antique had been stolen. It later developed that one of the six guests was the thief. From the facts given, see if you can discover who it was.

- The spouse of the thief lost money at cards that evening.
- Because of partial paralysis of his hands and arms, Mr. Brown was unable to drive his car.
- Mrs. Black and another female guest spent the entire evening doing a jig-saw puzzle.
- Mr. Black accidentally spilled a drink on Mrs. White when he was introduced to her.
- Mr. Brown gave his wife half of the money that he had won to make up for her loss.
- Mr. Black had beaten the thief in golf that day.

Not One

Here is a list of 50 words. It is up to you to write after each noun its correct plural. It isn't so simple as it looks and if you get 30 correct you are doing very well.

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| 1. madam | 18. Mr. | 35. erratum |
| 2. die | 19. Mrs. | 36. solo |
| 3. cupful | 20. no | 37. umbra |
| 4. cortex | 21. measles | 38. Siamese |
| 5. banjo | 22. spoonful | 39. police |
| 6. Chinese | 23. beef | 40. brace |
| 7. Japanese | 24. hysterics | 41. attorney |
| 8. oasis | 25. datum | 42. beau |
| 9. basis | 26. opus | 43. piano |
| 10. terminus | 27. grouse | 44. alumnus |
| 11. mankind | 28. cattle | 45. genus |
| 12. gross | 29. ovum | 46. stepson |
| 13. civics | 30. Burmese | 47. series |
| 14. cargo | 31. bison | 48. family |
| 15. echo | 32. pelvis | 49. trousers |
| 16. crisis | 33. quantum | 50. loaf |
| 17. hanger-on | 34. chateau | |

Answer's to last week's Quiz

- This means "namely."
- Four stars forming a rectangle, the diagonals of which form a cross. They are situated near the South Pole and act as a guide to the pole.
- A floating instrument for determining the specific gravity of liquids.
- A delicate lilac or lavender color.
- An electron.
- A little love note.
- A horse.
- An animal with a two valve shell.
- False or affected fears.
- A popular song sung by Venetian Gondoliers.

Answer's to True and False Test

- True. It is only 38 square miles in area.
- False. The Caspian Sea is the largest body of inland water in the world.
- False. It is iron pyrites.
- True.
- False. The centrosphere is in the center of the earth and not above it.
- False. It means two people or twins.
- False. Michigan does.
- True.
- False.
- False. It has to do with coin collecting.

Death In The Dark

The first statement makes it plain that Robert's brother is the murderer, and Robert then is innocent. Ralph cannot be Robert's brother because he has met Robert's father only once. Therefore Ralph is not guilty.

Ronald, the host, since he is about to give evidence against the murderer, cannot be the murderer.

Therefore, Rudolph must be the murderer.

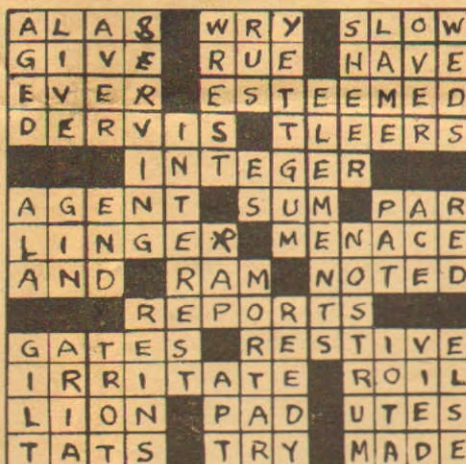
Since the host, Ronald, is about to give evidence, he must still be alive; and Rudolph, the murderer, obviously cannot be the victim.

This leaves as the murdered man either Robert or Ralph.

Since Ralph is a cripple and since Rudolph has known Ronald for only five days, they are the men with whom Ronald did not customarily bowl; so one of them must have eaten with the murdered man on the night previous to the murder. Rudolph was in jail so it was not he. Then Ralph must have eaten with the victim.

Ralph then is not the victim, and since Rudolph and Ronald have both been previously eliminated, Robert is obviously the murdered man.

Then Rudolph murdered Robert.



Did You Know That?

Did you know that in Antarctica enough ice remains to encase the entire earth in a layer 120 feet thick!

Did you know that the mass of the earth has been estimated at about six sextillion, 600 quintillion, short tons, not including the atmosphere, whose weight has been estimated at more than five quadrillion short tons!

Did you know that of the total land area in the U.S., 1/12, or approximately 87 million acres, are served by organized drainage enterprises. The capital investment was more than 600 million dollars!

Did you know that of the estimated total mileage of roads in the U.S., 1,596,000 are surfaced and 1,712,000 were unsurfaced.

Did you know that in 1922 there were only 1,400,000 radio sets in use and that in 1943 there were 57,000,000?

Quiz

- Who is Douglas Corrigan?
- Who wrote "Gone With the Wind?"
- About how much does a gallon of water weigh?
- Which is the larger city: Chicago or Paris?
- How many notes are there on the standard piano?
- What animal can make no sound at all?
- What is a calaboose?
- In geometry, what is "pi"?
- Who held the woman's championship in tennis for more than five years?
- What is a pundit?

CHATTER BOX

Continued

Service Company

by T/4 Mike Lund

I recently asked Kentucky's own Sgt. Buddy Hughes who he thought was the meanest man in the world. Excluding 1st Sgt's., he says, "I think it is the ventriloquist who threw his voice under the old maid's bed." ... Can anyone help M/Sgt. James Monahan? He was recently trying to explain to a friend that a peroxide blonde is an established bleach-head!! ... Due to the shortage of cigarettes—policing of the Service Company area will now be restricted to non-coms of the first three grades. ... Sgt. Jack "Gootch" Gould from Detroit, Michigan says, "our mess sergeant can really dish it out but he can't cook it!!! ... Pfc. Anthony Uroski, G-2ing for us in the 319th Special Service office, tells us that Sgt. John M. Crabbe has wasted away to a mere 221 pounds sweating out his 81 points! ... Sgt. Don Batting of Milwaukee, Wis. gives out with the latest fashion note. He says that the most popular shades this coming Spring will be the ones left up in the gal's bedroom windows. ... We recently asked Pfc. Charles Tino for a description of his girl to which he replied, "Well, she is pretty as a picture—and has a nice frame too!!! ... Sgt. Windy DeDomenico, our Company barber, tells me that a GI barber is a brilliant conversationalist who occasionally cuts hair! (That, we do believe!) ...

Anti Tank Company

by Pfc. Joe Dutton

The company has been sharing some of the extra rooms in its hotel with the members of the cast of the Hayseed White Scandels, currently playing engagements through the division. ... This group departed last Tuesday for Landsberg, but the regimental baseball team is still a "rations and quarters" guest of the tank busters. ... The ever changing pass list this week shows Pfc. William Talmadge and Pfc. Thomas Straffey in merry old England, and Pfc. Frank Lovascio enjoying the Paris attractions. ... "Doc" Terrell is still honeymooning in Manchester, but he should recover soon and return to the company. ... One of your most fortunate fellows is T/Sgt. Errol Miller who is furloughing in Switzerland for a week. ... Returnees this week include Pfc. Frank Marzec, gone almost a month to the Riviera, and also from the same place, Warren Ebner. ... Ebner left the company a T/5, but returned to find the order making him a T/4 awaiting him on his bunk. ... There have been a few extra stripes added to the sleeves of some Anti-Tankers recently. ... Promoted to T/Sgt. was mine platoon sergeant, Roy Taylor. ... Sporting "three up and one down" are mess sergeant George Hohman and former buck sergeant Claude Little. ... Advanced to T/4 was Riley Aud, while new buck sergeants are gunners Elwood Oliver and Donald Griffin, and cook John Hughes is now technician fifth grade. ... Our congrats, guys! ... This week brought both gain and loss to the company. ... Leaving under the lowered discharge score with from 82 to 84 points were S/Sgt. Henry Sharp, T/5 Frank Bilotta, and Pvt. John Fuller, while receiving a discharge under the emergency release policy was Pvt. George Bator. ... On the credit side of the ledger we find the return of Lt. Glenn Gates, an old AT man long absent from the company, and to him anti-tank extends its welcome. ...

A Mark A Month

The Gravel Agitator was organized with the idea that the paper would be free to all GI's in the regiment. It was planned that the paper would be financed through the Purchasing and Credit Officer or the Regimental fund. All Regimental and unit funds were found to be frozen and the P & C Officer was not authorized to handle the financing of a Regimental newspaper. We hope it will be agreeable with every soldier to pay one mark a month for his Gravel Agitator. Each company will be requested to submit their monthly payment to the Regimental Special Service Office.

G.I.'s of the WEEK



Our selection for the G.I. of the week is T/Sgt. Charles E. Evans Jr., Communications Chief of Hqs. Co., 1st Battalion.

There are probably few who know more about communications than Sgt. Evans. He joined this organization in July 1942 and his first assignment was to the communications platoon. He attended radio school at division and in November 1942 received his first promotion to the rank of Technician Grade IV. In December 1942 he attended radio school at Fort Benning, Ga. While at Ft. Benning he was promoted to Sergeant, Radio Chief. Sgt. Evans returned from Ft. Benning in



T/Sgt. Evans

time to catch Tennessee maneuvers and thence move to Camp Phillips. In November 1943, while at Camp Phillips, Kansas, Sgt. Evans was promoted to Staff Sergeant. After some vigorous training, including Desert maneuvers, the outfit prepared to move overseas. On 1 July 1944 the Division left New York harbor headed for England. We arrived in England on 6 July 1944 and after one month's stay headed for the shores of France. Sgt. Evans was one of the first men to receive the Combat Infantry Badge, this coming about when he and three other members of the radio section participated in a motorized patrol and while doing so passed through territory held by the Germans and barely escaped disaster.

All through combat and since joining the organization, Sgt. Evans performed his duties in a superior manner. His consideration, thoughtfulness and leadership was always an inspiration for all men under him and many times it was these qualities that gave his men that extra punch. In February 1945, when the com-

munications chief received a battlefield commission, Sgt. Evans assumed his duties as such. Sgt. Evans is one of the most popular members of the company and possesses a most pleasing personality along with a keen sense of humor. His ambition, alertness of mind and devotion to duty along with his general knowledge of communications has been a great asset to this organization.

Sgt. Evans was born in 1913 at Ludlow, Kentucky and before entering the service worked at the Netherland-Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio. In addition to the Combat Infantry Badge, Sgt. Evans has also been awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

Staff Sergeant Allen F. Conway Supply Sergeant Company "H", 319th Infantry.

"Boots" Conway, as often called "Four" by officers and men alike, is one of the main springs of his company. He entered military service from Gallitzin, Pennsylvania, three years ago. As he would say, "Gallitzin is on the highest peak in the Allegheny Mountains." Sgt. Conway was an active member of the Loyal Order of Moose before entering the army, and still holds his membership. His date of rank as Supply Sergeant goes back to early days at Camp Forrest, Tennessee. Early in his career as the company's "four," he won the respect and friendship of his company through his devotion to duty and cheerful disposition. No job was too big, nor hours too long. Seldom was his temper ruffled or his joking silenced. Expert at his job, he could easily prove expert as a comedian. Through the long hard job of preparing the men of H Company for overseas movement, his disposition remained unruffled.

Once overseas, Sgt. Conway's efficiency proved to be a deciding factor in keeping his company's morale high. Through his efforts, the men manning the company's guns seldom went without rations and other necessary supplies, regardless of the tactical situation. The hour was never too late, the weather too bad, or the danger too great to stop his efforts to supply his buddies. Among the first to be awarded the Bronze Star, Sgt. Conway also wears the Purple Heart. His wound, not serious, was received while delivering rations and water under heavy artillery fire.

In peaceful surroundings again, Sgt. Conway is still the efficient "keeper of Supplies," passing inspections of his records and books with flying colors. He entered into the athletic program with the same enthusiasm with which he handles his job. A member of his company's soft ball team, he is no mean ball player. Supply Sgt. Conway is one of the most outstanding members of his company.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

3rd Bn. E. M. Club—With a new club set up in Landsberg the 3rd Battalion has renamed it's enlisted men's club "The Swank Club." Everything is starting to operate smoothly in the new arrangement. The club is more spacious accommodating more men. The service is better and the band has added three pieces to improve the entertainment. Cognac is once more being served over the bar and everyone seems to be enjoying the new "Swank Club."

Pfc. Floyd Pickett

1st Bn. N. C. O. Club—Last Friday the 1st Bn. N.C.O. Club had a special event in order that some variety might be added to the activities. Sgt. Long, of Company D, donated his services and decorated the interior of the club with varied colors of crepe paper which adds greatly to the inside appearance. In addition a band stand has been erected for the use of the orchestra. At 2100 hours trays of sandwiches were rolled out and were served along with the regular run of beer and wine. It has been the desire of the club to arrange for refreshments, other than the drinks for some time but it never came about until last Friday. The Committee has decided, if possible, to serve some sort of refreshments such as sandwiches etc., at least once per week.

The GI Swingsters, the all GI band recently organized, which made its debut at the Club two weeks ago, gave out with a jam session last Monday and this will be a regular event on Monday nights from now on. On Thursday nights "Coke Joe" or "Stack" the piano player with Frank Lippinski's band gives out with a varied program of piano music which usually ends up in a community sing. On Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings Frank Lippinski's and his band provide the entertainment leaving Tuesday the only evening without something special.

T/5 John Siler

The Goldbricker's Club—is still doing business in the same old stand and still drawing big crowds to the nightly gatherings. The events that were reported to take place last week failed to materialize due to lack of cooperation from the members, so, if you have a bone to pick about any of it, you can only blame it on yourselves. The first performance in the club of the newly organized GI swing band really got a great reception from the fellows, and I think that any night they

play will be a crowded club night. Twice a week is still sandwich night and occasionally pretzel night, if and when, flour is available to make the highly prized thirst provokers. If enough of the member's really want entertainment, come to the meeting's and help decide what you want, when you want it. That's the chance where you get the opportunity to speak your woes and laments to the President of the club, and J. K. Anderson, our president, has had plenty of headaches about the size of our meetings and not obtaining a majority of members to decide important issues. If you like the club, how's about showing a little interest in it. Let's go guys!

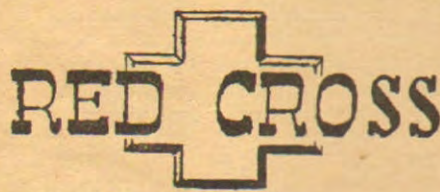
T/4 Harry Sosey

The Musical Bar—opened only three days after returning to Krumbach, The Wreckin' Second Musical Bar Theater Restaurant introduced it's new program and spacious quarters to battalion strength crowds Saturday, and it is now continuing to offer top notch entertainment four nights each week. This famous Second Battalion night spot has once more bettered itself by a unit move and now provides facilities parties as well as continuous entertainment by two house bands, and a Polish orchestra which fills in for the popular Three Cats, now on tour with the production, "Hayseed White Scandals." Floor shows are presented on a complete theater-type stage. Located in a large community recreation building, the club dispenses refreshments over two thirty-foot bars. GI's pay for drinks as they order rather than in the form of dues. This policy is found to be preferred although few bars in the division operate in this manner.

Sgt. Parkinson

Club 57—took a day off last Sunday to let the dust and echoes settle a bit, while the merry making shifted to a Club 57 sponsored show and party at the hotel. Monday evening brought the resumption of activities with another full evening of fun, but don't forget, every night is party night at CLUB 57. Highlight of the weekly entertainment program was a party in the ballroom of the Hotel Victoria and virtually the whole company was present to enjoy a most pleasant evening. The show proved entertaining and the party well worthwhile. Watch for these, you Anti-Tankers, they are yours for the enjoying.

Pfc. Joe Dutton



As might expected, the cessation of hostilities in both theatres has been responsible for a great increase in request for discharges from the armed forces. Most of these requests are valid, but some have been held so long in abeyance by the folks at home that the situations they are in tended to relieve have become desperate to the individual concerned. The routine method of processing applications seems very slow in the face of the emergency existing. However slow the method may seem, it is a necessary routine and is susceptible to quickening only if all the required steps are taken in order and followed up intelligently by the E.M. as well as his officers. Most delays are due to misunderstandings or faulty preparation of the application. It should be remembered that there are two methods by which a man may be returned to the states. One is known as Reassignment to the Zone of the Interior, or Emergency Return to the States. The other is the Dependency Discharge. An application for emergency Return should be supported by a Red Cross Home Conditions Report, and the other requirements of the application should be carefully considered when giving information. The Army does not wish to cause anyone to suffer undue hardship, but it can act only through channels and its decisions must be based on information presented according to specifications. So the answer to that one is, go by the rules.

The other form of return is the Dependency Discharge. In this application, the Red Cross plays no part except by request of a general officer. Of course, the Red Cross is ready to advise your family about the types of affidavits required, and it will examine them if requested before they are sent to you. It does not, however, furnish a report and none is required by the Army except by written request of a general officer. In brief then, an Emergency Return requires a Red Cross Home Conditions Report except in exceptional cases of emergency, when personal cables or even letters may be accepted to support your application. A Dependency Discharge does not require Red Cross participation of any kind unless requested by a general officer. It does require two or more affidavits setting out the situation. If you are informed of a situation at home that requires your presence, your Red Cross Director will be glad to discuss the matter with you and assist in any way possible.

ARE YOU ABOUT TO GO HOME?

Additional American Red Cross Field Service personnel is desired from Army discharges. Two types of positions are open:

- Administrative Assistant—dollars 155.00 per month, plus full maintenance.
 - Assistant Field Director—dollars 250.00 per month, plus full maintenance.
- Basic requirements for A.F.D.'s include (1) college education, and (2) minimum of 30 years of age.

Interested persons may see Mr. Ross who will forward applications and arrange for further interviews with Mr. Louis Spealler of the Wiesbaden office.



If any of you men find a ring in the Hamburger, it's mine.

RECENT ENTERTAINERS



Miss M. Soloviev, concert violinist, who contributed to the success of Paul Robeson's show



Paul Robeson

Membership For 80th Vets Association Now Open to World War II Blue Ridgers

At the Annual Meeting of the 80th Veterans Association, held in Pittsburgh, Pa., on August 9th, membership for Blue Ridgers of World War II was approved by "unanimous action." This was according to a recent letter from National Secretary, George J. Klier, addressed to the Division Commander, Major General Horace L. McBride.

Mr. Klier wrote that "a copy of the resolution together with other information will be forwarded at an early date." He also voiced the thoughts of all 80th men when he added, "we would appreciate any news, which might not be military secrets, of the anticipated dates of arrival in the U.S."

For your information our parent Division Veterans Association, which has watched with great interest our actions in this war, was founded in France in March, 1919. The same year, in August, they opened their National Headquarters in Pittsburgh and since then a Philadelphia Chapter has been added. Their Service Magazine has been published continuously since October, 1919.

(from the 80th Forward)

Blairsville, Pa. Man Heads "80th" Vets

A. P. Sundry, of Blairsville, Pa. was elected National Commander of the 80th Division Veterans Association during its annual business meetings in the Fort Pitt Hotel yesterday, August 10th.

Sundry succeeds James M. Kilgannon, of Philadelphia.

That World War II veterans of the 80th "Blue Ridge" Division should be offered membership in the 80th Division Veterans Association was the unanimous opinion of the representatives attending the meeting.

Acceptance of the offer will be a mere formality for two of World War II's 80th veterans, Capt. Mark R. Byrne, of Pittsburgh, retiring association secretary, and ex-Sgt. Patrick Flanagan, of Erie, served with the 80th during World War I and returned to it during the present war to finish up the job they hoped was finished 27 years ago.

Others of their World War I buddies also serving, but not with the 80th Division in this war, include: General "Vinegar" Joe Stilwell and General Patrick J. Hurley.

Originally the 80th Division drew most of its personnel from Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Virginia. Allegheny County, alone, contributed almost 13,000 men to its ranks during World War I.

When the Division was reactivated for the present war, there were more Pennsylvania men in it than from any other state.

(from the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph)

Tiring

A private was griping about having to go through the same drill so often. "Don't forget" reminded the sergeant, "practice makes perfect." "Not, me," replied the G.I. "It just makes me tired."

Why He Hadn't Shaved

A Scotchman who had been away three years, returned home and noticed his brother had a remarkably long beard. He asked "Why all the hair?" "Don't you remember," said his brother, "you took the razor with you?"

Hayseed White Scandals

by Sgt. Parkinson

Heralded by a calliope parading thru Krumbach streets, and before an audience that was first standing, then rolling in the aisles, Hayseed White Scandals, 2nd Battalion's Division touring production played its hometown Thursday. And while the troupe was planning for its coming trip to the 317th Inf. the Battalion was acclaiming it the best since we have worn E.T.O. Ribbons.

Tory, the magician from Hq. Co. and the star of the show, drew tremendous applause for his mystifying manipulations and comedy chatter.

The Brickettes, looking as much like chunks of coal by the same name as their Rockefeller Center counterparts, got the show off to a start that lived up to its billing; "a rollicking, rythmical, risque review." Jumping from one laugh to another the Scandals moved on featuring Carmen Glorioso, Master of Ceremonies, with a new costume for each of 25 appearances, Paul Dumato, Ernest Scott and Shorty Lewis being called back for encores. Another scene entitled, "Doctor, Oh Doctor" was backed with laughs of the Hellzapoppin variety.

Winding up the performance the 3 Cats appeared with outstanding staging production adding to the solid music.

In this show Phil Stirling, Bandy's Barnum, has outdone himself in pro-

ducing a fast and furious top-talent show. Its over an hour of the comedy and music GI's want to hear with lighting effects and costumes that put it high on the list of best SOLDIER SHOWS.

Rumors

Rumors are such potent things,
They spread so far and wide.
They first rush in like a stormy sea,
Then faint like the ebbing tide.

There's a rumor for every topic,
From redeployment down.
Although, right at the present,
Redeployment takes the crown.

One rumor has us going home,
Another says we're not,
But, that we're occupation.
I hope that's tommy-rot.

The guy with sixty-five or more,
Enjoys the latest tune,
Because, if what they say is true,
He will be leaving soon.

Now, how are we supposed to act,
With such stories round about?
You can't blame a guy so very much,
If he should blow it out.

The one thing that we're waiting for;
The truth is sure to come;
The orders that we're going home—
Yes—each and every one.

Cpl. E. H. Powell

Speed of German Film Explained

It has been a big headache for all us to try to figure out the speed of Heinie film. European Scheiner—DIN—shucks, most shutterbugs have never heard of American Scheiner—and DIN could be the abbreviation of some post war government project for all we know.

After fiddlin' around doing a bit of guessing and experimenting which resulted sometimes in over, but mostly in under, exposed negatives—thought it about time to find out more about German film.

The film speed chart which follows forms a basis of comparison of the emulsion speed values of popular American film with European Scheiner and DIN systems. Just in case you didn't know, each system of rating film depends a somewhat different method of evaluation—so the comparisons listed should not be regarded as precise in every respect. Consider them as a starting point with which to work with new film.

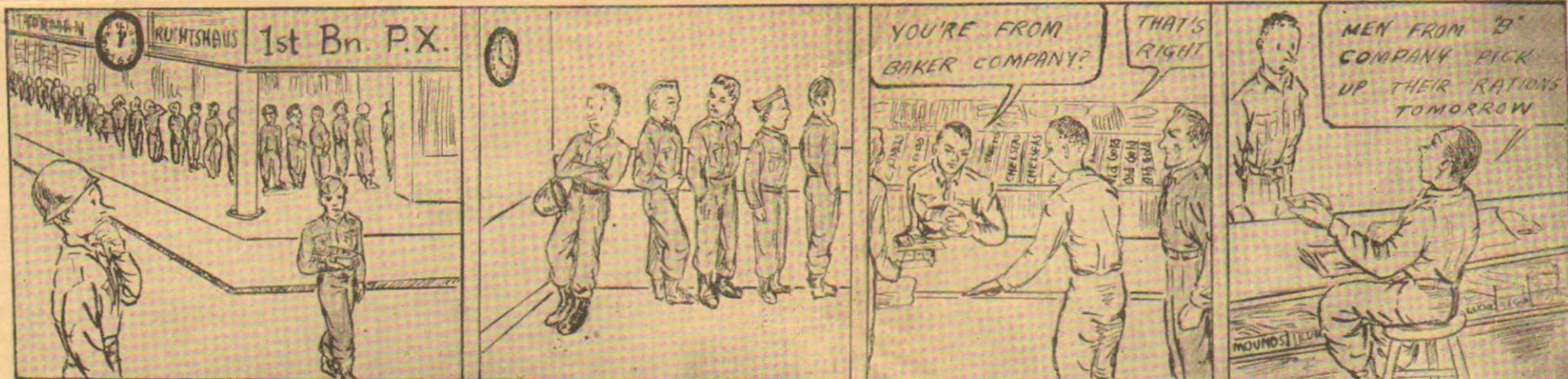
	General Electric	Weston	European Scheiner	DIN
Agfa				
Ultra Speed Pan	125	100	34	21/10
Superpan Spreme	64	50	31	18/10
Finopan	32	24	29	16/10
Plenachrome	64	50	31	18/10
Eastman				
Super XX	125	100	34	21/10
Plus X	64	50	31	18/10
Panatomic X	32	24	29	16/10
Verichrome	64	50	31	18/10
Dupont				
Superior 1	32	24	29	16/10
Superior 2	64	50	31	18/10
Superior 3	125	100	34	21/10

Note: Might be a good idea to clip and carry this film speed comparison table for future reference.

(this information through the courtesy of "Red Circle News," 71st Div.)

HAYSEED HARRY

By P. F. C. Adam E. Petrella



SPORT

319TH NEWS

Sports Editorial

While all here are sweating out our return to the states there is ample time to consider the many attractive things awaiting us there, not all of which are feminine. For the sports fan it means that once again he may satisfy his appetite for his favorite sport, either as a contestant or just a fan lolling in the stands, plugging the cause of his favorite team or individual.

Here in the ETO an attempt has been made to provide an athletic program for all, but, in all honesty, it must be admitted that it hasn't reached half enough men. A select few have been able to see the big track and swimming meets, baseball and softball games. Many who haven't seen these events have participated mildly in the sport itself. In addition, there has been a smattering of volley ball, boxing and tennis. But what lure is there for the bowler, the golfer, the hockey fan, the soccer fan, the wrestler, plus the great multitude who simply get their kick out of watching competitions involving first class competition in these sports.

But no matter when you do get back, be it two months or six, this is assured. You will find the U.S. in the doggondest sports boom it has ever known.

Baseball has been doing all right throughout the war despite a scarcity of first rate performers, and with the return of such established greats as Joe DiMaggio and Bob Feller, to mention a couple, plus a few million baseball hungry GI's, you can imagine what a shot in the arm the game will receive.

College football will regain its status of the most exaggerated, albeit the most colorful of sports, and the pro game, spurred by the addition of the new American pro league, will get increasingly better.

Uncle Mike Jacobs is clicking his store teeth merrily these days as he envisions the not far distant date when he will be able to stage the long heralded Joe Louis-Billy Conn return bout. The ring game, both professional and amateur, will benefit from the interest in the sport developed in the services.

Golfers will be happy in the knowledge that they can get balls with that old ping and distance, and tennis likewise will benefit from the production of new equipment and the restoration of its many tournaments.

Bowling undoubtedly will attain unprecedented heights with its great appeal to all ages, plus the return of its numerous tourneys, including the American Bowling Congress.

And horse racing, which probably lost the full significance of VJ day in its rush to restore its greedy practices, will resume the lifting of dollars from the pockets of those who can't afford to lose them.

Yes, it's a nice picture to contemplate. So hurry up with the boat.



Maj. Kroll, Col. Costello and part of the 319 ball team during a recent battle with 318th. The expressions of disgust were caused only by another umpire's decision



De Stefano Hayseed 1st Sacker, takes healthy swing in a game with the 318th at Kempton



Soloninka, Hayseed left fielder, receiving instructions from Manager Cantlay before batting

2nd Bn., 319th Shuts Out 305th Eng. In Div. Softball Playoffs

Krumbach, Aug. 23.—Second Battalion's expert twirler, Stanley Stein pitched himself a no hit—no run game as the Hayseeds downed the 305th Engineers 2 to 0.

Stein, because of superb pitching had only to face twenty three men over a series of seven innings. Ten members of the opposing team whiffed gloriously as they tried in vain to put the wood to Stein's pitches.

One of the Hayseeder's tallies was scored in the first inning while the final run was pushed across in the second. In the first, with one out, both Huder and Oleva drew walks. They were followed by Barrett who smashed out a single advancing both men to second and third respectively. So, with bases loaded, 3rd baseman Miller came across with a long single scoring Huder. It was on this play that Oleva also tried to score but was trapped between third and home. In the 2nd, Martin scored the final run when, after getting on with a single, he traveled the bases through the courtesy of Baran, 305th pitcher, who issued three walks in succession.

This win enables the Hayseeds to compete in the division semi-finals which are to be played on August 27th. Stay with it Hayseed White!!!

Hayseeds 7-Troopers 2

Kaufbeuren, August 23.—Playing way beneath their regular form the Hayseeds still managed to put another win on their record at the expense of Special Troops by a score of 7 to 2.

As usual, the Hayseeds acquired the majority of their runs during the initial inning. Jahn, first on the batting order was presented with a walk. Soloninka then came across with a single, advancing Jahn to third. Barillo, next batter, also drew a walk. Then Baker, twirler for the Troopers, let fly with two wild pitches, scoring Jahn and Soloninka and putting Barillo on third. Masio then flied out to left field and Barillo scored on the throw in. The fourth run was scored by right fielder Knight, who, after getting on by virtue of a Trooper error, promptly stole second. Then Sewell came across with a long single to center field scoring Knight all the way from second base. Two more runs were scored in the eighth as Masio took advantage of a wild throw to second in an attempt to catch the base stealing Knight, and crossed the platter standing up. A moment later Sewell repeated his first inning performance by knocking a single to score Knight. The ninth inning saw Jahn coming in with the final run.

The Troopers, even though they registered with 7 hits were only able to push across 2 runs, both in the second inning. Hoopes, after getting on by a fielder's choice, scored as Lyons smashed out a long bingle. A few minutes later Lyons also scored as "Rube" Lishko let fly with a wild pitch. However, after this inning, "Rube" settled down to coast to an easy victory.

319th Outlasts 317th In A Marathon Contest

Mindelheim, Aug. 25.—In an 18 inning marathon which lasted four hours and twenty five minutes the Hayseeds finally nosed out the 317th 2-1. For seventeen innings neither team could garnish a single run. It was a brilliant pitching duel between Molley for the Hayseeds and Tucker of the 317th, Molley striking out seventeen batsmen and Tucker, twelve. The unusual game was featured by many trick plays which included five double killings, three by the losers and two for the victors. The Headachers outhit the Hayseeds ten to seven but Tucker issued eleven free passes. The game finally did break up in the eighteenth inning after everyone thought it would last till Christmas and establish some kind of a record. Pollock, Headache 2nd sacker, opened the top half of the eighteenth with a triple to center, Garrison promptly brought him in with a base knock through the box. Molley then tightened up and fanned the next three batters which is quite a feat for a pitcher who had gone eighteen innings. 319th stole the ball game in their half when the Headachers fell apart at the seams, giving 319th two unearned runs and the ball game. DeStefano opened with a single, Masio sacrificed him to second, Lis walked. Tucker trying to pick DeStefano off second threw into center field and the center fielder without, hesitation threw the ball past third base, DeStefano scoring and Lis going to third. The third Headache error of the inning ended the ball game. Bettlinski, 317th backstop, threw the ball into left field trying to catch Lis off third. Lis then walked in and the hungry crowd went home.

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	AB	R	H	E							AB	R	H	E					
Jahn cf	6	0	0	0	Pollock 2b						8	1	1	2					
Soloninka lf	6	0	2	0	Garrison 3b						8	0	3	1					
DeStefano lb	6	1	2	1	Berens 1b						8	0	0	0					
Masio ss	3	0	0	0	Bennett rf						7	0	1	0					
Lis c	6	1	1	0	Betlinski c						7	0	1	1					
Knight rf	5	0	0	0	Ferretta cf						7	0	1	1					
McGuiness 3b	2	0	0	1	Chandler lf						2	0	0	0					
Barillo 3b	3	0	0	2	Oberaitis lf						5	0	0	0					
Scott 2b	5	0	1	0	Pajak ss						7	0	1	0					
Molley p	6	0	1	0	Tucker p						7	0	2	1					
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317th	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
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Manager Cantlay Sweating It Out



Div. Arty Tramples On Hayseed

With the first half championship tight under their belts the Hayseeds have fallen into a miserable batting slump, and are playing in a ghostlike, replica of their normal selves. (And if they don't snap too they'll lose the championship in straight games.)

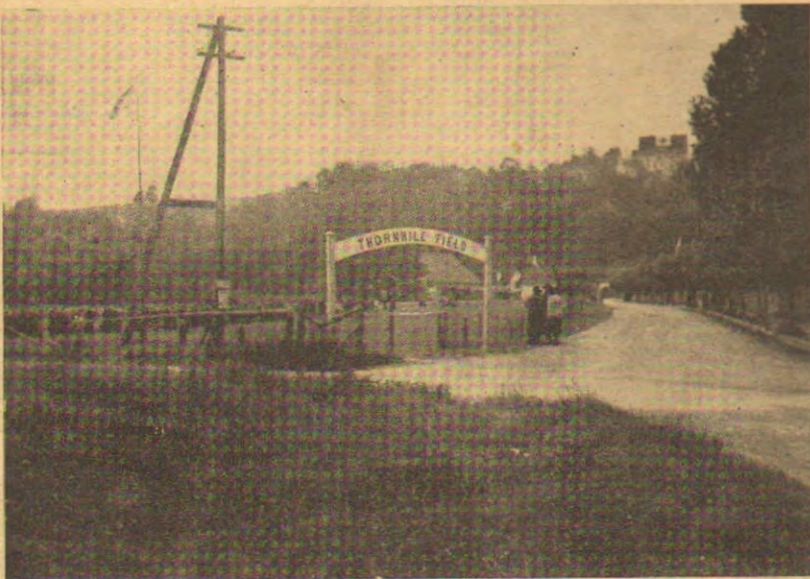
Playing a two game series with Div. Arty, they were soundly thrashed and out-classed both at the bat and on the field. The first game which was played at Memmingen, was a slugfest—for Div. Arty, but not the Hayseeds, with DA winning 10-3. For five innings we didn't get a hit. Then Jahn, who got on base by an error, and who went to second on a wild pitch, was scored by Soloninka, who hit a long single into center. This was the Hayseeds first hit of the game. It must have been contagious because in

the 7th—two singles in a row, scored their second run. Then in the ninth, 2 more bingles accounted for the Hayseeds 3rd and final run.

Meanwhile, Div. Arty was continually slugging the old apple. Vrabel and Christenson were the outstanding members of the team. Christenson for his steady twirling job and Vrabel for being an expert lead-off man. Up five times at bat, he reached first base five times, though he only got one hit. He also was responsible for scoring three runs. They got one run in the 1st, 2 in the second and 3 in the fourth, three in the 6th and their final run in the seventh.

The second game, which was played at Mindelheim, was a duplicate of the first. But this time the Hayseeds lost by a score of 11-1. They got their one and only run in the eighth when Soloninka, after being walked, was scored by Jahn, who came across with the Hayseeder's third hit of the game.

Ball Team Returns To Thornhill Field



Olexa, "Wreckin Second" Catcher, Fouls one off in a game with the 317th

Hayseeds Baseball History

NAME	POSITION AND HOMETOWN	BASEBALL EXPERIENCE	ENTERED ARMY	ENTERED 80TH
DONAFRIO, Vito F. Pfc.	Pitcher Krebs, Okla.	AA Youngstwn. Ohio	July 14, 1942	July 17, 1942
SEWELL, Robert O. Sgt.	Catcher Lawrence, Mass.	3 yrs. hi school 1 yr. prep sch. 3 yrs. American Legion 2 yrs. semi-pro	March 23, 1943	Feb. 14, 1945
BARILLO, Joseph Cpl.	3rd Base Oswego, N. Y.	7 yrs. semi-pro 1 yr. Canadian-American league 1 yr. Syracuse Int. League	August 18, 1942	Feb. 25, 1945
DESTEFANO, Daniel J. Pfc.	1st Base Easton, Pa.	3 yrs. high sch. 2 yrs. Easton Pa. league 1 yr. Inter-state	Jan. 26, 1942	Jan. 1, 1945
SCOTT, Leon L. T/5	2nd Base Dardenell, Ark.	4 yrs. high sch. 1 yr. semi-pro	Sept. 1, 1943	Jan. 1, 1944
MASIO, Albert A. Pfc.	Short-stop Stamford, N. Y.	4 yrs. high sch. 2 yrs. semi-pro Signed up with Butler, Pa. Yankee farm team after war.	July 5, 1943	Feb. 12, 1945
WILLIAMS, Samuel, G. Pfc.	Pitcher Alexandra, La.	3 yrs. high sch. 2 yrs. sandlot Det. 5 yrs. prof. Ohio State league. 3 eye league.	July 25, 1944	Jan. 25, 1945
LIS, Joseph W. Pfc.	Catcher Detroit, Mich.	3 yrs. high sch. 2 yrs. Amer. legion 2 yrs. sandlot 2 yrs. Mich. state league 3 mo. Kitty League 1 mo. Can-Amer	March 31, 1943	Jan. 24, 1945
LISHKO, Robert C. S/Sgt.	Pitcher Cleveland, Ohio	Cleveland sandlot	July 8, 1942	July 14, 1942
CANTLEY, Donald E. 2nd Lt.	Pitcher Los Angeles, Cal.	4 yrs. high sch. 3 yrs. college 2 yrs. semi-pro	May 10, 1943	May 10, 1945
HORNBERGER, Charles A. Pfc.	Outfield Sinking Springs, Pa.	4 yrs. high sch. Amer. Leg. League	July 2, 1942	July 19, 1942
SOLOININKA, Frank F. Cpl.	Outfield Bellaire, Ohio	2 yrs. Wheeling W. Va. Giants Giants farm	July 1, 1942	July 18, 1942
JAHN, Howard A. Pfc.	Outfield New York, N. Y.	3 yrs. St. Long Island League	Nov. 23, 1942	Nov. 30, 1942
KNIGHT, Peter E. Pfc.	Catch. + Outfield Courtland, Va.	4 yrs. high sch.	Sept. 22, 1942	Oct. 6, 1942
MARSH, Burt R. Pfc.	Outfield Seneca, Fall, N. Y.	4 yrs. high sch. 1 yr. city team	Aug. 9, 1944	Jan. 24, 1945
MC.GUINNESS, William R. Pfc.	Infielder Pittsburg, Pa.	3 yrs. high sch. 2 yrs. city league	March 22, 1943	March 17, 1945
MOLLEY, Chester N. Pfc.	Pitcher Taylor, Pa.	1 yr. Wellsville, N. Y. Pony league	March 13, 1943	Feb. 19, 1944

2nd Bn. Triumphes Over 317

With "Whitey" Olsen, ace 2nd Bn. softball hurler, pitching almost hitless ball, the Hayseeds downed the 317th Head-achers by a score of 3-2.

Hayseed White knocked the bottom out of the contest by scoring all their runs in the first two innings of the game. Hiabach, lead off man, smacked the pellet for a two bagger and Hoder, not to be outdone, smacked a duplicate to score Hiabach. Kerher 317th's sterling pitcher temporarily settled down to strike out the next two men to face him. While working on the third man he tried too hard and lost him on a free ticket to first. Barrett, next batter, then came across with a single which scored Hoder for the second run of the inning. Kerher again settled down long enough to fan the next Hayseed batter ending the inning. In the 2nd a single, fielder's choice and three walks accounted for White Bn's third and final run.

For six innings Olsen threw airtight ball but in their half of the seventh the Headache ten threatened for the first time. With one out, Timson connected for a double and scored when Specht followed with a single. Mahon, next hitter, then banged a long fly to left field advancing Specht to second. Enich laid down a beautiful bunt which the Hayseed catcher threw into left field trying to cut Specht off at third. Specht trotted home to score the second and last run for the Headache softballers.

A huge crowd, composed mostly of Second Battalion men, was on hand to cheer their team to victory—they were not disappointed!!

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Entertainment Schedule
Stage Show

Sept. 2
Krumbach E.T.O. Follies

Sept. 6
Krumbach 80th Div. Dance Band

Leading Hitters

1. Barillo	.329
2. Masio	.325
3. DeStefano	.315
4. Sewell	.286
5. McGuinness	.250

Hayseed Pitching Record

	W	L	AVG.
1. Donofrio	1	0	1.000
2. Lishko	2	1	.667
3. Molley	5	3	.625
4. Cleghorn	2	2	.500
5. Cantlay	1	1	.500

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