

# THE RATTTLER

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## 21 Mos. Service Bars EM from Overseas Service

(Military Personnel Office States that no such information has reached them from higher headquarters at presstime.)

A War Dept. release dated Wednesday, November 7th, stated that effective immediately, no enlisted man with 21 or more months service since Sept. 16, 1940 will be signment, unless he is a graduate sent overseas for permanent assignment of the Military Intelligence Service Language School at Ft. Snelling, Minnesota, or a volunteer to remain in the Army, or a Regular Army enlistee. Enlisted graduates of the MISL School will not be sent overseas if they are eligible for separation or have more than 27 months service since Sept. 16, 1940.

### Officers Excluded

Officers who have had 33 or more months of honorable service (or in the case of Medical Officers: 30), including enlisted service, if any, since Sept. 16, 1940 will not be sent overseas for permanent assignment unless they remain on active duty or are Regular Army officers, or are of the following

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## No More Matinee Movies Except Over Week-ends

Effective Tuesday, all matinee showings at the Theatre were cancelled with the exception of Saturday and Sunday afternoon bills.

The Special Services Office announced that movies would be presented only on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, and holidays.

There will be a movie tomorrow (Thanksgiving) afternoon at 1:30 PM at Theatre No. 1.

## 2100 Lbs. Turkey To Highlight Meal

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving spells just one thing: Turkey with a capital T. And Pyote mess personnel are ready to top last year's unctuous table with an even more succulent repast.

But let's look over the big menu for the big meal. There'll be roast tom turkey, tender and tan; sage dressing, tangy and seasoned; snowflake potatoes, creamy and light; cranberry sauce tart and spicy; giblet gravy, green peas, lettuce and mayonnaise salad, Celery, pickles, hot rolls, butter, olives, fruit cake, creamed cake, ice cream, oranges, candy, nuts, coffee, milk, tea, and two kinds of pie: mince and pumpkin.

Serving will start at noon and last till two at Mess Halls 1 and 3. There'll be an evening meal served (if you can stagger your way back to the mess hall) from 5 to 6.

There'll be 2100 lbs of turkey and 300 delicious pies to serve the Thanksgiving crowds. Rattler advises: get in line early.

## Victory Loan Hits \$22,584; Field Quota Altered

With the Victory Loan about one-quarter finished, Pyote AAF was lagging slightly, having reached 21.3% of its quota.

The drive, last of the 8 big wartime loans, got underway the end of October and concludes December 31st.

The field quota, originally pegged at \$200,000 has been scaled down to \$106,000 due to the drop in personnel on the field.

Totals from the start of the drive through November 15th show the enlisted personnel way out in front on bond purchases, more than doubling the purchases of either officers or civilian personnel.

OFFICERS: \$5,043.75  
ENLISTED: \$11,535.00  
CIVILIANS: \$6,005.32

TOTAL: \$22,584.07

KEEP THE FIELD CLEAN

## New Commander



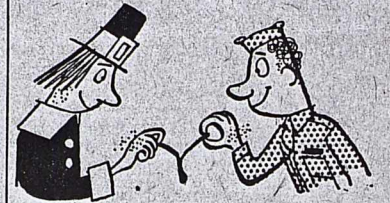
Col. Robert C. Orth, Station Commandant, poses for his first official picture as the seventh CO at Pyote Army Air Field.

## WD Speeds Discharge Of 50-Pointers Upon Return from Furlough

The War Dept., in a flurry of week-end releases, announced that any EM with 50 to 59 point who reports to a reception station on completion of a furlough or TD assignment during November will be considered surplus and sent to a separation center for discharge.

Through this action, says the WD, a high discharge rate will be assured, and expense and burden involved in moving soldiers who would be eligible for a release shortly will be eliminated.

Principal group affected by this policy are men in units that returned to the States following the defeat of Germany to be redeployed to the Pacific and that are now scheduled for demobilization.



## War. Dept. to Ease Discharges Dec. 1; Service to Count

The Associated Press quoted the War Dept. Friday as easing discharges for enlisted personnel and giving special attention to overage and family men. Changes in the demobilization program as quoted by Associated Press were unconfirmed by the Military Personnel Office on this field, who stated that no changes were as yet received from higher headquarters.

AP stated that the War Dept. provided for "length of service" discharges and effective December 1, all enlisted men with four years service would be eligible for discharge. Others eligible for discharge the first of next month, said AP, were: men with 65 points on the Sept. 2 computation; men with 3 or more children under 18 years.

For Wacs, the War Dept. (according to AP) will release all those who are married and who enlisted prior to last May 12, and will drop the Wac point score to 32 effective December 1.

Male officers will need but 73 points instead of 75 for discharge as of December 1, or four years and three months of military service.

## Chapel To Hold Service Tomorrow Morning at 10

A special Thanksgiving Service for all personnel of Protestant faith will be held tomorrow at 10:00 AM at the Station Chapel, it was announced today.

Chaplain Curry will conduct the service tomorrow morning.

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PYOTE, TEXAS

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**BEWARE RATTLESNAKES**

1. WEAR BOOTS OR HIGH-TOP SHOES - LEGGINGS
2. WEAR PROTECTIVE GLOVES
3. WATCH WHERE YOU STEP
4. WATCH WHERE YOU REACH

Twice selected by Camp Newspaper Service as one of the best GI newspapers in the world, 1944, 1945.

COL. ROBERT C. ORTH, STATION COMMANDANT

RATTLER STAFF: Cpl. Ed Koops, Sgt. Marie A. Rados

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## Same As 1944

It is inevitable that an editorial-writer discuss Thanksgiving, and fill the public prints with a personal inventory of the blessings that we have to be grateful for.

Before writing this we dug through the files to see what we were thankful for last year, in the 1944 Thanksgiving editorial.

Among the list was one paragraph that reads: "We're thankful that Thanksgiving Day, 1944, finds us closer to victory; closer to the Thanksgiving Day we used to have".

We can reprint that, word for word, and by merely changing the year to 1945, breathe a hearty sigh that this Thanksgiving finds us victorious and at peace.

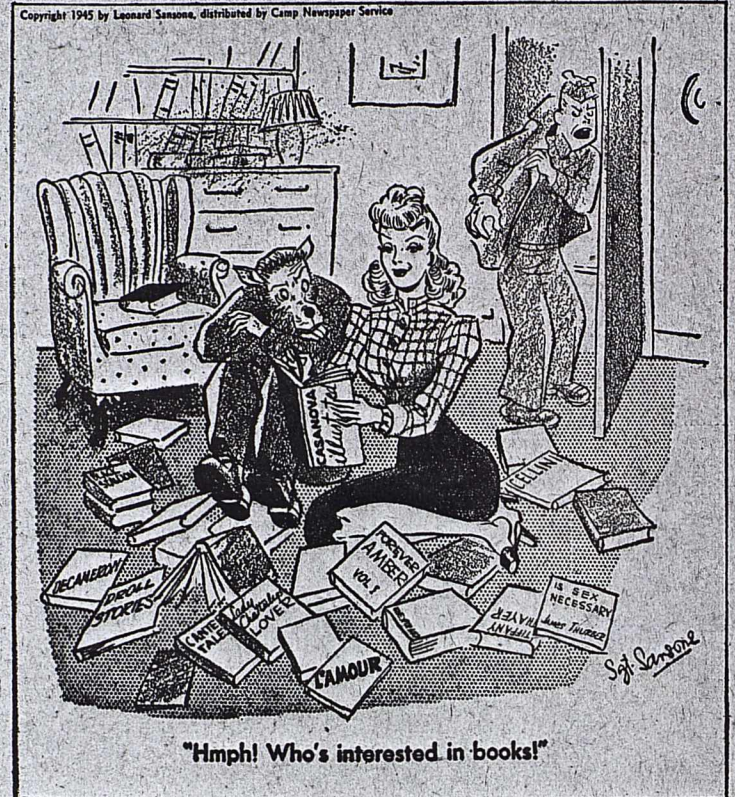
And to all of which we can add only "Amen".

## Guest Room by Gardner Rea



## The Wolf

by Sansone



## This Week

### At The Theatres

Unless otherwise noted, Theater No. 1 shows at 1:30, 6:30 and 8:30; Theater No. 2 shows at 7:15 and 9:15 with matinee Sunday only, at 2:15.

#### TODAY AND TOMORROW

"HOLD THAT BLONDE" with Eddie Bracken and Veronica Lake. (A bank-clerk who's a kleptomaniac falls in love with a gun-moll for a gang of jewel thieves. Full of laughs and Bracken is at his funniest.) Shorts: Army-Navy Screen Magazine and Paramount News.

#### FRIDAY

"SUNBONNET SUE" with Phil Regan, Gale Storm. (Poor little girl from the Bowery makes New York debut only to have the rich folk speak bad-nastily of her background. Everything ends comfy, if you stay to the finish.) Shorts: "Gun In His Hand" and Sportscope.

#### SATURDAY

"GAME OF DEATH" with John Loder and Audrey Long. (This is a remake of a short story called 'The Most Dangerous Game'. The story itself is terrific, and if the movie lives up to it, should be good entertainment.) Shorts: "A Miner Affair" with Andy Clyde, and Community Sing.

#### SUNDAY & MONDAY

"SHE WOULDN'T SAY YES"

with Rosalind Russell and Lee Bowman. (More psychiatry where a woman psychiatrist putters through a fellow-traveler's mind. We are fed up with these sophisticated comedies and think the producers, not the actors, should have their heads examined.) Shorts: "Cured Duck" with Donald Duck, and Paramount News.

#### TUESDAY

"ENCHANTED FOREST" with Edmund Lowe and Brenda Joyce. [Reviews speak highly of this. Story concerns a little boy who is befriended by an old man who lives in redwood tree and who finally brings his folks along. If you like whimsy, you'll fall in love with this, if you don't, don't go.] Shorts: "You Drive Me Crazy" with Edgar Kennedy and "Strange Destiny," an MGM Miniature.

#### WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

"SAN ANTONIO" with Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith. (A technicolor western of range wars in Texas in the 1870s. Flynn does the Alamo with his boots on.) Shorts: Paramount news.

## Around the Field

PX CAFETERIA: Breakfast 7 to 10; Lunch 11 to 2; and Dinner 5 to 9. Hamburgers and french fries on sale in the evening. Beer on sale after 5 PM.

PX TAP ROOM: Beer sold from 5 to 10:45 PM.

PX ICE CREAM BAR: Open from 9 AM to 9:45 PM.

## 21 MONTHS---

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categories of scarce specialists: Highway Traffic Engineer, Superintendent, Water Division, Transportation Corps; Legal Officer with Admiralty Law experience; Renegotiation officers, Contract Termination and Property Disposal Officers; Military Government officers; Automatic Accounting Machine Supervisory Officers. Officer graduates of the Military Intelligence Service Language School also are subject to overseas service if they are not eligible for separation and have less than 39 months of service. The length of training required and the immediate need for these trained individuals in the occupation forces required the War Dept. to take this action.

### Screening Criteria

Personnel having an ASR score, or age, or length of service greater to or equaling the following criteria will not be shipped overseas for permanent assignment: Male officers (including Warrant and Flight officers) except Medical Dept.: 49 points, 49 years, of 33 months; Male officers, Medical and Dental Corps: 45 points, 40 years, or 30 months; Male officers of Veterinary, Sanitary or Medical Administrative Corps: 30 points, 35 years, or 30 months. Nurses: 12 points, 30 years; Dietitians and Physical Therapy Aides: 14 points or 30 years; Enlisted Men: 36 points or 34, 35, 36 years with 21 months service, or 37 years and 1 year service.

No Wac officers or enlisted personnel are subject to overseas shipment. The above schedule applies to all personnel except volunteers, personnel on the scarce category list, Military Intelligence Service School graduates, and Regular Army personnel.

### No Temporary Duty

Personnel will not be sent overseas on temporary duty if their scheduled date for return to the US is later than the date on which they will become eligible for separation. Such temporary duty will be for short periods of time and the orders will require the return of the individual to the States upon completion of duty.

### EM TO STAY ON JOB UNTIL PROCESSED

Enlisted personnel being transferred from Pyote to a permanent change of station will remain in their duty sections on duty until such time as Static Processing Officer notifies their squadrons that they are scheduled for outgoing processing. Processing will be arranged so that personnel being transferred will be processed a day or two before their actual shipping date.

GET IN ON THE VICTORY LOAN NOW!

## Rattlers Drop 1st Game Of Season To Smoky Hill 5

With an unbroken string of victories to their credit, the Pyote Rattlers flew to Salina, Kansas to match their record with that of the Smoky Hills Smokies, November 17.

After a torrid battle, the Rattlers went down to their first defeat 50-36. The game was marked by the outstanding field generalship and sharp shooting of Lt. Smith of Pyote who tickled the twine for 20 points.

A return game is scheduled for Longbeach, California, November 23. On the following day, the Rattlers will meet Marsh Field.

### PROVOST MARSHALL LISTS PENALTIES FOR VIOLATORS

According to a release from the office of the Provost Marshall, the following penalties will be enforced for all traffic violators: first offense, warning or revocation; second offense, revocation of driving permit for seven days or revocation of government license for seven days; third offense, revocation of permit and license permanently.

All personnel apprehended for violation of traffic regulations will report to the Provost Marshall at 0900 the morning following their offense.

## HE'S REET



FLETCHER HENDERSON

### USO PLANS TURKEY BUFFET SUPPER

The Monahans USO extended invitations to all service men to attend their Thanksgiving buffet supper, Thursday at 5:30. Following the dinner hour the gang will join in a song festival. The rest of the evening will be spent in informal dancing.

### EM HOLIDAY DANCE SET FOR FRI. NITE

EMs will have a chance to work off the Thanksgiving meal in flings, dips and shuffles at the enlisted men's dance Friday night at the base rec hall. The Pyote band is scheduled for the event, Miss Martha Gould, Service Club hostess announced.

## Fletch Henderson Scheduled for 3 Night Stands Here

Newest top-flight band scheduled for a Pyote engagement is Fletcher Henderson and his great orchestra. Fletch plays a 3-night stand at the field; Tuesday at the Rec Hall from 8 to 12 for enlisted personnel; Wednesday at the Officers' Club from 8 to 12; and Thursday at the NCO Club, 8 to midnight.

Featured with Henderson's orchestra is George Floyd, talked about new singer. Henderson has been famous as an arranger for Benny Goodman's orchestra before organizing his own band.

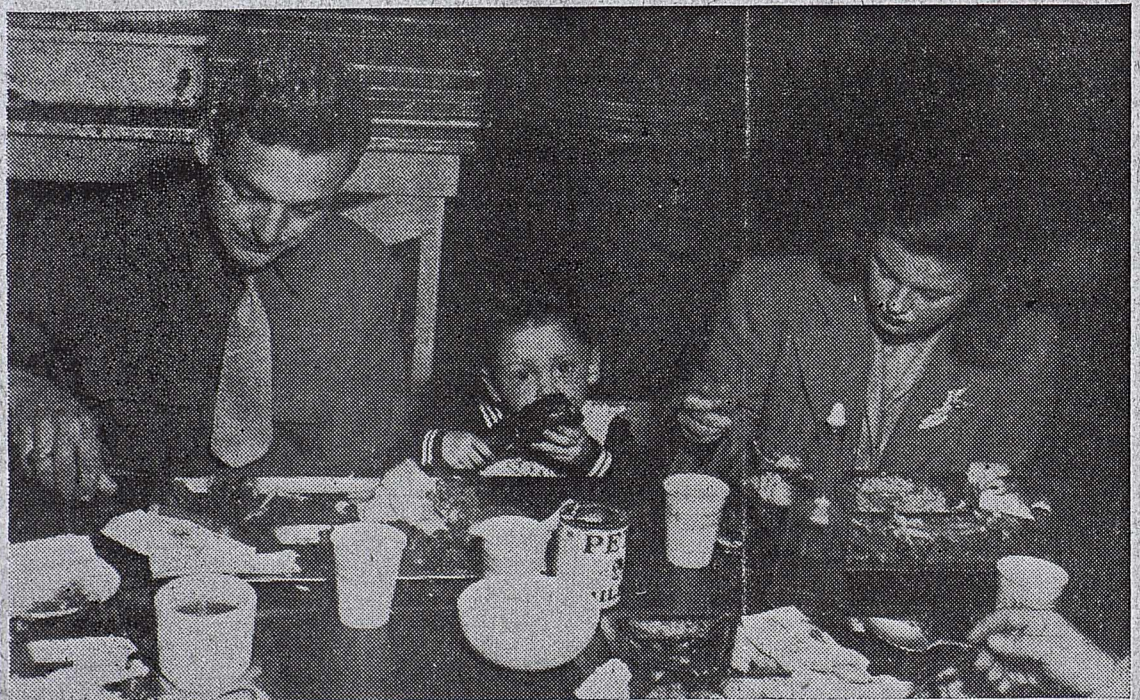
Fletch comes to Pyote from extensive holdovers at the famed Casa Manana, Culver City, Calif., and the Rhumboogie, in Chicago.

His Brunswick recordings have had astronomical sales.

### NO FENCE CLIMBING, TUNNELING OUT, HERE

Pyote personnel must watch their comings and goings according to warning issued this week in the daily bulletin. You come in and go out thru the only authorized entrances and exits—the West and Main gates. This applies to both military and civilian personnel residing on the base. Any person apprehended using any other means will be turned over to the Provost Marshall for disciplinary action.

## HE'LL BE A CHOW HOUND WHEN HE GROWS UP



One of the Rattler's favorite photographs was snapped last Thanksgiving at one of the Mess Halls for a part of a Thanksgiving picture story. The sight of the little kid wrestling with a drumstick as big as he is, and enjoying one of his first Thanksgivings in an Army mess hall is our idea of the whole Thanksgiving story wrapped up in one picture. He is 2-year-old Warren Arend, Jr., of Saint Paul, Minn.

# Regular Army Has Some Sharp Financial Benefits

Less obvious, but none the less real financial benefits of Army service than the ones listed in last week's issue are found in such privileges as your right to purchase at Army commissaries and post exchanges. Men who enlist in the Regular Army will find many cash savings from the commissary privileges. The Post Exchange makes it possible for the enlistee to purchase, on the base, many of his needs and also provides substantial monthly payments to organization funds for recreation and welfare purposes.

The privilege of free first class mail has been continued to include December of 1947. Although postage may not be a major item of your budget, freedom from the bother of buying stamps is a distinct advantage of present day military service. Railroad and bus companies offer the reduced furlough rates. Speaking of furloughs, relatively few employers in civil life offer a month off each year, at full pay, with the job waiting for you when you come back.

The Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act offers the Regular Army man legal advantages in mortgage foreclosures, tax sales, and contract obligations; and at every post there are trained lawyers who furnish legal advice without cost—advice which often comes very high in civilian life. Army men would be eligible for National Service Life Insurance, on which the premium rates are comparatively low.

The most important indirect financial benefits results from the fact that, in the Army, there are no seasonal lay-offs, there is no need to save money to ride out a strike, and no need to save to tide you and the family over a period of unemployment. There are no depressions in the Army.

There are some of the possibilities of advantages in the Army. While promotions will not continue at the rapid wartime rate, there will always be opportunities in the RA for the good man to rise to the top. Men who re-enlist before February 1, 1946 and within 20 days of their discharge will be enlisted in the grade held at the time of discharge.

There are other good points about Army life whose direct value cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Every effort is made by the Army to provide its men with fine recreational activities at small cost. Motion pictures, stage shows, gymnasiums, bowling allies, athletic fields, libraries are available to the soldier at most Army posts. When the postwar Army is reduced in size, the recreational assets of the permanent stations will have these advantages in greater abundance than was possible under the pressure of war.

## Mauldin Warns US Of American Fascism Cults

New York (CNS)—A couple of ex-GIs—Bill Mauldin and Ben Kuroki, a Nisei—stole the show from a ballroom full of brass at the annual New York Herald Tribune Forum sessions at the Waldorf-Astoria here recently.

The brass included Gen Marshall, Gen Eisenhower (who addressed the forum by radio from Berlin), Gen Jonathan Wainwright, M/Gen Claire L. Chennault and Navy Captain Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota. They got the billing but Mauldin and Kuroki got the big applause.

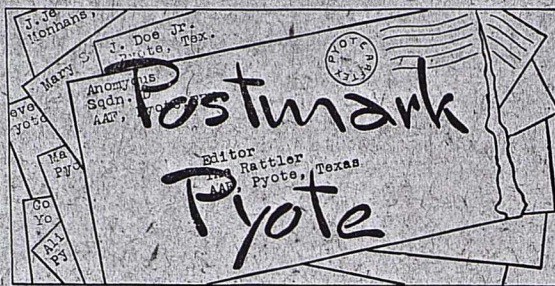
Mauldin, Stars and Stripes cartoonist and author of "Up Front," warned the forum that the war won't be won until the type of fascism fought and conquered overseas is conquered in America. He said he discerned a strong similarity between what he as a soldier had been taught was evil in the philosophies and methods of Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito and what he said was being preached in some quarters of the U.S.A.

T/Sgt. Ben Kuroki, a Japanese-American farm boy from Nebraska, who flew 30 missions as tail gunner in a Liberator over Europe and 28 more in a Superfortress, told the forum that "the war is not over for me."

The young Nisei airman recalled how he had to fight prejudice to get into combat both in Europe and the Pacific. After returning from Europe—while wearing his uniform and decorations—he tried to hail a cab, and was refused because an occupant declared he "wouldn't ride with a Jap".

For the soldier who wishes to further his education much has been and will be done. The enlisted men have the opportunity of attending many courses at military and civilian schools where he is offered many kinds of training, some of it specialized leading to advancement in his branch of the profession of arms, and some of it of more general application and value. The AAF with tremendously varied requirements for specialists of all kinds has been a pioneer in technical training of enlisted

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AAF, Texas. The Rattler reserves the right to edit letters, and decide which are to be published. No letters will be returned. If your barracks bag's in salvage, blow it out here!

### GEISHA CURIOUS

Editor, the Rattler:

Am I treading on ticklish ground when I ask you just—er—what—er how the US soldier is getting along with the Geisha girl?

S/Sgt. Fred Taughe



• Not at all. Even a Geisha girl for you to look at, Fred. Seems

men. The thousands of different kinds of equipment used by the Air Forces demand specialists, and the training derived from schools conducted by the AAF can not help but be of value in many civilian occupations. Some of the courses for which you will be eligible are the equivalent of a year in high school or in college.

The Army Recruiting posters used to say "Join the Army and see the world!" Perhaps you feel that you have been around enough and all you want to see from now on is the good old USA. If you want to reenlist with your present outfit in this country, you may do so. But, it is entirely possible that after a period of time you will get the wanderlust once more, and just in case you're interested, you will have a number of good overseas assignments for which you can apply. For those who wish to travel in this country, there is every prospect that the next few years will see much movement by individuals and organizations.

that Capt. L. Dibella of Chicago had 6 other officers drew a dandy assignment in Tokyo: they were officially ordered to visit some geisha girls to see their effect on the morality of troops. According to the good Captain, "they sang and danced and poured out beer". They knew little English, except a few stock phrases, possibly memorized for the occasion, such as "I love you very much" and "I think you're beautiful". Says the Captain: "Nice girls". An unofficial reaction to the Geisha Girls comes from Sgt. Harris Rosedale who reports they are "crazy about jitter-bugging and a lot quicker to learn boogie than girls back home." Sgt. Rosedale used to be a dancing instructor in Cincinnati.

### HE GETS HIS

Editor, the Rattler:

My young brother was drafted after V-J day. Will he be entitled when discharged, to benefits under the GI Bill of Rights?

Cpl. O. B. S.

• Sure, provided he is honorably separated from the Army. He has the same rights as any other serviceman.

Editor, the Rattler:

I've been in the Army 3 years but was never sent overseas. Is it OK for me to wear the Victory Medal?

Pfc. R. T. J.

• Yes, you can wear a ribbon representing the World War II Victory Medal, which may be worn by all members of the Armed Forces who served honorably at any time between Dec. 7, 1941 and a date in the future not yet determined. The ribbon, which will be worn after campaign ribbons of this war, will have a red center with narrow white borders flanked by double rainbows. Purty.

### TOP JOCKEY

Editor, the Rattler:

I see by the papers that some English jockey rode his 300th winner. What's the American record?

Horse-lover

• The British jockey was Gordon Richards and that set a record for Great Britain. Top US jockey is Johnny Longden, British-born, who rode 2417 winners. All-time topman is Sam Heapy who booted home 3260 winners in Belgium.

# Army, Navy Argue Proposed Plan to Merge Military Service

The proposed merger of the Army, Navy and Air Forces under one unified command has brought about sharp differences in opinion between high-ranking Army and Naval officers, and has raised arguments among Congressmen, soldiers, sailors and civilians.

In general, high Army brass—let by Gen George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff—approves unification, while the Navy opposes it. Fleet Adm Ernest J. King, Chief of Naval Operations, has been an outstanding opponent of the proposal.

Gen Marshall has stated that he is "strongly convinced" that unless a single department was formed to iron out "the different and numerous complexities" there can be little hope that this nation can maintain "a military position that will secure us a lasting peace."

The War Department has proposed that the Army, Navy and Air Forces be placed under a single civilian Secretary of the Armed Forces with a civilian un-

dersecretary and a chief of staff of armed forces as advisers to him. Assistant civilian secretaries would superintend unified scientific research, procurement, industrial mobilization, legislative affairs, and public information. The Joint Chiefs of Staffs—with power of recommendation only as to military policy, strategy and budget requirements—would be maintained. War Department plans, as outlined by L/Gen J. Lawton Collins, Chief of Staff, AGF, also includes a single military budget and a single military committee in the Senate and House to act on military legislation.

On the other side, Adm King thinks that a single commander of

the armed forces would increase the threat of military dictatorship, and that unification might mean domination by the Army.

"I am apprehensive that such an organization," he said, "would permit reduction in maintenance and use of our sea power by individuals who are not thoroughly familiar with its potentialities."

## HILL BILL BACKS PLAN

Much of the discussion was caused by a merger bill currently before Congress, submitted by Senator Lister Hill (D, Ala). It calls for the appointment of a civilian Secretary of the Armed Forces, to take over duties of set-up similar to that proposed by the WD.

Among the proponents of a merged command are:

Henry L. Stimson, who shortly before his resignation as Secre-



GEN. GEORGE C. MARSHALL

tary of War, wrote the Senate Military Affairs Committee that "the War Department strongly favors the establishment of a single department of the armed forces and recommends the enactment of measures which will accomplish this objective in an orderly manner."

Gen Henry H. Arnold, commander of the AAF who told the same committee that creation of a single national defense organization, in which the air arm will have co-equal strength with the Army and Navy is essential if this country is to be prepared against possible future aggression.

Both Gen Douglas MacArthur and his Chief Air Officer, Gen George C. Kenney, who stated that the victory over Japan showed the advantages of unified command.

## Navy Opposes Merger

Aligned against the plan are: Navy Secretary James V. Forrestal who said the Hill bill "is unsound because it concentrates power in one secretary beyond the capacity of any one man to use that power, and certainly beyond his capacity to obtain and digest the knowledge upon which its uses could be based. He would be entirely in the hands of his military advisers".

Adm Chester W. Nimitz who said that he was "a strong advocate of unity of command in a theatre of operations," but that he does not favor merging the War and Navy Departments into a single unit.

Newspaper opinion is equally divided on the proposal. The New York Herald Tribune sides with the Navy, stating that it has "a powerful case," but that Adm King and Secretary Forrestal had not aided it much. It would be better, says the Herald Tribune, if "the King type of mentality" were suppressed.

The New York Times declares that "the arguments made in favor of unification are more compelling than those against it."

# Rogues Gallery of Nazi Bigshots



Today's rogues gallery consists of the Nazi civil and military leaders apprehended by the Allies when Germany collapsed last spring. They were photographed at Mondorf-les-Bains, Luxemburg, where they were held last summer for the war criminal trials in Nuremberg, but the picture was just released. Left to right: (front row) Hans Lammers, Franz von Epp, Herman Goering, Franz Xaver Schwarz, Otto Meissner; (second row) Joachim von Ribbentrop, Walter Funk, Ernst Bohle, Jakob Nagel, Franz Schwarz, Herbert Buechs, Otto Salman; (third row) Friedrich Kritzinger, Arthur Seyss Inquart, Erwin Krauss, Leitz Schwerin von Krosick, Franz Seldte, Robert Ley, Werner Zschintzsch, Albert Kesselring. Others, left to right: Hans Frank, Eric Dethleffsen, Karl Doenitz, Johannes Blaskowitz, Hermann Reinecke, Ernst John von Freyend, Hans Riecke, Karl Stroelin, Alfred Jodi, Gerhard Wagner, Karl Brandt, Philipp von Hessen, Paul Wegener (directly behind Nagel), Walter Warlimont (rear row, behind Wegener), Walter Leudde Neurath, Walter Buch, Alfred Rosenberg, Leopold Buerkner, Wilhelm Keitel, unidentified, Wilhelm Frick, unidentified, Kurt Dalugee (profile hidden), and Julius Streicher.



# KOOPS' KORNERS

## PYOTERS ARE TALKING ABOUT:

The new hours for the PX tap-room. . . . that fathers with 3 or more children are now draft-exempt; they won't even be accepted if they volunteer. . . . the War Dept.'s favoring the idea to give EM terminal pay, although the Bureau of the Budget doesn't like the idea which would credit GIs with 2½ leave days for each month's service, the portion of which up to 120 days that had not been taken would be given as terminal leave. . . . Rep. Rankin (D-Miss.) who says he won't let the House of Representatives adjourn until they pass legislation making nearly everybody in the Armed Forces eligible for release. . . . The popularity of the 3-year enlistment over the shorter terms, better than 80% of the total. . . . That the Army is recruiting almost 2000 men a day. . . . The bill now up in Congress that would automatically release all 2-year men; and the other bill that would release men with two years' service who have dependents or whose education was interrupted. . . .

## NOTHING CAN STOP THE . . . .

The Civil Aeronautics Administration says that there will be 750,000 jobs in aviation in the next 10 years. And there will be 400,000 civil airplanes in the US in the next decade. . . . General Electric predicts gas-turbine aircraft engines of 10,000 horsepower. . . . Congress is considering a \$700,000 AAF Institute of Technology at Wright Field, Dayton, O. . . . Some British Aeronautic expert prophecies transatlantic rocket flights between New York and London in less than an hour's time. . . . Sioux Falls AAF (a 2AF Separation Base) got high praise for its separation program, and was one of the first five AAF stations to attain 10,000 separations. Some happy dischargee wrote his Congressman praising the work of Maj. Gen. Robert Williams and Brig. Gen. Robert Travis. . . . The WD has announced that more than 4,500,000 yards of nylon are surplus and will be sold to manufacturers, along with \$2,000,000 worth of barges, tugs, and other vessels. . . . The Nov. 10th issue of Army Times carries a complete story on Surplus War Property and how vets can get in on the deal.

## STUFF ON A SHINGLE

Some press association reported that a number of officers told to report at Marseilles for shipment back to the States didn't show up because they didn't like the sound of the unemployment biz back home. . . . The Chair-borne shoulder patch in the current issue of Time is bound to draw a chuckle. . . . Third Air Force figures the points will drop to forty; at least they have frozen all enlisted men with forty points to their current bases. . . . The Military Affairs Subcommittee wrestled with the post-war world and came up with these observations: come 1955 the girls will possess stockings that won't run, shoes with soy-bean toes, bathing suits made from aluminum and guaranteed rust-proof, furcoats made from sheep pelt and dipped in plastic to resemble beaver, seal. For the men? Serge trousers that won't shine in the seat, or shrink, or lose the crease. As for food, they figure there'll be a mechanical cow that will give milk from a mixture of water, dry skimmed milk, and butter. And they're figures how to make bread from plain old sea water. . . . In the works are photographs without film, a powder to keep the ground dry no matter how much it rains, a plow that the happy farmer can operate from his sleeping porch, and insulated window glass that will cut the heat bill 50%

## TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

Two GIs that work at the El Paso recruiting office fell for their own sales talk, re-enlisted. . . . A Russian ship came into Dutch Harbor during the war, seeking repairs. Three seabees were sent to do the job and haven't been seen since. Later it was learned that the crew the Russian ship, from skipper down, were women. . . . The Marx brothers voted, 2 to 1, to quit the movies. . . . Associated Press says that American authorities are studying the question of allowing wives to join servicemen in Japan. . . . More than 1500 airmen are still listed as missing after combat missions over Japan. . . . In Chicago, a man carrying discharge papers of Ollie Edwards was found dead on a west side street. He was identified as Ollie by Ollie's brother. Since then Ollie has turned up and now no one knows who the dead man is. Sez Ollie: "I don't feel so good." . . . Carole Landis identified the guy who

## Rattle Snake Charmer



The young lady with her bare shoulders sticking out happens to be Janis Paige whom Hollywood has taken to its bosom.

charged into her dressing room, kissed her and began fumbling with her zipper. He says he didn't do it. . . . The Army newspaper Pacifican has a charge against the Red Cross. A Corporal charged that the Red Cross failed to notify him that his wife died and they "brushed him off" when he tried to get the details. A Red Cross spokesman promised an investigation. . . . The Pacifican has been deluged with critical letters from EM ever since it printed the comment of canteen worker Patty Kelly that she dated only officers because enlisted men "were ill-bred and impolite. . . . The 6th Army will be deactivated Jan. 26th and ineligible personnel will be transferred to the 8th Army.

The bare midriff bathing suits of 1945 have shown the girls believe that the way to a man's heart is through her stomach.

A woman is happy as long as she can keep her hair light and her past dark.

# Take a Lookie at This Week's Classifieds

## CLASSIFIED ADS

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### FOUND

ONE SUNTAN CAP belonging to a Bruce Bullock. Claim at Rattler office.

PAIR OF very nice leather gloves. Call at Rattler office.

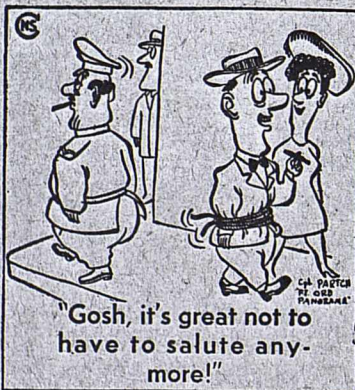
TOBACCO pouch and pipe. Get it at the Rattler office.

SUPER-sized ring, sterling silver with copper in-lay in skull design. Get it at the Rattler office. It's too big for our pinkies.

THREE CAR keys left in the bank. Owner may have them by identifying them.

### WANTED

WILL PAY cash for good used car. Lt. Milan Stancel, Convalescent Services Office, phone 101.



ENLIST NOW IN THE Regular Army

OPPORTUNITY  
ADVANCEMENT  
EDUCATION

Get All Details from  
RECRUITING OFFICER  
At Bldg. T-636

### FOR SALE

1938 V-8 60 hp, below ceiling. See Lt. Lindskog, Base Weather Station, any afternoon.

### TRANSPORTATION

ANYONE DRIVING to St. Louis around the 27th or 28th of this month? I'll share expenses and

driving provided I can bring my better half along. Call ext 23 and ask for Michaels.

NOW PLAYING  
*in Person*  
**FLETCHER HENDERSON**  
American GREATEST ARRANGER  
AND HIS FAMOUS  
**ORCHESTRA**

AT REC HALL, 8 TO 12, NOV. 27th; AT OFFICERS CLUB NOV. 28th; AT NCO CLUB NOV. 29th.

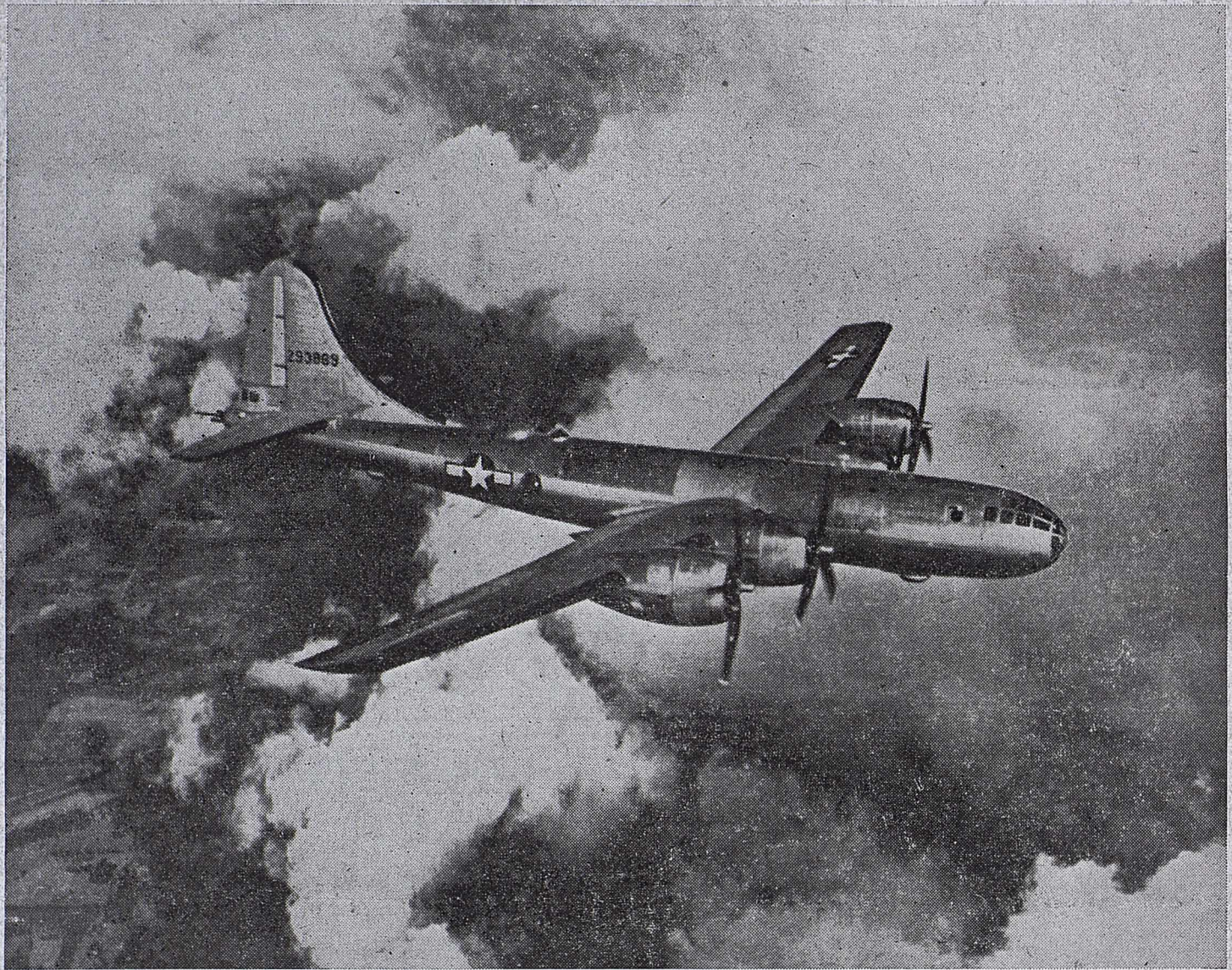


## There's A Kid With Crust

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As a Rattler souvenir, the editors give you this picture of the Superfortress, one of the vital factors in the defeat of Japan. The demand for pictures of the B-29 has always run high at the Rattler office, and so this shot is proffered for your pictorial reply to the query: "What did you do in the war, Daddy?"

**This is the B-29.**

**This is the product of American brain-power, research, production and spirit.**

**This is the result of you times 130 million who helped bring Japan's surrender, that pulverized Japanese production, that bombed their cities, that spread a wake of ruin, terror and holocaust.**

**This is the end product. This is the sum and the total of what you have served for in World War II. For whatever your job, the final goal of that job, was this.**

**This is a stainless steel memory of the big plane and the guys that flew them, fed them fondled them, fought in them.**

**This is a four-engine monument to American blueprints, rivets, and guts.**

**Look at it. This is what college professors and oil-smearred GIs concocted to win a war. This is hell-on-wings that splattered humanity to kingdom come.**

**This is a fearsome, awesome thing. It is proof of a miracle that mankind has created to win a war.**

**Can we not take that brain-power, research, production and spirit; can we not reconvert those blueprints, rivets and guts to keep a peace?**

**The B-29 has helped earn for us the right to try. God help us if we fail.**