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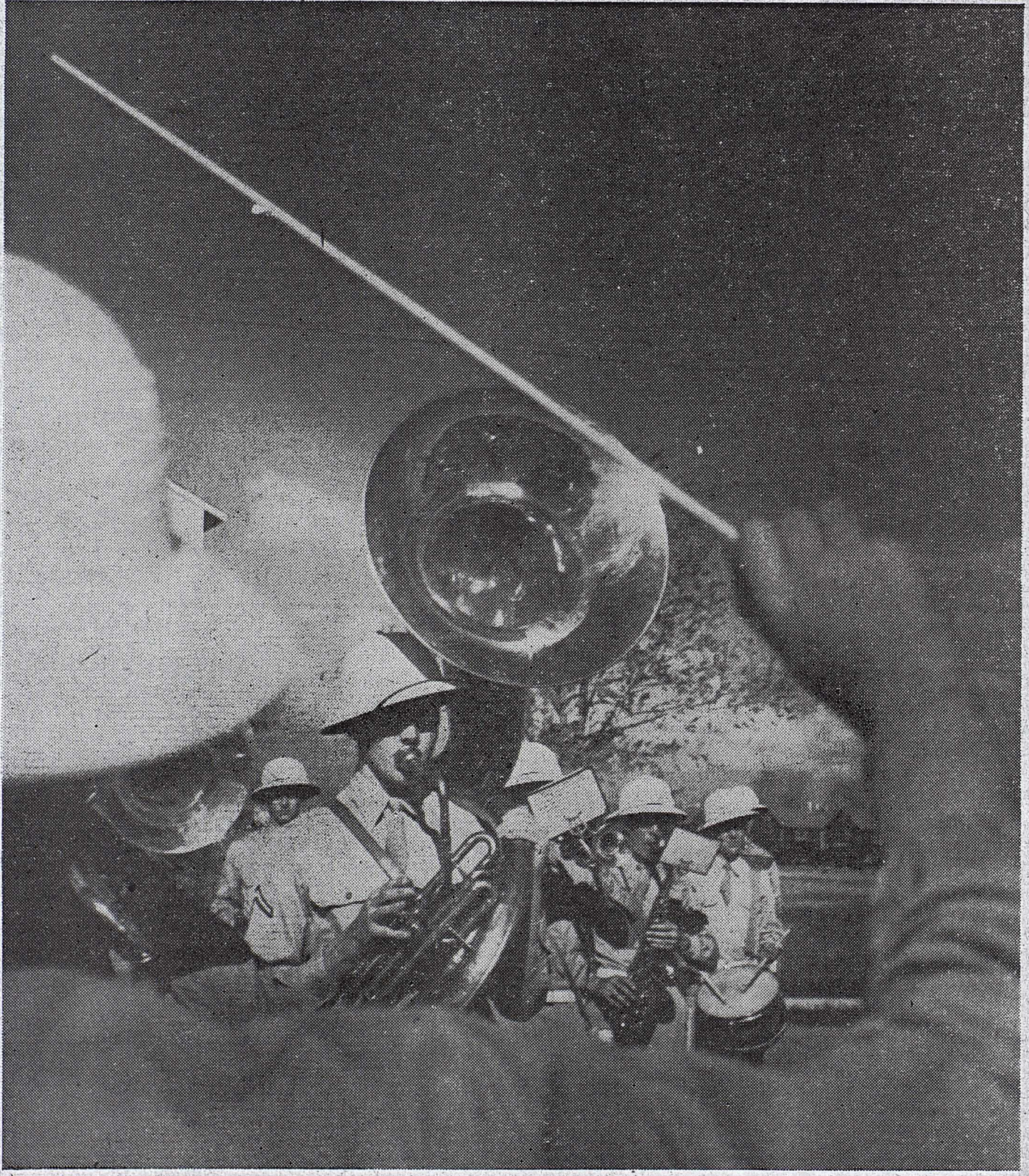
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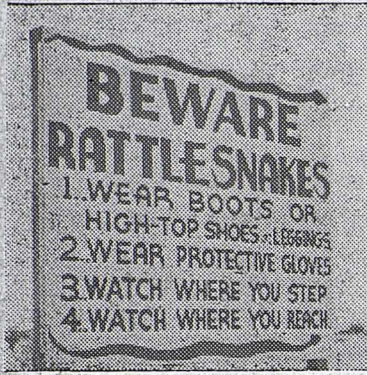
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We Lose Our Temper

Our definition of a "Hollywood soldier" is the kind of GI the movies like to kid, the kind of GI some buxom matron always thinks you are—in short, the kind of GI that the newspapers, the radio, the comic strips, the advertisements, the motion pictures, etc., have foisted on the public as—the "typical soldier".

We are sick and tired of having to explain to civilians that soldiers do NOT play craps 24 hours a day, that some soldiers have gone for MONTHS without getting in a poker game, that occasionally there ARE other things on a soldier's mind than women and liquor.

We've seen too many of these "funny, funny" movies, or read too many of these "funny, funny" books that attempt to paint a picture of the typical GI.

Being in the Army is not a gay, carefree job. It is not filled with highly "amusing" odds and ends such as tough first segreants, scouring GI cans, leering at girls in town, etc.

We've been in the Army too long to ever believe that there is a "typical GI". And we have met too many soldiers to ever have it crammed down our throat that they are half-witted boobs whose sense of intelligence extends no farther than a Varga drawing.

We're fed up with these imitations of Private Hargrove that show the civilians that the Army is a harum-scarum, droll, and daffy institution.

Someday, we hope, somebody will write a book about the soldiers—about the letters to wives and sweethearts and the honest, humble sincerity in every line of them; about the fellows at the library who delve into books by Wolfe, Benet, Mann, etc.; about the guys in the barracks that study correspondence courses; about the portraits on bunks and shelves of "the kids back home".

We're disgusted with this "Hollywood soldier". He's as phony as an out-size toupee.

And if those responsible for the weak jokes and lousy movies and stories about such a character would give him a discharge—maybe we could begin to educate America as to what a soldier is, what he thinks about, what he plans and hopes and dreams.

Perhaps then, the country would realize that there is no "typical GI". Maybe they would see that in this country, thank God—the soldier is no wolf, no sot, no sucker, but a citizen in uniform.

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HUNGARY'S REVOLT SQUASHED; RUSSIANS CONTINUE ADVANCE

In the 151st week of the U. S. at War, this was the news from: **THE PACIFIC FRONT:** In one of the greatest strikes in the US-Jap war, Admiral Halsey's 3rd fleet maintained a fierce attack against Luzon in the Philippine Islands. The Navy announced that Japan has lost nearly 800 planes. For two straight weeks, the task force has been challenging the Jap Imperial Navy on the very doorstep of the Nippon empire's home grounds. B-29s blasted Formosa again and again. American bombers rained 140 tons of destruction on Balikpapan, Borneo, from which Japan had gotten 15% of her gasoline and oil. By mid-week the Pacific score was still not totaled, and Japan continued to shout claims of victory in a large naval battle off Formosa. At all odds, it was the biggest week in the Jap war.

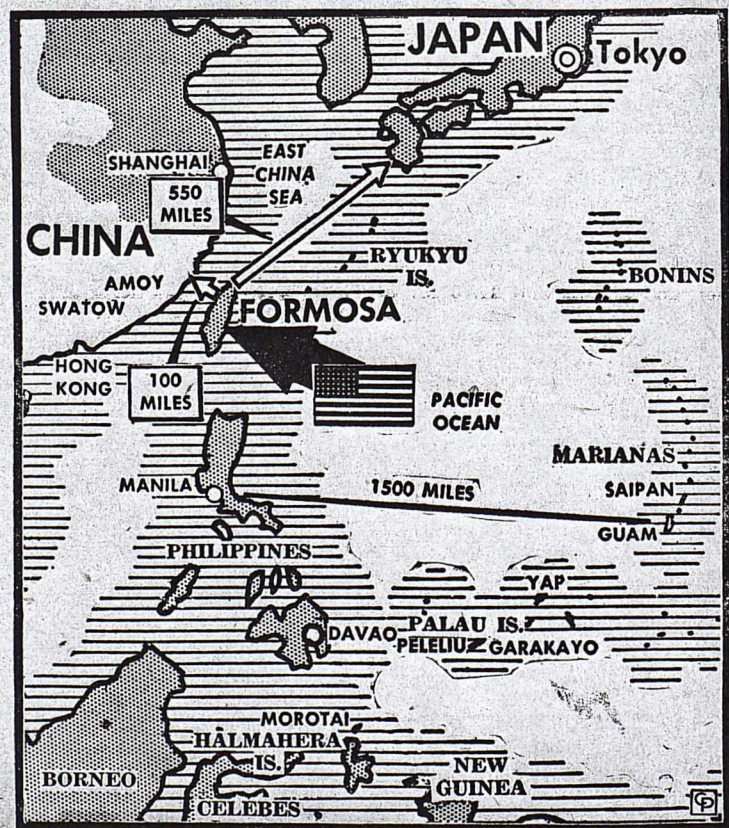
THE WESTERN FRONT: In Europe the battle still raged. Allied troops snapped their steel pincers around Aachen, and the Nazis pounded back with vain counter-blows. The War Dept. announced that 2½ million soldiers had been transported to the continent since D-day. Only setback on the Western front was "no more than a Battalion" of General Patton's 3rd Army who withdrew from an attack on the fortress guarding the French city of Metz. British patrols crossed the Rhine, and Canadian forces "gained momentum" in their attempt to clear a path to Antwerp.

THE BALKAN FRONT: Hungary—last Hitler satellite—asked for an armistice, but a pro-German coup prodded Hungary into civil war. Gestapo and German troops in Hungary were making a desperate effort to keep Hungary in the fold. The Red-Starred Russians were nearing the capital Budapest. Other Russian units, now joined with Tito's patriots smashed into Belgrade and fierce street-fighting was in progress.

THE NORTHERN FRONT: The USSR Bear was pounding on this door to Berlin, also. Russia captured towns and villages west of Riga, Latvia; they won back Petsamo, major northern port; and prepared to decimate 100,000 Nazis trapped in a pocket in western Latvia.

THE SOUTHERN FRONT: The American 5th was within 10 miles of Bologna, Italy.

FORMOSA HIT BY SUPERBOMBERS



2AF TEAM PLAYS NTAC SAT. NITE

Convoys Ready To Take GIs, Guests To Game

It's football time in Texas for all you Pyote-bound guys and gals wanting to see a big-time team in action.

Meaning that Saturday night you can journey to Odessa and see the 2nd Air Force Superbombers play especially for you. They'll be meeting the Aggies of North Texas Agricultural College (Arlington) in the Odessa High School stadium in a game primarily for the men of Pyote.

Game time is 8:15.

Drivers of private cars leaving the base Saturday afternoon for the 2AF-NTAC game in Odessa are urged to be on the highway before 1700, when the station convoy leaves. If private drivers do not leave early, they might be held up by the convoy en route.

GI transportation will be available for all who want it. The convoy forms on A Street, which is the farthest street west running parallel to the flight line, and is scheduled to pull out in sections between 1700 and 1730. The ride is free to all military personnel, who are requested to show up by 1700. Your ticket to the game will get you aboard the convoy. It is a 52-mile junket to Odessa and the convoy's ETA, roughly, is 1930, which leaves 45 minutes to grab a seat for the only sizable college grid spectacle of the year in less than 3-day pass range.

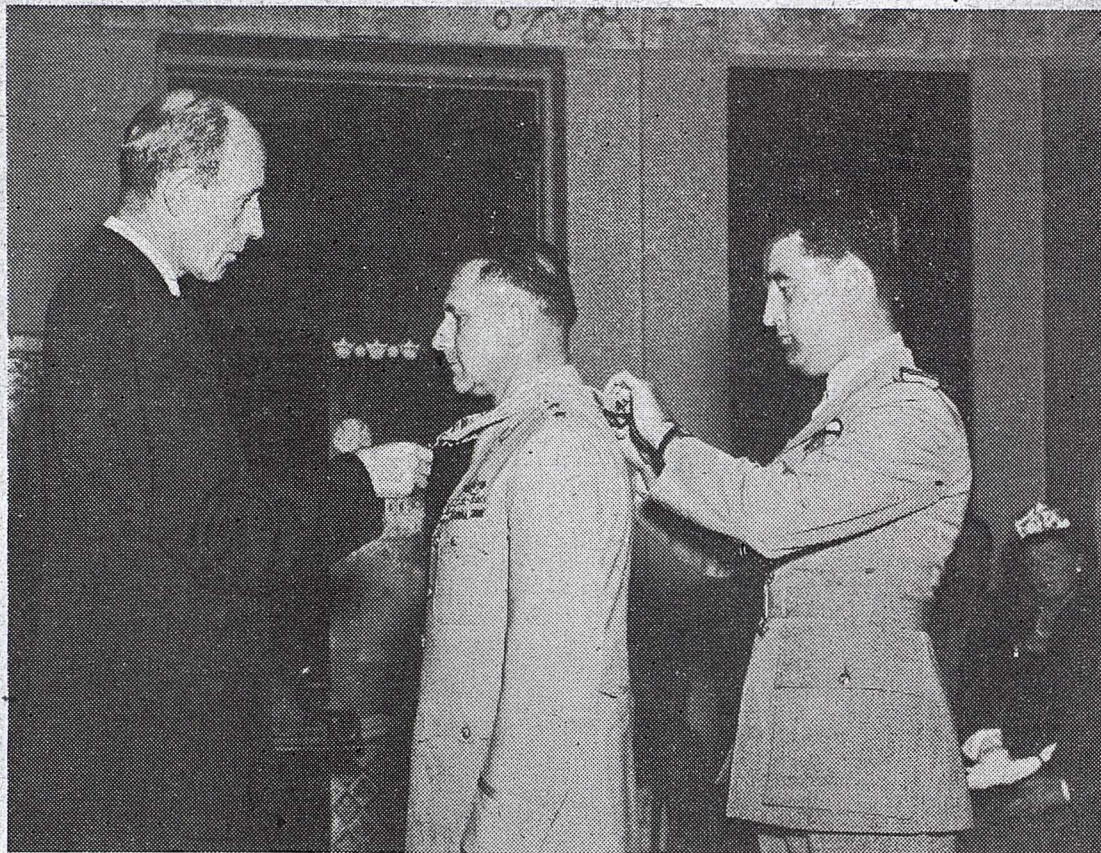
It's an opportunity to see some big-name boys carrying the ball for 2AF—including Lt. Glenn Dobbs, one of the slickest pigskin artists in the business.

Tickets are still available today. Prices are 60 cents for enlisted men and guests, and \$1.75 for officers, civilians and officers' guests. Ducats are on sale at section orderly rooms, Special Service Office, Officers Club and Civilian Personnel office.

THE COVER

W-O Irvin Zimmerman raises the baton and the retreat ceremony begins. Parades, retreats, dances, concerts, and parties are all in a days work for the boys of the 728th AAF band. And these lads are rated as tops by everyone from Generals to jivers. Its personnel includes a retinue of professional musicians who (in those happy pre-war days) played in top-flight dance bands, symphonies, and concert orchestras.

GENERAL ENT DECORATED BY BRITISH EMBASSY



Major General Ent, Commanding General of the 2AF, was presented the medal of Commander of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Honorary) (C.B.E.) by Lord Halifax (left), British Ambassador at ceremonies in the British Embassy in Washington, D. C. The citation was for General Ent's supervision of the 9th Bomber Command's operations in the Allied advance across Africa.

Hardly Worth The Trouble For Him To Sweat Payline

Here's one record we claim can't be broken.

When Ronald V. Jones, Sec. E, draws his pay this month he'll get a grand total of—one cent. That's right—a single, solitary red copper. It happened this way:

Jones, back at Salina, Kans., before coming here, received a partial pay of \$45. Other deductions were: Laundry, \$1.50; dry cleaning, \$1.09; insurance, \$6.40. It adds up to \$53.99, which deducted from his base pay of \$54 leaves him one penny.

Jones says he hasn't decided what to do with his money.

2AF C. G. Critically Hurt In Fort Worth Plane Crash

Maj. Gen. U. G. Ent, commanding general of the 2nd Air Force, is in a serious condition in a Fort Worth Army hospital today after his plane crashed at Fort Worth on the 10th of this month.

General Ent suffered a major injury to the spine in the aircraft accident, but his condition is reported by attending surgeons as satisfactory.

The finest specialists in the country are in attendance, and he is receiving excellent care, according to word received from 2AF headquarters.

SUNTANS NIXED AFTER FIRST OF NOVEMBER

The die-hards who like their summer khakis are having their final fling, for October 31st is the last day this year for suntans.

November 1 ODs are authorized, and only ODs. So, dig them out from that barracks bag, get the buttons sewed on the sleeves, and shake the sand from the blouse lapels.

ODs only after the first of the month. Suntans are out. Don't say we didn't tell you!

Brig. Gen. A. F. Hegenberger has been named Acting C.G. of the Second Air Force.

General Ent has been Commanding General of the 2AF since January, and previous to that time

was Chief of Staff. He was decorated for his service as C.G. of the 9th Bomber Command of the 9th Air Force, and he led the devastating low-level attack against the oil refineries at Ploesti.

Voting Is The Privilege And Duty Of Every Citizen.



KOOPS' KORNERS

PICTURE OF A MAN PLAYING A TYPEWRITER: . . . Going on furlough? From what we hear a copy of this old English law might come in handy. It reads:

"A law against all women of whatever age, rank, or profession, or degree—whether virgins, maids, or widows—who shall, after this act, impose upon, seduce and betray into matrimony, any of his majesty's male subjects, by virtue of scents, paints, cosmetic washes, artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, bolstered hips, or high heeled shoes, shall incur the penalty of the law now in force against witchcraft and like misdemeanors; and the marriage under such circumstances upon conviction of the offending party shall be null and void."

Better take a copy of this to protect yourself, bucko.

PYOTE QUOTES: At the Service Club Anniversary: "I ain't heard from my girl in two years. And if she don't write me pretty soon, I'm gonna quit writin' her!" . . . At the Section F dayroom: "You should've seen the girl he was with last night. She was the poor man's Gravel Gertie." . . . At the bowling alley: "Well, the way I see it, these strapless gowns—well, it ain't so much the original cost, it's the upkeep." . . . At the PX patio: "I feel about women like I feel about elephants. They're interesting to look at, but whoinel wants to own one? . . . At the library: "Sure he's an intellectual. He reads an Esquire magazine for the stories." . . . At the PX on the line: "So he asks me, 'What are these platonic love affairs I hear about?' and I tells him, 'It's like bein' invited down in the cellar for a glass of Pepsicola'."

**POME: I think that I shall never see
A real contented Pfc.
A Pfc that doesn't gripe
At sewing on his lonely stripe.**

THE MORNING MAIL: "How come", asks an "ardent reader", "How come a man who is on separate rations, who pays for all of his meals and never eats in the mess hall at any time—How come he has to pull KP?"

The answer, short and ever so sweet, is that "no Army Regulation prohibits any man, whether on separate rations or not, from pulling KP. As long as the soldier is on the duty roster of his Section he is eligible for KP and any other Army detail." Ya see, "separate rations" is more or less a privilege extended to the GIs—and the privilege does not go so far as to excuse such a guy from being released from such duties.

PIMENTO STUFFING FROM AN OLIVE DRAB SUIT . . .

The Official Gazette of the US Patent Office has issued a list of new inventions that have received patents. One of them (no foolin') is for personally-monogrammed waffles, and another is for an artificial burrow for pet gophers. Patent No. 2,356,219 presents discriminating sleepers with a portable, collapsible, and adjustable bed cover supporter that will keep the blankets up off your tootsies. Ah—that post-war world! . . . Did you see the picture of Frank Sinatra in the October Screen Guide? Oooooo, such pictures they take! . . . A guy we know in Chicago (who bets on anything) is offering 4 to 1 that Skeezix, the Gasoline Alley comic-strip hero, will become a papa before the year is out. . . . Wonder if the powers-that-be intend to serve beer in the Mess Halls as they did last Christmas-time? . . . Our favorite columnist—Duffy up at Pratt AAF says that things are so bad in Kansas City that the men have to travel in pairs after dark. . . . The Now We've Heard Everything Dept.: Chuck Roberts, Asst. Mess Sgt. at Mess Hall 5 went out and bought cigars for all his kayspees. . . . A GI haircut is a patch of hair with white side-walls. . . . Next week's Yank carries a story of the GI who reports on the fashions for fall. Rumor has it that after that he was sent to the nearest rehabilitation center for the Keeley cure. . . . We like the pessimistic note of the guy who says, "I ain't worried about what I'm gonna answer when my kids ask me, 'What did you do in the big War, Daddy?'. They won't hafta ask! Hells bells, they'll probably be fighting it with me!"

Theater Schedule

- Thu.—THE MERRY MONAHANS with Donald O'Connor, Peggy Ryan, and Jack Oakie. (Show business moppets discover romance.) Also "K-9 Kadets", Sports reel and Paramount news.
- Fri.—NATIONAL BARN DANCE with Jean Heather, Robert Benchley, Lullubelle and Scotty. (The Saturday night corn fest on the screen.) Also "Flicker Flashbacks", "Football Thrills of 1943", and "Lost and Foundling".
- Sat.—LADY TAKES A CHANCE with Jean Arthur and John Wayne. (Revival of the love-lorn gal at the rodeo.) Also "Harness-Racing" and Gandy Goose cartoon.
- Sun. and Mon.—OUR HEARTS WERE YOUNG AND GAY with Gail Russell and Charley Ruggles. (Whimsical amusing yarn of innocents abroad.) Also **Army-Navy Screen Magazine**.
- Tue.—PEARL OF THE EARTH with Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce. (Sherlock Holmes again.) THE SINGING SHERIFF with Bob Crosby and Faye McKenzie. (Pony and guitar.) **Double feature**.
- Wed.—SAN DIEGO, I LOVE YOU with Jon Hall and Louise Albritton. (Veddy amusing comedy. Edward Everett Horton will panic you.) Also "Bonnie Lassie" and Paramount News.

Service Club

- Thu.—EM Wives Luncheon, 12:00 to 1:00. Talent Show, 8:30.
- Fri.—GI Movies, 8:30. (Attack—Battle for New Britain, also Marlene Deitrich and Irving Berlin and Snafu cartoon.)
- Sat.—Open. (2AF football game in Odessa. Trucks form on 'A' Street at 5:30).
- Sun.—Open.
- Mon.—Jam Session and Community Sing, 8:30.
- Tue.—Date Night Dance, 9:00-12:00 p.m.
- Wed.—Concert Recording Hour, 8:15. (Rachmaninoff Variations Concerto, Bach piano Chaconne, Brahms 4th symphony, and popular selections.) GI Movies, 8:30. ("Newsfront", "Time is Everything" by Ted Husing, "Aqua Aces" and "Further Prophecies of Nostradamus").

Monahans USO

- Thu.—Protestant discussion group; Refreshments.
- Fri.—Informal activities.
- Sat.—Dance, refreshments.
- Sun.—11:30 Coffee hour; 6:30 Buffet supper; 7:30 Song fest; and 8:30 Movies.
- Mon.—7:30 Song fest; 8:30 Movies.
- Tue.—Arts and crafts program.
- Wed.—12:30 Better Halves Club luncheon; 8:30 Catholic Discussion group; Spanish class.

STAR DUST—

(What's new and who's who in the realm of stage, swing, screen, and radio.)

Lloyd Douglas' best-seller, "The Robe" goes into production on the coast with the biggest overhead in filmdom history—four million smackers. . . . London announces the movie "Caesar and Cleopatra" is almost in the cans. It co-stars Claude Rains and Vivian Leigh. Jennifer Jones (you saw her in "Since You Went Away") and Joseph Cotten (him, too) may play the leads in "Look Homeward, Angel", from the book by the late Thomas Wolfe. . . . Charles Bickford will play the role of Lt. Gen. Patton in the film "Blood and Guts". . . .

—Sugar.

Officers' Wives Club Lists Special Duties

Club Consultant of the Officers' Wives Club is Mrs. G. B. Mothersead (local 61) under whose charge the following duties are performed:

Have wives fill out and return spotters forms, information on housing agencies, PX and Commissary schedules, Red Cross work, social activities, give out general information not otherwise mentioned, and stimulate interest in club functions, and lastly—any national Post Womens Club correspondence can be secured from her.

How's Your Line, Pal? Try It Out At Tuesday 'Blind Date' Dance!

Six lucky Joes will have their chance to spin a line and win them-selves a lovely girl, a steak dinner, and a big time.

The Tuesday dance at the Service Club has been tagged "Date Night Dance", and here's what will give out.

Six men will be chosen from the audience. These six men will be divided into pairs. Then each of them will hand out a "line" to a girl. She will decide which of the two was the most persuasive, and that lucky gent will receive a free steak dinner in town, a pair of ducats to the Friday night football game, and a special date with the lovely lass.

Men who would like to volunteer for the "Date Night" contest may register at the Service Club or with Pvt. Monty Ash at the Special Service Office.

Besides the "Date Night" affair, there will be dancing from 9 to midnight to the music of George Annis and his orchestra.

Dedicate GI's Pool Tuesday

All soldiers possible are urged to attend the dedication of the Enlisted Men's Swimming Pool on Tuesday, October 24th at 4 p.m. The dedication ceremony will officially open the pool built by and for the Pyote GIs.

BLYTHE SPIRIT



This demure angel plays the vamp in "The Merry Monahans" currently showing at Theaters 1 and 2. The name is Ann Blythe, and ain't she nythe?

Shapely Farce To Play Theater No. 1 On October 30th

October 30th is a date to reserve on your entertainment schedule. For that's the night "Easy Does It" plays at Theater No. 1.

"Easy Does It" is a shapely, spicy 3-act farce—which packs a lot of laughs and a neat passel of honeys into its uproarious story.

Rehearsals are moving on apace and Director Pvt. Monty Ash promises the show will be ready to trod the boards by October 30th, a week from Monday.

The cast includes Chuck Rudolph, John Parrish, Terry Tubbs, Bernice Lee, Ed Koops, and Glynne Parrish, who all seem to get involved in the most embarrassing situations during the play.

"Easy Does It" is a Special Service presentation written and presented strictly for the soldiers here at Pyote; and features a complete "local" cast, including many of the players who worked in "Off Limits".

Show times will be announced next week.

Talent Finals At Club Tonight

Tonight's Talent Hunt at the Service Club will be the grand finale. Winners from the previous weeks will be brought back to vie for the super-prizes—two pair of tickets to the Superbomber game in Odessa Saturday night.

Other contestants who care to take part in this final Talent Hunt are requested to see Miss Crowder at the Service Club, or stop by the Special Service Office, by 8:30 to-night.

The Talent Hunt starts at 9 and lasts till 11:00. Weather permitting, the show will be held in the patio—in which case you will be able to kill a willie.

Each Tuesday from ten to five, women from Monahans will be at the EM club to sew for the GIs.

THE CRYSTAL BALL

Each week The RATTLER will record predictions on the duration of the war, as made by ranking men and women of our time.)

Chiang Kai-Shek, Generalissimo of China: "The coming year will bring us final victory . . . against Japan."



PVT. MONTY ASH

'Pash' For Flash Vaude Smash Puts Dash In Rash, Brash Ash

The eagerest beaver on the base is Pvt. Monty Ash of the Special Service Office. Ash, a short, fuzz-topped, dark complexioned guy is on the go all the time. And if you haven't seen Monty emceeing the floor shows at the Tuesday dances, or doing things with spot-lights at the shows, at least you have seen some of his other works.

As Entertainment Director for the field, Ash handles all talent billing; he plans the shows for the dances and programs; he directed the highly successful "Off Limits" (and contributed highly to the story and dialogue) and produced the "Cactus Capers" variety show; and he is currently directing "Easy Does It".

To take a look at Monty's background—you would have to flip a coin as to any specific field. He has been a playwright, a newsreel cameraman, a newspaper photographer and reporter, a movie actor, a theatrical stage manager, a Broadway actor, an instructor in theatrical arts, and a motion picture "still" photographer.

His early days have a distinct "British" flavor, for although he was born in Schenectady, N. Y., his family and "Arthur Montague" moved to England in the same year. His schooling was at Rugby and Clifton colleges, and he returned to the U. S. to stay in 1928.

While in Great Britain, Monty played in provincial stock and made the big time to appear in one of the famous "Sir Beerbohm Tree" efforts.

In this country, Monty worked with the original Provincetown Theater with such latent "finds" as Eugene O'Neil, Louis Wolheim, Ann Harding, Bette Davis, Fran-chot Tone, and George Tobias. From there he went to Broadway as a leading man, and comedy juvenile—played in "Journey's End", "Hit the Deck", and opposite Claudette Colbert in "The Yellow

Ticket".

His newspaper work took him, as Photographer and reporter, to the N.Y. World, the N.Y. Times, and the Hearst N.Y. Journal. As a newsreel cameraman he covered such events as the Hindenburg disaster for Metrotone News.

From there he moved to sunny California, played in a few movies, including "The Silver Horde", of which he says with a sad shake of the head, "—And that was a mistake!" He wrote for films for awhile, and before enlisting in the army was photographing the MGM lovelies in most seductive poses.

Ash has no comment on these—he's married. (His wife, Charlotte, caught the GIs fancy as Mrs. Wonderbottom on the Cactus Capers bill.)

When Monty finds the time, he'll indulge in a little reminiscence over his days with Orson Welles' Mercury Theater, or as drama instructor at New York City College—but mostly, the "al-ways in a hustle" Ash is yelling for a blue spot-light, or to take the whole third act through again to give much time to such. His only pet-peeve is when ersatz wits ask if he's making an Ash of him-self.

G-EYEING

By PVT. H. SMITH

Question: Has your experience in the Army changed the ideas you had about it in civilian life?

Sgt. Andrew Gazak, Philadelphia, Ass't. Mess Sgt. Mess Hall No. 1: "The Army is different from what I thought of it in civilian life. It's much tougher than I thought it was. Just when you have a little free time there's always something that turns up that has to be done. I think every fellow should have a little time in the service, though."

Cpl. James J. Burke, New York City, Armament: "The Army did not live up to my expectations. I was a disillusioned young fellow when I came in. Just putting on the uniform, I found, wasn't all. It's tougher!"

Pvt. John J. Kelley, Quincy, Mass., Camera Technician: "I think it is a lot easier than I thought it would be. I thought all I would do is drill and clean rifles. Instead you learn a lot, get a liberal education through the tech schools. I also thought I'd be more than a buck private after two years in the service, but the Army's full of surprises."

Pvt. Milton Kramer, Los Angeles, Aviation Mechanic: "I thought when I came in, it would be more of an adventure, glamor. But I lived a more exciting life as a civilian."

Sgt. Robert Miller, Dallas,

Weather Observer: "There are more things opened to me than I ever thought of. Such as tech schools. I never expected I would end up in Weather. This I like better than any of the other things open to me."

Pfc. Peter Vogiantzis, Springfield, Mass., Gunner: "It has made me more appreciative of what the US stands for; the great responsibility the US owes to the world political, social, and national betterment of world conditions in the post-war era."

Pvt. Warren A. Miller, Wichita, Kans., Aviation Mechanic: "I find the Army very interesting and I learn something new every day. If it were not for my wife and family, I'd rather be in it than anywhere else. Experience gained can be used anytime in the future."

Pvt. William Marcus, Spring Valley, N. Y., Art Work: "I had expected, as a civilian, that a fellow could get up faster in the army, but I found it was much slower."

Pvt. Robert C. Carr, Denver, Colo., Gunner: "It is better than I thought. I really didn't have any idea of what it would be like. The experiences you get in the Army, you certainly can't get in civilian life."

S-Sgt. Willard Gassel, Chicago, Combat Intelligence: "I was informed by my buddies already in the Army, so I knew what to expect—and it lived up to expectations."

G. I. Bill Of Rights



(Photo Courtesy Click Magazine)

U. S. Will Aid Veterans Who Want To Buy Or Build Post-War Homes

The GI Bill of Rights grants four rights to men and women in uniform: The right to a home, the right to health, the right to a job, and the right to an education.

In previous issues, the right to a job, and health, have been discussed. As important as a job—or health—to a man just out of his country's service, however, is the right to a place to live, a home of his own.

Many a GI anxious to leave the crowded barracks will want to settle for a home of their own, where they can bring up families. The Government is ready to help them.

It will guarantee half of a veteran's loan up to \$2,000. In other words, if his anticipated income and the value of the property justify it, the returning soldier has the assurance of a 5% guarantee on a \$4,000 loan, or a smaller percentage of a larger loan to buy or build a house, or buy and equip a farm or place of business.

The interest rate is limited by law at 4%, so the soldier won't be shackled with high interest. The Government pays the first year's interest on the part guaranteed.

When the veteran wants to borrow for the purchase of a farm or a business, the Veterans' Administration will approve the loan when it is satisfied that his experi-

ence, training, and physical condition qualify him to pursue that particular occupation.

The Government won't let him be victimized by unscrupulous speculators, either. Before it guarantees its share of his loan, it must approve the price of the property, and it must satisfy itself that his probable expectation of income will enable him to pay off the obligation.

CAMP UPTON, L. I. (CNS)—An ex-corporal, serving time in the Army's rehabilitation center here on an AWOL charge, was asked why he skipped camp.

"Well," he explained. "I was a cook and I never did have time to read them Articles of War."

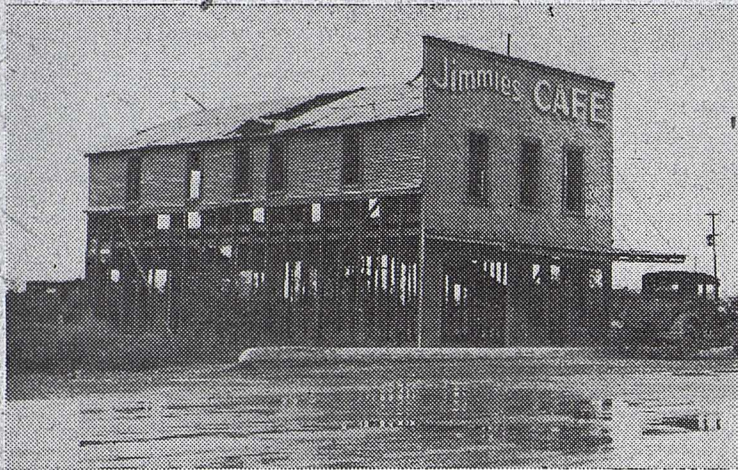
The Wolf

by Sansone

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"—oh, let's get out of here! I don't understand a word of French!"



Familiar sight to all Pyote GIs is Jimmy's Cafe. Once upon a time it was the happy hunting grounds where the oil-smudged diggers blew a Saturday pay. Now it stands forlorn, devastated, and idle . . .

SO THIS IS PYOTE . . .

Pyote is a land of many surprises. And old hands here chuckle at the newcomer's look of bafflement. When you get off the T and P—that boasts four trains a day through Pyote (2 each way)—you are slightly astonished at what you find.

Pyote is, indeed, a land of many surprises. It began as nothing more than a "refueling stop" for wagon trains. And then the surprises started—Oil! The three little letters that have meant so much to Pyote. The Winkler county oil boom in 1928 surprised the daylights out of this sleepy town.

And when the boom dissolved, that was another surprise. In 1934, another oil boom, and surprised Pyote woke up all over again, and drifted back to sleep a year or so later.

It was a surprise when the Army Air Forces moved in in 1942. And it was a surprise to the soldiers themselves to see what Pyote was.

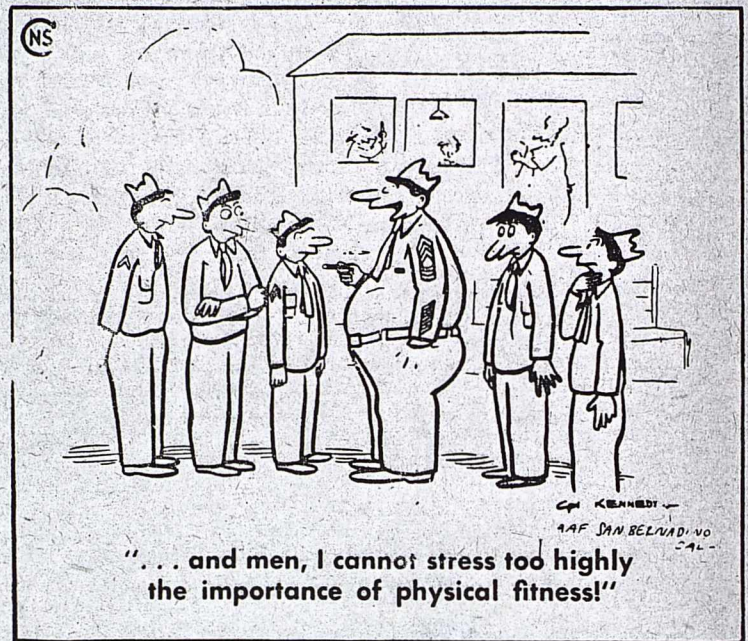
But the land of surprises doesn't stop there. No indeed. For last week's newspaper brought another surprise to the town 25 miles west of the Pecos.

Three miles west of Pyote an oil well has been discovered and it looks like a gusher!

Pyote is a most surprising place.



. . . for modern Pyote boasts trailers and houses where a married GI (on separate rations) may live with his wife and family. This domestic scene is a far cry from the desolate cafe above.



"... and men, I cannot stress too highly the importance of physical fitness!"

Chaplain's Chat

CHAPLAIN MILO L. CHAPMAN

Ours are days of BIG things. We are aiming at a thing as large as World Peace permanently, which if attained, and we are hopeful of that attainment, will be one of the greatest gifts that this generation could give to the world. We are striving for the freedom of all men everywhere and for all that the word "freedom" stands for—a pretty large order! We are aiming for big things!

It is good to have far-reaching goals, but in keeping our eyes on a great future let us not forget that a unit is made up of its parts, that the small things make up the large. The happiness of your home depends upon the actions and attitudes of you, your brother and sister, your parents, each individual of that home. Just as certainly as the well being of that family unit depends upon its members, so does the "family of all men" depend upon the actions of the individual. As Edwin Markham said:

We men of Earth have here the stuff

Of Paradise—we have enough!
We need no other stones to build
The stairs into the unfulfilled—
No other ivory for the doors—
No other marble for the floors—
No other cedar for the beam
And dome of man's immortal dream.

Here on the paths of everyday—
Here on the common human way
Is all the stuff the gods would take

To build a Heaven, to mold and make

New Edens. Ours the stuff sublime

To build Eternity in time!
From "The Shoes of Happiness."

So, in looking forward to a great and good future, let each of us realize the necessity of building into our lives love, faith and charity.

In thinking in terms like these one is amazed at how much the future of our world is dependent upon his thoughts and actions as an individual.

At The Chapel

CATHOLIC—Sunday Masses: 0800, 1615, 1830. Daily Mass, 1830, except Thursday. Mass Thursday at 0930 in Red Cross Reading Room. Evening devotions Tuesday and Friday, 1900. Confessions Saturday, 1730 to 1830; 2000 to 2100; before all Masses on Sunday.

PROTESTANT—Sunday: Section C chapel 0900; Hospital Service in Red Cross Auditorium: 0915; Station Chapel Service: 1030; Civilian Housing Service: 1130; Station Vesper Service: 2000. Wednesday: Chapel Chorus rehearsal: 1900; Bible Quiz: 2000.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—Thursday, 2000; led by Mrs. Mabelle N. Homes, Wartime worker.

JEWISH—Friday, 1930, Sabbath Evening Service.

All persons driving to the Saturday football game in Odessa are urged to load their car with as many ticket-bearing passengers as possible. You can pick up the grid-bound GIs in front of the EM club or Officers' Club on Saturday between 4:45 and 5 p.m. Please cooperate!

"A" Men

By SGT. WARD HOWELL

With all the hub-bub down to a usual minimum, Pyote once again crawls back into it's shell to survive the dreary forthcoming weeks before once again some form of life enters here. Speaking of the clambake at Crowder's Chowder House while the Hollywood show was here, of course, and all the festivities that extended over until Tuesday when the EMC held its first anniversary — complete with a three-tiered cake with all the trimmings, the products of laborious hours over at Mess No. 2. The brawl tossed that night was one of Pyote's best ever what with formal, tables, orchestra in civvies (and don't think that didn't add class to the sound), and Colonel Duncan and his staff.

HERE 'N THERE IN A . . . Japanese News Flash: "This afternoon the cruiser Kiaga destroyed two American torpedoes." . . . Sgt. Wesley Dansie is boasting about his new-born son, and rightly enough. . . . Another baby—this time it's S-Sgt. Hercules Vagonas who's the proud papa of a girl addition to his clan. . . . Silas Clam

lies on the floor; he tried to slam a revolving door. . . . Also in the congratulation department we have Sgt. Dwan Gardner who was married in Charlotte, N. C., recently, and Sgt. H. Williams was married to Ethel Trieman in Los Angeles while he was on furlough. . . . A GI gazed at the beautiful but extremely revealing dress of the leading chorine at a burlesque show. "Who made her dress?" he asked her companion. "I'm not sure, but I think it was the police." AH! Cpl. Sammy Kaplan has gone and given his girl the break of her life. He wants it shouted out that he's engaged. . . . More weddings—this one is S-Sgt. Mallard Davis who was married here in the Chapel last Wednesday and is spending his honeymoon in El Paso and Carlsbad. . . . Pvts. Art Grudnowski and Alfred Timmerman are both past past tense names on the Section A roster, having shipped out. . . . "Where d'ya get the black eye?" "In the war." "What war?" "Boudoir." . . . The lucky GIs escorting the Hollywood lovelies around these parts that Sunday afternoon were none other than Sgt. Bill Jennings, S-Sgt. Bob Miller, Sgt. Ed David, S-Sgt. Frank Safranski and T-Sgt. Larry Waldemer. . .

IN OUR MIDST

By SGT. THEORA FRENCH and PVT. BARBARA COLEGROVE

My "Partner In Crime", Colegrove, left the first of last week for a much needed rest. I surely hope she enjoys that California sunshine, but frankly I can't see anything wrong with the Pyote sun.

NEWS NOTES: Cpl. Edna Collins stole a march on us and was married last week. The lucky fellow is Sgt. Owen McMahon. A party was staged at the Casa Blanca after the ceremony. Of course, the WACs were very well represented. By the way, the gardenias were lovely and I don't suppose I've ever enjoyed them more. Capt. Watson, WAC Staff Director from Second Air Force, paid us a visit this week. We hope that she found everything to her liking. Lt. Haslam is getting around better every day. It won't be long now. We welcome 1st Lt. Broadway to Pyote. Most of us seldom see her, however, since

she's kept very busy over in Headquarters. Back from furlough is Cpl. Violet Jacob, the personality of Information Please at the hospital, and Pvts. Helen O'Neal and Elizabeth Bingmann also of the hospital staff, who lends a helping hand to the stork. We took time out to say "so long" to Cpl. Althea Wagner, Pfc. Virginia Ickes, Pvts. Helen Kazacoff, Joyce Ingvaldson and Genevieve Lubinski. Here's hoping that you like your new base as well as you did Pyote. Pvt. Alice Kent is in the hospital suffering from a cold. Hurry home, Alice, cause the Chapel Chorus is suffering and anyway how can Cpl. June Barber, Pvts. Ceil Seeman and Trixie Sickman continue their caroling without you?

MAINTENANCE NEWS

T-Sgt. Tony Palczeyski is in Ward 5 at the station hospital with a recurrence of malarial fever. He can have visitors though.

S-Sgt. George Carter is back from his furlough looking lean but happy. With the approach of Autumn M-Sgt. Elmer Riba is looking for a windshield for his bicycle.

Did you know that "Jigger" of the mail room won a local jitterbug contest t'other night?

We often wonder where Homer Isom gets all his pep. He moves about the line like a whirling dervish. Can it be they serve Wheaties in the coffee shop?

We noticed that Peter Pannell's name topped the list of those to entertain the Hollywood Belles. Ah, these flight line Romeos. What lucky girls.

Ran into Jess Freeman last night. He's in charge of the swimming pool construction, you know. Anyhow, we too, asked the popular question, "are we gonna skate on it or swim in it this year, Jess?" And Jess solemnly said you'll swim. So there it is sports, we swim.

Pvt. "Bill" Cox of Flight Line has since June this year learned to fly, soloed and is building up time at the Monahans airport for a private license. As you know, it's an expensive game, but "Bill" has financed it all on G.I. money with no outside help whatsoever.

Something we'd like to know, by request this question has arisen: Would it be possible for men to attend the afternoon show in fatigue clothing? It is being done at many other fields and would be a great convenience to men working the 4-12 shift. Often the show is ended quite close to time to report for work and realizing that the Matinee performance is attended by an audience mostly G.I. It is felt that the less formality of the H.B.T. uniform would not arouse criticism.

M A L E C A L L

By Milton Caniff



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THE MEDICS

T-SGT. L. H. SHIPP

Now that we are acting in the capacity of a Regional Station Hospital it enables us to meet personalities that we perhaps wouldn't have contacted otherwise. We have patients from many air bases. Pvt. Ford Lile, for example, with Special Services at Marfa Air Base and now a patient here, has attained for himself a splendid reputation as one of the younger actors in Hollywood. In civilian life, Lile played in "Cabin in the Sky" and "Stormy Weather" with Miss Horn and also had a part in the radio show "Lights Out". In every ward in the hospital, patients with varied and colorful backgrounds may be found.

Our men of Sec. "S" have decided they're "soldiers without a home". They were completely packed last week but didn't go anywhere—again!

Pvt. DeLuca is now telling the world he's batting .500. Not bad, eh? It seems he kept one "in" and one "out" last Saturday night! For details—Mess Hall.

Sgt. Fohey now feels he needs quiet surroundings and rest so he "leased" that bunk in Bks. 4. Is that right, Biondi? When asked last week concerning the score of the World Series game, Sgt. Massey calmly said: "I guess the Yanks are ahead." Could his mind have been "Main Street"—Monahans? S-Sgt. Lesho is now going in for late hikes up the R.R. tracks! Don't ask why! Sgt. Kluczycki is again flying home on furlough. Remember the last one? He flew (Pyote station) but not in a plane! The "Gopher Tooth" mystery for Pfc. Weaver still baffles us. Why all the secrecy, Junior?

Cpts. Igou, Keenan, Houghton, Beaty went to Carlsbad to see the Caverns—and actually did!

TIES WILL BE WORN

For the benefit of the sad sacks that never read anything else on the Daily Bulletin but the movie schedule, the October 12th bulletin carried the following statement:

"Effective 12 October 1944 ties will be worn at all times with both the summer and winter uniforms."

Which means that—ties will be worn.

MIDDLE-AISLING

S-Sgt. Millard M. Davis (A) of Charlestown, Ind., to Miss Betty R. Totten of Sparta, Michigan.

Capt. Bernard Hamilton of Meade, Pa., to Miss Helen Haws of McCook, Nebraska.

Rattle Snake Charmer



HEDY — AIM — FIRE!



Q. Will it be possible for me to obtain a loan from the government to purchase a car after the war under the benefits of the GI Bill of Rights?

A. The answer to your question is a qualified "no." You can't get a government-guaranteed loan for the sole purpose of buying a car. If you need the car in the conduct of a business or in the operation of a farm, however, and if the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs

approved a loan for the business or farm, it is possible that you will be permitted to use part of an approved loan for the purchase of a car. It depends upon the Administrator.

Q. Under the Army's demobilization plan, will soldiers with dependents receive priority over those with combat service?

A. Point credit will be given for dependent children, length of service, overseas service and certain decorations. The point values, however, have not yet been announced by the War Department.

Q. My mother, who was dependent upon me, is living in occupied Poland. More than a year

ago, I took out a family allowance for her. Each month \$22 has been deducted from my pay. What I want to know is, what's happening to the money? I know my mother isn't getting it.

A. The ODE has been sending the checks for your mother's allotment to the U. S. Treasury Department, where they are being held for her. As soon as Poland is liberated, she will receive a sum covering all of the accumulated payments.

The October issue of Air Force, available in your orderly room, carries a story of especial interest to Pyote Army Air Field: "The B-29 and You". Read a copy today!

PIGSKIN PROPHETS!

Twelve games are on The Rattler's Football Dopester card this week, topped by Rice-Southern Methodist U.

Three winners each week will be presented War Department theater books as prizes. If you want to get in on the competition, check your selections below and turn the sheet in to the Public Relations Office, Station Headquarters, by 1700 Friday.

The rules are simple. Entrants must pick both the winner and score of each game on the chart, and winners are decided on the closeness of scores when equal numbers of games are doped correctly. Approximately a dozen games will be run each week, of which one or two will be in District 7-A, the district in which Monahans, Wink, Pecos and Kermit play. Remaining games will be among the top collegiate and service teams of the nation.

Remember the deadline—1700 Friday—and have your selections in. Winners will be announced in next week's Rattler.

THE GAMES

Team	Score	Team	Score
Alabama	_____	Tennessee	_____
Navy	_____	Georgia Tech	_____
L. S. U.	_____	Mississippi State	_____
Wisconsin	_____	Notre Dame	_____
Northwestern	_____	Indiana	_____
Rice	_____	Southern Methodist	_____
Nebraska	_____	Kansas	_____
Texas A and M	_____	Texas Christian	_____
U. C. L. A.	_____	St. Mary's Pre-Flight	_____
Temple	_____	Syracuse	_____
Holy Cross	_____	Brown	_____
Monahans	_____	Wink	_____
Contestant's Name _____			
Section _____			

Cpl. C. Steele Giving Tennis Lessons Daily

Full-time tennis instruction will be given Pyote AAF personnel by Cpl. Carroll Steele, former Santa Barbara, Calif., pro, it has been announced by the PT department.

As a part of the department's effort to provide a complete physical training program for all military personnel, Cpl. Steele will be on duty every day from 0900 to 1700 at the tennis courts to give instruction to all comers.

Cpl. Steele came here from Lincoln AAF, Nebraska, where he was tennis instructor and played on the net team for the past three summers.

Before entering the army Cpl. Steele was assistant to the tennis pro for four years at Santa Bar-

bara, Calif., where he taught such stars as Ted Oldwein of USC and Mary Arnold, former fifth-ranking woman player of the nation. His pupils in the palmy pre-khaki days included Jack McManus, Southern Cal men's singles champ, Robin Brisco, outstanding women's player on the Pacific Coast, and Joy Heastead, who at 19 won the women's singles tourney at Santa Monica, probably the hottest tennis town in the U. S.

GI Chases Ferry Going Wrong Way

NEW YORK (CNS)—A soldier dashed down the dock toward the Weehauken ferry. With a desperate broad jump he spanned three feet of water and landed on the deck. "Wow," he exclaimed. "Just made it didn't I?"

"Made what?" a deckhand inquired. "This boat ain't leaving.

Ray Returns To Rattler Lineup For Marfa Contest Friday Night

Marfans Run Over Pyote, 51 to 34; Cooper High Scorer With 17 Points

Strengthened by the return of Cpl. Bill Ray, last year's high scorer, the Pyote AAF basketball team is hopeful of evening the count tomorrow night when the Marfa AAF quintet invades the local court. The game, set for 2000 (8:00 p.m.) at the Rec Hall, is the first home game of the season for the Rattlers.

Last Friday night the Rattlers journeyed to Marfa where they were taken in hand 57 to 34 by a sharp-shooting officer quintet. The towering Marfans owed their victory largely to their potency at the free throw line, where they sank 21 free tosses in 22 chances. Going strictly by the book, the officials handed out 36 free throws during the evening. Of the 14 charity tosses given the Rattlers, they made 12 good.

Pfc. Harold Cooper, Mr. Five-by-Five of the Pyote squad, had a little trouble getting accustomed to the different style backboard

Cpl. Stickney, Sec. A, Winning Grid Guesser

Cpl. Harold Stickney of Section A doped all games except one correctly last week to lead the Football Dopesters. Pvt. Robert G. Blish of Sec. A and Pvt. Bernice Ross of Sec. B tied for second place with two miscues each.

Cpl. Stickney missed the Pecos-Kermit result, as did practically every one else. He doped Kermit to win by 13-6, but the Pecos Eagles pulled a 13-0 upset to take the district lead.

War Department theater booklets await the winners in the Rattler office.

Service Group To Buy GIs' Christmas Gifts

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The United Nations Service Center, 500 N. Capitol, Washington, D. C., has established a Christmas shopping service for GIs overseas and in the U. S.

Servicemen interested in this service have been asked to send their name and ASN to the center together with the name and address of the recipient of the gift, the first second and third choice of gift, and a money order covering the cost of the present.

MONAHANS VS. WINK

Only one game is on tap this week-end in District 7-A. The Monahans Green Wave goes to Wink for an encounter with the Wildcats. It is a non-conference meeting, slated at the Wink High School stadium Friday night.

be ready for Friday night's fracas.

Outstanding defensive player last week was Lt. Hewitt Graham, who blocked many a Marfa score from the floor and in doing so drew only one penalty from the conscientious officials.

Officials for the Friday night contest will be S-Sgt. Mason Parvin and T-Sgt. Fred Hightower of the Pyote PT department.

The box score:

PYOTE

	FG	FT	F	TP
Cooper, f	6	5	2	17
Burns, f	0	0	0	0
Graham, f	2	1	1	5
Burke, f	0	1	2	1
Held, c	1	1	0	3
Crenshaw, c	1	1	3	3
Joyce, g	0	0	4	0
Sartori, g	0	0	2	0
Hogan, g	1	1	4	3
Funk, g	0	1	1	1
Dahl, g	0	1	3	1
	11	12	22	34

MARFA

	FG	FT	F	TP
Addison, f	0	0	2	0
Gray, f	1	4	1	6
Reece, c	2	2	2	6
Ellis, c	0	2	2	2
Pate, f	4	7	1	15
Wood, f	0	0	1	0
Summers, g	3	3	1	9
Siebel, g	1	0	0	2
Van Hoorebeke, g	1	1	4	3
Towjohn, g	2	0	0	4
Sires, g	1	0	0	2
Kern, g	0	2	0	2
	18	21	14	51

used at Marfa but when he got his range he was deadly. The stubby little forward, who ran second to Ray in the scoring race last year, poured in six field goals and five free throws to lead both teams in scoring with 17 points.

Pfc. Cooper, who learned his basketball on schoolboy and semi-pro courts in New York City, is expected to team up with Cpl. Ray to give the Coyotes a free-scoring quintet in this year's flag chase. Cpl. Ray, who was on furlough last week, has returned and will

SUPERS GIRD FOR ODESSA TILT

SUPERBOMBERS WHO MEET FOR STRUGGLE WITH N.T.A.C.



Major William B. (Red) Reese (extreme right), coach of the 2nd Air Force Superbombers, poses with his squad of huskies who, Saturday night, tackle the North Texas Agricultural College. Game is set for Fly Field, Odessa, at 8:15 p.m.

Game With NTAC Naval Opponents Slated Saturday

ODESSA, Tex., Oct. 19—Turning the halfway mark of their 1944 football schedule with a record of six victories out of seven games, the Second Air Force Superbombers come here Saturday, Oct. 21, to play for the men of nearby Pyote Army Air Field, facing the Navy eleven of North Texas Aggies.

Playing their second game in a row on Texas soil, the Superbombers are scheduled to arrive at Pyote Friday night from Colorado Springs, Colo., headquarters of the Second Air Force.

This will be the second of three consecutive games in the Southwest. The Superbombers' following contest will be with the Norman Naval Air Station at Norman, Okla., Sunday, Oct. 29. After opposing the highly-rated Norman air men, the 2AF will meet, in order, Amarillo Air Field, Fort Warren, University of Washington and the Fourth Air Force (March Field).

The Superbombers romped over the University of New Mexico, 89-6, at El Paso, Tex., Saturday afternoon, Oct. 14, for their sixth triumph. In rolling up their highest score of the season, they also established a new scoring record for Kidd Field, site of the annual Sun Bowl game.

Glenn Dobbs ran back the second-half kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown, the longest run of the season for the Supers. Dobbs completed seven out of nine passes, including two touchdown tosses, and he scored twice himself. Record for the season shows that Dobbs has averaged 8.9 yards each time he has handled the ball either to pass, run or return kicks. He has 39 pass completions in 62 attempts.

Ray Evans, former Kansas U. aerial ace, celebrated his shift from fullback to the No. 2 tailback spot by throwing seven completions out of 11 passes. He collaborated with Max Biggs, ex-Purdue freshman, on a 75-yard touchdown pass play, longest 2AF gain of the season in the air. Evans' throw traveled 35 yards.

Bill Prentice took over individual ground-gaining honors among the Supers, picking up 72 yards in six attempts for a season's total of 338 yards in 42 tries.

New Mexico scored its lone touchdown after recovering a fumble on the Supers' 14 in the second period.

Musclemen Lead As Keglers Open Pennant Races

The Enlisted Men's Bowling Leagues got under way last week with all three leagues, Red, White and Blue battling it out in a wild scramble for first place.

Getting off to a flying start, the Musclemen grabbed the lead in the fast Blue league aided by Pvt. Johnny Leicht's 561 (191-182-188) in winning three from Section Two and Pvt. Clyde Kuck's 580 (233-168-179) taking two from Hangar No. 1.

Biggest surprise of the opening night in the Blue league was M-Sgt. R. C. Brown's single game of 245 rolled against the Aleutian Aces. It recalled the feat of his teammate, S-Sgt. Ridgely who opened the Summer Season bowling with a 265 game, a game that stayed up there throughout the season.

Though the Flashes took two from the Aleutian Aces, they dropped two out of three to Hangar No. 1 the following week, the latter taking the roll-off after the second game ended in a 784 deadlock. Consolidated Mess, league favorites, took two from the Dusters with the latter coming back to win three straight from the Aleutian Aces.

Four Tied In Red League

Three newcomers to the Red

league (750 class) were tied for first place with two wins and a loss apiece, along with the Medicos, veterans from the Summer season. Despite 1st Sgt. Flitt's 543 series (153-210-180) the Pillrollers dropped two to the stubborn Crusaders while Cpl. Ben Dudley's Stargazers, graduating from the White league squeezed out two from the Signal Five. Pfc. Bob 'Porky' Graham's Greasespots stole two from the Southpaws, the latter eking out a four-pin final victory. The closest match found the Medicos winning two from the Superbombers by 11 and 14 pins before going down in the third by 40.

Air-Ways And Riff-Raff Tied

With three wins apiece in the White league (650 class) the Air-Ways and Riff-Raff were all tied up. The latter took three from the Lucky Strikes while the former had a struggle to win theirs from the Spare Boys. Quartermaster, with two wins and a loss over the newly formed Planets, held on to third spot.

THE STANDINGS (Mon., Oct. 16)

Red League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Crusaders	2	1	.667
Stargazers	2	1	.667
Medicos	2	1	.667
Greasespots	2	1	.667
Signal Five	1	2	.333
Pillrollers	1	2	.333
Southpaws	1	2	.333
Superbombers	1	2	.333

Frank Benkovic Star Bowler, In Appearance Here

Frank Benkovic, one of America's all-time great bowlers, will explain his hardwood wizardry at Pyote Army Air Field on Oct. 30-31, it was announced today by the PT department.

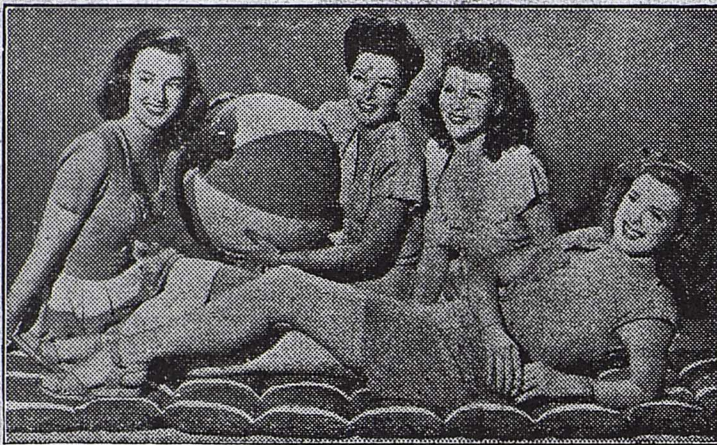
Mr. Benkovic will appear at the EM alleys Oct. 30 and at the Officers' alleys on Oct. 31, and will give expert advice and instruction on improving your game.

Holder of the third highest ABC average for the last 15 years, 198.5, he is the only bowler in history who has won the A.B.C. championship in successive years.

White League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Riff-Raff	3	0	1000
Air-Ways	3	0	1000
Quartermaster	2	1	.667
Planets	1	2	.333
Spare Boys	0	3	.000
Lucky Strikes	0	3	.000
Static Chasers	0	0	.000
Sawboners	0	0	.000

Blue League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Musclemen	5	1	.833
Dusters	4	2	.667
Consolidated Mess	2	1	.667
Flashes	3	3	.500
Hangar No. 1	3	3	.500
Aleutian Aces	1	5	.167
Section Two	0	3	.000

CAN YA BEAT FOUR QUEENS?



These gals (from left to right, or right to left for that matter) are Alice Wallace, Alma Carroll, Ruth Valmy, and Betty Alexander. They are in the movies. Soldiers like movies. Yum-Yum.

PRETTIES FOR BIRTHDAY PARTY



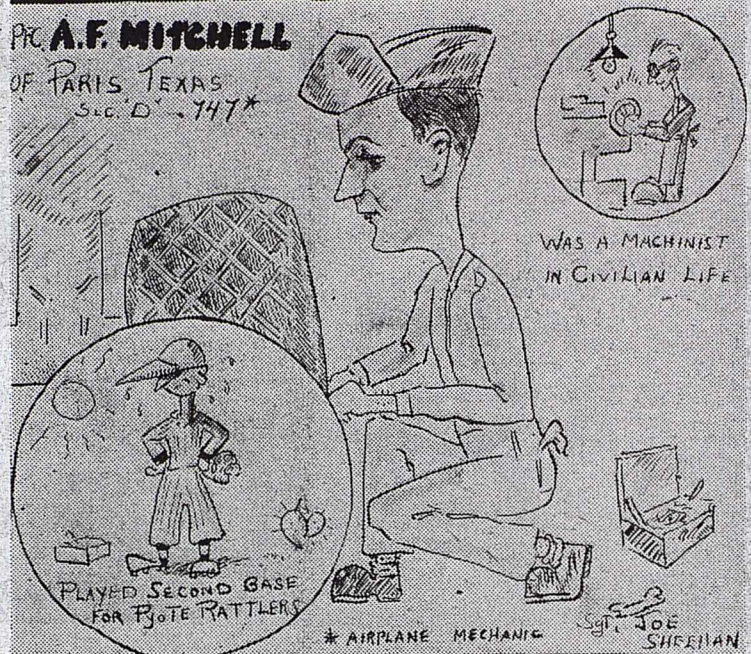
Doing a bit of primping at the Service Club Anniversary party is Virginia Lee Roth, of Cumberland, Md. Mrs. Roth was among those present at the celebration honoring the first birthday of the EMs club last week.

Any Enlisted Men, other than combat crew members, who would be interested in directing and producing variety and legitimate shows on the Base, please contact Lt. G. B. Mothesead at the Special Service Office immediately.

THE RATTLER INTRODUCES—

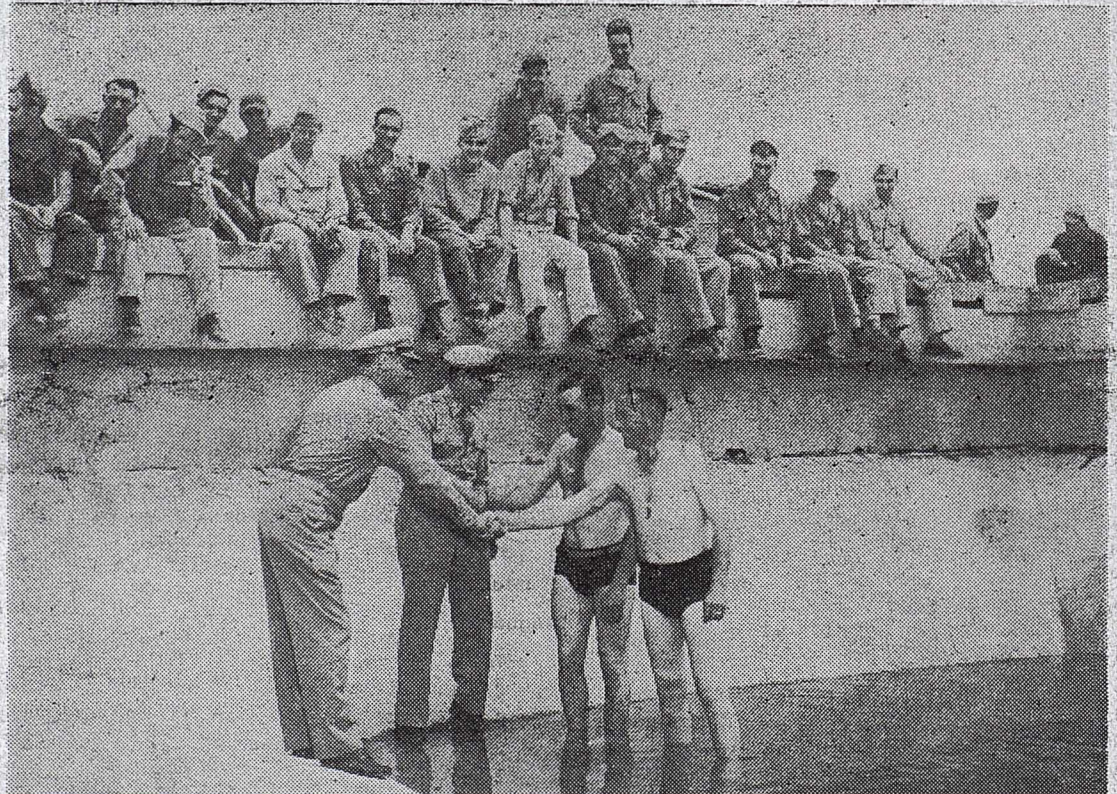
G.I.'s ON THE LINE

PC A.F. MITCHELL
OF PARIS, TEXAS
SEC. D. - 747*



With this issue, The RATTLER inaugurates a new feature, "GIs On The Line". Each week, Sgt. Joe Sheehan, Sec. D, will sketch some personality from the boys that labor on the line to be presented on this page. The originals of these drawings are in The RATTLER office (in Base Headquarters) and the subject may have it by stopping by the office.

EM SWIMMING POOL GETS OFFICIAL BAPTISM



The first GIs to take a dip in the EM swimming pool receive congratulations from Lt. Col. W. H. Cocke and Maj. S. J. Mangimelli. The GIs—in charge of the swimming pool detail—are T-Sgt. Victor Peirano and S-Sgt. Jess Freeman.