

78th Gridders Face 36th Today In Loop Finale

By Pat Murphy

Lightning Sports Editor

All roads in Berlin today lead to huge Olympic Stadium, where this afternoon Coach Harry Adams' 78th Division Lightning Bolt football team attempts to make it four Seventh Army League wins in a row at the expense of the 36th "Texas" Division Blue Devils. The kickoff is slated for 1400 hours.

So far this season, the Flash gridders have been extremely rough on "Blue Devil" opposition, rolling up three wins in as many starts against the Third Div., 29th Div., and last week, the 100th Div., scoring 40 points in doing so and yielding only two, on an intentional safety.

The 78th Division football team will go to the Riviera to play an as yet unnamed opponent on Sunday, Nov. 25, in a post-season game, if it emerges victorious this afternoon over the 36th Division, according to an announcement by the Seventh Army Athletic Office.

The 82nd Airborne Paratroopers, now in third place, have disbanded

Lightning On the Air

Lightning's football game today with the 36th Division in Olympic Stadium will be broadcast over AFN-Berlin starting at 1345 hours. Cpl Wayne Howell, AFN sports editor, will describe the game and Sgt Chuck Broadhurst will give the between-quarters color.

for the season, a fact which cancels their final date with the Lightning Bolt on Nov. 24, and the 100th Div., only half a game ahead of the Flash, plays the "Tara Regt" today. Should they lose, as seems likely, and the 78th win, the 78th would take over third place in league standings.

The Texas aggregation comes to Berlin with a record of in-and-out football in league play this season. They played five ball against the Third Regt., and last week against the 29th Div., although losing both games.

The 78th, on the other hand, has staged a tremendous comeback midway in the season and now rate among the powers in Seventh Army competition. With next Saturday's last league game cancelled, today will tell the story as to whether or not the Lightning Bolt will finish the season above or below the 300 percentage mark. With a three-three chart for the season, the Adamsmen enter today's game as favorites for the first time this fall.

The Flash will probably field the same starting lineup that has rolled over the last three opponents, headed by such potential Seventh Army All-Stars as Andy Frank, Hoppe and Chester Spelock. Tackle Walter Goslowski, Guard George "Denny" Dannenfelser, Center Don Spayker, and linemen Pete Lamana and Frank "Buz" Williams.

The Lightning Bolt's huge, hard-driving backfield, averaging 190 pounds boost the Bolt weight average up to 197, with the line hitting 196 per man. The Texans average 165, 192 in the forward wall and 174 in the backfield.

Awarded Silver Star

Lt. Col. Thomas H. Monroe, Jr., commanding officer of the Third Battalion, 309th Infantry Regiment, was awarded the Silver Star Medal for "gallantry in action" at a Battalion review at Liebenau, Germany, just before the 78th departed for Berlin.

He previously had been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, with Oak Leaf Cluster.

Bronze Star medals for "heroic action" were awarded to S/Sgt. Alvin Crabtree, of the Third Battalion Headquarters, and U/Sgt. Arnold Maxeyson, Company K. Forty other men were decorated with Bronze stars during the same ceremony.

Lt. Col. Barton, commanding officer of the First Battalion, presented the awards. Capt. Norman Dykes, Jr., was commander of troops.



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78TH INFANTRY DIVISION

Berlin, Germany

Lightning Takes Over in Berlin Zone



AFTER RETURN OF LION: Major General R. W. Barker, pictured with His Majesty, King Christian X, of Denmark, following recent ceremonies in Copenhagen, commemorating return of the famous bronze Lion of Juled to the Danish people. Gen. Barker made the presentation on behalf of the U. S., in his capacity as CG of US Hq, Berlin District.

Man-About-Town Finds Berlin Rich In Hot Spots

Entertainment for Lightning soldiers in Berlin includes everything from dancing and drinks in nightclub atmosphere to movies, concerts, ballet, opera, and USO shows, plus the fine entertainment that has been brought forth from within the Division.

78th Paces Army To ETO Shoot Crown

With half of the team composed of members of the 78th Division, the Seventh Army rifle and pistol team ran away with the lion's share of the honors in the European Theater meet completed during the week-end.

Seventh Army won three of the six team titles, and its members copped six of the seven individual titles.

USFT placed second in the meet, taking two of the remaining three team events and the lone remaining individual title.

Opera was presented nightly at both the Deutsches Opern Haus and the Staats Opern Haus. The presentations change nightly to allow the greatest possible variety to the program. Both soldiers and civilians are admitted, and it is advisable to obtain tickets in advance.

The Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, directed by Robert Heger plays Sunday and Monday at the Titania Palast every other week. The matinee on Sunday is open to both soldiers and civilians whereas the Monday evening concert, the same as Sunday's program, is for soldiers only. Famous guest conductors are scheduled to appear throughout the season along with other well known artists. The next

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Noted 'Times' Writer Warns:

Berlin 'A Vision of Things to Come' IF...

What the world may expect in ruin and destruction if efforts to prevent another war fail was foretold by Drew Middleton in The New York Times after a recent visit to bomb- and shell-wrecked Berlin. He writes:

"The city of Berlin, lying dead and unburied under the sunlight, is a somber reminder of what another war will mean to cities, and that the end of Western urban civilization is no longer an empty phrase but a terrible fact already within the grasp of mankind."

"There is an atmosphere of death and decay unlike that in any other heavily bombed city, and there is an emptiness on the faces of the people totally unlike the expressions of Londoners during the blitz of 1940, or of the people of Frankfurt, a heavily bombed city, today."

"After traveling through the city this correspondent believes it will

take a generation or more to rebuild Berlin—if, indeed, the German people, weakened by five and a half years of war, are ever able to complete so colossal a task. . . . In many sections it is not a question of craters and shattered houses, it is merely one of the height of the hills of rubble. These enormous pyramids of red-yellow debris are all that is left of thousands of buildings.

"Nothing But Emptiness"

"The full extent of the damage is best seen from the air. When a plane is over the Tiergarten (a park in the center of the city) you can look in any direction and see nothing but emptiness and desolation. It was at a time when lights were going on in cities that are alive, but the shadows were creeping across the face of Berlin, unrelieved by any light.

"These areas which appear only

First Foot Troops Here Begin Occupation Duties

By Jimmy Napier

Last elements of the 78th Infantry Division arrived in Berlin yesterday to complete a week-long shuttle relief of the 82nd Airborne, and immediately set machinery in motion to fulfill its occupational duties in the former German capital.

Only troops remaining in the

800 With 60-64 Points Shipped On Eve of Move

Redeployment of troops in the 78th Division hit a new high this week when two separate shipments sent 798 men with 60-64 point scores to the 84th and 100th Divisions in exchange for an equal number of men with point scores of 59 and less.

The men were separated from the Division at Holzesmar, Germany, just prior to the move of the Berlin move. Transferees from the 84th arrived late Sunday afternoon and those from the 100th joined the Division Monday.

Men with 65-69 points were not affected by the two shipments, being retained for the Berlin move and earmarked for quick departure to units labeled for shipment to the States.

The 100th Division, now in the Stuttgart area, recently was alerted for shipment to the 34th follow.

Number of men, by units, included in the shipment to the 34th follow: 310th Infantry, 163; 310th Infantry, 84; 303rd Engineers, 56; 307th Field Artillery, 46; 303rd Medical Battalion, 37; and Division Artillery, 12.

Number of men, by units, departing in the shipment to the 100th follow: 310th Infantry, 196; 309th Field Artillery, 51; 30th Signal, 41; 79th Ordnance, 29; 303rd Medical Battalion, 26; 303rd Engineers, 24; 310th Infantry, 16; 7th Quartermaster, 7; Div. Hq. Co., 3; and MP Platoon, 3.

Holzesmar area, former home of Lightning patch wearers, were close-out forces assigned the task of policing up the empty barracks, and the 311th Regimental Combat Team, which is scheduled to move to Bremen soon to relieve the 29th Division.

250-Mile Trip

The 250-mile convoy trip was undertaken with nary a hitch and little fuss. Troops poured out of their Holzesmar barracks in the wee hours of the morning, piled into all kinds of Army

Set Clocks Back Sunday

That hour which Lightning men lost when they moved into Berlin will be gained back Sunday when clocks will be set back an hour.

Currently, Berlin is operating under "Moscow" or Eastern European Standard Time, designated as "B time". Starting Sunday, clocks will be moved back an hour to Central European Standard Time, or "A time".

What it amounts to is that you can stay in bed an hour longer Sunday morning and still get up at the time anticipated.

vehicles and hit the highways. Stops on the Autobahn were infrequent and most convoys made the trip in ten hours or less.

Advance details of almost every unit in the Division have been in Berlin for almost three weeks now, but not until the 310th Infantry's convoy arrived Monday evening did the Lightning patch become a daily sight to the city's civilian and soldier populations.

The 310th's convoy, stretching out for a distance of almost four miles, rolled along at a rapid pace on the Autobahn. Occasionally a jeep or three-quarter ton truck slipped out of position, but only momentarily while it passed a German bicyclist or a bay wagon.

Division Headquarters arrived in the last convoy late yesterday and took over offices vacated only the day previous by 82nd units.

The Combat Team going to Bremen includes all of the 311th Infantry Regiment, the 307th Field Artillery Battalion, Company C of the 303rd Medical Battalion, Company C of the 303rd Engineer Battalion and a detachment from the 30th Signal Company. Just when the units will move to Bremen is still unknown.

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New Play Opens Here

"You're On Your Way", a two-act all soldier musical comedy presented by the Berlin District Special Service, had its premiere at Titania Palast Theater Thursday night.

"That Old Black Market", showing the dealings and dangers of black marketing, was the most effective scene of the show. Lieut. Sagrro and Lemme Kiel gave good performances on their musical numbers and Tom Arosica gave a fine presentation of a cello dance.

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Berlin Diary:

Work Was Our Welcome Here

THERE was little time or temptation to roll out the welcome mat as Lightning prepared to take over in Berlin.

By the time our last units had arrived, thist for welcomes had worn off in the wake of a week's work and rain. Lightning weather run true to form throughout the move from Kassel. It rained as the first echelon hit the road on Monday, and it wasn't exactly Miami weather as the last elements dribbled in yesterday.

And, to top off the weather report, an unseasonable flurry of snow covered Berlin early Tuesday morning.

But whether or not the elements smiled, Lightning officers and men lost little time in digging into the new job. It didn't take long to find out that Berlin was a far call from the cow-towns of times past.

And when the working day was through, we quickly discovered that advance forecasts of Berlin facilities were not exaggerated. We found an abundance of recreational and amusement facilities, and a club for every man.

The rejuvenated Lightning eleven was hard at work prepping for its opening game in the Olympic Stadium, and Special Service units throughout the Division were working at top-speed to prepare full schedules for all units.

Yes, the transition from cow-town to Big City was a memorable event for the Lightning, but WORK was the legend of the first week. No one had to preach the importance of getting off to a good start... for the future, there were plenty of playing days and nights ahead... but for the present, the size and strategic importance of our Occupation Zone left its impression on every man.

If the eyes of the world were on us as we took over in Berlin, then the heart of every Lightning bug was equal to the task.

NOV. 22 IS HOLIDAY!

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 22, will be observed as a holiday by all 78th Division units.

All duties, with the exception of necessary security details and administrative requirements, will be suspended in observance of the holiday.



THIS BRIDGE IS IN: Lightning's first glimpse of the many blown bridges dotting the Berlin landscape brought back vivid memories of famous spans back home. Here's a shot that native Californians will recognize... the scene is Somewhere in San Francisco.

Germans Thought Division Fired Automatic Mortars

This is another in a series of reprints of stories written and published about the 78th Division during combat.

WITH THE 78th LIGHTNING DIVISION, East of the Rhine in Germany.—Fighting hard in the expansion of the Remagen bridgehead, doughboys of the 81 mm mortar platoon of Co. H, 310th Infantry, have convinced a lot of Germans that we have been using automatic mortars. At least that's what some of the PWs said.

Enemy infantry and tanks were making an effort to retake a town which the 310th had pulled into. Lt Lloyd E. Howard, platoon leader from Westford, Va., and his men didn't know they could throw so many rounds so rapidly.

When the counter-attack was broken up 30 minutes after it had begun, the mortarmen counted and loosed. They had fired almost 1,000 rounds, almost all of it with Charge 1 at ranges of 500 yards and less.

The platoon was moving up to a new location near the town when firing was heard at an increased tempo. A few seconds later German infantry and tanks were observed on the left where some Yanks were attempting to contain them.

With no time to dig in or withdraw to better positions, soldiers of the platoon grabbed their mortar tubes and base plates from the jeeps, hastily set up in the open terrain and immediately began putting it on the Krauts.

"The range was only about 500

yards," said Cpl Carol T. Larson, mortar gunner from Alexander, Minn. "We didn't need an observer for we could see the Germans coming right at us. We just used direct fire on them. The Heinies were throwing plenty at us and several of their tanks began putting direct fire in our direction. We doubled our efforts on all six of our 81s.

The platoon had nearly 700 rounds on hand but called for more. Two of the jeeps were knocked out by enemy tank fire and there were several casualties.

But at the end of 30 minutes, the 310th's H Co. mortar platoon had won its victory. The tanks turned and fled. So did the German infantrymen that were left. But there were plenty of Germans who couldn't ever run again.

Members of the platoon have received a letter of commendation from their battalion commander. Assisting Lt Howard in the fight against the German counter-attack were Lt Donald O. Weaver of Niles, Mich., and Tristram Harold C. Blackford, Joplin, Mo.

78th Rehearsal In Bournemouth Came to Completion A Year Ago

ONE year ago this week, Lightning Doughboys were still playing war in Bournemouth, England. But by the end of the third week of November, 1944, a fleet of LSTs was being assembled for their crossing of the English channel to the continent, where the fighting was real, grim, and hot keeps.

Bournemouth, before the year, had been a resort town. But the 78th had arrived to take over billeting space in the hotels, and to find out that they were all "Yanks" regardless of where their home was in relation to the Mason and Dixon Line. The beaches were lined with concertina wire and pierced by fortifications against the threat of invasion by the Germans, a threat dead by that time but once very imminent.

Daytimes were quite similar to training days. Conditioning and refresher activities were frequent, tireless. Marches brought the doughs in the once somewhat wobbly sea-legs back to their previous toughness.

There were white cliffs to be charged, simulated Kuwait pillboxes to be stormed, and taken. Across the channel, it would not be simulation.

In the off-duty hours — and there were many of these — social and recreational activities drew the men which they were destined to re-member. Tea and tea dances, evenings

in pubs with pitifully weak beer, cordial acquaintances with English families, and as is true wherever the Yanks have gone there were the girls. There were a lot of lucky GIs who got 26-hour passes to London, where they enjoyed some sightseeing and

An Invitation

New 78th Doughs Can Join Vets Group

Lightning Division soldiers of World War I have issued an open invitation to membership in the 78th Division Veterans Association to all officers and enlisted men who have served in the 78th in World War II.

In an open letter to the younger generation, printed in the association's monthly paper, "Flash," the members declared, "We desire the phrase 'about us into the organization' and instead invite you to participate in the activities of the association on an equal footing, with representation on the executive staff, and a voice in the deliberations, planning, and execution of all future programs."

Expressing the interest of the "old-timers" in the record of the new 78th, the communication explained that the

Photo School to Feature Portrait, News Courses

Plans for an intensive eight-week photography course designed to graduate students qualified for professional jobs as news photographers, portrait and commercial photographers, and photography laboratory technicians were announced yesterday by the 78th Division I. and E. office.

The photography school will accommodate approximately 75 men at a time. Instructions will be given five days a week.

Tuneful Toy Squeaks Of 'Things to Come'

NEW YORK (CNS)—Maybe it's a vision of things to come in the beautiful post-war world and maybe it isn't, anyway, there's a new musical instrument on the market with a keyboard like that of a typewriter. Called "typatone," it has 32 notes, weighs five pounds, is finished in red or green, and costs 14.95 dollars, "plus delivery charges."

Muscle for the instrument is written in letters, instead of the conventional musical notes; that for Stephen Foster's "Beautiful Dreamer" goes like this: NINT-RDEI, etc. The ad describing typatone doesn't say what tune you'd get playing. "Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their party."

Damage Shows Effects of War

(Continued from Page One) areas less badly damaged by Berlin standards but horribly devastated by any other, a few families manage to live in cellars and in the battered lower stories of burnt-out buildings.

"The story of what they have seen and endured is in their faces. Their eyes are dull, their movements slow and deliberate like those of people moving in a dream, their clothes worn and unkempt. Old men—there are no young men—are unshaven. These people are living on meager rations, and they have no fuel, little water, and no hope of getting new manufactured goods to replace those that they have lost, for many months to come.

"Yet, oddly, the devastation produces only awe of man's destructive power and fear for the future rather than any regret for the city that has gone. Berlin, broken, cold and silent, is an indication of what the future may bring to the Western World, but in Berlin no tears are shed for the city, and its death is not mourned in the world it tried to destroy."

Lighting soldiers interested in enrolling should forward applications to the I and E. office at once.

The course will be divided into three sections — news photography, portrait and commercial photography, and lab work — each with a separate qualified instructor.

Adequate textbook study of theory will be augmented by several weeks of actual experience under real-life conditions. In the latter stages of the courses, this experience should prove quite valuable as well as being highly interesting to those taking the course.

For example, men in the news course will be given assignments to photograph news events in Berlin and will probably work hand in hand with photographers for "Lightning." Arrangements will probably be worked out whereby the advanced students will even be given newspaper assignments to handle by themselves.

Likewise, in the commercial section, live models will be used as much as possible in an indefinite variety of indoor and outdoor settings. Technique of posing will be stressed along with the handling of models. Particular attention will also be devoted to the art of layout of picture material in advertisements.

In the lab study, extensive work in developing, printing, and enlarging will be given in addition to a thorough groundwork in equipment and materials.

"Lightning" to Cover News of Berlin District

Starting with next week's issue, Lightning will resume its Friday date-line.

However, in addition to Division news, future issues of Lightning will contain news and picture coverage of all units within the Berlin District.

Deadline for all pictures: Tuesday preceding publication.

Deadline for all copy: Wednesday noon preceding publication.

For their assistance in the mechanical details of rushing this first Berlin issue of Lightning to press, the staff extends its sincere appreciation to Public Relations personnel of Berlin District HQ, notably to: Major Thers F. Coleman, Lt Neil J. Sharkey, Cpl Spens Galanowski, and Pic Carl Pottier, and to Sgt Bernard Jones, of AG Printing.

Movie Time Table

- No. 1 — Tanana, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 2 — Zumbach, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 3 — 187th, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 4 — 2nd, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 5 — 1st, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 6 — 3rd, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 7 — 4th, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.
- No. 8 — 5th, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 daily.

found out for sure that Peardilly Circus was not a three-ring affair.

These were re-visitors of equipment, and checks and re-checks of military and personal articles. Duffel bags were ready to be packed for the final time. Bournemouth was the closest British town to the continent, and two hours train ride away were LSTs ready to be loaded with a trained 78th Division, ready as it would ever be.

Lightning was getting ready to strike.

in his statement to the membership under the heading "Victory-Peace," he declared:

"Now that we have achieved victory and peace is here, what better way can we of the 78th Division show our appreciation than by going out and lining up 78th men who are not members of the 78th Division association to join for the purpose of establishing a firm, sound and substantial organization to be turned over to our successors, the new 78th?"

Among the assistants listed to the new president is Col. Thomas H. Hayes, commanding officer of the 310th Infantry, liaison officer for the New 78th in Europe.

"You will be welcomed," the invitation (Continued on Page Four).

Bolt Upsets 100th For Third Win, 14-2

78th Weather Lends Hand In Lightning Eleven Win

By Pat Murphy

Dosed with 78th Division weather — freezing wind and driving rain — Coach Harry Adams' Lightning Bolt football team pulled one of the major upsets of the Seventh Army League season Saturday in Stuttgart's Century Stadium when they turned over the applecart of the highly-touted 100th Division Blue Devil eleven, 14-2.

It was the third win in a row, all over Blue Devil opponents, for the Flash and kept them undefeated under Adams' tutelage. They were forced to remain in fifth place in the league, however, for the fourth place 82nd Airborne gridders beat the Third Division, 13-6, and thus retained their scant one-game lead over the Bolt.

Fullback Pete Lamana, a potential Seventh Army All-Star, jumped into first place among Lightning Bolt scorers when he raked up his second touchdown of the campaign on a three-yard left end sweep early in the third period. The tally came four plays after Center Don Spyrker, a great pivot man Saturday, blocked 100th Back Jim Shea's punt, with Tackle Walter Gostkowski recovering for the Strak on the Century 10.

The second six-pointer came immediately afterwards when Quarterback Frank "Luzz" Williams' booming punt carried to the 100th three and the 100th's safety man, Harris Martin, lund the ball jarred loose from him as a result of Lightning Bolt End Chester Spelock's driving tackle. Elsewhere the Flash wingman, Frank Hoppe, dived on the loose ball in the end zone for the score. Williams kicked both extra points.

Safety Intentional

The safety, an intentional one and incidentally the first points scored on the Bolt since Adams took over the coaching reins, came in the last period after a Century touchdown drive had been halted on the Flash six-yard stripe. Rather than risk a kick with the soggy ball, Williams knelt in the end zone with the pigskin for the two points.

As for individual stars, every man that took the rain-swept gridiron for the 78th was one. Of the starters, eight men played the full 60 minutes, and all turned in great games. The ends, Hoppe and Spelock, Tackles Gostkowski and Calvin Covert, Guards George Dammefelser and Jim Wallace, and Backs Williams and Lamana were the full-time boys, and Spyrker, the best center in the Seventh Army League, played all but a few moments. Martin and Andy Victor, ex-Clied star, were the Century backfield standouts, while Purdue's Barry French and Guard Bill Herrera led the 100th linemen.

The first half was a scoreless affair, although the 78th twice got close enough to the double stripe to try field goals. Williams attempted the first early in the second quarter from the Blue Devil 24-yard line, and Sub Center Lou Adams the second from the 10 in the waning minutes of the first half. Both fell short of the uprights.

The first Lightning Bolt score came on the sixth play of the third period when Spyrker fisted through the center of the Blue Devil line to block Shea's attempted boot from his own 21. Lamana then romped over.

Freak Kick-Off

When Williams kicked off following the score, his try skittered along the ground, caressed off of a Blue Devil lineman and rebounded to the 100th 48-yard marker, where it was recovered by the 78th. Two line plays failed to click, and Williams sent a beautiful punt to Martin. Hard-hitting Spelock, another outstanding candidate for the Seventh Army All-Stars, crunched into him, with the resulting fumble and Hoppe's recovery for the touchdown.

X-Country Men Enter ETO Meet

When cross country runners from American forces all over Europe line up for the ETO Championship Meet at Frankfurt's Victory Park Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, all five barriers from the Lightning Division's original cross country team will be sporting the togs of the Seventh Army entry. Team winners of the recent Army Meet, the five Lightning runners will compete half of the Army team that will be seeking victory over the hilly five-and-a-half mile course. The ETO Championship race is the most grueling of all distance runs will be held at the hall of a championship football game between the winners of the USFET and TSFET grid leagues.

Don Crawford, long-striding Lightning star who ran great race to finish second in the Seventh Army Meet, Norman Zareko, fourth Don Shall, sixth; George Warner, eighth; and John Coyat, tenth, are the 78th harriers. Other Seventh Army stars include Bill Steiner of the 58th APV, a former American marathon great, and Bernhard Pote of the 113th Genl. Hospital, who ran Crawford a great race to finish third in the Army meet.

Berlin Offers Winter Sports

Lightning GIs in Berlin this winter will have the opportunity of going swimming in an indoor pool, playing golf, and enjoying the usual ice-and-snow sports.

The heated, indoor pool is located opposite the former SS barracks on Finkenstein Allee - Baseler Strasse. Trunks for EM and bathing suits for Wacs are provided. It is open from 1200-1700 and 1900-2200 hours. The Berlin Midnight Golf Course is located near Wannsee, and is open from dusk to dusk. Sixty sets of clubs are available. Later in the winter, Division Special Services plans to make hockey equipment, snowshoes, and skis available for use on the snow-covered hills and the ice on Wannsee, Schlaedenssee, and other small lakes near Berlin.

PRE-WAR PICKET LINE

When the New York Yankees open the 1946 baseball season they will have their entire pre-war outfield back in the fold. Left Fielder Chastley Keller, Center Fielder Joe Di Maggio, and Right Fielder Tommy Henrich.

SEVENTH ARMY FOOTBALL GAME

Olympic Stadium, Berlin

Sat., Nov. 17, 1400 hours

NO.	78TH DIVISION	WGT.	POS.	WGT.	20TH DIVISION	NO.
31	Frank Hoppe	185	LE-DE	200	Carl Rothbard	14
1	Walter Gostkowski	200	LE-DE	210	Stan Basse	24
4	George Dammefelser	190	LG-SG	200	Bar Becker	28
72	Don Spyrker	195	C	185	Koa Dodge	43
64	Jim Wallace	190	MG-LG	175	Pete Panzavago	13
35	Calvin Covert	205	RT-LT	200	George Zambay	21
17	Chester Spelock	200	DE-LE	170	Frank Andrie	2
12	Frank Williams	200	QB	180	Tom Cataldo	2
19	Gene Skardor	190	LT-RT	180	Jack Hoover	18
21	Bobby Graham	190	RT-LT	175	George Gooda	1
12	Pete Lamana	210	FB	180	Larry Dunn	8
	Harry Adams		Coach		Fernie Shoemaker	

Cage Squad Faces Loss Of Four Men

Faced with the possible loss soon of three potential stars via the re-employment point route and with another player on the injured list, Coach John Robinson's Division basketball squad nevertheless began to feel its oats in light scrimmages last week in Holguinmar's Madison Square Garden before moving to Berlin.

Sharpshooting Tom Medley and Art Basso, stellar ex-CCNY guard, may depart soon for re-employment and Dave Haimstein, an all-Pennsylvania hoopster while at Penn State, has suffered a bad foot injury. Lanky Hal Grady, formerly of St. Francis, one of the outstanding candidates, recently was transferred to the 54th Division.

Coach Robinson, still on the lookout for players with college, semi-pro or professional experience either in the Division now or coming in with new - point shipments, said his charges, now 25 strong, through a long scrimmage drill last week.

Six-foot-six Wilburn Thompson, star of the Division volleyball champion Co. K, 210th, Infantry, swept and earlier a coxer at East Texas State Teachers College, Sam Freedman of Alabama, Roman Mierzejewski, a former professional with Tolono, and Sol Bloom of CCNY have shown to advantage in the drills.

The cage squad will be materially strengthened when several of the football players join the team at the end of the gridiron season, notably Tackle Calvin Covert and End Frank Hoppe, a veteran of both the 78th football and softball teams. Even one of Lightning's grid officials now in the Seventh Army officials' ranks, Chuck Fowler of Illinois U., plans to try out for the team.

The Lightning cagers will enter a Seventh Army invitation tournament the first week in December, while the best company team in the Division, to be determined later, will enter an invitation tourney on the company level early in February.

Touch Football League Nearing Final Playoffs

Teams in the Lightning Division's eleven-man touch football league were deep in their schedules last week and plans for the final playoff, due to start Nov. 25, have already been set up by Division Special Services.

The final winner in each of the infantry regiments and Div. Arty., one eleven from the 203rd Engineer-303rd Medic league, and one from Special Troops will meet in the finals. National Touch Football Rules are being followed throughout league play.

TWO-SPORT STAR

Otto Graham, famous for his All-America antics on the gridiron for Northwestern but also an "All" in basketball, recently signed to play with Rochester in the National Pro Basketball League.

Three Tourneys Slated Monthly

Division-wide tournaments in badminton, table tennis, and horseshoe-pitching will be held every month under the direction of Lt. Gus Hank of Division SSO, with unit entry representation the same as in recent Division tournaments in those sports.

Three singles players and two doubles teams are eligible for the meets from each of the regiments and from Div. Artillery. One singles contestant and doubles team may enter from each of the 303rd Medics, 303rd Engineers, and Special Troops.

Awards will be presented in all tournaments to the first, second, and

third place winners in singles matches and first and second doubles matches winners will be rewarded. The team from both its singles and doubles amassing the highest number of points contestants will be given a team award in each tourney. Ten points will be given for a first place, eight to a second place winner, six to third, four to fourth, two to fifth, and one to sixth.

No singles player will be allowed to participate on a doubles team in badminton, but may play on doubles teams in horseshoe-pitching and table tennis.

Beat The Experts - Grid Fun For All

	Murphy	Cox	Lansdell	Snowden	Yours
Army Penn	25	25	27	41	0
Corvill Dartmouth	20	14	7	20	0
Wisconsin Navy	10	7	0	7	0
Illinois Ohio State	14	14	6	6	0
Purdue Michigan	21	13	13	19	0
Oklahoma Missouri	12	14	6	7	0
Notre Dame Northwestern	20	21	21	13	0
L. S. U. Ga. Tech	14	14	13	0	0
T. C. U. Texas	7	7	3	13	0
St. Mary's U. C. L. A.	21	21	25	7	0

Sports Editor Pat Murphy missed out only on the Princeton-Dartmouth tie game last week to edge ahead in the Lightning's seasonal football forecasting efforts.

Ken Cox and Joe Lansdell, the paper's other regular "prophets", raised their averages with an outcome of eight right and two wrong. Lt. Col. Harry Adams, head coach of the Division football team, got seven right and three wrong to boost the average of the quest forecasters.

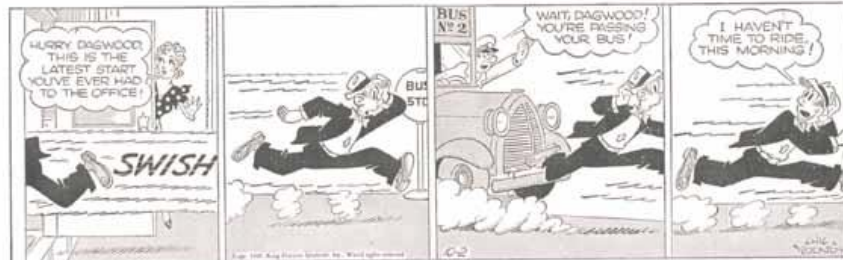
HOW THEY STAND

	Right	Wrong	Pct.
Murphy	28	12	.700
Cox	27	13	.675
Lansdell	20	14	.550
Guests	24	16	.600

This week's guest expert is Sgt. Woodford Snowden, director of the Division Blue Band and an exponent of Southeastern Conference football, as he hails from the University of Kentucky.

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By Chic Young

Job Rights of Vets May Get Airing in Court

DOES the Selective Service Act give the veteran the right to reinstatement in his old job, regardless of the seniority rights of non-veteran employees?

This problem, now being thrashed out in the courts, is of vast importance not only to ex-servicemen but to all men and women who work for a living.

Veteran's Job Upheld

The Selective Training and Service Act provides that a veteran shall be restored to his old job "or to a position of like seniority, status, and pay unless the employer's circumstances have changed to make it impossible or unreasonable."

Major Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service chief, has ruled that this means that non-veterans of greater seniority must be discharged to make way for veterans, if no job otherwise exists for the returning servicemen. In a test case in Brooklyn a United States district judge upheld Gen. Hershey. He said:

"This plaintiff is entitled to come back to his work, and is entitled to come back to work in preference to anyone else who might be working on any of the days he applied for work, except a veteran in his own category."

An opposite view was taken in another test case by Prof. Herman A. Gray, who was accepted as an arbitrator by an employer and a veteran. The Harshey ruling, now known as "super-seniority," he said, might bring about "a serious economic and social upheaval." Prof. Gray added:

"The older workers carrying family responsibilities which come with maturing years would find themselves displaced, despite their long service in industry, by younger men who, as a rule, have only themselves to care for. Established industrial organization would be disrupted and thrown into confusion. The task of reconstruction to a postwar economy, difficult at best, would be hampered in a degree that might well prove dangerous."

Both the AFL and CIO stoutly opposed the super-seniority principle on the grounds that it would be unfair to permit a veteran who had worked for a company for one or two years to displace a non-veteran who had worked for the same company for 15 or 20 years.

Lightning Men Invited To Join Veterans Group

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tion concluded. "By men that speak your language and men that found, in the muddy ditches and fox-holes of 1918, what you found in the fox-holes and slit-trenches of 1944-45 enduring blood relationship with your fellow men, denied to all but fighting men."

Membership dues in the association, including a subscription to the monthly paper, are two dollars. An application blank for membership is included in this issue of "Lightning."

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Group Control Explains Government Setup Here

Set-up of the government now ruling Germany was explained today in a statement issued by the Public Relations Service of the Office of Military Government, familiarly known to soldiers and civilians in Berlin as OMGUS.

Supreme authority, the statement said, is exercised by the commanders-in-chief of the four occupying powers on instructions from their respective government. Each commander exercises supreme authority in his own zone of occupation, and jointly with

the other three commanders in matters affecting Germany as a whole. This latter function is through the organization called Allied Control Council.

The four commanders-in-chief are General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, Marshal Gregory Zhukov and General Pierre Koenig, representing the US, Great Britain, the USSR, and the French Republic respectively. These four commanders have appointed representatives to a Co-ordinating Committee which prepares all matters for consideration by the Allied Control Council and makes recommendations for action to be taken.

The four members of Co-ordinating Committee are Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Lt. Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, General Sokolovsky, and Lt. Gen. Louis Keeltz respectively for the Allied Nations.

The commanders-in-chief then created a third echelon headed by directors of the 12 major divisions in the control groups of the four nations.

These 12 directorates make reports and recommendations to the Co-ordinating Committee on all matters requiring uniformity of action among the zones of occupation or requiring central administration or control. The separate directorates are: Military, Naval, Air, Transportation, Political, Economic, Finance, Reparations, Devises and Restitutions, Internal Affairs and Communications, Legal, Prisoners of War and Displaced Veterans, and Manpower.

Radio Bugs Here to Jump As AFN-Berlin Spots 78th

78th Division talent is going on the air soon. Plans are now being formulated to have the Division dance bands, glee clubs and regimental combos to drum out music and blurt out songs for AFN-Berlin. Sgt. Jack Milling, AFN's program director, announces that "if present plans are consummated, the first of the 78th Division programs should start the early part of next week."

TONIGHT... Bob Hooper on the air. Bob and Bettie Davis, Arthur Treacher, Connie Haines, Private Sad Sack, Toni Seven and Mtd. Tomie's Melrose join in another all-star edition of G. I. JOURNAL (2030). The tunes on your HIT PARADE (2130) are (1) "The End of Time"; (2) "I Loved You" and (3) "African Topka & Sando Fe".

Cpl. Chuck Broadhurst opens a new series of Saturday night programs (1830) BERLIN TOP TEN, featuring the favorite selections of Berlin G. Is as judged by mail response. SHOWTIME (2230) features America's Southern songstress, Dinah Shore.

POST SCRIPT... To the men of the 78th... Welcome to AFN-Berlin. Our mailing address — APO 755... our studios are at 28 Pothelakallee (look for the big electric sign). Oh yes... you can tune us in twice a hour a day (6000 to 6200) at 1420 kilocycles or 211 meters.

LORD BYRON DOES IT AGAIN

When Byron Nelson shot a 239 in the Seattle Open Golf Tournament recently, he recorded the lowest 72-hole competitive score in link history.

78th Division Replaces 82nd In Berlin Shift

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Troops of the 82nd began moving out of Berlin Monday, waving a cheery "hello" and yet a mournful "goodbye" as they passed incoming 78th convoys. Berlin is considered the prize occupation "plum" in the ETO, and many divisions clamor for the glory and pride that goes with the job.

The 82nd is heading for Camp Oklahoma City in the Ose Intermediate Section, where it is scheduled to remain until early January because of the recent change in category to permit the division to become part of the Regular Army in place of the 101st Airborne. It will move to Fort Bragg, N. C., to become a training unit for new airborne outfits.

Doughs of the 78th were ready to add another distinguished trophy to their long list of conquests by becoming the first infantry division to occupy Berlin. The Second Armored Division got the first assignment in Berlin, occupying the former German capital from July 4 to late August, when it was replaced by the 62nd Airborne.

Many energetic doughs made themselves as comfortable as possible during the long convoy trips. Some carried mattresses and slept on them. Others were content to use a blanket as a shield from the weather and the floor of a 6 x 6 as their mattress. The less fortunate doughs jammed into trucks the best way they knew how and rubbed elbows with the next fellow.

Russian Guards

Passing through the Russian zone provided many 78th doughs with their first glimpse of the Russian soldier. He was an alert and well-disciplined soldier, saluting every vehicle in the American convoys. When 78th convoys were moving in one direction and 82nd units in the other, he was obliged to salute one unit, then make a complete about face and salute the other.

Troops arriving in the first convoy Monday night were greeted by typical 78th weather. They poked their heads out from under blankets Tuesday morning and saw the ground covered with a quarter-inch layer of snow. It was Berlin's first snowfall of the season and was soon washed away by rain.

Man-About-Town Finds It Rich In Hot Spots

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concert will be Sunday, November 25th.

The Red Cross Clubs in the area can boast of having practically anything a fellow could expect in the entertainment line. Most of the clubs have photo service, reading and writing rooms, game rooms, cake bazaars, and information centers along with the old stand-by of coffee and doughnuts. The clubs are: Titania Palace Club at 5 Schloss-Strasse, open from 1000 to 2200; Officers Club at 41-42 Hauptstrasse, open from 1005 to 2200; Tempelhof Ranger Service at Base Operations Bldg., open from 0830 to 2030; Midway Club at 15 Berliner Strasse, which is open from 1000 to 2300; Telefonklub Club of Berlin District Headquarters, open from 1300 to 2300; Mittelbau Manor at 31 Kurfuerst, open from 1300 to 2300; Chestnut Club at König and Marlow, which is open from 1000 to 2300; Crown Prince Club at Kronprinzallee, open from 1000 to 2200; F. D. Roosevelt Club at 123 Hauptstrasse, open from 1000 to 2300; and the Channel Club at 19 Jungfernd., open from 1300 to 2300.

Three Special Service Clubs, or Unit Service Clubs for Excluded Personnel are available to soldiers. The clubs all have a library and most of them contain a snack-bar operated by Post Exchanges. Some of them also have photographers and photo service, music and dance instruction, and dances to records or dance orchestras.

The clubs are: Berlin GM Depot Club at Saakower Chaussee; 82nd Division Club at 44 Grunewaldstrasse; and the Group Control Club at 14-16 Bitterstrasse.

WAR BOND OFFICER

1st Lt. Robert J. Moore, of the 78th Division Headquarters, has been designated as Division War Bond Officer for the drive now being conducted in the ETO.