



# The GRAVEL Agitator



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## Harem — Scarem

Featuring a cast of over twenty persons, the variety show "Harem Scarem" played to capacity houses in its four performances throughout the Regiment during the past week-end. Opening with a lavish scene in an Arabian setting, complete with voluptuous dancing girls and their Master with his enticing mistress, the show progressed through a full hour and forty minutes' entertainment, definitely of a European flavor.

Headlining the bill, which presented dancers, acrobats, singers, musicians, tumblers, a magician, and even a couple of "stooges", was the exhibition of aerial acrobatics put on by the duo "Eddie & Antoine". Performing from a vertical bar suspended above the stage, this pair completed many daring and skillful feats, bringing gasps of appreciation and complimentary applause from the admiring audiences. Coming a close second in audience appeal were the two "European Idiots-the Nicolson Brothers". Through the medium of pantomime they cleverly put over a hilarious act which because of its simplicity was a hit with the GI's watching their antics and earned for them an ample round of applause at the close of their act.

According to information released by Lt. Harner, Special Service Officer, this show is but the first of three to play the Regiment, the other two to follow this week. These shows are presented by the civilian troupes through the sponsorship of Division and Regimental Special Service, and are another part of the program set up by SSO to bring to all men of the Regiment the best bookings available in the entertainment field.

## Lt. Halm Leaves I & E Office

After months of seeing men of the Regiment off to various schools all over Europe, Lt. Francis Halm, Regimental I & E Officer, has at last gotten his name "on orders". He joined the 79th Division, Wednesday, to begin that "long ole journey" — home!

Replacing Lt. Halm in the I & E Office is Lt. Miglioretti, who for the last three weeks has been serving in the capacity of Asst'to Lt. Halm.

## Chaplain to Scotland

Popular Chaplain Vernon Kullowatz left the Regiment last week on temporary duty in Scotland, where he will take up courses in divinity during his stay there. While he is away, Chaplain Hatfield, the other Protestant Chaplain in the Regiment will serve the whole regiment, holding worship services for all battalions and special units every Sunday.

## Introducing G.B.!

A regular feature of "The Gravel Agitator" in the future will be G.B.'s Corner. G.B. is one of the few old 319th men left in the Regiment and he definitely thinks along "Blue Ridge" lines. His corner will be spiced with everything from downright orneriness to literary masterpieces. You'll enjoy every line he offers and you'll count the days until the next and the next issue appears with "G.B.'s Corner".

## Status of Divisions

Listed below is the status of all Infantry, Armored, Airborne and Marine Divisions as compiled by Sgt. Van Atta, instructor at the Regimental I & E School.

### IN EUROPE:

Infantry Divisions — 1st, 3rd, 9th, 42nd, 71st, 78th, 80th, 83rd, 84th, 94th, 100th, and the 102nd.  
Armored Divisions — 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 11th.  
Airborne Divisions — 82nd, 101st.

### ALERTED FOR HOME BUT STILL IN THE ET. (includes 3 Nat'l. Grd. Divisions):

Infantry Divisions — 26th, 29th, 36th, 66th, 75th, 79th, 89th and the 90th.  
Armored Divisions — 12th.  
Corps Headquarters — 16th.

### AT A. A. C.:

Armored Divisions — 5th, and 8th.

### ENROUTE HOME: (from Europe):

Infantry Divisions — 106th.  
Armored Divisions — 10th, and 16th.  
(from the Pacific):  
Infantry Divisions — 43rd.

### AT HOME:

Infantry Divisions — 2nd, 4th, 8th, 28th, 44th, 95th, 97th, 104th, 45th, 69th, 103rd, and the 70th.  
Armored Divisions — 7th, 9th, 13th, 14th, and the 20th.  
Airborne Divisions — 17th.

### SCHEDULED FOR THE CBI:

Infantry Divisions — 97th.  
Airborne Divisions — 13th.

### DEACTIVATED DIVISIONS:

Infantry Divisions — 65th, 63rd, 85th, and the 76th.

### IN THE PACIFIC:

Infantry Divisions — 86th, 77th, 7th, 96th, 27th, 25th, 33rd, 37th, 38th, 6th, 40th, 31st, 24th, 81st, 32nd, and the 93rd.  
Airborne Divisions — 11th.  
U. S. Marine Div. — 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and the 6th.  
1st Cavalry and one Americal Division.

### PERMANENT OCCUPATION:

Infantry Divisions — 1st, 3rd, 9th, and 42nd.  
Armored Divisions — 4th.

## I & E Assignments Increase

### 20 Men Leave Tuesday

This week Regimental I & E assignments hit a new high as 20 men's applications were accepted for study at Biarritz American University, in France. They entrained on Tuesday as their first step toward becoming students of agriculture, commerce, fine arts, engineering, journalism, and science.

The week's shipment from the 319th comprised 80 percent of the Division quota, with the 317th and 318th splitting the remaining 20 percent.

## Regt'l Songster

Gus P. Jimenez, saxaphonist with the popular Regimental orchestra, has finally consented to the publication of one of his many songs. You may have heard his numbers played in and around Franzensbad night spots or at Third Battalion's E. M. Club and wondered who was responsible for such catchy tunes. The youthful writer has been hesitant about publicity up until now when he was convinced his work was good enough for publication. Below are the words (Gus wrote the music also) to his latest ditty which is destined to go places.

### Spazieren

Words and music by Gus P. Jimenez

Spazieren, through the park we go,  
Holding hands and making love.  
Spazieren, just to be with you,  
With the little stars that shine above.

Spazieren, through the park we go,  
Holding hands and making love.  
Spazieren, just to be with you,  
With the little stars that shine above.

Everyone will wonder why it's so,  
No one will ever know.  
Out of the blue skies, into the grey skies,  
Out of the rain and into the sunshine.

Spazieren, through the park we go,  
Holding hands and making love.  
Spazieren, just to be with you,  
With the little twinkles in your eye.

### Mike, King Lead

An overall survey shows Mike and King Companies leading in students assigned, with eleven and ten men respectively in schools above Division level. Since the beginning of the I & E Program in the Regiment, Third Battalion has sent 38 men, Second Battalion, 29 men; First Battalion, 14 men; and Special Units, 13 men to schools outside the Division.

### Agriculturists

Those interested in reaping the necessary knowledge to qualify them as Agriculturists are Pfc. R. E. Audsley, Co. F; Pfc. C. H. Sloggatt, Co. G; and Pfc. A. H. Garvin, Co. H. The commerce course will have T/5 G. A. Jones, Co. K; Pfc. J. Zemit, Co. F; Pfc. E. A. Abdella, Co. G; Pfc. O. Brand, Co. G; and Pfc. A. Jacoby, Co. F as its students. One man, Pfc. H. G. Bare, Co. E, will be delving into fine arts. The intricacies of engineering will be the aim of S/Sgt. J. B. Williams, Co. G. and T/5 R. J. Foot, Co. L.

### Seven In Journalism

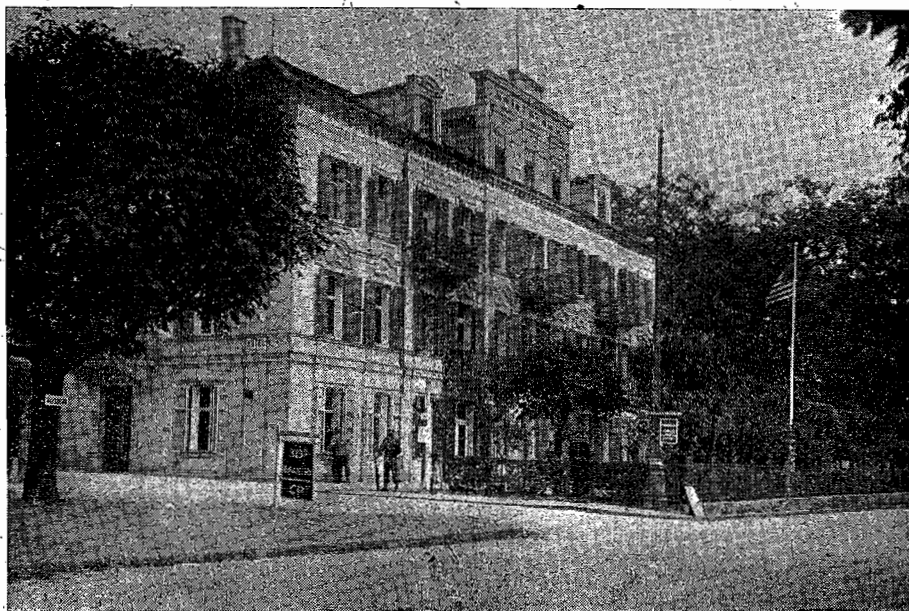
Those with journalism in mind as a future are Pfc. L. M. Biggs Jr., Co. G; Lt. L. P. Reynolds; Lt. M. Ledita; T/4 H. Shapero Co. C; Cpl. E. B. Clapp, Co. M; and Pfc. C. H. Hacker Jr., Co. M. The course in science draws the interest of Cpl. F. H. Wirth Jr., Co. H; Pfc. A. F. Haiback, Co. E; Pfc. F. R. Pickett, Co. M; and Pfc. R. W. Salomon, Co. E.

If you are interested in attending one of the I & E Schools, now is the time to do something about it. With this Regiment receiving a large percentage of the Division quota, opportunities were never better. See your I & E Officer for applications at once.

## New Regt'l Chaplain

With the appointment of Chap. Henderson as Division Chaplain upon the departure of former Division Chaplain Woods for home, Chap. Francis C. Laudig has assumed the office of 319th Regt'l Chaplain. Chaplain Laudig was formerly with the 305th Engineers and the 402nd Field Artillery Group for two years. He studied at St. Joseph's College of Indiana and St. Charles Sumner at Carthage, Ohio. Chaplain Laudig's office is open to you and he would be glad to have you drop in for a chat any time.

## 319th Inf. C. P.



The Hotel Kreuz in Franzensbad which houses the Regimental Command Post, its enlisted personnel, and the Hq. Co dining room.



# Editorials . . . .

## Appreciative Audiences?

Have you often heard the remark "I wonder if I'm wasting my time?" We have heard it quite frequently lately from the performers who have been coming around to entertain you. The Special Service Officer has been scheduling shows for your entertainment because he knows that entertainment is what you want and if you don't get it all he hears is bitching. He is doing his part but YOU AREN'T. The shows are coming to your companies and are playing to an audience of empty seats. Last week the 80th Division Glee Club, which has given performances over AFN stations and a command performance for General Eisenhower, General Ward and Marshal Zhukov last Sunday in Pilsen, toured the 319th. At Special Units the theatre was two thirds empty and the remaining third that was there was comprised of half Czechoslovakians. At First Battalion 50 men came. The show was put on in the afternoon because it was understood that more men could come in the afternoon. How many would have showed up at night if the Glee Club sang then...TEN!!!

If you do not want your time wasted by these shows why not tell your Special Service Officer not to schedule them instead of just a handful of you showing up the night the show comes to your outfit. It would make it a lot easier on him and also on you. You wouldn't have your bulletin board cluttered up by announcements and you wouldn't have to waste your time reading them. Several stage shows have been lined up for you in the future. If you don't want to see them come and tell your S.S.O. and he can reroute them to the other two regiments where they will be appreciated. The performers won't be presenting their talents to empty seats there and they can leave the 80th with a feeling that their time and work wasn't wasted.

During the next two weeks there are three shows scheduled for the 319th and all are of excellent caliber and deserve your patronage. Show your appreciation by coming out and filling up your theatre. Let your S.S.O. know you want him to keep getting entertainment for you.

## Spirit of Discipline Leader or Superior?

You are an average GI . . . you may or you may not be an original "man of the 80th" . . . you may be starting home soon or you may be a six-point wonder! Still, you are an average GI . . . one of "the men". You take orders every day and you execute them, possibly with a little bitching, but yet you do what you are ordered to do. You, as an average GI, are the Army . . . you and several million others like you. Sooner or later you'll be a civilian again . . . actually all you are now is just a civilian in uniform. You're over here because there was a job to do or there is a job yet to do, depending on your own individual case. You like certain of your superiors and you dislike others . . . more important, you respect certain of these superiors and you do NOT respect others. In most cases, when you stop to think about it, is it not

true that the superior you like, is also the one you respect? Have you ever spent a moment in "thinking out" just why that is so?

In combat, leadership was a simple thing . . . you followed the man who could get somewhere the quickest and easiest, with the least exposure to Jerry and his "wares" . . . bullets, "screamin' meemies" and the like. You followed that man because he led you, didn't get behind you and say "YOU go!" That man took the same things you did . . . once again it was simple . . . if there was steak, you both ate steak, but if there were only K's, you both dined on K's. You were just two men, one a leader and the other a willing follower.

The war's over . . . no bullets, no 88's, no Jerry! You're just that same civilian in uniform now you were the day you got your first pair of OD's, only now your job is nearly finished. Yet the Army contends you're different . . . and certain of its members delight in reminding you of it . . . "to maintain spirit and discipline" they say . . . "to keep up morale!" Yet we wonder which man would contribute the more toward maintaining spirit and discipline, and toward building morale . . . a man whom you, the average GI, will look to for intelligent leadership by virtue of the respect you hold for him, or the individual who must depend upon his badge of office to FORCE that same GI to complete an assigned task. You know both types and you find them both in virtually every organization. How much better it should and must make an officer, commissioned or non-commissioned, feel when he knows he is held a leader in the eyes of his men because they deem him worthy of that position, rather than being acknowledged a "superior" by the stripes or bars he wears and being obeyed sullenly, sometimes even with hate under the surface of subordinate's thoughts. Certainly it should always be LEADER, not SUPERIOR!!!

## Unbelievable but True.

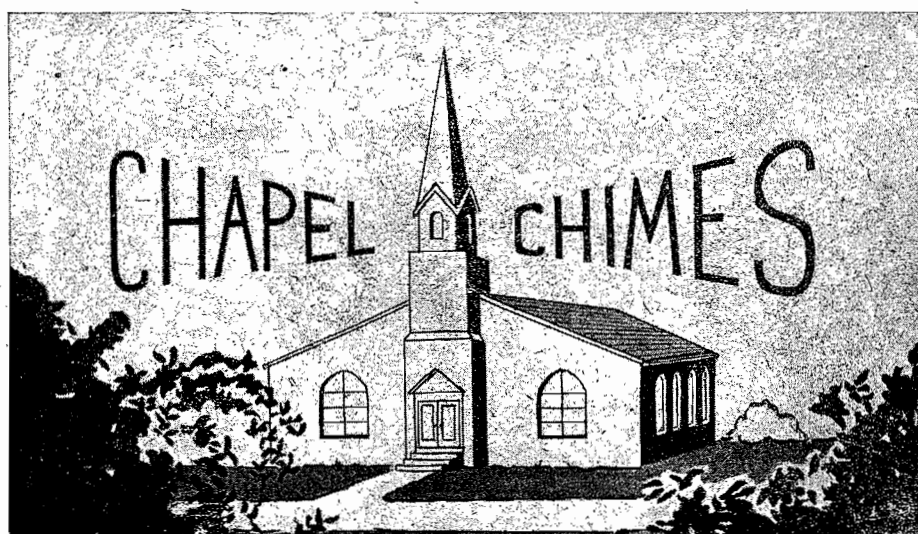
Did you ever think you would regret leaving your outfit and going home? A big loud "NO" will probably answer that question but don't be too sure of it. We all look forward to going home, it is the main objective now that the war is over but when the time actually comes to leave you are sorry. Believe it or not, you are sorry. You are going to a new division, you have no friends of long standing there waiting for you, just yourself and the few buddies who go with you. You think of all the old friends you are leaving behind maybe never to see any of them again. Perhaps one of the friends you leave has been your best buddy for nearly two years but he doesn't have enough points to go with you. Goodbyes are hard to say and looking back you think even with all the chicken you had to put up with the old outfit isn't so bad.

You run around getting addresses of all the old boys you have known for three years. You know darn well you'll never get to some parts of the country so you say to them, "If I am ever out that way I'll drop in and see you". They get your address and say the same thing.

You load on the truck that is to take you to your destination, some of the fellows who aren't working at the time are there to see you off and wish you good luck. Without feeling you say, "If this outfit that I am going to isn't too far away I'll be back to see you and you can put me up for the night". You may not mean it at that time but if the outfit you do go to isn't too far away you'll be back. You miss the old gang and have to see them.

Gradually as you get used to being away from them the effect wears off but regardless of how many years go by you'll never forget them. Sixty years from now you'll say to someone, "Now there was so and so in my old outfit the 319th. He was a great guy and I'd like to see him now". Old friends are never forgotten, new friends can be made but they will never take the place of the old ones.

Now do you think you would ever regret leaving your outfit and going home? Some of you may still say "No", many of you will say "Maybe" and you will be surprised at the amount that say "Yes". It may sound foolish but when your time comes to go you'll have all the thoughts in your mind and even though you are going to the place you love best in the world there will still be that sadness in your heart because you have to leave.



## Your Baby??

Did you ever stop to think how much you yourself resemble your own father or mother? The way you walk, your mannerism of speech the tone of your voice, the way you think, your whole appearance and bearing — all these characteristics were either acquired or directly inherited from your parents. As a rule, certain of their qualities and characteristics are very evident to yourself, and you can easily see them reflected in other members of the family, your brothers and sisters. The same mould or pattern seems to be handed down from father to son — the "chip off the old block" sort of thing. A man's offspring simply appears to be a new edition of himself, maybe a little altered and re-edited, but still a man's son is more like himself than anybody else in the world. He looks like you, and acts, talks and thinks like you did when you were his age. You are so proud of that child of yours that you carry his picture right with you all the time and you never lose the opportunity to show it off. If you didn't love that kid of yours, and if you didn't show him off and brag about him, I'd say there's something pretty much the matter with you basically.

Having a child is the one great fundamental experience of life. Certainly no marriage is complete without it. You fathers know just how true it is! And when a man has become a father he realizes what a solemn thing he's done. He has been directly responsible for the creation of another human being — body and soul. He has brought another man into the world who will live and act and think and love very much like his father. Now that child of yours will look like and he will be called by your name. Your interest, attention and love will be focused on him. The more you think about it, the more you'll marvel at the simple act of begetting a child, you'll see in him all your own youthful ideals and pranks relived. You'll play with him as a babe, gloat over him and spoil him. Later you will teach him to be like you, and you'll give him a lot of facts to help him in later life. You'll be terribly proud of him, and certainly you're going to shield him from a lot of unpleasant things you had to undergo. And you're going to hand him the same set of principles you have lived by, aren't you? He's going to be just like you. (Is that good?)

Now, think we'll all agree that home is the only place to have children. Then think we will also agree that the woman we choose as a wife, or will choose, is also the one entitled to bear that child and to rear him. Right?

Well then, what's wrong with this picture? I'm a GI in the ETO. I'm married (or expect to be). Finally I start slipping. My moral principles, the ones my "folks" taught me, are fading into obscurity. I have forgotten whom I fought and why. I go bezirk. Afterwards I find that "we" are going to have a baby. My son, my own flesh and blood will have this Fraulein for his mother. It was just an accident that I turned out to be the father rather than the guy in the Armored, or the Heinie soldier or the Nazi organizer or that Russian. That is unfortunate, but the time element makes it true. I am his father.

Then there was that letter from the Chaplain . . . But my only concern now is to get back to the States as soon as possible, to forget the whole thing. I'm all set for a home of my own, comfort and kids . . . No, I'm not a bit selfish; I'll give my wife everything, and as for that boy of mine . . . Wait a minute — WHICH boy?

Can I forget that I already have a son on the way here in this spot? Shall I try not to face the fact that he will be reared here; that he, too, will be an outcast, that most likely he'll wear a yellow or red or white armband, that he'll be begging for food and combing the gutters and curbs for "butts"; that he'll learn all these false and radical creeds? Must I remember that he is mine and that he won't even speak American, that he will never know the love and companionship of me, his Dad? And what will she tell him about me? He won't even know my name. I wonder if she does? Surely she kept my note I sent her when I left; the one where I said I left her all my love, and thanked her for all the good times and said maybe we would meet again, although I knew we wouldn't. She was terribly underfed, as I remember. I can't forget the look on her face when I gave her the candy bars and the K-ration. But now I suppose those are all gone. Oh, well, black bread and a few potatoes will nourish her enough to bear my child. True she had to work hard digging potatoes and turnips. Later when she needs medical attention maybe the Medics can give her something if she goes to the Aid Station and cries and works on their sympathies. And as for money, of course, she hasn't got a Kronen or Pfennig, but she'll see the Chaplain and he's bound to give her something. He'll feel sorry for her, and an American was responsible.

But that Chaplain . . . if only he wouldn't write to me about her and the baby — my baby!!

Benedict A. Henderson, Chaplain, 319th INF.

## The Gravel Agitator



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Your Regimental I & E School, located in Franzensbad, is operating full blast with sixty men from all over the regiment comprising the student body.

Two hours of actual classroom work per day are required, one hour for each of two subjects.

The classes now under way include arithmetic and Business English, instructed by Sgt. Van Atta, bookkeeping and small business, under Pfc. Leonard Biggs, literacy and typing with Pfc. Buchezek, agriculture under the tutoring of Pfc. Thompson and Frank Backster's classes in personnel management.

While the length of each term is indefinite it is expected that they will extend through six or eight weeks.

## Church Call

### Catholic Services

#### Sunday

Time	Town	Church
0900	Falknov	Catholic
0730 & 0900	Nove Sedlo	Catholic
0900	Slavikov	Catholic
0900	Kynsperk	Catholic
0915	Rosbach	Catholic
0900	Asch	Catholic
0930	Schonbad	Catholic
0800 & 1000	Olovi	Catholic
0915	Kraslice	Catholic
1100	Franzensbad	Catholic

Confessions 1/2 hour before Mass

### Protestant Services

#### Sunday

Time	Town	Church
0915	Franzensbad	Protestant
1100	Asch	Protestant
1400	Rosbach	Protestant
1500	Kraslice	Protestant



## G.B.'S CORNER

Do you recall the old days of "non-fraternization" when a fellow could take his Fraulein walking in the woods after dark without fear of competition from a dozen other gleamy-eyed G.I.'s? Ah! Those were the days!! Then fraternization was put "on limits", and, unless you oriented your Schatz to the fact that all other Yanks are howling wolves who concern themselves mainly with the discarded wives of SS captains, you were left waiting in the corner tavern salting your suds with your tears, while the first sergeant went spaziering with your little wench.

Of course, German girls are naturally inclined to swoon when they encounter anything in a uniform, and I suppose, when they caught a glimpse of an old top-kick with enough braid on his sleeves to make a nice-sized, tightly-fitting noose, they immediately surmised they were meeting up with none other than the counterpart of Von Rundstedt. The first-soldat, having learned through long, grueling years of barking orders and making morning reports that an army man must take care of his own interests, was quick to assure the gullible young maid that he was one of the Army's valuables and has been the most important factor in effecting the defeat of Rommel. That put the first sergeant right in on the ground floor and the Pfc. right behind the eight ball.

Being hep to this lingo over here, I personally never suffered any great setback at the hands of the "Zebra Brigade". But I would like to find the joker who persuaded the girls to dig up their ancient textbooks from remote attic hideaways and brush up on their English. This has had a most devastating effect on us Deutsch-speaking lads.

There was a time, I recall it with a drooling wistfulness, when a Fraulein with that certain frustrated look in her eyes would gaze at me longingly and exclaim, "Sie sprechen Deutsch!" Following an elaborately roudhalant "Ach, ja!" on my part, brother, I was in!

But no longer am I swamped with requests from prowling Joes to act as interpreter, no longer do officers regard me with reluctant respect, and, alas! no longer do the village Frauleins swarm around my quarters waiting for a glimpse of "the

## RED CROSS

### Clubmobile Schedule

Monday, Oct. 22 —  
Hq. Co., 1st Bn.; Able Co.; Baker Co.  
Tuesday, Oct. 23 —  
Hq. Co., 2nd Bn.; George Co.; How Co.  
Wednesday, Oct. 24 —  
905 F. A.  
Thursday, Oct. 25 —  
Hq. Co., 3rd Bn.; Item Co.; Mike Co.  
Friday, Oct. 26 —  
Baker Co.; Charlie Co.

#### Deadline

COMPANY REPORTERS — you have been missing the deadline set by the Gravel Agitator which has made it necessary to run your company news a week late. We must have your news by Tuesday at noon of next week. In order to meet this deadline we ask you to send your copy **THRU MESSAGE CENTER** and **NOT** thru the mail.

#### Movies Six Nights Weekly in Franzensbad

Due to the limited seating capacity of the Roxie Theater, serving the Special Units in Franzensbad, each movie feature will be shown for two nights with two showings nightly. This theater has a seating capacity of only 150 persons and many men have been turned away from the performances. Under the new schedule all patrons should be able to be acomdated.

Voice! Things are getting tough for us linguists! Oh, well, I still have hopes of running across one of the more shapely makers (one who hasn't been pushing a plow around all day) who has not fallen into the clutches of a plotting G.I. There must be some remnants of the pure Germanic language somewhere.

## Entertainment Schedule

### Special Units Franzensbad

Monday — Oct. 22 — Stage Show, "Zig-Zag-Zig"  
Friday — Oct. 26 — Stage Show, "Strictly Continental"

### First Battalion Konigsworth

Sunday — Oct. 21 — Stage Show, "Zig-Zag-Zig"  
Wednesday — Oct. 24 — Stage Show, "Strictly Continental"

### Second Battalion Asch

Thursday — Oct. 25 — Stage Show, "Strictly Continental"  
Sunday — Oct. 28 — Stage Show, "Zig-Zag-Zig"

### Third Battalion Kraslice

Tuesday — Oct. 23 — Stage Show, "Strictly Continental"  
Saturday — Oct. 27 — Stage Show, "Zig-Zag-Zig"

Answer to crossword puzzle.

F	O	C	A	L	S	P	Y	G	A	D
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### Special Units Franzensbad

Mon. & Tues. — Oct. 22 & 23 —  
"JOHNNY ANGEL" with George Raft and Signe Hasso.  
Wed. & Thurs. — Oct. 24 & 25 —  
"HER HIGHNESS AND THE BELL BOY" with Hedy Lamarr and Robert Walker.  
Fri. & Sat. — Oct. 26 & 27 —  
"ALONG CAME JONES" with Gary Cooper and Loretta Young.

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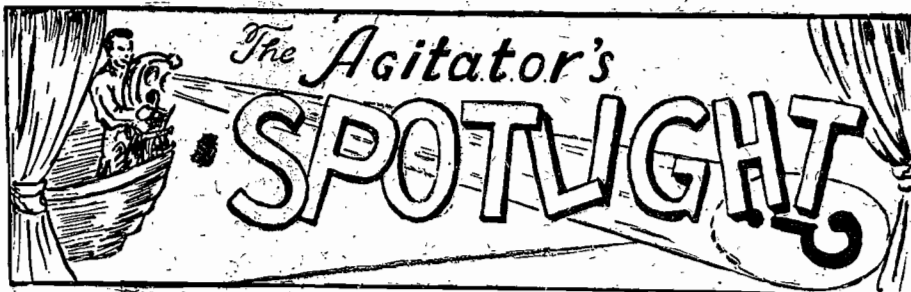
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#### Coming attractions next week

"BLOOD ON THE SUN" with James Cagney and Silvia Sidney.  
"CAPTAIN EDDY" with Fred McMurray.  
"NOBODY LIVES FOREVER" with John Garfield and Geraldine Fitzgerald.



This lovely young miss is the favorite pinup girl of Pfc. Geo. A. Papa, A Co. Miss Vera Papa is now cutting the ice with steel blades at the Hotel New Yorker with the Jerry Wald Band. She played two years ago on Broadway with the Sonja Henie show "Stars on Ice" and has toured most of the Eastern states from Maine to New York... Resides at Forest Hills, Long Island, New York, is blond and 20 years of age. Thinks that skating is the coming sport of the post war world... is off to Hollywood in the early part of the year to play a bit part in "ICECAPADES of 1946". Her early skating experience as a child on the outdoor frozen ponds prompted her to take a course in acrobatics and professional skating under the direction of Herbert Lamson, one time Olympic champion of bygone years. Main ambition is to study ballet and play with the Radio City Rockettes in New York.



Mrs. Ann Fulner, charming wife of S/Sgt. Harold Fulner, King Co., with their two sons, Harold and Bobby. Their home is in Allentown, Pa. which make them a trues "Blue Ridge" family.



Joe Jr., son of Pfc. Joe Pochrane, Regt'l Special Service. Little Joe is waiting at home in Birmingham, Ala. for big Joe.

## G.I.'s of the WEEK



T/4 Wayne E. Thompson, age 23, joined the division not long after it was activated and soon after that was transferred from a line company to Regimental Headquarters Company. He has often thanked his lucky star for that, because he doesn't like to hike and, as everyone knows, a line company had it much rougher in combat than Regimental Headquarters.

He is probably responsible for more work done than any one man in message center, where he spent almost all his time since he came to Headquarters. He went through all the combat as a T/5 code clerk and was given his third stripe, which he richly deserved, just a little while ago.

He says Goesdorf was the roughest place he was in, it was very rough there even for a Regimental Headquarters!

He was the quiet one of the message center crew. He didn't add much to the confusion of that noisy crew, but he got along fine with the boys. He did very little fraternizing or raising hell.

In the evening he disconnects his radio in the office and takes it upstairs to his room. He listens to it and maybe reads a book, calling attention to those present when ever he comes to a bedroom scene. About ten he collects one or more of the boys and goes to the club for a quiet beer or two.

He does a good deal of worrying about what he is going to do at home (Oil City, Pennsylvania) after he gets there. He says it is going to be pretty rough to get a decent job and keep a wife and home. But, don't let him kid anyone, he hasn't lost anything in the Army, he has a pretty good nest egg with what he has saved in the Army and before. He'll probably manage to stay a few steps ahead of the game, the way he has up to now.

He has 69 points and left for the 90th Division last week.

Inquisitor: "And will you tell me, is the chin strap to keep the hat on?"  
No'm, it's to rest th' jaw after answerin' questions."

"My wife", said one, "is very poetic. She gets up at sunrise and says, 'Lo, the morn!'"

"Huh!" said the other, sadly. "Mine says, 'Mow the lawn!'"



"What d'ya think he means, Hank? He keeps waving a RED Flag!"

## Anti-Tank Company

by Pfc. Joe Dutton

Anti-Tank has jumped this week from being the smallest company in the Regiment to one of the largest with the incorporation of the Regimental I & E Schools into its company area. Such an enterprise is not new to Anti Tank for the company maintained a similar school under like conditions when the Regiment was still in Bavaria.

On and on it goes . . . this redeployment, and as a result we find fewer and fewer old faces in the formations and other company gatherings. Latest to bid adieu to the company are S/Sgt. Eddie Lange,

T/5 Homer "Doc" Walls, Sgt. Eduard Simon, and Pfc. Johnny Ozwirk who joined the 79th Division, and T/5 Angelo Basile, Pfc. Frank "Tojo" Lovascio, Pfc. Marvin Arnold, and Pfc. Berthold "Butch" Butcher, departing in this last shipment to the 90th Division.

With the reshuffling of the company due to these shipments, we find several new men in positions formerly held by the departing highpointers. Replacing S/Sgt. Alfred Brown as supply head is Pfc. Allan Cultice; in the mail and PX line we see Pfc. Raymond Nelson filling the shoes of T/5 Angelo Basile; T/5 John Hughes now presides over the kitchen force taking the job left vacant by S/Sgt. George Hohmann; assuming Sgt. Ivan "Porky" Taylor's spot in the personnel office is T/4 Riley Aud, Anti-Tank's 405.

## ROAMING REPORTER

Question: What suggestions do you have that would improve your Regimental paper?

Cpl. Ray Complace, King Co., 28 months of service.

"The paper as it is now is very good but I think that you should have a contest for the Sweetheart of the Regiment, 1st Bn., 2nd Bn. and 3rd Bn. Ask the fellows to send in combat pictures along with a little story to describe the action. Also I would like to see a small road map of the Division area published so that we can see where our buddies are and we would know where to go to visit them."

(Ed. note: Anyone interested in the Sweetheart Contest let us know.)

Pfc. Donald Heitman, 2nd Bn. Hq. Co., 20 months of service.

"I have no suggestions. I think that the paper is very good in make up and in the articles that are run. Every article is well printed and holds my interest to the end. I read every little article from beginning to end and look forward to the paper coming out."

Pfc. Calvin Tucker, 1st Bn. Hq. Co., joined the 80th Sept. 1944, 2 1/2 yrs. of service.

"The paper is okay and I can make no suggestions. However I would like to see a B Bag column run in the paper so that we could send in our bitches; I think we have some very legal bitches. If that could be carried out the paper would be A-1.

(Ed. note: Send in your bitches fellows and we will do our best to print them.)

Pvt. Eugene Abel, Reg. M.P.'s joined the 80th January, 1945.

"It's a damn good paper as it is. I like the Company write-ups because you know what your buddies are doing. Having a B Bag would be a good deal then the fellows could bitch and maybe someone would do something to help them out."

In a garage in Albuquerque is posted the following notice:

"Don't smoke around the tank. If your life isn't worth anything, gasoline is!"

She: "I've changed my mind!"

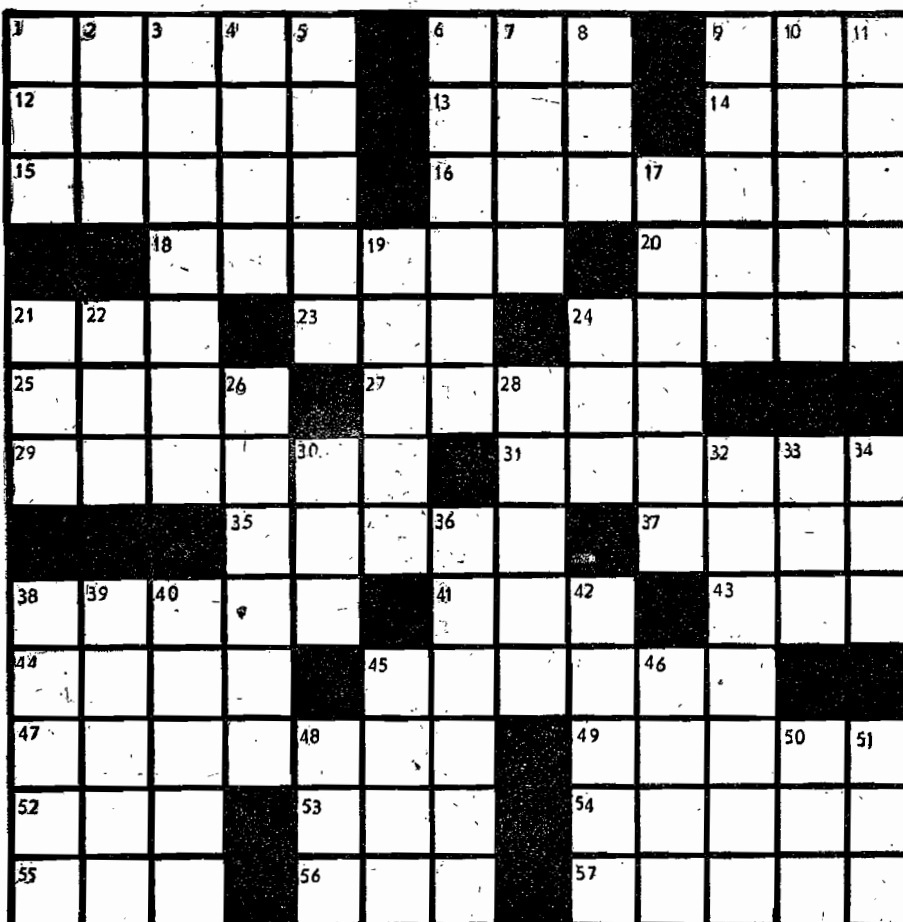
He: "Well, does it work any better now?"

## Crossword Puzzle

Answer on page 3.

### Across

1. At a central point.
6. Secret agent
9. Wander idly
12. Admire
18. Hasten
14. Eucharist vessel
15. Coarse twilled cloth
16. Essay
18. Lumpy
20. Worthless
21. One-spot
23. New (com. form)
24. Ate
25. That which is present
27. Dire
29. Both
31. Flattened at the pole
35. Genus of geese
37. Stream in Flanders
38. Pretends
41. Shell that fails to explode
43. Preserve
44. Mountain Lion
45. Comparison
47. Foreboding
49. An elector
52. Decay
53. Backward
54. Roman magistrate
55. Attempt
56. Marsh
57. Adorns



### Down

1. Passing fashion
2. Lyric poem
3. Vanity
4. Seed covering
5. Citrus fruit
6. Follow closely
7. Compassion
8. Still
9. Street urchin
10. Sufficient
11. Specified time of transaction
17. Maliciously
19. Beloved ones
21. Consumed
22. Greek letter
24. Confer a name upon
26. Magic healer
28. Public meeting place
30. Printer's measures
32. Religious recluse
33. Beverage
34. Sea eagle
36. Inventor of the phonograph
38. A game
39. Wit
40. Friendly relations
42. Plunged
45. Certain
46. Vein of ore
48. Away
50. Moose deer
51. Particular thing (law)



# Mike Company

by Pfc. John Crotly

Another fast moving week rolls around and once again Mike Company has a turn over of personnel. This time our new essential Mess Sgt., Walter Noga is being transferred. Along with Walter go all the men left with seventy or more points. That score sure is whittling down and it shouldn't be long before I can make it. Pfc. (Reverend) Babest has been transferred to the A-T. Co. Also going to school is Pfc. Fazan who hopes to study agriculture in Scotland. Back in our fold once again are "Long Sam Cates and "Colonel's Orderly" Carl Hacker. Cates is doing some serious thinking about his points as he is always asking the 1st Sergeant if they have been lowered to thirty nine yet. Carl Hacker and Floyd Pickett, who is on furlough in England, are slated for a school in France this month.

It looks like Mike Company will have a hard time getting any kind of a football or basketball team together as the company strength is very low at present and the men who are left are pulling guard most of the time.

Sgt. Ventura is signing up with Military Government. It's a good job for a man as the pay and living conditions are good. Sgt. Pfonnestial is officialy the transportation sergeant of "M" Company. He was just recently "upped" to the grade of Sergeant. Lots of luck, Johnny, and keep 'em rolling. Pfc. Craig and Pfc. Brown are now lending a hand in the kitchen and Pfc. Manon is Mess Sergeant. I sure hope we can get bread with one meatball — as our old mess sergeant said, "no bread with one meatball."

Since Pfc. Broser has policed up those finished leather shoes he has made Colonel's Orderly twice. How about lending them to me when you're not on guard duty, old buddy! Sgt. Lancz was sporting a bandaged head the other night at the Third Battalion's E.M. Club. He was gloating over it and saying, "you should have seen the other fellows." The next morning one of the boys saw Lt. Picker wrapped up in a number of small pieces of machinery and asked him what the trouble was. He replied that Sgt. Lancz was C.O. the other night and was leaning back in a chair when he slipped and pulled the adding machine off the table and it landed on "your know-who's head. He's having a hard time living it down anyhow.

It looks great to see Pfc. Gallop walking home from the E.M. Club and feeling no pain. It makes one think he's back in the States again when a little beer can put a slight edge on a fellow. He personally opens and closes the club every night and looks around for the Mike Company men he considers not able to get home alone and escorts them back to the company. "Halb and Halb" Hudson is also back with the company again and claims he was sober at all times while on pass. A story is a story regardless of who tells it and that surely is a story. I'm going to drink out of Pfc. Joe Ford's glass tonight at the Club. It can't be the beer that makes him tipsy!!

Pfc. Leist is now on his way to Switzerland on a furlough. He didn't have much time to get ready but when he heard where the pass was for, well — — — that sort of lent wings to him. Just keep on sending those passes and we'll keep on accepting them.

The E.M. Club had something different to offer last Friday night in the way of the 319th Regimental orchestra. It's the first time Sgt. Laurie's boys played at the club and we sure hope to have them again as they are tops and the boys really enjoyed their arrangements. Mike Company sends it's thanks to Sgt. Laurie and his music-makers. We also had two



M-G-M's FRANCES McCANN

swell American Red Cross girls with us. They were danced "barefooted" by the boys. Thanks a lot for coming girls and visit us again soon if you can. It was Czech dance night and all the officers and enlisted men of the 3rd Battalion in Kraslice were there. It was quite a dance and everyone had a swell time dancing and listening to a good American band again.

## Item Company

by Pfc. "Honest" John Stobbe

The new P. X. rationing of ten packages of cigarettes, per man weekly was greatly appreciated by all the G. I's. here in Item Company and for that matter in the E. T.

The most welcome G. I. visiting Item Company road blocks these days is Pfc. White whose duties consist of hot chow deliveries three times daily to each of the six outposts occupied by the company's most entrusted men. In addition to these hot victuals supplied by Pfc. White he also finds himself the center of attraction when he starts his distribution of the mail.

After a very careful check, yours truly has discovered that a very grave injustice has been done to our pal K-9, Tojo, the Company mascot. After a very heated discussion and some very close checking through the company records by Pfc. Chester Johnson, Tojo's close friend and foxhole

buddy, we have finally come to the conclusion that the two points we previously added to the K-9 Tojo was a terrible mistake. This has been corrected. Tojo is now the proud possessor of eight points.

Two of the best dressed G. I's seen on the streets of Kraslice these days are inseparable buddies and room-mates, Pfc. Fritsch and Pfc. Via. Both are at present doing wonderful work with the Special Police.

Remember the old saying, "brother can you spare a dime?" Well, I must say that over here its a little different, for all one can hear these days is "nix cowgummy."

The Posime brothers, Freddie and Johnny, have finally started their long journey home together. They departed last Monday morning. Another mother made very happy

The proudest man in Item Company is the ever so faithful Pvt. Szeke, who promised all his friends back in the States that he would enter the service as a yardbird and come out a private. His promise is being solemnly kept.

T/4 Richard Walker has just returned from his trip to the UK. Our cotton pickin' friend ran into a little difficulty enroute as a severe cold forced our pal to the white linens of an American hospital. Whitey Walker claims that the new miracle drug worked wonders with him but it was actually the beautiful nurses, who seemed to be present every morning, noon and

# Meet the G. C. of KING CO.



King Co. CO, Wm.B. Aden hails from Mississippi and came to us last Nov. just a green shavetail in OD's washed in the Miss. mud, we guess. Since then he has proven his outstanding leadership in both combat and garrison. Lt. Aden wears the Silver Star with Cluster, Purple Heart and two Clusters and three Battle Stars. He's beginning to get interested in matrimonial life and hopes he's not "Sugar Daddy" age before he's in a position to get himself a fraulein from Miss. and settle down on the farm. He studied Agriculture at Miss. State and is versatile in all sports. Good luck, Bill, maybe there'll be a spot on the County Agriculture Board when you get back.

## 80th Topples 42nd 3-0

by Al Masio

Coming thru with a last minute field goal, O'Doul, halfback, gave the Blue Riders a 3-0 win over the 42nd Rainbows at Marienbad last Saturday.

This was the first victory of the season for the 80th huskies having failed in two previous attempts.

O'Doul's field goal came with only seconds to go. With the ball on the 7 yard line he stepped back to the 15 and from a difficult angle split the uprights for the only score of the game. Roblin, 42nd halfback, stopped by the 80th only with difficulty stole the starring honors for the day with his accurate passing and powerhouse line smashes.

The see-saw battle up and down the field, that had the spectators pleading for a touchdown was the result of two teams almost identical in weight and speed. The 42nd was blessed with a few more College stars than the Blue Riders but fortunately did not produce touchdowns.

With duplications of the 5000 spectators who witnessed this game the 80th eleven can't miss in future clashes. Let's give them the backing they deserve!

night at his side, who were the real cause of his rapid recovery.

There has been a little bitching from the G. I's in Item Company about the chow lately. Some of the gripeing has been directed at our cooks whom I consider the best in the E. T. Let's get off the backs of our cooks, fellows and see those who are really responsible for our troubles.

## Hayseed Harry

By Pfc. Adam E. Petrella







# Charlie, George Co's Win League Play

With the completion of the scheduled league play in the battalion Touch Football competition, the battalion teams girded themselves this week for the playoffs to determine the Regimental Champions.

Winning the First Battalion league championship, and sporting an undefeated untied record is the powerful Charlie Company team. This squad has come through the season schedule of eight games successfully, which presents them as a serious contender for the Regimental crown.

Though their record is spotted by one defeat at the hands of How Company earlier in the season, the George Company team boasts the winning team of the Second Battalion gridiron season with three wins against one loss. Following closely behind are Headquarters Company with three wins, one loss, and one tie, and How Company with three wins against two losses. The tie game which Headquarters played with Easy Company cost them the Battalion title, for had they won they would have been champions.

Playoff competition will start Monday, Oct. 22nd, with a game between Charlie Company and an all-star aggregation from Second Battalion teams, with the remainder of the playoff games to follow during the week.

## Basketball

Prospects of Company basketball teams appearing on the floors of local gyms are picking up. Easy and Fox Company have finished marking off boundaries, foul lines, the center spot, etc. in anticipation of real court struggles in the near future. It is possible that Easy and Fox Companies will invite other Second Battalion teams to use their gym due to the shortage of appropriate buildings.

L Co., 3rd Bn. is digging into their roster and will definitely put a first class team on the floor.

First Bn. is lining up their company court representatives but they too are handicapped by the lack of gyms.

In spite of these impediments, everyone is determined to present good, fast basketball games so watch your company schedule.

## Gridiron Guesses

How are you as a football expert? Here is a chance to prove to yourself and your buddies just how good you are. Listed below are fifteen principal games of October 27. Select your winners and scores and send them in to the "Gravel Agitator" before November 1.

"The Gravel Agitator" is offering three prizes to the three men who pick the most winners. In case of ties the closest selected scores will count. Clip this column from your paper, fill in the scores and get your entry in to compete for one of our free prizes. Let's go, boys, grab your pencils and jot 'em down.

Army	vs	Duke
Colgate	vs	Holy Cross
Yale	vs	Cornell
Pennsylvania	vs	Navy
Illinois	vs	Michigan
Iowa	vs	Notre Dame
Minnesota	vs	Ohio State
Northwestern	vs	Purdue
Alabama	vs	Georgia
L. S. U.	vs	Vanderbilt
Villanova	vs	Tennessee
Tulane	vs	S. M. U.
Rice	vs	Texas
Oregon	vs	U. C. L. A.
So California	vs	Washington
Name	vs	Co.

Do not send Gridiron Guesses to us through the mail. Send them through message center so they will reach us before the games are played on Saturday afternoon. Any entries reaching us after Saturday at noon will not be considered!

## 80th Infantry Division

### Football Team Roster

No.	Player	Height	Weight	Pos.	School
17	STINE	5'10"	180	E	Hi Scholl, Wyo.
18	Gordon	5'10"	170	E	Hi Scholl, N.Y.
8	Brennan	6'2"	185	E	Hi School Mass.
	THOMAS	6'1"	187	E	Santa Barbara State Calif.
	GORMAN	6'2"	228	E	Hi School, N.C.
	BASIL	6'1"	185	E	Hi School, Ill.
19	MUSE	6'3"	235	T	Henderson State Teachers, Ark.
6	Follings	6'2"	195	T	Los Angeles City College
25	Confer	6'3"	240	T	Hi School, Pa.
20	MELLEN	6'2"	195	T	Hi School, Mass.
	PRUNIER	5'11"	220	T	Hi School, Mass.
5	Graben	5'9"	186	G	U. of Iowa
22	McGINLEY	5'10"	190	G	Cornell U.
16	COULTER	5'6"	175	G	U. of Del.
14	Dedrick	5'9"	185	G	Hi School, N.Y.
10	Rotolo	5'9"	185	G	Hi School, Ill.
15	Spomberg	6'0"	185	G	Hi School, Ill.
	Howerton	6'2"	185	C	U. of Kentucky
9	Smallwood	5'11"	175	C	Hi School, Pa.
11	O'Doul	6'2"	205	HB	Loyola U., Cal.
21	Pomianek	5'11"	195	HB	U. of Washington
1	Lacy	6'0"	195	HB	Ripon, Wis.
2	CANTLAY	5'11"	180	HB	Loyola U., Cal.
	Barnes	5'11"	165	HB	Hi School, Ga.
	Sauder	5'7"	175	HB	Michigan Normal
	MULLOY	5'7"	155	HB	Boystown, Neb.
24	PASSAFARO	6'3"	205	FB	Hi School, N.Y.
12	Cervino	5'9"	175	FB	Gettysburg Coll.
	White	5'8"	153	FB	Hi School, Pa.
23	Houseal	6'3"	230	QB	Georgia Tech.
4	Koch	5'9"	185	QB	Hi School, Wash.
	Gerling	5'10"	165	QB	Hi School, Wis.
	Adkins	5'5"	155	HB	
	WINTERBURN	5'9"	200	C	
	Geiser	6'0"	196	QB	Hi School, Ill.
	SMITH	6'0"	190	G	Hi School, Chi.
	KALB	5'10"	180	G	Hi School, N.J.

C.E. Boston, Coach, Harvard

(Players from 319th Infantry are in capitals.)

## Ice Skating!

Do you plan on going skating this winter? If you are, here is what you will have to do. Send home for your skates! There are none available at Special Service and you will not be able to buy any from the civilian stores. Skating will be a good pastime and should be enjoyed by all you boys sweating out the point system over here this winter. So - if you want to cut capers on the ice you had better get that letter off for home right away. A pair of gleaming skates would fill out a Christmas package nicely.

## Touch Football Standings

### 1st Battalion

#### Final Standings

Teams	W	L
C Co.	8	0
Hq Co.	6	2
A Co.	3	5
D Co.	2	6
B Co.	1	7

### 2nd Battalion

#### Final Standings

Teams	W	L	Tied
E Co.	1	1	4
F Co.	0	4	5
G Co.	3	1	0
H Co.	3	2	3
Hq. Co.	3	1	2

### Thrill - Honeymoon - Detective

A farmer's daughter had just returned from her honeymoon and her friends asked her to name the biggest thrill she had received. "Well," she replied, "it was a big thrill when we went to the County Seat to get our license. But it was a bigger thrill when my husband and I went to the hotel and we signed the register 'Mr. and Mrs. Smith'. But the biggest thrill of all came when we went up to our room together and I thumbed my nose at the house detective."

### Bull - Introduction

A speaker who had just received a flowery introduction rose and said, "Mr. Toastmaster, I am deeply grateful for your generous praise, but I am sorry to say that your introduction reminds me of a Texas longhorn; a point here (pointing with his right hand), and a point there (pointing with his left hand) and a lot of bull in between."

## GETTING IN FOCUS

by Pfc. Eugene Chrostowski

Since being in the European Theatre many new men have become interested in amateur photography. They have managed to obtain cameras either from home or during the swoop through Germany. Some of these have been the ordinary box type while others are in the Leica and Contax category. The box camera, excellent for the beginner, is a handicap only in the fact that it cannot be adjusted according to light quality. The better cameras, Leica, Zeiss, and Contax are not concerned too much with poor light but are handicapped by the slow German film which seems to be the only kind available in any quantity. The table below, while not exact, should help you to cope with this slow type of film under various light conditions.

On a bright, sunny day when sharp line shadows are cast:

1/200 second at f 16

On a bright, sunny day when soft line shadows are cast:

1/200 second at f 11

Bright days, with a cloud scattered sky:

1/200 second at f 8

Cloudy days:

1/100 second at f 8

Dark, cloudy days:

1/100 second at f 5.6

Dark, rainy days:

1/25 second at f 5.6

Next week's Focus will be on the subject of landscapes and will include snow scenes. Until then, remember to plan your shots and be sure your camera is set accurately after estimating your conditions of light.

### Paving The Way

He: "I guess I'm only a little pebble in your life."

Sweetie: "Well, if you feel that way about it why don't you try becoming a little boulder."

### Adult

An adult is said to be a person who has stopped growing vertically and has started to grow horizontally.

### What's Cooking

Wife: "Darling, the maid has burned the eggs. Would you be satisfied with a couple of kisses for breakfast?"

Hubby: "Sure, send her in."