

# For Bombing Of Cassino Abbey

When the final volume of the 36th Division's colorful history is written, it may well be divided into « eras of heroism », and this week a year ago must be marked as one of those periods.

During the two days of 11 and 12 February 1944, members of the Division exhibited such outstanding heroism that 10 Distinguished Service Crosses were awarded,

These feats are even more remarkable since they were performed while the Division was committed to « defensive action. » But good defensive action called for plenty of offensive work --work that was especially offensive. to the Boche. took hill 593, amost back of the

T/Sgt. Rudolph F. Alexander, of San Antonio, Texas, and the 141st Infantry Regiment, demonstrated this when he led his mortar squad forward in the face of a terrific German counterattack. Setting up the mortars on a forward slope, he fired them until the positions were nearly overrun, then fired his M-1 rifle effectively. As the battle increased in its fury, he took over a machine gun whose crew had become casualties. His deadly fire from this point was one of the principle factors in turning the of Allied troops, members of ;ne tide. 4th Indian Division, 2nd New

Pfc. Harold E. Palmer, of Waterbury, Connecticut, also from the 141st, fired his machine gun until a grenade knocked it out, then moved forward with rifle and hand ing, first by four motored bombers grenades. A buddy moved in to and then by mediums. help him and was killed by his side, and the Boche kept coming. But at close range, Palmer's deadly fire stopped them. S/Sgt. Daniel W. Minton, of Bauxite, Arkansas; Pfc. Max L Nebus, Jr., of South Amboy, New York; and Pfc. Leonard J. New York; and Pfc. Leonard J. Schneider, of Cleveland, gave their No Need To lives in their heroic fighting in another counterattack. So fierce Bother Un - zippin 142nd Infantry Regiment that the Germans requested, and were granted, a truce of several hours to evacuate their dead which littered the slopes. From our side of Castellone Ridge alone, 160 German bodies were evacuated.

« I figured it was the luckiest miss a man ever had, » said Lt. Milton R. Pavelka, Gaspar, Wyo, describing his experience in lead\_ ing a tank along a road when a German shell landed in the ditch not five feet from him. Shrapnel rattled past his ears to hit the tank which was on his far side.

« I hadn't even been nicked, 2 he added.

« Look at your jacket, » spoke up Point graduate from New York, one of the listeners. Lt. Pavelka and Captain Carl P. Matney, of looked. There were three shrapnel Vernon, Texas, and the 142nd gashes cut out of it.

Division POW cage in the five months since the Riviera landings. While attacking with his company in an attempt to enlarge the

bridgehead across the Rhine River, Lt. Kunts of the German 10th SS Division was captured by doughboys of the 143rd Infantry, the regiment with the highest prisoner intake in the 36th.



In curious contrast the SS officer followed and preceded prisoner numbers 19,999 and 20,001, whose appearance might well have been compared with the inevitable « Sad Sack ». Questioned by Capt. Hans Wagner, Ambridge, Pa., and M/Sgt. Herbert Kraus, Cleveland, Kraut leutnant Knute remained a stoic defender of the Nazi ideal.

« Die Deutschen mussen den krieg gewinnen, » (The Germans must win the war) he stated with haunted conviction.

« Nein, nein, wir werden nicht gewinnen, » (No, no, we will not win) stated the prisoner who followed the leutnant in interogat-

But the SS leader would not be swayed. « I have not religion. I am a free believer in the new German order, » he proclaimed. « I am convinced of eventual German victory. »

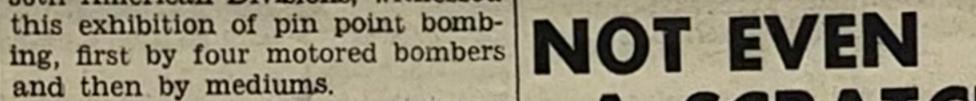
After four years of war in both Russia and France, the 25-yearold officer continued his crusade as an oral die hard.

« His indoctrination has been so definate, » remarked Sgt. Kraus, « that his thinking follows automatic channels. He's a dogmatic robot. »

**Division Civil Affairs Section Give Aid To Asylum Inmates** 

By Pfc. John Westenberg Sixty cases of rations were an improvised rushed across 36th « Texas » bridge by the Division Civil Affairs section following an urgent plea for help back on the German held side of the Moder River.

In the dark of night, led by



Major Grady C. Durham, New Orleans, Louisiana Civil Affairs Officer, the loaded truck moved to the front, crossed the fast flow ing river midst a hail of enemy tracer and mortar fire, and arrived at the Institution.

News of the plight of the hard pressed inmates was first received from an infantry patrol which was contacted by a civilian bearing a letter from the Superintendent of the Asylum,

Three other members of 142nd shared in the glory. They were Pfc. Marvin H. Broach, of Tappa-Fred Guttilla, of New York City

The next week was to mark the end of a vicious winter's campaign for the doughboys, but the cannon. eers remained to support continued efforts to dislodge the stubborn enemy.

too, received the D. S. C. They

were Major James C. Skells, of the

141st Infantry Regiment, a West

On the 11th the 141st Regiment

Abbey Hill, The First Battalion,

142nd, repulsed one of the fiercest

counterattacks ever experienced by

the T-Patch men on the 12th of

February. As a preliminary to that

attack, Jerry laid down a barrage

of an estimated 2,000 rounds of

artillery and nebelwerfer, all fall-

ing in the vicinity of Cairo between

The event which is marked on

all calenders for the week, though,

was the bombing of the Abbcy cn

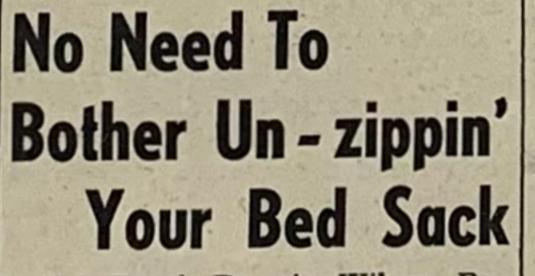
the 15th and the 17th. Thousands

Zealand Division and the 34th and

36th American Divisions, witnessed

the hours of 0200 and 0700.

Infantry Regiment.



Cpl. Frank Demeis, Wilson, Pa., recently found it more convenient to wear his bed sack out into the night.

Demeis and three of his buddles were sleeping in a tent when few Kraut shells whizzed a little hannock, Virginia; Pfc. Chester too close. At the same time the W. Floyd, of Chicago; and Private | corporal jumped over the other two artillerymen and dashed Two officers gave their men outside before the others could unexhibitions of « know-how » with zip their sacks — he didn't even such guts and finesse that they, bother to climb of his bed sack. kettle had several new spouts.

A SCRATCH

Sgt. Alvin Golliff of Taunton. Mass., was sitting at a table reading a Life Magazine when shrapne: tore through the magazine and through the table, but Golliff never received so much as a scratch.

« Members of Co. K. 143rd Inf. were in possession of the house, and many were asleep when artille\_ ry struck the eves of the house, » said Pfc. Robert Eppinger of Evan: City, Pa. Principal damage, however, was to the kitchen where Golliff and two other members of the company were hanging out, but none of them received any more than a severe case of fright. The ceiling looked like the well known sieve.

Against the kitchen cook stove was Pfc. Tony Ricci of NYC. When it was all over, the top of the stove was riddled, and the tea

requests for food to the German High Comamnd had been refused and met with a return demand for all able bodied staff members to join the Volksturm,

The letter disclosed that repeated

Their food stocks depleted, the superintendent found it necessary to appeal to the Americans. While the infantry was fighting for the town, 1st Lt. Herbert Mc Farling, Amarillo, Texas, made two trips to the institution to verify the situation and make all necessary preparations. Working with him Brooklyn; Cpl. Ben Gross, Dorchester, Mass.; Sgt. Allen C. Eddy, Chicago, and Pfc. Andrew Cheselka, New York, N. Y.

There were 230 patients at the Sanatorium, crowded into two small cellar rooms. 165 were mentally unbalanced, ten were being treated for wounds received in the fighting, two were pneumonia victims and one was suffering from typhoid.

« We took them 60 cases of " when the truck pulled up in Spare The Rod, « When the truck pulled up in front of the hospital, the people Then, with the help of some of the inmates, the rations were unloaded as quickly as possible. »

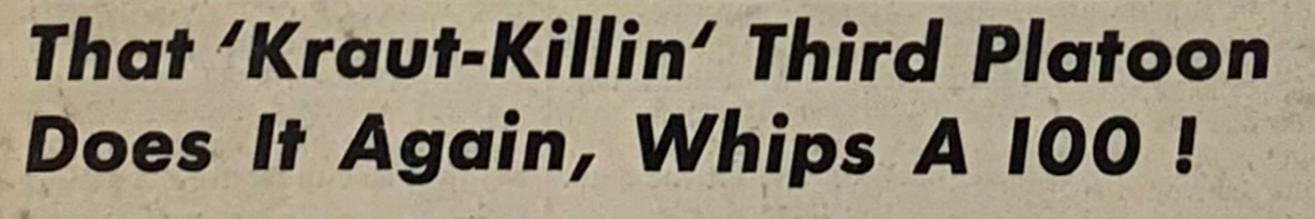
When informed by Capt. Wagner that he was going to be photographed because he was the division's 20,000 prisoner, the Kraut sneered sullenly - « That will make excellent propaganda for you. »

Prisoner Number 19,999 and 20,001, dejected, bedraggled, looked up for a glimmer of hope. It seems as though they might raise their hands in willingness to act as the camera's subjects. Their eyes seemed to ask. « Why in the hell should were, Sgt. Stephan A. Varanelle, we be deprived of having our pictures taken because of numerical coincidence fell between us. »

> Then Leutnant Knute assumed a bold, Germanic pose for the photographer. His two SS sadsacks sandwiched him on the second shot. This trio has gained renown at the 36th Division FOW cage.

The Old Adagerushed out and cried for joy. Spoil The Kraut-

Capt. Eugene Saffold of Rosebud,



BY HOWARD JONES --- | ment unit came to Company C, Lt. Clarence Bradberry, Nitro, it was the 3rd platoon that W. Va., and his 3rd platoon of the answered the call. It wasn't long 142nd taught the Germans another | before Pfc. Enoch N. Ensey, Huntslesson recently when they whipped ville, Ala, and his buddles were smashing into the enemy force with perfectly coordinated fire and It was this group of veteran | movement. Pvt. Dan Campbell, Hookstown, Pa., found his rifle jammed, drew his pistol and followed through with the attack.

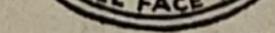
100 Krauts who threatened their positions.

T-Patchers that crossed the canal at Selestat and smashed the Krauts, but evidently they wanted a repeat performance.

One of the companies of the battalion were attacked by whit. clad Germans, armed with everything including flame-throwers. The enemy struck suddenly, captured one of the platoons and seriously threatened the remainder of the company.

Pvt. Ewel Bell, Blue Springs, Miss., moving up behind a Kraut taking aim from behind a tree, called out, « Hey Mac, you're on the wrong side of the tree, » As the Kraut turned around, Bell ing a single casualty in the fight. dropped him in his tracks.

When the order for a reinforce- favor, two heavy machine guns, inclined to agree with him.



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previously captured by the Germans in the initial assault, were retaken by the doughs. Immediatly the rifle platoon was spraying the Heinies with murderous fire. It soon became evident to the Germans that the were beaten and when the smoke of battle cleared 63 Germans had been accounted for, 39 of which were captured. The Kraut-Killers had done it again. With only 32 men, they had whipped an enemy force of approximately 100 without suffer-« They just can't be beat, » said As the « Kraut Killers » steadily Lt. Bradberry. Many officers and

Charles Endinger, Superintendent, disclosed that the German Officer in charge of the institution, demanded that each and every inmate greet him with the Nazi salute. As a result, many incompetents received blows on the head for failing to heed the demand which none of them could comprehend.

The mission of mercy completed, the Civil Affairs group returned to their headquarters and arran- he wanted « double-time ». To gements were immediately made keep the Krauts ahead of him the to send a French physician to the Captain found the cane a formidable turned the tide of battle in their men in the 1st Battalion are hospital to care for the sick and speed « persuader » when applied wounded.

Texas, 141st company commander, recently found a new use for the walking stick he carries with him around the front.

Having captured two prisoners, he decided that it was better to question them in the comparative quiet of the company CP.

Heading across open terrain, Capt. Saffold advised the captives to move quickly. When several shells landed close by, words were inadequate to convience them that to the « derriere ».



Many soldiers don't carry a kodak carry, but that problem has been French Women solved by S/Sgt. Leroy R. Houston, Co. D. 143rd Inf., of Temple, Texas. Mistake Colonel He has a tiny French kodak that will fit in any old vest pocket.

captured a Kraut ambulance.

Pvt. Kavanaugh now employs the OD-converted vehicle, which the Germans called « The Phantom ». to transport company equipment Using a paper clip as a key Kavanaugh has proven himself the only one capable of driving the ambulance.

« The only sore spot in the deal is that I'm generally stopped by MPs, » stated Kavanaugh.

Italy (CNS). - Italians are

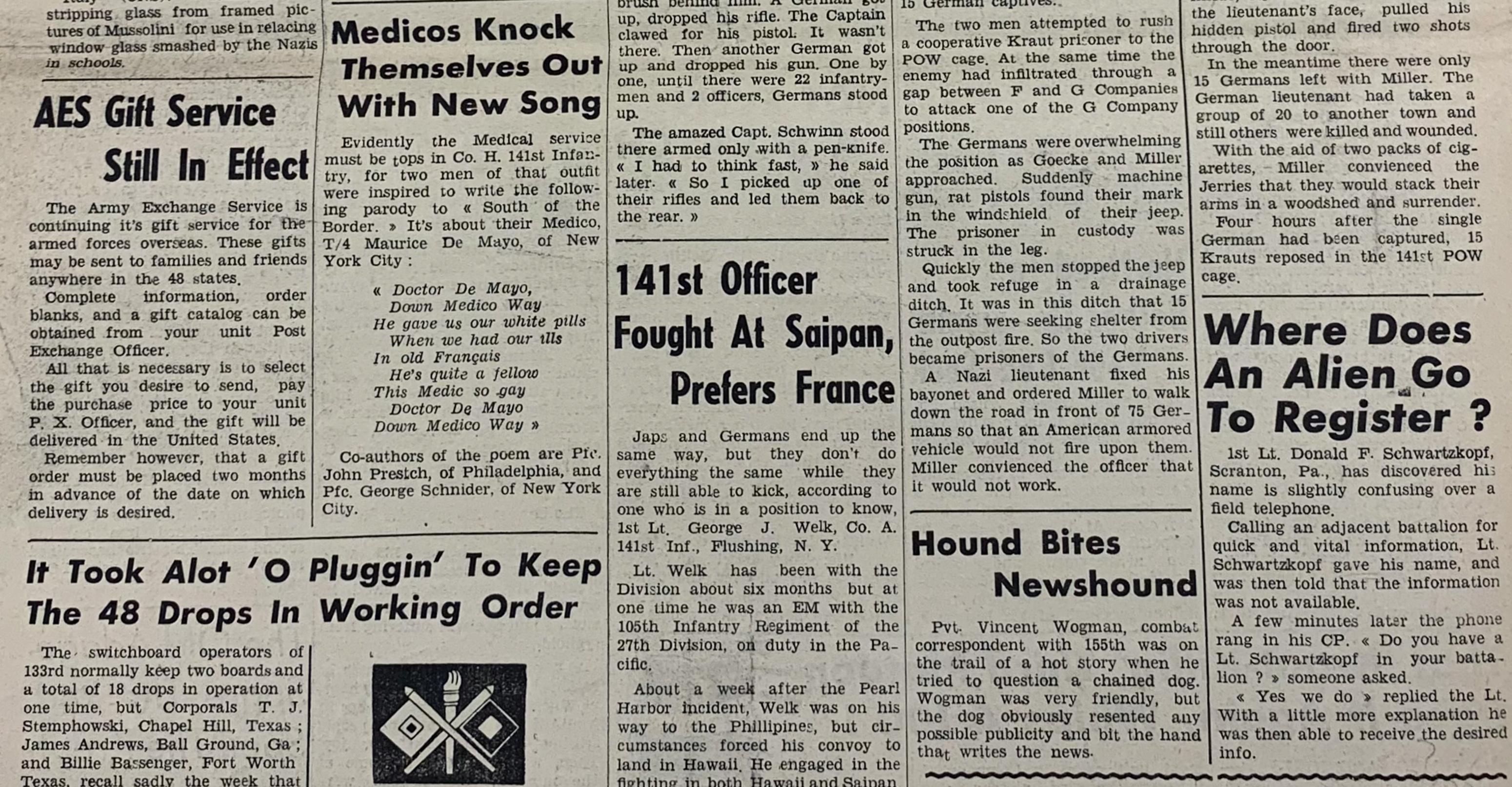
#### Reward. 155th F A Bn.

# **For Corpse**

Lt. Col. James H. Critchfield of In an attack that took the Ger- Pine Valley, Calif., a battalion mans by surprise, Pvt. Andy commander, endorses the GI habit Kavanaugh, Elmhurst L. I. N. Y., of pulling blankets over the head for added warmth. However, it recently envolved him in a rather embrassing position.

Fatigued, Col. Critchfield dozed off beneath the blankets in a French home. Awakened by weeping, he looked up to find himself surrounded by a group of tearful women.

They had mistaken the room and assumed the colonel was the corpse they were mourning. Summoning as much of his dignity as was possible, the colonel partir-ed in a hurry.



Texas.

A jormer attorney for Phillips Col. Lynch Petroleum Company, Law received his Bachelor of degree at the University of Texas. He was also associate editor of the Texas Law Review.

Colonel Lynch was appointed Division Quartermaster in September 1943, and G-4 in July 1944.

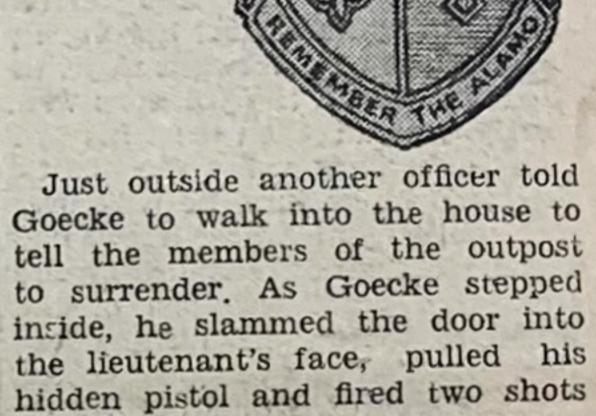
# Pen - Knife Is Mightier Than Sword

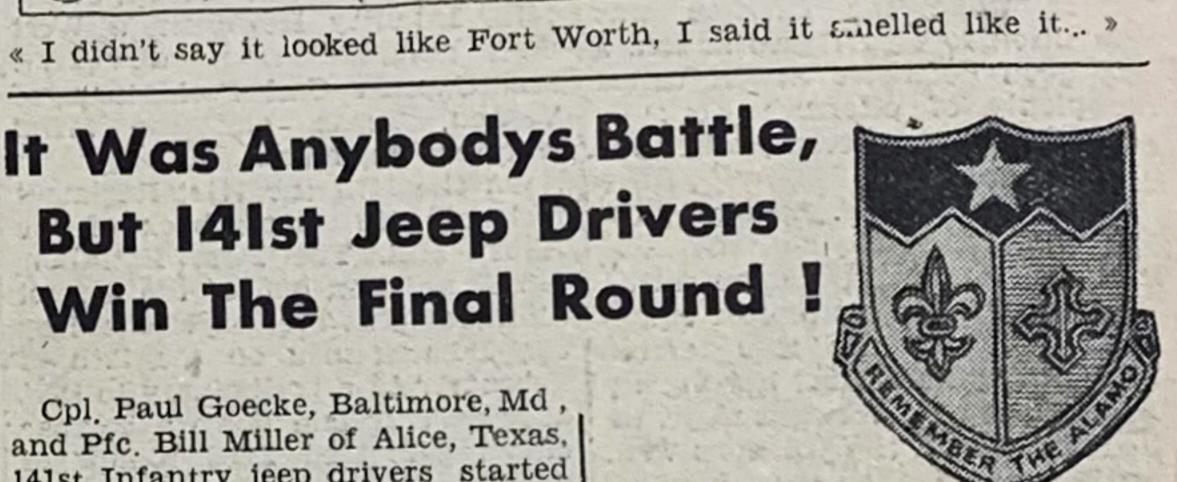
Capt. Fred Schwinn, Houston, Texas, watched his tanks and 36th Division infantrymen as they launched a successful attack on German positions. He was very pleased.

Then he heard a rustle in the brush behind him. A German got

## It Was Anybodys Battle, **But 141st Jeep Drivers** Win The Final Round !

Cpl. Paul Goecke, Baltimore, Md, and Pfc. Bill Miller of Alice, Texas, 141st Infantry jeep drivers started out from their CP with one Kraut prisoner. In the events that followed, the two drivers became prisoners of the Germans. Four hours later they started back to their CP with 15 German captives.





Q. H.PSKylo SUTA

Texas, recall sadly the week that they were just a litte busy operating four board and 48 drops at one, time,

fighting in both Hawaii and Saip Later he returned to the U.S receive his commission at Benning.

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IMP. « LE COMTOIS », BESANCON

« The New York Telephone Exchange had nothing on us, » said Andrews, « We've never been so busy since we landed at Salerno. »

were told to link up with four next few minutes, » he grinned. other battalions. « That wasn't too | « When I finally got unwound bad, » recalled Bassenger, « but the from a pane of window glass, we wires of the next 13 battalions took moved the equipment down to the us by surprise. »

It is very unusual that any It's all over now, but Andrews battalion is called on to handle so still-says thoughtfully : « They'll big an assignment, and the followed have to bring in WACS to help us hectic days gave the trio very little yet. »

rest. It was not uncommon to have 12 to 14 calls come in at one time. Cpl. Stempuhowski recalls one day when the activity reached its peak, when a German plane unloaded its bombs less than 100 yards away. « I'm afraid we didn't It all started when the operators give very good service for the basement in a hurry. »

The Lieutenant states « Actual fighting was toug against the Japs, and they more mortar, but the Germa throw much more artillery at over here. » He continued. « Krauts know when to give up, those Japs never know when quit. That's what makes fighting so tough. »

As a final statement, Lt. V remarked « There's one thing . — the living conditions are better over here. »

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# From Riviera To The Rhine - What's Cookin' At SHANGRI-LA Div Hq Has Moved 43 Times 36th,s Own 'MECCA' For Weary Troops

From halls complete with running water to holes into which the water ran; from comfort enjoyed by royalty to leaking, cold tents enjoyed by no one; from the Riviera to the Rhine have moved the headquarters personnel of the 36th « Texas » Division.

homes, schools, taverns, an or- It was very excusive until the phanage, a Gestapo headquarters, bath house, German barracks, paper mill, lace factory, castle, ranch, fields and forests. They have slept on beds with mattreszes, on cots, floors and on soggy ground. They have eaten American rations, German ham and cheese, French eggs and potatoe. They have been within range of small arms fire, mortar fire, been bombed shelled, and strafed. The Command Post has moved 43 times, in jeeps, peeps, trucks - standard and captured — driven by headquarters men and quark rmaster drivers. It has moved - personnel and road to the rear and German arequipment — more than a 100 miles at one jump, several hundred yards at another; remained in one position as long as 20 days, in others a matter of hours. The initial Command Post in phanage. The New Year found the France was set up hard by the CP in the Saarbourg rest area near landing beaches, in a private house Lorquin, situated in an old German and its garage but the first barracks - with showers that overnight CP was established in thawed occasionally. the shell-battered Rochers des Roses, a mile farther up the coast. There followed Frejus and Le Muy. For several days no movement Coolidge Can't took place until Butler Task Force raced up the Rhone Valley. Then, in less than a week, headquarters climbed over the southern Alps to Sisteron, Aspres, across country to Marsanne, overlooking the Montelimar plain. The morning before the battle to destroy the German 19th Army began, the installations were in a ranch on the floor of the valley. When the harrying of the enemy began the CP was often with the infantry. Several members of the headquarters, impatient with the action of moving too fast for the maps, drove up to Lyon even before patrols had penetrated it. In a position on the outskirts of Vesoul, the men invaded a girls' boarding school — from which the Coolidge suspected the presence of

They have set up in private | cubbyholes designed as bathrooms. water was turned on. Then bed became baths and the CP enjoyed its first session in bathtubs since coming overseas. Several position later found the men carrying dead Germans out of a school building to make space for offices.

> Across the Vosges Mountains slugged the 36th Division, the CP following close behind. In Corcieux, razed to the ground by the retreating Germans, the men had their Thanksgiving Turkey, Ribeauville after Ste-Marie, gave the CPmen their roughest time. German infantry infiltrated to block the

**VOLLEY BALL** CHAMPIONS



#### By « Moose » McCleary

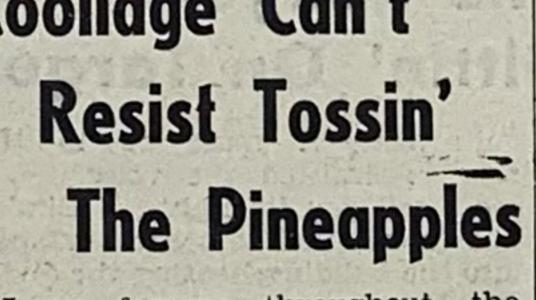
Comes time for « Shangri-La » News to bring you some more of the « dirt » that's easily dug up down'ye olde Rest Camp. When you visit the Camp, be sure to drop around to the NEWS ROOM and let up in on the latest about yourself or any of your friends.

When T/4 Bob Umphrey, H and S, 111th. Eng. of Port Arthur, Texas, is around, the Snack Bar does a land office business. Right after arriving in Camp, he consumed seven sandwiches and drank four cups of coffee.

We submit as the Rest Camp's most rabid convert. « Do-do, » a cook in Co. E. 142nd Inf. « Do-do » was overheard making the prize statement. « If I had my choice of a furlough to go home or stay at the Rest Camp. I'd choose the Rest Camp. »

tillery began every meal with a timely shelling.

Christmas was spent on the outskirts of Strasbourg in an or-



Long famous throughout the 36th for his hand grenade throwing exploits in Italy, the 141st's Tec/Sgt. Charles H. Coolidge, Tennessee boy from Lookout Mountain has again been making life miserable for some Jerries with his speciality.

position with a high railroad

Left to right : S/Sgt. Lloyd Beatty, T/4 T. C. Bills, T/5 George B. Cunningham with T/5 Albert Misciasci in front.

## Athletic Program Is Popular Feature At 36th Rest Camp

Volleyball got off to a flashy start at « Shangri-La. » This is a part of the entertaining Recreation and Athletic set-up which now occupies so much of the time of the visitors to the Rest Camp. Each group of men will find more and more facilities and more and more types of athletic competition. Six teams were entered in this, the first of the Volleyball tournaments, with the Wise Hotel « Wise Guys » carrying home the bacon. Since the gymnasium is a bit small, only four men were used on each team.

Coolidge's heavy machine gun platoon was set up in a defensive The Nerve Of

The winning combination, the Wise « Wise Guys » was composed of S/Sgt. Lloyd Beatty of Colorado Springs; T/5 Albert Misciasci of Cleveland and T/5 George B. Cunningham of Woodland, Cal. all of the 753rd. Tank Bn and T/4 T. C. Bills, 142nd of Snyder, Texas. During part of the tourney, they used the services of Pfc. Luke N Sciallo, 133rd F. A. of South Amboy, N. J.

The « Wise Guys » won their final match from the Hotel Crawford « Hill-Toppers, » by the score of 3 games to 0. The squad of the vanquished « Hill-Toppers » consisted entirely of men of the 141st Inf. 1st. Sgt. Lee A. Harkins, of Eastland, Texas; T/Sgt. John A. Stephens, AT Co. of Dallas, Texas; Cpl. William H. Crone, Serv. Co. of Mineola, Texas, and Pvt. Chas.

Two men from Co. B. 142nd Inf. really got their money's worth out of the Recreation Center Gymnasium. Freely perspiring were Pfc. Angelo J. Rapone, of W.irren, Ohio, and Pfc. William R. Bowers of Pontiac, Mich.

Another super delicious Birthday Cake was cut for men who had birthdays during the month of January. Lucky eaters were Pfc. Harry Rescigno, Co. I, 142nd of Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Sgt. Roy B. Cowan, Co. B, 636th TD of Kingsville, Texas; Sgt. Bob Healis, Co. M, 141st of Philadelphia; T/5 Art W. Bates, 131st FA of Plainview, Texas; S/Sgt. William Kalinanskas, Co. G, 142nd of Freehold, N. J.; Pfc. Roy J. Jefferds, Jr., 131st FA of San Antonio; T/Sgt. Wilfred McCarly, Co. B, 753rd Tank Bn. of Gatesville, Texas, and Pvt. Sidney O. Beck, Co. L, 142nd of Pittsburgh.

students had been evacuated some time before. In Luxeuil the CP was established in a fashionable spa. Desks were set up in bathtubs and files stored in shower rooms. The men set up their bunks in private	an enemy outpost on the far side of the embankment. One morning his suspisions were confirmed as the incautious Krauts built themselves a small fire to	ryman, recently received from home a large can of homemade southern-fried chicken. He decided to save it for next time hash was served for chow.	The « Wise-Guys » had reached the finals by their two games to none victory over the « Bears ». an independent team, representing	With the 142nd Inf. easily runn- ing off with honors for the night, the GRAND PRIZE in BINGO went to Pvt. Paul Bullen, Co. M, 142nd of Powell Station, Tenn. Other winners were Pfc. John T. Mills, Co. I, 142nd of Philadelphia;
Possum-Playing Kraut Was	coffee). Upon spying the thin wisp of smoke rising beyond the embankment, Coolidge loaded him- self with grenades and took off across no mans land.	couldn't find his can of delicious chicken. After hunting everywhere, he issued a few threats. Finally two of his buddies con- fessed that they had mistaken the	did it the easy way. They drew a buy in the semies. In the quarter - finals, the « Goats », another independent	Pfc. Jack Gelpern, Co. M, 141st of Chicago; Pfc. Russell P. Krover, Co. I, 143rd of Reading, Pa.; S/ Sgt. Milburn E. Smith, Co. L, 142nd of Rudyard, Mich.; Pfc. Andrew J. Sokol, Btry. A, 443rd. AAA of
S/Sgt. Eino Hirvi, Daisytown, Pa, having established his platoon of tanks in a defensive position for the night, went out on foot reconnaissance to make sure the area ahead of his mounts was secure. He walked past several piles of dead Germans, stopped and	calmly lobed over a half dozen of his favorite weapon with the deadly accuracy that has checked out so many of Hitler's henchmen in the past. Nonchalantly waiting until frantic German cries for medicos has assured him of the success of his mission, Coolidge returned to his own lines, a con- tented smile on his face.	<ul> <li>appreciation to his mother.</li> <li><u>HE COULDN'T WAIT</u></li> <li>Fort Meade, Md (CNS). — A GI who recently arrived at the Separation Center here, went AWOL</li> </ul>	They came out on the short end of a 2 game to 0 chewing by the « Bears ». Another quarter_final match which was about the best contest of the day found the « Logan-Sports » of the Hotel Logan losing a tough one to the	Passair, N. J.; Pfc. Harry Rescigno, Co. I, 142nd of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; S/Sgt. Willie Penn, Co. H, 142nd of Jackson, Miss.; Pfc. Ivan Gough, Co. H, 142nd of Sault Ste Marie, Mich.; Pfc. Robert Baskett, Co. A, 143rd of Waner, Ohio; T/4 George F. Downing, Co. B, 142nd of Boggstown, Ind. and Pfc. Kenneth W. Hamilton, Co. F,
looked around, let his foot go at one Kraut. « I don't know what made me do it, » he said later « but he was the only one I kicked. » Imagine Sgt Hirvi's surprise when the « dead » German raised slowly to his hands and knees. He had been feighning death for two hours		ES - ES	of the « Sad-Sacks », who bowed	<ul> <li>« It's the best Rest Camp I have even seen, » said Pfc. Victor V.</li> <li>Lucchese, 443rd AAA of Louisville, Ky. « I'm surprised at how smoothly everything runs. »</li> <li>Standing around and agreeing with Lucchese were Pfc. Henry</li> </ul>

in the snow, A careful inspection revealed him to be the only live

Okla. Pfc. Eugène M. Mailes, Co. D, 142nd, of Ourossa, Mich.; Sgt

W. V. and Pvt. Richard F. Rogers of Rochester, N. Y. and Pfc. Sam D. Costa of Boston, both of Reg. Hq. Co., 143rd.

German there.

## He Could Have **Called** The 'Folies Bergeres'

« They were the best three days I've spent overseas, » stated Pfc. Charlie Hare, Lake Placid, N. Y., when he returned from a visit to Paris.

« There were dances every night and bus tours showed us the city's historical spots. The champagne and beer proved rather expensive, but then everyone has heard of the black market » he added. « I couldn't get over the telephone I had in my rooom. After all I was a stranger in Paris. Who could I have called ? »



Howard T. Willamen, Co. M. 141st of Greenville, Penn.; and Raymond J. Lauchlen, 111th. Eng.

« GOATS » — Pfc. Lee Presto, Co. B., 142nd of Lynn, Mars. S/Sgt. Clay Jimmie Logan, 36th. Sig. Co. of Dallas; Pfc. Stopp D. L. Logon, 36th. Sig. Co. Denison, Texas and Sidney Oliver, 142nd, of St. Louis.

« SAD SACKS » - T/5 George R. Sweeney, 636th. T. D. of Great Neck, N. Y.; Pfc. Philip Augustine 636 T. D. of Ellis, Kans.; Pfc. Brandon J. Fayne, of Kearny, N. Y. and Pvt. Bernard Oka, 143rd. of Watapapa, S. D.

San Diego, Cal (CNS). - Petros Propopapadakis has applied at Federal Court here for a change of name. His new name : Petros FDR Propopapadakis.

# The Art Of of Self - Defense

Back in Camp Edwards days, there was quit a boxing program for the Division. One of the lightweight class sluggers was Pfc. Santos G. Granado, AT Co., 142nd Inf., of Houston, Texas. He took part in four matches and was winner of them all.

Evidently the « art of self defense » which Granado learned back in those days is helping him along in these bit tougher days, for he has fought all the way through Italy and France and as yet has not even been wounded.

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### **Enterprising Medicos Find Good Use For Their Captive Krauts**

Cpl. Jim McClain, Texarkana, Texas; Pvt. James Maddux, Texarkana ; Pfc. Nile Rasmussen, Duchesne, Utah, and Pvt. Bob Berkman, East Rockaway, L. I. N. Y., littermen, had to make their way through adverse conditions to get a wounded doughboy, and even those veterans of Italy and France had to admit it was the worst time they had ever spent. They had to cross a mine-field,

pass through a series of barbedwire entanglements, and then cross an open field 600 yards wide under direct observation of the Krauts. An infantryman negotiated the barbed wire in front of them and cut a path. The artillery threw in smoke shells to shield them, but Hore S the wind was blowing the wrong way, and their cover vanished. Going across was not too difficult. They were able to run all the way Coming back with the patient was a different proposition. « Those machine gun bullets were clipping our heels, » said Rasmussen.

cover of some trees before return\_ ing, when they heard some Krauts yelling. They had run upon a German dug-out. As they looked up, a Heinie came out waving a white flag.

« I told him to come out and bring his buddies. There was just the right number, so we hitched the four Krauts to the litter - we were fagged out, » added McClain. Pvt. Maddux smiled : « First time Jerries ever gave me a rest, » he said.

The Krauts not only carried the litter, but lead the men safely through the minefield,





#### Sport CHIPS By Clarence LASKY

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Rollie Williams, Commander former Iowa basketball coach, assumed the post of athletic director at the Great Lakes Naval training station... Of the 330 players on professional football's active player list Dec. 7 1940, 244 are in uniform - 72 percent. This does not include seven club owners, three trainers, four publicity men and the league officials.

In their respective classes the following boxers were rated at the top of the field by Nat Fleischer, of Ring Magazine : editor Heavyweight - Jimmy Bivins (Cleveland), Light - heavyweight -Lloyd Marshall (Sacramento, Calif.), Middleweight - Holmans William (Detroit) Welterweight - Ray Robinson (New York), Lightweight-Beau Jack (Augusta, Ca.), Featherweight - Willie Pep (Hartford, Conn.), Bantamweight - Manuel Ortiz (El Centro, Calif.) Flyweight\_ Jackie Paterson (Scotland) ... Lt. Cmdr. Jimmy Crowley, former Fordham football coach, has been sworn in as a full commander. Crowley has been in charge of athletics at Sampson and coach of football since his return from the South Pacific. Lt. Robert Wilson, son of Jimmy Wilson, Cincinatti Reds' coach, was killed on a volunteer flight in India... The Illinois Racing Board is urging the State to set aside for the care of disabled servicemen a half million out of the 4 000,000 dollars the State got in racing revenue last year ... Willie Pep, world featherweight champion recently released by the Navy, has been ordered by his draft board to take a physical examination... Pvt. Spud Chandler, Yankee hurler, is doing rehabilitation work with the wounded at Moore General Hospital, Asheville, N. C. Paul Walker, Yale's great end, turned down an Annapolis appointment to stay on as captain\_elect of the Eli football team... Lt. Bill Dickey is managing a Navy nurses' softball team in Hawaii, which is just about the biggest waste of talent in this war.

The men were resting under

#### MONA



# Way To Get Some Schnapps

Pvt. Fred Muehl, of New Bed. ford, Mass., was awakened early one morning by a French jarmer who requested that he come along to render assistance. He hurriedly dressed and dashed to the barn where a calf was being born.

« All I could see at first were his little hind legs, » explained Muehl, « so I tied a rope to his legs and in 10 minutes succeeded in bringing him out. »

Instead of the proverbial cigars, the contented Frenchman gave out with as much Schnapps as Muchl could drink.

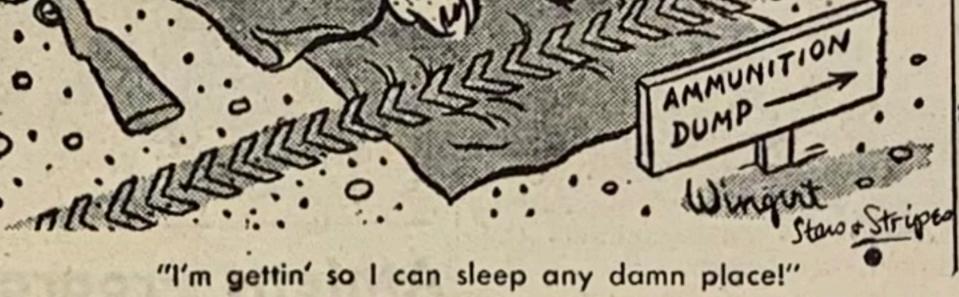
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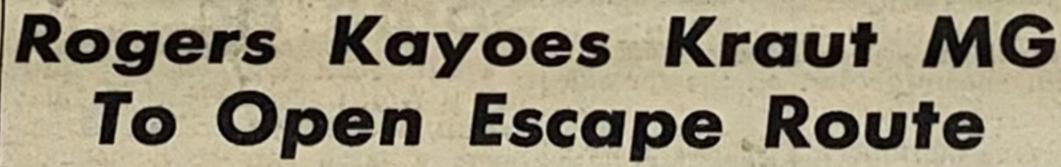
## When You're Sittin' On Target

In the future his battalion | quite sure it must be to the headquarters will have a lot more right, » insisted the voice.

confidence in the judgement of the « I tell you its right... » Binder 141st Infantry's Cpl. Bill Binder, was interrupted as a shell crashed into the building housing the C. P., Cpl. Binder was on the phone the blast and jar knocking him at his company's C. P. when sprawling and sending the phone battalion called, in an effort to crashing to the floor.

trace where Jerry artillery fire was Thirty seconds later Binder, uninjured, recovered from the « We think its coming in on shock and crawled over to the your right, » said the voice from phone, « Hello, hello... that last one... »

« No, » corrected Binder, « Its | « Never mind, » interrupted lighting very close to this C. P. » battalion, « We heard that one. « Better check that again, we're Guess you were right. Thanks. »

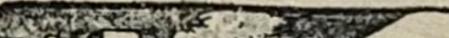


Pfc. Arthur Rogers, Brownwood, | Texas, gave his buddies a chance to escape from a burning house when he took three prisoners as the enemy machine-gunners blocked the only escape route for his fellow 141st riflemen. He had been sleeping when Kraut artillery fire set the house to blazing. « I crept out and crawled about 50 yards to a foxhole that offered some cover, » he later explained. « I tried to get out of the immediate area, but the Germans had us zeroed in and I had to stay put. » Then Rogers heard a machine gun blasting away at the house. Thinking it was a Yank gun, he crawled out to it, shouting to the gunners to stop firing. Then he saw the grey uniforms. Brooklyn (CNS). — When the'r bus became wedged in a snow bank, thirty passengers alighted, to let home-front-wolves know they put their shoulders to the wheel are out of circulation. A little silver card and the change of address and pushed it back on the road. figure of a soldier points to a heart The driver then sped off, leaving on which is inscribed the word them standing in the snow.

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## **OLD FRIENDS MEET DEPT.-**

Artilleryman Sgt. Tom Spear recently met his old Rushville, Ind., neighbor Cpl. Garrett Rose, after the two had been fighting overseas 22 months — often in the same sector — without a reunion.

Ack-acker Cpl. Rose was driving down a road when he saw the 133rd marker. « When I was that sign, I knew I'd find Spear somewhere around, » he said, « so I started looking. »

#### SORRY ....'

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He rammed his rifle muzzle in their faces, marched the trio back to the POW cage, and gave his buddies an escape route.

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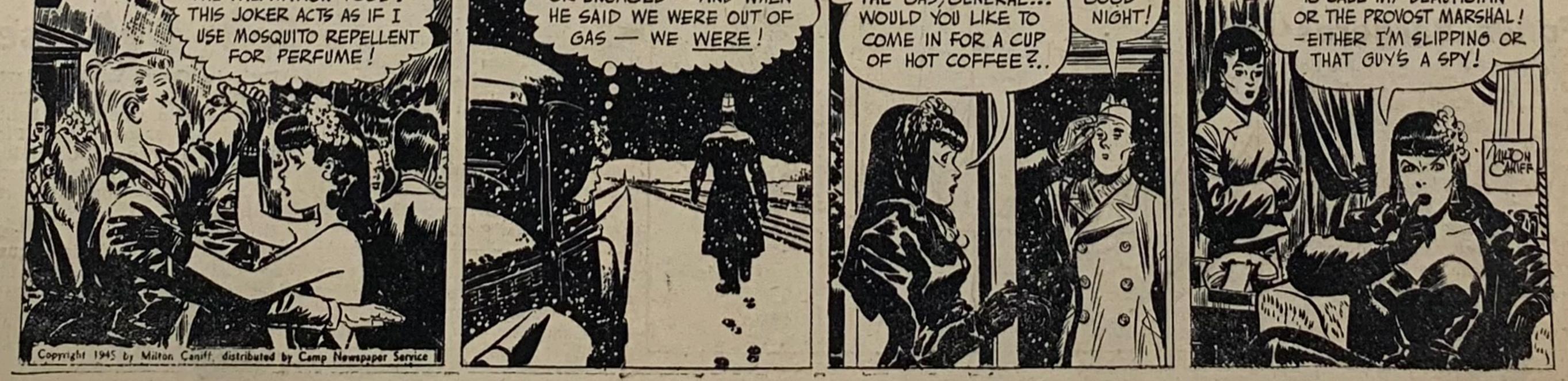
New York (CNS). - Some New York girls, with husbands and sweethearts in the services, have appeared on Gotham's streets wearing a lapel decoration designed « TAKEN. »

Columbus Redbirds of the American Association announced that Charley Root, former Chicago Cubs righthanded pitcher, will manage Columbus next season. Root succeeds Nick Cullop, who resigned to take over the reins of the Milwaukee Brewers.

Lt. Clint Castleberry, freshman star on the 1942 Georgia Tech football team, was killed in the Mediterranean theater after previously being reported missing .... Brig. Gen. Gar Davidson, one time Army football coach, was decorated with the Distinguished Service Medal for directing reconstruction of the ports of Palermo and Marseille.

Pvt. Jimmy Bivins, duration heavyweight champion, has been discharged along with Sgt. Art Passarella, ex-American league umpire, from the Army with CDDs. Elmer Valo, former Athletics outfielder, was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Medical Corps.





# The Doughboys Had A Word For It - Shangpi-la

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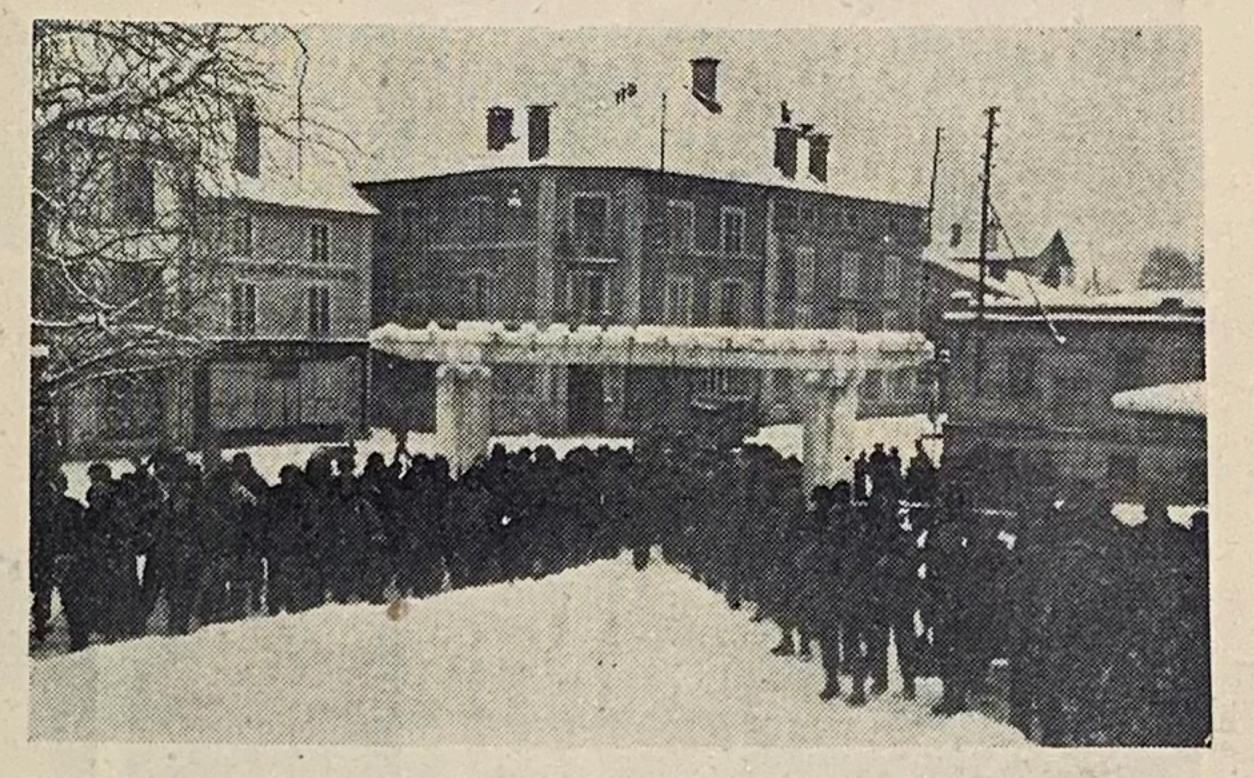
Foxhole To GI Waldorf, 36th Division Rest Camp Is 'Mecca' For Weary Troops!



Trucks bringing men of 36th Division right off the line, are shown unloading their cargo of tired doughboys, ready to begin their six day rest period at Shangri-La

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Incoming men to the Rest Camp line up in front of Camp Headquarters prior to being assigned their hotel rooms where they will find soft beds and clean white sheets waiting for them



A snow-covered infantryman leaves the cold of the front line for the most welcomed warmth of the Rest Camp



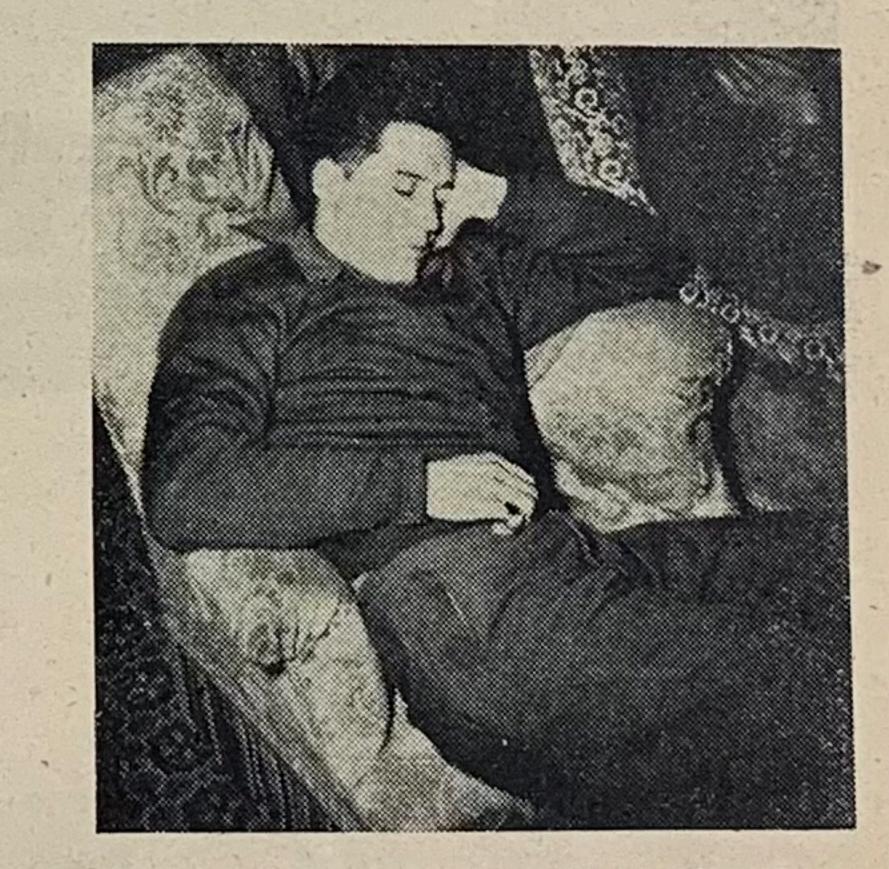
Chef Albert Salomon prepares regular GI food in a manner that is something to write home about

Pfc. Peter Krajewski, Harvey, Ill., and Pvt. Tom Salvatore, NYC (left) are giving the directory sign the once over, with Pvt. Nicola Sabin pointing to the names of the five hotels which bear the names of the Divisions's five CMH winners



« Cuisine » (not chow) is served at tables for four, with plates (not mess kits) by a staff of the prettiest mademoiselles in the locality. There is no need to stand in line, as there is ample food, tables and time to relax and enjoy a real meal

Nothing can take the place of a good hot bath. Shown above is Pfc. Marcos Tercos, Balnorea, Texas and Pvt. John Crookshanks, W. Va., of 141st, soaking in the hot springs swimming pool of the BAINS ROMAN



After a big hearty meal, Pfc. Eddie Clauss of Coldsprings, N.Y., stretches out to relax in the comfort of the many soft chairs in

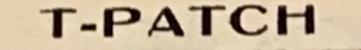


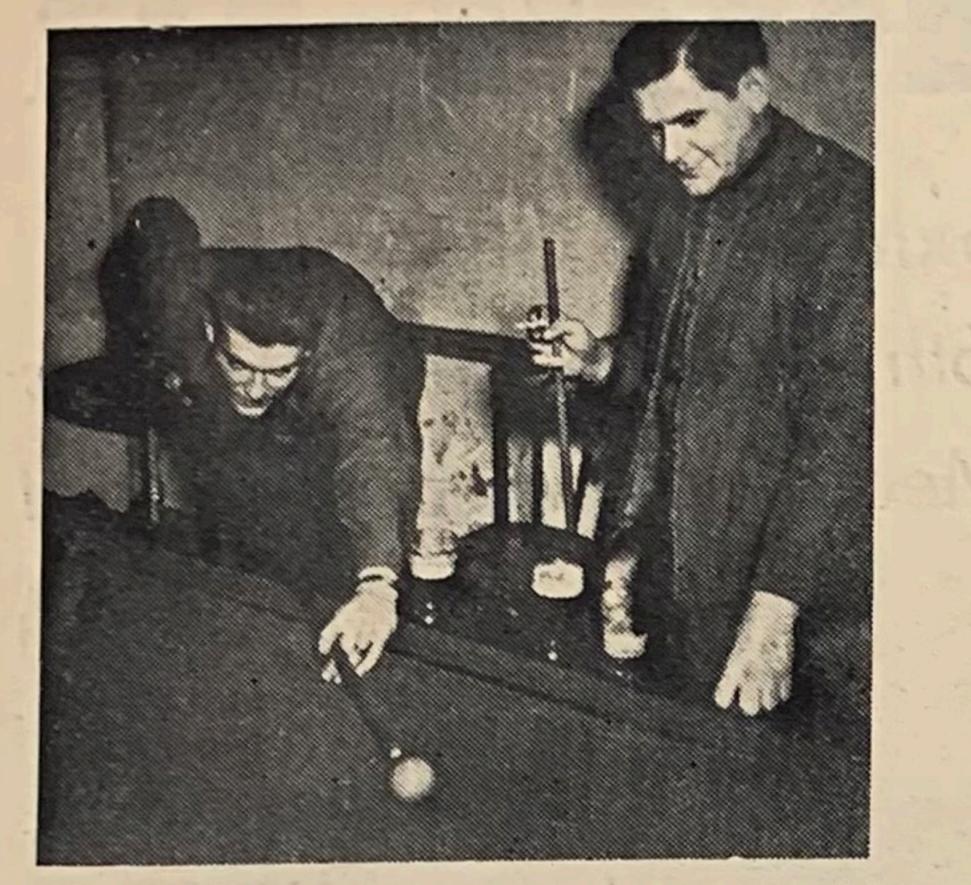
Thirsty doughboys line the counter at the popular Longhorn Bar where the beer is always " on the house »

" Boys in the Back Room » Sgts. Wm. Bottoms, Mexia, Texas, James Hall, Amarillo, Texas, and Cpl. Dave Spiering, Greensboro, Md., sip a few cold ones while listening to the GI Juke Box

#### lobby of the Hotel Kelly







Playing billiards between beers at the Longhorn Bar, for the first time since coming overseas are Pvt. Leonard J. Smith of Crystal Lake, Ill., and Pfc. Charlie Kerrigan of Brooklyn



Miss Carmel « Candy » White, one of the ARC girls that add that touch of charm and beauty to the 36th Division Rest Camp



The answer to that old question of where and how to write a letter home, was easily found by S/Sgt. Ray Kuhl, Ripley, W. Va., shown here at one of the desks available in the « Corral » of the Hotel Kelly



No Rest Camp is complete without music. Shown here is the « Jam Band » of the 36th Division Band playing in the Dining Room of Hotel Kelly. Front row (left to right) : Pfc. John Forte, Pfc. Bob Knox, Cpl. Tony Lauro, Pfc. Dick Wolf. Back Row : Pfc. Bill Mattingly, Pfc. Guido Lauro and Sgt. Lewis Coldeway



Miss Ann Goplerud, popular ARC songstress with bandsman Nelson Jung, vocalist with the 36th Division Band, blend their voices in a duet for the listening pleasure of the guests of the Rest Camp



Dances are regular events at the Rest Camp, where the GI's can brush up on their « light fantastic ». An ample number of the local mademoiselles always turn out for these events. The Snack Bar is a popular attraction at each of the dances





Two artillerymen, Pvt. Ossie Layfield, Doerun, Ga., and Pfc. Don Owens of Davenport, Iowa, are seen purchasing their PX ration at the Rest Camp

# MAIL HOME

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Kibitzer, Cpl. Al Polk of Austin, Texas, looks over the shoulder of lovely Kay McDonald of the ARC as she plays checkers with one of the men in the ARC Corral





Popular winter sport with the GI guests is snow-ball fighting. For many, it was the first snow they had seen, and regardless of the novelty, everyone jumpin in, Red Cross girls and combat-wise infantrymen alike, in the only relaxing hostilities they had seen

A very contented doughboy leaves the Rest Camp complete with cigar after spending six happy days of rest and relaxation

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All good things must come to an end, and so - feeling like new men again after their visit at the Camp, the men mount their trucks and prepare to return



to their organizations