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Colonel Willingham Gives Message

Col. C. M. Willingham, this week marked his first anniversary as Commanding Officer of the 311th Infantry Regiment.

At an interview following the Japanese surrender, he issued this message to the members of his command: "This week the entire world witnessed the Japanese unconditional surrender terms. Although the order for the cessation of hostilities has been issued, we are not free to go our own separate ways. There are many vital tasks that must first be accomplished on both the Japanese home island and the territory still under her ruthless control before the Allied mission has been completed."

"The American people have never favored a large standing Army. The military authorities are American men, the same as you and I, and they respect the American ideas and traditions. Therefore the Army will be reduced as rapidly as the exigencies of the service permit."

"Another thought—the dumping of millions of men and women on the American labor market while industry is undergoing a change from a wartime to a peacetime basis, will create personal hardships not only upon ourselves, but also upon our families."

"As soldiers we will carry on, continuing to make the personal sacrifices necessary to secure the peace for which we fought. I realize that each of you are making plans for the future, and the Army, in its own wisdom, stands ready to assist you. Take advantage of this opportunity."

"Men do not succeed on their past reputation. We must continue to go forward. In war, you have proven yourselves to be the best soldiers the world has to offer. Uphold and enhance that reputation by being a good soldier in the winning of the peace."

Thirteen Officers Leave Regiment

Thirteen officers left the 311th this week. The officers, who were transferred to the Third Reinforcement Depot, were: Lt. John J. Cannon, A Co.; Lt. Earl E. Colman, D Co.; Lt. Burton E. Corzine, Regt. Hd. Co.; Lt. Carl E. Ehrh, K Co.; Lt. Fred A. Minnert, Co. Co.; Lt. Wayland L. Morrison, Co. Co.; Lt. Winston L. Myers, Jr., F Co.; Lt. Alton K. Overy, G Co.; Lt. Pellegrino P. Porras, Hdq. Co.; 3rd. Staff. One of the high spots of the production is the "Timberwolf Club" led by T/Sgt. Howard Willingham.

Instructor Group



These men are the instructors of the Second Battalion's 1 and 2... and as such are responsible for the special success of the school. For additional picture see next page.

General Parker Sends End-Of-War Message To Members of the 311th

Major General E. P. Parker, Jr., Commanding General of the 78th Lightning Division, this week issued the following statement to the men of the 311th Regiment:

"The 18th of August 1945 marks the successful completion of our military mission. We are all thankful that God has granted victory to the American soldier."

"This ultimate victory comes as the result of the training and sacrifices which all American soldiers have made. It is the product of the fighting of all soldiers on all fronts. Not the least among these accomplishments are the splendid victories of the 311th Infantry—Kesternich, Schmidt, the Remagen Bridgehead, the Rahr Pocket, all led directly to this final victory."

"Now that success has been achieved we have a new task before us, as we must turn our eyes to the future, as we must turn our eyes to ourselves for peace. We must keep busy!"

"It is with your best interests at heart that I urge you to take full advantage of the opportunities given you to prepare for your return to civilian life. Take into these preparations with the same determination and self-discipline which you evidenced in your preparation for war and you will have the same ultimate result—Victory."

"The 311th Infantry had a splendid reputation in war built by men working hard and doing everything right. Now, in peace, you have the difficult job of maintaining this outstanding reputation. See that you do it!"

New Sports Equipment For Wolves

Eagerly-awaited sports equipment and other Special Services supplies were issued to all 311th companies this week. All equipment was given to the battalions for distribution to the companies.

The breakdown, announced by Lt. Edward J. McPadden, Regimental Special Service Officer, is as follows: Each unit to receive twenty softball bats, ten softball gloves, one softball mask, one set of bases, one volleyball, eight pairs of swim-

ing trunks, one set of horseshoes, two dozen decks of playing cards, one dozen ping-pong balls. In addition each company should have received assorted mixed games, Chinese checkers, hards, backgammon, and cribbage boards; darts, dominoes, poker chips, croquet, and tennis. Each battalion was allotted two archery sets, with twelve shafts, badminton racquets and shuttlecocks, and two photocopiers.

Pvt. Giles J. Cannon of ITEM Company is wondering if he will be eligible for another battle star for the "Second Battle of the Bulge" in which he became entangled while on pass in Holland recently.

Second Battalion Gets Presidential Citation At Impressive Ceremony

In an impressive ceremony which was a part of the Activation Day celebration, the Second Battalion was formally awarded the Presidential Unit Citation Wednesday afternoon, on the Parade Grounds near Immenhausen. At the same time, Col. John C. Mac Donald acting in the absence of the Division Commander, awarded Silver Stars to eight members of the battalion.

Eight Get Silver Stars

Following the playing of Adjutant's Call by the Division Band, Lt. A. A. Frey, Battalion Adjutant, read the General Order awarding the Citation. Col. Mac Donald then awarded Silver Stars to four officers, four enlisted men. Those who received these awards are: Capt. Daniel M. Scott, Co. F; Capt. Richard G. Fiedler, Regt. Hdq. Co.; Lt. Earl D. Shaw, G Co.; Lt. James O. Kinnaman, G Co.; S/Sgt. Charles O. Warrick, Co. G; Sgt. Robert E. Reith, F Co.; Sgt. Donald T. Volkman, Co. F; and Pvt. Earl D. Cornett, Co. G.

Notice to Winners

Winners in the Timberwolf Cartoon Contest who have not as yet received their prizes are requested to come by the Timberwolf offices at their earliest convenience. Winners in other Timberwolf contests are also urged to collect their prizes as soon as possible by calling at the Timberwolf offices between 1800 and 2100.

Sgt. Cashion Has 20 Years Of Service

Sgt. John Cashion has long been looked up by his friends as the best soldier in the army. And now he has passed another milestone—20 years with the United States Army. First coming to the Lightning Division in August 1925, Sgt. Cashion, a native of Tennessee, has been recognized in "C" Company as the best word in all matters military.

Always with the infantry, Sgt. Cashion was made T/Sgt. in January of 1944 but he was a platoon Sergeant for many years before that. He spent his first three years with the 29th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning. In 1928 he joined the 15th Regiment and spent the next two years at Tientsin, China. After that it was back to Fort Benning until the 78th Division was reactivated.

Revised "Off Limits" Plays Here

Back from its successful tour, and with several new acts included in its program, "Off Limits" is once more playing in the Division area.

New additions to the show are: "Song of India", a bluesque of the Dance of the Seven Veils in which Albert Lenette gives that standard number a thorough go-over; and "In the Good Old Days", a schoolroom skit which contains some "good old holly music."

Action At Kesternich

The Citation was granted for the battalion's outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy during the period 30 January to 7 February. During this time they aided in the taking of Kesternich, Rahrpütz, Strach, and Stachshoven. The taking of these towns against determined enemy resistance and the maintaining of twenty-three enemy pillboxes, made possible the capture of the Schwammenseel Pass with a minimum of casualties. The Dam was considered the key to the Roor. During the nine day period for which they were cited, the battalion advanced six miles into enemy held territory and captured over 500 prisoners. This advance was made in severe weather, through dense forests, and over terrain impossible to any motor vehicle.

Col. MacDonald Speaks

Col. MacDonald in making the awards, said: "I came to represent your Division Commander, General Parker, who was unable to attend. I feel humble in trying to take his place, yet proud in being able to say a few words to you men who have such a gallant record."

"Your individual awards and your Unit Citation make the Second Battalion of the 311th Infantry an organization of which you can be very proud. Your great spirit and great devotion to duty are things of which other divisions may be envious. Your General considers it an honor to have been with you from the time of your activation until the very end of the war."

Strictly Cheesecake



These 311th Rockettes are members of the "Through Channels" cast. These dimpled knees belong to (from left to right) Pfc. Charles McLino, John Campbell, T/A Kenneth Cusick, Pfc. John Finnegan, and T/S Gerald Hartstev.

Activation Day 1945

Wednesday, 15 August, was the third anniversary of the re-activation of the 78th Division and the 311th Infantry Regiment for World War II. But even the remotest, the most loyal Timberwolves will probably remember this day, not as their regiment's third birthday, but as the day when most of them heard the news that the war was over.

Expected for several days, President Truman's official announcement of the Japanese capitulation was first received here during the early morning hours of that day.

Three years, eight months, and one week after its vicious attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese Empire had surrendered to the United Nations.

It was difficult to realize the enormity of the news. America was no longer at war, and for the first time in fourteen years, throughout the entire world, no nation was at war with any other. One kilometer of excitement in his camp, "What is happening? Peace for trunks or all over! Some are still beating their bayonets into their shoes."

It rained off and on all day Wednesday and most of the celebration, the parades, the sports events, were called off. The most Timberwolves managed to celebrate this day as individuals, they managed somehow to make this doubly significant day a memorable one.

Although most of their talk, most of their thoughts, were about the end of the war, many

Timberwolves found time for remembering, for thinking back over the past three years. They remembered Camp Butler, where the regiment had trained thousands of reinforcements for overseas shipment. They remembered and talked about the South Carolina maneuvers and the Second Army maneuvers in Tennessee about Camp Pickett and the preparations for coming overseas. They talked of England, France, Belgium. But most of all they talked of the days in combat, Kesternich, the Rhine Bridgehead, and the Rahr Pocket.

Activation Day, 1945, marked the end of three crowded and eventful years for the 311th Infantry Regiment. Its record is a gallant and a distinguished one.

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The Veteran's Guide

(The second in a series of articles on the returning soldier)

Keeping Up Your Life Insurance

You probably took out a National Service Life Insurance policy when you joined the armed forces, and have been paying premiums by automatic monthly deductions from your pay. So if you want to hold onto your insurance — and this is advisable, particularly if you are a disabled veteran who might never be able to obtain other life insurance protection — don't forget to send a check or money order to the V. A. in Washington, D. C. On your discharge papers you will find the date your next premium is due. You have thirty days after that in which to pay.

You may decide that you want to carry less insurance, now that the war risk is past. In that case, you can have the amount of your policy reduced simply by writing to the V. A. The amount you decide on must be a multiple of \$50, however, and it can't be any less than 1,000. If you authorize such a change, it's a good idea to enclose a money order or check for your next payment with the request. (Don't send cash.)

Since your present National Service Life Insurance is limited to a five-year "term," you will have to do something about converting your policy either to government Ordinary Life, 20-Payment Life, or 30-Payment Life, before the five years are up.

The advantage of "term" insurance is its extremely low cost. Ordinary Life insurance costs more because it provides a saving feature whereby you lay aside money to pay the higher cost of insurance as you get older. You can borrow on it or turn it in for cash. As a way to save, however, you might be better off to buy "term" insurance and put the difference in war bonds.

Since there is no renewable "term" insurance for World War II veterans, you must eventually convert to government Ordinary Life, 20-Payment Life, or 30-Payment Life. You can do this simply by filling out V. A. Form 1535. You don't even have to take a physical examination. Whether you get Ordinary Life which you pay continuously or 20-Payment Life which is paid up in twenty years — this government insurance is better and cheaper than any private insurance you could buy.

You can have your insurance payments automatically deducted from your pension, if you are drawing one. And if you become totally disabled before you are sixty years old, your insurance payments will be waived after six months of such total disability. If your policy does lapse you can have it reinstated anytime within six months by paying back premiums and filing a statement that you are in good health as you were at the time of discharge. If you let it go longer than six months, you must pass a physical examination.

Postponed Private Insurance

You may be one of the veterans who arranged to postpone payments on your private insurance when you entered the service. If you did, remember that you must bring your payments up to date within two years af-

ter your discharge if you want to go on with your private insurance. Before doing this, of course, you will want to examine government insurance possibilities and make comparisons. You will probably find that the government insurance will give your family more protection at less cost.

Paying Your Taxes

Even though you don't think you owe any back taxes, you had better consult a government income tax collector when you get home. For most service men and women, the entire 1942 federal tax was cancelled out, but there are exceptions. If you paid federal taxes in 1942-43, you may even have a refund coming to you.

Unless you were a commissioned officer or had a private income, you probably won't owe any federal taxes for the time you were in service, since, from 1943 on, there has been no tax on the first 1,500 dollars of annual service pay, or on the government's contribution to monthly family allowances. Neither is there a federal tax on mustered-out pay, pensions or disability retirement pay, gratuity pay, war risk insurance proceeds or on veteran's educational and vocational rehabilitation allowances. The place to get information and to file a federal return is the nearest office of the Collector of Internal Revenue.

You may be one of those service men or women who got permission to postpone payment of taxes on income earned before you joined up. If so, remember that you have only until six months after your discharge to make some arrangement to pay. You can apply to court to be allowed to pay in equal instalments over a period equal to your full period of service, if you want to.

If you didn't pay your taxes on real estate or other property while you were in service, you will probably find that in addition to back taxes you owe interest charges and in some cases penalties. If the court allowed your

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Our Ally-USSR

1. It is a "Union of Soviet Socialist Republics," formed in 1923 when four separate republics were united by treaty. It is now a federated state of 16 republics.
2. It has an estimated population of 191 million people—46 million more than the United States.
3. It has a land area of 8,819,000 square miles, more than one-sixth of the land surface of the earth.
4. The people of the USSR are composed of more than 175 different national and racial groups.

Q. How is the USSR governed?
A. 1. All legislative, executive and judicial powers are vested in the Supreme Soviet, or Council, of the USSR, which meets twice each year. The Supreme Soviet consists of two houses:

- a. The Soviet of the Union—consists of one member for each 500,000 people in the Soviet Union.
 - b. The Soviet of Nationalities—with members from each republic, province or county.
2. The President of the Supreme is a body of 27 members, elected by the Supreme Soviet to function in its place when it is not in session.
 3. The Supreme Soviet also appoints two other groups:
 - a. The Council of People's Commissars—the highest executive and administrative body in the country, comparable in importance to our cabinet.
 - b. The Supreme Court—highest judicial organization in the Soviet Union.

Q. How does the Communist Party fit in?
A. 1. Its membership is less than three percent of the population.

2. In practice, all offices of importance in the Soviet government are held by Communist Party members, or by persons approved and supported by the party.
3. Organization of the party:
 - a. Supreme is an umbrella is the All-Union Party Congress whose members are elected by local party units. It meets every two years in peacetime. Between sessions its authority is delegated to a smaller body, the Central Committee, consisting of 71 members.

Inquiring Reporter



Question: (This question was asked when the first hint came that Japan wanted to surrender.) What were you first thoughts when you heard that Japan wanted to surrender?
1-Pfc. WALTER B. PAUL, Co. H

"My first thought was will we get home any money and to hell with that 15 mile hike Tuesday night!"
2-Pvt. GEORGE C. VANCE, Co. O

"Well I was at and I school and we were all very glad to hear it and now we wonder just when we are going home?"
3-Pvt. DORIS A. IERGAN, Co. G

"I thought it was OK. I figured the Russians and the bomb had a lot to do with it. I hope I can get out by next March."
4-Pvt. DAVID M. MAXEY, Co. G

"Sounds mighty good to me, I think that we will be home by Christmas!"
5-Cpl. A. J. PROBST, Co. G

"I am wondering now when we will go home and also what they intend to do with Japan."

b. Of great importance to the party is the Politbureau, the section of the Central Committee responsible for formulating policies. It is a source of authority throughout the Soviet Union.

4. Party Discipline:
 - a. Party discipline is completely authoritative, and members are obliged to obey without question all orders from higher authority within the organization.
 - b. Party members may freely discuss controversial questions until a final decision is reached, at which time they are expected to follow the party line.

Q. What offices does Joseph Stalin hold?
A. 1. Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars.

2. Chairman of the State Defense Committee of the USSR;
3. Commissar of Defense.
4. Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
5. Member of the Politbureau of the Communist Party.
6. Named Marshal in 1943.

Q. Is there freedom of opportunity in the USSR?
A. 1. The Soviet Constitution grants absolute racial equality to all citizens: "Equal rights for citizens of the USSR, irrespective of their nationality, or race, in all spheres of economic, state, cultural, social and political life, shall be an irrevocable law. Any direct or indirect limitation of these rights, or conversely, any establishment of direct or indirect privileges for citizens on account of their race or nationality, as well as any propagation of racial or national exclusiveness or hatred and contempt, shall be outlawed by law." (From the Constitution, Article 123.)

2. The Soviet Union guarantees men and women "the right to work, payment for work, rest, social insurance and education . . ."
3. Workers in factories are paid according to their work, not according to their need. There are wage



One year ago today

Colonel Chester M. Williamson, (Dallas, Texas) formerly with the AGP in Washington D. C. has been assigned as 31st Regimental Commander.

Regimental Headquarters company drivers: Pvt. R. Cherry, T/S W. Wagner, Pfc. R. Hoyle and Pfc. J. Sakak won the first four out of five places in a recent 31st examination given in connection with motor vehicle inspections this week.

The 31st songsters gave two public performances this past week — at Fredericksburg and at Bowling Green.

The Timberwolf boxers, in a Activation Day performance, at the Camp Pickett multiphase engaged in their second straight show without a defeat.

Two years ago today:

Sgt. Charles Seider of "B" company is taking off for the Big City to get married. Lucky boy . . .

The 31st Reds are out in front of the heap now, striving towards that 78th division baseball championship after winning their second in the current league playoffs with last Friday's 3 to 1 win over the Reds from the 39th Infantry.

The 31st Officers' softball team is leading the 7th "Lightning" division bracket with four wins and only one loss, to move into the coveted top position.

Sgt. Walter Baumgardner of Service Company and A-1 mechanic returned to the North Area this week after a recent furlough.

He's putting out cigars to celebrate the annual event.

A glass boot with the capacity of nearly a gallon is Lave's contribution to heavy drinkers who want beer when they want beer. As yet there is only one man who uses the "boot" regularly. He is Pfc. ANDREW YAKLEY, Love Company wonders if there is any competitor in this beer drinking field?

Pfc. Melvin Schneider of Cannon Company is off to visit England for a while. Looking quite chipper in an FTD jacket and a new haircut he should bowl the gals in Piccadilly over.

Eight men from ITEM company went to Vaulkenberg, Holland this week. They were S/Sgt. John R. Lee, Pfc. Charles E. English, Jr., Sgt. Earl N. Severn, Pfc. Anthony C. Pledier, Sgt. Vincent J. O'Leary, Pfc. Richard V. Gustave, T/4 Willie C. Davis and Pfc. Oles J. Cannon.

and bonus incentives for better and more work.

4. Citizens of the Soviet Union may purchase private property as they wish, but may not own, either singly or in combination, means of production (factories, etc.) employing labor.
5. Skilled labor is paid much higher wages than unskilled labor, but no Soviet citizen is allowed to make money from the investment of capital.

Q. What are some of the changes that have taken place in the government of the USSR?
A. 1. Bolshevik Government of 1917 was excessively anti-religious, excessively internationalist and in favor of world revolution.

2. Since about 1927, movement of Soviet Government has been more and more toward nationalism.
3. In contrast to USSR policies of the early 1920's, the Stalin government moves toward collective security, alliances and accords with other nations.
4. The Communist International has been dissolved.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Until further notice, religious services are as follows:

- Protestant**
- 0930 Baptist Church, Veckershaugen
 - 1000 Protestant Church, Ehrsten
 - 1145 Protestant Church, Immenhausen
 - 1115 Protestant Church, Grebenstein
- Catholic**
- 0900 New Chapel-Grebenstein
 - 1015 Theater-Immenhausen
 - 1130 Day Room-Ehrsten
 - 1100 Catholic Church-Hofgastmar
 - 1600 Catholic Church-Hofgastmar
 - 1830 (Saturday) Confession - New Chapel-Grebenstein
- Jewish**
- 1100 Division Ha, Hofgastmar

TIMBERWOLF FEATURES

Each week **TIMBERWOLF** will feature an unusual article or varied stories. Have you a suggestion, idea or original offering?

The Third Battalion Day (and Night) Room

The Third Battalion Day (and night) Room does a land office business, day in and day out. Like the famous "Old Howard" in Boston's Scollay square, "There's something always doing one to eleven P.M." Actually, the stalwart Sergeants-at-Arms have to drive the boys out at 2020 and bolt the doors.

The idea for a Day Room that would surpass all constructions of its kind originated back in Herfeld when the men of Third Battalion HQs Company first realized that the 78th was going to remain in Germany for a considerable length of time. Responsibility for such a project was placed in the hands of Lt. Pelligrino Perraro and S/Sgt. Lester Barkman, athletic officer and NCO respectively. These men labored diligently only to find their hopes temporarily thwarted by our move to a new area. Instead of giving up all hope, these men sent out an advance party to Grebenstein to establish recreational facilities that would be in full operation when the men arrived. The plan was a success and for a time the Day Room offered facilities to any organization within traveling distance.

Billiard Table

One of the greatest features of the Day Room is a large felt billiard table where the fellows are eternally trying to hit two with one. Adjoining the billiard room is the Reading Room where the latest news is absorbed by the lounging blue-brainers. Every night there is a general pow-wow here where the latest state of the Japanese surrender is discussed and almost every night that date is brought closer. The Stars and Stripes, Park, and States papers, only 18 days old, are the authority for the emphatic, irreconcilable freely passed out. Across the hall and behind swinging doors is the den of iniquity where much beer is guzzled with astonishingly little effect. Nobody has ever been carried out as yet on the powerful stuff which Jake Stadium and "Pop" Warren slide down the bar at 12 marker. The men of the company are drinkers of the first class, consuming about 29 kegs of the brew every week. The main attractions here are the white coated "Deutscher Kellners," who won't allow you to wait on yourself. Their service is both skillful and prompt.

After only a few days of operation it was discovered that the capacity of the tap-room would have to be increased. In order to solve this prob-

lem, Barkman and Perraro, now aided by the two bartenders, Warren and Stadium, Pfc. Myron Nieling, and a host of others moved out into the back yard garden spot and began to whip it into a patio for their patrons. First they leveled the ground, and then paved it with bricks. In a very short time the customers were sipping their refreshment in a quiet, peaceful, garden-like atmosphere.

But wait, this Day Room is, figuratively speaking, the cross-roads of the world, even though it is in the heart of Grebenstein. Men from all organizations, while waiting to go on pass, spend their time where the sign over the threshold indicates the junction of Broadway and 42nd Street. Below that is a red hall room with a white zig-zag line across it diagonally.

Ping Pong

Now climb the stairs and enter the large spacious room where tense men are passionately pounding a harmless white vacuum pellet across the table with little paddles. Everytime the pellet falls into the center net or falls free of the table, that man exclaims, "Pop shaw" and they start again. When a certain point is reached, the two men run across the floor and chance positions and begin all over again. The pastime is popular as droves of kibitzers stand by, anxiously awaiting their turn to pound the pellet.

The mail clerk holds forth on the second floor too, and here he beats a well worn path by the countless men who hold him responsible for not hearing from home. Others come in with piles of money and emerge the next day with little rectangular pieces of blue paper.

On the Third floor is the battalion brain-trust (I & E and Awards and Decorations.) From this sanctum plans are laid for making the men of the battalion a wiser and better-decorated lot of men.

If the weight of your had is bothering you, you can jump over to the well-equipped barbershop, run by Whitley Layington, and receive a real honest to goodness American-style haircut. This includes hair-tonic, shampoo, shaves, and all the trimmings.

How It Got This Way

The set-up is so complete that it sounds like something out of this world. One important fact to be remembered is that the Day Room was not just an ideal building that was found intact complete with all the trimmings. In reality, it is a structure with a rather infamous history. Back in the

days when Hitler and his motley crew of cut-throats were in power, the place served as an assembly area for the local Nazi officials. The house itself belongs to one of the higher officials of the party, the Ortsgruppenleiter, whose business, other than selling-out his friends, was that of operating a rental store. The store itself was as dull and drab as most German places of trade, the walls being lined with gaudy shelves, and decorated with the pictures of German war champions. Third Battalion HQs moved in and soon began a face lifting job on the interior. First of all they paneled the walls with ply-wood, next came the hob-nail pitted floors. They still persisted in their constant aerial attacks, so the men solved the problem by screening all doors and windows. They obtained material for drapes from salvaged materials and had local talent put on the finishing touches. The GI customers demanded music so the proprietors furnished a piano and radio, complete with additional speakers that reach to every corner of the room. Since ping pong tables are an instrument seemingly unknown to the Krauts, Barkman and Nieling supervised a local carpenter in the construction of said table. They further acquired a somewhat battered dispenser for their beer, and, after laboring for many hours succeeded in putting it in operating condition. To further facilitate sanitary conditions, a stove was installed to heat water for the purpose of thoroughly scrubbing beer mugs.

A Few Extras

Now that all the major details had been completed, the Day Room was in full swing. Still the backers were unsatisfied. Though they had brightened the interior a hundredfold, it was deemed necessary to have additional decorations. They placed colorful wine and cognac bottles on the shelves. This action recalled many fond days to the doughis who visited the tavern, but also caused bitter disappointment when the men discovered that the bottles were empty. There is, however, a case on record where one of these hapooz hooby truss was sold to an unwary newcomer, but upon discovery it was returned by the blurry-eyed dough. Here, too, the Jerry waiters proved their worth. They contracted for the job of keeping the Day Room supplied with fresh flowers, involving a change of blooms every three or four days. The final touch was added by Carl Washburn when he made numerous signs to guide the visiting strangers in their hour.

Yes, it is a busy place the Third Battalion Day Room--- "Always something doing one to eleven P.M."

"Just like New York"



Lt. Pelligrino Perraro and Pfc. Maurice Stack and Myron Nieling drink a beer under the nostalgic sign over the entrance to the Third Battalion Day Room at 42nd St. and Broadway, Grebenstein, Germany.

The Billiard Room



Pfc. John "Pop" Warren takes a few minutes all from teeling bar to practice a little cue work.

The Reading Room



Pfc. William Johns and Alex Tuth both of How Company and on detached service with "Through Channels" enjoy the well-stocked reading room. These are only 2 of the many men from other units who enjoy Third Bn. hospitality.

The Tap Room



Pfc. Richard Glueck and Herbert Brown of the Third Bn. Medics down brew.

Ping Pong



One of the most popular features of the Third Battalion's Day Room is the ping pong table. This table, like most of the comforts and conveniences in the building, is a result of GI skill and ingenuity.

Eighty-Seven Get Infantry Badges

Eighty-seven men of this regiment were awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge during the past week.

The badges, given for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy, went to the following men:

- Pfc. Thomas G. Pittro, Co. B, Pfc. Stanley F. Pitta, Co. C, Pfc. Henry Romero, Hqs. 2nd Bn., and 1st Sgt. William M. Hault, S/Sgt. Merle P. Howard, S/Sgt. Carl L. Taylor, S/Sgt. William A. Welbourn, Sgt. James Y. Dawson, Sgt. William M. Johnson, Sgt. Leonard Levine, Sgt. John C. Smith, Sgt. Shirley L. Thores, Tec 4 Albert E. Johnson, Tec 4 Clarence C. Wallace, Col. William G. Bontrager, Col. Paul E. Claycomb, Col. Elwood G. Dries, Col. Arthur E. LaGrant, Col. Raymond R. Thiers, Tec 5 Nebo A. Athano, Tec 5 Elmer L. Erickson, Tec 5 George V. Petro, Tec 5 Chester A. Was, Pfc. Earl D. Blizges, Pfc. Lawrence S. Conick, Pfc. Arvel Esters, Pfc. Henry F. Fisher, Pfc. Wesley Horne Jr., Pfc. Robert F. Imhof, Pfc. John A. Kotar, Jr., Pfc. Stanley J. Lazowski, Pfc. Cleve W. Valmore, Pfc. Melvin J. Ziesler, Pvt. Herbert C. Anderson, Pvt. Raymond J. Bartholomew, Pvt. Walter C. Bergeson, Pvt. Joseph E. Barba, Jr., Pvt. Marshall Britton, Pvt. Charles J. Clark, Pvt. Jimmie S. Cookston, Pvt. Earl D. Cornett, Pvt. Walter J. Coy, Pvt. C. J. Grunhardt, Pvt. Harry S. Day, Pvt. Delmar J. Dowdy, Pvt. Richard P. Fitzpatrick, Pvt. John E. Moorey, Pvt. Jacob Gehring, Pvt. Dennis Hamilton, Pvt. Dana F. Harland, Pvt. Albert R. Harpnie, Pvt. Paul A. Henry, Pvt. William J. Frihar, Pvt. Clifford E. Huggins, Pvt. Barney O. Jones, Pvt. Robert Hennigan, Jr., Pvt. Kellard L. Jones, Pvt. Phillip P. Kaplan, Pvt. Lewis W. Leffler, Pvt. Leonard R. Lindemann, Pvt. Stanley Markowski, Pvt. Henry

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Rehearsing

The only convenient place found to rehearse "Through Channels" was a building in Grebenstein used to show GI movies. It was a not-too-large room, upstairs, with the stage set in the side of the room instead of on the end and where it ought to be. But it would serve for rehearsing skills with the proper stage business; for practice in projecting the voice to the last row.

The entire cast donned fatigues and went to work. The stage was littered with old theater equipment—drops, scenery, props of all sorts, etc., which were moved out. The stage was completely cleared, swept, a piano moved up center stage, and rehearsals began immediately.

To simulate a hospital operating room, tables, chairs, and a fire extinguisher were moved on stage. (The fire extinguisher would be gas apparatus.) The cast of the skit took their places.

Director Fred Coradetti motioned to move the center table a little more down stage, and "Gustin, please face left slightly." "Take it from where the patient says." "I've got a very bad pain in my side." Searle—groan as you say that line.

Dick Searle, of Tassy company, nodded, hopped down on the operating table, and they ran through it. (Continued on Page 7)

Eleven Get Good Conduct Medals

Eleven members of How Co. were recently awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity.

Receiving the award were: Cpl. William H. Lacey, and Pfc. Ernest Chiam, Jr., Chester L. David, Paul D. Gragg, James I. Moore, David J. Pratt, Ray A. Reitz, Keith D. Richardson, William J. Schabel, Donald H. Spohn, and Paul M. Jansky.

Strip-Tease For 2d Bn.

Since the USO won't send Margie Hart to the ITO a German fraulein in Immenhausen has seemingly decided to take over Margie's act in her absence. Every night at approximately 2200 hours the doughs of 2nd Bn. Hqs. Co. are treated to a show which finds choice places at the windows of the billets at a premium. This fraulein resides directly across from the schoolhouse which serves as a barracks for Hqs. Co., and evidently is unaware of the audience she attracts. Some of the men scoff at this idea though, and contend that the simply wishes to flaunt her "verboten" charms. At any rate, Margie Hart needn't worry any more, at least as far as 2nd Bn. is concerned and company officers are thankful for any diversion which gets the men in their barracks by 2200. Incidentally, any GIs having binoculars to sell or trade please contact 2nd Bn. Hdq. Co.

Clubmobile Visits King Co.

The Red Cross Clubmobile visited King Company this week, and dishing out the doughnuts and coffee were Prunty of Boston, Cam of New York, and Gumby, at Worcester.

The Gals left the states for Germany only recently, and satisfied GI appetites for first hand news from home. These obdurate damselhoods, scheduled for a return trip to the USA in the near future, accorded fabulous numbers and attention from the boys and promised to call on "Moon" when they hit New York and say that they've "talked with Johnnie and he was feeling fine".

The clubmobile is decorated with insignias of various units it has visited, but also, more conspicuously of the 7th Infantry, Artistic Orner and Porter of "K" took a brush in hand and painted the red patch and white lightning streak, then modestly added "Co K 311th Inf".

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property to be seized for taxes while you were away, the soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act gives you a chance to get it back up to six months after your discharge.

Your Debts,

Old Business, Legal Aid

While you are in the service, the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act gives you protection in regard to lawsuits and contracts, foreclosures and repossession, seizure and family eviction. Of course, if you want to keep your property after you get out, you will be expected to make arrangements to pay what you owe. Your mustering - out pay, death gratuities, or insurance payments cannot be claimed by creditors or attached by court procedure.

If there has been a lawsuit against you while you were away, you will probably find that the court has postponed the case until six months after your discharge. If by any chance a judgment was rendered against you, and you can show that your absence hurt your case, you can reopen it anytime up to ninety days after you leave the service.

You have until six months after you get out to apply to the court to postpone payment of your debts. You must be able to show that being in the service seriously interfered with your ability to pay. If the court approves your application, you can pay off your debts in equal installments over a period equal to your full time in the ar-



Timberwolf Goes To A Party With GIs of Love Company

By Pfc. Pat Keeves

Following that good old American determination to either be entertained, or to entertain themselves, Love Company decided to pull a "sausage-dapper" party at which both local and outside talent would be utilized. Love Company is in an extremely isolated position, and for some reason or other it seems to be almost impossible for outside entertainment to get to them. This is the second time that Love Company has resorted to such a program, and further plans are being made for future company get-togethers.

Your reporter hopped on the "Off Limits" bus as it pulled away from Grebenstein on its way to Love Company's area. Amid the melodious strains of "Dear Old Girl," and "Don't Fence Me In," we traveled over the humpy roads until the bus rolled to a stop in front of Love's "Little Theater." Here we were greeted by a host of enthusiastic welcome.

We were amazed at the preparation. This had been arranged for the gala event. The entire theater had been made into a large banquet hall with all the trimmings. First on the program for the day came a delicious meal prepared by Mess Sgt T4 Harmon and his host of helpers. While "Doc" Dockery bent out a few boogie-woogie numbers, and Heinrich Rettsel, a resident of the town, played his accordion, we enjoyed fried chicken, rolls, bread, beans, carrots, dressing,

potato salad, fruit cocktail, and cake. After dinner Cpl Lawler (MC) as host's entertainment consisting of original skits put on by each platoon. Talents other than those on the dramatic side came to light when "Doc" Dockery and Troy Peacock, playing the violin and guitar, swung out with some real hill-billy jive. Emerson and Morris followed with special words set to the tune of "That Packing Man." After Love's program had been completed the "Off Limits" chorus sang several selections from their show, and Danny Gramberg presented a monologue.

The scheduled entertainment ended with a surprise finale when a Russian troupe dashed in during the obvious moments and gave an added push to keep the ball rolling of a still greater speed. The Russian musical chorus sang Russian folk songs in their native tongue, followed by comedy and national dances in full costume. The chorus returned to end the program by singing the National Anthem in English.

Red Cross girls Cam Jelliffe and Trudy Kaufman, guests of honor, served coffee and doughnuts to the men after the performance despite a howling rain storm.

Credit for the preparations of the event goes to Capt Douglas Blanchard, Lt Van Ralleg, T4 Harmon, T4 Kalkbrenner, and Col Lawler. The party was such a big success that the company plans to have more celebrations in the future.

Wolf Briefs

Frenchy Normanda has finally achieved his ambition of visiting his native Paris. Pfc. Dale Len accompanied him as a chaperone.

'Jungle Jim' Ingles and Pfc. Sig Zeldin won the honors when 2nd Bn. Hqs. Co. recently went to the rifle range. Ingles' Seeing Eye dog threw Points for the day.

Pfc. Elwood L. Gerkin decided that the war was finally over and consented to return to the A and P platoon. Pfc. Hagenwald, Howard, Kales and Lawrence of the Anti-Tank platoon, deducing that their lack of points will mean a long stay in the army, applied for OCS on the principal that they might as well make it as pleasant as possible.

If you need legal advice, you may be able to get it free through the lawyer assigned to the Advisory Committee of your draft board, or from the veterans' committee of the American Bar Association, the National Lawyers Guild, or a local bar association. Sometimes veterans' organizations arrange for free legal aid, and of course there is the Legal Aid Society.

Sgt. John Molchan and T4 'Handsome Charlie' Ruoff are enjoying themselves thoroughly in England. If their friends in Cannon Co. know these two there will be a string of broken hearts from Kassel to London and back.

Saw a peculiar sight at Cannon Co. last week, the facts surrounding it make it appear to be the mystery of the week. A pup tent erected in the company quadrangle and living in it is Pvt. Emil J. 'Shifty' Jamblie. Questions to Shifty get replies to the effect that he forgot to pay his rent last month and as a result has been dispossessed.

Lt. Ted Maklin has returned from the I & E school in Paris. The Lt. reports that it is one of the best schools of its kind that he has seen. It is set up to take care of all the needs of various units. Most of our current I & E problems they have heard before from other outfits and have the solution for them. The big thing that is involved though is the fact that Class II units, that's we potential Pacific or strategic reserves, have a very low priority in I & E materials.

Cannon Co. relieved George Co. of its duty last week as check point guards. The post is between the American and British held territories.

New Tub For King Doughs



Sgt. Herbert Hunter gets ready to scrub Sgt. Charles Rayfield's back as he "sets sail" in the good ship, USS KING IV.

Here is a short story about the city of Dogpatch, located here in the center of Germany, under the assumed name, of Kalden. This place is the home of King Company, and among its other infamous lack of necessities, is the absence of a receptacle to bathe in. The men of King Company had sworn that after they got out of combat they would wallow in the luxury of beach-comb baths, but upon arrival at Kalden they found that they would have to journey all the way to the Recreational shower point in order to realize this dream.

Sgt. CHARLES RAYFIELD and Sgt. HERBERT HUNTER of the weapons platoon, decided that they would remedy this situation. First of all they cleaned out an old store-room in the corner of their house, and after many tedious hours of labor they finally produced a room that was to house

their tub. A scavenger hunt around the area produced a tub from the vicinity of a 300 year old castle. They promptly painted the tub green and white and mounted it on a platform reminiscent of the Napoleonic era. After all preparations had been made, they christened the "ship-like-tub" King IV in honor of the fourth platoon, who have exclusive rights to the container.

The apex was reached when the men installed plumbing devices that would enable them to draw both hot and cold running water. This system consists of a large vat for heating the water, and an intricate system of siphoning devices constructed from lengths of rubber garden hose.

The men have finally accomplished their dream, and as they enjoy a good hot bath, they think, "Who knows, maybe Napoleon once used this very tub too".

ABOUT GUYS YOU KNOW

Strange things happen every day, some of them happen to Pic Robert and Geist, Cannon Co. Driver. He was in a convoy taking a group of 3 1/2 somewhere when he discovered a flat and left the sacret. It was a hot and sultry day, so murthering things to himself he proceeded to change the tire, first removing his shirt and helmet. In the middle of this operation down the highway came a squad of MP motorcycles and a lot of brass. He watched the procession go by and suddenly found himself saluting the President and Gen. Mac. They were apparently making a tour of inspection during the President's stay here for the Potsdam conference. He thinks that he is the only one who was returned a salute in that state of undress.

Most of their buddies in Cannon Co. are wondering how the inseparable couple of T/5 Joe Staska and Pic Harry Arsenio are getting along without each other these days. Joe is on pass to Volkenburg and Harry is confined to quarters with a sprained ankle that he got sliding into third.

The Cannon Co. officers and men send their best wishes for a speedy return to Lt. Samuel Feno Siff. He is recuperating from an accidental gunshot wound in a hospital near Pritzlar.



"In resubstituting spare parts, Olexo, we try to get for something a little more specific, then a 'thingamajig'."

Pic Frank Morton of Anti-Tank found it quite hard to return to the idea of "five, two, three, four." A pass at the famed resort at Spa, Belgium, he was ready for dismounted drill. Pic Benjamin Young also found the return to duty a hard thing, after the rigorous life of "Guy Paroo." His good time there was something that will be a life-long memory.

There were no happier two men in the ETO this past week than the Havins brothers, James of Anti Tank and Gardner of the 67th Liaison Sqd. After being separated for two years, Pic Jim heard that the Sqd. was stationed at Westbaden not too far from the AT CP at Veckerhagen. Jim immediately started the correspondence which brought the two together.

Back to duty this week were Pics Santomaro, Kioza, Helms and Wicks of Anti Tank Co. They have just returned from a pass at Volkenburg, Holland. They had but a few minutes to give their fellow ATer, Pvt. James Crawford, the low down on what to expect and where to go in that town. Asked from where he came, just before he left, Crawford said, "From a west of St. Louis."

T/5 William Cranford and Pic Kenneth Cain, both of Anti Tank company, were hospitalized this past week by injuries sustained in a jeep accident. Their officers and buddies wish them quick recovery.

Anti Tank Pvt. Lowery M. Riffenberrick is currently quite the busy man of letters. He is assisting at Division Hqs. in the compiling of the Division's history in the ETO. We could think of many jobs that would be more unpleasant at the present time.

Cannon Co. is proud of the record set up by Sgt. Hershel Newman and T/4 Joe Seeta. They are the only ones, to our knowledge, in the regiment to have no trucks returned to them. Their checks before turning in the vehicles for redeployment are perfect according to the regimental record.

Sgt. Henry Gnacks of 3rd Bn, Hu. Co. just returned from a most enjoyable furlough in England (He could not have been anything else). His most treasured possession at present is a picture of a very nice looking friend. Yes, you guessed it, it is a picture of a girl and a very nice looking one at that. How do they do it? I just glanced at the stack of letters he had received from her while on furlough and I do mean stack. My guess is that someone has a crush on someone or something.

Man of the week, Burton Carrow, 3rd Bn, Hu. Co. clerk. You hear him so often and yet he says a little. You guessed it the first time, he is the boy that plays the organ at Church, and how he plays that organ. Just about any night you can find him at the 3rd Bn. Hu. Co. day room surrounded by a group of captivated listeners. Whenever you feel sorta sad, you didn't get that expected letter, or the rich numbers came up at the wrong time, just drop down to the 3rd Bn, Hu. Co. day room and little Bert will put you in the groove again with some real hot jazz. Here's a hint for a job mica artist and a swell fellow.

Lt. Postwood, 3rd Bn, Motor Officer, is still walking around in a daze and talking about the innocent women at the Riviera bathing beaches. From what I could gather, and that wasn't too much considering that Lt. Postwood's mind was still wandering, their entire swimming apparel consisted of little more than a G-string. Horrible thought, isn't it? I think most of you will agree that this second hand information is nothing more than an outrage. This Pic. must have a pass pretty soon or else.

With a snazzy setup at the Co. day room, Whitley Livingston is back at his old job as 3rd Bn, Hu. Co. barber. Most of the fellows are looking forward to getting a good haircut again, after having the Krauts give in the old "howl haircut."

Latest lead. There seems to be some disagreement between the 3rd Bn. Radio Chief and the Regimental Radio Chief. I don't know whether it is ethics or morals, but the Regimental Radio chief is a. and I am, "loose."

Sgt. Jack Anderson, 3rd Bn. Sgt. Maj. has fully recovered from the illness caused by the Army's decision to keep the critical score at 85 points. Personnel, after counting, separating, spacing, tampering with, and adjusting his points, has made the sta-

JAKE TEN

At a party one time Lord Beaverbrook played the social game of twenty questions and had the opportunity to cross-examine a famous actress. The questions, we are told, went somewhat similar to his: "Would you live with a total stranger for a million pounds?" "Yes" was her prompt reply. "What if he paid you only five pounds?" "What do you think that I am?" she demanded annoyed at his idea. "We have already determined that," retorted Lord B. "Now I am trying to find out to what degree!"

Friends of a famous B'way playwright tell this story of him. It seems as though a Maiden woman with very little else in life had taken to collecting autographs and letters. Very proud of the people that were represented there she was always trying to add to her collection and at various times had written to this author in hopes of getting a reply to add to the file group, she already had, having disregarded her for a long time he finally answered her to end the thing. "To Lucille," he wrote, "I'm sorry of those glorious days that we lay in each other's arms at Miami!"

Banker to elderly colored woman turning in her gold: "Auntie, you've been hoarding." "No sah boss, you is wrong. At least twenty dollars of that is washing money."

Dogs in Siberia are the laziest in the world because the trees are so far apart.

Father: "Marry my daughter. Ha, young man, you couldn't even keep her in underwear." "Oh, there are times, sir, when you don't do so well at it yourself."

The congressman's wife woke one night and nudged her sleeping husband. "Dear," she whispered, "I think that there are burglars in the house." "Oh, no, Albert," he sleepily replied, "There may be burglars in the Senate, but there are never burglars in the House."

ement that this essential foot soldier will be available for D day, 11 hour of the Shanghai coast. (The above mentioned has 84 points).

Ever since the battalion has been in Germany, a number of men in Third-Battalion who visited the Wartburg in Eisenach have wondered why Luther's greatest hymn, "Ein feste Burg ist Unser Gott" was not available for singing at chapel. Pic Carrow, the company clerk and Regiment's number one organist, has taken steps to have it mimeographed and inserted in the hymnal. Next Sunday the area near the church in Grebenstein will resound to the impressive strains of this moving hymn. It is better known in English as "A Mighty Fortress is Our God."

Love's scholar, Sgt ALBERT WILLIAMS, is attending a University in France.



AROUND THE REGIMENT

Two Sergeants of King Company are currently enjoying their furloughs in the United Kingdom. They are S/ Sgt. HORACE L. GILL and S/Sgt WILLIAM H. SMITH.

JOE COLPONE and FRED PIERCE have just returned from a short stay in Valkenburg, Holland. They returned ready to take up their job with the Special Guards. SGT. "POOP" FLEMING has gone to partake of a bit at rest in Spa, Belgium.

JIM BECK of the Regimental Special Guards was surprised to see his most recent visitor. His brother-in-law was able to spend a couple of days with him, and they attended the circus in Kansas.

The Special Guard ball-team had a triumphant week since they beat both the 1 and 2 Platoon and the Wire section. The scores were 11 to 5, and 3 to 1, respectively.

To Paris, the ussack of pleasure, ventured four King Company Doughs. They are: S/Sgt. RAYMOND BUCHNER, S/Sgt. WARREN SKINNER, S/Sgt. THOMAS BURKE, and Sgt. DONALD SCHWAGER.

To the Riviera world renowned spot of relaxation, went 12 WILLIAM MANSFIELD, Pic. ROBERT HAYTAGLIA, and T/5 JOHN KELLEY, from King Company.

Pic. Al Nusz is doing a good job of supplying beer for our ever-thirsty boys. H Company has its town tavern in Jmmenhausen and with Al at the tap there's always good cold foaming beer on hand. With a piano and ping pong table an extra added attractions, and with interesting reading matter always in stock, our little tavern has become a handy and enjoyable place to spend an evening.

The new flag which flies so proudly from its staff in front of the Baker Co. C. P. is a gift to Capt. Harold R. Rhine from his former business associates.

ITEM Company has contributed four talented men to the new Regimental show, "Through Chances." They are, Pic. Michael J. Kilmwick, violin player, Pic. Cleon (Cap) Prior, trumpet player, who played with Bob White and his orchestra in civilian life, and Capt. James O. O'Malley and William L. Yerrick, singers.

Best wishes to Cpl. Danny Johnson for a speedy recovery from all the Cannonnors. He went to the hospital last week with an ankle that he sprained about two weeks ago playing ball in the company league.



"For the next few minutes, corporal, please don't swallow." (Wags. RCAT)

Pic. Chester J. Warasky and Pic. Walter Q. Elliott have just rejoined ITEM company after spending furloughs in the United Kingdom.

Pic. Warasky visited his brother, M/Sgt. Stanley Warasky, while in England. The day Chester left England to return to the company his brother left England for the U. S. on his way to the Pacific.

Pic. Elliott visited ITEM company's old stamper grounds at Bourne-mouth, England. He found the hotel once occupied by ITEM company now standing vacant. Elliott reported that the Red Cross girls that were there during the company's stay in Bourne-mouth were still there, besides "beacoms" other women.

Several men from Item company claim the record for the time elapsed from POW to front line duty. Twenty days after they left Boston harbor, they were fighting on ITEM's front line. Are there any record breakers in the regiment?

Hi-Nie Town

by Martinez



Fox Moves To New Area

This past Sunday Fox company was "in transit"—and on the first leg of its journey back to the States which every one is looking forward to—the town of Muncheloh. Primary reason for the move was so that it would be unnecessary for the company to continue eating with the sky as a roof and Kries Hofedamir surroundings. The company is now firmly entrenched in the town hall with the kitchen on the stage and the auditorium as dining room. Music is furnished by a housekeeper (aged all by the kitchen crew). The move also brought the men closer to their two softball diamonds which are on the town's outskirts. After a hotly contested game, it's a cinch to cool off in one of the showers in Muncheloh's one and only factory building.

Each evening at 1900 S/Sgt. "Bernie" Mliniski is at his post in the "Fox Den" dispensing the amber brew and collecting hall-marks. Bernie can get in a few extra sales now since he is saved the 2 km. walk to and from Hohenkriechen. Incidentally, "Bernie" as Bernie is often called, was a blunderbuss for 1st Sgt. McKay while he spent a week at the Riviera. When asked how he liked the job, Bernie said, "Never attain!"

Speaking of "passes", everyone is anxious for the firsthand information on Switzerland which Lt. NUPPER, 1st and F officer, is sure to bring back from that country where he is flourishing at the present time.

"Dad" Kulkert, Fox 1st Platoon Sergeant and Pfc. Walter Michaels, wireless in Co. Hds., recently returned from the Riviera where they both received a beautiful tan.

Three Medics "Almost" Miss Night Problem

The Headquarters Section of the Medics was beginning to fall out for the evening compass problem. There was still some time before "It" hour, so the pill rollers were not too alarmed, at first, at the strange absence of Section leader "Smiffy" Schoenholz as well as that of Cpl. "Papp" Miller and "Slog" Slagle. The time is now off to the IP was drawing nigh, so it was decided by some of the "peasants" (English translation: P.F.C.s) to send out a few scouts to search of the absentees.

A bunch of one of the "peasants" was tried. The head tap room! Close scrutiny above and below the bar, as well as next to, behind, and under the tables proved the "bunch" to be a right 'un. The absentees were there in the tap room!

And the usual merry noise heard always in beer halls could be heard the sold southern tones of the aforementioned Miller subtly suggesting that perhaps the problem was scheduled another night. This suggestion met no response from Section leader Schoenholz. "Well, maybe it's gonna rain," piped in "Slog" Slagle. But, "No dice, we gonna go on the problem," seemed to be the perpetual unspoken answer of "Smiffy".

"It" hour found Section leader Schoenholz leading his men from the IP, and at the end of each of the two columns of men, were Miller and Slagle, respectively. The line reformation of the Medics a beat' right there at the right time, was retained.

Baker Has New Dayroom

Through the earnest efforts of Lt. ANER WAHL, Baker Company now boasts a new dayroom. Pfc. JOHNSY DYER is responsible for the very good sketches which decorate the walls and which depict the further adventures of Sgt. George Baker's lovable character "sail sock".

Although the room is used during the day as a classroom for the new 1 and F program, it retains its position as a day room during the evenings and allows recreation to the men in the form of a record-player and numerous books and magazines.

Anti Tankers See Double, Sergeant Has Twin Trouble



If you've ever known any twins you can appreciate the plight of T/Sgt. William Mansfield, 1st platoon of Anti Tank Company, who has had the Young twins, Robert and Leo, of Bertendorf, Iowa, in his platoon since 'way back in Picket days. Both have short blond hair, both have identical voices over wire phone, both drive trucks, and each one answers to either 'Leo' or 'Bob' having had 22 years' experience of being mistaken for the other.

Before coming to the army the Young twins worked for the M. A. Ford Corporation in Davenport, where they continued fellow workers continuously. Leo and Bob were inducted together at Fort Dodge, Iowa, on the 16th of March 1943 and joined the 18th Division at Camp Butler where they took their basic training. Their only separation occurred when Bob was sent to them company of the 311th and Leo remained with the AT company of the 311th. The separation lasted only three days whereupon Bob

was returned to the 311th Anti Tank Co. and since then they've always been together.

It isn't at all unusual to talk to one of the twins for fully five minutes and find yourself becoming more and more liked because he doesn't seem to know the incident you're talking about. Then it dawns upon you that you are probably talking to the wrong one. "You are Robert aren't you?" and "No", comes the answer, "I'm Leo!"

Just as soon as you think you've got them straight Bob begins calling his brother by his nickname, "Tabby", then you are confused all over again.

But if you are observant you'll notice that of the two, Leo is inclined to be a bit more reserved and Bob is more bluetious, or is it Bob who is the quiet one? Anyhow a sure way of telling them apart is by looking under Bob's right eye, there's a slight scar there... maybe it's Leo's left eye. Well anyway... "If you've ever been acquainted with twins..."

Easy Men Win Awards

Col. F. H. Cantrell presented S/Sgt. MURRAY HOROWITZ with the Bronze Star and Sgt HAROLD HOLLNER with the Certificate of Merit last week. The 2nd Batt. Commander made the awards at a retreat ceremony held at the company.

HENRY KOWALSKI and T/S JOSEPH SCOPIN are the first men from Easy Co. to get a pass from Switzerland. T/S SAHOG HOVESPAN and Sgt. JOHN JUDGE are in Paris.

Away from Easy Company last week at the rest center at Valkenburg, Holland were, Pfc. LES LEOPOLD, HAROLD LAUGHILIN, JOHN ROMAN, LEO CULETON, GORDON SUTSIS, Pfc. CHARLES SYDNOR and ALBERT SASKO.

Wolf Briefs

La Belle Femme had better watch her step now as Sgt. George Wells, commander of feminine hearts from Poland to White Oak is now on his way to Paris. Also accompanying him from Charlie Company is Pfc. Michael Demewick. In the meantime S/Sgt. Demnick Lorfeld is taking a well earned trip to England.

After an evening at the Charlie beer hall, Cpl. Konat, S/Sgt. Henry Cox was claiming his signal as the best clone order drill outfit in the Regiment. However, nobody took him seriously as he also claimed he could beat the Dog Company pancake eating record.

Raising Chickens is the new occupation of Pfc. Howard Scherck. When questioned about this pastime, Howard stated that Thanksgiving dinner would be 'prima'.

All of Third Battalion Fox Company welcomed the return of CHARLIE MEADE, LEWIS WETZEL, TOM STURM, and CARL STROBL of "OH Limits" to the company even though it was for only a few days.

Three Leave George Co.

Farewells were said last week at George Co. to three of its men. S/Sgt. MERLE HOWARD was transferred to duty back in the states. At the same time Pfc. HAROLD LANE and JOHN W. WILLIARD were retained in the states for discharges for dependency.

S/Sgt. KENNETH RYAN, mess sergeant of George Co., offers five to one odds that his mess will set and hold the new Regimental plaque for the best Mess in the outfit.

George Co. has worked out a novel method of distributing its watches, fountain pens, cigarette lighters, etc. which it draws in its Bi-monthly PX raffles. Under the auspices of Lt. E. GSHAW, George Co. these items are awarded as prizes to the winners in a series of indoor sports tournaments. Checkers, chess, bridge and dominoes contests are currently being held. These prizes are paid for by profits from the company beer hall.

The boys had quite a few yards to spin concerning their travels.

The 3rd Platoon of Able Company welcomed back to the fold this week, Cpl. RAY M. WALKER. Walker had been on duty with the installation wire section for a prolonged period of time and his return was welcomed by all of his old friends in the company.

T/Sgt. RALPH O. BEDIENT, of Able Co. and platoon sergeant of the First Platoon, is off to the Riviera on pass and it is hoped that his men will have no trouble making available now that their mentor and human alarm clock is vacationing.

On his way to Paris is Cpl. WORTH H. CLARK, who is going to be missed not only by the men in his squad, but also by his people. It seems that Clark is the originator and the instructor of a newly formed class bookkeeping and accounting, which has been functioning under the 1 and F program.



by Wondrow Keijls

The spectacular and sudden end to the war in the East leaves most of us breathless and unable to take stock of our emotions. It is so staggering an event that it will probably be weeks before we can properly appraise it. When last week's column was written, Russia and Japan were at peace; since then a war was declared, fought and won, and an armistice proclaimed. These are fast moving times, indeed. The war is over but its evil will haunt us all the days of our lives. There is none of us so young or who will live so long but that the continuing evidence of the unaccountable cost of this war will condemn him all his dying day. Everybody has more money, banks are bulging with deposits, the poorest man is a bond-holder, and pockets are full, but all of use are immeasurably poorer. The resources of the earth and the labor of millions of men devoted to the conquest of non-enjoyable goods is a loss which no amount of book-keeping can conceal or disguise. Approximately 80,000,000 man years have been spent or will have been spent in the armed forces. The goods and services which might have been produced by this expenditure are incalculable. Three hundred billions have been spent to insure the defeat of aggression. No man can comprehend even a fraction of this astronomical sum. Hundreds of thousands are either dead or have had their physical faculties seriously impaired. None can estimate the vast load of grief that this has brought in its train.

But yet, staggering as it is, the cost can be made worthwhile if America will not shrink from assuming the responsibility and exercising the power that is now hers. For the first time in all of recorded history, a mighty conspiracy of events and circumstances has tendered to one people the moral and material leadership of the entire planet. Only 83 years ahead of us lies the opening of the third millennium of the Christian Era. It can conceivably be made into the millennium of peace and justice to all men of good will.

Lt. Sodaro Back With Mike Co.

Mike Company welcomes 1st Lt. EDWARD SODARO back from England where he spent his honeymoon on the sunny shores of the English Channel. His wife, a 1st Lt in the US Nurse Corps, won the approval of the men of Mike Company when she took good care of some of the boys who were wounded and sent back to England.

Mike Company wants to wish them both all the luck in the world. "Our only regret is that we are unable to give you that one point needed to make you a 85-er for a wedding present".

The 2nd Bn. Hqs. Doughs report that the food took on a decided Polish flavor at the mess hall during the recent visit of the French show. "Mi-Om" to the theater adjoining the mess hall. The regular cooks claim they were simply trying to procure some recipes for French patry, but the men think that they had the Pole KFs doing all the work while they...

270 men of the 2nd Bn. were chosen to act as the Division honor guard in the event of visiting celebrities. They recently journeyed to Hofedamir to go through their paces and be oriented in their duties.

The Walt Cats "Divisional" in Immenhausen is rapidly becoming a first class night club. Formerly a German pub, it has, with a complete remodeling, become a combined theater and mess hall, with outdoor patio, and an outdoor bar now looms in the tentative plans for future development. Many new shows are expected to make a visit here in the near future. Movies will be a regular feature with occasional USQ shows and GI productions rounding out the program.



"About this here thing, it's a darn good thing. For me, I know it is, 'cause when I was in high school I used to pay more 'lusion to other things, an' never finished all the way thru. Ther was work to do at home.

"Now I want to be learn' English, that some people say I need some of, and auto-mechanics. Ther latter I am most interested with, 'cause I need to tink' with cars and tractors back home, and maybe in this here school I can learn to be good enough to fix the nab'r's cars.

"A fella's got to look ahead, it is not right for him to slide along easy 'ow that he ain't got to much to do in the ETO—he ain't bein' 'ere to his hometickes, Or to hisself either.

"I would like to have my own business, a little garage maybe, when the war is over and we can go back home to civilian life. With some trainin' now, things will be easier. That is why I am glad there is this trainin' to learn somethin'. Most of us need to feel we was growin' old bein' in the army so long, and rusty about workin' the ol' ways. Now this will fit us up so we will not feel that way anymore."

Back home at Fox for a visit recently was Pfc. ROGER MEECE who has been traveling the ETO the last few months as star-gazer and clown player with "OH Limits." Roger was all "hepped" up about bigger and better things to come for the Timberwolf show.

Three members of Fox's "fichting fourth" platoon are now at Battalion for instruction in the "pin" game. They are: T/Sgt. IRA ROBBINS, S/Sgt. TOM PEOPLES, and Sgt. JOHN-VALENCIA.

Winning Photo



This week's winning photograph was submitted by Sgt. Gus A. Nevros of Hans Co. This picture was taken at Morlangen, Werra, in July, with a 35 mm camera (Leitz Hektor 1:2.5 f=50 mm) on a bright day. He used yellow filter No. 1 - 1-6.3 - 88 - 1/20th.



The rains which prevented most of the ceremonies planned for Re-Activation Day also cancelled the 311th-309th fights scheduled for Wednesday night and most of the other sports events scheduled by Timberwolf teams throughout the week. All companies received new athletic equipment early this week however and when, and if, the sun reappears the sports program should be resumed with new zeal.

Third Bn. Hqs. Co. In Play-Off With Mike Softballers

Mike and Third Battalion Hqs. Company will battle it out on the first sunny day in a three game series to determine who is going to represent the 3rd Battalion in the Division playoffs. Mike Co. led the league during the first half of the series, but failed to retain that lead during the second half. Mike is now back in shape after beating Hqs. in a practice game last Wednesday.

Hqs. presented an excellent showing in the second half of the series, and have been underrated in a league game. They have hopes of continuing that record to win the Division championship.

Scot ULISANO, Mike's star pitcher, is taking full advantage of the inclement weather to rest his arm for the series. The rest of the team isn't getting a chance to practice, but all are in good condition and are raring to go.

Goes AWOL To Join Infantry

Tec 3 Arthur F. Brown, L. Co., 311th Infantry, wanted to get into action as badly as we did. AWOL from an Engineer outfit back in Com 2 and, joining the 70th on March 17, fought until Bala pocket was cleared.

At Stuppach this way. Last February, Brown had the immense task of autographing hundreds of pieces of engine equipment daily. This came the bulk of his outfit was to furnish a squad of "volunteers" for active duty with the infantry.

Brown, shown on preliminary list, wasn't included on the final shipping list, but, by the time his papers were their way through channels, he was crammed into a 40 x 5, moving to a People's People and the front.

Arriving there, he spent two weeks as corporal of the guard, and herding details of yard birds around, policing the area.

His service record and allied papers had come with his "volunteers" hand. Finally, when his presence wasn't desired any longer at the People's People, he was shoved a little farther along the line and finally, just after the outfit had crossed the Rhine and was fighting to extend the Remagen bridgehead, he joined L. Company in one of the mountainous battles east of the Rhine.

From then on, he did alright, but when his allotment house was stopped suddenly, he began to wonder. A little checking about points and battle stars with his old company revealed they wondered where in the hell he had gone.

T/5 Millar Celebrates G Day With Cake and Forty Candles

For month now T/5 William S. (Scotty) Millar has been counting the days until the 14th of August. In his own mind Scotty had labeled that day as "G Day. You see on that day Scotty turned forty years old and had figured out that that was to be his graduation day and every day that he put in to the army after that was to be G plus 1 or G plus 2 etc. All of his friends at Cannon Co. were counting with him and being slightly envious of the fact that he was nearer home than they. However it was decided to give the condemned man a good last meal featuring a cake with forty candles.

The day finally came and the victim unaware of what was taking place around him spent the last hour of the afternoon hoping for rain. Rain meant no retreat and that alone was a relief.

Love Defeats King 7-1

King Company, which has been the nucleus all season at Love's softballers, was finally downed, 7-1, by an onslaught of L. Co. batsmen.

This was "Red" Collier's initial victory over Pater of King. Martinez, King's second team moundman, registered his fourth consecutive win of the season. Hitting was heavy on both sides, but King had the edge and scooped the midget trap with a 7 to 6 victory.

Backstage

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"I've got a very bad pain in my side."

The "doctor" leaned over with a stethoscope, replied, "You are a pretty one, aren't you?"

"I think it's my appendix, Doctor. What should I take for it?"

"What have you been offered?" the doctor retorted. Fred put up his hand there. "Half it!"

He studied the script for a moment, then suggested a rearrangement of the principals grouped around the operating table, "as the audience can see the action better, catch the patient's line, which aren't projected enough."

"Take it away," he requests. With the new positions they take the lines once more. Corradetti chuckles at a line John Finazzo does well, with slight, nervous restraint, pulling the patiently, "TBH be right back—I have to wash my hands so bad that I can hardly hold them."

With the stage business down and out before the lines and acting grew stale—the director calls it quits for the morning. "Rehearsal at one," he reminds the cast as they top down, of the stage.

First Battalion Headquarters Company gained one good man and lost five in the past week. T/5 VIKTOR DOWKER has returned to take over his old job in Message Center and although he is still a wee bit shaky after an extended stay in the hospital at Nancy, France, he was welcomed back by the company by his old friends there. Pfc DICK VALLEY, DAN BEARD, BOB BAKER and BOB WILLEY have returned to their parent companies. These five men have been with Headquarters Co. ever since Belgium and did a very commendable job as battalion runners. Pfc GENE DRUM, who is at present attending an I and E school in France, will likewise return to Baker Co. as soon as he rejoins the Timberwolf Regiment.

Pfc JOHN S. FIDRY has been granted an emergency furlough to return to his home in Hawaii to attend the funeral of his mother who died recently.

bration for him. No luck however. It had rained all day but just in time for retreat the sky cleared sufficiently to hold the ceremony. All went smoothly till at the close of the formation, Millar heard the G. O., Capt. Charles Balog, call, "T/5 Millar, front and center." Unaware of what was about Scotty came forward in the best military manner and, having reported, was put at ease. Speaking in behalf of the officers and men of the company, Capt. Balog then presented the Softman with his cake, replete with candles and lemon icing. Asked to say a few words, the dumfounded individual looked at the officers and men he had served with for so long a time, thought for a minute and stated, "I'm sorry to have to leave my friends at Cannon Co. but," he added with two Scotch conservatives, "not too sorry!"

Charlie Wins 2-1 From Able

Pfc Harold Striver bailed and pitched his way to victory over the previously undated Able softball team in a tip-and-tuck 2 to 1 game at Charlie Company.

Manned by Sgt. Joe Yaruska, the "C" Company team played a stout fight until the last fourth when Pfc. Ira Pettit assumed the ball for a home run. Able made this run back next inning but in the last of the fifth a teasing double by Striver knocked Pfc. Raymond Kanny home for the margin of victory. In the pitcher Striver was marvelous-making the most of Able's swing at the air. Charlie's recent successive victories have revived talk in the company of a championship.

311th Golfers In 7th Army Tournament

Three Timberwolves have entered the 7th Army Golf Championship which will be held in the near future. 311th entrants include Lt. Donald E. Walls, K Co., of Bloomington, Indiana, who is a former city and state champion, Sgt. David P. Corbett, L. Co., a semi-finalist in the Southeast, Ind. city tournament; and Col. Ray H. Taylor, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., a finalist in City and State championships in Greensburg N. C.

Badges

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P. Mastriani, Pvt. Lennie R. McCullough, Pvt. Roll E. Mueckel, Pvt. Oscar S. Moore, Pvt. Gerald L. Morgan, Pfc. Edward L. Munscheller, Pvt. Wallace A. Mascher, Pvt. Frank J. Paterasiewicz, Pvt. Joseph A. Pica, Pvt. Harry L. Rositzer, Pvt. Arnold E. Smith, Pvt. Harry Stolz, Pvt. Donald J. Stumoff, Pvt. Martin H. Thompson, Pvt. Douglas L. Tyson, Pvt. Norman J. Underdown, Pvt. George C. Vance, Pvt. John J. Walsh, Pvt. Herbert Wintowski, Pvt. Frank C. White, Pvt. John W. Willberg, Pvt. Rex A. Williams, Pvt. Leonard Willoughby, Jr., Pvt. Rodney L. Wright, Pvt. Jack E. Wilson, Pvt. Kenneth L. Yonnum, Pvt. Wilfred L. Young, all of Geneva Co.

Wolf Briefs

This week's news list from Headquarters Co. of the First Battalion includes: Pfc JOHN KESKULA, who has gone to the UK to visit relatives there, and Sgt. FRED TIERNEY, who has gone to Brussels for a rest. T/3 CHARLIE THOMPSON left for the Riviera while Pfc JASPER TAYLOR has come to Paris to show the French how to celebrate V-J Day.

Returning from a recent Valkenburg pass, Pfc LOPLIN is still dreaming about that "Little Dutch Girl". He thinks that he has finally met the bright spot of his lonely life after all these months.

Accompanying Loflin, but not quite so serious about the women were Pfc BIRRO, PFFUTT, and MELMER. Pfc BECKER and COLLINS spent their three days in Spa.

"Little" Joey Gilmore, who hails from Waterbury, Conn. was presented with the Bronze Star recently. He assisted in the capture of two German Colonels, one from the infantry and the other from the field artillery. The capture took place in Wuppertal, Germany, one of the last towns that the 311th Inf. fought in.

Greener fields of the S. O. has just returned from a visit with his brother-in-law who is in the 127th AAA located in Gladbach, Germany. His hitch hiking was pretty successful. It took only ten rides to make the 250 mile trip. It was the first time that the boys had seen each other in over thirty months.

Latest reports from the 70th Inf. say that Capt. James Pettit, former How Co. C. O. is now attending school in Paris and that upon his return he will assume the duties of Battalion Executive.

Lt. Alfred Bennett was also lucky enough to meet a home town buddy recently. While in Paris, Lt. Bennett

Those City Slickers Again

A couple of weeks ago we ran a story called "City Slickers Down on the Farm". It was all about the rural and extra crumby area that the First Timberwolves had moved into. Well, it turns out that at least one company down there has some pretty fancy subjects in a Timberwolf photographer went down to see how the farm boys were getting along and he brought back their views of the flaker C. P.



Pfc. Harold Dills writes a letter below one of the many postcards which he has to the larger home.



Pfc. Charles Hyde at the phone, gazes at some of the elaborate hie-abras which is present in nearly every room.

visited one of the more famous Parisian hot spots. Having come just a little too late to obtain a good table he was offered a place at the ring-side table of a leather officer, who, like Bennett was a New Yorker, and with whom he had also attended OCS.

Pfc. Charles Avery is leaving this week for France to attend a university in connection with the I and E course. In civilian life Pfc. Avery attended college in Pennsylvania and prior to donning combat boots in the Infantry he had attended Connecticut University in the ASTP program. His specialty is education. . . his goal is the teaching profession. Seems as if he's on the right path.

Pfc. Tom Finfgold had been planning for a long time to really celebrate his birthday on 9 August. However amidst all the confusion of an army billet the days flew by, and by the time he was ready to celebrate, he was surprised to find that the ninth had slipped by without his knowledge. He maintains that that day was skipped. . . "I was robbed" quoth he.

The third platoon, led by its str-foot, two-inch, net man, "Kid" Taylor, won the Love Co. volleyball tournament this week. The remainder of the company's scheduled all-day sports program was cancelled by rain.

In Paris on pass for a few days currently are T/5 Faust and Kitchin.

The Red Cross Clubmobile with its three pretty American girls, visited ITEM Company last Tuesday afternoon. The Red Cross girls didn't have any trouble in getting volunteers to work as it usually the case in the army. T/Sgt. LeRoy Waymaster and Stanley Masak drafted themselves for the detail, "sparing" their men any necessary work.

Back from Valkenburg, Holland, after an exhaustive 36 hour train ride are, S/Sgt. John R. Lee, Pfc. Charles E. English Jr., Sgt. Earl N. Severs, Pfc. Anthony C. Fowler, Sgt. Vincent J. O'Gara, Pfc. Richard V. Gantner, T/4 Willie C. Davy and Pfc. Giles J. Cannon, all of ITEM Company. The men all stated that they had a very enjoyable time while on pass.

Pfc. Howard D. Nelson, S/Sgt. John G. Hickey and Sgt. Victor M. Dove have just returned to ITEM Company after spending three days in Paris. They reported that the long ride to and from Paris was well worth the three days spent there.

The AT platoon of Third Battalion Hqs., led by Lt. SCHEIL and S/Sgt. LESTER BARKMAN really "put on the dog" by having a big field and party at the company day room. The finishing touches were added when Barkman brought in a quantity of Shiner White in the delight of all concerned.

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"Through Channels"



Sgt. Wilbur A. John can't really play a tune with that sign hanging on his horn. He's just giving one long, loud blast announcing that "Through Channels", the new 311th revue is on its way.

Below, Pic. Duane Saxton is shown working on a section of "apron", that part of the stage which protrudes before the curtain. Other stage accessories constructed by GIs for "Through Channels" include a bandstand, sets, properties. For a complete story on set and scenery construction, see next week's "Dockstage With Frank".



Open Wider, Please



Wars end, floods subside, disastrous fires are eventually quenched, but going to the dentist is one of those things that last out and on through a lifetime for at least as long as one has teeth. This is the 311th's capable dentist Capt. Morris A. Welner examining Pic. Fred Lindner.

The Wolf Cub Study Center



The Wolf Cub Study Center is a part of the Second Battalion's carefully planned and well integrated I and E program. Under the direction of Lt. Karl G. Kappel, the Center is similar in several ways to an American high school or college. There are no clubs on this campus; the students wear combat boots instead of saddle shoes, but the learning process is just about the same. Above, Pics. John P. Finan and Richard G. Wilson stand under the sign at the entrance to the center.

Off to Class. S/Sgt. William Frolich and Pic. John A. Kintz, both of George Co., and Pic. F. J. McCauley of Ho. Co. are on their way to class. Sitting on the steps are Sgt. Ted Wrona, G. Co., and Col. Jan Kelly of E Co.; Standing in the doorway is Pic. Henry Romero, Ho. Co.

Baker



T/S Johnny Barras, Third Bn. Ho. Company's highly-prized baker hands out cream puffs, one of his specialties, and a company favorite.



Pic. Lee Langsberg, George Co., draws necessary texts from the Center's library. Sgt. M. Vellinsky is the librarian.

Lovely, Isn't She?



Behind that grassplot is a dogface. Her part of the cast of the all-GI Carmen which played for Timberwolves in this area last week.



Easily one of the most popular subjects taught at the Center is photography. Pic. Paul E. Sivitz is shown here explaining some of the intricacies of light refraction.



School is out, and the students, through with classes for the day, stride across the parade grounds.