

# Academic NCO's Readied for Field

Given an excellent opportunity to preserve their ratings when they join field units under the policy of rotation of troops, more than 100 non-commissioned officers of the Academic Regiment are starting a 30-day intensive course in the Harmony Church area this morning to prepare them for their return to line outfits.

The first class of men, who have been transferred to F Company for the remainder of their time in the regimental overhead, began the course this morning. The course is designed to prepare the men for the upper grades in three grades, the men will be assigned from crack gunnery to artists and clerks.

The announcement of the opening of the new Non-Commissioned Officers course by a week of preparation for overseas duty. On Sunday 600 Academics went through the infiltration course, which was held at the Academy. The course was designed to prepare the men for the upper grades in three grades, the men will be assigned from crack gunnery to artists and clerks.

Non-coms who are overseas duty have been assigned to the training course. Privates and PFCs transferred to F Company will be reassigned immediately, while non-commissioned officers will have the privilege of first completing the month of training. The course is designed to prepare the men for the upper grades in three grades, the men will be assigned from crack gunnery to artists and clerks.

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## Washingtonian Will Conduct Catholic Services At Post

The Very Reverend Thomas A. McCauley, C.S.S.R., D. D., President of the Holy Redeemer College, Washington, D. C., will arrive at Fort Benning on Saturday, March 18, to give a week's Novena in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Father McCauley will preach at all the Masses Sunday, March 19, in Chapel No. 4, at Post, opposite Post Headquarters on Vibbert Avenue and Siger Road.

The Novena services will begin on Sunday evening, March 19, at 7:30 p. m. and will continue every evening throughout the week at 7:30 p. m. The morning services for the Novena will take place at 5:45 a. m. and at 8 a. m. During the day Father McCauley will be in the chapel for consultations and conferences by any of the military personnel who desire to talk with him.

The general public is cordially invited to attend all the services of the Novena.

## Soldier Shows Studied Here

To enable every tactical unit at Fort Benning to be self-sufficient in providing entertainment for itself anywhere, special service representatives from every outfit on the post have been urged to attend a two-day conference on soldier shows Thursday and Friday of this week.

The conference will be held on both days from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m. in the Main Theater and will be emceed by an all-soldier show, "Benning Sent Me". Friday night a practical application of what will be emphasized in the conference. This show will be given at 8 p. m. and evening, 10:30 p. m. and evening, 10:30 p. m.

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## Bond Sales Near 2 Millions

Fort Benning personnel, military and civilian, invested \$1,823,352.89 in war bonds and stamps during the Fourth War Loan Drive, Maj. George Fink, post war bond officer, announced. The total includes cash and payroll deductions for the months of January and February.

Moreover, by March 1, civilian participation in pay-reservation purchases at Fort Benning had reached the goal necessary to make this group eligible for the Treasury Department's inter-departmental flag awarded military installations of more than 2,000 civilian employees with over 90 per cent of them in the 10 per cent payroll deduction plan. Benning civilian war bond record as of March 1 showed that 96.2 per cent were participating in the pay reservation plan and allotting 10.7 per cent of their pay.

Plans for the presentation of the flag will be announced. A breakdown of the overall post figure shows that cash sales amounted to \$1,136,791.67 and payroll deductions to \$686,561.22.

During the month of February cash sales to military personnel amounted to \$715,934.88; military pay reservations, \$309,050.83, and civilian pay reservations, \$46,823.25.

In announcing Fort Benning's war bond record during the Fourth War Loan, Major Fink cited the following civilian group: Adjutant-General's Department, 100 per cent; 10.0; Medical Department, 100.0 and 10.0; Engineer Properties, 100.0 and 10.0; Fiscal Department, 96.0 and 10.0; Signal Corps, 94.0 and 11.4; Special Services, 100.0 and 10.1; Transportation Corps, 96.0 and 9.7; Quartermaster Corps, 94.0 and 9.9; Post Engineer, 94.0 and 10.0; Maintenance, 100.0 and 10.1; Ordnance, 93.0 and 10.2.

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## 'Chute Students Here To Get Combat Training

### New Second Regiment Organized; Several Officers Get New Jobs

Effective March 6, The Parachute School added to its former function of qualifying men as parachutists, that of preparing men for combat, according to an announcement by Brigadier General Ridgely Gaither, Commandant.

A new regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. G. Rich, has been added for this purpose. Designated the Second Parachute Training Regiment, it will be located in the Alabama Training Area. A Headquarters Special Troops, Lieutenant Colonel Marshall A. Goff, commanding, has also been formed and the Medical Department, commanded by Major Charles D. Lord, established as a separate unit. The First Parachute Training Regiment has been placed under the command of Colonel Albert H. Dickerson.

The academic phase is directly under the assistant commandant, Lieutenant Colonel Harvey E. Dickerson, and will be broken down into parachute training under the direction of Lieutenant Colonel J. D. Hays, advanced from a German prison train is graphically illustrated in the current issue of "Look" magazine, "The Infantry School in 1942 according to records at the School."

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### Lyons Personal Affairs Officer

Capt. John A. Lyons, assistant chief, military personnel branch, Post Headquarters, has been named Post Personal Affairs Officer in a new Army Service Force assignment which will add members of the military in solving personnel problems.

The new assignment in the Personal Affairs Division was formed to carry out policies of the War Department in providing information, advice and assistance on personal matters to Army personnel and their dependents, discharged military personnel, and their dependents.

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### Ex-TIS Student Makes 'Look' Mag.

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## 42nd Troop Carrier Squadron Based Here

The 42nd Troop Carrier Squadron, which for 20 months operated in the Alaskan Theatre, is now based at Lawson Field it was announced today.

It is the first such squadron to return to the United States as part of the new troop rotation policy. The squadron flew the entire Aleutian Chain in the world's worst weather, transporting munitions and supplies and evacuating wounded.

### BAKER COUNCIL MEETS

There will be a meeting of the Baker Village Council at 8 p. m. (EWT) Friday night in Baker Village Auditorium. All members of the council are requested to attend and all residents are invited to attend.

### LUCKIES IN THE COUNTING ROOM

Counting out their contribution to the American Red Cross current war fund drive—The 7th Armored turned in a neat \$2678.50 to the Red Cross this week. Seen above tabulating the returns in the Red Cross building are (left to right) Wendell Dibrell, senior assistant field director of the Benning Red Cross; Sgt. Mike Marvis of the 7th Armored, and Lt. Col. Lawrence Keating, division chaplain. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

## Red Cross Drive At \$20,000 Mark

Contributions of GIs, officers, and civilians at Fort Benning to the War Fund Drive of the American Red Cross yesterday amounted to almost \$20,000.

Lt. Col. J. D. Rosenberger, Jr., post adjutant, and executive of the campaign, said that money turned in to the fund so far was in no way a complete return. He said many units of the post, including some large organizations, have not yet made their reports.

As donations neared the two-thirds mark of the total contributions last year of about \$33,000, Col. Rosenberger said that he believed this year the 1944 War Fund drive would surpass contributions of 1943.

Enlisted men lauded "Enlisted men have rallied to support the Red Cross in a fine spirit of generosity," Col. Rosenberger stated. He said that all contributions on the part of the GIs is entirely voluntary and

their donations indicated their deep respect for the work. The Red Cross is performing for men in uniform, at Benning and overseas.

There are many outstanding requests made on donations. It is pointed out by Wendell Dibrell, senior assistant field director of the Red Cross at Benning who is acting as custodian of the fund. Mr. Dibrell said that Chaplain Lawrence Keating of the Seventh Armored Division turned in donations of \$2,678.50. The ASTP, according to Mr. Dibrell's report yesterday, had turned in \$2,678.50, with more contributions forthcoming.

Some companies of the First Student Training Regiment of The Benning Red Cross donated \$2,453.30 while the Third Student Training Regiment turned in \$2,601.25. Second Army troops yesterday



# Yank, Dutch Officers Find World Is Small Place

It is a small world after all, decided Captain Thomas W. Alley when he ran into Lieutenant William Jan Van der Plante, Netherlands Army officer whom he had known in Paramaribo, Dutch Guiana. Their chance meeting occurred at the Officers Club here the other night. Both officers had recently arrived to take courses at The Infantry School.

Captain Alley, who since 1938 has traveled in Central and South America as civilian and soldier, has joined an Officers Advanced Course in the 18th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment. He came to the States to attend Louisiana State University and was graduated in 1938 as a bachelor of science. Completing ROTC at the same time, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the infantry reserve.

As traveling auditor for a large sewing machine manufacturer, Alley journeyed up and down Central America and visited dealers in Jamaica, British West Indies. He saw some evidence of Axis commercial penetration of this part of the western hemisphere.

"Swarms of German salesmen were busy as bees in the Central American market," he declared, "although their numbers began to decrease after the war broke out in September, 1939."

"The Japs were active, too, making their goodwill tours. A lot of Nip ambassadors followed my route all the way from Guatemala to Panama City." The stocky, smiling captain's eyes twinkled as he recalled the imperial envoys who had trailed him on that trip.

Alley was called to active duty in May 1941 and placed in charge of crews preparing machine emplacements along the Panama Canal. He was in Trinidad on garrison and guard duty, and in September '41 was a member of a large task force ordered to protect bases in Surinam.

His company was sent up into the hills of this Dutch Caribbean colony to guard a bauxite mine, source of vital aluminum ore. The nearest headquarter was 110 miles away. Food supplies reached them only once a week.

But before long, Alley's company had cleared a small flying field on which light planes could land and take off. Their sense of isolation lessened when mail and medical supplies could be flown in.

Once they had set up a camp and seen to the safety of the mine, Captain Alley took detachments out for jungle patrol training. He taught them how to construct shelters in the brush, which fruits were edible and which poisonous, and how to obtain drinking water by piercing the trunk of a certain species of palm tree.

When the Japanese laborers—they were natives of the Dutch East Indies—who operated the bauxite mine went on strike, Alley's company took over. G. I.'s operated hoists, ran bulldozers, and drove locomotives. Our boys found digging out bauxite a welcome diversion from the tedium of garrison duty. There was no let-down of ore production. SNK HUNTING Hunting big snakes and wild

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## PIC OF Week



HERE YOU ARE, BOYS. Just like we promised last week, we got the printer to turn around the handsome tigger of the officer of whom we published a rear view in last week's BAYONET.

He is Colonel (then captain) William T. Ryder, pioneer paratrooper, and as we thought, another way we got him ever from the rear. Year's subscription to the BAYONET go to Capt. R. E. Speer, Company G, 1st P.T.R., and Mr. Sgt. Lance of the 52nd Parachute Infantry, who lost no time calling in the photo editor and identifying the picture.

## Ex-Educators Still Together

Sharing together their experiences as soldiers as they did as members of the administrative staff of Alcorn College, state-supported institution of Mississippi, are **William T. Ryder, Abraham, 29, and Horace D. Murdock, 23, both residents of Alcorn, Miss.** Assigned to the Insurance and Allotment Section of the Reception Center, Fort Benning, Ga., Murdock and Abraham generally work with each other in filling out important forms for soldiers applying for allotment and government insurance.

The two Alcorn College educators were inducted into the service just two weeks apart. Pvt. Abraham entered the service during the latter part of the fall following his induction at Camp Shelby, Miss., November 19, 1943. Two weeks later, on December 3, Pvt. Murdock was also inducted at Camp Shelby.

LIVING in the same barracks in Headquarters Co., the Alcornites took some courage from each other when they learned last week that they had been selected with other members of their section to go over the infiltration course as part of their training.

**MUD-CHRISTENED**  
"I suppose we'll try to hang on together," Murdock and Abraham said. "Our lick seems to be tied up and christened in a sea of mud." Murdock added, "He had reference to their experiences on the infiltration course."

Pvt. Abraham served as Secretary to President William H. Bell of Alcorn. At the time of his induction he was chairman of the Committee on Faculty and Research and Publications. Other activities at Alcorn have included position as director of athletics and head football coach.

Abraham is a graduate of South Carolina State A. & M. and took business courses at the School of Business Administration, at the University of Michigan, and at

boar was the camp's chief diversion. They shot fish which the natives call "paraniba." The paraniba, although only six to eight inches long, will even attack a man in the water, Alley learned.

The detachment enjoyed movies almost every night, and USO shows every six weeks. Once Martha Gellhorn, wife of Author Ernest Hemingway, visited their mountain outpost on a speaking tour.

"Visiting the Djoeke tribes, whose colorful settlements were near us, was another way we passed free time," explained Captain Alley. "The Djoeke are descendants of Negro slaves the Dutch brought over during the seventeenth century. Two hundred years ago they escaped to the jungle where their masters couldn't reach them."

"We gradually learned to understand their jargon—it's a jumble of English, Spanish, Dutch, and probably some African dialects. But the Djoeke were intelligent and seemed well informed on the progress of the war. They preferred Americans to the Dutch former overlords."

Months apart, Alley was able to obtain a pass to Paramaribo, capital of the colony. It was on one of these frequent diversions that he met up with Van der Plaat. He next met the young Dutch infantry at Fort Benning, two years later and 2400 miles away.

# European War Hero In From Battlefield

Twenty-seven year old Captain Vincent F. Goodsell, who went through seven battles in North Africa, fought in Italy from September 21 to November 21, 1943, and returned to the United States wearing the Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, has come to the Infantry School to attend the Officers Advanced Course.

The captain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Goodsell of Goodhue, Minn. He is attached to the 1st Student Training Regiment, 18th Company, commanded by Captain Wesley M. Farrell.

Goodsell and his men went through seven months of rugged training in Northern Ireland during 1942, training that later proved valuable preparation for the hardships they were to undergo in combat. He commanded a rifle company during the African and Italian campaigns.

In Tunisia, Captain Goodsell fought at Fichon, Rohia-Sbibia, Sidi-Nsit, Fondouk, the 1st and 2nd Battles of Hill 609, and at Chouli Pass. "During the battle of Hill 609," he related, "one of my men captured a German rifleman. We interrogated him and found out that the Germans were going to counterattack. But this advance tip helped us hold our position."

In Italy he came up against the German practice of digging in disabled tanks and using them as forts. "One afternoon, under a cover of artillery fire, we assaulted

Wharton School of Business, at Pennsylvania. Pvt. Murdock was serving as registrar and acting financial secretary at Alcorn at the time of his induction. He was educated in the public school system of Kansas City, Kansas, Douglas Elementary, Northeast Junior High, and Summer high schools, and did his college work at Kansas University from which he finished the distinction of Bachelor in business, 1935. Advanced work was taken at the University of Kansas and the University of Chicago in 1936 and 1937.

Pvt. Murdock also holds membership in the National Negro Business League, National Association of Collegiate Deans and Registrars in Negro Schools, and in the American Association for the Advancement of Education.

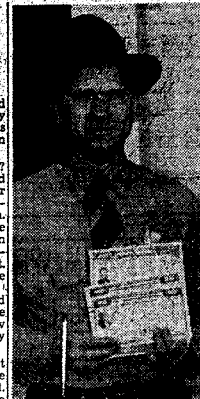
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## Sergeant Hutto Stays In War With War Bonds

Master Sgt. George C. Hutto has retired from active soldiering, but he is staying in the war by sending his dollars to fight in the form of war bonds.

He recently increased his purchasing to a \$50 Bond every two weeks, or \$100 a month. Mrs. Hutto is working at the Parachute headquarters and is buying a \$25 Bond a month. One son is in the Navy (on a boat somewhere) and has left a deduction that sends a \$25 Bond a month to his father for safe keeping. The second son, a boy of 13 years, is buying Bonds with money made selling papers and has \$525 to his credit so far. Sergt. Hutto thinks he is hitting

the labor side of the war quite hard, with his family all in it too, but they are all going to stay in until the war is over.

"Then what?" he was asked. "Well, I have put in 25 1-2 years in the Army," he answered, "so when the big show is over I'm going to convert my bonds into a chicken farm, and answer a rooster's call instead of the bugle for some quiet, happy days. Mrs. Hutto feels that we have it coming. But not as long as that bunch of gangsters still threaten us from across the water."

The sergeant has an enviable record of eight "excellent" discharges and never lost a day in the service, for misconduct or otherwise, during those 25 1-2 years.

He put in 21 years with the 29th Infantry and so knows Fort Benning from its early mud-street-and-shack beginning to its present day concrete-and-brick development.

**MAJOR WARNER**

Promotion of Capt. Paul F. Warner, commanding officer of the 19th Company of The Infantry School's Third Student Training Regiment, to the rank of major, has been announced by Col. John D. Hill, regimental commander.

**WACS DECORATED**  
Good Conduct medals were presented to 22 members of WAC Detachment, Station Complement, Section II, Sunday morning by Col. William H. Hobson, commanding officer of Fort Benning. The ceremony was held at the parade ground formerly used by the 39th Infantry on Indianhead Road.

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## O. C. Served With British In N. African Campaign

Officer Candidate Tor Torland, of the 27th Company, Third Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School underwent 16 months of action on one of the most bitterly contested and fluid fronts of the world where there came home and awaited out his draft board notice.

Torland was one of that small group of liberty-loving Americans who, unable to wait until their own country was attacked before going to the defense of freedom and democracy, went forth as volunteers to any part of the world where there was a fight for the principles of the foundations of Democracy were imperiled.

Interrupting a career as news bureau editor and announcer for the National Broadcasting Company, Torland, in October, 1941, two months before the Pearl Harbor attack, enlisted in the British Royal Army Service Corps from New York City. He sailed with a volunteer group in December, going first to South America, then to South Africa, and, finally, East Africa.

As Torland explains it, he was given a rank in the RASC which roughly corresponds to that of a sergeant-major. "We performed a pretty varied lot of tasks," says Torland, who succeeds contrarily in appearing tough and scholarly at the same time. "We moved up supplies and picked up wounded and, on occasion, moved the infantry up to attack."

**HARD TO WALK AGAIN**  
In the desert, Torland added, all infantry is motorized. "As a matter of fact," he went on, "the British desert veterans found it

a little difficult when they hit Italy and start walking again."

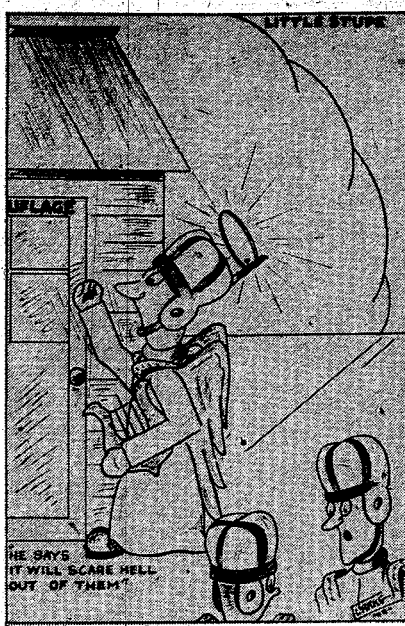
Throughout his African service, Torland's volunteer group was attached to the British Eighth Army so consequently he saw much of General Montgomery, who, he declared, is greatly revered by his troops.

Torland was with the unit at the fall of Tobruk in June, 1942, and fell back with the British forces to Egypt under the attack of Rommel's Afrika Korps. He was still with them when the British regrouped at El Alamein and started their on forward surge that carried the British flag on and through Tripoli. It was at the conclusion of the Tripoli push that Torland came home.

Some time before this, he pointed out, the American forces had started the absorption of their national units which were fighting under a variety of flags, such as the AVG and the Eagle Squadron. He was told, however, that he would have to come back to the States and undergo the usual Selective Service process inasmuch as volunteer enlistments had been eliminated.

**ORDERED HOME**  
So, in March, the African veteran returned to this country by plane and went out to Denver, Col., where he had been making his home, and awaited his turn. When it came, he reported at the induction station just like everybody else and even took basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif. Candidate Torland is reluctant to discuss any of his experiences in Africa except those that involve meetings with the correspondents and radio men whom he had known in the States. At one of these sessions, his friends induced him to return to character and deliver a few news broadcasts. Torland, however, in line with the membership drive that is about to get underway, will tell you about the remarkably efficient work being done in the war theaters by the American Red Cross.

Torland's civilian occupation has not allowed him to live in any one place for any lengthy period but at present he calls Denver home and it is there that his wife, formerly



## Life's Pix of Italian Mud Bring Home to Italo-Yank

You know the pictures in Life Magazine or maybe the newswires of the doughboys palling their feet out of the mud in Italy? What do they make you think of? Louisiana maneuvers? Playing in the irrigation ditch on the farm when you were a kid? Something like that, probably; to most of us, they don't bring the war much closer.

But there are those—Carlo Goggi, for instance—who know what that mud is like; who know the rugged mountains of Sunny Italy as well as the American soldiers who are inching their painful way along the road to Rome.

Carlo Goggi knows, because he was born in Italy. He's been over Italy foot by foot many times. And Carlo's an American soldier, too. The only difference is he's in the 20th Company. They started calling him Charlie when he came to America, back in 1915, a lad of some four years.

Candidate Goggi is a much traveled and experienced young man. His origin is particularly interesting now because he was born in Canelli, Italy. He can graphically explain that although Milan is richly adorned with art treasures and historic beauties, it's also a good bombing target, because the Isotta-Fraschini people have a factory there and the Alfa-Romeo people build airplane engines there for the Germans.

**COME TO AMERICA**  
To give a little detailed background, Charlie's dad was managing director for the Luigi Bosca champagne company in Italy, some 30 years ago. The Goggis lived at Canelli near Turin, the great and much-bombed Fiat factory is located. At about the time of the first World War Charlie's father came to America as Luigi Bosca's sole representative in this country. Mr. Goggi brought his family with him.

Although the Goggis have made America their home physically and in spirit, their original crossing was followed by some 40 trips to Italy and Europe and Africa and back. Eventually, Mr. Goggi, the senior, established a wine business of his own in America, in witness of which Charlie, who Charles enjoys subtly reminding his fellows of the virtues of his father's brand of champagne.

Meanwhile, of course, Charlie was growing up. He attended La Salle Military Academy for two years, where he attained the rank of corporal. He was graduated as valedictorian of his class at Villanova in 1934. In 1942, prior to the arrival of his "greeting from the President" you could have found him behind a desk in the City Service Building in New York.

Goggi's basic training took him to Camp Wheeler, Ga. Not long after its completion he was recommended and assigned to OCS and is now well along the way with the 20th Company of The Infantry School's Third Student Training Regiment.

**HAIR-RAISING**  
But the most interesting part of Goggi's personal history that broken chapter composed of his

sang with Ray Noble's orchestra under the name of Mary Anne Warren, is awaiting his return.

## Veteran Sergeant Assigned 1st STR

Cheery, bespectacled First Sergeant Isaac M. Yarbrough hasn't the guttural bellow you sometimes associate with a Regular Army top-kick, although he can make noise when the occasion demands. Ever since he enlisted in 1915, the sergeant's military "know how" and fatherly manner have won the respect and affection of hundreds of men who have soldiered under him during a generation of Army life.

That career began in 1915 when Yarbrough, who was born in Lancaster County, South Carolina, and was working in Danville, Virginia, joined the Army at Danville. He was sent to the old Receiving Barracks at Columbus, Ohio, for basic training.

Before long, he was shipped to Panama and assigned to the 29th Infantry, later to become The Infantry School's pioneer demonstration regiment, and then stationed at Camp Gaillard. It was peace time soldiering, but there was nothing soft about service in the isthmus, Yarbrough recalls.

**JUNGLE TRAINING**  
"Our training in the jungle country around the canal gives me an idea of what our boys in the South Pacific are up against today," he said. "Panama's jungle is so thick we had to hack out our roads with bolos, machetes, and knives. And a few days after we had cleared a field, the jungle would grow back and swallow it up again."

The old 29th did just about everything. We cleared roads, built gun emplacements, and constructed 'drill fields. During 'rest' periods we had close order drill—the old 'squares right' stuff that was so much harder to learn than today's drill.

"We had no taps to worry about, but we did have mosquitoes. Everyone wore nets but several of the men came down with malaria."

Three years of the jungle were enough for Yarbrough, who had made corporal during his first year in the service and was promoted to sergeant after the twelve-month. In 1918 he returned to the States with the 28th, which went into garrison at Camp Beauregard, La.

At Beauregard, Sergeant Yarbrough, an ardent ring fan, became regimental boxing instructor. They were preparing to leave for France when the flu struck and caused cancellation of their sailing orders.

Fighting in France was over in 1918, so Yarbrough transferred to the 48th Infantry on Mexican border duty at Eagle Pass, Texas. He was promoted to sergeant major in 1922 and served under Generals Brown, Malone and Fiske.

Life on the border was nothing but one field problem after another for over a year. Yarbrough recalled, "Each of the three generals in turn would put our outfit through its paces. General Fiske believed strongly in 'moonlight drill.' He had us out in the field nearly every other night."

Foreign service again lured Yarbrough in 1925, this time to the Hawaiian Islands. He served as sergeant major of the 19th Infantry, across a big field from the 18th was the 11th Field Artillery Brigade, one of whose top non-coms was Master Sergeant M. C. Keeney, father of Captain E. M. Keeney, Yarbrough's new commanding officer in the 1st Student Training Regiment's 5th Company.

Back in the United States again at the end of 1927, Sergeant Yarbrough rejoined his old outfit, the 29th, then stationed at Fort Benning. In 1929 he married Miss Vessie Hoyle, of Columbus, Ga. His job as sergeant major of the 29th Infantry was with Special Troops of the Hawaiian Division. Following those assignments, in 1927 he returned to the United States and served tours of duty with the 30th Infantry, District Recruiting Officer in Denver and Fort Logan, Colo., and with the 34th Infantry, in 1938 he was sent to the Chemical Warfare School to take the Line and Staff Officers Course, after which he went to Panama with the 33rd Infantry.

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## Oliver Prizer Is Full Colonel

Announcement has been made of the promotion of Oliver H. Prizer, tactics instructor in The Infantry School, to the rank of colonel.

Colonel Prizer is a graduate of the Brighton, Iowa, High School and attended Iowa State College. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the ORC on November 27, 1917 and a first lieutenant in the Regular Army in July, 1920. At that time, he came to The Infantry School and attended the Officers' Basic Course. Upon completion of the course, he was assigned as an instructor in The Infantry School and later assistant adjutant of Fort Benning.

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## Lt. Col. Blair Attains Eagles

The promotion of Lt. Col. Ned Blair to the rank of Colonel has been announced at headquarters of the Infantry School, where he is on duty as a member of the Infantry Board.

Colonel Blair was commissioned in 1917. He has served two tours of duty in Hawaii, one with the 35th Infantry and the other with the 27th. In 1939, he was assigned to the 10th Infantry at Fort Thomas, Ky., and remained with it when it moved to Fort Custer, Mich., and from there to Iceland. In August 1942, he was assigned to the Infantry Board where he serves as Recorder.

The Board, which was created after the first World War, is the official agency charged with studying the requirements of the infantry arm, and advising the War Department in all matters relating to organization, technique, and equipment of infantry troops.

Colonel Blair is a graduate of the Company and Advanced Officers' Courses of the Infantry School.

States in May 1943 and has, since that time, been on duty in The Infantry School as an instructor in the Tactical Section of the Academic Department.

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Eleven states will hold primaries during the month of May, including Alabama, California, Florida, Indiana, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, and West Virginia, and information to facilitate voting by Army personnel whose voting residence is in these states has been made available at various military installations.

Last week THE BAYONET published detailed information by states outlining the process through which Fort Benning soldiers must go in order to cast a ballot in these elections.

One of the sacred privileges for which we as individuals are fighting is that of voting as we please. Unfortunately many of us are too indifferent to something which is not only a privilege but a civic duty. As some political commentators have been pointed out, many of our high officials in the past have been elected, not by the majority of legal voters, but by the majority of voters casting the ballot; in other words we have permitted the minority in some cases to elect our leaders, while those who could have governed the majority voted for indifference to the process of voting.

In this free land of ours it matters not how we vote. The important thing is that we remain worthy of the franchise by continuing to exercise it. It is the hope of THE BAYONET that every single qualified voter stationed at Fort Benning will make the little effort necessary to secure a ballot from his or her respective state and then cast it. The rules are simple; those who overlooked them are invited to consult in the libraries the March 2 issue of THE BAYONET or of the regimental papers which carried the same War Department release.

## Intra-Post Bus Line Proves Its Great Value

So heavy has been the demand for intra-post transportation, especially between the Harmony Church area and the Main Post, that Capt. Armando Vinciguerra announced last week that additional buses would be run hereafter each Saturday and Sunday night.

For a long time there was a greatly-felt want of such transportation. The fact that steps are being taken to fill this need, and that a close watch is being kept of the use of the service so far rendered, is gratifying.

Some time ago five lines were installed on the Main Post to cut down on the use of private transportation that had hitherto been used in reaching grocery, mail exchange or commissary. Then came establishment of a bus line to Sand Hill, hence to Harmony Church and back to the Post. Later that was changed to a run to Harmony Church, widening the service to that scattered area.

The response showed how great had been the need, and post officials may well feel gratified over their attempts to meet that need.

A casual survey of the area around grocery and commissary, however, would appear to show that the bus lines being run for use of families living on the post might well be more widely patronized. Perhaps many of the families are not yet aware of the value of this service.

## 'Heaven Protect Us From Another Day Off'

"Preparatory Board!"

The words jumped at them from the weekly schedule sheet, morbidly fascinating. For four weeks they had worked and waited, G-Zing G7s, sweating over rating sheets, cramming for the PLCT. Now the fifth week was upon them, and every man in the 300th Infantry was looking toward that Preparatory Board.

For three days they "sweated it out" sitting in the barracks at night, trying to appear cool and unconcerned as they waited to see who the TO would call next. Finally the night came, and the last man had been interviewed. And those candidates who thus far had escaped the wrath of the gods crawled into bed with tremendous sighs of relief.

"A whole day off," they thought. "A whole day! I think I'll just sleep in the morning, and maybe write a few letters. Then in the afternoon I'll go over to the Quartermaster's at the Main Post, then catch a show." They went to sleep, carefree and contented.

Little did they know.

In the morning the lights woke them up at the usual time. But they just stretched a few times and turned over for another few winks. "Plenty of time," they must have thought, "lolling in the luxury of a day off. A few minutes later the candidate company commander stormed through the barracks.

"Fall out in 10 minutes!"

The physical education instructor was there to meet them, bristling with pep and energy. "This morning, men," he announced, "we're going to have a few exercises, then take a short hike down the road—just a couple of miles."

The alarmed candidates began to relax. "Coming back," the instructor added, "we will then they exercised, and they hiked, and they then they marched to the theater, for a few

training films. But the training films were cut short by a new formation, and the somewhat-bewildered candidates found themselves standing in line at the dispensary. Booster shots! Typhoid! Tetanus!

They ate lunch gingerly, trying to shield both arms from the pounding elbows of nearby chow-hounds. They were almost afraid to hope, but the more optimistic of them thought wistfully: "Surely we'll get the afternoon off!"

But again the candidate CO came shouting through the barracks with that familiar "all out in 10 minutes." And again they swung out to the drill field. But this time there was no physical instructor. There was only a company officer, who called the candidates together and announced pleasantly: "This afternoon, men, you can do nothing you want to."

"The needle-nose candidates raised their eyes in thanks.

"The first and third platoons," he continued, "will play football. The second platoon will run the obstacle course."

Finally it was over. A whistle blew; the dejected athletes assembled and limped back to their barracks.

"May Heaven protect us," they said as they climbed the steps, "from another day off."—From 3d STR Shavettal.

## The Green Tie Fad Is Not 'Regulation'

Paragraph 1 B of AR 600-40 says: "All articles of uniform for wear by the General of the Armies, the Chief of Staff, and a former Chief of Staff are such as each may prescribe for himself." Therefore, Generals John J. Pershing, George C. Marshall, Peyton C. March, Douglas MacArthur, and Malin Craig are the only living officers in our army that are privileged to wear green neckties if they so desire.

The rest of us are governed by Pa. 2 A (3) of AR 600-35, as established by C7, thereto, dated 8 December 1942, which informs us as to the color of neckties that is prescribed. "For your reference it reads: 'Color—Khaki Shade No. 5, and if that is a green color, I'll eat all the green neckties on the reservation."

The origin of the green necktie is unknown, though perhaps an officer assigned to The Infantry School appeared with one and other officers seeing his impish "Follow Me" followed suit. For a sake of the reputation of the nation's finest service school, let us hope that the green necktie will disappear as quickly as the "fad" was adopted.

—ANONYMOUS,  
The Infantry School.

## Regimental Surgeon Praises Red Cross

There are many worthy organizations in the United States that deserve the praise and admiration of all our people, and the American Red Cross is one of the most deserving. Its charitable deeds, in time of peace during any disaster, have always found the Red Cross on the spot, aiding the needy by providing food and shelter.

The men in the Army forces have always received help and comfort in their dealings with the Red Cross. The services rendered to our men in the Armed forces are innumerable, and worthy of mention. Through its various branches throughout the United States, families of worried servicemen are contacted and comforting news from home is given to our men. The Red Cross provides cheer and comfort to our wounded in hospitals. It carries food and other necessities to our prisoners of war. It collects blood and sends it to life saving plasma to our wounded. It recruits nurses for the Army and Navy, and provides surgical dressings for our hospitals. It meets all disasters, resulting from floods, fires and storms. It gives aid to all our disabled servicemen and their families. It provides volunteer nurses aids, establishes Red Cross clubs for our men overseas, where they can enjoy a home atmosphere. It tries to keep our convalescents occupied with games and movies, and finally it even provides food to the needy of our Allies, and the conquered, starving people of Europe.

What other organization deserves our maximum support? It is the duty of every American, rich or poor, to give to this worthy organization. The more we give, the more good cheer we will spread to the sick and wounded, to the starving and needy, and to our fighting men on all battlefronts throughout the world. Let us give until it hurts.

FRANK I. CIOFALO, Major, M. C.  
Regimental Surgeon, 1st Str. Div.  
Regt.

We hold so wide an open mind That even truth drops through. To take firm grip we need to find Beliefs we can cling to.

Not laws, so much as our own willingness to do without, is the way to black out the black market.

Had we made rationing the nation's fashion, we would never have needed to make it a law.



## USO Presents—

DANCE SERIES, BINGO PARTY, ST. PATRICK PLANS

By PVT. HILTON GREENE

The YMCA USO, 1425 Third Avenue, presents a group of three dances for this weekend, two of them invitational. The first one, March 10, is an OCS dance sponsored by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

On March 15 hostesses from Columbus High School will entertain an ASTP group in an invitational dance.

On the Saturday following, March 18, a tea dance for enlisted men will be held from 5 to 7, Benning time. Plans call for a St. Patrick motif in decorations and refreshments.

On Sunday, March 19, at 5:15, a special vesper service will be presented by the Fine Arts Division of the Army Wives Club of the USO, with Mrs. Marion Ireland in charge.

Mrs. Esther P. Marshall of Raleigh, N. C., has taken over the directorship of all women's activities at the Army-Navy YMCA USO, 14 West 11th Street. It is announced this week.

She comes to Columbus and Fort Benning direct from Raleigh where she was director of her own school of music and affiliated with a privately conducted Presbyterian school of music.

Friday, it is announced, is still being featured as the evening setaside for GIs interested in painting and writing as an art.

The Negro YMCA USO, 841 Fifth Avenue, announces that the Army Wives' Club will give a formal dance on March 17, an invitational event.

Their regular program includes Bingo this Thursday night, and Pokeno next Thursday night, a photographers' and art class night on Wednesday, a service men's dance on Tuesday nights with the Red Cross.

Month 6, so ago story appeared in "Saber," paper of 300th Infantry, announcing engagement of 300th Infantry's Sgt. W. J. Aleshire and WAC Sgt. Betty Simms, with article about how they would wait until end of war before being married. They didn't believe in rushing into wedded life during war time, and all that.

Just noticed today in "Pass N Review," the new paper being put out by WAC Detachment, Station Complement, Section I, a wedding announcement for the couple. They were married Feb. 25 at the Main Chapel.

Speaking of WACs, saw ex-Corp. Jennie Grams at the review last Sunday a. m. She used to do a lot of singing for the boys around here and now she's helping entertain the GIs with her singing down Jacksonville way. She had been up to Athens to visit her brother Mike Castron, Georgia footballer.

Boys in Company "I" of 16th Infantry, who were in the line last week, A. G. I. truck ran

ception. Center Orchestra for music.

Every Saturday night there is a whist tournament at 7:30 Benning time, and a dance with the Quartermasters' Orchestra for music.

Each Sunday evening a vesper service is held at 5 o'clock in the auditorium. This week end the AKA Sorority will sponsor the vesper.

The Negro YMCA USO announces a "Teen Age Dance for Friday night, and a coffee and social hour beginning at 7 o'clock, Columbus time, to which all colored enlisted personnel are cordially invited."

The Phenix USO announces a blackout party for Thursday night (March 9), to which all Enlisted Men are invited.

Some of the regular program for the week-end includes Bingo Friday evening at 8 o'clock (Columbus time), a movie and coffee hour Saturday night, and vesper service in the auditorium Sunday evening at 5:30 (Columbus time).

Service Club No. Four (Columbus) announces that Thursday night will be bingo night, Friday will be movies, and Saturday night will be entirely taken up by amateurs and their stunts.

Three churches in downtown Columbus, maintaining weekly service, club schedules, announce that the regular programs will be featured this week, with special ones for the next week-end, March 17-18, St. Patrick's Day.

These are the Presbyterian, the Lutheran and the Episcopal churches.

The Episcopal chairman, Miss Fanny Lou Grimes, announces that plans are already complete for a very special evening on the 18th featuring the St. Patrick motif, at the Episcopal church, 1130 First Avenue.

And in the 17th, boys in HK company, 1st Battalion, figure that if Burt Little gets a few more talons, he can go into a circus after the war.

Sgt. John M. Naylor, editor of "Pine Bur," came right out and said in print, what a lot of people have been muttering in their heads around here. We quote: "The Bob Hope show, originally scheduled for Friday, March 24, was put on yesterday (Friday). It is still hoped that sometime in the near future Bob himself will finally make Benning—the most complete Army Post, but the one usually most neglected when it comes to presenting name personalities."

Well, you GIs who have been complaining at having to get up to the call of the bugle or the shrilling of a CQ's whistle—out in the 6th Company, 6th Regiment, ASTP, they had a new wrinkle one day last week. A G. I. truck ran

## Chaplain's Corner..

COURAGE AND FORTITUDE

Chaplain J. W. Westerman

It is safe to say that many a youth, of a decade ago, received his first vision of God at the fireside, that is to say, in the home. There, fathers and mothers gathered their families to read the Bible and to pray, asking a Heavenly Father to assist them in facing life's trials and perplexities. Peace, Love, Beauty and Trust were created in the heart.

It was in just such a home that John Greenleaf Whittier was reared and his character developed strength and fortitude. It was through this spiritual communion with God that he learned truth and justice.

We recall that when that angry mob came to burn the newspaper office, where he was editor, he stood unflinchingly for what he believed was right. When death took away his loved ones, he could write:

"I know not what the future hath Of marvel or surprise, Assured, alone that life and death, His mercy underlies."

"I know not where His islands lift Their fringed palms in air: I only know, I cannot drift, Beyond His love and care."

amok and crashed into the side of one of the barracks just about at reveille time. The boys sort of prefer the old fashioned bugle.

The instructor was talking to the 19th Company, Third Student Training Regiment, orienting them on a demonstration of an attack on a fortified jungle position.

"Right about there," he remarked as he pointed at a canvas-covered pillbox, "you'll find a lay hidden." And sure enough, up rose a large pack rat from that exact spot and scuttled away.

Down at Lawson Field Corp. Accetta of the "Fightin' 54th" had a Valentine Day dream. "Line up against the wall and don't move or I'll let you have it," the other fellows claim he said in his sleep. He must be from Cicero, Ill.

Sgt. Norm observed guard with rifle coming along behind prisoners Monday a. m. near 17th barracks, and noticed a little hobbling up and down, up and down. Fascinated, he came close enough to see that the guard was rolling dice along the gutter.

And over in Warehouse 27 they're chucking over a civilian who used to tell some tall tales about how he made first parachute jump at Fort Benning, and performed a lot of other regular Paul Bunyan stunts. Finally, when to interview him, he told the stories but insisted that they were not to be printed—so the boys in the warehouse now consider he's been "exposed."

## Key Says—

THE BOY IS FATHER OF THE MAN AS COMPARISONS DOTH SHOW

Each time I empty another army wife when she loaded collection of articles from the pockets of my small boy's wearing apparel, over his indignant protests, I become aware of the kinship between us. For I, too, collect things—in their way as amazing as those small boy can bring home—and, like a small boy, I become indignant over the thought of parting with them once I have surrounded myself with them.

True, those things of mine have little intrinsic value. They're mostly odds and ends of second-hand pieces I've picked up to fill up the quarters. They're not even good second-hand pieces, but after living with them for a considerable period of time I find myself attached to them.

There is, for instance, the davenport I picked up at the Thrift Shop, with slip covers, for twelve dollars. I'm the only one who would ever truly appreciate such a davenport, being of just the right shortleggedness so sagging springs allow my feet to rest comfortably on the floor instead of "winging two inches from the ground."

And there's the rickety end table, formerly one of those tea carts so popular at one time. No one would buy it, no one would want it as a gift, but I'm attached to it. And I'm attached to it because it helps me remember its original owner, an army boy who loved the gaiety of an army post in peace times, who is now bringing up two small sons while her husband serves overseas.

Much the same sentiment is attached to the chair left behind by

I have other things which my instinct to hoard against a rainy day prevents me from discarding. There are brown paper sacks, saved against the day when such things may be scarce. Drawers bulge with bits of candles and assorted lengths of string. First copies of The Bayonet and Yank huddle on the closet shelf. I have bottles filled with buttons, with nails, with rusty screw and bolts.

Priced among my collection are clippings which someday I intend to paste into their proper scrap books, editorials, and news of world importance, to pictorial records of baby's progress from the time he left the hospital until he suddenly grew out of babyhood into an overly energetic and extremely disreputable boy.

It is only when I think over the range and strength of my collector's instinct that I begin to realize how strange are the ways of adults. Surely the ways of a small boy, with his pockets full of sticks and stones, marbles and nails, dead butterflies and wilted flowers, are no more odd than their ways of an adult who can't resist pottery, antiques, or, as in my case, just plain junk.

## Sgt. McDonald's Basket

COL. SWAMPWATER DISCOURSES ON SUNDRY THING'S LITERARY

By SSGT. TOM McDONALD

"The raccoon totes the bushy tail

The possum's tail is bare, The rabbit has no tail at all Except a little bunch of hair."

"I ain't writ none myself," explained Sawgrass.

"That's a shame my boy," our commanding officer replied. "A man should never be guilty of neglecting to do that, for as Bacon the famous English essayist has stated 'writing maketh an exact man' and in my opinion an exact man can go a long way in this man's army."

"Amen!" I added.

"I once knowed a fellow by the name of Ham, but he wasn't like Bacon. He didn't write nothin', couldn't even sign his name," said Sawgrass.

"Er 'rrr ga heehaw!" gruffed the Colonel, as if he were trying to clear his throat.

"There's nothing like writing to develop the brain," I added.

"How would you men like to hear some of my own original poetry?" asked the Ol' Boy.

"It would be utterly delightful," we lied. Sawgrass would listen to anything in order to have an outside chance of PFC. I was willing to expose myself for the sake of art.

"This is a little poem I composed last night while I was in a pensive mood. It reminds me of Tennyson, Sergeant, but you and Sawgrass will no doubt compare it to the work of Matthew Arnold. Listen carefully so that you will be able to detect the exotic rhythm and rime scheme."

"The moon was shining brightly The roses were in bud, The pigs were grunting lightly, As they wallowed in the mud."

"You shore are a genius, Colonel," gasped Private Sawgrass. "I wish I could put words together like that! I can just see the moonlight sweeping down over the top pen and hear 'em grunting like they drool at their sleep. Pigs has always inspired me that way too. If I could write poetry like that about 'em I'd be willing to give up my ambition to make PFC."

"You should try it, my boy," insisted the Colonel, "naturally your first attempts won't have the polish and vigor of a full colonel's, but one then has to make a beginning in order to reach an objective."

"If you two will excuse me, Sir," I said, "I would like to return to my desk and continue my reading in order to purify my mind."

An excellent idea, Sergeant! But what are you reading?" the Ol' Boy questioned.

"Tolliver and Smith's 'A Comprehensive Survey of American Fertilizer,' I replied.

Headline in last week's "BAYONET" reads "Pants Hunt For Former Owner." Suggest it would have been quite appropriate to have said "Hats in His Pants."







# Jinx Finally Broken As Wheeler Team Is Beaten

Unbeaten in any of its starts this season, the "Hoosier Hotshots" basketball team from the 21st Company, Third Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School, put on a late rally Saturday night to defeat a determined team from Camp Wheeler by the score of 46-45 at the Sports Arena.

This was the first athletic contest that a Camp Wheeler team has ever lost at Fort Benning. The game Saturday night was originally scheduled to be played between Camp Wheeler and the Third Student Training Regiment Rifles, but the latter team requested a substitution since they had a scheduled game for Sunday following.

The Camp Wheeler outfit, until late in the last quarter, the entire Wheeler quint functioned smoothly and did some very accurate shooting. With only seven minutes remaining in the last period and an 11 point deficit against them, the 21st Company hoopers, led by the team's top leading scorer, started to pull out in front.

Lewis, by the outstanding play on the court Saturday night, shooting from every direction passed nine

goals through the net for 18 points and high scoring honor. Candidate Stohler dropped in 12 points for the 21st Company to take second place on scoring for the game. Becker was high scorer for the visiting team with 10 points.

The 21st Company team has to its credit victories over three other Officer Candidate Companies, and an unofficial win over the Third Student Training Regiment Service Battalion team.

CAMP WHEELER	Pos.	FG	F	T
Becker	F	5	8	10
Condit	F	3	2	8
Gubersatt	C	0	0	0
Welch	G	4	0	8
Connelly	G	3	2	8
Tighe	G	1	1	3
Totals		20	5	45

21ST COMPANY	Pos.	FG	F	T
Lewis	F	4	8	12
Moore	F	4	0	8
Stohler	F	5	2	12
Lindsay	C	1	0	2
Scott	C	0	0	0
Funk	G	0	0	0
Saben	G	0	0	0
Jacoby	G	0	0	0
Gallmeyer	G	0	0	0
Totals		22	2	46

Referee: Clingenpeel.

# 7th Armored Trio Set Scoring Pace For Loop

Anderson, Johnstad And Dotson Scored Over 100 Markers

By CORP. MEL WACKS

When the last ball rattled the nets closing the 7th Armored Division cage recently, the record showed a trio of Lucky devils shaking the cords for better than 100 points. Oddly enough, none of the "Century Club" three were the uniform of the 40th Tank Bn. tossers, division champs. The records told a lot of things. As the casting director for the grille show said, "Let's have a look at the figures."

Ray Anderson, slim Division Hq. Co. ace, topped top scoring list with 117 points in six outings, a tag average of 19-plus a game. 106 of his total were hooked from the floor and 11 free throws completed the picture.

Playing in one game more than Anderson and pushing him all season as the league's most prolific basket-bagger, Harvey Johnstad, fell just three points shy of Andy's mark. Johnstad rang the bell for 54 twin points, six foul shots in ranking up his total of 114. He's probably the most unorthodox hardwood performer we've ever watched but his very clumsiness makes Johnstad a hard guy to stop. Plain poison under an opponent's net, the court-crude Johnstad also proved valuable in receiving rebounds and in the defense.

The durable pivot, in moving in to big league stuff in The Infantry School league at center for the Luckies, maintained a 39.9 points average of 14 points in each of five times out made the Luckies a continual threat despite their poor record. His 22 markers against the 4th Infantry proved the key for the Raiders in the Luckies' only TIS win to date. When the Luckies last recently lost to the flight Eagles, 48-31, Tico, Shannon, Gabbianni & Co. took a scoring back seat to Johnstad who grabbed off a heavy, though futile 19 for high honors.

Third "Century Club" member with 103 points in seven games, Darrell Dotson was one good reason the 23rd Infantrymen's playoff spot. The tall center averaged better than 14 tallies a game and rated pretty high in Coach Artie Hunt's book. Hunt considered Dotson as "6 ft. 2 in. of real court class."

Although the first round elimination knocked the 23rd out of the title aspirations, the records say that outfit, in losing 39 points through the season, led all the rest in team totals. Surprise runner-up in this department with 380 was the seventh place Division Three, five, an outfit which got off to so bad a start it couldn't recoup but which finished as one of the most formidable quintets in the circuit.



RAY ANDERSON ... 117 Points



HARVEY JOHNSTAD ... 114 Points

# Van Niede Tallies 26 Points Despite One-Arm Shooting

Basketball's Dirty Deed, Stan (Whitely) Van Niede, high scoring assistant coach of the Parachute School five turned in the greatest performance of his brilliant career in losing one arm in a Friday night game against the Parais Island Marines in Augusta.

"Whitely" went into the Marine rifle sporter an injured left shoulder and played the opening seconds of the game with one hand and a foot. He made the shot with one hand and for the remainder of the game he was forced to take all his set and foul shots with his right hand.

Midway in the second half he thrilled the crowd as he went off on an 11 point spree to single-handedly cut a 16-point deficit to five points before the Leathernecks' superior height and manpower asserted itself. Despite his injury the Blond Bullet clicked for 26 points and gave Augusta a cage addicte a peek at the form that had made him the scourge of Benning.



DARRELL DOTSON ... 103 Points

# Ring Torrey Will Open Next Thursday

## Spirits Can Clinch 2nd Half Crown Tonight In Clash With Eagle Quint

TIS Rivals Meet At Sports Arena In One Of Season's Best Battles

By SGT. CHUCK VOORHIS

There'll be a lot of shouting and a mess of good basketball out at the Harmony Church Sports Arena tonight and the fans who turn out to witness this all-important clash between the 176th Infantry Spirits and the 6th Training Regiment Eagles will get a pretty fair idea of what is in store for them when these two teams battle in the play-off for The Infantry School League championship.

A play-off isn't a dead certainty but even a John Fan who is kinda slow in the finger business could dope the Spirits as the second half champions. And that would mean a play-off because the Eagles are the first half champs.

Here's the situation this morning: The Spirits have won nine games and lost one and the Eagles have won nine and lost two. The Spirits have three games to play and the Eagles one. The abundance of Spirit games still on the schedule is traceable to (1) an unbalanced schedule and (2) a postponed game with the 7th Armored Luckies. The Eagles' long post-game with the Spirits—tonight.

**SCHEDULE IN SPIRITS' FAVOR**

Should the Eagles win, their record will be 10 and two with no more to play. The Spirits record would be nine and two with two more to play. But those remaining games are against the aforementioned Luckies and the 4th Training Regiment Spartans who, between them, have won but three games all season.

On the other hand, should the Spirits win tonight, they will have clinched the second half title. They want to win for more reason than just clinching the title. They've met the Eagles three times this season and have been beaten two times by scores of 60-56, 61-58 and 53-51. And the Spirits don't like those close margin defeats.

There is just one outside chance that the Spirits could be ousted from the title. That would mean a defeat by the Eagles and the loss of a third game. If such a thing were to happen, the Spirits would be out of the title. That would mean a defeat by the Eagles and the loss of a third game. If such a thing were to happen, the Spirits would be out of the title.

# Court Card

**COURT CARD** ... THU. Mar. 9th.  
**Post Gym-TIS League.**  
**Acad. Regt. vs. 7th Armored** (7:30)  
**3rd STR vs. 4th Infantry** (9:00)  
**Spirits-Arena-TIS League.**  
**176th Infantry vs. 6th TR** (7:30)  
**Spirits-Arena-Post League.**  
**232nd FA vs. Prohl. School** (9:00)  
**FRI. Mar. 10th.**  
**Service Hall-Service League.**  
**Hdq. Detach. vs. 1st STR** (7:30)  
**Medical Det. vs. 3rd STR** (8:45)  
**Spirits-Arena-Service League.**  
**Truck Regt. vs. Acad. Regt.** (7:30)  
**Supply Det. vs. Recept. Cen.** (8:45)  
**SAT. Mar. 11th.**  
**Spirits-Arena-TIS League.**  
**176th Infantry vs. 7th Armored** (7:30)  
**176th Inf. vs. 4th TR** (8:30)  
**Spirits-Arena-TIS League.**  
**Acad. Regt. vs. 4th Inf.** (7:00)  
**MON. Mar. 13th.**  
**Post Gym-Post League.**  
**Stat. Hosp. vs. ASTP Leaders** (7:30)  
**Acad. Regt. vs. 6th TR vs. Lawson** (9:00)  
**Spirits-Arena-Post League.**  
**1st STR vs. 232nd FA** (7:30)  
**Prohl. School vs. 33rd Eng.** (8:00)



Lonnie Lee ... Lanky Spirit Forward



ROY STOUT ... Stubby 176th Guard

# WAC Horosko Star Athlete Plus Linguist

Abie to speak and read three foreign languages—a physicist, a linguist, a basketball star—Wanda Horosko, a 19-year-old Polish girl, is an accomplished athlete with an enviable collegiate and semi-pro record. Pvt. Wanda Horosko of WAC Detachment, Third Infantry School, is typical of thousands of well-educated American women who have given up their jobs and homes to serve in the Army.

At the time of her enlistment in September, 1943, Horosko was teaching physical training and basketball at the Girls Athletic Association and was active in the American Association of University Women.

Besides being able to speak and read Russian, Polish, and Spanish fluently, Horosko became a prominent athlete in high school, playing on the softball team that won the city-wide title. Although she entered a new league, it's a matter of record that she batted .388 in her first year on the squad.

At Kansas University she not only made every sports team, but completed the four year physical education course in two years. During her summer vacation she earned enough money playing semi-pro softball in Topeka, Kas., to pay her tuition for the following year.

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read Russian and Polish, Pvt. Horosko can read, write and speak Spanish fluently.

In September, 1943, she enlisted in the Corps, took her basic training at Des Moines, Iowa, and then studied administration at Alameda, Tex., where she was elected vice-president of Company B. She is at present assigned to 1st Battalion headquarters of the 3rd Infantry School, Training Regiment, The Infantry School.

# 1st STR Hurler, Cleveland Indian Hopeful, Has Even Played Baseball On Guadalcanal

Cpl. Loafman Gives Vivid Description Of Island Games

"Big League" baseball on Guadalcanal.

"Yes, we played 17 big games on the island last season. The big field had been built," declared Corporal Russ Loafman, ex-professional pitcher who returned from Guadalcanal after the fifth inning, Zero Day over the Pacific nearby. The planes weren't overhead but the alert sounded anyhow. We had to jump up the game and take cover."

Tall, blond Russ is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Loafman of 1016 East Eleventh Street, Sheldon, Iowa. He was pitching in a semi-pro game at Wilmet, Minn., when a Cleveland scout saw him.

**MINOR LEAGUE**

Loafman's baseball career was interrupted by the war. He was in the Marines during the war and played for the "National League" for the "American Association."

Special Services had found a natural clearing in the jungle, not far from the beach, and set men with bulldozers to work leveling ground for four diamonds. The "Army-Navy-Marine Athletic Field" was finished in July.

A Marine band played, and Major General Howard of the Marines, commander of all the troops in Guadalcanal, dedicated the ball park.

**GREAT ENTHUSIASM**

Guadalcanal soldiers were enthusiastic about baseball, despite the difficulties of participating or even attending games. All equipment, of course, had to be brought in from the States or from Australia.

"We were able to get caps and a few pairs of baseball shoes," said Loafman. "The usual uniform consisted of shoes, fatigue trousers,

# Paratroop Five Bows to Marine Foe in Tourney

By CPL. BOB KRELL

Two tournament defeats in as many weeks might not be cause for too much optimism, nevertheless the Paratroop School quintet returned to Fort Benning after last Friday's loss to the powerful Parais Island Marines confident that they had finally struck their stride.

Ever since their opening victory in the Macon tournament, the Chutes have been woefully lacking in everything that makes for a good basketball team. Commencing with the Daniel Field game, the powerful Troopers fell apart at the seams and looked bad even in winning.

But then Parais Island contest might well prove to be still the doctors ordered. From the start it was evident that the Chutes were "up" against a top-flight five that had both height and plenty of reserve strength.

Trailing by 10 points in the second half the locals never quit trying. They kept the pressure on constantly and in almost every running game forced the Leathernecks to send in a steady stream of substitutions. Stan (Whitely) Van Niede, despite an injured left shoulder, personally took command to bring the locals from 43-27 to 43-38 before the Leathernecks' superior manpower made itself known. Proof of the Marine quality was forthcoming in the semi-finals when they romped over Daniel Field which had already proven itself to be one of the strongest teams in this section.

This observer, who had a high opinion of the Troopers' club heretofore with an amazing record of wrong guesses, was forced to slip a couple of notches, since the Troopers turned on the highly touted Fort Bragg outfit. Bragg looked terrific in crushing all opposition and stopping the Marines in the final.

Van Niede's injury was not the only trick that fate played upon the luckless Troopers. Phil Nelson, an able play-maker, was forced out of the game on a personal foul late in the first half. It was a rather odd play and the referee later admitted he'd pulled a bone in calling the foul. To top it off, Ed (Head) Murok aggravated an old rib injury and played 33 minutes of a stellar basketball with what might be a broken rib. An X-ray was taken just as this edition went to press.

The Chutes have one more league game to play before they can mathematically clinch the second half title of the Fort Benning basketball league. It remains for the Troopers to take on Lawson Field in a play-off series of three games. They hold a 72-30 lead over the Troopers in the win over the Flyers but have also dropped an early season verdict to them, so they'll have to be at their best in order to come out on top.

# Opening Bouts Carded For Ring at Post Gym

By SGT. CARL NEU

Fort Benning's own version of the famed Golden Gloves Tourney will get under way next Thursday evening, March 16th, when the opening round eliminations are staged at the post gymnasium. The first bout is carded for 7:30 o'clock, and a tentative alignment of the entrants indicates that as many as 14 bouts may be fought on the opening night.

Entrants for the tourney are being accepted incidentally, is set for this afternoon at 5:30 p. m. Last minute applicants may still get in under the wire by telephoning the FBAA office at 2258. None of these late entrants will be carded for opening night bouts which means they will still be allowed sufficient time to get into condition.

Tentative arrangements announced this week call for the opening rounds of the color competition to begin on Friday, March 17th, at the post gym, but the entry list in both open and novice classes here is still small to announce definite pairings yet.

**542ND ENTRIES**

In the past week, a 14-man entry list received from the 542nd Parachute has swelled both the open and novice classes for next Thursday night's openers. 542nd men are invited in almost every running game forced the Leathernecks to send in a steady stream of substitutions. Stan (Whitely) Van Niede, despite an injured left shoulder, personally took command to bring the locals from 43-27 to 43-38 before the Leathernecks' superior manpower made itself known. Proof of the Marine quality was forthcoming in the semi-finals when they romped over Daniel Field which had already proven itself to be one of the strongest teams in this section.

Indications point to some of the best bouts being fought on opening night and a capacity crowd is expected to jam its way into the post gym. Definite plans and dates for semi-finals cannot be announced until after the entry deadline is reached this afternoon.

Next week's Bayonet will carry complete information on Thursday night's bouts including the performances and pictures of several of the contenders for both the gold and silver glove miniature tourney. The FBAA. Meanwhile, below is printed a tentative line-up of the pairings for the first night's ring action:

# Shakespeare, Notre Dame Grid Star, Here

William Shakespeare, the State Islander whose name will forever be listed among the football "greats" of Notre Dame University, is returning to the value of the team as an officer candidate in the 28th Company of the Third Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School.

Bill, whose grizzly artistry as a player has captured the imaginations of millions of football fans in 1933, 1934 and 1935, was acclaimed an All-American during his last year on the team by a majority of the pickers, including the Associated Press, the United Press, the All-American Football Board and the Hearst newspapers.

The candidate was the "only man to be taken from the 70th Trailblazer Division for OCS following recent screening." Following a large field of applicants at the division's base, Camp Adair, Oregon, Bill is a sergeant and he was chosen on the basis of his all-around ability and demonstrated qualities of leadership.

His outfit was Company H of the 276th Infantry.

Most Notre Dame fans will recall his name as a player in the Ohio State game of 1935. Ohio State, that season was one of the most vaunted powerhouse eleven of the country and the team entered the game undefeated. The Irish were rated low and, as expected, lagged in the contest until within 30 seconds of the final whistle. It was at this point that Bill played a pass for 35 yards to Wayne Miller, Irish end, who was in the end zone, to put Notre-Dame in front, 18 to 13.

# Cardinals Top Medico Quintet

In the Fort Benning League's only game of the week, the 6th Regiment Cardinals bumped the Station Hospital at the post gym on Tuesday night by a 52-41 score in a thrilling contest. The 1st STR Wolves chalked up a triumph on Monday night via the forfeit route when the 38th Engineers failed to appear for a scheduled tilt.

The loop-leading Parachute School five and second-place Lawson Field were tied for first in the league with 10 wins each. The Cardinals and the 1st STR Wolves were forced to postpone their title because of heavy military schedules. The Cardinals' game will be played to night, however, at the sports arena as the nightcap of a double-header. A win for the Chutists would give them a 12-1 record and the 1st STR Wolves a 11-2 record.

A well-balanced attack carried the Cardinals to their win over the Wolves. The Cardinals' attack was led by Russ Loafman, who scored 14 points and three rebounds, and Parash and the victors with 12 and 13 points, respectively, but

# Basketball Standings

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23rd Div. 38-30 7th Armored  
176th Inf. 43-38 6th TR  
1st STR 52-41 Cardinals  
38th Eng. 30-20 1st STR

Friday, March 10—21st Co. 46-45 Wheeler  
23rd Div. 38-30 7th Armored  
176th Inf. 43-38 6th TR  
1st STR 52-41 Cardinals  
38th Eng. 30-20 1st STR

Saturday, March 11—21st Co. 46-45 Wheeler  
23rd Div. 38-30 7th Armored  
176th Inf. 43-38 6th TR  
1st STR 52-41 Cardinals  
38th Eng. 30-20 1st STR

Sunday, March 12—21st Co. 46-45 Wheeler  
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### 3d STR Heavy Bond Buyer In February

The Third Student Training Regiment of the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., has been through February to boost its total of cash purchases for the month of February. The 3d STR, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February. The 3d STR, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February. The 3d STR, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February.

### ASTP Oversubscribes War Bond Goal Four-Fold

Setting something of a record for Fort Benning, ASTP Basic Training Regiment, 1st Training Regiment, has oversubscribed its goal for the month of February. The 1st Training Regiment, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February. The 1st Training Regiment, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February.

### 1st STR Service Battalion Members Brush Up On Basic

Under Sergeant Joseph J. Carter of the Service Battalion, 1st Student Training Regiment of the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., the members of the 1st STR Service Battalion are brushing up on their basic training. The 1st STR Service Battalion, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February.

### New Officers Assigned Profs

Three lieutenants joined the Academic Regiment of the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., this week, while Capt. G. Smith has left for the Officers Advanced Class and 1st Lt. Erwin D. Greer has been assigned to the 1st Training Regiment. The 1st Training Regiment, which is the largest of the three STRs, has a total of \$1,837,200 in cash purchases for the month of February.

### GEN. HOBSON—

(Continued from Page 1.) Gen. Hobson, who is the executive of the Munitions Assignment Board of the Combined Chiefs of Staff in Washington, is well known in the Columbus vicinity. This is Colonel Hobson's third tour of duty here. He was first here with the 29th Infantry as a battalion executive. From 1933 to 1941 during the critical years of the army's expansion he served with the Infantry School as chief of the tactical group, chief of training and assistant commander. A graduate of West Point he has 26 years of service, most of which have been in training units. He has served with the 20th, 27th, 31st, 44th, 22nd, 29th, 3d and 2d Infantry Regiments. He is in command of the 30th at Fort Presidio in San Francisco before being assigned to his Washington post. Colonel Hobson's first assignment upon graduation from West Point in 1912 was at Fort Snelling, Minn. He has the honorary degree of Doctor of Military Science from Georgetown University. He has served as professor of military science and tactics from 1918 to 1922 and again from 1929 to 1933.

Pvt. Warren G. Wagers, Pvt. attached to B Company of the Infantry School, lost his overseas pay when he came to the States from Alaska. He was served with the Fourth Infantry.

### TIS Participates In Army Hour Radio Broadcast

Last Sunday The Infantry School began its participation in the Army Hour radio program. The Army Hour, which is heard on the coast-to-coast NBC network and broadcast by short wave overseas.

The School's portion of the program each week will be an introduction for listeners to each of the Infantry's weapons. Cpl. Mel Allen, former network news and sports announcer, is narrator of the series and last week presented Staff Sgt. John Harvey of Company "F" Academic Regiment, and New York City in a story of the M-1 rifle. Sergeant Harvey fought with the M-1 in Africa and was awarded the Purple Heart. He is an assistant instructor in the Weapons Section of the School.

Next Sunday, Officer Candidate Edward Fox of the 18 Co., S. 60, will be the narrator of the series. He will relate his experiences with the Infantry's caliber .30 machine gun in warfare with the Japanese in the Philippines.

Most of the Infantry weapons will be covered during the series, the duration of which has not yet been determined. The program is a part of the Army Hour radio program. The Army Hour, which is heard on the coast-to-coast NBC network and broadcast by short wave overseas.

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### 'Yank' Seeks Subscribers At Ft. Benning

"Yank, the Army Weekly"—and favorite magazine of millions of GIs—is conducting a campaign for more subscribers here at Fort Benning.

The campaign will culminate next pay day when soldiers are assigned to units of the Infantry School, Headquarters, Service and Academic Companies of the Parachute School, and Station Company. Each unit will be given an opportunity to plant down a buck or two for a six months' or a year's subscription.

The attractiveness of Yank's subscription plan is being pointed out to ASTP units at formations this week. It was announced that Cpl. Bernie Lantz of the Yank circulation staff, who spent several days here this week, said that GIs who subscribe to Yank are sure to get it.

In addition, Lantz said, Yank will follow the GI subscribers regardless of where they go after leaving Fort Benning. Yank runs a change of address coupon in each week's issue. Since editions of the weekly now are put in the air-mail mailboxes, it will quickly reach its subscribers no matter where they may be located.

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### Vets Retire; Combined Service Totals 56 Years

Two non-commissioned officers of Supply Division, Supply Detachment, Section III, with a total of 56 years of service, combined their retirements in the last week, retired from the Army last week.

They are Master Sergeant Sam Ross, who enlisted in 1913 and Technical Sergeant Charles E. Quinn, who enlisted in 1921. Both men were assigned to the old Ninth Cavalry which went to the Philippines, where he served in the first Philippine Scout Battalion with that unit. He stayed there until 1921, served in the States with the 10th Cavalry for a year and was returned to the States when that organization was broken up, and went with the Cavalry to the Mexican border to keep watch during the trouble in Mexico in 1929.

He served for a time at Fort Riley, Kan., under General Patton before that commander became a tank man. He was sent to Fort Benning with a cadre that formed the 68th Ordnance Co. in 1941 and was assigned to Supply Division. He plans to farm in Kansas.

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### Veteran Prof Sergeant Retires After 28 Years

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## 4th Infantrymen Recall Attu Fight

Bringing with them memories of combat with the Japanese on Attu, the 4th Infantrymen of the 11th Airborne Division, who were in the line of battle during the Attu campaign, are being recalled to the Academy of the 4th Infantry Division for temporary duty with the classification section of the Infantry School.

Although the hardships and unusual experiences they have undergone have written epic tales into service annals, these veterans tell their stories sparingly, in cold, simple terms—suggesting that along with patience which men learn in the lonely outposts of the world comes intense restraint.

Pfc. Robert J. Eckstein, of St. Louis, Mo., for example, answers questions about the bitter fighting on Attu with pointed, compact sentences that tell more than the mere words mean. Eckstein's unit landed on Attu last May. "The first night we dug fox-holes," he says. "The next day we were in action. A mountain range had to be cleaned out. Well, we cleaned it out."

One night when they had almost bottled up the enemy, some

### BAYONET YANKS

"They bayoneted some of our men," Eckstein says, adding quite matter-of-factly, "and that was the beginning of the end for them."

He found that the best weapon in the Attu fight was the grenade which he used in many mountain caves. In answer to the question it is hardest to ask and probably harder to answer, Eckstein says simply:

"I think I got a few of them."

The Japanese are pretty accurate shots, Eckstein recalls uncomfortably, and a large part of the battle was going after their snipers. His training saved his life every time he had to take cover and still find a place from which he could shoot at the enemy. Often his company advanced only to discover that the remaining Japanese had committed suicide, usually by setting off grenades under their chins.

Similar incidents are told by Pfc. Welcome A. Sunding, of Highmore, S. D., who was in headquarters of the same battalion which Eckstein served.

"But things just happened, there isn't much you can tell," is the way Sunding sums it up. He worked the outposts and when there was a chance, climbed up and down the mountains taking food to the front lines.

Little hand-to-hand fighting, it was mainly a matter of advancing ridge-by-ridge.

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## Wacs Observe Anniversary Of Arrival Here

More than 90 members of the Women's Army Corps, assigned to the Army Service Forces at Fort Benning, Sunday were decorated with the Good Conduct Medal, denoting faithful service in the Army for at least a year since Pearl Harbor.

Sunday's ceremony also marked the first anniversary of the arrival of the first WAC company at Fort Benning last March 5.

The WACs were decorated by Col. William H. Hobson, commanding officer of Fort Benning, who was nominated for the rank of Brigadier General by President Roosevelt last Friday. The recipients of the awards were members of the WAC Detachment, Station complement, Section 1 and Section 2.

The Good Conduct Award, red ribbon with six white stripes, is the second decoration won by these WACs. They had previously served in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, the parent organization, and when they enlisted in the WAC were given a service ribbon denoting prior service in the WAAC.

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With First Lieut. Laura C. Coupe, of Philadelphia, in charge, 51 members of the Women's Army Corps will arrive soon to become the first WACs at Fort Benning's Parachute School, and first WACs to wear the Parachute insignia.

Lieut. Coupe has arrived to complete arrangements for establishing the Parachute School WAC Detachment. Another officer and nine cadre members will arrive next week and the remaining 40 enlisted personnel are expected the last of the month.

After five weeks of intensive schooling in the art of rigging and repairing parachutes, the WACs will be assigned to the Maintenance Section of the Parachute School, where they will relieve 40 male riggers for combat duty. They will be quartered with the Lawson Field War Detachment. Members of the new detachment will be permitted to wear the Parachute wings, headquarters of the Parachute School said in announcing the new detachment.

Lieutenant Coupe took her basic training at Daytona Beach, Fla., and on completing the course there she went to Fort Knox on detached service until she was assigned as commanding officer of the Parachute School WAC Detachment.

While in Alaska most of the men were exposed to enemy attack. Pfc. Leroy A. Baker, of Searcy, Ark., says that his unit was bombed, while Pfc. John T. Price, of Skellytown, Tex., says his outfit was one day shelled by a submarine. Sunding and Eckstein, who saw most of the action of the Fourth Infantrymen attached to the Academy Regiment, were even bombed one night four months after the Japanese forces were cleaned out of Attu.

"It ruined a perfect poker game," they recall.

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## Wacs Observe Anniversary Of Arrival Here

More than 90 members of the Women's Army Corps, assigned to the Army Service Forces at Fort Benning, Sunday were decorated with the Good Conduct Medal, denoting faithful service in the Army for at least a year since Pearl Harbor.

Sunday's ceremony also marked the first anniversary of the arrival of the first WAC company at Fort Benning last March 5.

The WACs were decorated by Col. William H. Hobson, commanding officer of Fort Benning, who was nominated for the rank of Brigadier General by President Roosevelt last Friday. The recipients of the awards were members of the WAC Detachment, Station complement, Section 1 and Section 2.

The Good Conduct Award, red ribbon with six white stripes, is the second decoration won by these WACs. They had previously served in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, the parent organization, and when they enlisted in the WAC were given a service ribbon denoting prior service in the WAAC.

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With First Lieut. Laura C. Coupe, of Philadelphia, in charge, 51 members of the Women's Army Corps will arrive soon to become the first WACs at Fort Benning's Parachute School, and first WACs to wear the Parachute insignia.

Lieut. Coupe has arrived to complete arrangements for establishing the Parachute School WAC Detachment. Another officer and nine cadre members will arrive next week and the remaining 40 enlisted personnel are expected the last of the month.

After five weeks of intensive schooling in the art of rigging and repairing parachutes, the WACs will be assigned to the Maintenance Section of the Parachute School, where they will relieve 40 male riggers for combat duty. They will be quartered with the Lawson Field War Detachment. Members of the new detachment will be permitted to wear the Parachute wings, headquarters of the Parachute School said in announcing the new detachment.

Lieutenant Coupe took her basic training at Daytona Beach, Fla., and on completing the course there she went to Fort Knox on detached service until she was assigned as commanding officer of the Parachute School WAC Detachment.

While in Alaska most of the men were exposed to enemy attack. Pfc. Leroy A. Baker, of Searcy, Ark., says that his unit was bombed, while Pfc. John T. Price, of Skellytown, Tex., says his outfit was one day shelled by a submarine. Sunding and Eckstein, who saw most of the action of the Fourth Infantrymen attached to the Academy Regiment, were even bombed one night four months after the Japanese forces were cleaned out of Attu.

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greens and reds of colorful fruits and vegetables overflowing from two cornucopias and flickering tapers brought out the carving in wooden candelabra.

Dressed in Spanish costumes, the following women presided at the tea tables: Mrs. William L. Starnes, Mrs. Leo L. Orenstein, Mrs. Abraham Pfister, Mrs. John T. Neath, all members of the Spanish group, and Mrs. Molony, hospitality chairman. Other members of the Spanish group present were Mrs. Bernard J. Ritterholz and Mrs. Robert J. Dickson.

Much credit for an enjoyable afternoon goes to Mrs. H. F. Perrine, group chairman, who made arrangements for the program, and to Senora Segra Merodio de Montgomery, teacher for the group, who provided many of the decorations.

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## Hospital Mess Wins 'E' Flag

The "E" flag award for the best mess among Army Service Force units at Fort Benning has been awarded to the Station Hospital, Lt. Col. Alexander Veazy, post food supervisor, announced today.

Runner-up for the month was the mess of Headquarters Detachment, Prisoner of War Camp.

The 57th M. P. Escort Guard Company at the Prisoner of War Camp was cited for having made the most improvement during the month. Runner-up mess was that of the 1st Co. Student Training Regiment of the Reception Center.

## Speaking Of Absent-Minded Professors

"It happy" describes the mild insanity that affects radio students after a month or two of code practice.

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**STATION HOSPITAL WINS "E" MESS FLAG** for having the best mess among Army Service Force units at Fort Benning during the month of February. Lt. Col. Alexander H. Veazy, post food supervisor, is shown above making the formal presentation to Col. Chauncey Duval, commanding officer of the Station Hospital. Other personnel who were directly responsible for the fine showing of the hospital mess include (left to right) Lt. T. F. Henley, director of dietetics at the hospital; T-4 Paul Tokach, chief cook; Sgt. Benjamin Vinci, mess sergeant, main hospital mess; Sgt. D. Piacentile, chief cook, and Master Sgt. William C. Cullifer, mess steward of all hospital messes. Also in the picture is Lt. John C. Townsend, post mess supervisor. The hospital mess has served all other messes eligible for the flag fair notice that it intends winning it again in March.

## ASTP Reserve Qualifying Tests Set For March 15

Young men who meet the age, military necessity. The expansion of the ASTP Reserve Program is made possible by the fact that all participants must be members of the Enlisted Reserve Corps less than 18 years old, and therefore not subject to call to active duty.

Seventeen-year-olds who qualify on the test, express Navy preference and are accepted, will receive the same training as other students in the Navy College Program, which is designed to provide officers for the Navy. These 17-year-olds will be enlisted in Class 12, U. S. Naval Reserve, instead of inducted as in the case of 18 and 19-year-olds. All students in the Navy College Program serve on active duty, in uniform, with pay, under military discipline.

The purpose of the substantial expansion of the Army Specialized Training Reserve Program is to replace some of the loss in men trained at the college level occasioned by the return to active troop duty of Army Specialized Training Program trainees. The decision to return ASTP trainees to active duty was dictated by the Morse code test they weren't supposed to... and passed it with flying colors, at 16 words a minute.

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## WD Clarifies ASTP Picture

As recently announced by the War Department, soldiers who remain in the Army Specialized Training Program after April 1, 1944, will be primarily those assigned to courses in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and in advanced engineering.

Procedures governing selection of medical, dental and veterinary trainees were announced today. Meanwhile, procedures for the selection of trainees in engineering and foreign area and language to be retained now are under consideration. In addition, broad expansion of the Army Specialized Training Reserve Program is contemplated, with details to be announced publicly soon.

Enlisted men now assigned to the Army Specialized Training Program for instruction in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine will be continued in the program. Also, A. S. T. P. soldiers currently enrolled in pre-professional courses will be continued in those studies and, upon successful completion of that work, will be advanced to the medical or dental phase of the program.

Assignment to training in medicine and dentistry in the A. S. T. P. for the remainder of the year will be made from among enlisted men who prior to April 1, 1944, have been accepted for 1944 classes in contracting medical and dental schools.

Civilians now in medical or dental schools as those who have been accepted for a 1944 class in an accredited medical or dental school but who did not receive a call for active duty prior to March 1, 1944, will not be assigned for A. S. T. P. training in medicine or dentistry.

Selection for preprofessional training in medicine and dentistry will be restricted to soldiers who have completed their basic military training and have accomplished one of the following:

1. Passed an aptitude test for medical profession upon successful completion of Term 2 or Term 3 in the Army Specialized Training Reserve Program.
2. Received a satisfactory score in the Army-Navy (A-12) test.

If taken the test, a student is not obligated to enter the program if he is accepted.

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## 1st STR Cadremen Pursue Army Orientation Course

Cadremen of Colonel Robert H. Lord's 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, recently began their 17-week Army Orientation Program conducted by Orientation Officer, Lieutenant George E. Simmons. In the first of the series of films and lectures, Lieutenant Simmons showed the "Prelude to War" film demonstrating the analogies rise to power of the Axis dictators.

The film showed that Japan's and Germany's youth, trained for war under the pretension of physical fitness programs, the ravaging of Manchuria and the invasion of neutral nations of Europe and Asia, were all just links in the powerful chain intended to clamp its power some day on the largest nations of the world.

Lieutenant Simmons then outlined his program to the cadremen, telling them what was in store for them in the remaining weeks of the Orientation Program. "This Program," he explained, "is not only to inform you of historical events and policies, but to show you how very justified you are in wanting to fight to preserve democracy."

**MAJOR ALLEN**  
Edwin F. Allen, a regimental staff officer of the 38th Infantry, 8th Division, has been promoted to major. Attached to the 15th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, he is attending The Infantry School's Officers Advanced Course.

The value of property destroyed by fire in 1943 was \$381,000, or 21 per cent more than in 1942.

**V-12 College Qualifying Test** (men in this group must have satisfactorily completed at least a year of premedical or pre dental studies as civilians.)

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## 53d Sub Depot Awarded War Bond Citation

In an impressive ceremony held last week in Hangar No. 1 at Lawson Field, the 53d Sub Depot Group represented by its oldest employees, Mrs. Mildred Ballou and Mr. C. A. Parker, received a U. S. Treasury citation for an outstanding record of War Bond purchases on this post.

The award was made by Major George Fink, post bond officer on behalf of the Secretary of War, and Colonel William H. Hobson, Commanding Officer of Ft. Benning. The Sub Depot record of 98.1 participation and 13.3 deduction of War Bond purchases is one of the highest on this post.

Lt. Col. William A. Capers, executive officer of Lawson Field, spoke briefly on the part Sub Depot personnel in playing by their war bond purchases. "They are soldiers without uniform, contributing and working in a 100 per cent war effort. They are aiding in the present struggle for the right, and preparing wisely for the future by war bond purchases. In recognition of their excellent record the Sub Depot group may fly the Minute Man Flag, an emblem of honor equal to the Army-Navy 'E' Flag given to war material producing plants for all out and excellent production records," he said.

Major W. W. Choppin, commanding officer of the 53d Sub Depot, presided as master of ceremonies. Also in attendance were Capt. F. W. Schoew and Capt. R. H. Hall, Sub Depot war bond officers.

The Lawson Field Band played prior to the awarding of this high honor and its conclusion.

**LT. COL. CHATFIELD**  
Major Lee W. Chatfield, Table Rock, Nebraska, publisher and son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Chatfield of O. C. in the same state, has been promoted to lieutenant colonel. A battalion commander at Camp Wolters, Tex., he is attending the Officers Advanced Course at The Infantry School and has been attached to the 15th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment.

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## Hand Grenade Subject Of WSB Radio Program

On Monday, March 13, 1944, on the WSB, Atlanta, radio program, "Salute to the Services," there will be another program in The Infantry School's "Thirteen Weapons of War" series. The story of the Infantryman's Hand Grenade will be told, and in connection with it, the heroism of PFC Ralph Taylor of the 16th Company, 3rd Student Training Regiment, will be told.

Candidate Taylor fought in the South Pacific against the Japs and was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart. Major J. Harry Gowdy, Special Service Officer of The Infantry School, will also appear on the program and will discuss with sports announcer, Corporal Mel Allen, the similarity between tossing hand grenades and baseballs.

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The March 15 test will be given at most high schools, preparatory schools and colleges in the nation. Male civilians graduated from high school or in their final term and who have reached their 17th but not their 22nd birthday by July 1, 1944, may express a preference for the Army; those between 17 and 19 years inclusive by the same date may express a preference for the Navy.

Those who take the test will be required to indicate on the day of the test their preference for the Army program or that of the Navy. Taking the test does not constitute enlistment in any branch of the armed services; that is, having

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## Dental Officer's Patch Collection Has Rare Ones

What is believed to be the largest collection of shoulder patches at Fort Benning, all 235 of them from men who were entitled to wear the insignia represented, is in the possession of Captain Samuel Gruskin, Dental Corps, Station Hospital of the post. The captain has been following this hobby for the past nine months, and says it must be one of the larger collections here.

Some of the more rare and "hard to get" insignia patches in the collection are one from Count Luigny, Free French Army, who was one of the patients in the dental hospital, and a "The Infantry School" patch, which was taken from a Siamese parachute officer who was here a short time ago taking work in the Benning Parachute School.

"Among the interesting things that this hobby brings up are the contacts with different unit representatives here on the post," Captain Gruskin states.

There is always the pleasure of trying to get some unusual patch from one from an outfit that has been disbanded, in some cases after action in the field. I am thinking particularly of the "German" patch of the 506th Parachute Battalion. This was one of the first parachute outfits and the Indian word used by an Indian jumper each time he left the plane became a word that was finally worked into the insignia of the outfit. All the collectors are after this patch. I hope to get one first."

A reserve officer, he was called to active duty in February 1941, attending an Officers' Basic class at The Infantry School. Upon completion of the course he was sent to the 88th Infantry Training Battalion at Camp Roberts, California, returning to The Infantry School to take an Officers' Advanced Course.

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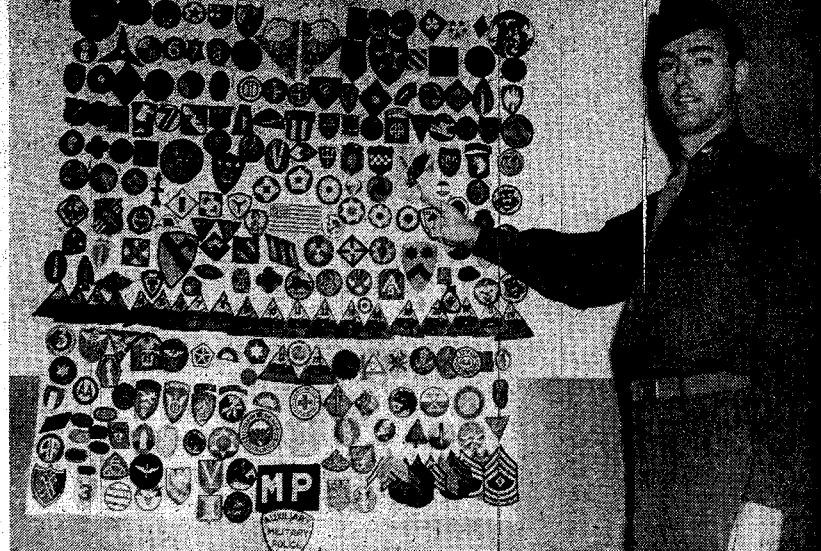
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THE LARGEST COLLECTION of insignia patches in Fort Benning say friends of Captain Samuel Gruskin of the Dental Corps, Station Hospital, who exhibits the 235 that he has collected from soldiers he has met during the past nine months. He points to Free French Army patch given him by Count Luigny. Many other here have been in battles overseas, as has the African invasion flag shown in the middle. He is proud of his complete Armored Force collection, shown running across the center of the group. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo)

## Post Messes Supply Cooking Fat Needs With Novel Rendering Process

If the Army has its way about it, American housewives will have plenty of lard for the duration because experiments now being conducted at Fort Benning, Ga., are being rendered from soldiers' messes. The process is practically all the shortening needed for those messes.

This was revealed today by Lt. Col. Alexander H. Veazey, mess supervisor of the post, after tests conducted in 50 messes of the Army Service Forces at the fort.

In the process there are three steps to be followed: First, the raw fat is cut from the lean meat and ground up in the processed fat.

Then the fat is strained through a cloth. Upon cooling this liquid takes on the characteristic texture and color of lard; the residue or crumbles caught by the cloth are used in the making of corn-bread and corn-muffins.

During the month of February, these 50 messes rendered out 6,385 pounds of fat, or an average of 41 pounds per man, while a total of 7,302 pounds of shortening had been issued, could be returned by these messes during February.

Two-fold benefit

"This not only means a saving in money, but it eases the demands for lard and lard substitutes on the part of the Army, so that there can be more for civilian consumption," Col. Veazey pointed out. "At the same time, these experiments prove that the average housewife can utilize fat from her own table meat so that by proper rendering, she can be certain not to run short of shortening. It has been found that by utilizing extremely low heats for rendering, no scent or taste results from use of any fats from any type of table meats."

While rationing of lard has ceased, due to expansion of production, new shortages stated definitely that rationing would be reinstated if production conditions warrant it.

House-wife's role

"By rendering out fats in Army messes, the situation can be greatly relieved, and if American housewives utilize the fats from their own table meat for shortening, they can help ease themselves of continuing supplies of lard," Col. Veazey pointed out. At the Bakers and Cooks school, a total of 184 pounds of lard was rendered during February to set the standard for the other messes at the post. Headquarters Detachment, Section 1 rated second, with 138 pounds per man.

The fat conservation program will be continued at Fort Benning with a goal set of an average of a pound per man of rendered fat.

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## Chutists Tell Experience In Escaping From Nazis

Capture and a thrilling escape from an enemy prison camp is now a memory to Pfc. Hartwell Harris of Maynard, Ark.

"It was in November of 1942," reminisced Harris, "when we took off from England to jump on North Africa. Our mission was to pave the way for the seaborne force by disrupting communications and destroying vital supply lines. We jumped in the early morning light and landed on the airfield of Trafalgar. Opposition by the French and a few Germans was short but furious. We knocked 'em off without too much delay."

"Our second jump was at Youks La Bain, but as American ground forces had overcome the enemy, no fighting was necessary. We ended up in a base camp doing garrison duty."

"On December 26 orders came through that we were to jump and blow a bridge on the main Nazi supply line the following morning. After preparations, 30 American troops took off on schedule for the objective. Apparently, however, either Jerry had been 'tipped off,' or had made a very thorough defensive preparation, for we had hardly landed before two companies of the famed 10th Panzer Division had us surrounded. Thirty against 350 was rather overwhelming odds, so we split into groups of twos and threes in an effort to escape. My buddy and I were captured by a platoon within a mile of the bridge that we had hoped to blow."

Thorough Nazis

"The Nazis were very thorough. We were searched from the skin out. However, our treatment was humane. My buddy and I were taken to a prison camp in Tunisia for a short time and then given to the Italians who transported us to Sicily. From here our group was sent to a camp in Italy, about 25 miles from Rome, where we were made the monetary by hatching plans of escape."

"Then one night our plans materialized. How our escape was accomplished must remain a secret, as many others are using the same route. It can be said, however, that for 60 days we traveled toward Allied lines. Our progress was mostly at night and cross country. We received much help from friendly peasants. Without such, the success of our return would have been very doubtful."

Royal welcome

"On the morning of the sixtieth day we came in contact with advance troops of the British 8th Army. We received a royal welcome, clean clothes, our first bath in months, cigarettes, and the traditional cup of tea. This return to friends was one of my greatest experiences of the war. Shortly a guide took us back to American troops. A month later, and 13 months from the day we were embarked for foreign service, I came down the gang plank onto United States soil, to a land that was a paradise of good food, warm clothes and comfort; to a home where a man could speak his mind without fear of bombs or secret police, and where those withed who really cared. For weeks it was like a dream."

Private Harris came to The Parachute School in 1941, and was qualified a jumper on October 23. He is now attending Demolition School here at Fort Benning, and hopes to return to combat with a new Parachute unit soon, or, as he put it, "before the shootings all over."

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straw slat boards for springs, straw mattresses and one blanket. Later overcoats were provided.

On September 14, Sergeant Binix and others completed a hole in the wall of the prison and made good their escape. Thereafter with little food and water, traveling at night, sleeping in the day, avoiding everyone, they started on their long trek down the Adriatic coast. On approach-

ing Foggia, German patrols were numerous. It became advisable for the small party to split up to facilitate infiltration through enemy lines. After carefully studying the German defenses, the sergeant and his companions picked their way through German outposts on the Trani river.

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