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Bomberettes, Bombers to Play Tinker Quintets

In Hays Coliseum Tonight

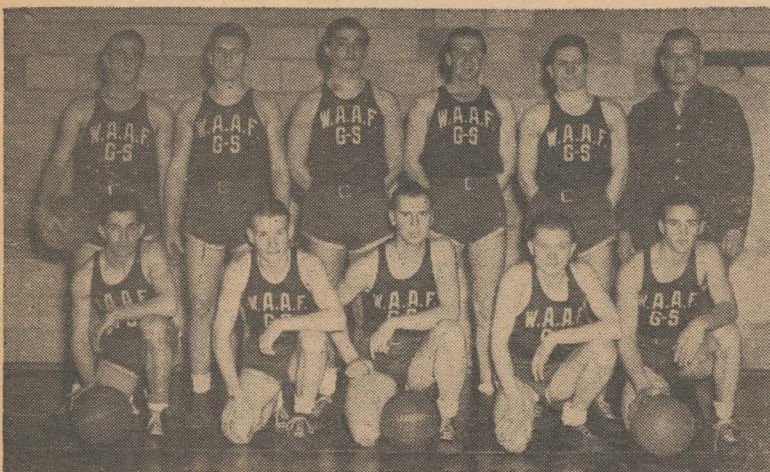
Puts Barracks on Beam

Stinko! He's Now Touring Section D

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HELENE DENIZON, ballet dancer who will appear in Perk Up, Victory Circuit revue, at the Base Theater Monday, Jan 8. See back page.



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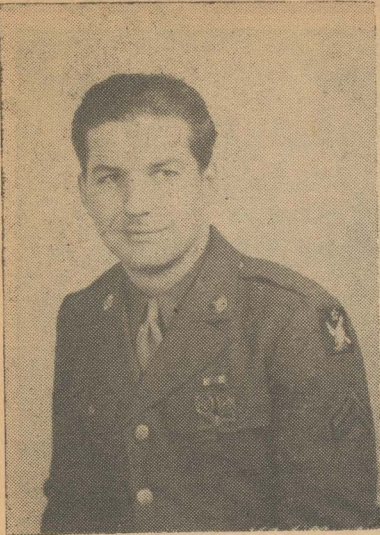
GUNNERS GUNNING FOR CHAMPIONSHIP—The Gunners will go into the Base league with a club that already has won seven of its first 10 games. No civilian team has beaten them and one of their three setbacks was by the powerful WAAF Bombers. The picture above was taken at Russell high gym a few minutes before the Gunners walloped Gorham, 58 to 28. Standing, left to right: Stewart, f; Youmans, c; Gendell, g; Paulson, g; Gogniat, g; and Coach Provost. Kneeling, left to right: Romett, f; Capt. Arp, f; Frey, c; Davis, f; and Bova, f. Guard Ballos was absent.

Gen. Arnold Praises 2AAF For B-29 Job

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SERVE IN SILENCE



CPL. MARVIN TONG

Public Speaking Instructor Is Well Qualified for Job

A background that includes not only study but considerable practical experience as well qualifies Cpl. Marvin E. Tong for the post of instructor in public speaking classes at Walker.

Cpl. Tong was a news reporter and announcer for Radio Stations KWTO-KGBX in Springfield, Missouri, when he entered the Army. He had completed two and a half years of study at Southwest Missouri State Teachers' college in Springfield when he entered the field of journalism.

Assigned to the Public Relations Office at WAAF, Cpl. Tong has put his civilian knowledge to good use in planning and conducting tours of the base, handling war bond rallies in nearby towns and interviewing personnel for press releases. He is also charged with the responsibility of writing the history of Walker Army Air Field each month.

Prior to entering the Army, Cpl. Tong was frequently called upon to deliver lectures before local historical organizations on the history of the Civil War, which incidentally, happens to be his hobby.

His classes in public speaking are held each Monday and Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock in Classroom A.

Classes in German Resume Monday

Classes in German will be resumed Monday and Wednesday on regular schedule, 7 to 8 p.m. S/Sgt. Al Williams is the instructor.

What! No Room Service?

Washington (CNS)—The Navy's new ALP barracks ship is the slickest job afloat. A "floating hotel," built to barrack 700 men, it includes a barber shop, a soda fountain, a hospital and a post office.

Children from All Parts of U. S. at Custer Villa School

While training for war grinds relentlessly on in the Base across the road from them, 26 children from all sections of the United States are receiving the basic part of their education in the grammar school at Custer Villa. They are the sons and daughters of soldiers and civilian employes of Walker Field. Mrs. Boos is the teacher.

Five of the children are first graders and every grade, thru the eighth, is represented. Monthly the pupils write and edit a three-page mimeographed newspaper containing plenty of art. They do all the work except cutting the stencil.

"Most of the pupils," said Mrs. Boos, "come from large city systems. They have adjusted themselves very well and are making very good progress. We have one girl who was an art scholarship student at Colorado Springs."

Climax of the first part of the school year was the Christmas party, featuring "Living Christmas Cards," a play and various recitations and group readings, and of course, Santa Claus.

"The Living Christmas Cards" were painted by the children from designs by Joanne Gehley, and the ideas they expressed were worked out in songs and speeches. For the play, "Victory Christmas" the pupils made their own costumes and scenery.

Telephone operator to new girl she is breaking in:

"No honey, you say, 'Just a minute please,' not Hang onto your pants."



FOR SALE—1935 Plymouth sedan, good tires. Inquire of Pvt. John Gavin, Monte Carlo Courts, Russell, or at Bomb Group Hq., WAAF.

HELP WANTED—Going to Florida Jan. 10. Will pay part railroad fare and Pullman to woman in return for assistance with two baby girls. Mrs. George Stone, 505 Ash St., Hays. Tel. 1363.

FOR SALE—Model A Ford coupe. Sgt. I. Escorer, Brks. 715.

Stood Up at 92, Says Bit Too Old for Dates

Buffalo, N. Y. (ALNS)—George Hazard says he is "off women for life." He hitchhiked 18 miles from the Erie County Infirmary to keep a date with "his girl friend" and she stood him up. When Hazard, who is 92 years of age, appealed to the police for a ride back to the infirmary, he said "maybe he was getting too old" to be chasing the girls.

After looking at photos of Japs, we wonder why they hate to lose face . . . For every man over 85 there are seven women, but it's too late then.

Theodore



Not Too Serious News of Nation

Brooklyn (CNS) — Cecil King, a merchant seaman, dropped into a barber shop for a going-over. He got more than he bargained for, he told police, when the barber gave him a haircut, shave, shampoo and massage — then knocked him with a lead pipe and robbed him of \$400.

Boston (CNS)—After buying a new girdle, a local lady chucked her old one into an ash can. Later she recalled she had hidden \$450 in jewelry in the seams of the veteran garment. Police are still searching for it.

Chicago (CNS)—Firemen fighting a North Side fire were puzzled when they saw folding money floating around in the cellar. One fireman gathered a hatful of bills totaling \$540, found it belonged to the owner of the house, who had hidden it in the cellar when he was drafted.

Grand Island, N. Y. (CNS)—Unable to get enough oil to heat his house, Albert Shelby went into the back yard and started drilling for natural gas. Now he has enough for all the neighbors.

New York (CNS)—Oscar, the musical alligator of the Central Park Zoo, is dead. He used to roar in response to some rhythms, refuse to reply to others, and hiss violently at jive.

New Orleans (CNS) — Irked when he found the till empty, a stickup man set fire to a pressing shop here, then told the clerk he was Santa Claus. "And Santa Claus is giving you a vacation," he added, fleeing.

New Orleans (CNS)—The banana famine has ended here. The tasty fruit is now coming into the port of New Orleans at the rate of 10,000,000 bunches a year, as compared with 8,400,000 bunches last year.

Portland, Ore. (CNS) — A stranger walked into a railroad depot and bought a box of cigarets. On the cover was a picture of Lillian Russell and the tax stamp was dated March 1, 1900.

San Francisco (CNS) — Irked when a customer demanded an olive in his dry martini, Bartender Apalano Planco, 45, opened up on the man with a pistol. He then wounded two other customers and surrendered to police.

Toledo, Ohio (CNS)—Seeking a divorce, a local resident has complained that whenever he asked his wife for a second cup of coffee she would pour it on his head, instead of into his cup.

Onawa, Iowa (CNS) — W. W. Lupton, a druggist, reported this notation at the bottom of a prescription from the Onawa Hospital: "Tobacco cigarets 20. Use as directed." P.S. The prescription was filled.

Up Your Rads !

Notes From Gunnery School

Poetry struck a note in last week's "Rads" (except to guys with last names beginning with 'C') so we'll delve a bit more into the Poet's Corner—coming up with

WIRTLE'S FAN-TAS-C

We use the mop, the brush, the broom,
For the School building we must groom.

And we always have to take P.T.
'Cause healthy men we must be
To shovel sand and pile up rocks
While working with S/Sgt. Cox.

A hole here must be excavated
And sometimes I go get orientated.
Do you ever pull C.Q.?
Some men don't and some men do.
Sometimes I feel like the tyrant
Nero

And I get P.O'ed like Cpl. Pero.

Then I'd like to be bending elbows
at the bar

With chief instructor Staudohar.
Some day I hope to be a free-man
Like Sgt. Boyd or Leroy Dremann.
So if P.O.'ed you ever feel
Then thank the Lord, you're not
the "Wheel."

P. S.

Poems are made by fools like me,
And fools, you know, must pull
K.P.

I've run out of space, that's all
I'll say—er—

So I'll turn this over to Cpl. Mayer.

PFC James Wirtle

When the WACousins, Dona and Hazel Shelton returned from their furlough early this week they bore tales of the meeting they received at the train when they arrived in Tulsa. The story they told was that the entire population of a nearby Indian reservation had turned out to meet them, and the girls had to take off their shoes and take part in the tribal ceremonial dance with the Vanishing Americans.

They came back with their scalps, tho—proving that they danced to the satisfaction of the Indians. The girls look wonderful with their hair combed, too.

They tell us this one on chief instructor Staudohar—supposedly it happened at the Tower in Russell on New Year's eve. The gal said:

"Don't you kiss me again, you bad boy!"

"I won't—I'm just trying to find out who has the whiskey at this party."

Several of the fellows from the School are enjoying furloughs at their respective homes this week. Included among the fortunate few are Sgt. Leroy Dremann, S/Sgt. Albert Allen, PFC F. T. Fertsch, Cpl. Stanley Pero, PFC Charles Reiter, and Pvt. Oliver Farrell.

Just returned from furloughs are T/Sgt. H. A. Robinson, Cpl. Raymond Hovorka, the Shelton cousins, Dona and Hazel, and T/Sgt. Virgil Bonfoey.

Igor Beaver got a look-in at the Christmas party the personnel at Air Corps Supply had a week ago, and remarked:

A woman is as old as she looks;
a man is old when he quits look-



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AWARDS FOR BEST and worst barracks in Section D, 248th BU. Holding the Best Barracks award, left to right, are Cpl. Paul Keys, orderly for Barracks 924; First Lt. R. M. Govaia, C. O.; Second Lt. J. V. Gordon, Adjutant; S/Sgt. F. G. Harmon, Barracks NCO; and Pvt. W. H. Maloney, orderly for Barracks 919, the winner. The skunk plaque at lower left "won" by 924, should get a lot of kicking around.

Pvt. Stinko Comes to Section D But None Is Glad to Have Him

The strength of the 248th Base Unit, Section D, has been augmented by the recent arrival of Pvt. I. M. Stinko (Skunk Serial Number 000000000), assigned temporarily, its occupants hope, to barracks 924. Winner of the handsome "Best Barracks" award last Saturday was 919.

Recently the barracks assigned ing.

One new man joined the ranks of instructors at the Gunnery School this week—we extend the mitt of welcome to Cpl. Roger Barnett.

We also welcome back to the fold PFC R. Youmans and PFC David Van Gundy, who returned to the School from the Security Sqdn. after a stay there of a few weeks. T/Sgt. H. A. Robinson left Monday night for Grand Island, Nebr., to which base he had been transferred.

We've wondered for some weeks just what the prime function of the Band is at those Orientation lectures.

Last week it came to us in a flash—they wake up the audience after Crantz finishes his portion of the program.

"I wonder if I could make you melt in my arms."

"I'm not that soft, and you're not that hot."

Promotions, which have been frozen for some time, opened up for six members of the Gunnery School this week. All promotions were from PFC to Corporal, and the following men were affected: Thomas S. Campbell, Richard Frey, E. F. Martin, Clifford A. Ries, Lloyd C. Sivert and John Tierney.

Cpl. Charles Mayer

to Section D have been undergoing frequent spot inspections by Lt. J. V. Gordon, Section Adjutant, and mostly, say the men, in spots not previously cleaned. This is a pleasant custom which the lieutenant acquired in the Infantry.

In the course of these inspections a competitive spirit toward the winning of high honor each week has developed between several barracks. In the first two weeks the possessor of the Best Barracks plaque was 925. Barracks 918 and 919 were usually runners-up and by dint of great determination and extra effort 919 finally has captured the plaque.

The awards, top and bottom, are decided upon at Saturday's inspections, conducted by First Lt. R. M. Govaia, commanding Section D, Second Lt. Gordon, Adjutant, and S/Sgt. F. G. Harmon, Barracks NCO.

Designer and builder of the plaques was Sgt. Carl Ellmauer, and for his efforts and off duty time which he contributed, both the C. O. and Adjutant extend their appreciation.

The \$64 question is: "Who's Stinko?"

Idaho Stores Start Cigarette Ration Plan

Twin Falls, Idaho (ALNS)—Local merchants have figured out their own cigarette rationing system. In order to buy a pack, you must present an empty package.

Combat Scene

France (CNS)—A major and a captain stood on the battlefield with their backs to the enemy, talking about something. T/Sgt. Horace H. Drew, Millins, S. C., saw a German drawing a bead on them. Drew killed the German. The officers went on talking.

the ghost *In the Garret*

By Tong

M/Sgt. Rufus Porter, afraid to trust himself New Year's Eve, dragged out an old GI cot and spent the night sleeping alongside the CQ in Base Headquarters. He knew well enough that doom would be awaiting him elsewhere in the shape of a fifth of bourbon.

Pvt. Lester Beard, that boy who hails from the section of Missouri where people have web feet, can really tell a story about a little brunette whom he met on the train while he was returning from a recent furlough. Seems the gal spoon-fed Lester a line that should last him for the duration.

Cpl. Jack Rudolph, Publications' publisher, had better take it easy with a certain sweet little number in Russell. The woman's oldest son might get wise and Rudolph would have a hard time handling him.

Greetings to S/Sgt. Joe Mladinov, who just returned from a Christmas furlough in New York. Joe's quick wit and ever present smile have been missed around headquarters.

A five dollar bill would have been a small price to have heard M/Sgt. Walter Cox paint the air a brilliant blue New Year's Eve in Barracks 937. Seems as if Cox came over from the NCO club only to fall over a couple of barracks bags that Cpl. Bub Scott had placed behind his bunk. The only thing that stopped Cox from rolling was friction.

"Danchig's Waffle Grill" sure turns out delicious soup. They get a sack of onions straight from the Quartermaster and dump the whole affair into a pot of steaming left-overs. According to inside dope the fuzz from the burlap takes the place of pepper.

Pvt. Milton Eddy says the older you get the more you enjoy life. That's right, Eddy, these younger fellows are always in too big a hurry—if you get what we mean.

Until next week, I'll say Sooooo Long.

Contest Winners Are Announced

Winners of cigarettes in the quiz contest which closed Dec. 29 are PFC Ruth S. Levin, Sgt. E. E. LaCharity and T/Sgt. George E. Shepherd. Each may collect the price of one carton of cigarettes by calling at the Special Service Office.

The winning contributions will be used on the weekly orientation program at the earliest opportunity.

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Message from General Arnold

Major General R. B. Williams,
Commanding General, Second Air Force,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear General Williams:

If there is any quality characteristic of the American people, that quality is teamwork. It has been no less characteristic of the great successes of the AAF everywhere during the last year, and I feel that it is due directly to the valuable experience gained by our crews and units from the time they spend with the continental Air Forces. The finest of individual training, which they receive from the Training command, would be useless without the ability to use it in proper relation to the other man's job in order to produce a perfectly coordinated group effort; the results obtained by our forces in combat are self evident proof of how well they have learned this lesson.

This is particularly true with respect to the B-29s now operating so successfully against Japan. This airplane, the most complex of any yet in operations, has required the highest degree of cooperative skill, both in the air and on the ground, and from all reports, the training of the Second Air Force has well enabled the personnel of the Twentieth to meet this requirement. You and your command are certainly entitled to a feeling of pride in your share of the bombing of Tokyo.

The large number of men who have returned home during the last twelve months with operational experience will have much to offer in the training of new crews. I am sure that the men who work with them in the year to come will profit greatly from the knowledge of these veterans, and that under your guidance we will achieve a new standard in the preparation of units for battle.

For this new year, I extend to you and every member of your command my cordial good wishes.

Sincerely,
H. H. ARNOLD,
Commanding General,
Army Air Forces.

The Wolf

by Sansone

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The retailer was filling out a questionnaire. Coming to the question, "What is your fastest moving item?" he wrote without hesitation, "Personnel."

"The soldiers sure run after my kisses, Mable."
"Yeah, Mazie—but after mine they limp."

"Here's a letter from your wife. She says that you are the father of a seven-pound boy."
"Didn't she say anything else?"
"That's all, except at the end of the letter she did say, 'Truly yours.'"

The moon was yellow, the lane was bright
As she turned to me in the Autumn night
And every glance gave a hint
That she craved romance,
I stammered, stuttered, and time went by
The moon was yellow, and so was I!

Usually you can tell by looking at a girl what kind of a past she is going to have.

The papa bee is called a drone
He meets his sweetheart all alone
And courts her in the upper hive,
But she alone comes back alive!

A couple of feudists, meeting in the feud district, one asked the other:

First Feudist—Look here, Bill, what did you-all shoot at we-uns for? I ain't got no quarrel with you-all.

Second Feudist—You-all had a feud with Ben Bottomley, didn't you?

First Feudist — Yes, but Ben's dead.

Second Feudist — Well, I'm his executor.

Man—I understand your wife came from a fine old family.

Friend—"Came" is hardly the word—she brought it with her.

Wife—In places of trust, women are said to be more honest than men.

Husband—Why?
Wife—Oh, they have no women to steal for.

I pitched the dice into the air
They fell to earth, I know not where.
A moment later to my surprise,
I stood and stared at two snake eyes.

The Way *By* I See It *Sgt David Crantz*

Walker is no longer considered a temporary base. Although the buildings and general wood construction might make one think so, New Year's Eve proved the field to be pretty well stoned.

We wish to thank "Up Your Rads" for the lovely mention of last week. And what's more, we took the advice of Cpl. Mayer's unsuitable innuendo and comment thusly: "Ptui—very good columnist."

We met a girl in town who has just outgrown her adolescence. Adolescence—that's when a girl's voice changes from "No" to "Yes."

The fellows in the Base Hospital really get very good care. In fact, they have some new streamlined remedies—but it's against regulations to date them.

New Year's Resolutions have been going on for years. It was many many years ago when Adam turned to Eve and said "Let's turn over a new leaf."

Soon destined to be first on the Hit Parade is the new song, "She Was Only a Shoemakers Daughter, But Gave the Boys Her Awl."

These war time marriages don't always work out well for friends of the lucky couple. We heard of a bridegroom who gave his friend a black eye for kissing the bride after the ceremony. Of course—it was two years after the ceremony.

Proverb of the Weak: "One swallow doesn't make a summer, but it breaks a New Year's Resolution."

The Base theatre seems to be alternately hot and cold. We aren't saying the heating system is queer, but after two hours there even our goose-pimples had prickly-heat.

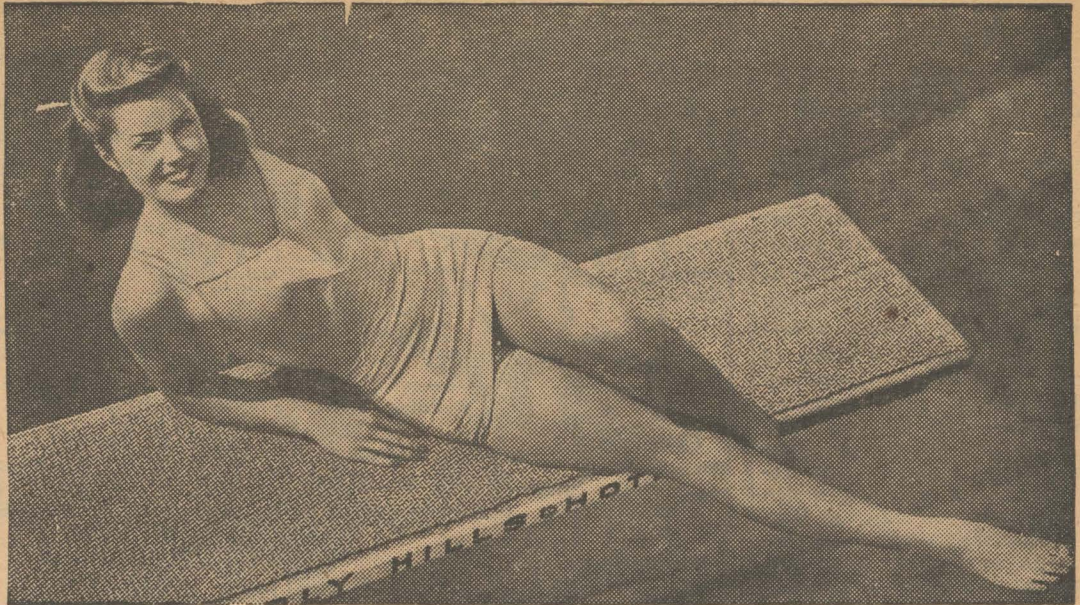
Just a slight reminder to the cautious—Only 359 days until Christmas for those who do their shopping at the P.X.

Nazis Have New Way Of Arranging Books

Brussels (CNS) — When the Nazis occupied Brussels, they instituted the "New Order" in all the libraries. Deciding the regular custom of arranging books according to subject was wrong, they arranged them according to size, "to give the place neatness and order."

Wrong Size

St. Petersburg, Fla. (CNS)—Three days after someone had swiped Charley Granderson's extra suit, Granderson moved to a new apartment. Hanging in the closet he found his suit, left there by the vacating tenant.



HIGH AND HANDSOME Esther Williams steers clear of sea lions and water wolves while resting up after her big job in the current M-G-M technicolor musical "Thrill of a Romance." Next she's in "Ziegfeld Follies."

Library On the Book Beam

In his new book ARRIVAL and DEPARTURE, Arthur Koestler is again the rhetorical artist but throws logic to the winds.

We realize that our political beliefs are primarily created by the forces of our early environment. However, with the aid of maturity and attempts at objective analysis, we are able to form opinions that contain meat and truth and are colored minutely by subjective analysis. I know that this logical maturity can almost be considered an ideal state; but I cannot agree with Koestler who attributes childhood repressions and other abnormal reaction as the cause of political militancy or non-militancy, whatever be the taint of the belief.

Koestler attempts to cure the humanitarian of this "pseudo-logical" approach to ideals by putting these people into an hysterical state, cleansing the mind of repressions with the aid of psycho-analysis, and making the patient realize that he should only be able to distinguish right from wrong. The author gives this treatment to his main character, Peter Slavek, but I am inclined to reason that Koestler prescribes the cure for the political-minded portion of our society. I disagree.

Society itself began with two basic abstract factors, right and wrong; but as society developed, it became apparent that each individual used himself as a reference point to determine the former from the later. The philosopher reasoned that logic, the consideration of relevant facts in order to determine truth, was an honest path for arriving at an abstract or materialistic decision. (I add that there was still a certain amount of subjectivity—we cannot escape that—but there was less than in previous eras.)

Some people consider Hegel's dialectical method, i.e. the consid-

eration of facts in relation to an everchanging society and physical universe, as the highest form of logic to date. Some do not. This is a matter influenced by opinion and objectivity again becomes an arduous task. I sum up my contradiction with this statement. There can be objective analysis if one will exercise the cerebrum. Koestler is seeking to use the nearest exit.

There are far too many factors to be considered. The history of philosophy and psycho-analysis cannot be covered in a column of the Walker Talker. (Please do not provide me with enough space. Thank you!) I throw myself to the lions. Chew! I await hedonistically my entrance to your digestive tract.

For those who see Freud as a sex-fiend, here is another side brilliantly set forth. I add hastily that Koestler is a master of characterization and reality, when he plays with reality.

It is indeed worth your while to read and digest this short, excellent novel. I cannot emphasize strongly enough the necessity of digestion, which includes the addition of your neutralizing and contradictory thought fluids to those of Koestler. This, I feel will aid you to arrive at a point of synthesis when you read ARRIVAL and DEPARTURE.

S/Sgt. Aaron Heller

Army's Number 1 Unhappy Furlough

Ft. Lewis, Wash. (CNS) — Here's what happened to PFC Sol Katz, of the Bronx, on a recent furlough home: (1) Jewelers told him a watch he had left for repairs had been lost; (2) He sent his uniforms to the tailors and the building burned down; (3) He lost one of his medals on the train back to camp and his garrison cap was stolen; (4) He arrived back in camp a day early.

Custer Villa Holds Election; Becomes City

Custer Villa at Walker Army Air Field has become a full-fledged municipality.

At the first "town hall" meeting of the base village, city officers were elected. They are, mayor, PFC Irving E. Schiesel; treasurer, Raymond Hale; secretary, Mrs. Sybil Barnes; members of the council: Sgt. M. Wahl, Captain Greene, "Jimmie" Barnes and Mrs. C. Robertson.

The ticket elected is pledged to see to it that more recreational facilities are provided, to see what can be done to provide medical attention and to find means of increasing shopping facilities.

A resolution also was passed endorsing a plan to provide a village newspaper.

"We shall seek, in every way we can, to promote interest in village activities and to aid in the general welfare of our community," Mayor Schiesel said.

YANKWIZ

By
BOB HAWK
Quizmaster

"THANKS
TO THE YANKS"

Mondays, CBS



1. Ad lib is an abbreviation for what?
2. Whose property are your ration books?
3. What is the plural of the word handfull?
4. When typing does the carriage of the typewriter move from right to left or left to right?
5. Is the origin of most of the names of the states of this country French, Indian, or English?

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War At a Glance

Predictions that Von Rundstedt's winter counteroffensive probably could not be stopped before New Year proved too pessimistic. Divisions from the American First Army checked and then brought to a halt German spearheads at the center and north of the salient. Patton successfully moved armored and infantry divisions west from the Saar sector. Led by the Fourth Armored division, Third Army troops relieved the heroic garrison which had held out seven days at Bastogne and pushed north until forward units were eight miles into the base of the German bulge.

By the end of the week Von Rundstedt was throwing heavy blows against this Third Army wedge, but on the north side of the enemy bulge Hodges' First Army was regaining some of the ground lost in December.

Meanwhile to the southeast in France new attacks which could yet prove part of Von Rundstedt's big offensive, cost the Americans two footholds on German soil in the Saarland, leaving only the bridgehead at Saarlautern. The Germans dented Patch's Seventh Army line on a five-mile stretch southeast of Bitche in gains of up to five miles.

ATTACK IN HUNGARY

A counterattack by a strong German tank and infantry force 45 miles northwest of Budapest which was aimed at relieving the Nazi garrison in the besieged Hungarian capital featured the week's developments on the Russian front. The offensive forced the Russians to give ground and more may have to be yielded before the attack is contained. However, on Thursday Moscow reported that the German attempts were being repulsed and that 277 more blocks in Budapest had been taken inside the capital to give them a total of 1,300.

IN THE PACIFIC

Adm. Nimitz was pleased with the progress of the campaign in the Far East. Following his meeting with Adm. Sir Bruce Frazer it was announced that Frazer had gone to Australia where a large British fleet is being assembled for duty in the Pacific.

The Japs fear American landings on Luzon, site of Manila in the Philippines. AAF fliers from Mindoro report large movements of ammunition trains in the Batangas region of southwestern Luzon 25 miles northeast of Mindoro where MacArthur this week announced two new additional American landings. Nip concentrations in Batangas could be warning of an attempt by them to retake Mindoro, of course.

American troops went on mopping up remaining Japanese in west Leyte where the enemy casualties mounted to more than 119,000.

Hellcats, Helldivers and Avengers from aircraft carriers assaulted



The squeeze on the German salient has brought the American First Army, attacking south of Grandmenil, and the Third Army, battling north from Bastogne, to within less than 14 miles of each other. Black areas, already outdated by events, show approximate territory regained from the Germans since their counter offensive reached its peak.

Formosa, staging-base for Jap troops moving south. Okinawa in the Ryukus between Formosa and Japan was also hit by carrier planes. Fifth Airforce planes from the Philippines ranged far enough north to attack shipping off Formosa and made the short hop in force to really blast Clark field on Luzon. Another strike in force was made by Saipan based B-29s against southern Honshu, with Nagoya the primary target.

IN CHINA

The war progressed more favorably on the Asiatic continent. Chinese troops climaxed the Salween offensive by recapturing Wanting. The fall of this border town put the entire Chinese section of the Burma road in their hands.

There were signs that the Japanese might be withdrawing entirely from Burma as Mountbatton's British jungle troops pushed forward rapidly toward Mandalay.

GREECE AND TURKEY

Gen. Nicholas Plastiras became Greek premier and formed a new government at the request of Archbishop Damashinos who the first of the week had been appointed regent by King George II in London. Permitting one appointee to hold several portfolios, such as justice, health and social welfare, Premier Plastiras left room for the inclusion of ELAS representatives as soon as civil strife could be stopped.

"As a contribution to the Allied cause" Turkey is severing relations with Japan. This action should leave the Axis without a reliable espionage system in the Middle East since Turkey-German

diplomatic relations ceased in August.

AT HOME

President Roosevelt's "State of the Union" message is to be delivered today to the 79th Congress which convened Wednesday. The President is expected to outline a definite foreign program since Congress has been showing signs of demanding such information. Also anticipated in the message was comment on War Mobilizer Byrnes' suggestion that Selective Service take steps for immediate induction into the Armed Forces of men 18 thru 25 who now have agricultural deferments.

Personal Affairs

INFORMATION FOR NEXT OF KIN AND BENEFICIARIES OF DECEASED MILITARY PERSONNEL

REMAINS: The remains of our personnel who lose their lives while serving outside the continental limits of the United States cannot be returned to this country until after the cessation of hostilities. However, if the remains are recovered they are interred locally with the utmost respect and reverence. Whenever possible, provisions are made for a funeral service with the full military honors and in accordance with the custom or ritual of the Church of the deceased. The graves are properly marked and recorded to preserve their identity and everything is done by the military authorities to care for these graves until such time as the remains may be returned to the United States. As soon as military se-

curity will permit, the Quartermaster General, who has jurisdiction over such matters, will furnish the grave locations of these honored heroes to the next of kin in each case; and upon termination of the war will communicate with the families concerned relative to the return of the remains to this country. Despite the most painstaking efforts to recover and identify remains, some may never be located, particularly those of personnel reported missing in action and subsequently determined by the War Department to be deceased.

PERSONAL EFFECTS: When recoverable, these will be sent to the next of kin as soon as practicable, by the Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City, Mo., and any inquiries concerning this subject should be addressed to that office.

ARREARS OF PAY: The unpaid balance of pay and allowances, due an individual at date of death, are paid by the General Accounting Office, upon advice from Final Pay Settlements Branch, Casualty Pay and Allotment Accounts Division, Office of Special Settlement Accounts, 27 Pine Street, New York 5, New York, to the person legally entitled thereto.

INSURANCE AND PENSION: Inquiries relative to insurance, pensions, and compensation should be addressed to the Veterans Administration, Washington 25, D. C. Upon official notification of death from the War Department, The Veterans Administration sends to the beneficiary the necessary application for insurance and other benefits.

Bus Schedule

Leave Hays	Leave Base
0545	0630
0700	0745
0830	0915
1030	1115
1145	1230
1315	1400
1530	1615
1630	1715
1645	1730
1715	1800
1830	1915
2000	2045
2200	2245
2330	0015
0100	0145

Leave Russell	Arrive and Leave Base
0545	0630
0715	0800
0945	1030
1115	1200
1315	1400
1430	1515
1625	1710
1700	1745
1830	1915
1930	2015
2145	2230
2315	2400
0030	0115
0200	Sat. night only.

WAAF to highway, five cents; WAAF to Victoria, 10 cents; WAAF to Walker, 10 cents; WAAF to Gorham, 15 cents; WAAF to Hays or Russell, 25 cents, commuters tickets \$5.25 for 30 rides.

24-hour C & H cab service from Hays to Base: \$3 for one to three persons, \$1 for each additional person.

WAC Basketeers in Debut at Hays Tonight

Twin Card Pits Walker Against Tinker Field Fives

Tinker Field basketeers will invade the Walker bailiwick tonight (Saturday, Jan. 6) with two combinations—the strong Tinker Field quintet which will play the Walker Bombers, and the Tinker WAC team which will clash with the Walker WACs, the Bomberettes.

The main game is scheduled at 8:15 in Sheridan Coliseum; the featured preliminary of WAC vs. WAC will begin at 7.

It will be the premiere of the Walker WAC team on the court. Captain Henn, Commanding the detachment, would not predict the outcome but asserted that the Oklahoma City outfit will know that it has been in a battle before the game is over.

"Our WACs can scrap," she declared.

The Tinker-Bomber clash should be a close one. While Tinker Field's record to date is only fair it should be noted that its outstanding games have been lost by close margins. For example, it lost a one point decision to Clinton Naval, 37-36, and a similar one to Navy Zoomers, 44-43.

The Bombers themselves dropped a doubleheader this week to Brigham Young university, at Hays Tuesday night, 48 to 45, and at Russell Wednesday night, 59 to 47.

In both games the deciding factor appeared to be the staying power of the Cougars, who were behind at half time in the first game. In the second contest the score was 26 all at the half but in the final period Brigham Young drew steadily away. Player-Coach Bill Kelly was injured late in the game. Jack Deans, forward, led the WAAF scoring with 15 points.

The Bombers started a new combination of Raffensperger and Katz at forward, Mauss at center and Kelly and Engstrom, guards.

Box score of first game:

Bombers	Pos.	fg	pf	tp
Kruger, f		6	1	13
Mauss, c		1	0	2
Dean, f		5	4	14
Morales, f		0	0	0
Kelly, c		3	2	8
Katz, g		1	0	2
Rollstin, g		1	1	3
Engstrom, g		1	1	3
Totals		18	9	45

Brigham Young	fg	pf	tp
B. Bailey, f	3	3	9
Sano, f	2	0	4
M. Bailey, f	8	2	18
Thompson, f	1	0	2
Jensen, c	0	0	0
Greenhalgh, c	3	1	7
Hughes, g	0	0	0
Welling, g	2	1	5
Kimball, g	0	3	3
Olsen, g	0	0	0
Total	19	10	48

Bombers Win 13th
Playing the Bomb Group Eagles,

Sports



WALKER FIELD BOMBERS—No. 21, Thompson; 13, Rollstin; 11, Looman; 18, Engstrom; 17, Deans; 14, Raffensperger; 10, Morales; 20, Kruger; 16, Kelly; 19, Mauss; 12, Burton; and 15, Katz.

a club that boasted nine victories out of ten contests, the Bombers had their hands full for the first half till the Eagles tired. The Eagle attack was built around speedy S/Sgt. Finch and the two giant follow-up men, Mattox and Rixey. Rixey used his towering height to advantage and scored 18 points which kept the Eagles in the game early in the evening. It was played at Russell.

For the Bombers Rollstin and Engstrom played fine defensive ball while Kelly, Kruger and Dean got 19, 12, and 7 respectively. During the later stages of the game the only starting player was Rollstin and the fresh team held their own, letting the Eagles catch up by only a single point. At one time they froze the ball successively over a two-minute interval when minutes were the most precious thing (next to points).

The officiating of Major Kinard and Cpl. Glendell was first rate and the Bomb Group had reason to be proud of its team which was good.

Bombers	Pos.	fg	pf	tp
Kruger, f		4	4	12
Morales, f		1	0	2
Burton		0	2	2
Dean, f		3	1	7
Kelly, c		9	1	19
Mauss, c		2	1	5
Katz, g		1	1	3
Engstrom, g		1	0	2
Rollstin, g		0	1	1
Thompson, g		0	0	0

Raffensperger, f	0	0	0
Total	21	11	53

'30th Eagles	Pos.	fg	pf	tp
Finch, f		2	3	7
Rixey, f		8	2	18
Mattox, c		2	1	5
Terrill, g		1	0	2
Daddazio, g		0	1	1
Kane, g		2	1	5
Total		15	8	38

On the Road

Jan. 10 the Bombers will go to Great Bend to play the G. B. A. A. F. . G. B. has only one league loss to date and that was to the Bombers. Saturday, Jan. 13th the Liberal AAF team will play a Western Kansas League game here at Fort Hays college. Liberal always has good teams and won the W. K. baseball league title.

WACs Are Warned, Beware of Obesity

Washington, D. C. (ALNS) — WACs are going to get fat if they keep on eating the same way they did during basic training, when they get on easier jobs. That's the way the War Department feels about it, so has authorized the commanding officers of WAC organizations to set up low-calory diets to be followed by the girls who would avoid obesity.

Basketball News

The Post Basketball league is nearing the opening date with twelve teams seemingly interested. The teams and their managers are:

Gunnery School, T/Sgt. Provost; Base Officers, Capt. Hummert; C. N. T., Cpl. Scher; Medics, Lt. Geo. Smith; '58th Air Crew, PFC Sam Carter; Air Inspectors; Section E, 1st Sgt. Hettrick; Section A, Major Corlew; Service Group Officers, Service Group Hqs., '87th Engineers and '81st Materiel Sgt. Cupp plans to start the league Monday, Jan. 8 and next week the Walker Talker will carry the season's schedule. It will be in two legs with a playoff at the end.

Gunners 58, Gorham 28

The WAAF Gunners made it six in a row as they rolled over Gorham, 58 to 28 at Russell. Altho in far from top form the Gunners had little trouble. Forwards Arp and Davis poured in 32 points between them, more than enough to win. Schaible was the standout for Gorham.

The box score:

Gorham	Pos.	fg	pf	tp
Campbell, f		0	0	0
Schaible, f		8	2	18
Dolezal, c		4	0	8
Nunn, g		0	0	0
Warren, g		0	0	0
Gaskel, f		1	0	2
Cackey, g		0	0	0
Total		13	2	28

Gunners	Pos.	fg	pf	tp
Stewart, f		6	0	12
Romett, f		2	0	4
Arp, f		8	0	16
Bova, f		0	0	0
Davis, f		8	0	16
Frey, c		1	0	2
Youmans, c		1	0	2
Paulson, g		0	0	0
Cogniat, g		2	0	4
Gendell, g		0	0	0
Benz, g		1	0	2
Totals		29	0	58

Gorham	6	8	24	28
Gunners	16	28	38	58

American League Ump Discharged a Sergeant

Chicago, Ill. (ALNS Sports)— Art Passarella, who was drafted into the Army just prior to the opening of the baseball season in 1940, can take back his former job as an umpire for the American League next season, for he has now been discharged at Camp Grant, Ill., and will return to his home in Arkansas for the winter. He held the rating of sergeant.

She:—"What do you mean abusing my dog? He doesn't even bite."

He:—"Yes, lady, but he raised his leg and I thought he was going to kick me."

Warmin' the Bench

By Sgt. Frank DeBlois
Camp Newspaper Service

Jumpin Joe Savoldi, the dish-nosed wrestler, was a great full-back on Knute Rockne's last team at Notre Dame, but he never was the most brilliant thinker in the game. Consequently when Joe's signal was called, Quarterback Frank Caredeo would just hand him the ball and let him rattle through the line with it. When someone else carried, Joe was often a liability.

Once Caredeo called for a particularly intricate play in the huddle. "What do I do on this one?" asked the puzzled Savoldi. "Nothing," said Frank. "Just keep out of my way."

Blue Plate Special

Two-ton Tony Galento, the cheerful little beerful from East Orange, N. J., has started another comeback in the ring. He recently flattened someone called Jack Suzek in the 3rd round of a late bout on a smoker card in Wichita, Kan. Two-ton's last comeback came to a disagreeable end two years ago when an East Orange cop beat a tattoo on his head with a nightstick during a brawl in front of the Galento suds shop on Day street, East Orange. . . . "Fat Ernie" Roeber, 82, who wrestled in the '90s, died recently in his home in New York. His chief claim to fame was that he threw the Terrible Turk in the only wrestling match ever held at the Metropolitan Opera House . . . Eighty per cent of the "Death Dealers," a squadron of pilots of the 2nd Marine Air Wing based in the Pacific, were active in 14 different types of sports before they went to war, according to a dispatch from Sgt. Bill Goodrich, a Marine combat correspondent. Fifteen of the men were football and basketball players in both high school and college . . . Don Whitmire, Navy tackle, and Les Horvath, Ohio State back and Heisman Trophy winner, were unanimous choices on 12 All-American football teams. Players named to this All-American "consensus" team are Phil Tinsley, Georgia Tech, and Jack Dugger, Ohio State, ends; Whitmire and John Ferraro, USC, tackles; Ben Chase, Navy, and Joe Stanowicz, Army, guards; Jack Travener, Indiana, center; and Horvath, Bob Jenkins, Navy, and Glenn Davis and Jock Blanchard, Army backs.

In pro football, top individual honors of the year were won by Don Hutson, aging antelope of the Green Bay Packers; Bill Paschal, of the New York Giants, the Flat Foot Frankie Sinkwich, of Detroit. Hutson won the pass-snatching and scoring championship, as usual. Paschal took the ground-gaining title for the 2nd straight year, and Sinkwich, best all around player of the year, was 2nd in scoring, 3rd in ground-gaining, 4th in passing and 4th in kicking . . . L/Cdr Benny Leonard, ex-lightweight champ, was voted the man "whose conduct has reflected greatest credit on the sport" by the New York Boxing Writers recently. Leonard,



now overseas, will receive a plaque when he returns . . . Sgt. Johnny Sturm, ex-Yankee first baseman, is star of the soccer team at the AAF Replacement Depot, Kearns, Utah. Last summer he batted .347 on the Kearns ball team after he lost the index finger of his right hand in an argument with a jeep . . . Lt. Ralph Metcalfe, ex-Olympic sprinter now stationed at the ASF Training Center, Camp Plauche, La., says the 9-second century is a long way off. Metcalfe's best time was 9.4.

Racing Gets A Breather

As of Jan. 3, 1945 racing was stopped perhaps for the duration. This all came about when War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes called on all race track operators to close down on January 3rd. Race tracks are now big business and I dare say the biggest, for during the past year it was a daily occurrence to see an aggregated betting total from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and on Saturdays when the record crowds came out, the figures went up to a handle of \$3,500,000 and upward. Such is wartime racing. It really went out of bounds while the country itself is involved in the toughest war yet.

This news came as quite a surprise to the big time operators. Santa Anita on the Pacific coast had just received the green light to prepare for its coming winter

season. Much money and redecorations had been spent in fixing the track and during the early days of the war, the same track served as a Jap prison camp. Therefore much preparation had to be made to get the track in the Sierra Madras back to its original beauty.

Also like Santa Anita, Tropical Park and Hialeah will have the misfortune of putting their winter season on the side lines. These two tracks tucked away deep in the palms of Miami attracted thousands of tourists from all parts of the country to gather in the fine sunshine during the winter months and at the same time bathe in the briny deep, and toy on the clean sands of the Miami shore.

Perhaps John Q. Public took advantage of this and kept using the gasoline that should go in more vital directions.

Could be too that many of the war workers left their daily jobs and frequented the tracks a little too often during the week when it is necessary to hit peak production and then again perhaps this abrupt halt for racing is just what the doctor ordered for the track operators and for the war effort as well.

It could be that the goose that laid the golden egg was being a little overtaxed and was dying war situation clears up and vic-a slow death. Could be when the tory is won, racing again will come back to its place as the biggest business of all.

B. J. O'Neill

Sports Gossip

By Bill Kelly

The Bomb Group Eagles have a good team and finished their season with nine victories out of eleven games with colleges and army teams. You have done a good job Lt. Reeves. The Bombers were plenty worried most of the evening. The group squad thinks Col. Reynolds has been a "Good Joe" with his splendid backing of the squad.

Many folks are wondering why Major Kinard sent Capt. Raffensperger to the showers too soon. The truth is that the ref heard Raf telling S/Sgt. Finch the address of the officer's bootlegger so he might get a pint of holiday cheer and called it a flagrant foul—letting out restricted military information.

With the change of military personnel on the field the Bombers may have some new faces in the lineup soon. If these new men have the much-needed height the Bombers will benefit. New men who would as soon play basketball as eat and will practice two hours daily should drop around to the gym. The Bombers may be able to use you.

On the south end of the recreation building the erection of a much-needed locker room has been started. If we can get some of the wooden lockers similar to those at Colorado College and Peterson Field conditions will be greatly improved. At other fields the men bring their own padlocks and can lock up their clothing and valuables in clean, safe lockers.

On the east side of the recreation building will be an extension that will allow space for ping-pong, punching bags, wrestling and weight-lifting. It will also give seating space that will let the Bombers play a few basketball games here for the benefit of the GIs if the addition is completed in time.

The Service Group expects to put four teams into the Post League. Major Corlew is putting in plenty of time trying to get a good team together to represent Sec A in the post basketball league. They don't look too rough but could stand some height. First Sgt. Hettrick is seriously thinking of putting in a team for Section E. How about D?

Kruger, Deans, Thompson, Looman and Rollstin expect the Brigham Young games to be their last with the Bombers. These five have been a major factor in the Bombers success and Walkerites extend their thanks and appreciation.

T/Sgt. Provost is mighty proud of his Gunners, who have won their last six contests and are one of the best teams entered in the base league. The successful coach is a colorful figure as he struts around the base sticking out his chest, or something. The Gunners new basketball suits are extremely attractive.

Post basketball league action soon!

Service Group Ramblin' Around . . .

By Petard

We come not to praise Williams, but to mourn his memory. Unfortunately that we shall never know again the easily avoided peril of his rapier or petard. And so . . . to his soul and earthly remains . . . *Requiescat in pace.*

Yet the memory of midnight, December 31, and its accompanying moment 1 January 1945 lingers with us in many and varied manners.

There's the story of M/Sgt. George Stallings of the lascivious lip and eyes of bleared shrewdness entering the line of zebras celebrating the season at the WAAF NCO club by pinning the squeeze on some lovely dolly of military bearing during the evening. The fact that the doll was courting the squeezes is news enough, but the usual luck of Stallings prevailed. His turn was next, but the jill took one gander at his leering pan and screamed the now immortal . . . "That's All, Brother!"

Seems that 4-B Saccheri, from last week's column has added another "b" to his repertoire. Siciliano, usually bounding about the dance floor quite like a frightened Yak encountered a jive-jane at one of the recent post dances who was a definite threat to his health. Flying legs and arms were vaguely seen as the two joined in the dervish dance. The piece ended, Saccheri staggered off the floor muttering . . . "Dat Elaine Duddy . . . She's terrific . . . She's knocking me offen my pins . . . She sends me . . ." and fainted.

Neatest trick of the recent Xmas season was seen in the gift received by Willie J. Wilson, Materiel Squadron chef. Seems the good Willie J., married a score or more years ago never sported the conventional wedding band on the third finger left . . . The situation had formerly created a great furore among the local lasses wherever the unadorned chef found himself. But no more! His good spouse sent him the circlet-important. And according to usually reliable sources, engraving read on the outside, "Hands off, sister, he's mine!"

In the It's-a-good-deal-if-you-can-work-it department, T/Sgt. Orth, Materiel Squadron supply bigwig, seems to hold the laurels. He lopes in the orderly room looking for the jeep transportation. "Where's the wagon?" he bellows. "I'm waiting for it," is the meek rejoinder from Lieut. Sol Mayer, sitting soulfully in the corner. "What's that!", snarls rock-jaw Orth. And with the wail "He's pulling his rank on me . . ." the opponents appeal for justice to arbiter Capt. Riley Hayes. It's still the neatest trick if you can manage it.

POXES AND PLAUDITS

An unthinking and illogical pox on the shots currently we receive to save us from more dangerous

These Men Get "Super" Rank



Marshall



Arnold



MacArthur



Eisenhower



King



Nimitz



Leahy

The Army now has 4 "super" generals and the Navy has 3 "super" admirals as the result of recent Congressional action authorizing the new ranks. Approved unanimously by the Senate for promotion to the rank of generals of the Army were: Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff; Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Commander in the Southwest Pacific; Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, and Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces. For the Navy the Senate approved nominations of Adm. William D. Leahy, President Roosevelt's personal Chief of Staff; Adm. Ernest J. King, Commander in Chief of the Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations, and Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet.

poxes and all . . . on the jerks who battle the orderly room on the premise, "He ain't no better than me," without bothering to understand the situation . . . on soot, soot, soot it's in our nose and lungs again, soot, soot, soot. . .

Plaudits to the basketball gees who trounced the officers of the Group 39-24 the other night and who played a whirlwind try at the medics Tuesday night . . . and to the guy who never says to us, "Kansas is the hellhole of the universe."



Come in and talk it over

New Recreation and Morale-Building Facilities Set Up for Saipan and Guam

By Turner Catledge

New York Times Correspondent

On Saipan, in the Marianas, Nov. 26—In further response to the need of our fighting men for morale building recreation and home contacts in the forward reaches of the Pacific, the American Red Cross has just completed plans for expanding its programs on the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Guam.

The Red Cross, through its field service men operating directly

with the troops, has been on these islands since soon after the invasion of each. Red Cross women hospital workers have been on Saipan, which is still under sporadic Japanese air attack, since September. Women workers have not yet been permitted on Guam, however, but under present plans they will be sent there as soon as living quarters are prepared for them and the nurses.

In addition to other activities that have been initiated, the Red Cross several months ago sent sizeable stores of clothing into these islands to be distributed by the military to civilians found back in the jungles and in caves during the process of occupation.

New Activities Planned

New Red Cross plans call for sending a corps of girl club workers into the three islands to conduct stationary and mobile canteens and to organize off-post recreation for soldiers, sailors and marines, whose number are increasing now by tens of thousands. These girls will bring into this Pacific area the equipment and programs that have proved so successful in France, Great Britain, North Africa, Italy, and the Middle East and the Persian Gulf Commands, as well as in the China-Burma-India theater and the Southwest Pacific. In addition, it will include a variety of activities especially attuned to the needs of this area, but all based primarily upon wholesome American entertainment.

This largely pioneer service of the Red Cross fits in with the more traditional functions through which the Red Cross field directors keep the troops in contact with home and the hospital workers look after the welfare and recreational needs of the wounded and sick.

observation post

by katz

This, the first edition of the "Walker-Talker" for 1945, sees a new column making its debut. Of course, when you get right down to bare facts, it really isn't new. Just the title is. The column used to be known as "Group Operations." It stunk. This column will probably do the same, but a new title may help to remove some of the prejudices formed against the last one. However, that remains to be seen.

Starting the New Year right means making resolutions. The OP, not wishing to be different, will do the same, and will submit them to you for your consideration and possible approval or disregard.

A. We will always use the side door to the PX, since the front door is usually sealed, and we hate to run in circles.

B. We will brush our teeth twice a year, whether they need it or not.

C. We will punch holes in the side of US Army Space Heater No. 1 to let some of the heat it creates inside itself escape and keep some of us warm.

D. We will hoard Carter's Little Liver Pills. Never can tell when they'll run out of them, and we'd hate to be caught short.

E. We will use our Restricted area badge to gain admittance to the WAC barracks.

F. We will try to get Albert Q. Furdledurdle to propose to his childhood sweetheart, Miss Elizabeth P. Fointhfunder. They have been engaged for the past 14 years, because they're not sure whether they like each other or not, and besides, they don't believe in hasty marriages.

G. We will take along both a bathing suit and a fur coat when going to the Base Theater. It is hard to predict what the temperature will be in there.

H. We will always wear shock absorbers when riding the bus to town.

We wish it understood that it is not compulsory for you to follow these few simple resolutions. They are printed only as a guide.

M/Sgt. H. J. Katz.

108½ Hour Week For Japs

Tokyo (CNS)—Japanese workers at a Tokyo war plant have organized special units to increase production. In emulation of the Japanese Army's suicide attack corps, Domei agency reported recently, the units will work from 0730 to 2300 for a period of seven days—a 108½ hour week.

St. Louis (CNS)—Six years ago Helmuth Setz rented a room in the Chase Hotel. He hasn't left it since. Interviewed recently he said he had stayed in his room continuously "to think and study and read." He never even answers the telephone and never calls the desk. The hotel, incidentally, thinks him an ideal guest.

Chaplain's Message

"A HAPPY NEW YEAR"! How many times we have heard those words this week! As long as we exist, we shall need a New Year's day and season. Man ever needs to start afresh. Past failures dull the desire for better living. Foolish, broken plans and aching regrets haunt our present with a grim prophecy of tomorrow. In every life there must come times when with Paul, "forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before" we "press toward the prize . . . in Christ Jesus."



* New Year's furnishes us with such an opportunity. The year is just begun. The slate is clean. It is wise then for each one of us to make a new and strong resolution—to forget, and press on.

Every careless habit in our Christian living can be corrected. We can discard that which has marred life, and find a new way opening to us. New routines of devotion can be established. We may become "new creatures", with our spirits renewed. We must "press on."

May God bless you and give you a happy and blessed New Year.

"Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land;
Ring in the life that is to be"

Thank God for His presence, with His help and grace in living the good life.

JOHN S. HOLCOMB
Base Chaplain

CHAPEL CORNER

JOHN S. HOLCOMB
Base Chaplain

RICHARD BOLLIG
Catholic Chaplain (Auxiliary)

PAUL G. SCHADE

Bomb Group Chaplain

ALLEN L. COOPER

Service Group Chaplain

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

(Class A uniform at all chapel services)

Catholic Services

Mass, Sunday morning0830

Mass, Sunday morning1130

Mass, Sunday evening1800

Protestant Services

Morning Worship, Sunday1000

Organ Recital1900

Vesper Services, Sunday1930

"Sip 'n Sing"2000

Bible Study, Wed. evening1930

Jewish Services

Friday evening1930

Boy Beats Girls for Oregon Cooking Title

Portland, Ore. (ALNS)—William Gavin, 16, competing against seven other finalists—all girls—won the title as 4-H Clubs' cooking champion of Oregon. He received a scholarship as prize.



Answers to
**BOB HAWK'S
YANKWIZ**

1. At pleasure. (ad libitum).
2. United States Government.
3. Handfuls. (meaning measure) (hands full—separate words meaning literally two hands full of—).
4. Right to left.
5. Indian.

Chicago Hotel Rooms Available

Assurance of increased hotel accommodations in Chicago for military personnel is contained in an announcement from the Sixth Service Command of an arrangement with the Greater Chicago Hotel Association which will assist transient personnel to make reservations for rooms.

The Hotel Association is setting aside in a different hotel daily a limited number of rooms for service personnel. Individuals desiring reservations should make application to the Hotel Reservation Bureau, Headquarters, Sixth Service Command, Civic Opera Building, Chicago, stating time and date of arrival and whether double or single room is desired. Telegraph messages must be prepaid. When time permits, confirmation by mail of the receipt of the request will be made by the Bureau unless requested by wire collect.

Army personnel arriving in Chicago who have submitted requests for reservation and which the Bureau has not confirmed will contact members of the Military Police at the railroad stations or telephone the Chicago Military Police Detachment (Chesapeake 4455) to ascertain status of request for reservation.

Major Jack Holt Is Returning to Screen

Camp Beale, Calif. (ALNS) — Major Jack Holt, screen actor, who spent the past two years in the Army, has received his honorable discharge here and will return to work in the movies.



"Well, if you'd just behave yourself, you, too, could get one of these Good Conduct medals."

KEYNOTES

Sgt. F. C. Michetti had his share of Xmas dinner. He had that LS/MFT look—so round, so firm, so fully packed. PFC Sothorn also had his fill; in fact he ate so much and so long that we thought he would be there eating next year for Xmas dinner. Sgt. Gedrocz and his "Jam" band supplied the music in a nice swing tempo.

Cpl. Levitt pulled out the other day on a furlough to visit his wife and parents in Crosswell, Mich.

PFC Powell surprised us the other day again with the statement that the word "Hemlock" was an attachment to a sewing machine.

Overheard at the Rec Hall dance:

G. I.: Can you play the Old Maid's theme song?

Sgt. Michetti: What's the name of it?

G. I.: I never had a chance.

We of the Band who are on Separate Ration want to welcome into the clan Pvt. Romano who has his wife here. They are residing in Russell.

PFC Roth has quit drinking alcohol. Someone told him if he didn't stop he would have hi-balls flowing through his veins.

The most talked about subject in the Band is: "Furlough".

PFC Gingrich said: If you think money doesn't talk, then just try to telephone without a nickel.

Cpl. Gordon thinks an optimist is a guy who'll leave his front door unlocked all night in hopes that his wife will walk out on him.

This conversation was heard at P.T. class:

Sgt. Fortier: Did you open the

windows wide?

PFC Roth: Yep, I sure did. I pushed the bottom to the top and pulled the top down to the bottom.

Congratulations are in order for Sgt. Gedrocz for getting a rocker to his three stripes and PFCs Clark, Gordon, and Hatfield as they are now in the non-com group.

Cpl. Johnnie F. Lee

WAIL FROM THE INFANTRY

From Sgt. Walter (Hep) Katz, of Camp Howze, Tex., for many months the Keynotes columnist, comes the following contribution, titled "Thoughts of an ex Air Corps man presently starring in the Infantry."

1. I wonder where we are going to stand in line next?

2. I couldn't warm up to this place if I were burned alive in it.

3. Even the chaplain goes over the hill from this place.

4. How will I use my electric razor on bivouac?

5. What'll I do? No friends in the orderly room, supply room and kitchen.

6. In the Air Corps all we saw were colonels. Now we bump into generals.

7. The composer who wrote "Army Air Corps" sure was in a fog. What about the last line, "Nothing can stop the Army Air Corps"?

8. I guess I'll write postcards. Everyone can see my beefing.

Poughkeepsit, N. Y. (CNS) — Scott McLean 33 technical director of the experimental theater at Vassar College here was arrested the other day while wearing feminine attire, including biege stockings and open-toed pumps. "It was just a gag," he explained.



Material for this week's "snoops of the week" seems a little scarce—so we'll just make it up as we go along—and you can sue us!

The Glad Sack of the first wing reports that DONNA SHELTON is carrying effects of the tobacco shortage to extremes—MUST you take up pipe smoking? Anyway it smells foul. A big welcome to Pvts. Semow, Nourse and Ostwald, all fresh out of Ogiethorpe and right on the ball at inspections. And speaking of inspections and stuff:—Dear Mrs. R. B., let's get on the ball ourselves to get those details done in the morning. With a pang, and also a ping! the first wingers watched the old year go—as well as—their five senses. Which only goes to show that it takes a great deal to dry up "DRY" Kansas. As for ANDREY LONG—she is entirely too quiet. The only thing we hear out of her is "OH! KANSAS!" Nuff said.

The second wing had a very happy (it says here) New Year, and the old year went out with a bang (and I do mean—). Cpl. Hart and Pvt. Watkins were on pass, but according to Spy No. 13 we understand they also enjoyed themselves no end. Congratulations are in order for Cpl. Hart and Cpl. Works, who recently made the promotion list. Likewise, our hearty welcome goes to Pvts. Malleck, Williamson, Griffith and Benitis who have joined our wing. We may be screwy—but you'll find it's more fun that way. Cpl. Mitchell, of the WAC Mess Hall, had her husband visiting her over the holidays. And to keep him away from the "pointed ears crowd" had him on KP during his stay here—and a mighty fine job he did. NOTED: A very efficient waitress at the NCO club over the holidays—our own Pvt. Miraski. PFC Carter is back on the beam after her pass to KC. Chuck, it seems, is still around. Interesting to note that Pvt. Benitis, one of our new members, was a WASP before she was a WAC—which sounds somehow significant.

The "snooper-duper" of the third wing has a New Year's resolution—to wit: To be as nosy—if not nosier, in 1945 as she in 1944, More power I sez. As her good deed for this week she focuses the spotlight on the second wing: Cpl. Kelly has the whole-hearted sympathy of her wing—for NOT welcoming in the New Year! What was the matter, Kelly, that you were in bed at 6:30 p.m.? (Kelly spent New Year's night drinking milk at the Service Club!) We appreciated (or did we) the visit of Capt. Henn—as she wished us all a Happy New Year. Could this have been her only motive—

or was it just a wee bit NOISY?—Which brings us to: Our New Year's Eve character sketch:—A petite blonde who works at Processing (but had Monday off!). After a hilarious New Year's Eve she was moaning "Oh my aching —!" She is the same gal who returned to the dayroom to tell her date goodnight again. IONA dead, didn't you know who tried to get you back to the barracks? And that, as if you didn't know, is thirty for this week!

The fourth wing reports: Pvt. Betty Dunn returned last week—and her first thought was for Sgt. Davis. I wonder if the interest will hold now that the Service Group is here in full force. (She and Chauncey ran a close race as mascot of the former group.) Spisler seems glad to learn that Baker was able to get through his final processing. We of the fourth wing offer him our congratulations. It's not that we want to leave—merely that we didn't want to see you left behind. Cpl. Anderson has been wearing dark glasses for DAYS. These freak injuries are certainly hard to explain. Spisler, for instance, still insists that she hit her chin on her bed during a bout of hiccups. Hmmm—could be! "Kitten" Abbott keeps asking people to teach her to dance, and it seems there ought to be at least ONE GI on the base who could teach her to dance, or else teach one of the gals in the barracks to sing—and the former would probably be easier, and much more fun.

And so—for another week we crawl back into our "snooper holes"—and sav **KEEP THE EAR TO THE WALL—AND A NOSE FOR THE NEWS.**

New Phone Poles

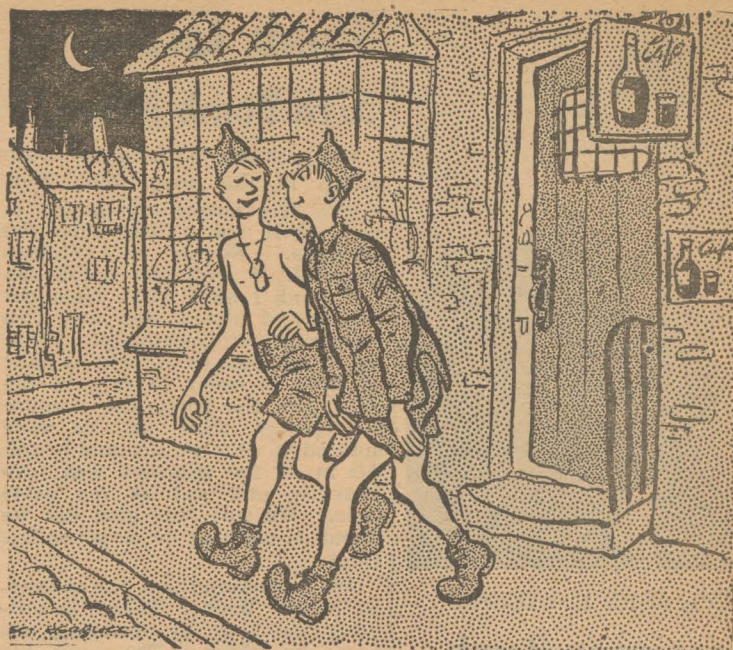
Peleliu (CNS) — Telephone linemen of the 2nd Marine Air Wing here are stringing their wire atop 3 poles, each braced in a different direction and resembling the framework of an Indian tepee. The ordinary types of improved telephone poles will not withstand Peleliu's strong winds and heavy rains.



YOUR weapon is your best friend. Don't neglect it and keep it with you at all times.



AVOID unnecessary risks and dangers. Cooperate with the other men by using common sense and teamwork.



"Darn nice place—of course I think some of their prices are a little out of line."

**Use That Mirror!
It's Greatest Safety
Driving Device**

Pick up a mirror—look into it—and you will see the **WORLD'S GREATEST SAFETY DRIVING DEVICE!**

Driving hazards have increased tremendously with the coming of winter conditions but you will not be injured or involved in auto accidents if you take care, exercise courtesy and above all—**USE COMMON SENSE.**

It is still dark these mornings when most of you drive to work and the bright headlight menace is something to watch. When passing another car remember your highway courtesy, drop your lights to low beam and avoid the glare that could easily result in a crash. Also check your headlights frequently to make sure both bulbs are alive. One-eyed cars have been responsible for many mishaps.

Snow and ice-covered highways present another accident hazard at this time of the year, but here too there is a remedy. By leaving your home early and driving slowly and carefully the danger of skidding and crashing is eliminated. The last-minute rush from town to the base over a slippery surface is the short cut to accident and injury. Ten or fifteen minutes devoted to an early start on a bad morning can save life and property.

Remember too that your car today is not in the top condition it was in two or three years ago. Repairs and frequent check-ups are often out of reach and the responsibility of safe and sane operation depends more than ever on the driver. Common sense and highway courtesy is the prime safety device.

Report a hazard, before it causes an accident, to Ground Safety Section, Ext. 269.



Q. Under Vocational Rehabilitation does the veteran have the right to select the course or training he wishes to take?

A. No, both the course and school will be selected by the Veterans Administration after discussion with the veteran concerning his preferences, qualifications and capabilities.

Q. What is the number of the Circular I keep hearing about which permits the discharge of men who are below the minimum standards for induction? I am below the minimum standards and have been unassigned for the past six months.

A. WD Circular No. 370 provides for the discharge of men who are below the present minimum standards for induction and for whom no suitable assignment exists. However, your CO must certify that there is no suitable assignment for you.

Q. I need to borrow about \$1000 to fix up my home when I get out of the army. I understand that the Veterans Administration will guarantee up to 50 per cent of that amount, or \$500. However, I also want to go into business for which I would like to borrow additional money. Since the Veterans Administration is authorized to guarantee up to \$200 on a loan, can I use the remaining \$1500 of government guarantee to go into business?

A. Yes. Under the GI Bill of Rights a loan for both purposes would be permitted by the Veterans Administration.

There's a wonderful girl... she has a nice profile, all the way down!



CPL. JOHN E. WIGGINS

Georgian in Bomb Group Photo Is King for a Day

A soldier whose military occupation was his hobby in civilian life is this week's King for a Day—Cpl. John E. Wiggins of the Bomb Group Photo Section.

Born in Augusta, Ga., 27 years ago, tall, pleasant Cpl. Wiggins went to school there and began his adult career as a reporter, then state news editor, for the Augusta Herald, where he spent three years.

Photography had been his hobby and he left the news game to manage the photography department of a large Augusta store. He was in this work when the Army called him two years ago and sent him, after basic, to Lowry Field photo school, thence to a 15-months tour of duty at Mountain Home, Idaho, and three months ago to Walker Field.

After the war Cpl. Wiggins intends to continue in some branch of photography, perhaps in combination with writing. He's tried his hand at short stories, and is still trying, but so far, he says, his luck has been rejection slips.

The King for a Day has been married for four years, to an Augusta girl, and she is with him now in Hays.

Classes in Crafts Offered to Wives

The Fort Hays Kansas State college is again offering to wives of military personnel a class in various phases of art such as lace making, block printing, textile stenciling and other art courses for which materials are available. The only cost is the materials you use. If you are interested come to the Industrial Arts building, room 210 on Tuesday or Thursday at 10 a.m. or call Hays 34-J.

Brown—He's a follower of the horses.

Blue—He doesn't dress the part.
Brown—Well, you can't expect him to wear a garbage disposal uniform all the time.

Bomb Group '57th Bomb News

Many brave '57th hearts were asleep in the deep when New Year's Eve revelers returned to slash their merry way thru the barracks. Shouts of "Shutup yourself, I ain't sho thunk ash you drink I am", came from the interior of the stoves and fire extinguishers respectively. Arriving at the Base at the precise hour of 2400 in order to ring in the New with the boys, also because our passes were up, we were amazed at what we saw and heard. All in all the situation was very hilarious and sad at the same time. We sure was glad dat we spend de night at de marshmellow roast.

We understand that one columnist in the Walker Talker is seriously thinking of changing his name to Hope. The only big drawback is that his nose points in the wrong direction, "the way we see it."

S/Sgt. Braidie of Engineering is back to the earth's surface after an extensive 13-day tour of inspection of coal mines in the McKees Rocks region of Pennsylvania. He reports that John L. and his boys are hard at work and happy.

We heard a good one about the old soldier, M/Sgt. Standifer of Armament. It seems that Carl was NCO in charge of a group of men at AAFTAC, in Orlando, Fla. One day, while marching his charges to class, a private wearing a sharp garrison cap walked by across the street. Carl promptly called his men to attention and threw a regular old army salute. The entire 50-man platoon really gave him the works.

S/Sgt. George Harris, combat crew member, claims that he has more girls on the string in Russell than Mary has lambs, and all reports confirm this to be true.

Anyone interested in a course in Psychology, Philosophy, or "What to do with 4-Fs after the War", see Cpl. Tito Barron, of the Orderly Room. That Pancho Villa is ready to open classes as your professor.

It seems that the next best thing to an Automatic Pilot in an automobile is Cpl. Joe McCown of Armament. Joe has the record for cars directed to nearby ditches.

T/Sgt. Peter C. Orsini of Engineering will hereafter be known

as Tubby. Pete has been experiencing difficulty in finding a scale to hold him in this vicinity. Have you tried the stockyards in Wichita, Pete?

That was quite a "soiree" held at the Base Unit Day Room (Service Club) on the night of December 26th. A Christmas party was given in honor of the Bomb Group. We had a wonderful time along with the rest of the boys who danced the legs off the girls, all three of them. The Base Unit had a Christmas party December 22 and they were served turkey. The Bomb Group got a special treat, salami and potato salad. (Editor's note: The cost of the Base Unit party was met from its own funds; the Bomb Group party expense was defrayed from Service Club funds.)

Apologies and beg pardons to M/Sgt. Katz. Sorry old boy, but we had been so engrossed with your column that we almost made the mountainous mistake of making your man Furdledurdle's brother-in-law, Durdleurdle a regular feature in this column. The head of our department in Washington is named Delbert Q. Mudleturdle, so you can see where we might have been on temporary D/S in that regard. That is until we checked our records and found that our boy Delbert is of no kin.

Delbert Q. Mudleturdle reports from his bureau that this week he received a letter from a woman who says "According to your instructions I gave birth to twins in the enclosed envelope." He tells us that he was scared out of his diplomatic pants last week when he received another letter from a woman in Toulon, Kansas, threatening him in the following manner: "I have already wrote the President and if I do not hear from you, I will write Uncle Sam and tell him about you both." What fate is in store for Mudleturdle? Will he lose his 4-F draft status? Or will he be on everyone's — list? Turn to this column next week and find out. But, in the meantime, be sure to eat your Strongies every morning for breakfast. Remember, Strongies spelled backwards spells Seignorts.

Since the reappearance of this column, we have been asked a couple of million times, just who would have the audacity to write such a thing? By now, everyone in the '57th knows, and that is as far as it goes, we hope. While we were at Processing one of the WACs asked if we knew who

writes this mess. Being stern followers of AR 380-5, we were adverse to divulging the truth, but if you will send in the box tops from two boxes of Strongies along with that blond WAC at Processing, we will let it eek out. Dottie, who was on DS in our Orderly Room guessed it was Sgt. Kerri-gan and Sgt. Murphy, but we are sure that she lost. Try again, Dottie.

Boston Blackie and
Minnesota Moe

News of the '58th

Having arrived only a few weeks ago, and consequently not knowing anyone on the field, or in the squadron, puts one in somewhat of a quandary as to how to be the voice of '58th, but the new year demands that it be started right, so here we are.

One of the officers suggested that I write my impressions upon arriving, but I hardly think that's necessary—I'm sure everyone has a pretty good idea of how I feel. Having come out of sunny Florida to a place only three degrees warmer than Murmansk isn't exactly conducive to keeping the old morale above the shoetops. In fact, if Lt. Martin hadn't caught me in a very introspective mood, the affirmative nod I gave to his request that I try a column would have been much slower in the nodding.

However, one big thing I've noticed, in the squadron in particular, is the lack of C. S. I never thought they'd run out of that! There, generally, can be a lack of almost any and everything else, but the old C.S. kept on a-piling. Naturally I'm flabbergasted, and somewhat the sceptic, but as day passes day, I'm becoming convinced. Pretty soon I'll be believing in furloughs!

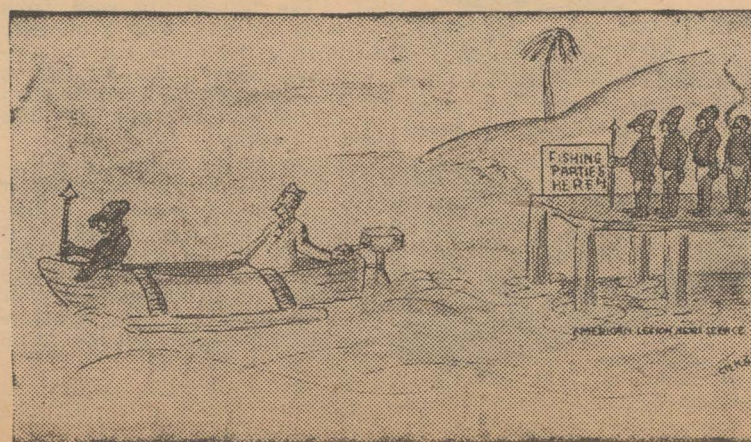
Another first impression is a compliment to the WACs. As a whole, they are the best looking, and most shapely I've come across.

Apropos of the mess hall, the great improvement shown in the past week is due to the efforts of Lt. Orlander and S/Sgt. Dillow. I've heard more "pretty goods" in this past week than ever before. "Pretty good" is the very acme of GI superlatives about chow, and is equal to 17 blurbs and 38 sighs after a meal by Charpentier or Rector. Well, it must be good as the officers are eating there more than frequently.

Christmas week saw an abundance of three-day passes. The "Kansas City Kids" all made a beeline for the station. Corporals Jessup, Milliron, Dempsey, Dea Bolin and Weiseck of the radar bunch all made tracks for various points "away", a glazed look in their eyes. Of course, coming back was a different matter—everyone, it seem, returned in various stages of locomotor ataxia. Notable among such returnees was "Snake Ranch" McLaughlin, and "Crooner" Schwartz, who crawled in from Kansas City, looking very wan, but satisfied.

Why is it that no one seems to spend a pass in Hays or Russell?

I was given to understand that Kansas was a dry state, but find that it is merely expensive. And how! However, as most everyone



was paid Sunday, the new year was greeted with the proper spirits. And heavy were the nostalgic yearns—"last year at this time"—"I remember"—"Once when I was a civilian."

And who was the WAC who was overheard at the Log Cabin saying in all seriousness, "Care for a drink—I've got a bottle in my bosom?"

Who was the girl Sgt. Katz was sporting at the NCO club the other night? If the "Great Lover" had seen that he'd have flapped his ears and gone into action like a B.A.B.!

Which reminds me of the guy who winked at the girl, and when she smiled, asked "How about it?" "Well," she answered, "I wasn't going to, but you've talked me into it."

No offense, Sarge, she was a bit of all right.

Most of the personalities and bits of news mentioned are due to the efforts of Corporal Cochran, who will conduct this column next week. How about giving him a hand and drop some scandal on the first sergeant's desk?

Lieut. Col. Turner is in an extra special smiling mood these days due to the new arrival at his menage.

Some of the boys who have been transferred from the organization as are the guys in the hospital are very unhappy about it all, who are a-feared they will be left when, as and if the bunch leaves. Major Orlov, who is a regular visitor to the hospital, assures me that, if at all possible, they won't be left behind. Personally, in my book, they're lucky guys!

As a last word, why was it that Cpl. Vita came back with such an introspective look in his eye—marriage?

And ----- the '59th

Whilst your writer was busily and happily tearing open Christmas packages in Ohio, several unsavory yap-heads inserted stiltoes in his rear. Last week's "Talker" was, indeed a snow-job! Thanks for the publicity, fellows.

As for peytard, or paytard, or petard. . . We are speaking the English language, this is the 20th century, and the definition, "fire-cracker", is most apropos. Fire-cracker. . . wet, fits like a glove.

Incidentally, what is wrong with your sex-appeal? This constant hoorah you let gush at the mention of the "Song" is certainly not without cause. Have you been so consistently thwarted you must take solace in lonely reading? Or is it your adolescence that drives you to such smut?

Not to the unknown female jerk who blats the first wing news for "Between Us Girls". . . Thicken your hide, dearie, you're in the Army.

Edward of Wales gave up a throne for his wife. . . went to Nassau.

Richardson of Kansas City gave up two stripes for his. . . didn't go anywhere.

6 P.M., Friday, Jan. 29th, there

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Daddy, Would They Bust a Marine for This?

by Milton Caniff,



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arrived the (then potential and contemplated) Mrs. Fliess. Said she, "I'm taking over." Friday, Dec. 5th, she did!

One day, Jonowsky (sp?) gave Fuller his girl's address, said, "Write her. . . she's nice." Fuller wrote. Came Christmas time, Jonowsky's girl sent Fuller five dollars. To boy-friend Jonowsky went a 35-cent box of jelly-beans. (Story submitted by Fuller) (Jonowsky says it a **!!/66L—uh, prevarication).

Stories from the party which have gained immortality;

Botti saw the flying beer bottle, ducked. Said container cold-cocked his girl-friend. Hollered Botti, "Give her some air". . . and left.

Dukash poured into the barracks hauled his coveralls over his ODS, fell out the door whooping, "Gotta go to work. . . gotta make corporal next month."

Raulerson, (who never touches the stuff) opening his throat like a man-hole. . . emptying a whole bottle without sucking in one breath. . . Then as he wiped off his chin, singing, "Gawd, thashtuffsgood".

And Small's stacked escort complaining to one and all that "Mo-likee" was too bashful.

Millard would very much like to know the identity of the big fel-

low whom he (Millard) managed so skillfully to paralyze. As to why. . . a priori.

Rogan. . . (120 lbs., soaking wet) lay upon his sack. From his lips rose boasts and braggings re the ruggedness of all Irishmen. Suddenly, he shouted, "I'm Irish and I'm tough, and I just DARE anyone to try and throw me out of the barracks." Leek (220 lbs.) Hyde (about the same), and Gibson (slightly leaner) successfully complied. Says Rogan, "Ireland is non-belligerent."

No book review this week. . . We are busy reveling in "War and Peace". . . Tolstoy.

Did you know that between ten and fifteen million political prisoners languish in Russian concentration camps? This far outstrips the highly-publicized German.

AL WILLIAMS

359,247 PWs Now In United States

Washington (CNS)—The Provost Marshal General's Office revealed that on Dec. 1, 1944 there were 359,247 prisoners of war held within the continental limits of the U. S. They included: German, 305,648; Italian, 51,156; Japanese, 2,443.

Enlisted Wives Meet Wednesday

The Enlisted Wives Club will have their monthly luncheon at the Service Club, Wednesday, January 10 at 12:30. Wives who work at the base are invited to join the group over the noon hour.

Lt. Russell, Personal Affairs Officer, will have a message of importance for all wives of army personnel—pertaining to things to do when your husband is away, emergencies, government benefits, etc. A series of courses are being set up so that all might be better informed. Your presence at this meeting will be to your advantage.

In order that there may be adequate transportation and sufficient food, please see that your reservation is in by Tuesday noon of January 9—either at Hays or Russell USO, or the Service Club. See either Miss Forbes or "Niky." If you drive a car and can take others, please make it known. Buses will leave the USO at 11:45.

A social time and get acquainted hour will follow the luncheon and program.

The fourth Wednesday of each month the wives meet in the Hays and Russell USO respectively for a tea and social time.

Lively Revue to Play Base Theater Monday

Two Shows Slated For 'Perk Up' of Victory Circuit

PERK UP, billed as one of the liveliest revues on the Victory Circuit, will play in the Base theater twice on Monday, Jan. 8, at 7:15 and 8:30. The first evening movie will start at 5:30 and another will follow the second stage show.

Advance notices describe PERK UP as basic entertainment with a lot of campaign ribbons, featuring good-looking and talented girls, comedians and musicians.

In the cast are Helene Denizon, ballet dancer (picture on front page) who has been a headliner in every major variety theater in the country; Kay Parsons, pianist and community singer; the three MacNeil Sisters, harmony singers; the Hoffman Sisters, tumblebugs with originality; Harry Lee, pianist and musical conductor; and Doc Jordan and Co., dealing in comedy magic.

At The USO's Hays

Tuesday—Card games.

Wednesday—Midweek dance with Orchestra.

Thursday—Square Dancing, Bill Philip, caller.

Thursday night—Dancing class, 7 to 8 o'clock, under direction of Gerry Daniels.

Saturday Afternoon—Art Class at state college under direction of Prof. Dobosh. Register at USO.

Saturday Night—Dance, with orchestra.

Everyday—Free cookies, rolls and coffee.

Golf clubs, tennis racquets, horseshoes and other sports equipment are available on request.

Greens fee for golf at the Hays Country Club is 35 cents. Enlisted men pay 15 cents and the Hays USO pays the difference.

Russell

Every Day—Free coffee and cakes.

Saturday—Canteen Party every Saturday night. Coffee, cake and dancing.

Sunday—Informal open house every Sunday evening. Homemade cakes and pies with your coffee.

Wednesday—Dance at American Legion Hall, with band.

Yale President Backs GI Training for All

New Haven, Conn. (CNS) — President Charles Seymour, of Yale, in his report to the University's alumni, advocates "a system of required military training for all able-bodied young men," in order to avert "the unpreparedness which has brought so great peril to us in the past and especially in this war."

The She Wolf



"Oh, just something that will improve the man in him!"

...what's cookin' this week!



To the new men on WAAF
We invite you to stop Join us in the plans we've made—Give us your ideas and your aid For this club is just for you And we want to make it so, too!

Sunday, Jan. 7—Koffee Hour at 3:30 o'clock. Good music with your cake and coffee.

Monday, Jan. 8—Bingo! Play for prizes you'll like. Your fortunes—We've some experts who will tell you surprising things!

Tuesday, Jan. 9—WAC Night! Dancing with the WAAF "Jam Band" in the Service Club.

Wednesday, Jan. 10—Sketching Class at seven. Instructor Harry San has plenty of interest-

ing material. Movies at eight.
Thursday, Jan. 11—Card Party. Pinochle, bridge, hearts. Please reserve your table ahead of time.

Friday, Jan. 12—Dancing at 8:30.

Stars and Stripes Is In Big Money Class

New York, N. Y. (ALNS) — The Stars and Stripes, overseas Army paper, has made a profit of \$3,000,000 in sales of the paper to servicemen in the European area alone, it has been announced by Lt. Col. Ensley M. Lewellyn, director. Started as a weekly paper with a staff of two officers and five enlisted men, Stars and Stripes is now a daily with a staff of 13 officers and 156 enlisted men.

Roving Still Roving Lives Up to His Name

Portland, Ore. (ALNS)—William Roving left home in his 1937 automobile on July 29, 1944, his wife has reported to police, and so far as she knows, is still "roving" as he hasn't been home since.

MOVIES . . .

Walker Field Theatre

Sat., Jan. 6
MINISTRY OF FEAR
with Ray Milland and Marjorie Reynolds
March of Time, and Terrytoon.

Sun.-Mon., Jan. 7-8
THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW
with Edward G. Robinson, Joan Bennett, and Raymond Massey; also Melody Master Band and RKO Pathe News

Tues.-Wed., Jan. 9-10
BELLE OF THE YUKON
with Randolph Scott, Gypsy Rose Lee, Dinah Shore, and Bob Burns; also "Donald's Off Day", a Walt Disney Cartoon

Thurs.-Fri., Jan. 11-12
SOMETHING FOR THE BOYS
with Vivian Blaine, Michael O'Shea, Carmen Miranda, and Phil Silvers; also RKO Pathe News

Movies in Town

Mecca Theater RUSSELL

Sat., Jan. 6
Don "Red" Barry and Wally Vernon in **CALIFORNIA JOE**

Sun.-Mon.-Tues., Jan. 7-8-9
STORM OVER LISBON
with Vera Hruba Ralston, Richard Arlen

Wed.-Thurs., Jan. 10-11
BABES ON SWINGSTREET
with Peggy Ryan, Ann Blyth, and Marion Hutton

Star Theater HAYS

Thurs.-Fri.-Sat., Jan. 4-5-6
INVISIBLE MAN'S REVENGE
with Jon Hall
MARSHALL OF RENO
with Wild Bill Elliott

Sun.-Mon., Jan. 7-8
IN SOCIETY
with Bud Abbott and Lou Costello

Tues.-Wed., Jan. 9-10
GANGS ALL HERE
with Alice Faye and Phil Baker
STRANGERS IN THE NIGHT
with William Terry

Dream Theater RUSSELL

Sat., Jan. 6
EVER SINCE VENUS
with Ina Ray Hutton and Orchestra
Hugh Herbert
—OWL SHOW 11:30—
Bob Crosby and Grace McDonald in **MY GAL LOVES MUSIC**

Sun.-Mon.-Tues., Jan. 7-8-9
Bud Abbott and Lou Costello in **IN SOCIETY**

Wed.-Thurs.-Fri., Jan. 10-11-12
Frank Sinatra and Gloria DeHaven in **STEP LIVELY**

Strand Theater HAYS

Sat., Jan. 6
TALL IN THE SADDLE
starring John Wayne and Ella Raines
—OWL SHOW 11:15—
A NIGHT OF ADVENTURE
with Ton Conway and Jean Brooks

Sun.-Mon.-Tues., Jan. 7-8-9
BOWERY TO BROADWAY
starring Susanna Foster, Jack Oakie, Donald O'Connor, and Peggy Ryan

Wed.-Thurs., Jan. 10-11
OUR HEARTS WERE YOUNG AND GAY
starring Gail Russell and Diana Lynn

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