

## GET \$900 FOR SMALL TRACT

### Richardses Awarded Sum For Old Sawmill Site By Fed- eral Court Jurymen

William L. and Emma Richards of Nineveh will receive \$900 for three-quarters of an acre of land in the Camp Atterbury area where they once operated a sawmill.

A jury in Federal court at Indianapolis granted that amount after testimony of the government had placed the value at \$650 and witnesses for the Richards' had placed the value at \$1,500 to \$1,800.

Richard LaGrange of Franklin was attorney for the owners.

The next group of suits involved in the Camp Atterbury condemnation proceedings is slated for trial in Federal court Monday. The Richards case was the only one set for this week which went to a jury. The others were settled.

Although the amounts of the settlements have not been disclosed, it has been reported that the owners in the settlement cases have been granted increases over the original government offer of from 10 to a little more than 20 per cent.

While this has meant a sizeable increase in a number of cases, many of the owners indicated they were not satisfied with the amounts received. However, the increases being granted in the cases which have gone before the jury have been small and this is believed to have led to the large number of settlements out of court.

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**ACTIVITIES**  
—At—  
**ATTERBURY**  
Released by Post Public Relations Office, Camp Atterbury.

With the inspection of Brig. Gen. Trelawney E. Marchant Wednesday and Thursday, troops here have been inspected by three generals during the month of January. Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, commanding general of the 2nd Army, was here early in the month to inspect the combat troops in training, and Brig. Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., of the Inspector General's Dept., Washington, D. C., was here recently to inspect all the Negro soldiers at this camp.

Brig. Gen. Marchant is Special Inspector of Training for the 5th Service Command and he visited the 1560th and 1537th Service Units, the 8th, 72nd and 73rd General Hospitals, the 18th Hospital Center, the 118th Station Hospital and the 164th Military Police Co.

Members of the 72nd General Hospital unit were on an overnight bivouac when the general was here, and he went out in the field to inspect them.

Four more dayrooms in camp were furnished during the past week by member organizations of the Indianapolis Council of Women, reducing the number still unfurnished to 51.

Rooms furnished during the past few days include that of Headquarters 3rd Battalion, 329th Infantry, by the Christian Park Women's Club; the 308th Medical Battalion by the P.-T. A. School 77; 308th Engineers by the Service Study Club, and the 330th Infantry Service Company by the Lutheran Orphans Welfare Association.

"May I cut in," is an oft-repeated phrase at the Service Clubs with plenty of opportunities presented for the men to dance.

Friday night U. S. O. Cadettes from Indianapolis came down here to dance with the men at Service Club No. 1 to the music of the 83rd "Cannoners" band. On Sunday the men took their pick of girls from Cincinnati or Indianapolis.

The Cincinnati girls were at Service Club No. 2, where the 365th Combat Team "Buffalo Rhythm Kings" played. An additional feature was a jitterbug contest with prizes awarded to the winners. Girls from Indianapolis were at Club No. 1 and the 330th "Riflemen" provided the music. Both were afternoon dances Sunday.

Thursday 100 girls from Indianapolis will be at Club No. 2. The 83rd Artillery band will provide the music. All soldiers attending are required to wear their coats, and all men bringing their own dates must obtain guest cards from Service Club hostesses.

Atterbury's hottest table tennis team right now is the Hospital Training Association's team, bowling

## 1943-02-02 Activities at Atterbury

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## Four War Plants Will Send Employes to Camp

Representatives of four Columbus war plants will be among an estimated 300 Indiana "soldiers of production" who will witness a typical day's training in the life of a doughboy at Camp Atterbury Monday.

Eight of the workers of local companies plan to go to Atterbury Sunday night, "bunking" with the soldiers. Two others, including a woman war worker, will go to the camp early Monday morning for start of the day's activities.

Those from here who plan to go to the camp Sunday night are Sereno S. Lovelace, Fred Skinner and Frank Olmstead of Cummins Engine company; Leon Locke of V. E. Sprouse company; Paul Ortlieb, Sherman T. Sublette and John Prout of the local plants of Noblitt-Sparks Industries, Inc., and Glenn Seward of the Seymour plant of Noblitt-Sparks.

### To Go Monday Morning.

Miss Anna Weihe, voted the "ideal worker" at Reliance Manufacturing company plant here for the month of November, and Welba Raley, also a Reliance company worker, will go to Atterbury early Monday morning.

Mayor Carlos S. Folger of Columbus and mayors of other Indiana cities also have been invited.

Maj. Gen. James L. Collins, commanding general of the Fifth Service command, will be among the distinguished Army visitors. It will be his first visit to Atterbury since assuming his new command

and a luncheon in his honor is being planned.

Maj. Gen. L. S. Hobbs, commanding the 30th Infantry division, and Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, will welcome the war workers and guests to the "dawn to dusk" series of demonstrations.

The purpose of the 30th Division's demonstrations is to show the war plant workers why more and better equipment is urgently needed now to insure victory.

### Representatives to Report.

A number of the plants which will be represented have arranged for special meetings of their employes next week, at which the workers who were present at Atterbury will tell of what they saw and their impressions.

Present plans for Monday call for a visit to the firing ranges, observing the infiltration course and ranger training, watching a river crossing, a display of radio communications and other equipment.

The day's activities will be completed with a big retreat parade review and a short meeting to be addressed by General Hobbs and Colonel Modisette.

Invitations to the demonstrations have been extended by General Hobbs and Colonel Modisette, in conjunction with the Industrial Services division of the War department, to 117 Indiana war plants. The War Production Board's office in Indianapolis is cooperating with Army officials in arrangements for the event.

## 1943\_12\_11\_Four Columbus plants to send employees to Atterbury

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## Casualties Are Listed

Bartholomew county paused Tuesday, the second anniversary of Pearl Harbor, to pay honor to its 2,501 men and women in the armed services and its 25 men listed as dead in line of duty, missing in action and held prisoners by enemy nations.

Ten men have been listed as dead; six missing, and nine held prisoner, four by the Japanese and five by Germany and her satellite nations.

Below are listed these men. The list has been compiled from casualty records and may not be complete. It includes only those men considered as residents of this county and does not include the many casualties who have relatives living in this county.

### Dead.

Raymond E. Scroggins, Army.  
William Lucas, Marine Air force.  
Howard Reno, Army.  
George Edward Irvin, Navy.  
Robert L. Smith, Navy.  
Jack N. Durbin, Marine.  
Hugo Claycamp, Army.  
Wayne Hill, Army Air force.  
Joseph B. Anderson, Army Air force.  
Robert Lind, Army Air force.

### Missing.

James Thomas Bunch, Army.  
A. R. Weible, Marine.  
Francis Scheidt, Navy.  
James V. Stringer, Navy.  
Harry Beogaholtz, Jr., Army Air force.  
John Crump, Army Air force.

### Prisoners.

Frank K. Sachleben, Army.  
Marshall Patterson, Army.  
Ralph E. Blain, Army.  
Sherman Skaggs, Army.  
Harry Swartwood, Army Air force.  
Clark D. Fitzpatrick, Army Air force.  
R. A. Regan, Navy.  
R. W. Patterson, Marine.  
Eugene Rogers, Navy.

## 1943\_12\_08\_Bartholomew County casualties listed

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## FIRING RANGE MOVED INSIDE

### 118th Field Artillery Bangs Away At Indoor Targets Of "Puff Board" Device

Camp Atterbury, Dec. 7. — The 118th Field Artillery of the 30th Division has moved the artillery firing range indoor. Shells are bursting and smoking in a building where Lt. Robert C. Eldred has built a "puff board."

After toiling with mathematical figures such as mils, target offsets, decreasing scale, ballistics, etc., the 118th completed its "puff board" firing range, a device which provides practice for firing indoors. The board faithfully reproduces all conditions affecting the firing of artillery weapons in the field and consists of a miniature terrain, including trees, houses and hills.

Junior officers who are being trained in methods of directing fire procedure, stand with field glasses at a distance from the board and give orders. Beneath the screen, a soldier with two flasks of chemical aims and releases smoke, and the officer sees where his shot has landed.

By using the mil scale, the officer then corrects the range firing data until he is on the target.

By using this indoor "puff board," officers not only receive precision training in directing fire, but also get preliminary training without the use of ammunition.

The puff board was constructed by Lt. Eldred, Cpls. William B. Lindberg, Toney Curskis and John E. Lyons, and Pvts. Nathan Kassak and Charles E. Rolland.

## 1943\_12\_07\_118th Field Artillery uses puff board

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## Freeman Field Cadets Are to Begin Using Columbus Field

Within a few days Uncle Sam's flying cadets, who are getting their advanced twin engine training at Freeman Army Air Field here, will have a chance to make use of the runways at the new Columbus Army Air Base, it was learned today.

Cadets have not as yet been making use of the landing facilities at the five auxiliary fields which have been established in connection with Freeman field. Up to now they have conned their landing and take-off operations to the facilities on the main field here.

However, it is expected that about the end of this week cadets from Freeman Field will be using both the runways here and those at the Columbus field.

An article in Wednesday's Co-

lumbus Republican states that "aerial activity at the local field will be welcomed by the ground crewmen now stationed here. Life for them has been rather dull."

The article continues:

"Two planes from the Seymour base landed here over the week end and the sound of their motors could be heard over the northern part of town as they took off from the field.

"In the last few days a number of the planes have been flying over Columbus in formation, some of them at low levels.

"The Army Air forces have not yet revealed what use is to be made of the Columbus base or when additional groups will be sent here. Plans for the field apparently have been changed at least twice.

"Since the departure from the field of Col. Harold S. Peterson, who went to Key Field, Miss., to become commanding officer, Maj. Avery S. Keller has been in charge here.

"Still more buildings are to be added to the local air base and will consist of a utility engineer section, including paint shop, blacksmith shop, electrical, plumber and sheet metal shop, carpenter shop, warehouse and offices.

"It is understood that the contract for these buildings has been let to the Shelby Construction company of Shelbyville, which has been engaged on other buildings added to the original air base plans.

"At least nine other buildings have been added to the original

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## "Gate Runners" at Airfield Warned

Unauthorized civilians are warned against attempting to enter Freeman Army Air Field, it has been announced today by Colonel E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of the field.

A recent general order issued from Headquarters, Freeman Army Air Field states, "The entire reservation of the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School, Freeman Army Air Field, is hereby designated as a restricted area as defined by paragraph 63, Army Regulations 380-5. It is unlawful for any person to enter Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Indiana, without written permission of the Post Commander

1943\_04\_01\_Freeman field cadets begin using Columbus air base

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# HELP WANTED!!

## Camp Atterbury Exchange

Needs young women and middle aged women as cashiers, and sales clerks, full time or part time. Several lady teachers and students are now working of evenings and over the weekends in similar positions. We can place still others in part time work, as well as in full time work.

WE CAN ALSO USE A FEW YOUNG MEN AND  
MIDDLE AGED MEN AS CLERKS. :: ::

COME TO OUR OFFICE, Building 908  
on Lawton St., near 32nd St., Camp Atterbury,  
and ask for Mr. Wolfe, Personnel Director, for  
interview.

1943\_12\_04\_Need workers at PX

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## 974 CIVILIANS TO GET AWARD

**Service Emblem To Be Given  
At Atterbury By Colonel  
Modisette, Wednesday**

Camp Atterbury, Dec. 3. — Special ceremonies will be held Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Sports Arena at Camp Atterbury when 974 civilian employes here will be awarded the emblem for civilian service.

Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, will present the awards and Arthur Caster, sanitary engineer, will make a short acceptance address for the honored employes. Presiding over the ceremonies will be Lt. Col. William T. Hardaway, post executive officer.

The 74th AGF Band will furnish music for the event.

The emblem for civilian service has been established by the War department, and is awarded to all civilian employes here who have completed six months of satisfactory service. The emblem will be worn on the outer garment, either on the left lapel or over the left breast.

1943\_12\_03\_974 civilians get award

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"Good Old Indiana" was a welcome sight for the men of 122nd Ordnance LM Co., when they returned from maneuvers. Most members of the unit were Hoosiers before they joined the service.

During the three months spent in the maneuvers area, the unit "lost" only two men. The two were "captured" trying to deliver parts to a unit being serviced by the 122nd.

While unusual incidents were few, there was plenty of hard work, especially between problems when vehicles of combat units had to be repaired and readied for the next move.

The work of the unit was rated as "excellent," according to Lt. John Hamilton, company commander.

All types of weather, from mud and rain to sunshine and cold—were experienced. And several times the regular work schedule was forgotten in an emergency. Only repairs that can be made in five hours or less are supposed to be handled by light maintenance companies. However, 122nd found plenty of exceptions to this rule when the "chips were down" and a vehicle was needed immediately, if not sooner.

Frequent changes of location were made by the 122nd during maneuvers, the moves averaging 40 miles each.

The last assignment of the unit in the maneuver area was to make technical inspections and repairs on the wheeled vehicles of an armored division. Thousands of vehicles were checked, during the eight days—then back to Atterbury!

## 1943\_12\_03\_122ndOrdnance LM Co back

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# CHIEF OF STAFF RECEIVES EAGLE

**Richard W. Stephens of 30th  
Division Is Promoted to  
Full Colonel.**

Camp Atterbury, Dec. 2 (Special) —The promotion of Col. Richard W. Stephens, chief-of-staff of the 30th Infantry division, from lieutenant colonel was announced Tuesday by Maj. Gen. L. S. Hobbs, division commander.

Colonel Stephens joined the 30th in June, 1942, and was assigned as division operations and training officer. Later he was made regimental commander of the 119th Infantry but returned to operations and training several months later. He was appointed chief-of-staff in August, 1943, by General Hobbs.

The colonel, who arrived in Atterbury with the 30th last month, declared this Hoosier post is "the best camp I have been in and the best run camp."

Colonel Stephens was graduated from the U. S. Military academy at West Point in 1924 and was assigned as a second lieutenant to the Seventh infantry at Vancouver Barracks, remaining there for three years. He spent the following three years in Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with the 19th infantry.

Also, he has had service with the 25th infantry at Nogales and Huachuca, Ariz., and with the 31st infantry in Manila in the Philippines, from January, 1935, to November, 1936. Recent service has been with the 53rd division at Fort Ord, Calif., and with the 23rd infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Colonel Stephens has attended the Infantry school at Fort Benning and the Command and General Staff school at Fort Leavenworth.

## 1943\_12\_02\_Chief of Staff promoted

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## TWO MORE UNITS MOVE INTO CAMP

**Atterbury Welcomes 366th  
Infantry and 301st Signal  
Operations Battalion.**

Two more units have moved into Camp Atterbury for further training, one coming from a post in Virginia and the other from a maneuver area.

The 366th Infantry regiment has arrived at Atterbury for further training after receiving commendations from governors of three New England states.

Activated as a new unit in February, 1941, at Fort Devens, Mass., the War department later permitted the present regiment to be a reactivated unit of the original 366th which participated in the Lorraine and Meuse-Argonne operations in World war I.

Commanded by Col. Howard D. Queen, the 366th arrived at Atterbury from field training at A. P. Military Reservations, Va. Prior to being stationed in Virginia the regiment received commendations from the governors of Maine, Vermont and Massachusetts for its handling of special continental assignments during this war.

### First Such Unit at Camp.

The 301st Signal Operations battalion, first unit of its kind to train at Atterbury, arrived last week from maneuvers. Its schedule here calls for intensive physical and "classroom" work.

The purpose of this type unit is to take over a signal system when the signal construction battalions are finished. Platoons in each company are crews of trained technicians in the installation, maintenance and operation of radios, telephones, teletype machines and message center.

The unit was activated in January at Camp McCain, Miss. Commanding is Lt. Col. Garrison G. Harwell, a graduate of Texas A. & M. college.

### Modisette Welcomes Newcomers.

Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, has extended a message of welcome to all the newly-arrived units at Atterbury.

He stated: "Although your training will be intensive, many installations in the camp are devoted to recreational, athletic and religious activities for your entertainment and well-being. Make full use of all the facilities afforded."

Another part of his message read: "We all have one aim and desire—to do our full share to hasten the final victory and the unconditional surrender of our enemies. We will all work together to that end. I hope the stay of every officer and enlisted man at Camp Atterbury will be both profitable and pleasant."

## 1943\_11\_30\_301st Signal Operations BN & 366th INF Reg activated at Atterbury

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# MORE THAN 100 JOBS ARE OPEN

## 96 Workers Needed at Camp —Also Positions in Air- craft Lines.

More than 100 civil service positions are now open at Columbus, Camp Atterbury, Seymour and Crane, Ind., the War Manpower commission has announced.

The positions are with government agencies of both the Army and Navy, which, the commission says, are in urgent need of these services.

There are 96 openings at Camp Atterbury, under civil service, at the present time. Applications are not desired from persons engaged in war work unless the positions applied for call for use of higher skills that the workers are now using in their present occupations. Application forms may be secured at the U. S. Employment Service office, 430 Third street.

**Atterbury Vacancies.**

The Atterbury vacancies and rate of pay are as follows:

- Six female seamstresses (power machine), 58 cents per hour.
- Sixteen laborers (night duty), 60 cents per hour.
- Two male laborers (day duty), 60 cents per hour.
- One heavy duty truck driver (male), 83 cents per hour.
- Five male senior auto mechanics, 96 cents per hour.
- Two male heavy equipment operators, 83 cents per hour.
- Two steamfitters (male), 87 cents per hour.
- Four male carpenters, 83 cents per hour.
- 4 male plumbers, 74 to 90 cents per hour.
- Four male general mechanics (heating), 74 cents per hour.
- One male senior gas maintenance mechanic, 83 cents per hour.
- One male light equipment operator, 69 cents per hour.
- One male engineering aide, \$1,440 a year.
- Two coal passers (male), 60 cents per hour.
- Six male plumbers, 95 cents to \$1 per hour.
- Ten male laborers, 60 cents per hour.
- Four female clerk typists (local girls), \$1,260 a year.
- Three male firemen, 60 cents per hour.
- One male (if possible) storekeeper, \$1,440 a year.
- Three male shoe repairmen, 69 to 77 cents per hour.
- Twelve trainees (shoe repair), 60 cents per hour.
- Two male or female clothing inspectors (final inspector and folder), 58 cents per hour.
- Four male or female clothing checkers, \$1,260 a year.
- 8 Hours Overtime.

The standard federal work week of 48 hours includes eight hours of overtime. For the positions listed, the increase in compensation for overtime amounts on an annual basis to approximately 21 percent of the listed salaries.

Additional positions open in this area include:

- Aircraft mechanic, \$2,200 a year.
- Propeller mechanic, \$1,860 a year.
- General mechanics, \$2,200 a year.
- Sheet metal workers, \$10.08 a day.
- Electricians (aircraft), \$1,860 a year.
- Teletype operators, \$1,440 a year.
- Male inspectors, \$1,800 a year.

1943\_11\_26\_More than 100 jobs are open

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## Units, Commanders in 30th Division Listed

Many of the units which make up the 30th Infantry division, now stationed at Camp Atterbury for further training, have had long and colorful careers dating back to the days of the Revolutionary and Spanish-American wars.

The division includes 15 units, infantry, engineers, artillery, medical, signal, reconnaissance, ordnance, military police and headquarters.

These units and commanders as issued by the Atterbury public relations office are as follows:

The 117th Infantry regiment, commanded by Col. Henry E. Kelly; 119th Infantry regiment, commanded by Col. Alfred V. Ednie; 120th Infantry regiment commanded by Col. Hammond D. Birks; 105th Engineer battalion, 113th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Edward F. Griffin; 118th Field battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Richard H. Mayer; 197th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Patrick E. Seawright; 230th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Paul H. Googe.

The 105th Medical battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. John B. Cousar; 30th Signal company, 30th

Quartermaster company, 30th Reconnaissance troops, commanded by Capt. Kenneth C. Cornelius; 730th Ordnance LM company, Military Police platoon, a division Headquarters and Headquarters company, and an Artillery Headquarters company.

Lt. Col. Richard W. Stephens is chief of staff of the division, which is under the command of Gen. Leland S. Hobbs. Other members of General Hobbs' staff are:

Lt. Cols. John W. Dandridge, personnel; Walter L. Frankland, supply; James W. Perkins, adjutant general; Lawrence C. Caes, judge advocate general; Alfred J. Treherne, division surgeon; William H. Nicolas, chaplain; James C. Dempsey, inspector general; Thomas P. Van Noppen, quartermaster; Lowry R. Harris, finance; Frank D. Pinckney, ordnance; Carroll H. Dunn, engineers.

Majs. Stewart L. Hall, intelligence; Harold E. Hassenfelt, operations and training; Earl M. Stevens, signal; John W. Blount, special service; George D. Patterson, commanding officer of Special Troops, and Capt. George E. Motz, chemical warfare, and John W. Craig, provost marshal.

1943\_11\_24\_Units and commanders of 30th listed

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## PRISON FARM AID IS PRAISED

**Kohlmeyer Credits Italians  
for Helping Produce Food  
—Prove Satisfactory.**

Italian prisoners of war stationed at Camp Atterbury, who have been working on Bartholomew county farm all summer, are credited by J. B. Kohlmeyer, Indiana emergency farm labor supervisor, with playing a big part in producing and saving food for humanity this year.

Bill Renshaw of the *Prairie Farmer* magazine also has found the war prisoners did a big job in helping Indiana make food production records.

Renshaw made a survey of the work done by the war prisoners and found that Indiana tomato growers were particularly pleased with work of the Italian prisoners sent into Bartholomew, Johnson and Shelby counties.

At the present time Italian prisoners of war are working on several Bartholomew county farms, pulling turnips and husking corn.

### Johnson County Case Cited.

Reporting in the *Prairie Farmer* Renshaw wrote that S. B. Scott, Johnson county agricultural agent, told him that fully 25 percent of that county's tomato acreage was set by war prisoners.

As an example of the assistance given, Renshaw cited the case of E. L. Taylor, one of Johnson county's largest vegetable growers.

Taylor obtained the services of 11 Italian war prisoners to assist in setting peppers, cabbages, tomatoes and melons, and in harvesting his crop.

Now that the crop is harvested Taylor says: "I couldn't have done it without those boys. No group ever did a better job of work than they have done."

Renshaw found mild complaints in some sections that certain details had been dilatory but he said it was generally agreed that with correct supervision and a little training the Italian war prisoners did a good job.

## 1943\_11\_24\_POW's help on farms is praised

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# SENATE ASKS STIMSON FOR PATTON DATA

**Military Committee Wants  
 Report on Incident in  
 Sicily.**

**TO ACT ON PROMOTION**

**General's Elevation from  
 Permanent Colonel May  
 Be Made Issue.**

Washington, Nov. 24. (AP)—The Senate military affairs committee voted unanimously today to request Secretary of War Stimson to report to it on the incident in which Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., commander of the Seventh army, struck an Army private in a hospital in Sicily.

Chairman Reynolds (D-NC) said he had been instructed to obtain a report by Stimson in connection with the committee's consideration of President Roosevelt's nomination of Patton to hold the permanent rank of major general. He now has the permanent rank of colonel.

Reynolds told a reporter that he believed any action against Patton, who was rebuked by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, should be left in the hands of Army authorities. He said, however, that there was likely to be much Senate discussion of the affair before action is taken on Patton's promotion.

## 1943\_11\_24\_Congress wants info on Gen Patton's soldier slapping incident

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Tue, Jun 14, 2016

# COL. HOBBY OF WAC SEES CAMP

Retreat Review Is Presented  
at Atterbury for Women's  
Army Director.

Camp Atterbury, Nov. 20 (Special)—The largest Army Service forces review ever staged at Atterbury was witnessed Thursday afternoon by Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, director of the Women's Army corps. Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, invited Colonel Hobby to take the retreat ceremony.

The WAC commanding officer spent part of Thursday afternoon in Atterbury, reviewing the two WAC Sections of the 1560th Service Unit. A special WAC inspection in honor of Colonel Hobby was held opposite post headquarters. After inspecting her troops here, she and her staff were escorted on a trip around the post by Colonel Modisette.

In Colonel Hobby's party at Atterbury were Maj. Helen Hedekin, and Capts. Gertrude Pratt, Anne Sweeney, and Juanita S. Stryker, all of the WAC. The visiting WACS visited Indianapolis previous to coming here.

The retreat review climaxed Colonel Hobby's visit here. Before leaving the post she expressed satisfaction on achievements of the WAC units. The WAC director expressed herself as "very pleased" with the contingents here after visiting WACS barracks, day-rooms, and athletic areas.

## 1943\_11\_24\_Col Hobby inspects WACs


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Front exterior view of new federal recreation building occupied by the King Street USO club, which was dedicated Sunday, is shown above.

### COUNTY'S ONLY NEW USO STRUCTURE

## USO CLUB BUILDING FORMALLY DEDICATED, OPEN HOUSE HELD

Franklin's new federal recreational building which houses the King Street USO club was formally dedicated Sunday with appropriate ceremonies followed by a general open house attended by hundreds of interested citizens.

Col. Welton M. Modette, post commander at Camp Atterbury, in extending greetings to the club personnel, said: "I am vitally interested in the efficiency activities of our men. I want them to have the recreation they need and deserve when they are off the post, but I want it to be of the character that every parent would approve of for his or her own son. I assure you that we in the military service who are charged with the grave responsibility of sustaining a high morale among our soldiers appreciate the fine work that has been done and is being done at the King Street USO."

"Soldiers Are Human."

"After all, our soldiers are human. They long for companionship, they work long, hard hours and they want amusement, recreation and entertainment. It is essential that they get their minds and thoughts off the grim, serious business of war occasionally. Nothing can dampen the fun-loving spirit of our American soldiers. That is where your USO club fits in so admirably, in providing clean, wholesome activities for our men, under proper conditions, when they are away from the camp and their duties, and can relax."

"While you are helping the men here, making life more pleasant for them, some other father, mother, sister or wife, through the U. S. O. is helping your boy in the service at some other place. The USO is a great morale builder, and a high morale makes an efficient Army."

Col. Modette further asserted that he was "proud of" the general conduct of Camp Atterbury men while off the post.

**Other Program Features.**

Other features on the formal program were music by the 14th Army Ground Forces band, directed by Sgt. A. P. Martin; invocation by Chaplain Robert Shelton; a talk by Dr. Gust A. Froese, chairman of the defense recreation committee, who was master of ceremonies; presentation of Col. Modette by Major Leroy L. Walsh, post special service officer at Camp Atterbury; vocal solo by Pfc. Hans Washington of Atterbury, accompanied at the piano by Sgt. Herman Williams, address by P. E. DeFranza, executive secretary of the Senate Avenue Branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Indianapolis, greetings from Franklin by Mayor William V. Humphill, introductions by the Rev. Howard W. Stone, chairman of the city USO council; benediction by the Rev. Richard E. Lentz, member of the USO council.

The official transfer of the building was made at a ceremony participated in by R. D. McGill of the Federal Works Agency, R. B. Jones of the regional US Army-Navy YMCA, William G. Robinson of the Federal Security Agency, and Fred J. Hurd, chairman of the King Street USO club's committee of management.

Guests at the formal dedication ceremony received attractive souvenirs.

### MR. CALLAHAN PASSES AT 86

#### 86-Year-Old Retired Confectioner Dies in Masonic Home; Rites Tuesday

An 86-year-old former Indianapolis confectioner, Frank Bishop Callahan, died at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Indiana Masonic Home here. He had been a resident of the Home since October 29, 1932, having entered from Lenin Masonic lodge No. 375 of Indianapolis.

The body was taken Monday to the Best & Chad mortuary in the capital city, where funeral rites will be conducted Tuesday. Interment will follow in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Callahan was born October 10, 1857. Both his parents, John F. Callahan and Sarah Bishop Callahan, came to this state from Virginia. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Catherine W. Callahan.

### McNUTT MAY REQUEST VETO

#### Chance Seen He Might Ask FDR Not To Approve Revised Selective Service Bill

Washington, Nov. 22.—(INS)—The possibility loomed today that War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt may ask President Roosevelt to veto the revised draft bill as the senate treated conference approval of the measure which would send it to the White House.

Senators who helped frame the conference compromise reported that McNutt's representatives were deeply disturbed because the bill prohibits the president from delegating selective service power to him in the future.

The measure also prohibits McNutt from issuing "work or fight" orders by threatening induction of persons because of occupation or by occupational groups, such as a group of strikers.

The bill, a revision of the original Wheeler "no-fathers" draft bill, is destined to delay induction of fathers by requiring exhaustion of other classes on a nationwide and state basis.

The measure, however, does not cancel or prohibit occupational deferments for single men or married men without children, and members of Congress elude on its effect upon the calling of draftees.

One provision, however, requires

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# Lt. Adams Arrives At Camp Atterbury

First Lieut. William B. Adams, adjutant of the 335th Military Police Battalion at Camp Atterbury, has just been transferred here from Camp Peary, O. He is the son of J. W. Adams, 750 North Main street. Lieut. Adams' family, consisting of Mrs. Adams and daughter, Judith, are staying at the home of Lieut. Adams' father. Lieut. Adams' mother is Mrs. Pansy B. Walton of Danville.

1943\_11\_22\_Lt Adams of 335th MP arrives at camp

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## MAY WORK ON FARM WITHOUT ARMED GUARD

Government Considering Let-  
ting Italian Prisoners Of  
War Labor Free From  
Gun-Toting Watcher

The government is considering a plan to use Italian prisoners of war for farm work without armed guards, according to a War Food Administration spokesman, it was reported today by International News Service from Washington.

Now that Italy has dropped out of the war, the interned Italians in this country are not strictly prisoners of war, the spokesman was quoted as saying.

Camp Atterbury has a prisoner of war camp for Italians and many of them have been used for farm work in Johnson county this year. Last summer it was revealed at Camp Atterbury that spokesmen for the prisoners of war, when asked for suggestions regarding treatment, expressed their disapproval of working under armed guards, saying they were satisfied with being in America and that they had no intention of trying to escape.

### Army To Work It Out

Details of the new proposal to allow the prisoners to work without armed guards will be worked out by the army, the spokesman for WFA declared. The proposal has been under consideration for several weeks, he said.

Under present arrangements, both German and Italian war prisoners are kept under constant guard with guards accompanying internees to their work in the field or cannery plant. Of the total 140,000 war prisoners interned in the United States, the spokesman said, an undisclosed number also are pinch-hitting in food canning plants where labor shortages have been acute. Such was the case in Johnson county where Italians helped process the food in one of the country's major tomato canning areas.

The WFA spokesman also disclosed that nearly 47,000 German and Italian prisoners of war currently are being used to help harvest the nation's record 1943 food crop.

War prisoners are paid the prevailing wage in the community but their employer pays the money direct to Uncle Sam and it goes into the U. S. Treasury. Actually, the prisoners receive 80 cents a day as outlined at the Geneva convention in 1929, when they work in the fields or in canneries.

### Italians Better Farm Hands

The WFA spokesman pointed out, however, that the prisoners average only about ten days work per month per man and said that "they don't compare with American farm labor in many hours by a long way."

Generally speaking, Italians make better farm hands than Germans, he declared. Nazi prisoners are, for the most part, sullen and prefer not to work, according to the WFA official.

Among types of jobs in which the 47,000 war prisoners have been used are harvesting tomatoes, potatoes, peanuts, cotton, sugar beets and corn. The 37 permanent prison camps, supervised by the War Department, have been strategically located at the suggestion of WFA in areas where farm manpower shortages exist. These camps are located in such widely separated states as Georgia, Colorado, Texas and New York.

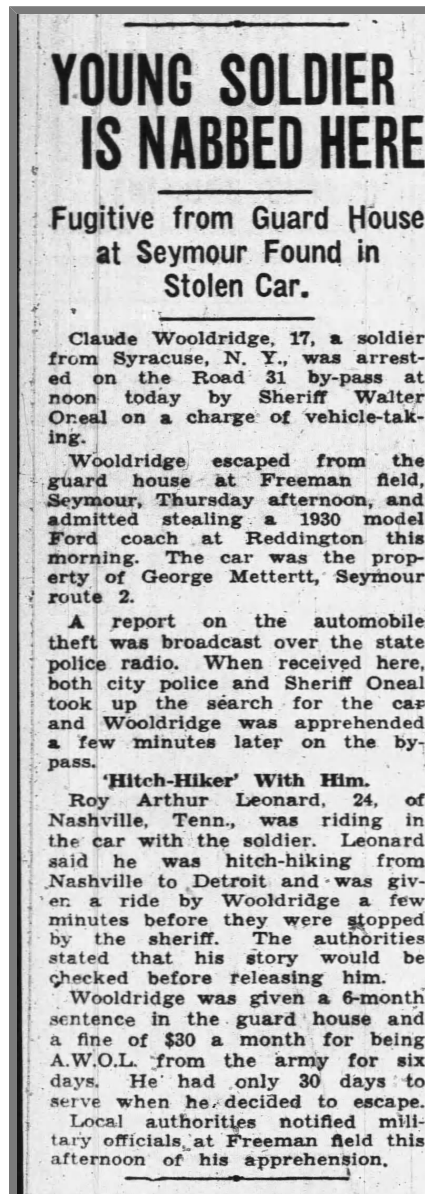
# 1943\_11\_22\_Italian POWS may work without guards

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# STORE LIGHTS TO GO ON AGAIN

## Merchants Decide to Illum- inate Windows on Modi- fied Basis.

The lights will go on again to-  
night in Columbus.

Because a few of the downtown  
retailers were not complying with  
the government request that store  
windows not be lighted after clos-  
ing time, the Columbus Merchants  
association voted at a meeting this  
morning to resume lighting on a  
modified basis.

It was stated at the meeting  
that voluntary compliance with  
wartime fuel-saving measure had  
been about 98 percent.

Under the modified lighting  
program, merchants are asked to  
reduce their normal electric power  
usage by 50 percent through  
leaving the store window lights  
on half as long as normal or by  
using only half as many lights in  
the windows. In either case, mer-  
chants are asked not to leave the  
window lights on after 9 p. m.

As far as possible, they are to  
leave the large display signs turned  
off entirely. In some cases, how-  
ever, it may not be possible to  
comply with this request immedi-  
ately because some of the large  
signs are wired with the window  
lights, and the wiring will have to  
be changed.

The new lighting program is  
to become effective tonight.

Shoplifting has reached serious  
proportions, it was reported at the  
meeting, and merchants advocated  
employing women as plain clothes  
detectives to guard against thiev-  
ery in the stores.

Most of the shoplifting so far  
detected has been done by juve-  
niles, it was stated, and measures  
to be taken for apprehension of  
thieves will be directed particular-  
ly against young delinquents.

It was also decided to call the  
public's attention to the necessity  
of doing Christmas shopping much  
earlier than usual, on account of  
the help shortage.

Unless the shopping this year is  
done early, much of it cannot be  
done at all, because of the in-  
ability of short-handed stores to  
handle the trade, merchants de-  
clared.

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## RATIONING, SCARCITIES HIT PX JUST AS ANY OTHER STORE

Camp Atterbury, Nov. 18 (INS)—Atterbury's Post Exchanges are experiencing difficulties with scarcities and rationing just like metropolitan stores. The result is that several favorite commodities are now at a premium.

Post Exchanges are miniature department stores, boasting practically the same features as a metropolitan concern with the exception of elevators. The twenty Exchanges on the post com-

prise one of the finest chains in the Army, according to soldiers who have been around in various camps.

Maj. M. B. Frazee, exchange officer, has plenty of headaches trying to fill the counters with the type of merchandise soldiers desire. Making all efforts to please his customers, he has to tangle with shortages and government restrictions. PX priorities help in some cases, but in others the goods can't be bought—even with a priority.

Soldiers can do their Christmas shopping at the PX's, but they must do it now, or they might be out of luck. Gifts are already on the counter and more are on the way, but the quantity and variety is limited. Beautiful dresser sets, jewelry, boxed candy, cushion covers, etc., are now available.

### Cigars Are Scarce.

A soldier looking for gloves can find them at the PX—if he looks fast. Atterbury received about one-fourth of the quantity it ordered.

Maj. Freeze also uncovered a hint

for cigar smokers. Cigars are almost as scarce as empty seats on trains. In fairness to all, they have been placed on the rationed list—three to a customer. However, pipes and pipe tobacco are still plentiful.

Magazines are scarce, and racks in PX's have been known to be practically empty. Also on the "hard-to-get" list is boxed candy and chewing gum, the latter rationed to curb hoarding and soldier-purchases for friends.

The 3.2 beer turn-over is still "terrific" — approximately 500,000 glasses per month, to be exact. The camp has no worries in this department.

But, if it's soap, toiletries, clothes, ice cream, cookies, stationery, a soldier wants, the PX's have it any time. Music is also un-rationed and juke boxes are supplied with new tunes every week.

In addition to every-day necessities, each PX has a dry cleaning shop and a barber shop.

## 1943\_11\_18\_PX's hit by rationing

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## Born 4 Mo. Early, Lives 15 Minutes

Born four months prematurely, a baby boy which lived 15 minutes at Station Hospital in Camp Atterbury was interred late Wednesday morning in Greenlawn cemetery here.

The parents, Private and Mrs. Virgil S. Queensberry, reside at the home of former Mayor and Mrs. L. W. Oliver, 164 East Monroe street.

Both Pvt. Queensberry and his wife, the former Miss Anna Mae Martin, came here from Kentucky, their home. The child was born Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Queensberry was taken to the hospital a few days ago and is reported in a critical condition suffering from appendicitis and peritonitis.

1943\_11\_17\_Baby born 4 months early lives 15 minutes

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## Units, Commanders in 30th Division Listed

Many of the units which make up the 30th Infantry division, now stationed at Camp Atterbury for further training, have had long and colorful careers dating back to the days of the Revolutionary and Spanish-American wars.

The division includes 15 units, infantry, engineers, artillery, medical, signal, reconnaissance, ordnance, military police and headquarters.

These units and commanders as issued by the Atterbury public relations office are as follows:

The 117th Infantry regiment, commanded by Col. Henry E. Kelly; 119th Infantry regiment, commanded by Col. Alfred V. Ednie; 120th Infantry regiment commanded by Col. Hammond D. Birks; 105th Engineer battalion, 113th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Edward F. Griffin; 118th Field battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Richard H. Mayer; 197th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Patrick E. Seawright; 230th Field Artillery battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Paul H. Googe.

The 105th Medical battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. John B. Cousar; 30th Signal company, 30th

Quartermaster company, 30th Reconnaissance troops, commanded by Capt. Kenneth C. Cornelius; 730th Ordnance LM company, Military Police platoon, a division Headquarters and Headquarters company, and an Artillery Headquarters company.

Lt. Col. Richard W. Stephens is chief of staff of the division, which is under the command of Gen. Leland S. Hobbs. Other members of General Hobbs' staff are:

Lt. Cols. John W. Dandridge, personnel; Walter L. Frankland, supply; James W. Perkins, adjutant general; Lawrence C. Caes, judge advocate general; Alfred J. Treherne, division surgeon; William H. Nicolas, chaplain; James C. Dempsey, inspector general; Thomas P. Van Noppen, quartermaster; Lowry R. Harris, finance; Frank D. Pinckney, ordnance; Carroll H. Dunn, engineers.

Majs. Stewart L. Hall, intelligence; Harold E. Hassenfelt, operations and training; Earl M. Stevens, signal; John W. Blount, special service; George D. Patterson, commanding officer of Special Troops, and Capt. George E. Motz, chemical warfare, and John W. Craig, provost marshal.

1943\_11\_17\_30th Division line commanders listed

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**VIEWS ON THE NEWS.**  
Arrival of the 30th Division at Camp Atterbury gives the community a special interest in another big unit of World war II troops. First it was the 83rd Division, which became well known here through its year of residence at the camp, and the 92nd Division, which was represented here by a combat team about the same length of time. It is unlikely that the 30th will be here so long, but its presence is already being felt and it will be ours by adoption from now on, the same as the others, whether its tour of duty here be for weeks or months.

Incidentally, a word on the handling of the news about this division may be in order. The announcement Tuesday that the 30th had moved into Atterbury was no more news to some of our readers than it was to members of the newspaper staff. The fact that another division was coming in, and what division it was, was known rather widely for a couple of weeks before the announcement. Publication was delayed pending completion of the troop movement into camp, as required by the censorship regulations. This was done when the 83rd moved in. News of other troop movements through the city is also held up, not because the newspapers do not have the information but because they have been requested to withhold publication for wartime military considerations.

In welcoming the 30th Division, the community should and no doubt will recognize the fact that it is an organization with a tradition based on its fine service in World war I. Although it served mostly with the British armies on the left of the long line across France, hence did not have as much contact with other American divisions, the rest of the A. E. F. knew of it and respected it as a "good outfit." It does not come here as a stranger to veterans of that war.

And this matter of tradition in military units is more important than the civilian might think until he examines the record. The 30th Division is not composed of the men it was 25 years ago. There are few if any in the outfit who served with it on the Somme. But that is also true of the First division, the Marine corps and other outfits which are making military history now as they did in 1917-18. There is a somewhat inexplicable spirit in a good military organization which carries over from one generation to the next and makes the new man try to do as well as the one he succeeded. That may sound far-fetched but it isn't; it's the way things actually work out, and they'll work out that way for the 30th.

## 1943\_11\_17\_30th Division in the news

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# TRUCK VITAL IN ARMY LOGISTICS

**'Six-by-Six' Vehicle Praised  
for Heavy Hauling and  
Difficult Jobs.**

Washington, Nov. 17 (UP)—The Army's 2½-ton "six-by-six" truck is doing its full share in carrying the war to the enemy.

The Ordnance department, the Quartermaster corps and Engineers and every other branch of the service is praising it for doing most of the heavy hauling and difficult trucking jobs.

Circumstances played a part in establishing it as the Army's transportation stand-by from Alaska to the South Seas and from the Mediterranean theater to India. It was ready for mass production when the demand came so quantities were quickly available. Moreover, while the Army transportation is from jeeps to huge trailers capable of hauling tanks, the 2½-ton truck is a very handy size.

The "6x6" designation indicates the truck has six wheels and power on all six wheels, which helps give it traction whether in sand or mud, or on steep hills. The two pair of rear wheels are in tandem.

## Carry Supplies to Reds.

These trucks are carrying huge quantities of supplies to the Russians across Iran. Caravans of them flow steadily for 700 miles across Iran from the Persian gulf ports of Basra, Margil, Bandar Shapur and Abadan to the Russian supply base at Kazvin.

Some of the trucks are driven by Americans and shuttle back and forth from Kazvin to the Gulf. Others driven by Russians and Persians are loaded at the Gulf and driven right on through to the Caspian. Ultimately they go to Russia and serve as transport in combat against the Germans. Probably the 2½-ton 6x6 has participated substantially in the Russian drive chasing the Germans back across Europe.

There is an assembly plant on the Persian gulf that turns out

hundreds of these trucks daily.

In India and Assam and along the Burma border the 6x6's are doing similar jobs, helping to extend roads in the jungles and carrying supplies to the new airfields located there.

## Notable Job in N. Africa.

These trucks also did a notable job in North Africa filling in to supplement inadequate local transport there. Maj. Gen. W. D. Styer, chief of staff, Army Service forces, recently told the story of how important items from the cargoes of 24 ships were trucked 1,500 miles across North Africa from Casablanca to Tunisia in preparation for the attack on Sicily.

The cargoes were destined for a base at Mateur and were supposed to be unloaded in the Tunisian ports which had been captured from the enemy.

The Tunisian ports were so badly battered they could not be restored in time and the cargoes had to be diverted to Casablanca. A total of 1,025 trucks were pressed into service, part of a last-minute order from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for 5,000 trucks to have on hand just in case of difficulties.

## ALLOWANCE OF BOY, 9, INCREASED TO \$1,900

Chicago, Nov. 17 (UP)—A monthly allowance of \$1,900, increased by court order from \$500, goes to Montgomery Ward Thorne, 9, from the estate of his father, grandson of a Montgomery Ward founder. The boy's mother asked for the increase because of higher taxes and higher living costs, claiming she and her son have "only one servant, one car, and no yacht."

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## COL. MODISETTE WELCOMES 30TH DIVISION



The 30th Infantry Division was welcomed to Camp Atterbury by Col. Welton M. Modisette (center), post commander. Shown with him are Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs (left), commanding general of the 30th Division, and Lt. Col. Richard W. Stephens (right), the 30th's chief of staff.—U. S. Signal Corps Photo.

## 1943\_11\_16\_Col Modisette welcomes 30th Div to Camp Atterbury - photo

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## 30th Infantry Here for Training

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Harold E. Hassenfelt, operations and training; Earl M. Stevens, signal; John W. Blount, special service; George D. Patterson, commanding officer of Special Troops, and Capts. George E. Motz, chemical warfare,

and John W. Craig, provost marshal.

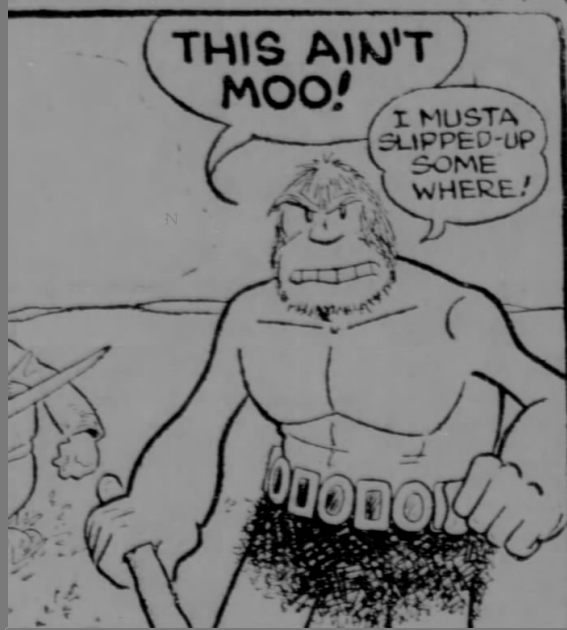
### Units of 30th Division.

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The 105th Medical Bn., commanded by Lt. Col. John B. Cousar; 30th Signal Co.; 30th Quartermaster Co.; 30th Reconnaissance Troops, commanded by Capt. Kenneth C. Cornelius; 730th Ordnance LM Co.; Military Police platoon, a division Headquarters and Headquarters Co., and an Artillery Headquarters Co.

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# 30th INFANTRY DIVISION HERE FOR TRAINING

Camp Atterbury, Nov. 16—The 30th Infantry Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs, has arrived here for further training.

The division also has two other generals: Brig. Gen. John E. Lewis, serving as Artillery officer and commanding general of the 30th Division Artillery, and Brig. Gen. William K. Harrison, Jr., assistant division commander.

The 30th was originally created in July, 1917, three months after the outbreak of World War I. It was known as the "Old Hickory Division," in honor of Andrew Jackson, and was composed of troops from Tennessee and North and South Carolina. Some of its units were old in history, having participated in every war from the Battle of Kings Mountain in the Revolutionary War to San Juan Hill and San Juan in the Spanish-American War.

**Big War I Decorations.**  
During World War I, the division received more than half of all of the decorations awarded American troops by the British, and 12 of the 19 Congressional Medals of Honor.

The fighting of the 30th Division was outstanding in the Ypres-Lys operation, the Somme offensive, and the smashing of the Hindenburg line, which was Germany's greatest defensive rampart.

After War I, the division was disbanded, but the War Department ordered its reactivation as a National Guard Division in 1925, adding troops from the state of Georgia. It was called to full-time duty in 1940, one of the first four National Guard divisions to be called, and went into training at Ft. Jackson, S. C. Other stations have been Camp Blanding, Fla., and Camp Forrest, Tenn.

**Three Generals West Pointers.**  
The three generals with the division are all graduates of the United States Military Academy. Maj. Gen. Hobbs attained his present rank in September, 1942, and became the commanding general of the 30th Division on the following day. Since graduating from West Point in 1915, he has been active from coast to coast and has been stationed in Hawaii and Trinidad, British West Indies. During World War I, he served in France at Verdun and Chateau.

While attending West Point, Gen. Hobbs starred in football, baseball, basketball and track. He later returned to the school to serve as tactical officer and assistant athletic coach. He was born in Gloucester, Mass.

Brig. Gen. Lewis was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1912. He was commander of the 10th Corps Artillery at Camp Gruber, Okla., when transferred to the 30th Division in September of this year. He is a native of Kansas.

Brig. Gen. Harrison was born in the District of Columbia. He was graduated from West Point in 1917.

**Other Chief Officers.**  
Lt. Col. Richard W. Stephens is chief of staff. Other staff officers are: Lt. Col. John W. Dandridge, personnel; Walter L. Frankland, supply; James W. Perkins, adjutant; Lawrence C. Chase, judge advocate general; Alfred J. Treherne, division surgeon; William H. Nicolas, chaplain; James C. Dempsey, inspector general; Thomas P. Van Noppen, quartermaster; Leroy B. Harris, finance; Frank D. Pinkney, ordnance; Carroll H. Dunn, engineers; Maj. Stewart L. Hall, intelligence.

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## Bob's Back Home

Transfer of the 30th Infantry Division to Camp Atterbury came as good news to at least one Franklin family and to an Edinburg family.

Lt. Robert McGinnis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude McGinnis, who is serving with the 30th, was among the advance vanguard and arrived here a few weeks ago.

It is believed Lt. McGinnis is the only Franklin and Johnson county man in the division. He was only recently assigned to the 30th Division after receiving a commission.

Pvt. Richard Thomas of Sacramento, Cal., a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gerstoft of Edinburg, is another of the new arrivals with the division.

## ANOTHER CAR STOLEN HERE

Theft-A-Night Series Continues As Jessup Car Is Taken, Abandoned Nearby

Charles Jessup, manager of the United Telephone Company office here, is the latest victim of the wave of automobile banditry which has kept city, county and state police on the jump for the past several days.

A 1941 maroon Chevrolet coach belonging to Mr. Jessup was stolen about 10 o'clock Monday evening, from in front of his residence, 58 Crowell street.

Police were notified, a description of the car was broadcast over State police radio, and the auto was located at midnight, abandoned in the 400 block on East King street.

Police believe a group of boys are responsible for the wave of automobile banditry which has recorded a theft-a-night for almost a week, always abandoning their automobile a few blocks from the place of theft after taking an extensive "joyride."

## Advises on Mailing Yule Cards Overseas

Indianapolis, Nov. 15.—(IANS)—Christmas cards for members of the armed forces overseas must be mailed with postage prepaid at the first class rate and must be mailed in sealed envelopes, Adolph Seidenstricker, Indianapolis postmaster, prompted today.

He said that all greeting cards must be sent immediately if the senders wish to be sure they'll reach their destination before Christmas.

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# FIRE DESTROYS THEATER NO. 5 AT ATTERBURY

George Jones of This City  
Hurt in Fighting Sunday  
Noon Blaze.

LOSS SET AT \$60,000

Flames Break Out While 800  
Italian Prisoners of War  
Watch Movie.

Camp Atterbury suffered its first serious fire loss shortly before noon Sunday when Theater No. 5 was destroyed by flames.

George Jones, of this city, assistant fire chief at the camp, suffered burns on the hands and face in fighting the fire, while Cpl. Adam Miller of the 1560th Service unit, theater projection-machine operator, sustained face burns and a lacerated knee.

The Atterbury public relations office said both men were taken to the post hospital and were recovering satisfactorily today. The public relations office estimated the loss at approximately \$60,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones reside in the Rio apartment building on Fifth street. They moved here about three weeks ago from Edinburg where they had resided since formation of the Atterbury fire department in 1942. Mrs. Jones said today that her husband was getting along satisfactorily, although he suffered third degree burns on one hand.

## Prisoners Marched Out.

The fire broke out while a special showing of an Italian-titled American movie was being given for 800 Italian prisoners of war, all of whom were marched to safety from the burning building within a few minutes after the flames were discovered.

The post fire department responded and kept the fire from spreading to nearby buildings. The firemen were assisted by the military police and other units.

The public relations office said the origin of the fire had not been determined and that an investigation was being conducted to learn the cause.

The big theater, one of several at the camp, was located in the northern section of the cantonment area. It was of frame construction and had its own central heating plant.

and Fire Chief Charles Miller cautioned residents today of fire danger from leaves which have collected on roofs.

He pointed out that, although the roof may be of fire-resistant material, flames from burning leaves may set fire to the inner section of the attic, resulting in a serious fire which may burn unnoticed until it breaks through the fire-resistant roofing.

Firemen also were called to the Russell Wendell residence, 1825 Chestnut street, at 9:20 o'clock Saturday night, when a shed to the rear of the residence caught fire. The shed caught fire from hot ashes and there was slight damage.

## Mrs. Harms is Badly Burned

Mrs. Emma Harms, 73, suffered severe burns about 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon when her clothing caught fire from a fireplace at the R. H. Gardner home, 1614 Cottage avenue, where she resides.

Mrs. Harms was taken immediately to the county hospital, where her condition was described as good today. She suffered burns on both hands and arms to the elbows, on her face and neck and the right side of her body.

Mrs. Harms was alone in the living room of the house at the time and called to Mrs. Gardner, her sister, who ran to the living room from upstairs and smothered the flames by throwing a wool robe over her.

Mrs. Gardner suffered burns on the left hand and wrist but the injuries were not serious. Her quick action was credited with saving the life of her sister.

Mrs. Harms is the mother of Herbert Harms, former druggist here, who is now in Evanston, Ill. Another son, Ernest, resides at Connersville.

## Flames Level House at Hope

Fire Saturday destroyed the 10-room, 2-story dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Newt Epperson, located one mile and a half south of Hope in Hawcreek township. Origin of the fire has not been determined.

When discovered, a large section of the second floor was in flames. Without a telephone in the home no general alarm of the fire was sounded and the blaze was out of control when volunteers arrived.

## 1943\_11\_15\_Theater No. 5 Burns at Camp

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Camp Atterbury, Nov. 15 (Special)—Col. Herbert G. Esden, commander of the 1584th Service unit, was promoted from the rank of lieutenant colonel this week. He has had 28 years of Army service.

Originally with the National guard of Nebraska, he joined the regular Army in 1917, and later served both in Alaska and Hawaii with infantry divisions. He served at numerous military installations in this country, including Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., and Indiana university, commanding the R.O.T.C. unit at I. U. He is a native of Sidney, Ia.

#### NINE OTHERS PROMOTED.

Six officers—three in the 1560th Service unit and three in the 1537th Service unit—received promotions during the past week, it has been announced by Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander.

New ranks in the 1560th are Maj. O. J. Peeling, post billeting officer and defense counsel on general and special court here; 1st Lt. Richard L. Ahlf, Military Police section, and 1st Lt. Garver Lutz, range supply officer.

In the 1537th the new titles are: Capt. George Wacker, mess officer for the prisoner of war camp; 1st Lt. Stanley G. Costine and 1st Lt. Lester Fogg, both company commanders in the 1537th.

The promotion of three officers in the 317th Station hospital was announced recently. Advanced to captain was Vincent D. Castri-gano of the Dental corps, and new 1st lieutenants are John A. Redmond, detachment commander, and John G. Torrey, special service officer for the unit. Lts. Torrey and Redmond were graduated from the same class at the Medical Administrative school, Carlisle Barracks, Pa., assigned to Fort Thomas, Ky., and simultaneously transferred to Atterbury.

## 1943\_11\_15\_Promotions in hospital unit

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## NURSES' AID UNIT FORMED

To Register This Week For 80  
Hour Training Course At  
Atterbury Hospital

Formation of a nurses' aids unit in Johnson county as a part of the U. S. Citizens' Defense Corps was announced today. Registration will take place all week at the Red Cross headquarters in Masonic Temple here, or applicants may phone Mrs. Iva Herriott, Women's Director of OCD, Phone 285. It is hoped at least 100 women and girls will sign up for the 80-hour training course, to be held in Station hospital at Camp Atterbury.

Authorization to wear Nurses' Aides uniform with sleeve insignia is granted to trainees during that part of their course which consists of practice work in hospitals.

However, authority to wear the cap insignia in addition to the sleeve insignia is granted only when Nurses' Aides successfully complete the training course.

Formation of the unit is being taken in view of the recent decision to open a county hospital in the Armory here, and is being done also in view of the shortage of nurses at Station hospital, where many will be asked to help.

In order to continue as a Nurses' Aide, each person who has met the requirements must satisfactorily complete, within one year of becoming a member, the 20-hour first aid course for civilian defense, and 150 hours of hospital service. Such persons must also complete such additional courses of training as may be prescribed by joint agreement between civilian defense and the Red Cross.

As members of the Citizens' Defense Corps, Nurses' Aides will normally be on call of emergency service in hospitals, in casualty stations or at first aid posts. However, personal qualifications and family responsibilities will be taken into account in determining the type of duty for which Nurses' Aides are to be called.

## 1943-11\_15\_Nurse's air Unit formed at Atterbury Hospital

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## ITEMS NEEDED AT ATTERBURY

**Red Cross Council Responsible  
For Providing Many Articles  
Which Public May Donate**

Mrs. Donald Dungan, recently appointed chairman of the Johnson County Red Cross Camp and Hospital council, is organizing the chapter committee in order to provide comfort articles not provided by the military for the officers and enlisted men of sixteen military posts in Indiana. These articles vary from pianos to coat hangers.

In a recent meeting at Stout Field in Indianapolis the Johnson county chapter was asked to provide a number of articles for Freeman Field, Seymour; Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, and Camp Atterbury Station hospital.

The articles needed for the Freeman Field hospital are two floor lamps, four ping-pong sets, two end tables, 25 ash traps, one radio, and two floor lamps for the day rooms.

For Atterbury Station hospital to use during the Christmas holidays 500 pounds of candy, and 300 gift packages. Gifts have already been made of one violin, and 25 decks of cards. Plans are being made to make 200 utility bags and 500 tray covers.

In order to provide these articles it has been hoped that various clubs and organizations will assume responsibility for certain projects. To date the Johnson county chapter has

been slow in providing the needed articles. In the near future, Mrs. Dungan will meet with her committee to make plans, but in the meantime any one wishing to contribute anything may call her.

A pool table and any types of musical instruments are very badly needed and anyone wishing to contribute these is asked to get in touch with Mrs. Dungan or the production center.

## 300 BARTHOLOMEW 4-H CLUBBERS VISIT CAMP

Camp Atterbury, Oct. 29. — Approximately 300 members of 4-H clubs of Bartholomew county visited Camp Atterbury, Tuesday morning, as a reward for their work in the clubs.

All of the visitors had won blue or red ribbons on their 4-H projects at the County fair in July, or the township shows in August.

While in camp, the young people visited the tank destroyer area, warehouse section, post laundry, hospital, a chapel, sports arena, a Service club and a Post exchange.

In charge of the group were A. V. Keesling, Bartholomew county agent; O. E. Anderson, assistant county agent, and Annabelle Clawson, home demonstration agent.



## 1943\_10\_29\_Items needs at Atterbury and Freeman

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# Aviation Cadet Is Killed Near Seymour

Seymour, Oct. 20 (INS). — One aviation cadet was killed in the crash of a Freeman Field Army Base plane 14 miles south of Brownstown yesterday, public relations officers at the base said today. A second cadet escaped without injury.

The officers said names of the cadets would be released as soon as the victim's next of kin had been notified.

1943\_10\_20\_FREEMAN FIELD aviation cadet killed

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# ATTERBURY CONTRIBUTES OVER 1,000 TONS IN SALVAGE DRIVE

Camp Atterbury, Oct. 20.—This camp is continuing its work of salvaging all vital materials and putting them back into channels where they will be re-used in the war program, according to Maj. J. C. Frame, chief, quartermaster branch.

During the past six months, 397,785 pounds of used tin cans have been shipped to "de-tinning" mills where they will be processed for further use. The flattened cans have been turned in from all mess halls in camp.

Over 300,000 pounds of scrap iron and steel, and 200,000 pounds of light sheet iron have been salvaged and sent on their way during the past eight months. Most of the metal was gathered from farms and farm buildings in the camp area.

## Grease And Bones, Too.

The mess halls here also have contributed in one year 300,000 pounds of cooked greases, 80,000 pounds of "trap" grease, and 600,000 pounds of bones. The grease will provide glycerin to be used in the

manufacture of ammunition, and the bones will be used in making fertilizer.

Corrugated boxes that served as packages for products used in camp have been salvaged and 350,000 pounds of them have been returned for other needs during the past year. Also 60,000 pounds of old newspapers have been salvaged.

All money received for these salvaged items has gone to the United States Treasury, helping to economize as well as aid in the war program. Lt. Alfred M. Scharff is post salvage officer.

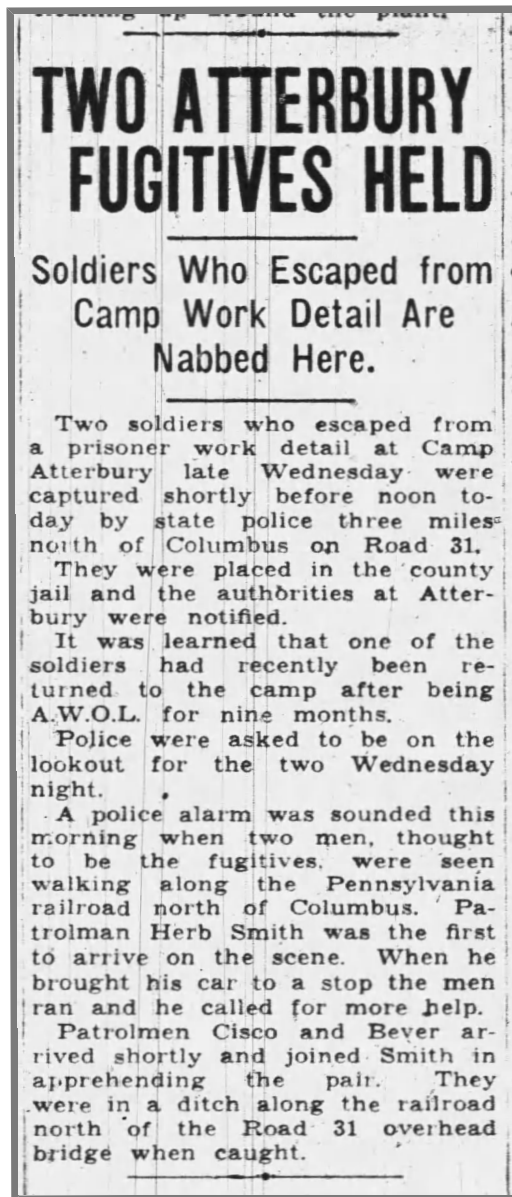
1943\_10\_20\_Atterbury contributes over 1000 tons of scrap

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## 1943\_10\_14\_Two Atterbury fugitives held in Columbus

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# Many Italian Prisoners Just Want to Go Home

Declaration of war by Italy on her former Axis partner, Germany, was the source of mixed reaction today among Italian prisoners of war interned at Camp Atterbury, according to Col. Welton M. Modisette, Atterbury commander.

Individual reaction depended on home-life sympathies, Colonel Modisette said after a personal tour of the Italians' quarters.

"Many who supported the King and Badoglio are hopeful that Italian regiments will be formed to fight the Germans. Others still are loyal to Mussolini.

"All are wondering just what the declaration of war will mean to them and their families, especially those having relatives in German-occupied territory."

## Can't Comment on Status.

Any announcement of the present status and future plans for the Italian prisoners will have to come from the War department, he said.

Associated Press reports from other Italian prisoner of war camps showed that the uppermost thought in the minds of the Italians is to return to their homeland.

Col. H. H. Glidden, camp commander at Weingarten camp, Mo., said Italy's declaration of war ap-

parently pleased the Italian prisoners there "because it opens the possibility they may return to Italy and help free their homes."

"Even before the declaration of war many prisoners asked about the possibility of their going back to fight in defense of their homes," Colonel Glidden said.

## Faithful to King.

"They come from all parts of Italy and are homeloving fellows. They are very faithful to their King."

Col. William A. Holden, commandant, said that many of the Italians in the Florence, Ariz., internment camp were anxious to return to Italy and take up arms against the Nazis.

The prisoners there, he reported, received with jubilation the news that their homeland had declared war on Germany.

Colonel Holden said when he told the prisoners that for the present their status remained unchanged they took it in good spirit.

Announcing in Washington that Italy's war declaration would not change the status of the approximately 50,000 Italian prisoners of war in this country, the War department said today that the possibility of a future change in their status was being studied.

1943\_10\_14\_Many Italian POWS just want to go home

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## NEW OFFICER AT AIR BASE

**Major Fawcett Returns as  
Commander of Field  
Here.**

Maj. R. N. Fawcett, formerly stationed at Godman field, Fort Knox, Ky., has returned to Atterbury Army Air field as commanding officer, succeeding Maj. Avery S. Keller.

Major Fawcett arrived here this week from Godman field and he and Mrs. Fawcett are planning to make their residence in Columbus.

He was the first commanding officer assigned to the field, serving as the Army Air force's first representative here when the field was activated last December. Major Fawcett arrived here on Dec. 19 as a captain and received his promotion the following day. His assignment here at that time was considered temporary. His home is at Ottawa, Ohio.

Major Keller left the local base as commanding officer Sept. 30, reporting to Third Air force headquarters at Tampa, Fla., for a new assignment. Since his departure, Capt. Roland M. Huff had been acting as commanding officer. At the present time, Captain Huff is serving as executive officer.

Lt. Arthur E. Miller, who was base adjutant, also has been transferred, reporting to Tampa, Fla., for new assignment. He had been here since arrival of the first large contingent of troops at the base last February.

## 1943\_10\_14\_Major Fawcett arrives at Atterbury Army Air Field as commanding officer

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#### VIEWS ON THE NEWS.

Apparently even the Army Air force is feeling the manpower shortage, for the word comes from Freeman field at Seymour that a sharp relaxation in the physical requirements now opens the door to youths who were rejected earlier, or would have been, for physical defects. This announcement says that new eye-sight standards allow 20-30 vision in each eye, correctable to 20-20, and that a substantial change also has been made in the efficiency rating of eye muscles, depth perception and blood pressure. Hearing acuity now allows for a minimum of 15-20 in one ear and 20-20 in the other. Minimum height is five feet, maximum six feet, four inches, with appropriate weight between 105 and 200 pounds. Dental requirements are less exacting and one of the severe tests for heart action has been discontinued.

Not only the physical, but the mental tests for aviation cadets have been altered, so that some of the applicants who failed to pass earlier will now be able to make the grade if they are still in the notion of trying. Such men are invited to try out again.

The report from Freeman field, which has an aviation cadet examining board, adds that in the six months from April to September, 155 men have been approved at that field and that many of them are already in training. Of the men accepted, 82 were civilians and 17 were only 17 years old. Most of the civilians are from Seymour, Columbus and other southern Indiana cities, but there are others from other parts of the state. The 73 enlisted men approved for flight training are from Freeman field and Camp Atterbury.

In inviting men to apply for examination or re-examination—those eliminated because of failure to pass the physical or mental tests, and those who do not know why they were eliminated—the board at Freeman field points out that those accepted will get college work as well as flight training. The college courses include 60 hours each of English, geography and modern history; 80 hours of mathematics, 180 hours of physics, and 24 hours of civil air regulations, plus 280 hours of basic military indoctrination and 10 hours of flight training. Men who are essential workers and are employed in a war industry or agriculture are not encouraged to apply.

## 1943\_10\_14\_FREEMAN FIELD requirements

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# **MEDICAL DEPOT UNIT IS FORMED**

## **Another New Company Or- ganized at Atterbury—To Supply Field Army.**

Camp Atterbury, Oct. 14 (Special)—The 28th Medical Depot company was activated here, Saturday with Lt. Col. L. J. Clark as commander. The cadre, headed by Capt. Charles J. Gorrell, came from Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark.

When fully trained, the 28th will be equipped to furnish an entire field army with all necessary medical supplies; receiving, warehousing and issuing these supplies as needed. The unit will contain clerks, carpenters, X-ray and instrument repairmen. When possible, all broken instruments received in exchange for new ones will be rebuilt on the spot and reissued. Included in the equipment will be a mobile optical repair unit.

Men in the unit represent all parts of the country, from New York to California. They have come here from Camp Grant, Ill., Camp Custer, Mich., Camp Berkeley, Texas, and Camp Robinson.

Capt. Gorrell is executive officer of the unit. First sergeant is Sam Leask III. Technical Sgt. Hollis W. Sokness is sergeant major.

Lt. Colonel Clark came here from Washington, D. C., where he was with the office of the Surgeon General. A reserve officer, he was called to active duty in January, 1941. In the Army he has taken courses at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., and at the Army Industrial school in Washington.

His home is in Des Moines, Ia. He is a graduate of Iowa State college.

1943\_10\_14\_28th Medical Depot Co activated at Camp

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# ANOTHER PLANE SUFFERS SPILL

Freeman Field Ship Slides  
in Take-off—Fliers  
Escape Injury.

Another AT-10 trainer from Freeman Army Air field suffered some damage in a minor accident about 5:30 o'clock Monday afternoon in taking off from the Grammer auxiliary field.

Although both occupants of the twin-engined plane were taken away in the ambulance stationed at the field, it was not believed they suffered any serious injury.

The plane was almost at the end of its taxi run and prepared to lift into the air when the accident occurred. With landing gear apparently up, the plane slid along the ground on its belly. Both propellers were bent when they struck against the ground. The plane was removed by truck.

While the auxiliary fields are in use an ambulance and crash truck are stationed at the fields. They return to Freeman field at Seymour each night. Another ship was damaged at the field Sunday, but both accidents were considered minor and of a type fairly common in training of the student pilots.

## 1943\_10\_12\_Another FREEMAN FIELD plane crashes at Grammer field

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# German Fighter Plane Downed By Hoosier

London, Oct. 11—(AP)—A victory over a Messerschmitt fighter plane is credited today to Captain Ellis Scripture of Greensburg. He shot the enemy fighter down during an American raid on Muenster, Germany. Airmen of the group estimate that there were as many as 250 enemy aircraft around them.

1943\_10\_11\_Greensburg flyer downs German fighter

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## Soldier Who Escaped Held—Another Sought

**Private Apprehended Here, Buddy Had Abandoned Auto—Another Stolen Here**

As the aftermath of a forcible escape from army prison custody, theft of a car at Henryville abandoned at Crothersville after a pursuit by police, and the subsequent theft of another automobile in Seymour Sunday night, one soldier is being held at Brownstown for military authorities and a second is being sought throughout this section of Indiana.

Pvt. Leo H. Miller, Indianapolis R17, was taken into custody Sunday while standing on a small culvert on U. S. Road 31 just south of the junction with U. S. Road 50 southeast of Seymour by Officer Walter G. LaMaster and Officer Clifford E. McCarty, of the Seymour state police post, because of his resemblance to description of youths who had stolen an automobile Saturday night at Henryville. He had no draft registration papers on him.

### Same Officer Acts.

"You're the officer that picked me up five years ago for running away from home."

That was the admission made to Officer Walter G. LaMaster, of the local state police post, after he had taken Pvt. Leo H. Miller into custody southeast of the city Sunday for escaping from the U. S. Army prison at Fort Knox, an offense considerably more serious than running away from home.

Later at the local post, Pvt. Miller admitted that he and two other soldiers had overpowered a guard at Fort Knox, Ky., and related that they had swam a river, concealed themselves all night in a woods and went without anything to eat until Sunday in making their escape. One left the group at Jeffersonville and the other two took the Henryville automobile. The men were in plain clothes.

### Pursue Automobile.

Trist of the stolen car was picked up south of Crothersville by Officers Jack Curry and Walter Schindler, of the local post, shortly after midnight Saturday, about thirty minutes after it was stolen. They pursued the car but the driver cut suddenly around the corner at Cutshaw's service station in Crothersville and had abandoned the car when the officers, who were driving too fast to make the turn, returned to the station corner.

Miller told Officer LaMaster that the second soldier for whom they were looking was under the culvert on Road 31 at the time they apprehended him. State police and military police scoured the coun-

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## 1943\_10\_11\_Escaped soldier held - another sought

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# Soldier Who Escaped Held-- Another Sought

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tryside southeast of the city Sunday afternoon and night and learned that he had been given a "lift" into Seymour. The theft of a 1930 model roadster was reported stolen in Seymour later and officers suspect that the other soldier took the car to make his getaway.

1943\_10\_11\_Escaped soldier - Continued

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## Col. Baldinger Visits Air Field on Business

Colonel Ora M. Baldinger, staff provost marshal of the Eastern Flying Training Command with headquarters at Maxwell Field, Ala., was at Freeman Field today on official business. He arrived Sunday night.

Colonel Baldinger was stationed at Freeman Field eleven months where he was the post engineering liaison officer and assistant commandant. He was transferred to Maxwell Field the first part of September.

He reports that his mother, Mrs. Eliza Baldinger, ninety years old, who is with him at Maxwell Field, is enjoying good health.

1943\_10\_11\_Col Baldinger visits FREEMAN FIELD

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## DUNLAPS BUILD SERVICE CLUB

Dunlap and Company of this city has been awarded a contract at Freeman Army Air field, Seymour, for remodelling administration buildings into a servicemen's club and has started work on the project. The contract is under \$10,000.

The administration buildings will be connected, forming one building for use as a servicemen's club and center. The local company recently completed work of converting another building at the field into an officers' club.

The Dunlap firm also is installing air conditioning and ventilation equipment at Freeman field and has been putting in additional telephone booths and facilities at Camp Atterbury and Atterbury Army Air field.

1943\_10\_07\_Dunlaps to build FREEMAN FIELD service club

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## Red Cross Nurses Aides are Unsung Heroines in Home Front Activities



Front row, left to right—Mrs. T. P. Knoedler, Mrs. Roy Eggers, Mrs. Omar Bennett, Mrs. Fieldie Whittington, Mrs. Lydia Lustig, Mrs. Valford Whitesides, Mrs. George Clark and Miss Olive Murphy; second row, Mrs. Helen Smith, Mrs. A. F. McFarland, Mrs. Lawrence Siekmann and Mrs. John Scheier; third row, Mrs. Roy Murphy, Mrs. Edward Noblitt, Mrs. Bateman Parker and Mrs. Paris Letsinger.

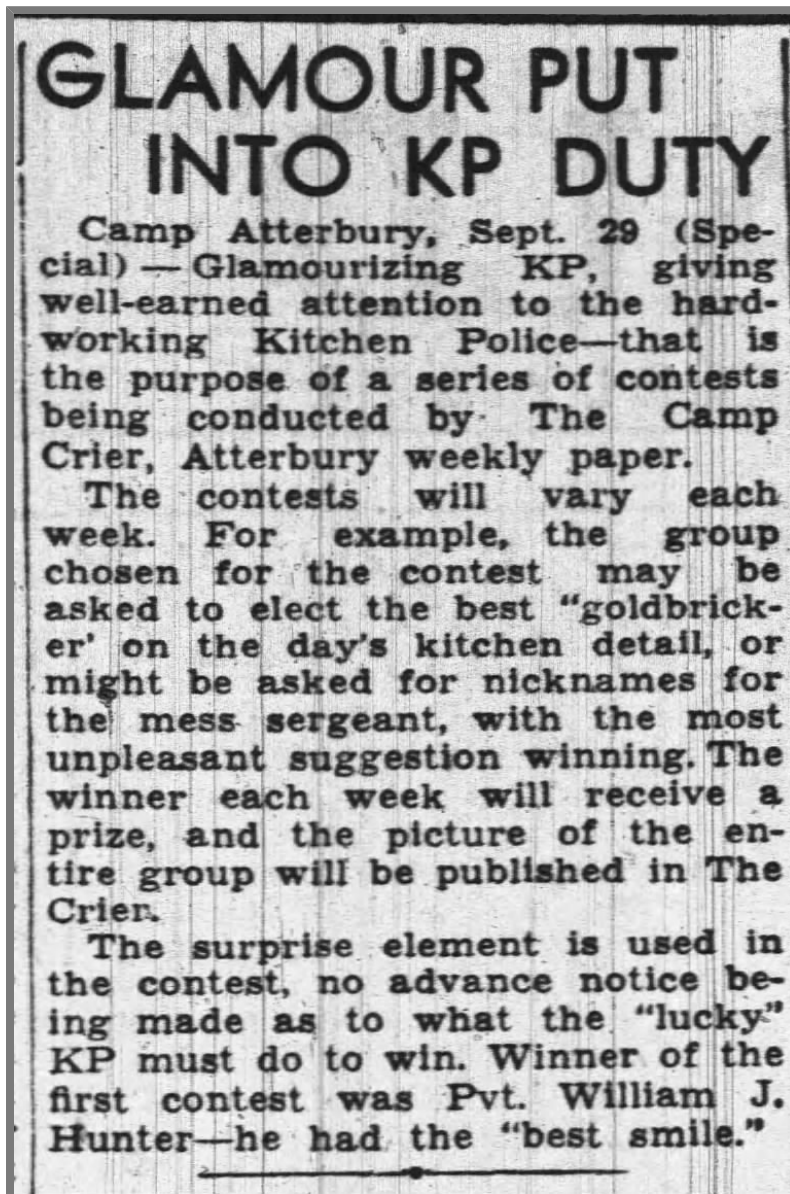
## 1943\_10\_06\_Photo of Red Cross Nurses Aides

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1943\_10\_06\_Glamour put into KP Duty

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# GRADUATE AT FREEMAN FIELD

Another cadet class graduated last week from Freeman Army Air field at Seymour, with Mayor Joe M. Kilgore of Seymour as the guest speaker.

Among members of the graduating class 43-I were "three flying musketeers," three cadets who were overseas together as enlisted men and were "buddies" all the way through training for their wings. The three, Lts. Craig Kennedy, John E. Jurica and Joseph Kerber, were formerly enlisted men serving in a bombardment group in Puerto Rico.

Freeman field, formerly under the jurisdiction of the 28th Training wing at George field, near Vincennes, has been re-designated and is now under the 30th Flying Training wing with headquarters at Jackson, Miss.

1943\_10\_06\_Class 43-I graduates at FREEMAN FIELD

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## 2 Nazis' Freedom Jaunt Lasts Only 18 Hours

The freedom of two German war prisoners who escaped late Friday night from the Austin cannery of the Morgan Packing company was short-lived.

The two were captured by State Police Detective Donald Winn in a field four miles east of Brownstown at 5:40 o'clock Saturday afternoon, about 18 hours after the prisoners escaped. Brownstown is 20 miles from Austin by highway.

Unable to speak English and confused as to directions, the prisoners had little chance of escaping the soldier and police net thrown around the Austin area. The circumstances of their capture indicated that the two pulled the escape attempt without outside assistance.

Detective Winn reported that the two prisoners, Erich Wulf, 31, and Karl Zigann, 21, were surprised when he slipped up on them in the field.

### Covers Them With Gun.

The detective drew his revolver when about 15 feet from the men and, in English, ordered them to stand still.

The prisoners obeyed the order, but indicated they did not speak English. Detective Winn, who can speak German slightly, asked them, in German, if they could

speak German. Each quickly replied, "Jah."

Detective Winn ordered the men to walk in front of him to his automobile, giving the command in English, and the prisoners, understanding what he meant, complied and were taken back to the cannery.

The prisoners were sighted first in the field by Miss Margaret Sage of Vallonia as she was driving on Road 250 about four miles east of Brownstown. Miss Sage had heard a radio broadcast made by the state police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for Indiana residents to be on the lookout for the prisoners.

She communicated with police in Seymour, and Detective Winn, who was patrolling county roads in vicinity of Brownstown, was notified by police radio of the location of the prisoners.

The prisoners, who had been helping processing tomatoes at the Austin plant, were eating tomatoes in the field when Detective Winn approached them. They evidently had become confused about directions, and were heading east toward Austin when apprehended.

A general Midwest alarm was

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1943\_10\_04\_Two Nazis escape but quickly captured

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## 2 NAZIS' FREEDOM LASTS 18 HOURS

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given by Donald D. Hostetter, agent in charge of the FBI in Indiana, when he was advised of the escape. FBI agents, state patrolmen and local police patrolled nearly all of the county roads in central and southern Indiana, and careful checks were made of persons who crossed bridges over the Ohio river at Jeffersonville and New Albany.

The prisoners, in escaping, were believed to have hidden in a truck loaded with canned goods which left the cannery late Friday night for Bedford. The two apparently left the truck near Brownstown, northwest of Austin, and then became confused in directions.

1943\_10\_04\_Two Nazis escape - Continued

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# E. C. HURD, CAMP ARCHITECT, DIES IN PLANE CRASH

Former Local Resident Is Killed When Ship Falls Near Atterbury.

## PLANE LANDS IN LAKE

Accident Occurs After CAP Air Show Staged at Franklin Airport.

Edwin C. Hurd, 41, one of the leading figures in the planning and construction of Camp Atterbury, was killed Sunday afternoon when his airplane crashed into Saunders lake, near the northeast edge of the Hoosier training camp he helped design. Mr. Hurd was a resident of Columbus during the greater part of 1941, while plans for Camp Atterbury were being drawn at the Columbus armory.

He was the son of Charles H. Hurd of Indianapolis, head of the Hurd Engineering and Construction company of Indianapolis, architect-engineering firm on Atterbury construction, and had his offices in the local armory during the planning and early construction periods.

The fatal crash occurred Sunday noon after Mr. Hurd, a lieutenant in the Civilian Air patrol as engineer officer of Group 525, CAP, took off from the Franklin airfield, where the CAP staged an air show Sunday afternoon.

### Body in Wreckage.

His body was recovered from the wreckage after three hours had been required to recover and tow the plane ashore from ten feet of water.

Maj. Walker Winslow, commanding officer of the Indiana wing, CAP, said Mr. Hurd was the last to leave the airfield at Franklin and had gone on a private mission. He was to have returned to the Hoosier airport at Indianapolis.

According to information given Russell Cochran, Johnson county sheriff, Mr. Hurd had circled about the lake and waved to a friend who had been a workman engaged in the construction of Camp Atterbury. At a height of 200 to 300 feet the plane stalled while in a bank and plunged into the lake.

### Motor Stops, Then Starts.

Other witnesses, the sheriff said, declared that as Mr. Hurd flew over a farm in the vicinity the plane motor stopped, but cut in again almost immediately.

Two fishermen whose names were not learned, rowed to the plane, but said they were unable to extricate the body from the tangled wreckage. They said he apparently was dead then. The plane sank in about five minutes. Divers succeeded in fastening a chain to the wreckage and it was towed ashore by a tractor.

Born July 2, 1902, Mr. Hurd was graduated from Shortridge high school in 1920 and from Cornell university in 1924 when he immediately took employment with his father's company.

### Leaves Three Children.

Survivors besides the father include three children, Edwin C. Hurd, Jr., Purdie Hurd and Constance Hurd; a brother, Charles Hurd, and a sister, Mrs. Robert McMurray, all of Indianapolis.

While a resident of Columbus, Mr. Hurd kept close to the armory building, working far into each night. He arrived in Columbus in May, 1941, soon after Lt. E. K. Shimp, constructing quartermaster, came here to start the original survey for Atterbury. He remained in Columbus until January, 1943, moving to the camp area following the War department's announcement that the cantonment would be constructed.

1943\_10\_04\_E C Hurd, Camp architect dies on plan crash

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# CAP PLANE IS FORCED DOWN

A Civil Air patrol airplane, en-route from Vincennes to Rushville, made a forced landing Sunday afternoon at the Freeman Field auxiliary landing field near Grammer. The landing was made after the plane had exhausted its gasoline supply.

The pilot went to the Hughes store in Grammer, procured five gallons of gas, and continued his trip.

1943\_10\_04\_CAP Plane lands at Grammer airfield

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Pvt. and Mrs. Harold Strong of Indianapolis announce the birth of a 7-pound son, Harold, Jr., Monday at Camp Atterbury hospital. Private Strong is now stationed at Camp Lee, Va. Mrs. Strong was formerly Miss Maxine McGee of this city.

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1943\_09\_16\_Harold Strong, Jr. born at Camp hospital

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One hundred-and-fiftysix years ago, the Constitution was a revolutionary document born of the courage, found only in great men, who signed it. Today the Constitution is a *reversed* document worth fighting and dying for. It was the first statement that put forth the hopes and aspirations of a free people and is as true today as it was then. For proof you need go no further than the nearest battlefield . . . where men and women are giving their utmost . . . sacrificing everything even life itself for the ideal that each man was created free and equal. This September 17th is Constitution Day . . . the anniversary of the signing of the document upon which our nation is founded. It commemorates the birth of a new world in which every man had the right to live his life usefully and independently, beholden to no man but bound only by the principles of freedom, and the belief in right. That is what we are fighting for today!

It's up to you to sacrifice so you can put more of your money into War Bonds . . . to back the attack and supply our fighting men with the ammunition, planes, boots and tanks they need. Buy at least an extra \$100 War Bond this month . . . buy it on Constitution Day as your pledge to America! Look for this sign wherever you shop . . . and stop to buy another War Stamp.

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# National Hero's Day

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 18

Our city will be honored by two outstanding military bands from Camp Atterbury and Freeman Field.

**MAKE THIS DAY FOR OUR HEROES!**  
**SATURDAY PROGRAM**

10:30-11:30—Band Concert.  
11:30-12:30—Recorded Music and Announcements.  
12:30-1:30—Military Review and Display—Parade  
1:30-       —Display and Recorded Music.  
2:00-       —Recorded Military Music.  
2:15-       —Speakers Program—M. Lienberger, Col. Modette, Mr. John N. Dyer.  
3:15-       —Auction—Buck Wilson, M. Lienberger, Albert Schumaker, Sr.  
4:45-       —Street Dance—Bob Tallington.  
              (Soldiers Free)

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# 1943\_09\_16\_Constitution Day on Columbus

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## FIND NEW FACTS IN WAC PROBE

### All Persons Will Now Be Requestioned, Says Investigator.

The 13-day-old probe of the camp Atterbury WAC murder took a new turn today when Jesse McMurtrey, chief of Indianapolis detectives, announced that all persons previously questioned in the mystery would be questioned.

Six persons have been detained at times for questioning in connection with the death of WAC Corp. Maoma L. Ridings, but little progress has been reported toward solving the murder riddle.

However, Detective McMurtrey hinted at new leads today, with the statement:

"In the light of facts we have learned, we want to ask some more questions of all the people we have previously questioned. We also are going to talk to some of Corporal Ridings' acquaintances we have found."

#### Body Found Aug. 28.

The body of Corporal Ridings, whose home was in Warm Springs, Ga., was found in her room in the Claypool hotel at Indianapolis, Aug. 28, a few hours after she had checked in from Camp Atterbury, where she was stationed. She had been struck on the head and her face and neck slashed, apparently with pieces of a broken whiskey bottle found in the room.

Various Claypool employees and soldiers are among the persons who have been questioned in the case and who presumably will be called in again by the police.

Police are holding three men employees of the hotel for questioning.

One employee was taken into custody Monday and the other two yesterday.

"None of the men is suspected of having committed the murder," McMurtrey said, "but we feel they have information which will help us in solving the case."

## 1943\_09\_15\_New facts in WAC murder

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## BUY TANK FOR NEW FIRE TRUCK

East Columbus Moves to Assemble First Firefighting Equipment.

East Columbus today was a step closer to its goal of obtaining modern fire-fighting equipment, with purchase of a 500-gallon tank which will be mounted on a fire truck chassis.

Purchase of the tank was announced by the Rev. A. L. Beatty, head of the East Columbus civilian defense organization. The tank was purchased at Terre Haute and is now in storage there. Provisions will have to be made for trucking it to East Columbus, the Rev. Beatty said, and if it must be moved before the fire truck chassis has been purchased, it will be necessary to find a truck to bring the tank here.

The tank is a used one and formerly was mounted on a gasoline truck. It is equipped with skids and is ready for mounting on a fire truck chassis. It was purchased through the committee headed by Otto Gatten.

### Several Considered.

The Rev. Beatty said several trucks were being considered and purchase of one is expected in the near future.

The tank will be mounted on the chassis, along with a gasoline engine driven pump, which is to be provided by the federal government. Money for purchase of the tank and truck chassis has been raised through a house-to-house canvass made in East Columbus.

Two or three hundred dollars more is to be turned in this week and the Rev. Beatty said that present funds were sufficient to assure purchase of the truck chassis. However, any person missed in the canvass who wishes to donate funds toward the fire-fighting equipment—the first for the East Columbus community—may contact the Rev. Beatty.

### Storage Arranged.

Arrangements for storing the new equipment, mounting the tank and pump on the truck and for painting already have been made.

The fire-fighting equipment, which will be available for combating fires anywhere in East Columbus, will be manned by the civilian defense auxiliary firemen, under the direction of Harry Brooks. Twenty-five East Columbus residents have received fire-fighting instructions through the Columbus fire department and the OCD, and another class is scheduled to start this month.

The Rev. Beatty also announced today that all auxiliary firemen may now obtain their OCD fire-fighting stirrup pumps by contacting him.

1943\_09\_15\_East Columbus buys tank for new fire truck

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# WAC CASE IS ROUTINE NOW

Indianapolis police today were still questioning persons who might have knowledge leading to solution of the murder of WAC Corp. Maoma Ridings, but Chief of Detectives Jesse McMurtry admitted that "we haven't a tangible working clue of promise."

"It's all hard work and just plain routine now," McMurtry said.

He added that detectives were continuing a methodical questioning of the 400 employes of Claypool hotel, where the bloodstained body of the Camp Atterbury WAC was found a week ago Saturday night.

Meanwhile, failure of clues to provide to any "break" in the mysterious slaying was leading to predictions that the murder will never be solved.

1943\_09\_09\_WAC murder case is routine now

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# Atterbury Italians Show Sorrow, Relief and Joy

Camp Atterbury, Sept. 9 (Special)—The Italian prisoners of war stationed at Camp Atterbury, when informed that Italy had surrendered, expressed mixed sentiments of sorrow, relief, and happiness. They are glad the war is over for their distressed country, but they still are Italians and soldiers, and feel keenly the natural humiliation of military defeat.

Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, talked with different groups at work and at exercise, and to skilled artisans working on frescoes on the Catholic shrine they are building. The reaction was the same everywhere. Tears came into some eyes—the tears of defeated soldiers loyal to their country, tears of happiness for the safety of their loved ones at home. Pictures of wives and children were shown, expressing their paramount feeling for their welfare.

Their thoughts also concern the future of their country and the fear of the Germans there, and what Germany might do to Italy. They apparently dislike and distrust Germany and Japan and approved when told we would help drive the Germans from their soil. All express a friendly attitude toward the United States and no hostility whatever is displayed as a result of our victory. Many have blood relatives in this country and some had the fear when fighting us that they might kill their own people who were

Americans.

They are still soldiers of Italy. They realize that the cessation of hostilities will save lives of their people, especially from bombings. They do not want more war and more suffering for their country. They say they are proud they did their duty as soldiers, but they have the soldiers' sadness of defeat. They worry about tomorrow for their homeland and their families there.

## Release of U. S. Prisoners Expected

Bartholomew county men held as prisoners of war by Italy probably will obtain their freedom in the near future, according to an announcement today by the British War office which said that Italy's surrender is expected to mean release of approximately 2,000 Americans and 70,000 British and Canadian troops and civilians.

"It can be assumed that the unconditional surrender accepted by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower took into account the immediate release of all prisoners of war and that they will reach Allied hands as soon as conditions allow," the British war office said today.

High British officers held in Italy include Air Marshal O. T. Boyd and Major Gen. Carton Dewhart.

Associated Press War Correspondents Larry Allen and Godfrey H. P. Anderson are among the civilian prisoners.

1943\_09\_09\_Italian POWS show Sorrow, Relief and Joy at Italy's surrender

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# QUIZ SOLDIERS AS WAC MURDER CLUES FIZZLE

Servicemen, Hotel Guests  
on Night of Death, to Be  
Questioned.

CODE NOTE DISCOUNTED

Sister and Aunt of Corporal  
Ridings Arrive to Aid  
Probe.

Investigation of the slaying of WAC Cpl. Maona L. Ridings switched temporarily today to Fort Benjamin Harrison, while Indianapolis Police Chief Clifford F. Becker said he was increasing the staff of detectives working on the case.

Chief Becker also strongly discounted a piece of evidence claimed by the Marion county prosecutor's investigators—a partly coded letter which remained unpublished.

"Because a great deal of investigating work lies ahead," Becker said, "I will assign several other detectives to the case. The police department is charged with the responsibility of capturing the murderer, and deputy prosecutors who discovered the letter should have turned it over to the police department if it was significant. Because they did not do so, I feel certain the letter would be of no help."

Deputy Prosecutors Move Out.

Apparently leaving solution of the 15-day-old mystery to the police, deputy prosecutors said Tuesday night they were moving out of the Clappool hotel room where they had established investigating headquarters and where the 22-year-old Camp Atterbury WAC was slain.

It was shortly after the investigators set up headquarters in the hotel room that they reported finding on a chandelier a mysterious, partly-coded letter bearing a cryptic, meaningless legend on the outside of the envelope. Its contents have not been disclosed.

The Ft. Harrison soldiers, who have previously been questioned, have re-entered the case because of newly-found facts of an odd character.

One of the men was registered in a room a short distance from Corporal Ridings' room on the murder night but a check of the housekeepers records shows that the room was unoccupied.

But Bath Was Used.

On the other hand, the shower bath in this same soldier's room was used on the murder night and the wet towel subsequently was sent to the laundry.

The second soldier to be questioned had registered during the afternoon in a room across the hallway later taken by the WAC corporal, whose blood-smeared body was discovered shortly after 8 o'clock.

A hotel executive, entering the soldier's room to use a telephone, discovered that the soldier had not occupied his room prior to the murder. At least, it is reported, there was no evidence of a guest having been in the room which had been rented some hours previously.

A sister and an aunt of Corporal Ridings arrived in Indianapolis today from Warm Springs, Ga. to aid authorities in their investigation of the case.

Mrs. Ralph Williams, Corporal Ridings' sister, and Mrs. A. S. Persons, her aunt, were to confer with detectives later in the day.

Detectives also were continuing their search for missing black silk nightgowns or slips, the slain young woman is reported to have purchased at a downtown department store. They were particularly interested in learning when the missing articles were bought. The authorities learned that the saleswoman who sold the articles is on vacation and thus far they have been unable to determine when the purchase was made.

1943\_09\_08\_RE-Quiz soldiers as clues fizzle in WAC murder

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## PRISONERS MAY BE RELEASED BY ITALY TO ALLIES

At Least Four Bartholomew  
County Men Held Over  
There.

'ENEMIES' HERE HAPPY

Group Working at Cannery  
Hail News With Grins  
and Shouts.

Italy's surrender was big news to Columbus today, but it meant even more to the Italian prisoners of war here and to the families of at least four Bartholomew county men listed as prisoners of the Italians.

Listed as prisoners of the Italians are Pvt. Marshall Patterson, brother of Mrs. Robert Lutz of Route 4; Pvt. Donald Klipsch, son of Mrs. Gladys Klipsch of New Castle and a native of this county; Pfc. Ralph E. Blair, brother of James Blair of 287 Jackson street, and Sherman Skaggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Skaggs of Taylorsville.

With the unconditional surrender of Italy, it is presumed that these men will be released from Italian prison camps within the near future.

Word of the surrender also brought shouts and grins from the Italian prisoners of war working at the local plant of the Morgan Packing company.

"Back to Italy!"

The Italians did not learn of the surrender announcement until a few minutes before the lunch hour.

While outside to eat, the Italians kept repeating a word that sounded like surrender and saying over and over again in Italian, "Back to Italy! Back to Italy!"

"They like it," said one of the American soldier guards. But their pleasure was evident on their faces and, although it may have hurt their pride a little, the surrender meant a shortening of the time before they will be able to rejoin their families.

While youthful in appearance, a number of the Italian soldiers have two and three children in Italy.

The surrender of Italy immediately brought up the question of what is to be done with the Italian prisoners of war in United States internment camps, such as that at Camp Atterbury.

Will Require Time.

While no information was made public today on the fate of Italian war prisoners, it appeared probable that it would be some time before the Italians could be transferred back to their native land because of present pressure on that country from Germany.

The surrender also brought up the question of continued use of the Italians on farms and at other jobs not connected directly with the war effort. The Italian soldiers have been working on Bartholomew county farms, as well as in plants of the Morgan packing company, their labor helping solve a serious manpower shortage.

## 1943\_09\_08\_Italian POWS may be released to Itay

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# Planes to Bombard City With Leaflets to Open Third War Loan Drive

'Paul Revers' Will Ride  
Through Streets Announc-  
ing Start of Sale.

DOOR-TO-DOOR CANVASS  
Every Citizen to Be Given  
Opportunity to Help  
'Back the Attack.'

With motifs of 1776 and 1943—  
torsoes—riders depicting Paul  
Revere carrying the news through  
the streets and 3-motored air-  
planes roaring overhead—the Third  
War loan campaign will be offi-  
cially ushered into the city of  
Columbus at 8 o'clock Thursday  
afternoon.

During the 6-hour period start-  
ing at 8 p. m., every citizen of  
Columbus and East Columbus will  
be given an opportunity to help  
'Back the Attack' through the  
purchase of War bonds. The rural  
campaign also will be inaugu-  
rated at 8 p. m. with 125 neighbor-  
hood groups contacting in all sec-  
tors of the county in a farm-to-  
farm canvass.

The Third War loan goal for  
Bartholomew, \$1,494,600 set by  
the Treasury department, is the  
biggest financial target in the his-  
tory of the county, but leaders of  
the war finance committee have  
set about the task confident of  
victory.

**Merchants Meet at Mode.**  
"It will be necessary for every  
man, woman and child in the  
community to go all out in buy-  
ing bonds if we are to go 'over  
the top' in this campaign, but I  
know we can do it," declared  
Meredith Linsberger, war finance  
committee chairman. "The peo-  
ple know what our boys are do-  
ing on the fighting fronts through-  
out the world, and it is up to us  
to every one of us on the home  
front to back them to the hilt."

The stage for the retail mer-  
chants' part in the campaign was  
set this morning when employees  
got together at a merchants War  
bond rally at the Mode theater.

The advance bond sale for  
Friday night at Crump's theater  
under the sponsorship of the Elks  
lodge was reported today progress-  
ing satisfactorily. The Elks head-  
quarters in the room formerly oc-  
cupied by Kep's lunch on Wash-  
ington street was one of the busi-  
est places in town Tuesday. The  
rush of citizens to buy bonds and  
secure tickets for the rally con-  
tinued throughout the day.

**Wardens Meet Tonight.**  
Tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the  
high school, auditorium approxi-  
mately 300 civilian defense air  
raid block wardens and officials  
will assemble to receive instruc-  
tions for the house-to-house can-  
vass of Columbus and East Co-  
lumbus. The wardens will make  
their rounds from 8 to 9 o'clock  
Thursday night and citizens are  
urged to give their fullest coopera-  
tion.

In officially opening the cam-  
paign, members of the local Red-  
dick club will ride through the  
residential sections ringing bells  
to provide the Paul Revere atmos-  
phere.

A squadron of planes from  
Fresno field at Seymour, ac-  
cording to the cooperation of  
Col. E. T. Rundquist, will soar  
through the clouds over the city,  
dropping leaflets on which will be  
printed the challenge, "Back the  
Attack—Buy War Bonds."

**Whistles to Blow.**  
Ray Henderson, war finance  
committee chairman in charge of  
community events, also announced  
that factory whistles and church  
bells will sound for the campaign  
opening, and a truck furnished  
by Fred Schildmeyer, on which  
will be mounted a "Tabery bell,"  
will tour the city.

In the rural sector of the War  
bond campaign, 362 neighborhood  
leaders will make canvasses of  
their neighborhood groups, with  
approximately 3,200 farm families  
in the county to be contacted.  
The rural canvass will run from  
8 to 9 p. m., with leaders com-  
pleting their canvass on Friday  
and Saturday, if more time is re-  
quired. The neighborhood leaders  
are to make their reports to the  
township committees by Satur-  
day.

movie shorts were shown. One  
was the film, "The Seven Fighting  
Words," which was presented here  
for the first time in Indiana. Im-  
mediately after its showing it  
was shipped to Lafayette.

Each salesperson present signed  
a pledge to sell \$200 worth of  
War stamps or bonds during the  
Third War loan campaign.

**Hope Bond Forces  
Are Mobilized**

Mobilized to "Back the Attack"  
through the sale of War bonds,  
members of three organizations in  
the town of Hope and Hawesville  
township are prepared for their  
house-to-house canvass Thursday  
evening.

Willard Winscott, cashier of the  
Hope State bank, is the war fi-  
nance chairman at Hope and Wil-  
liam Dalmer is the chairman of  
the retail merchants division.

Members of the Hawesville Farm  
bureau, the Hope Business Men's  
organization and the Kappa Kappa  
Sigma sorority will work for the  
success of the drive in the Hope  
vicinity.

**Have 100 Percent  
Turnout at Meeting**

District air raid wardens and  
their lieutenants from Columbus  
and East Columbus turned out  
100 percent for a War bond  
meeting held Tuesday night at  
City hall.

Speakers at the meeting were  
Meredith Linsberger, chairman of  
the county war finance commit-  
tee; Mr. H. Amlak, county civilian  
defense director, and Frederick M.  
Sutter, head of the local air raid  
organization.

Supplies were distributed and  
the various features of the house-  
to-house canvass scheduled for  
Thursday were explained.

Tonight the entire civilian de-  
fense air raid personnel, totaling  
between 400 and 600 mem-  
bers, will meet at the high school au-  
ditorium to receive final instruc-  
tions and supplies for the cam-  
paign.

**BROTHER KILLED  
IN AFRICA AREA**

Local Relatives Get Word of  
Death of Harlan Short  
of North Vernon.

Pfc. Harlan Short, 34, brother of  
Kenneth W. Short and Mrs.  
Charles Vogel of this city and  
Mrs. John R. Johnson of Route 2,  
was killed in action Aug. 10 in  
the North African area, according  
to a telegram received from the  
War department today by the lo-  
cal brother, who resides at 707  
Werner avenue.

Private Short, entered services  
as a volunteer at North Vernon  
Feb. 15, 1941. He was the son of  
the late Mr. and Mrs. William  
Short of North Vernon and was  
employed at the North Vernon  
Roller mill prior to entering ser-  
vice.

He had been serving in the  
North Africa area with an infan-  
try regiment and was last reported  
with General Patton's Seventh  
army in the invasion of Sicily.

Another brother, Staff Sgt. Paul  
Short, also has been serving in  
North Africa and was wounded  
during the earlier stages of the  
African invasion. He was recently  
discharged from a hospital in the  
war zone.

Other survivors include four  
brothers, Herbert Short, Raymond  
Short and Hubert Short, all of  
North Vernon, and Ralph Short  
of Cincinnati; a half-brother, John  
Short of Seymour; and five other  
sisters, Mrs. Loren Rogers of Sey-  
mour, Mrs. Charles Richman of  
Montezuma, Iowa; Mrs. Eliza-  
beth Johnson, near North Ver-  
non; Mrs. Leroy Mann of Frank-  
lin and Miss Dorothy Short of In-  
dianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Vogel reside at  
525 Eighth street, but are plan-  
ning to move to North Vernon in  
the near future. Mr. and Mrs.  
Kenneth Short moved to Colum-  
bus a little more than a year ago  
and he is employed at Cummins  
Engine company.

CANNING PLANT

## 1943\_09\_08\_FREEMAN FIELD planes to drop leaflets over Columbus for Bond Sale

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## Parolee Arrested In WAC's Death

Indianapolis, Sept. 6—(AP)—A fifty-seven-year-old parolee from Indiana state prison was arrested late yesterday for questioning in the slaying of WAC Corporal Maoma Ridings in an Indianapolis hotel more than a week ago. The parolee, who was not identified, was arrested after Lieutenant Noel Jones, in charge of the investigation, said he wanted to question him.

Jones said the man had been employed as an attendant in a state institution and that he had been sentenced originally on a larceny charge. Detectives declined to disclose the man's connection with the case or what evidence had been uncovered that may have pointed to him. They disclosed, however, they also are searching for a "mystery man" supposed to have been a close acquaintance of the corporal's.

1943\_09\_06\_Parolee arrested in WAC's murder

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## Crothersville Youth Is Back in Custody

Pvt. Merle Gullett, of Crothersville, one of three soldiers who escaped from a work detail at Camp Atterbury on July 20, has been returned to Camp Atterbury, completing the recapture of the three fugitives.

Gullett was reported to have given himself up to civilian police at Nashville, Tenn., and was then taken back to Camp Atterbury.

He told military officers that after leaving Atterbury and hiding in fields along U. S. Road 31 he had stayed in Columbus for two days. From there, he went to Indianapolis and then to Louisville, Akron and Cleveland, Ohio and then made his way south.

Gullett and two other soldier prisoners, Luciano Gallo and Clinton Smith, overpowered a guard while on a work detail at Atterbury and fled the reservation. The other two were captured at Shelbyville two days later.

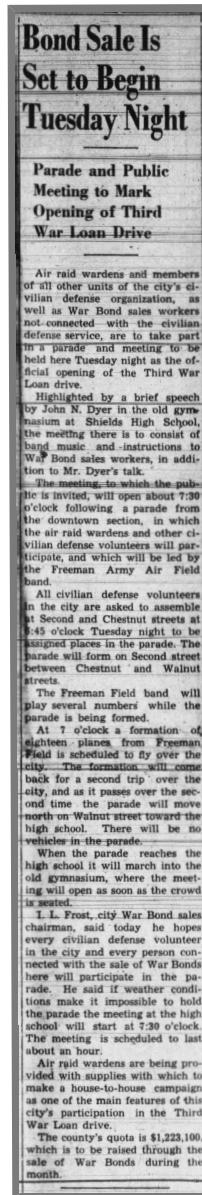
1943\_09\_06\_Escaped Pvt is re-captured

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# 1943\_09\_06\_3rd Bond Sale opens. Freeman planes to do fly-over


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**Held in Murder**



(NEA Telephoto)  
Robert de Armond, above, was held in connection with the murder of WAC Corp. Maoma L. Ridings in an Indianapolis hotel.

**WAC CASE CLUES REACH DEAD-END**

**To Release Steward—Autopsy Shows Little Whiskey Consumed.**

All clues to the murder of Corp. Maoma Little Ridings, Camp Atterbury WAC, appeared to be dead-ends today and Indianapolis police prepared to release their last suspect, Robert De Armond, Claypool hotel steward.

Robert Woolfington, bailer at Claypool hotel, where the slain WAC's body was found Saturday night, was released Friday after being held and questioned for three days.

It was reported by police late Friday that Corp. Emanuel Fisher, Camp Atterbury soldier, who went to Indianapolis on a bus to keep a date with Corporal Ridings, had revealed that he called her room at 6:30 o'clock Saturday night from the hotel lobby and that the call was not answered. He said he called the room several times at intervals of a few minutes and then attended a movie. When he called again at 8:40 p. m., a detective answered.

**Death-Hour Earlier?**

This report would seem to indicate that Corporal Ridings was either out of the room after 8:30 or that her murder occurred about that time. Police previously had believed that the murder took place about 8 o'clock.

An official autopsy report on the death of Corporal Ridings, submitted by staff medical officers at Fort Benjamin Harrison station hospital, stated that she was struck a hard blow on the head before her body was slashed and mutilated with a broken whiskey bottle.

It also disclosed that Corporal Ridings had consumed only a minute quantity of whiskey before she was attacked.

A glass about one-third full of a highball mixture was found in her room at the hotel.

Coroner Roy B. Storms declined to elaborate on the anatomical reports relating to criminal assault, although it previously had been indicated that police believed she was assaulted before or after her death.

## 1943\_09\_04\_WAC case clues reach dead-end

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# PLANE CRACKS UP IN TAKE-OFF AT WALESBORO

Freeman Instructor and  
Student Escape With  
Scratched Elbows.

FIRST ACCIDENT HERE

Ship Slides to Stop in  
Alfalfa Field, After  
Skidding 450 Feet.

A twin-engined training plane from Freeman Army Air field, failing to gain altitude in a take-off this morning from the Walesboro auxiliary flying field, ripped the fence around the field, then bounced and slid 450 feet through an alfalfa field before coming to a stop.

The instructor and student who were in the plane escaped with only scratches on their elbows, resulting from bumping across the rough field.

Although Bartholomew county skies have been full of military planes for weeks, the crack-up this morning was the first reported here.

Damage to the silver training plane appeared to be confined to bent and twisted propellers, a broken wing tip and dents in the underpart of the motor housings.

Plane Slides on Belly.

The accident occurred about 10 o'clock as the student and instructor were starting to lift the plane off the field, headed eastward.

Witnesses said the plane rose into the air and then came back down again, tearing through the fence on the east side of the flying field, bounded into the alfalfa field of Benjamin VonFange across the road on the east side of the flying field and then slid on its belly a distance of around 450 feet. The plane stopped about 15 feet from another fence, headed northeast.

The student pilot, who was at the controls at the start of the take-off, said the plane was brought in on a belly-landing because of danger in turning over if the wheels were put down.

Asked who brought the plane to its sliding landing, the student replied, "Everybody was trying to."

Light Mist Falling.

There was no immediate explanation for the plane's failure to take off properly. However, a light mist was falling at the time and it was thought possible a thin coating of ice might have formed on the wings while at high altitude.

The plane stopped about 400 feet from the edge of the flying field after what appeared to have been a masterful job in keeping it under control in spite of a sharp rise in the ground over which the plane bounded. Its two motor housings cut a deep double path through the alfalfa field.

Immediately after the accident, the instructor was taken on a motorcycle to Walesboro, from where he called Freeman field at Seymour. The accident brought a number of Freeman field planes hovering over the Walesboro field, some of them landing to inspect the damage. A large crowd of spectators gathered at the scene.

It was believed the plane would be partly dismantled and then trucked back to the main field.

Only a few planes have been using the Walesboro field, although the number is expected to be increased within the near future.

1943\_09\_04\_1st plan to crash at Walesboro Field

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## LINEMEN LEARN WAR TACTICS

Camp Atterbury, Aug. 31 (Special)—Security measures against attacks from the air and by ground troops are being simulated by officers and men of the 31st Signal Construction battalion. These measures were learned while the organization was on maneuvers in Tennessee and was "attacked" by actual planes and tanks.

In their practice here, one section attempts infiltration tactics to interrupt the line work of another section—and a merry battle results.

Modern equipment for pole line work is now the standard equipment for the battalion. It has earth-borer machinery, mounted on and powered by trucks, that can dig holes much faster than men can set the poles. The earth-borers are equipped with booms to lend a hand with the poles.

This machine is also a soldier's paradise as it comes equipped with a 5-gallon thermos container for cold or warm drinks, as the climate may require.

Shortly after the 31st was activated here, the battalion was shown a training film on pole line work, and the men gasped at the way the soldier actors climbed poles. Issued belts and hooks the men started to climb poles, and in a short time were duplicating the feats in the film.

## 1943\_09\_01\_Linemen learn war tactics - 31st Signal Construction BN

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## SHIP TO HONOR GENERAL TIPTON

Liberty Vessel Will Bear  
Name of One of Founders  
of This City.

One of the six Liberty ships now under construction in California will be named for Gen. John Tipton, Indiana soldier who donated 30 acres of land for the site of the city of Columbus—which also bore his name for one month.

Announcement that one of the ships would be named for Tipton was made in Washington, D. C. The new Liberty ships are under construction at the California Shipbuilding corporation yards at Wilmington, Cal., and all will be named in honor of American historical characters.

In addition to being a soldier and one of the leaders in the Indian battle of Tippecanoe, General Tipton also served as an Indiana senator and Indian agent.

### Built on Tipton Knoll

The land on which Columbus now stands was bought in August, 1820, by General Tipton and Luke Bonesteel. In that year General Tipton erected a log house on Mt. Tipton, now called Tipton Knoll, and located at the west end of Third street. During the early life of the city, Third street was named Tipton street, but later when all east-west streets were numbered the name was changed.

General Tipton donated 30 acres for the site of the new Bartholomew county seat and the commissioners named the county seat Tiptonia in honor of the general. This was done Feb. 15, 1821. However, on March 20, the commissioners changed their minds and gave the new town the name of Columbus. The county histories are not certain why the commissioners changed their mind about the name, but expressed the belief it was because of the general's political views.

## 1943\_09\_01\_Liberty Ship to honor General Tipton of Columbus

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1943\_09\_01\_Col Modisette speaks to FREEMAN FIELD 43-H

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# They'll Take Hospital Surgery Right With Them

Camp Atterbury, Aug. 27 (Special)—Officers and men in the 36th Portable Surgical hospital are planning to do things in a different manner from other hospital units on the post—once they get to the fighting areas.

Their operating room won't be in a building or a large tent. Neither will they have numerous tents for other purposes, nor huge quantities of supplies.

Reason for this is that the portable surgical hospitals will be right in the thick of the fighting, and all equipment will be hand carried due to wheeled transportation being extremely difficult or impossible.

## Arm-Leg Transportation.

Because of this, the men in the 36th are receiving their training simulated conditions that fit in with their future duties. A fly tent serves as the operating room, and strong arms and legs form the transportation for their equipment.

In their training, speed is stressed in the constant setting up and taking down of the hospital equipment. This is done so that

the men will be able to maintain the pace of rapidly moving battle lines in the present war.

Physical training also is a major factor in the 36th's program. Since the portable units will be right at the front with the combat men, personnel of these hospital units must be as tough physically as those with the guns.

## Find Need in Jungles.

The need of such portable surgical hospital units was discovered in jungle fighting in the South Pacific areas. Since it was impossible to evacuate the wounded soldiers back to hospital bases, surgical treatment was brought up to the front lines to the wounded men.

The first of these units was formed by officers and men taken from the large hospital units in the vicinity. Their work was so efficient it led to the formation of regular portable organizations.

Maj. M. L. Zox commands the 36th Portable Surgical hospital. It is a comparatively small unit, and its men are young. But they are becoming specialists in their jobs quickly, and have something new to offer.

1943\_09\_01\_36th Portable Surgical Hospital explained

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# ASK 'WOMAN IN BLACK' TO HELP IN WAC PROBE

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serted he had nothing to do with the slaying.

"Why did you say you did," asked Judge John Niblack.

The youth replied his companions had been "kidding him" about being in Indianapolis and he made up the story.

Judge Niblack postponed a decision.

## Skirt Not Here.

A WAC skirt was found in Tibbs avenue at Indianapolis by a milkman, but detectives do not believe that it belonged to Corporal Ridings as her skirt was in the hotel room. They believe the skirt may have fallen from a laundry truck.

The female impersonator theory was only one of a multitude advanced in the fantastic mystery. One theory was the "impersonator" could possibly be an alien agent seeking information or attempting to discredit the WACS.

Detective Lt. Noel Jones, Sgt. Fae Davis and Sgt. Hunter of Indianapolis were at Atterbury Monday. They interviewed about eight WACS and soldiers who were acquaintances of the slain woman. They all said she had good habits and while she drank some, it was never to excess.

The officers said Cpl. Samuel Kaplan, occupant of Room 556 and in which a woman friend was found, knew nothing of the killing. First telephone calls were believed to have been made from his room to the hotel switchboard about a woman screaming, but later it was found there had been no such call.

The woman in black was described by Alfred Bayne, Jr., a bellhop who delivered a half dozen bottles of "coke" and ice to the WACS room. Corporal Ridings registered at the hotel between 4:30 and 4:45 o'clock Saturday afternoon and the bellhop visited the room at 4:45.

Bayne said Corporal Ridings answered the door, paid him and the "woman in black" was sitting on the bed.

At between 6:15 and 6:30 p. m. another bellhop delivered ice to the room. He said that when he entered he saw no one and a woman's voice which came from the bathroom instructed him merely to leave the ice, which he did. At 8:22 p. m. Corporal Ridings body was found.

Bellhop Bayne said the woman in black appeared to be between 35 and 40 years of age and was attractive. She had black hair and wore a black hat which had a black veil on it.

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# U. S. Engineers Move Into New 25th Street Offices

The city's newest war installation was in operation today, with consolidation of all U. S. Corps of Engineer offices in this locality into the office building which has been erected at Twenty-fifth street and Central avenue.

Personnel of the office of Maj. Rees W. Willard, area engineer, at Camp Atterbury made the shift into the building here over the weekend and office workers were completing details of getting established in their new quarters today.

The office of Lt. Austin Griffith also has been moved from Atterbury Army Air field into the new building and Monday the staff of the area engineer's office at Freeman Army Air field at Seymour moved into Columbus.

## Direction to Be Here.

Construction activities at the three military installations, Camp Atterbury, Atterbury Army Air field and Freeman Army Air field, will now be directed from the office here and the district will be known as the Columbus area of the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

The area is under the command of Major Willard as area engineer.

Officers who moved here from Freeman field were Capt. Jesse S.

Baskett and Lieut. C. O. Bartel-son.

Captain Baskett is fairly well-known here as he has been in charge of construction work at both the Walesboro and Grammer auxiliary fields in Bartholomew county.

At the present time approximately 80 persons are employed at the office building here.

Work on the "L"-shaped building, constructed from re-assembled CCC buildings, is practically completed and the United States and U. S. Corps of Engineers flags have been raised on the flagpole in the center of the grounds.

The one-story building has been painted cream and, although its sections have seen much use as CCC units, appears new on both inside and out. The interior walls are of fiber-board.

Two weeks ago, in announcing plans for consolidation of area engineer offices here, it was stated by the Corps of Engineers that the shift would also bring a reduction of considerable proportions in the number of employees, included both civilian and military personnel. Several of the military personnel, formerly with the Engineer offices, already have been transferred.

1943-08\_31\_Engineers move into 25th Street building

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# ASK 'WOMAN IN BLACK' TO HELP IN WAC PROBE

State Police Check Here in Connection With Murder of Corporal Ridings.

NEW CLUES REPORTED

Criminal Attack Tests Made —New Castle Youth Admits Hoax Story.

Although a number of new clues, all viewed as of minor importance, were reported today in the mystery slaying of Corp. Macon Little Ridings at Indianapolis Saturday night, the black-haired "lady in black" remained the No. 1 riddle in the death of the 24-year-old, Camp Atterbury WAC.

"Why doesn't she appear? I don't see why she doesn't come forward and help," said Marion county Coroner Roy B. Storms of the black-clad woman, who was reported seen with Corporal Ridings in her room at the Claypool hotel a short time before the WAC's battered body was found.

"She can tell us who was in that room and what happened," the coroner added, pointing out that the woman might not have actually been involved in the slaying.

Corp. Ridings having been a visitor in Columbus on several occasions during the weeks preceding her death, state detectives, cooperating with Indianapolis police and army officials, were checking here today in an effort to uncover some clue which might help lead to the identity of her slayer.

The authorities were tracing every lead which might throw some light on the case, and the fact that the WAC corporal had spent some of her weekends in Columbus prompted the local investigation.

Assault Held Possible.

While investigators hunted the mystery woman, laboratory tests were being made by police and military authorities to determine definitely whether Corporal Ridings had been criminally assaulted.

Until laboratory tests are completed at Billings General hospital, Coroner Storms would only say that the WAC was "possibly criminally assaulted."

He said the killer no doubt was a right-handed person because cuts on the head and throat were on the left side. He repeated that death was caused by a blow on the head, probably inflicted with a broken half-pint whiskey bottle found in the room and that the five cuts on the head and the throat slash were contributory.

The wrists had not bled after being slashed, Dr. Storms said, indicating that the killer had cut Corporal Ridings' wrists in an attempt to make her death appear a suicide.

Coin Found in Blood.

Other developments in the case were:

- A 25-cent piece was found in the pool of blood near the victim's head. Officers believe the coin may be a definite clue, possibly indicating that a transaction may have taken place between the WAC and the killer.
- An 18-year-old New Castle youth who had boasted that he knew "lots about the killing," admitted in court today that he had made up his story.
- Investigators discredited as unlikely a theory that the "woman in black" was not a woman, but a female impersonator, possibly a foreign agent.
- Indianapolis detectives questioned WAC friends of Corporal Ridings Monday at Camp Atterbury, but if any progress was made in the investigation from that angle it was not revealed.
- Hotel Employees Questioned.
- Employees of the Claypool hotel were to be questioned again today regarding persons they remember seeing or leaving the hotel late Saturday afternoon and evening.
- The New Castle youth was arrested late Monday after he told friends that he knew lots about the killing. Brought into Indianapolis municipal court this morning on a vagrancy charge, he said:

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# 1943\_08\_31\_Ask Woman in Black to help in WAC Death probe

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## SKULL BLOW KILLED WAC, MEDICS SAY

Autopsy Physicians Unable To  
Decide On Instrument Used  
To Slay Physio-therapist  
At Camp Atterbury

A blow on the head caused the death of Corporal Maema L. Ridings, Camp Atterbury Wac, whose body was found in a pool of blood in her room at the Claypool hotel in Indianapolis, an autopsy revealed today.

According to an International News Service dispatch this afternoon, physicians at the Billings General Hospital at Fort Harrison, where the autopsy was held, agreed that a smashing blow on the head was responsible for the comely Wac's death, but were unable to decide on the type of the death instrument.

Meanwhile, military and civil authorities searched for an unidentified "black-haired woman in black" who was seen in Room 729 Saturday afternoon a short time before the slaying occurred, INS reported.

Cpl. Ridings had been cut on the head five times, her throat and wrists were slashed and she had been struck on the head.

### Rode On Bus Through City.

The Wac corporal had visited at Indianapolis nearly every weekend. Franklin residents riding an early afternoon bus to the capital city Saturday said they recognized photographs of the dead woman appearing in Indianapolis newspapers today as the likeness of a fellow passenger on the bus. Several physical persons said they had paid particular attention to the uniformed woman on the bus because "she looked so healthy and such a good advertisement for the WAC."

Trained as a physio-therapist in the hospital at Warm Springs, Ga., which President Roosevelt made famous, she had served as a physio-therapist at the Camp Atterbury hospital, according to INS.

An early theory of suicide was discarded by both military and civil authorities.

A shattered whiskey bottle was found in pieces about the floor and the young woman's wrists and hands were cut as if she had raised her hands in defense as an assailant rained blows with the bottle on her head. Her head and throat also were cut.

Investigators at first thought the attractive army girl, a divorcee, might have committed suicide, but Lieut. Wesley Jones, chief of the Public Relations office at Camp Atterbury, said after the Army entered the case.

### Agree Probably Murder.

"It is believed by the investigating officers upon present evidence that Corp. Ridings was murdered."

"No further information is available at this time, but the police and military authorities are conducting a complete investigation."

Camp Atterbury public relations office had nothing to add this afternoon.

Authorities were completely in the dark as to whether the slayer was a man or a woman. The only clue to this was the report of a bellboy that he had seen a "woman with black hair" in Corp. Ridings' room.

The victim's former husband, Lawrence Ridings, was reported in the Army records. She was a

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# 1943\_08\_30\_WAC killed in Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis

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## SAYS WAR IS FAR FROM WON

**Col. Modisette Tells Freeman  
Field Cadets Japan Vic-  
torious Thus Far**

Seymour, Aug. 30.--The road to Berlin is still long, hard and bloody, Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander at Camp Atterbury, said in a graduation speech today before class 43-H aviation cadets at Freeman Army Air Field, advanced two-engine pilot school.

Col. Modisette, who was introduced by Major William B. Poe, director of training at Freeman, cautioned his audience against being over-optimistic, adding that no Allied army has yet crossed the borders of Germany.

"After Germany, there is our mortal enemy, Japan—who stabbed us in the back at Pearl Harbor, who executed our flyers, who declared they would negotiate peace terms in the White House," the speaker continued.

### **Still Far From Tokyo.**

Japan today has 400 million people under its rule and some of the richest territory in the world, with tremendous resources and wealth, Col. Modisette said. So far, he said, Japan has won her war. No full scale offensive against Japan has yet commenced. Reminding his listeners that we are still a long way from Tokyo, Col. Modisette cited as evidence the fact that the heroes of Bataan are still prisoners and there still remain many more victories before they will be avenged.

In concluding his talk the colonel told the cadets that America must maintain her air supremacy and that they, as pilots, will help accomplish that factor.

"The newly commissioned pilots of today may well be the aces of tomorrow," Col. Modisette predicted, commending the future of freedom and liberty everywhere to the pilots and their fellow-soldiers and sailors of the United States.

1943\_08\_30\_Col Modisette says war is far from won

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# AIR CADETS TO GO THURSDAY

## 7 Sworn in July 19 to Report at Fort Ben—State Trooper Accepted.

Seven Army aviation cadets sworn into service July 19 through the Bartholomew county selective service board received their orders Saturday to report for start of training Thursday, noon.

The seven men are to report at Fort Benjamin Harrison and will then be transferred to Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss.

The seven are Robert Kenneth Weinantz, Edinburg route 4; Benjamin Walker, 428 Beatty street; John Frank Hammond, 2102 Fifth street; Eugene Acton, Route 3; Carl Leonard Marsh, Elizabethtown route 1; George Buckley Zeigler, Elizabethtown route 1, and Kenneth Earl Breeden, Edinburg route 4.

The aviation students made application for training as cadets through the examining board at Freeman field, Seymour.

It also has been announced by the Freeman field board that Frederick D. McClain of this city, Indiana state policeman, and Ralph Scott of Freetown have been accepted for aviation cadet training.

Two soldiers at Atterbury Army Aid field here also have qualified. They are Pfc. Hiram A. Ferry and Pvt. William J. Gillum.

Pvt. Keith R. Wilson, soldier stationed at Camp Atterbury, also has been accepted.

1943\_08\_04\_Air Cadets leave Thursday.

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## WAAC Addresses Lions, Ladies

### Lt. Houpt, of Freeman Field, Describes Life in Corps

Lt. Elizabeth Houpt of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, stationed at Freeman Field, gave an interesting account of some of the events in the life of a WAAC in an address at the monthly ladies' night meeting of the Seymour Lions Club Thursday night in the dining room of the Elks Home.

Lt. Houpt said patriotism is one of the main reasons for entry of women in the corps, but said that each WAAC has other personal reasons for entering the service.

She described the routine of enlistment in the corps, and told of the training and schooling which is given the WAACs before they are assigned to posts of duty.

The women are trained, she said, to take over numerous jobs on military posts to relieve men who would otherwise be held out of combat duty or other jobs which can be handled only by men.

She said the WAACs at Freeman Field are being given special courses of instruction, and are then qualified to help with the teaching of cadets in many phases of the ground school. Among the types of instruction which WAACs are helping to provide are in the Link trainers and wireless code courses. They are also doing many types of office work, and some become mechanics.

Lt. Haupt was introduced by the Rev. R. S. Wilson, chairman of the club's July program committee.

Prior to her talk the club members, their wives and a large number of guests enjoyed an informal song fest with the Rev. Mr. Wilson as song leader and Mrs. Paul W. Riggsbee, wife of the club president, as pianist.

## 1943\_07\_30\_Lt Houpt, WAAC, gives account of life at FREEMAN FIELD

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## Freeman Hospital Gets Furniture, Movies

A set of hickory porch furniture has been presented the station hospital at Freeman Field by the Jefferson county Red Cross chapter at Madison, Ind., George Rose, Red Cross field director, announced today.

Mr. Rose also announced that the field Red Cross unit will inaugurate movies at the hospital August 27 for patients and personnel. The hospital will be placed on a circuit after that date, with moving pictures scheduled twice weekly. A 16-millimeter sound machine, also the gift of the Red Cross, will be installed in the hospital in the near future.

1943\_07\_30\_FREEMAN FIELD hospital gets furniture and movies

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## County Men Pass Air Cadet Exams

### Ten Enlisted Men at Freeman Field Also In Group

Ten enlisted men at Freeman Field have passed physical and mental examinations qualifying them for aviation cadet training, and are awaiting orders to report to a field where they will receive two months of basic training.

The successful candidates are: Sgt. William C. Brobst, TSgt. Earl C. Elkins of the 1079th twin engine flying training squadron; Pfc. Arthur C. LeBlanc, Burlington, Vt. 467th squadron; Cpl. Victor A. Hilgren, Cpl. Emery J. Hill, Pvt. Earl G. Martin, 35th group; Pvt. Benjamin J. Parchimowicz, 446th squadron; Pfc. Joseph M. Laverdiere, Pfc. Daniel F. Rice and Pvt. Charles W. Boone, 447th squadron.

In addition to the men from Freeman, Pvt. Keith R. Wilson of Camp Atterbury and Pfc. Hiram A. Ferry and Pvt. William J. Gillum of Atterbury Army Air Field also qualified.

Five civilians from neighboring Seymour towns also are among the future aviation cadets. They are Sanford E. Sparrow, husband of Mrs. Leak C. Sparrow, Crothersville; Robert L. Hendricks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hendricks, North Vernon; James J. Hanners, son of James W. Hanners, Kurtz; Eugene Acton, Columbus; Avery J. Green, Cort-

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## 1943\_07\_30\_County men pass Air Cadet exams at FREEMAN FIELD

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## County Men Pass Air Cadet Exams

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land; Frederick D. McClain, Hope; Ralph Scott, Freetown, and Hjalmar S. Sodear, Bedford.

Following basic training the men will be sent to college for a five months' course, and upon completion of this preflight training, will go to the Army Air Forces Classification Center, Nashville, Tenn., where they will be given comprehensive psychological and physical examinations to determine their aptitude for bombardier, navigator or pilot training. Upon successfully completing these tests students will be appointed aviation cadets and sent to training centers to begin the type of air crew training for which each is best adapted.

Civilians as well as military personnel are eligible to apply for aviation cadet training and may apply to the aviation cadet examining board at Freeman. Married men are eligible to qualify as aviation cadets provided their dependents can be self-supporting during the training period.

## 1943\_07\_30\_County men pass - continued

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# LOCAL POLICE TRAP SOLDIER IN MEAT SHOP

Axel (Tony) Arvidson, 27,  
Suspected in Several  
Burglaries Here.

## COOVERT MAKES CATCH

Large Crowd Looks On as  
Police Surround Building  
for Capture.

Pvt. Axel (Tony) Arvidson, 27, of the Columbus Air base, believed implicated in a number of recent burglaries in the business district, was captured at 12:0 Thursday morning by city police in the Home Meat market operated by William Bright at 312 Third street.

Patrolman John Coovert while on his beat spotted a man inside the meat market and succeeded in holding him there until help arrived.

While a squad of policemen headed by Chief of Police Cuba McKay and Captain Dale Deavers surrounded the half block in which the meat market is located, Patrolman Coovert and Private Hirshinger, a Camp Atterbury military policeman, crawled through a rear window of the meat market and captured Arvidson without resistance.

**\$12.45 Taken from Register.**  
Chief McKay stated that \$12.45 had been taken from the cash register in the meat market.

Arvidson had \$46.36 on him when arrested, the police said. He was not questioned but was turned over to military police from the Air base.

Entrance to the meat market, police said, was made through a rear window. A small hole was broken in the pane sufficiently large for a person to put his hand through and unlock the window from the inside.

Chief McKay said that while patrolling Third street about 12:30 a. m. Coovert was attracted by a noise thought to have been made by the tearing of a screen.

**Coovert Fires Shot.**  
The officer checked the alleys and kept a close watch. As he walked by the front of the meat market he saw a moving shadow inside the establishment. Then he went to the alley in the rear of the market, arriving there just in time to see the soldier start to make an exit through the window. Coovert fired one shot and the man ducked back inside the building.

With the front of the shop padlocked on the outside, the patrolman stood guard until other officers arrived to surround the place.

The police activity attracted a large crowd who stood by and watched the capture.

### Found Lying on Floor.

Inside the shop Coovert and Hirshinger found the soldier lying on the floor near the front. He was pretending to have "passed out," one of the police said. He was removed from the building and taken to police headquarters.

Investigation disclosed that a screen had been torn off a window at the Wagon Wheel cafe operated by Harry Hill. The cafe had not been entered.

## 1943\_07\_21\_Police nab Atterbury Army Air Base soldier in meat shop

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## Tough Obstacle Course Is Put Up at Air Base

The Army Air forces aim to develop rugged bodies that can take punishment and dish it out—and they don't mean maybe.

A well-rounded physical educational program is being instituted at Atterbury Army Air field, in line with requirements set out by the Third Air force command, and construction of an obstacle course at the field will be completed this week.

Under the Air force program, all personnel, enlisted men and officers, are required to undergo an hour of physical training six days a week. At present, the enlisted men are starting the day off with physical training—from 5:30 to 6:30 a. m., while the officers work out between 4 and 5 p. m.

The new obstacle course, put into use for the first time this week and similar to those at Camp Atterbury, is located at the south end of the field and west of the main entrance. It is partially shaded by trees.

### 350 Yards Long.

The course is approximately 350 yards long. It starts off with a simple 2½-foot hurdle, a crawl under a board fence, a climb over a 6-foot smooth board fence, another crawl and another 6-foot climb. A dash takes the soldier to a 10-foot rope climb, straight up to the top of a platform. Down a ladder he goes, another dash and a leap across an 8-foot ditch, a climb up an 18-foot ladder and back down the other side. Still another 2½-foot hurdle and from there it's a dash to a suspended hand walk, swinging from bar to bar. Once through there it is all over but a crawl of about 10 feet, a climb up an 8-foot board fence and the final dash. The soldier goes over the course at top speed—the faster the better.

Then there is a 10-foot wall that is scaled by teams of two or more, the men helping one another over.

The Army Air forces physical fitness test is administered to all personnel in the Third Air Force command at least every three months. Each man is graded and carries a card showing his record. A record card also becomes a part of the individual's permanent record in the official files.

### What Tests Include.

Tests include sit-ups from prone

position, the soldier touching right below to left knee, returning to the prone position then repeating left elbow to right knee; chinning exercises, and a 300-yard shuttle run around stakes set 60 yards apart. To receive an average grade, the soldier must do a minimum of 31 consecutive sit-ups, a minimum of eight consecutive chinings and run the shuttle course in not more than 55 seconds.

The squadrons which are stationed temporarily at the field for training purposes are now taking their physical fitness tests.

A physical training course of instruction for selected men from each of the field's permanent units also has been worked out and will be given during the last week of July. The course will be under the direction of Lieut. Walter Damon, who recently arrived as physical training officer. Approximately 30 men will take the course and will then be prepared to lead various phases of the physical training program in their units.

### 175 Swim at Gym.

Approximately 175 men from the training squadrons at the field are taking swimming instructions at the Columbus school pool. These men include non-swimmers and those who are able to swim only short distances. The course is given from 7 to 10 p. m. each Tuesday and Friday nights. Each night is divided into four 45-minute periods.

The physical training and athletic organizations at the field work hand in hand. Capt. Roland Huff, special services officer and Base S-2, directs athletics, assisted by Corp. Ray Lett, athletic instructor. Lieutenant Damon is assisted by Pfc. Walter Seyffert, physical training instructor.

Corporal Lett, whose home is in Columbus, Ohio, says he can't seem to get away from Columbus. He arrived here as a Link trainer instructor, but because of his semi-pro sports experience was transferred to athletics.

Private Seyffert, who hails from Chicago, played with the Chicago Cubs as catcher in 1931 and with the 3-1 league in 1932. Before entering service last December he was a refrigeration engineer.

Lett's last job in civilian life was selling insurance.

## 1943\_07\_21\_Obstacle Course put in at Atterbury Army Air Field

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## GEN. HANLEY VISITS FIELD

Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Hanley, Jr., commanding general of the Army Air Forces Southeast Training center, paid his first official visit to Freeman Army Air field, Seymour last week.

Freeman field, along with its auxiliaries, is part of the Southeast Training center, which has headquarters at Maxwell Field, Ala.

General Hanley arrived at Freeman field shortly before noon Tuesday and a short time later Brig. Gen. Bob E. Nowland, commanding general of the 28th Army Air Forces Flying Training Wing, with headquarters at George Field, near Vincennes, arrived at Freeman field.

Following arrival of General Hanley and General Nowland the officers and members of their groups were guests at a luncheon at Freeman field, with Col. E. T. Runquist, Freeman field commanding officer, as host.

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## CONTRACT LET FOR OFFICES

**Shelby Company Gets Job of  
Assembling Engineers'  
Building Here.**

More lumber, consisting of sections of dismantled CCC buildings, was being unloaded Tuesday in the Overstreet grove at Twenty-fifth street and Central avenue and it was learned that a contract for construction of an area engineers building in Columbus has been let to the Shelby Construction company of Shelbyville.

Information on the contract did not given the definite location of the building in Columbus, but the shipments of lumber made it appear almost definite that the building will be erected in the Overstreet grove.

Stakes, apparently for waterlines and sewers, already have been placed in the grove.

The contract let to the Shelby company calls for use of a former CCC building or buildings, with alterations necessary to revamp it into an area engineer's office.

It is understood that the dismantled CCC buildings material is being shipped here from Louisville. It consists for the most part of sections composed of wooden frames covered with siding.

Other contracts also have been let in this area recently, the Shelby company receiving a contract at Camp Atterbury for a project costing less than \$50,000, and the William E. Mohler company of Indianapolis has been awarded a contract for construction of an incinerator at Freeman field, Seymour.

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## IT'S HOME TO M. P. SECTION

Men 'Doll Up' Their Area at  
Atterbury from Yards to  
Mess Halls.

Camp Atterbury, July 17 (Special)—The theory that "there's no place like home" in the Army has been debunked by men in Military Police Section, 1560th Service Unit, with home-like touches from the front yard to the mess hall.

The results of a few swishes of a paint brush and the desire to make everything comfortable and pleasant—plus the necessary ambition for extra work—are an outstanding example of what soldiers will do to "spruce up" their home.

Starting with the front yard and the areas around the barracks, the lawn rivals those created by professional landscapers. In early spring, the entire area was soded with grass and the grass now is a carpet of green. Transplanted fir trees and flower bushes were planted at various points. Flower beds are now blooming.

### Bricks Line Walks.

Walks were laid and paved with brick and limestone rock, which has been trampled into cement-like pavement. The walks also were lined with bricks in jagged formation and then whitewashed. Flower beds were lined in similar fashion. Setting off the scenery are sturdy park benches painted in green and white.

The two dayrooms are another example of how soldiers meet their wants with a bit of extra work. Each room has a piano, radio, pool table, soda and candy machines, books and magazines, chairs and settees, and red leather cushions. The walls are covered with suntan paint and walnut stain.

The dayrooms are in use almost 24 hours a day by men "off duty" or those waiting to go on duty. A postoffice system operates round-the-clock to give the men their mail. Volunteer workers from the Red Cross in Indianapolis spent a day in the dayroom recently sewing the men's clothes.

### Have Basketball Court.

For outdoor athletics the unit has built a basketball court with green and white painted bankboards. A softball field is also nearby.

The mess hall, too, is open 24 hours a day. The mess hall has also been painted with walnut stain and white enamel and the unit insignia of crossed pistols has been painted neatly on the wall along with the service unit insignia.

1943\_07\_21\_1560th SU MP section dolls up their area

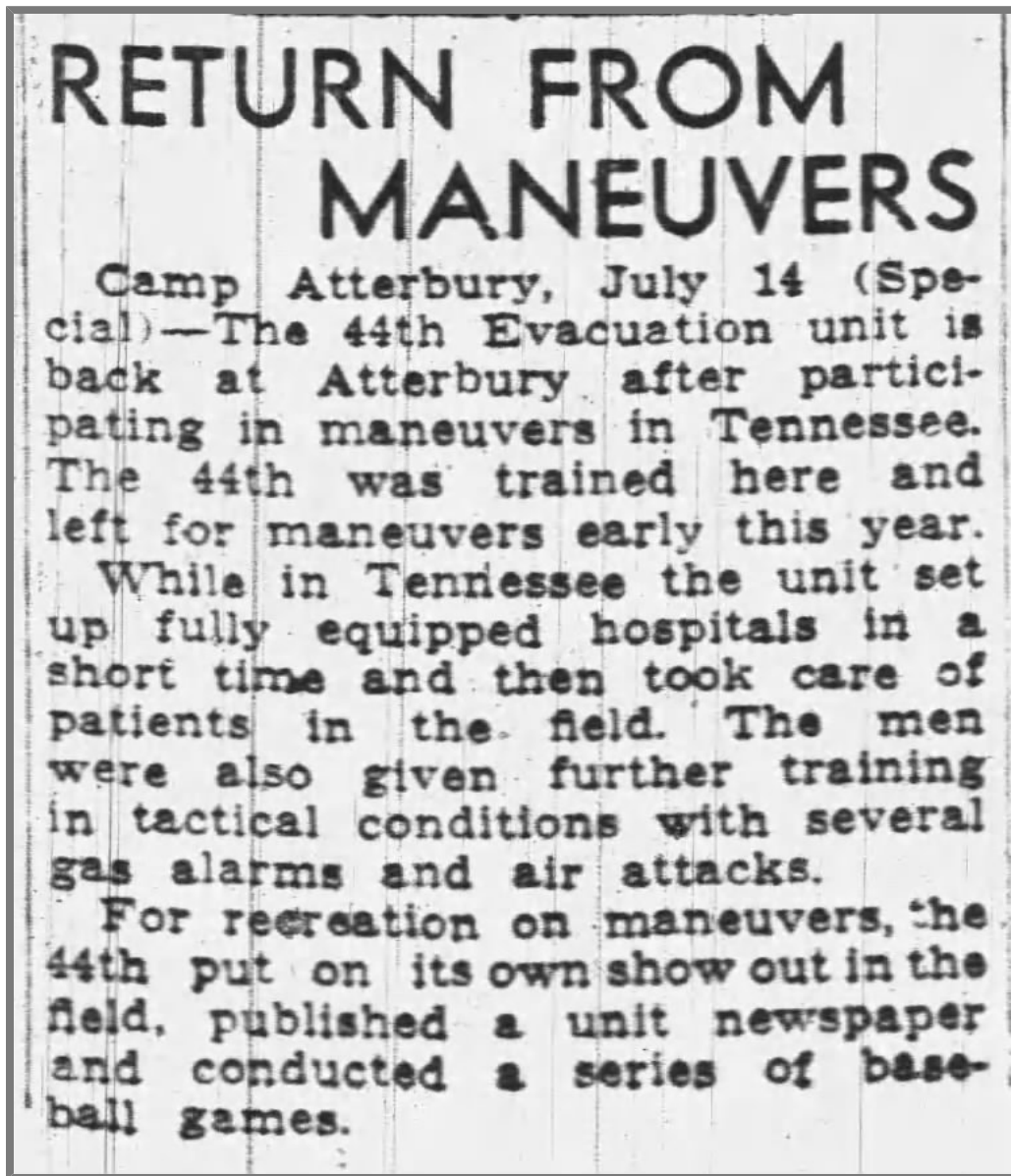
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1943\_07\_21\_44th EVAC unit returns from maneuvers in TN

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## MOVE LUMBER TO SITE HERE

Placed in Overstreet Grove  
—Engineers May Be Plan-  
ning to Build.

A truckload of used lumber was moved onto the Overstreet property at Twenty-fifth street and Central avenue shortly before noon today, indicating that the U. S. Corps of Engineers is advancing its plans to erect offices for consolidation of area engineers' staffs at war installations in this area.

Possible selection of the grove at the northwest corner of Twenty-fifth street and Central avenue as the site for the offices was reported previously, but those connected with the selection have declined to make any comment on the matter. An effort to reach Maj. R. S. Willard, area engineer at Camp Atterbury, this afternoon was unsuccessful.

As yet no agreement has been signed for taking of the property by the Engineers.

It has been reported that the Engineers are planning to erect the offices out of lumber from former CCC buildings and that when completed the local offices will be headquarters for the area engineers on the Camp Atterbury, Freeman Army Air field and Atterbury Army Air field.

Nothing definite concerning the offices has been revealed by the Corps of Engineers, although it is reported that the building may house as many as 200 employees.

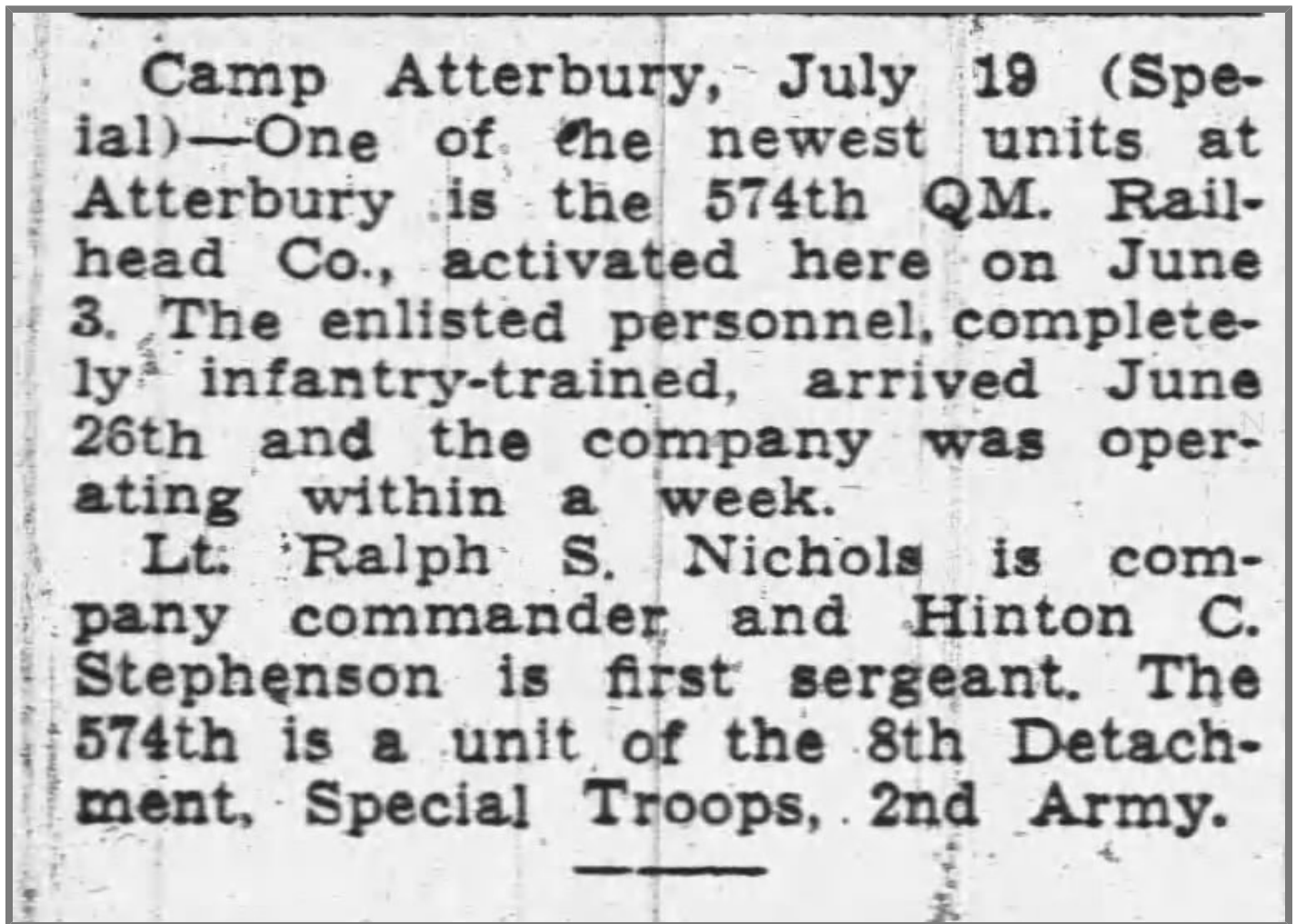
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# ENGINEERS MAY ERECT BUILDING ON 25TH STREET

Bids Are Taken for Temporary Structure for Consolidated Offices.

## MAY USE QCC HOUSES

Overstreet Grove at Corner of Central Avenue is Under Consideration.

Bids on construction of a temporary-type building for use of the U. S. Corps of Engineers working on war projects in this area were opened Monday at Louisville and a site in Columbus is being considered as the location for the structure.

Several weeks ago representatives of the Corps of Engineers inspected the Columbus armory building and later contacted industrial firms and other landlords in the city, searching for suitable quarters.

"Unable to find sufficient available space for the new offices, it apparently was decided to erect a temporary-type building.

At least one site is under consideration in Columbus as a location for the building. This is in the Francis Overstreet grove at the northwest corner of Central avenue and Twenty-fifth street. As yet no definite arrangements for obtaining a lease have been made, although the original survey of the property was made several weeks ago.

### To Use QCC Buildings.

The plan now being considered for the building calls for the use of several former QCC buildings, which would be moved here and remodelled into offices for the engineers. It is reported that approximately 8,000 square feet of building space is required and that the project will include parking space and garages for the U.S. Corps of Engineers vehicles.

Bids were advertised and opened a few weeks ago, but a contract was not let and the project was re-advertised.

As originally reported, the new building will house offices of the U. S. Corps of Engineers staffs working at Camp Atterbury, Atterbury Army Air field and Freeman field.

Continued efforts have been made to obtain an office site in Columbus because of its central location to all the projects involved.

Engineering work has been greatly reduced on the war projects in the local area, although some construction is still going on at all the war installations and probably will continue for the duration. This additional construction, it is believed, will keep the engineers here for some time to come.

An officers' club, hangar additions and enlisted men's service club are being constructed at Freeman field at the present time. Dunlap and Company of this city has the contract on the hangars and officers' club.

Work on hospital additions is continuing at Camp Atterbury and bids on a new hospital ward building were due Monday. A pump house also is to be built at Atterbury at a cost of less than \$50,000 and the Shelby Construction company of Shelbyville has a contract for a training building at a cost of less than \$40,000.

# 1943\_07\_13\_New buildings at 25th St in Columbus, Camp Atterbury HOSPITAL and FREEMAN FIELD

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# FREEMAN FIELD TO HAVE BEACH

## Area on White River West of Seymour Is Leased for Use of Soldiers.

Enlisted men at Freeman Army Air field will soon have a bathing beach all of their own, located just off Road 258 about four miles west of Seymour.

The area, already dubbed "Beach-on-the-Creek" by the soldiers, will be opened for use as soon as a few additional improvements are made on the grounds.

Covering approximately four acres, the grounds leading to the beach have been leased for the duration. Beach furniture and picnic tables are being built by the Air Corps supply and a few tables already have been delivered to the picnic grounds. Construction also has been started on a bathhouse.

### May Serve Double Purpose.

The beach may serve a double purpose, since it may also be used in training aviation cadets in swimming. Plans which are still in the formulative stage call for instruction of the cadets in diving off rafts fully clothed and also in releasing themselves from parachutes when coming down over water.

Life guards will be on duty at the beach. Other features of the recreation area still in the planning stage are barbecue pits, baseball diamonds, badminton courts and an outdoor dance pavilion. Transportation probably will be provided by Army trucks making regular runs to the beach after retreat each week day and all day on Sundays.

Freeman field enlisted men also are getting a service club, with remodeling of the building at the field which formerly housed the civilian employment office. When completed the rejuvenated building will contain lounge and game room, with space for dancing, a library and soda and candy bar.

1943\_07\_12\_FREEMAN FIELD airmen get beach

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## News Notes on Atterbury

(Released by Post Public  
Relations Office, Camp  
Atterbury.)

Camp Atterbury, July 12 (Special)—Members of Service Section, 1560th Service unit, will hold an outdoor party Wednesday night to celebrate the company's first anniversary. The Section was activated July 7, 1942.

Service Section is one of the "housekeeping" units at Atterbury, detailing men to various tasks which have to do with the upkeep of the post. Men are detailed to warehouses, post headquarters, service clubs and officers' mess halls.

Commanded by Lt. Raphael Hendricks, a reporter for the St. Louis Argus in civilian life, the company has sent men to various Army schools in the past, including two who have graduated from Officer Candidate schools. The unit also organized the "Jeep-Cats" swing band, which in two short months has become one of the most popular orchestras on the post.

The WACS of Medical Section, 3561st Service unit, will be guests at the party.

1943\_07\_12\_1560th SU hold outdoor dance with 3561st SU  
WAACs

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# SOLDIER GIVEN 2-5 YEAR TERM FOR ROBBERIES

Private Shuff Pleads Guilty  
to Charge of Second De-  
gree Burglary.

ADMITS 3 LOCAL JOBS

Money to Be Returned to  
Owners—Record Will  
Be Checked.

Pvt. Theodore D. Shuff, 23, of the tank destroyer battalion at Camp Atterbury was sentenced to two to five years imprisonment in the Indiana reformatory when he pleaded guilty to a charge of second degree burglary in Bartholomew circuit court Thursday.

Shuff, a former resident of Mississippi, admitted robbing three local business concerns on the night of June 23.

He was indicted Monday by the Bartholomew county grand jury and was turned over to local authorities Wednesday afternoon by the provost marshal's office at Atterbury.

Shuff admitted to Chief of Police Cuba McKay and Detective Raymond Boll of the state police that he robbed the Jay C store on Third street, the Pure Oil service station at Sixth and Jackson streets, and the Roberts barber shop on Sixth street.

Money to Be Returned.  
When apprehended by members of the night police force a few minutes after he had robbed the barber shop, Shuff had approximately \$67 in his possession. He told police that \$11 of the money was his own.

Proprietors of the three places gave estimates on their losses which totaled approximately \$70. Chief McKay said the money would be returned to the victims.

Shuff was questioned at length concerning other robberies in the city but maintained that the three were the only ones he committed. He also denied he had an accomplice.

Detective Boll stated that Shuff could not have been implicated in several robberies in the early spring since he had been stationed at Atterbury only a few weeks.

Fingerprinted and 'Mugged'.

Shuff was taken to the state police barracks at Seymour, late Wednesday by Sheriff Walter Oneal, Detective Boll and Chief McKay where he was fingerprinted and 'mugged'. His prints are to be sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to check on his record.

Shuff is a big fellow, weighing approximately 200 pounds. When arrested the night of the robberies he refused to grant the police permission to search him. He put up a stubborn fight to prevent them finding the money on him.

Sheriff Oneal took Shuff to the reformatory at Pendleton Friday afternoon.

Collis Taken to Farm.  
Lewis Collis, 26, of Ogilville was taken to the penal farm at Putnamville Thursday afternoon to begin serving a 6-month sentence on an assault and battery charge.

Collis, freed by the grand jury in the fatal shooting of his neighbor, Roscoe Craig, was given the penal farm term Wednesday in city court. He received the sentence a month ago but it was suspended during his good behavior. Yesterday Mayor Carlos S. Folger revoked the suspension.

Collis was taken to the state farm by Deputy Sheriff Glen Howe.

1943\_07)07)Pvt Shuff given 2-5 year term for robberies

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# FIRST WHEAT IS SOLD HERE

## Lester Harker Delivers Load —'Shock Troops' Help Farmers.

With the "shock troopers" continuing to help farmers in wheat fields, the first combining of 1943 wheat to be reported in Bartholomew county took place Wednesday in the Hurst farm rented by Lester Harker, about four miles southwest of Columbus.

The wheat combined by Mr. Harker was delivered Wednesday to the Columbus Milling company and showed a test of 58¼ pounds to the bushel, which is considered very good for this year. The price paid for the wheat was \$1.45 cents a bushel, the highest at threshing time for a number of years.

Mr. Harker whose home is about 7 miles southwest of Columbus, was combining Thursday in another field which he has planted on the Hege farm, about two miles west of the Hurst farm.

### May Exceed Expectations.

Although the county's wheat crop is sub-avenage because of adverse winter conditions, it appears that the crop will be some better than at first expected. Winter kill resulted in a thin stand in many fields, while the heads in some fields failed to reach large size because of excess spring moisture.

More workers can still be used and may call Woodrow Fleming, county farm labor assistant, at county agent's office.

Six workers in addition to A. V. Keesling, Mr. Fleming and O. K. Anderson, shocked 25½ acres of wheat Wednesday night on the farm of Perry Davis, south of Columbus. Those working were John Frout, John Bups, the Rev. A. L. Beatty of East Columbus Methodist church, Forrest Woods, Phil Baker and William C. Baker, while Larry Woods, son of Mr. Woods, served as waterboy. All the men but the Rev. Beatty are members of Builders class of First Methodist church, which has now earned about \$25 for its youth fund through shocking wheat.

Mr. Woods, a former Johnson county farmer, worked two nights in a row, helping Tuesday night on the Firman Groves farm.

Mr. Burns, 70-year-old Noblitt Sparks company employe, proved an old hand at wheat shocking and was described by the others as the "lead man" in the field Wednesday night.

### Boy Scouts Help.

Eleven workers, including three Boy Scouts, shocked wheat in two fields Friday night.

Twenty-five acres were completed on the farm of Hubert Walker in Clay township by John Burns, J. O. Penisten, Vernon Meyer, Robert Hall, E. F. Higgins, Woodrow Fleming and A. V. Keesling.

Ten acres were shocked on the farm of Elmer Maley near Clifford by Tommy Harrison and three Boy Scouts, Bob Newsom, Jimmy Talley and Louis Olsen.

## 1943\_07\_07\_First wheat sold here

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**TENSE SITUATION**—From Camp Atterbury comes the story of a colored sentry on duty there. ....Sentry heard someone lurking in the shadows of a building. ....He challenged the interloper. ....Nothing happened....He tried again....Still no answer....Then he called out: "Is you comin' out to let me see who you is....or is I comin' in to find out who you was?"

1943\_07\_07\_Colored Sentry

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## YOUTHS REIGN AT AIRFIELD

More Than 50 from Here at  
Freeman Open House—  
34 Go in 2 Trucks.

More than 50 Bartholomew county youths, 34 of them going in two government trucks, were among 700 youths who were honorees Sunday morning at "open house" ceremonies held at Freeman Army Air field, Seymour.

During the ceremonies, Ernest O. Jackson, Jr., son of Mrs. E. O. Jackson of Elizabethtown, was presented silver wings as a member of the Air Force enlisted reserve. Jackson was sworn in at Freeman field April 19 and is waiting call for start of training. Freeman field officials had expected a crowd of approximately 200 persons at the "open house" which was for 17-year-old youths, but the turn-out was much greater than expected, with young men present from Columbus, Seymour, Bedford, Madison, Bloomington, North Vernon, Brownstown, Scottsburg, Crothersville, Franklin, Salem, Martinsville and Medora.

The 34 local youths who went in the two Army trucks, leaving the high school at 7:45 a. m., were accompanied by Otto Hughes, Noel Genth, Woodrow Fleming, Ben Walker and Weldon Payne. In addition, there were a number of youths from this county who attended, accompanied by their parents.

The program started at the field at 9 a. m., with a meeting in the post theater, where the band played. Col. E. T. Rundquist, Freeman field commander, welcomed the guests and introduced ranking officers. Major William Poe addressed the group, stressing the importance of air power in the present war.

Leaving the theater the guests were taken on a conducted tour of the field. The group visited the cadet mess and station hospital and then assembled at the cadet area, parade grounds where the cadets did close order drill, passed in review and demonstrated calisthenics.

**'Ride' in Link Trainers.**  
The Link trainers, maintenance hangar and flight line were the next points on the tour, with a number of the youths getting to take "rides" in the Link trainers. The guests also inspected the AT-10 twin-engined planes at the field and watched an aerial review staged by 36 planes, simulating a bombing mission preceded by ground strafing.

While on the flight line, the guests were served doughnuts and orangeade.

The local groups returned home early in the afternoon, one of the trucks being an hour late because of a flat tire.

The open house at Freeman field was held to acquaint youths with the Army Air force and its training program. Under a new program youths may volunteer for aviation cadet training as soon as they reach their 17th birthday. They are then called to training after passing their 18th birthday.

# 1943\_07\_07\_50 youths go to FREEMAN FIELD

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# **FREEMAN HAS ITS SKY-PILOT**

## **Baptist Minister is Among Flying Officers at Sey- mour Field.**

Freeman Field, July 3. (Special)  
—In the case of Lt. James W. Fuller, flying officer at Freeman Army Air field, the tag, "sky pilot," has a double meaning.

A Baptist minister, Lieut. Fuller had high hopes of entering the service as an Army chaplain. That was several years ago, however, when the requirements decreed that applicants be graduates of theological seminaries with three years' practical experience.

Unable to meet all of those qualifications, Lieut. Fuller, anxious to get into the service and long an enthusiast of flying, hit on the idea of trying out for aviation cadet training. He little dreamed he'd make the grade, but graduate he did, in May of 1942 at Moody Field, Ga.

### **Officiates at Weddings.**

While he isn't particularly fond of the ideas of destroying his fellow men, combat holds no terrors for the flyer-preacher, who is eager to fight for the principles we all hold dear. It's a safe bet he's a better instructor for having been a minister, but he belittled his present work in the face of what many of his fellow officers and minister friends are doing in fields of actual combat. The Baptist church is proud of the ministers it has sent into the chaplaincy, many of whom have given their lives in the service, Lieut. Fuller explained.

Lieut. Fuller keeps in "practice" as a minister by officiating at the weddings of officer friends and former classmates, as well as cadets who are students in his classes. He frequently preaches at church services and at Moody Field baptized a cadet as a member of the Baptist faith.

He is a graduate of Union university at Jackson, Tenn., where he received an A. B. degree and later studied at the Southern Baptist Theological seminary at Louisville. He formerly was pastor of First Baptist churches in Fulton and Corbin, Ky., and recently was named officer in charge of the Yink trainer department at Freeman, where he is attached to the instrument board.

1943\_07\_03\_FREEMAN FIELD has sky-pilot.

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## TO OPEN CAMP RATION OFFICE

Camp Atterbury, July 3 (Special)  
—A branch office of the Johnson County War Price and Rationing board will open Monday at Atterbury to serve all military personnel residing in Franklin, Edinburg, Greenwood, Nineveh, Trafalgar, Bargersville and surrounding area. The office will be located in Building 906 with hours Monday through Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. daily, with an informed clerk in charge.

The office's chief purpose is to save time for officers and enlisted men who formerly had to go to Franklin for their rationing needs, according to Mr. Reid Dugger, Johnson county chairman.

The branch office expects its big rush Wednesday through Saturday when holders of the basic "A"-mileage ration book re-apply for the new issue. Mr. Dugger stated that all applicants must first fill out renewal forms, must have copy of last tire inspection report, and must have a back cover of the present "A" book to be eligible for the new book. Renewal forms may be secured at the Atterbury rationing office.

1043\_07\_03\_Camp Ration Office opens at Camp - Bldg 906

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# HOSPITAL IS HAND-CARRIED

The 36th Portable Surgical Hospital, activated last month at Camp Atterbury and something new in the way of quick surgical treatment, is being trained so that the best treatment can be immediately given soldiers fighting in areas where rapid evacuation to the rear lines is impossible.

The unit was activated at Atterbury June 7 under the command of Maj. M. L. Zox.

The need for such units was discovered in the jungle fighting in the South Pacific area. The 36th will be a comparatively small unit, its personnel young and hard. Since it will operate where wheeled transportation is extremely difficult, all equipment will be hand-carried.

Because of the nature of their work, the men will not only be trained as specialists in their particular jobs in the hospital, but will be hardened physically as much as any man who is assigned to combat duty.

1943\_07\_03\_36th Portable Hospital is hand-carried

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## GRAY LADIES GET CERTIFICATES.

A number of local women were among the members of the graduating class of Gray Ladies at Camp Atterbury and were presented certificates at exercises held in the theater of station hospital at the camp Thursday afternoon.

They are Mrs. A. T. Carpenter, Mrs. Brevoort Baker, Mrs. Homer Beatty, Mrs. Lowell F. Beggs, Mrs. Jerald Dunlap, Mrs. Lewis Essex, Mrs. Irwin Fisher, Mrs. Harlan Foulke, Mrs. Howard Frohman, Mrs. John Graham, Mrs. Charles E. Harris, Mrs. Edmund Ludlow, Mrs. Lyman Overshiner, Mrs. Daily Powell, Mrs. Mark Reeves, Mrs. Karl Schaefer and Mrs. Dewey Young. Miss Clementine Miller was an absentee member.

Speakers were Col. Welton Modisette, Miss Elizabeth Bardes, assistant field director, Col. Charles Hendricks, post surgeon, and Miss Myrtle Kohen, Red Cross official. The certificates were presented by Lt. Col. Royal G. Grossman.

Pictures of the class were taken and an informal tea followed.

A number of Johnson county women also were graduated, including several from Edinburg. They were Mrs. Max Breeding, Mrs. S. K. Dolen, Mrs. Harold Farr, Mrs. Dale Hickey, Mrs. R. P. Hunter. Others were Mrs. Hugh Vandivier, Mrs. Kenneth Andrews, Mrs. Carrie Banta, Mrs. Randolph Core, Mrs. Josephine Davies, Mrs. G. G. Dunn, Mrs. William Hemphill, Mrs. Virginia Henricks, Mrs. Richard E. Lentz, Mrs. Maude Scott, Mrs. Carlton Shuck, Mrs. Fred Vandivier, Mrs. Robert Vandivier and Mrs. S. B. Scott of Franklin.

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## 1943\_07\_02\_Gray Ladies get certificates

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## TANK DESTROYERS IN ENDURANCE MARK

Camp Atterbury, July 1.—The 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion now at Atterbury, is a record making outfit. The training records indicate the unit will be able to fulfill its motto, "Seek, Strike, and Destroy, 55 maxm for tank destroyers, when it encounters the enemy.

Wearing the yellow shoulder patch with a black panther, the men in the 610th created several records in endurance and efficiency while training at camps in Texas. Their most prized record is a score of 96.8 for the battalion in the army ground forces' physical test, the mark falling just one point short of the record at Camp Hood.

The unit boasts the highest maintenance record for their half-track tank destroying vehicles at Hood. Maintenance is stressed in the unit so that the destroyers can keep always on the move. The men also set a fast pace in the infiltration course and created several records in range fire.

Lt. Col. William L. Harold, a West Point graduate, commands the unit. His knowledge of tank destroying is proved by the fact that he aided in the preparation of Field Manuel 18-5, the guide for all T. D. units. In addition to serving with various infantry units, and the War Department Provisional T. D. Bn. which developed tank destroying tactics, he was aide de camp to Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Maj. Gen. F. H. Smith and Maj. Gen. Sanderford Jarman.

The men are being trained for a new mission in combat in addition to tank destroying. If necessary the men and vehicles can be used as a mobile field artillery force and this can "Seek, Strike and Destroy" in other ways.

## 1943\_07\_01\_Tank Destroyers in endurance mark

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# Hay Crops For Sale In Atterbury Area

A second announcement of hay crops for sale in the Camp Atterbury reservation was made today by the land acquisition office at Columbus, asking that farmers needing hay contact S. R. McNeff at the land office in the Bassett building at Columbus this week.

A large amount of hay must be cut at once and it is planned to let the contract Saturday. Approximately 1,000 acres of timothy also must be cut within the next two weeks and bids may be let now.

1943\_07\_01\_Hay available at Camp

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## USO BUILDING DONE JULY 28

### King Street Club Expects To Move In Shortly After Early Completion

Word was received from a reliable source today that the new Federal recreation building to be operated by the Army-Navy YMCA and to be known as the King Street USO club will be completed around July 28.

The new plant, constructed by the Federal government to provide recreational headquarters for service men and women stationed in this area and to supplement the efforts of the city in providing leisure time activities for service people, is expected to be quite attractive and popular.

The club will be well equipped with quality furnishings and attractive accessories.

The King Street operation has been carrying on since December in attractive interim quarters at 74 North Main street. Most of the furniture and equipment in the present quarters will go back into the USO furniture pool, since the Federal government will equip the new plant.

1943\_07\_01\_Franklin's King Street USO ready 07/28

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## FLY CONTROL AT ATTERBURY

**Hospital Unit Commander Uses  
Sanitation Methods To Oust  
Winged Pests From Camp**

Camp Atterbury, June 30 — Flies breed trouble but in Atterbury Lt. Col. John A. Tamisica, commanding officer of the 317th Station Hospital, has devised several sanitation methods to oust the winged pests.

A keen student of advanced sanitation methods, Col. Tamisica has established "model" platforms for handling the unit's garbage and mops, brooms, and buckets. The refuse platform is built some 20 yards away from the mess hall to further handicap the flies and insects.

The platform differs greatly from the ordinary mess hall setups. The platform itself is concrete-based, with an upright pipe extending from the ends. On the length of pipe running overhead, hooks are attached to hang the covers of the garbage pails. This saves wear and tear on the covers in addition to making them dent-free, thus assuring a perfect fit over the cans.

Surrounding the area is a section of ground kept well oiled, designed to keep mosquito and fly breeding nil. Fly traps are placed on the concrete base, alongside the rows of cans which contain the edible, inedible garbage, paper, and burnable trash. Lt. Col. Tamisica explained that having the GI cans some distance from the mess halls with plenty of fly traps nearby, cuts down materially the number of flies in the vicinity.

Brooms, mops and buckets also are grouped together in orderly manner alongside the back steps of each of the company's barracks, on a slanted concrete based rack.

Short length of pipe are imbedded in the base to hold four mops and four brooms, while the buckets are arranged in orderly manner alongside. Water from the mops and buckets drip on an oiled surface to counteract insect breeding.

## 1943\_06\_30\_Fly control at Atterbury

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## FURNISH OVERHAULING, PARTS AT CAMP FOR ALL STATE BASES

Camp Atterbury, June 30—Here is the story of one of the largest ordnance repair centers in the United States . . . and it's right here at Atterbury.

If any jeep develops a rattle that might be unusual to the usual jeep rattles; or if any military vehicle in Indiana is 'grounded,' the vehicle often winds up on 'sick call' at this post. If the injured vehicle doesn't come, the ineffective part will—that makes

Atterbury the clearing point for plenty of motor trouble.

The troubles are cleared in a long chain of 10 mammoth, ghost-like, white structures covering several city blocks. Operating in these shops are Ordnance Service Command, District No. 2 (hospital for all military vehicles in the state) and Post Ordnance (center of repair for all track-laying and vehicles and armament in the camp).

### Maj. Lamb in Charge.

The director of the "garages" is Maj. Paul J. Lamb, chief of ordnance branch. Indicative of the many jobs he directs is the fact that the ordnance shops require a crew of 300 persons to operate. This total includes over 200 civilian specialists, enlisted men from Ordnance Section, 1560th Service Unit, and nine officers.

Vehicles needing repairs even receive the "feminine touch" in some shops, since an increasing number of feminine "grease monkeys" are being employed for this work. These women are graduates of the three-month mechanical training course at Arsenal Technical high school in Indianapolis.

The group of shops is an intricate network of machinery used in repair work, but operates on the same principle as a civilian garage. The automotive end of ordnance row is separated into four "eschelons." They are: First eschelon—the tools in the car for minute repairs; second eschelon—the service station in civilian life and the company mechanic in the Army; third eschelon—a civilian garage and the ordnance shops here that make unit repairs on single parts like a carburetor; and fourth eschelon—a machine shop for rebuilding or complete overhauling.

### Parts For All Bases.

Most military bases in Indiana have their third eschelon shops, but all fourth eschelon work is done at Atterbury. Likewise, the parts departments, filled with rows of shelves with cubby-holes from floor to ceiling, issues all parts for bases in the state, from tiny cotter pins to big axles.

The duties of this large crew of

vehicle doctors go on and on like the words in an encyclopaedia. When a vehicle is hardly worth repairing, it is salvaged here and stripped into parts for re-use. When new parts are issued, old ones come in on an exchange basis and these are repaired if possible or torn down into screws or nuts if impossible. In emergency, needed parts are rushed by air transport to distant Indiana bases.

The tire and tube specialists repair on the average of 375 tubes daily and classify 350 tires before sending them out to civilian establishments to be doctored up. These same specialists also operate a tire school for instruction in the repair, maintenance and inspection of rubber. Students include soldiers and civilians from the entire state.

This tremendous clinic for vehicles is capable of processing or rebuilding approximately 6,000 vehicles per year at peak production. The machinery hums 24 hours daily. So, it's a small wonder that Atterbury's ordnance shops are considered one of the largest centers in this country.

# For Boys The Ser

1943\_06\_30\_Camp's Ordnance Re[air Center one of largest in US

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# 'HELLZAPOPPIN' AT ATTERBURY

Camp Atterbury, June 29 (Special)—"Hellzapoppin", the stage revue where anything can happen and usually does, will come to Atterbury Wednesday and Thursday for three free performances. The U.S.O. camp show will play both evenings in the sports arena and Thursday afternoon in the post hospital auditorium.

"Hellzapoppin" defies description, and for the sake of brevity it is called a "streamline revue," but actually it is neither a revue, musical comedy, opera, vaudeville, circus, drama, nor farce. It is a little of each.

The roles created by Olsen and Johnson will be played by Milton Douglas and Jack Leonard. The cast of 45 includes a host of comedy and song specialists and the Broadway Roxyette chorus.

1943\_06\_29\_Hellzapoppin at Atterbury

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## GENERAL HOSPITALS ORGANIZED INTO STATION UNITS AT CAMP

Camp Atterbury, June 28—The need for temporary, mobile hospital service on the many battle-fronts was responsible for the reorganization of the 72nd and 73rd General Hospitals here Thursday into the 228th and 231st Station Hospitals, respectively, according to Col. Charles S. Hendricks, post surgeon.

The change of the 72nd and 73rd into Station Hospitals was in name only, with the military personnel remaining the same; Colonel Milton I. Strahl, commanding the 228th Station Hospital, and Col. Linwood M. Gable, commanding the 231st Station Hospital.

Col. Hendricks, in pointing out the reasons for more station hospitals and less general hospitals stated that reports from the battle fronts demand light, mobile hospital units capable of changing locations swiftly in the theater of operations.

A general hospital in World War I was usually a fixed unit, known as a base hospital, located behind the lines in the communications zone. But in World War II the communication zones keep pace with battle lines, therefore making general hospitals troublesome.

The difference between a general hospital and a station hospital is not great, according to Col. Hendricks. Both are fully equipped medical centers, except the general unit contains 1,000 beds and is more adaptable for specialized treatment. The station hospital, on the other hand, is much lighter and more compact, containing from 25 to 900 beds. It is organized in such a manner that it can be set up for temporary duty with the least loss of time.

And with the many battlefronts developing the need for more station hospital and less general units is quite apparent. The two new station hospitals here will be prepared

to setup anywhere troops fight when fully trained—something unheard of in hospital service in World War I!

### Youths to Enroll in First-Aid Classes

Edinburg, June 28—All Edinburg girls and boys between the ages of 12 to 17 who are interested in a course of junior first aid will have an opportunity to receive instruction.

Lou Bever, who is a Red Cross instructor will conduct a 15-hour course. A meeting will be held Wednesday at 10 o'clock at the shelter house at the Irwin park.

Mrs. Rachel Alexander, of Edinburg, R. R. 1, was admitted to the Major hospital in Shelbyville, Saturday, and underwent major surgery.

George Murphy, student in Indiana University, spent the weekend in Franklin.

Miss Dorothy Mae Sanders visited Miss Marjorie Saunders in Lebanon this weekend.

Dr. Earl Crecraft of Akron, O., is visiting his father, A. N. Crecraft, for a few days.

1943\_06\_28\_General Hospital units change into Station Units

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## DURHAM ROAD TO BE MAINTAINED BY STATE

The Durham road has been added to the list of county roads to be taken over by the State highway department for maintenance around the borders of Camp Atterbury, it was learned here today by Lowell B. Griffin, county road supervisor.

The stretch of the road being taken over is 2.2 miles long and extends from the east border of the Atterbury reservation, east to the Shelby county line.

The total number of miles now on the state list to be converted into state-maintained highways around Atterbury is 23.2 miles, exclusive of Roads 31 and 135.

1943\_06\_28\_Franklin's Durham Road maintained by state

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## KILL 410 RATS AFTER 2 CRIBS OF CORN LOST

The shortage of corn created a serious problem at the Carl Snyder farm on State road 44, five miles east of Franklin last winter, but it has been considerably alleviated now.

During the past winter, rats destroyed almost two cribs of corn. Last week, while the barn was being repaired, workmen killed an estimated 150 rats.

Last Saturday, before workmen were getting ready to move a large stack of lumber at one side of the barn, the Snyder family called in a few neighbors and decided to have a real killing.

Stationed at strategic vantage points, a group of men killed 260 more rats as they fled the lumber pile while boards were removed one at a time.

1943\_06\_28\_410 rats killed after losing 2 cribs of corn

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## Watch Your Ration Dates

### Processed Foods.

July 1—Blue N, P and Q stamps become valid through Aug. 7.

July 7—Blue K, L and M stamps, which became valid May 24, expire.

### Meats, Cheese, Butter, Fats, Canned Fish, Canned Milk.

June 27—Red P stamps become valid.

June 30—Red J, K, L, M and N stamps expire.

July 4—Red Q stamps become valid.

July 11—Red R stamps become valid.

July 18—Red S stamps become valid.

July 31—Red P, Q, R and S stamps expire.

### Coffee.

June 30—Coffee stamp No. 24 in War Ration book 1, which became valid May 31 for the purchase of one pound of coffee, expires.

### Sugar.

Aug. 15—Sugar Stamp No. 13 in War Ration book 1, which became valid June 1 for the purchase of five pounds of sugar, expires.

Applications may be made now for canning sugar. Allotments will be on the same basis as last year—one pound of sugar for every four quarts of fruit canned—with a maximum allotment of 25 pounds per person, which includes five pounds for jellies, jams, preserves, etc. The first 10 pounds may be purchased with stamps No. 15 and 16 (good for five pounds each) in War Ration book 1 through Oct. 31.

### Shoes.

Oct. 31—Shoe stamp No. 18 in War Ration book 1, which became valid June 16 for the purchase of one pair of shoes, expires. Stamp may be transferred among members of the family in one household.

### Gasoline.

July 21—Stamp No. 6 in A books, which became valid May 22, expires. Stamps in B and C books good as noted on book. (Coupons must be detached by filling station operator.)

### Tires.

June 30—Second inspection for holders of B cards due.

Sept. 30—Second inspection for holders of A cards due.

Tires on commercial vehicles must be inspected every 60 days or every 5,000 miles, whichever is first.

### Fuel Oil.

Sept. 30—Fuel oil coupon No. 5 expires in both Zones B and C. Applications for new rations should be mailed in at once to local boards.

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# TO USE FIELDS AT WALESBORO, GRAMMER SOON

July 15 and Aug. 1 Given as  
Probable Openings of  
Auxiliary Sites.

## NEW FENCES ARE PUT UP

Black-top Runways Being  
Laid at Walesboro—  
Tower Is Erected.

Barring further delay in construction because of bad weather, the auxiliary flying field at Grammer will be placed in use about July 15, while the field at Walesboro will be in use around Aug. 1, according to officials of Freeman Army Air field, Seymour.

The two fields in Bartholomew county are among five auxiliary fields for use of aviation cadets at Freeman field.

The Freeman field public relations office said that the Grammer site would not be used a great deal at first, but that the number of landings and take-offs at the field would be stepped up gradually.

The Grammer field, started last September, is practically completed and green grass reveals the course of the big 500-foot turf runways which make a huge triangle on the 640-acre site.

### Put on Final Touches.

The Carl Meyers Construction company of Salem has been the general contractor on the Grammer job. The Meyers company has had a force of approximately a dozen men at work this week, putting final touches on the grading.

It is understood that the full 500-foot width of the runways will not be used at any one time. Instead, markers will be placed on the runways, indicating which strips are to be used. These markers will be moved from time to time, preventing the wearing away of the grass by the planes. Normally a width of 150 feet is sufficient for landing and taking off.

It also is understood that a caretaker will be appointed for the Grammer field and several residents of that community are reported seeking the job.

### Runways Being Laid.

Considerable grading is still being done at the west end of the Walesboro auxiliary field and the black-top runways are being put down by Skilken Bros. company.

The Walesboro job, a bigger project than the Grammer field, was started last October, but construction was practically brought to a standstill during the severe winter months.

An observation and field office, the tower constructed on top of the small 1-story office building, have been erected at the Walesboro field. A searchlight, mounted on a frame made of utility poles, also has been set in place.

### St. Ann Field In Use.

A similar observation tower and field office are being erected at the St. Ann auxiliary field in Jennings county, but so far as is known, here now there will be no buildings at Grammer.

The St. Ann field is now being used by the Freeman field planes and is the first of the auxiliaries to be placed into operation.

Fences are being placed around both the Walesboro and Grammer fields. The fences are of wire and are of average height, their main purpose being to keep animals from straying onto the runways. The fence is being erected at both fields by the Stuntz-Yoman company, which has offices at Edinburg.

## 1943\_06\_26\_Aux Fields soon ready - Grammer, Walesboro, St Anne for FREEMAN FIELD

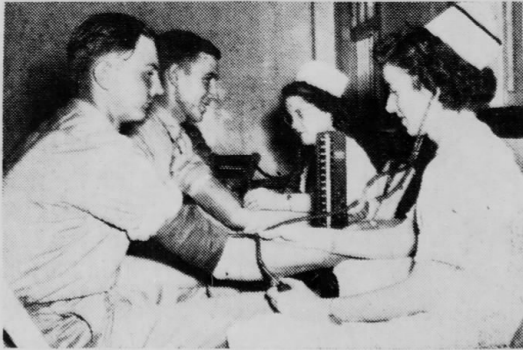
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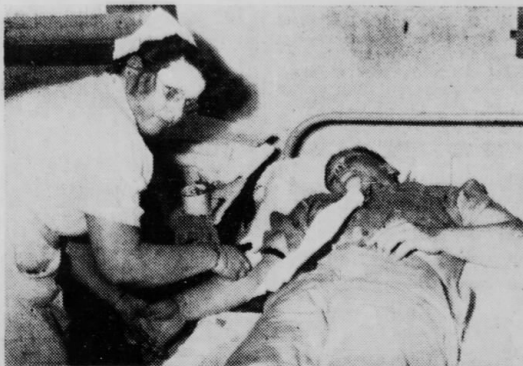
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# 1,697 Camp Atterbury Soldiers Donate Blood to Red Cross During Seven-Day Period



Pvts. Jesse W. Coker, left, and John Scott of the 317th Station Hospital have blood pressure checked before becoming donors. Army nurses with Medical Section, 1560th Service Unit, are Lt. Jennie Willis and Lt. Altona Bailey.



Another blood donor last week was Pvt. John B. Martin, 317th Station Hospital. Assisting is Mrs. George Schamber, Indianapolis Red Cross chapter.

## RECORDS FOR UNIT BROKEN

Average Of 242 Khaki-Clads Per Day Throng Post Hospital To Give Plasma

Camp Atterbury, June 26.—Camp Atterbury topped the all-time daily and weekly records of the Red Cross Mobile Blood Unit from Indianapolis when 1,697 soldiers thronged the Post Hospital for seven days, voluntarily contributing their blood for plasma.

An average of 242 members of the military personnel, both male and female, were bled daily. Tuesday, final day of the unit's stay here, 279 fighting men contributed.

The response in Atterbury so pleased the Red Cross officials that the original stay of five days was increased to seven. Col. Charles S. Hendricks, post surgeon, expressed his appreciation to all persons who donated blood for plasma to be used on the world's battlefronts.

The Red Cross Mobile Unit was brought to Atterbury by John L. Steward, Red Cross field director here, after receiving many requests by soldiers desiring to contribute blood. Col. Hendricks put the entire Post Hospital's facilities at the Red Cross' disposal.

### Set Up In Hospital Ward

The unit was set up in one of the hospital wards. A spirit of good fellowship filled the ward as donors filed through in a continuous stream.

First step in the important work was the filling out of a registration card for each donor. Then (Continued on Page Three.)



M. Sgt. John P. Sethiff, 317th Station Hospital, dedicates his contribution to his brother, Dick, with the Navy Seabees in the Solomons. Assisting is Miss Genevieve Hiehoff, registered nurse.



Three soldiers of 908th Field Artillery help themselves to food and fruit juice after giving blood. Left to right, Pvt. Herman Bowling, Cpl. Walker Kozak, Pvt. Clarence Ellis. Serving is Mrs. Dale Hickey of Edinburg, a Gray Lady.

1943\_06\_26\_1697 soldiers at Camp donate blood

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# MEDICAL UNITS ARE REVAMPED

**Need for Quick-moving Hospitals Leads to Change in 72nd and 73rd.**

The need for light, mobile hospital units capable of changing locations swiftly with the front lines led to reorganization this week at Camp Atterbury of the 72nd and 73rd General hospitals into the 228th and 231st Station hospitals, according to Col. Charles S. Hendricks, post surgeon.

The military personnel of the units is unchanged; Col. Milton I. Strahl commanding the 228th Station hospital, and Col. Linwood M. Gable commanding the 231st Station hospital.

Both the general and station

hospital are fully equipped centers. The general unit contains 1,000 beds and is more adaptable for specialized treatment, while the station hospital is much lighter and more compact, containing from 25 to 900 beds. It is organized in such a manner that it can be set up for temporary duty on quick notice.

## THOMPSON IS MASTER SERGT.

William Claude Thompson, former Bartholomew county deputy clerk, has reached the top spot in the Army's non-commissioned ranks, with promotion to master sergeant.

Thompson, who is only 25 years old, is stationed with the medical department at Fort Benning, Ga. He is the son of Mrs. O. D. Wilson of this city and will have been in the Army two years July 3.

Classified ads cost little, pay big.

1943\_06\_26\_72nd and 73rd Hospital units change

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# CHANGE WAAC UNIT'S NAME

The 44th WAAC Post headquarters at Camp Atterbury has changed its name, becoming the Headquarters section, 3561st Service unit. Except for the name shift, the organization remains unchanged with Second Officer Mary L. Porter commanding.

The WAAC section now has four Hoosiers, Clione L. Boren of Indianapolis, Grace M. Dennis of Anderson, Darothola Chambers of Bicknell and Etta Collins of Mishawaka.

1943\_06\_26\_44th WAAC HQ changed name to 3561st Service Unit

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## 1943\_06\_25\_Camp Atterbury War Dogs

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## CAMP OFFICE FIGURES OUT SOLDIERS' MENUS

Camp Atterbury, June 25—One of the chief links in the food conservation program here is the Ration Breakdown office, serving the 1560th Service Unit, and a member of other units in camp.

This, like other army food conservation methods, is not new. It has been used for some time, and this office has been established since units arrived at Atterbury, with M Sgt. William H. Imhof in charge.

Each month the 5th Service Command sends out a master menu, accompanied by tables showing the exact number of units of food to be used per 100 men by each unit. For example, 5 gallons of mayonnaise should be used during the month for each 100 men.

A record is kept in the mess halls of the number of men eating each meal and from this a daily figure for the number of men rationing with the company is compiled. Using past averages, each company submits the estimated number of men rationing with it five days in advance.

This gives the ration breakdown office time to figure the number of units of food needed by each organization, order the total from the Quartermaster and separate the food into the correct number of units for each organization. The food is delivered the day previous to its serving, exceptions to this being meat, milk and bread.

1943\_06\_25\_1560th SU figures out soldiers menus

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## Major Lee Heads 447th Squadron

Major Walter R. Lee has assumed command of the 447th base headquarters and air base squadron at Freeman Field, replacing Major Roger C. Carroll, who was transferred to the First Service Command at Boston to serve on the aviation cadet board.

Major Lee, a native of Albany, N. Y., attended Albany high school and New York University, New York City. He is a member of the New York Athletic club, and, with Mrs. Lee and their family, Miss Catherine R. Lee and Lieut. Richard R. Lee, made his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. Prior to entering the service he was a real estate and mortgage investigator for the Lincoln Savings bank in Brooklyn.

Major Lee came here from Randolph Field, Texas. He formerly was commandant of cadets at Spence Field, Ga., and in April completed a course on tactics at the United States Military academy at West Point, N. Y.

The Lees' son, Lieutenant Lee, is stationed with the cavalry at Fort Riley, Kansas.

## 1943\_06\_24\_Major Lee heads 447th Squadron at FREEMAN FIELD

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# War Prisoners

## Help on Farm

### In This County

**Farmers and Others Study Ways to Relieve Agricultural Manpower Shortage**

While farmers—and city folks who, after all, have to eat, too—are hoping that some such as the one shown in the photo at the right will not be needed in this county, it was learned today that prisoners of war have been brought into Jackson county to help relieve the acute farm manpower shortage.

Italian prisoners, stationed at Camp Atterbury, were brought to at least one farm in northeastern Jackson county to be employed as farm workers. While the element of distance from the camp would eliminate the possibility of many county farmers getting help through employment of prisoners of war, the fact that some have been brought into the county brought at least some brightness into the rather gloomy farm manpower picture in this vicinity.

**Will Solve Problems.**

While there will probably be some instances where foodstuffs will go to waste for lack of sufficient help in gathering crops, it is the general opinion of people in agricultural circles that the problem will be solved in one way or another as it develops.

Call after call has been issued for help in this county, and farmers have been contacting the office of W. P. Shali, county agent, asking for names of people who might have helped themselves as available. However, this plan has brought insufficient results, and it appears now that some other way will be worked out to meet the situation.

**Nothing Definite Yet.**

There is nothing definite or official as yet, but some observers point out that there are still untried ways in which temporary farm help can be secured to gather crops under emergency conditions.

In some communities groups of clerks and office workers have been recruited from cities and towns, and go into the fields after work in the afternoon to work until dark. In some localities business houses have released some of their help to work on farms a few hours, two or three days a week.

**Only Alternative.**

With virtually all federal and private agency affiliated with food production urging maximum production, and with farmers being asked to put in every acre of food crops possible, it appears that the determination to produce food will extend not only through the planting and cultivating stage, but through the harvesting stage as well.

Lacking sufficient permanent farm help with which to do the job, farmers are being asked to get their crops out, with the promise that one way or another the help for gathering the crops will be provided. The only alternative, in view of the shortage of full-time farm help, is a patriotic response on the part of people living in villages, towns and cities.

**Help Is Imperative.**

Once the crops are ready for gathering, they must be harvested at the proper time to prevent loss of badly-needed food. If and when these emergencies arise, observers in this county believe that if it is necessary, townpeople will respond to any emergency call for help, and business men, store workers and office staff members will forego some of their personal activities and pleasures to contribute a patriotic share in keeping this county's food crop from going to waste for want of harvesters.

# 1943\_06\_24\_Italian POWs help on farm in Jackson County

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**Under the watchful eyes of U. S. guards, Axis prisoners march in internment camp in Camp Atterbury, Ind. Since fighting in North Africa, many of these camps have sprung up throughout the country, the average concentration holding 2,000 prisoners and 500 American troops. Prisoners of war are treated under rules of an international convention.**

## 1943\_06\_24\_Axis POWS march into Camp Atterbury

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## PLEDGES TO DELIVER FOOD TO FRONT LINES

Camp Atterbury, June 24—"We'll get the food, ammunition and equipment to men in the front lines." That promise, Lt. George E. Miley, commanding officer of the 379th QM Truck Co. here, makes for his organization.

The 379th is a "rolling equipment" company and on the field will be the go-between for the railroad supply depot and the fighting units.

Lt. Miley declares the duties of organization make it "as tough a job as you can find." He stated, "Stop, the supplies the shooting will stop." So that the supplies may reach its destination, the 379th now is undergoing an intensive training program, doing exactly what the infantryman does.

Members of the truck company are learning how to become a self-sufficient unit, providing its own security for more than one hundred vehicles. The unit uses giant 12-wheeled trucks to haul the supplies to the front lines.

Lt. Miley, an 18-year Army man, and a trainer of soldiers from coast to coast, is personally directing the conditioning of his men. The soldiers are trained in the same manner as infantrymen, in addition to a comprehensive knowledge of motor maintenance.

The organization came to Atterbury March 5. Aiding Lt. Miley are Lt. Joseph Allard, executive officer and platoon commander; Lt. Timothy F. Curtis, mess officer and platoon commander, and Lt. Everett M. Bush, motor maintenance.

1943\_06\_24\_379th QM Truck Co to deliver food to front lines

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## LAND TAKING WORK ENDING

**Jury Trials Virtually Complete  
Atterbury Proceedings  
After 17 Months**

Settlement of several cases out of court, and jury verdicts in seven others, ended last week the major details connected with the taking by the government of some 40,000 acres of land in three counties for Camp Atterbury.

The land-taking process has required some 17 months. In the seven jury trials in Federal court at Indianapolis last week, two concerned Johnson county tracts, four Bartholomew and one Brown.

As in previous Atterbury land trials before Federal juries, the prices decided on by the jury were well below the valuation estimates set on the property by the owners' witnesses, although the percentage of increase over government valuations granted in recent cases was larger than in previous trials.

The combined increase on the seven tracts involved in jury trials last week over the government testimony was \$6,750, but the total granted by the jury was \$14,500 under the lowest combined estimates of the owners.

Jesse Wertz, owner of a large farm on Road 31 just north of Edinburg, appeared to have fared best of the seven. The jury granted \$5,500, while the valuation set by the government was from \$2,500 to \$3,000. The owners' estimates on the value ran from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Theodore Grossman, north of Edinburg, was given \$500, compared to the government valuation of \$250.

Land negotiations for the purchase of the first section of Camp Atterbury, the cantonment area, were started a year ago last February. Since then, negotiations have been under way almost constantly, with many Atterbury owners settling with the Justice department after the first land trials were held in Federal court.

1943\_06\_23\_Camp land taking work ending

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# REACH ACCORD IN LAND CASES

**Combined Increase of \$2,-  
883 Received for King  
and Finkel Tracts.**

Out-of-court settlements were reached Saturday in condemnation cases involving tracts of land taken for Atterbury Army Air field, with the owners getting a combined increase of approximately \$2,-883 over the sums originally offered by the government.

The tracts were those of Perry King and Mrs. Albert Finkel and were the only tracts in the airfield which were not sold to the government during the original land negotiations.

Trials in the King and Finkel cases were started Friday afternoon in federal district court at Indianapolis and the suits then settled out of court Saturday.

King received \$31,160.85 for 160 acres, compared to an offer of \$29,677.

There were two Finkel tracts, with \$20,675.55 paid for one, after an original offer of \$19,691, and \$8,925 for the other, after an original offer of \$8,500.

William H. Dobbins and Julian Sharpnack were attorneys representing the former owners of the land.

## 1943\_06\_21\_Reach accord in Atterbury Army Air Field land cases

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## ATTERBURY TO BE POST-WAR CAMP FOR MEN

Will Be Used to House  
Soldiers Until They  
Get Jobs.

### HITCHCOCK BARES PLAN

Tells State Exchange Con-  
vention of System to  
Absorb Veterans.

Camp Atterbury, along with other Army camps in the nation, will be used during the immediate post-war period for housing soldiers until they "are gainfully employed in civilian life," according to Col. Robinson Hitchcock, state selective service director.

Colonel Hitchcock revealed Army plans for post-war use of the camps at the state convention of Exchange clubs Saturday at Marion.

If the plan is followed as now set up, the role to be played by Atterbury will be a "break" for Bartholomew county soldiers because those not finding jobs upon their return home will be stationed at the Hoosier camp.

Problem Up to Citizens.  
Declaring the problem of re-indoctrination of soldiers to the peaceful and civilian way of life after the war will be primarily up to the citizens who have remained at home, Colonel Hitchcock stated that the Army plans to return the soldiers to Army camps in their native states.

He declared that, under tentative plans, the boys will be given furloughs to their homes for two or three weeks. After that time, if they have no business or employment, they will return to a camp in their own state, where they will remain until they obtain work.

Colonel Hitchcock also stated that each of the 152 civilian re-employment directors assigned to the state's draft boards will have the task of assisting the returning service men in finding positions. James Sullivan of Reeves Pulley company is re-employment director for the Bartholomew county draft board and at present assists men released from the Army in finding employment.

The election of state officers was held at the Sunday session of the Exchange convention and Webb Hunt of Muncie was elected president, defeating Irving Fell of Bloomington.

It was voted to have the 1944 convention at Lafayette.

The Columbus club was not represented at this year's convention.

## 1943\_06\_21\_Camp to be Post-War Camp for returning Veterans

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# STATE TO TAKE OVER ALL ROADS INTO ARMY POST

## Federal Funds of \$99,200 Allotted for Their Maintenance.

### 58.1 MILES AFFECTED

#### Thoroughfares Along Atterbury Boundaries in Three Counties Included.

Federal funds totalling \$99,200 have been made available to the Indiana state highway department for maintenance of roads into and around the boundaries of Camp Atterbury and the work will be handled by the Columbus sub-district of the state highway department, it was revealed today.

In announcing plans for the new road program which has been assigned to the state highway department, Henry Schulz, local sub-district superintendent, said a total of 58.1 miles of road is included in Bartholomew, Johnson and Brown counties.

The counties involved previously had sought federal aid for maintenance of the roads, but under the new plan the money has been granted to the state and maintenance of the highways transferred from the counties to the state.

#### Affected Roads Listed.

The roads affected in Bartholomew county are the Moxfer road which runs along the eastern boundary of the southern part of the Atterbury reservation; the road west from the overpass north of Columbus to Lowell bridge and the Moxfer road; the road from the Moxfer to Tannehill bridge and Road 21 at Taylorsville, and the road running north from Tannehill bridge into the Atterbury reservation.

The Georgetown pike, southern boundary of Atterbury in Bartholomew county, will remain under the county highway department, but that section of the Georgetown pike along the southern edge of the camp reservation in Brown county will be taken over by the state department.

#### In Neighboring Counties.

Maintenance of roads running northward along the western edge of Atterbury in Brown county also will be taken over by the state, along with the roads in Johnson county along the northeastern boundaries of Atterbury.

Plans for state maintenance of the roads in Brown county along the camp boundary will come as good news to residents of that area, some of whom have had to drive several miles out of the way over bad roads because the good roads leading out of that area were closed when the Camp Atterbury land was taken by the government.

The roads through the Brown county area are in places little more than lanes and considerable work will be necessary to put them in proper condition.

#### To Set Up 3 Patrols.

Mr. Schulz said today that three patrol units will be set up for the new roads, one in each of the three counties involved.

Extra grading equipment also will be obtained because of the large amount of work which will have to be done on some of the roads, including ditching, grading and removing trees and stumps.

A total of 16,000 cubic yards of pit-run gravel will be needed for improvement of the roads and bids will be received until 2 o'clock June 28.

Persons wishing to bid on the gravel may contact the Columbus sub-district highway office here.

# 1943\_06\_19\_State takes over all roads to and around Camp

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# EAST COLUMBUS TO HAVE FIREMEN

**OCD Auxiliary Unit Planned  
at Meeting — Harry  
Brooks, Chairman.**

Plans for organization of an auxiliary firemen's unit, using the East Columbus men trained by the Columbus department as a nucleus for the new group, were made at a meeting of the auxiliary firemen Friday night at the East Columbus Methodist church.

The East Columbus group is headed by Harry Brooks as chairman, with Dale Greenlee as assistant, and a request has been made for issuance of fire equipment to East Columbus through the Office of Civilian defense. It is expected that this equipment will be similar to that received by the city of Columbus.

Fire Chief Charles Miller explained that the East Columbus men will continue their advanced training with the Columbus auxiliary firemen and will be prepared to take over their new equipment when it is allocated to them by the OCD.

## **25 Complete Training.**

With receipt of the new equipment which is being sought, East Columbus will have civilian defense fire protection similar to that set up for the city of Columbus.

Twenty-five East Columbus men are included among the group which has completed the firemen's course with the Columbus fire department. They have been divided into squads of five men and leaders chosen.

The 25 are Otto Gatten, William Palmer, Harry Johnson, Orville Horning, Arthur Rager, John Zurbugg, Merrill Williams, Edd Eddy, John Zeigler, George Jones, Henry Hoeltke, Horace Pulliam, Paul Champion, Paul Eddleman, Parry Setser, Paul Gordon, Harley Poole, Wayne Hendricks, Don Bray, Sherman Cook, Ford Setser, Dale Greenlee, John Robinson, Robert Brooks and Harry Brooks.

## 1943\_06\_19\_East Columbus to have Firemen

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## MEDICS SET FOR BATTLE SHOCK

Atterbury 'Mercy Soldiers' Get Training Under Sing of Bullets.

Camp Atterbury, June 18 (Special)—Medics training here have weathered the shock of actual battle, heard the sing of bullets and the blasts of bombs, and know the taste of watery slime—and this goes for every wearer of the Caduceus, from surgeon to ward attendant.

American "mercy" soldiers no longer will go into battle completely ignorant of combat if the training of the medical units stationed at Atterbury is indicative of the entire Army. The gunless soldiers of World War II are battle-experienced, trained under realistic conditions.

War—blitz-style—is more than just fighting; it is a battle of nerves. Shock causes as many casualties as bullets and any unarmed medic can suffer from shock just as easily as the highly mechanized tank-destroyer soldier. Thus this realistic conditioning for medical personnel of the 317th Station hospital and the 72nd General hospital. These unarmed Medics are subjected to the same nerve ordeals as their brothers in arms.

### Undergo Real Fire.

The 317th and 72nd units are only two of the medical groups who have already weathered the infiltration course. Every officer and enlisted man from Col. Milton T. Strahl, commanding the 72nd General hospital and Lt. Col. John A. Tamissee, commanding the 317th Station hospital, have crawled the course under actual field conditions.

Atterbury's infiltration course—a 40-odd yard flat "no-man's land," spaced here, there, and everywhere with water-filled craters and lined with the muddiest Indiana slime; barbed wire entanglements some eight inches above the muddy ground under which the medic must crawl while bursts of 30-caliber "live" bullets from eight machine guns wing just 36 inches above ground level—is "tough."

It requires 20 minutes for the average soldier to negotiate the course using the body-crawl, wading in the mud and slime, as bullets sing overhead just a foot above and constant showers of mud and water splash him as TNT bombs are tossed into the slime-filled craters.

A mud-infested trench into which the medic crawls for a final mud-bath marks the end of the course and here the mud and slime-drenched "mercy soldier" rests until a whistle sounds "cease firing" and 36 inches above ground is clear space once more.

## 1943\_06\_18\_Medics train on Infiltration Course

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## Hearings on Land Started

Landowners who declined to accept prices offered by the government during the land negotiation preceding the purchase of additional Camp Atterbury tracts, were the central figures in condemnation trials started Thursday in the federal district court Indianapolis.

Tracts in the group of cases heard Thursday afternoon included those of Elmer Records and Ida Gosch in Bartholomew county and Sylva Beatty in Brown county.

The bulk of the condemnation suits involving Camp Atterbury have previously been settled out of court or by jury and it is expected that all the remaining cases will be decided during the current session of federal court in Indianapolis.

The two condemnation suits involving land taken for Atterbury Army Air Field were set for 2 o'clock this afternoon. They are suits filed by the Government against the tracts of Perry King and Mrs. Albert Finkel.

Other owners in the Atterbury Army Air Field area settled at the time of the original negotiations.

In the previous condemnation cases heard at Indianapolis several months ago, the prices decided on by the jury were considerably under figures being sought by the former owners. As a result, many of the owners settled out of court after the jury had reached verdicts in the first few cases.

1943\_06\_18\_Land hearings begin

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## MEDICS, "GUNLESS SOLDIERS," CRAWL INFILTRATION COURSE

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1943\_06\_18\_HOSPITAL units crawl infiltration course

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## Prison Camp Report Denied

Fears expressed at Columbus, Franklin and Indianapolis that Camp Atterbury may be turned into a prison camp for German soldiers appeared definitely baseless today following receipt of a telegram by The Daily Tribune from Congressman Earl Wilson.

Mr. Wilson, evidently taking cognizance of articles published in The Tribune and in other newspapers, particularly in Columbus, Franklin and Indianapolis, telegraphed The Tribune that "at no time will Camp Atterbury be turned over to prisoners of war."

Newspaper articles published recently were inspired by reports circulating in Indianapolis and southern Indiana that the camp was to be turned over for exclusive use of prisoners. Indianapolis became particularly alarmed over the report, and a field worker visited areas involved to help create opposition to any such plan which might be in the minds of Washington officials.

Mr. Wilson's telegram to The Tribune follows:

"At no time will Camp Atterbury be turned over to prisoners of war. This is not the policy of the War Department for taking care of prisoners of war. Small groups of prisoners will be absorbed in each of our larger camps where they may be adequately guarded at all times. This is practically a quote from the Adjutant General and I hope that it will allay any fear that you may have in regard to Camp Atterbury being made into a camp for prisoners of war. Camp Atterbury will continue to serve the purpose for which it was originally intended."

Earl Wilson, Representative in Congress.

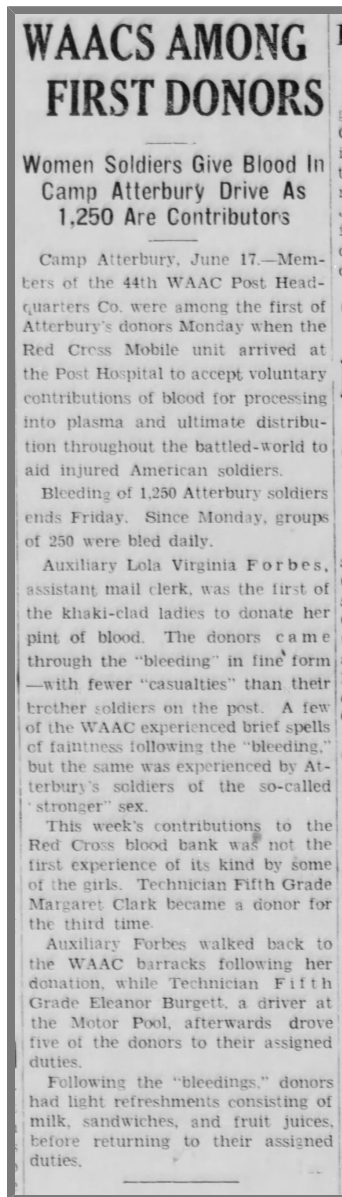
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## 1943\_06\_17\_WAACs first to donate blood

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# SKAGGS MOVED TO GERMANY

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Skaggs of Taylorsville have received notification that their son, Sherman Skaggs, who has been held a prisoner of war in Italy, has been moved to a camp in Germany.

The notice also contained other details about articles which could be sent to their son. One was cigarettes, which can be sent through a tobacco company but not directly from the parents.

Skaggs has been held prisoner since April.

1943\_06\_17\_Sherman Skaggs moved from Italian POW camp to German POW camp

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# Maurice Clark Is First Lieutenant

Lieut. Maurice E. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ogle Clark of Trafalgar, has been promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant in the Medical Administrative Corps.

For the past six months, Lieut. Clark has been stationed at Camp Atterbury with the 35th Evacuation hospital, but is now on maneuvers with the Second Army in Tennessee.

1943\_06\_17\_Maurice Clark now 1LT. 35th EVAC

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# HOT WEATHER TAKES TOLL OF THIN CAR TIRES

## Wave of Blowouts Reported by Columbus Repair Shops.

### PUNCTURES INCREASING

#### Motorists Urged to Take Every Precaution in Growing Emergency.

During the last fifteen days since the arrival of hot weather, tire blowouts and failures have practically doubled here, according to reports received from repair stations.

Tires on many cars, weakened by long service, repainting and re-capping were unable to stand up under the first hot spell of the season and an appalling epidemic of blowouts has resulted.

The wave of tire trouble comes in the face of the most serious tire shortage here since the rationing program was inaugurated. Applications for new tires on file at the ration office are more than double the county's allotment for the month and there are indications that the quota for July will be sharply reduced.

#### Next 90 Days Worst.

WPB representatives here this week advised tire inspectors that "every mile possible must be got out of tires already on cars."

The serious shortage, dealers have been advised, is expected to continue about 90 days when some relief is expected through synthetic rubber.

"The tire situation is becoming more and more serious," said Arthur Jackson of the Columbus Vulcanizing company. "Today I have two men working full time on tires where a year ago one repairman was needed only part time."

#### Notes More Punctures.

Guy Sweeney of Pulse Standard service asserted that he had noticed a substantial increase in tire trouble during the last month. He said punctures were definitely on the increase.

"Tires are wearing thin and they are more likely to pick up nails," he stated.

Sweeney added that a lot of cars are getting around on nearly worn-out tires only because they are travelling at low speeds.

"Many of the tires being used wouldn't stand up under 50 and 60 mile-an-hour driving," he said.

A representative of the O. K. Tire shop said he had noticed an increase in tire trouble.

#### Avoid Hot Pavement.

Motorists are being urged by tire men and ration officials to care for their tires in the best possible manner during the hot weather, else they may find themselves riding on the rims.

As a protection to tires motorists are urged not to let them stand in the sun any more than necessary and to reduce driving on hot pavements.

The tire situation has reached a point where motorists who get tire purchase certificates through the ration board are having difficulty in buying tires because the dealers are unable to get them.

The local ration board is placing share-the-ride war workers at the top of the list of tire applicants.

## 1943\_06\_17\_Hot weather takes toll on thin tires

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# BEGIN WORK ON U. S. O. PROJECT

**Dunlap and Company Awarded Contract on Bid of \$15,406.**

Work of remodeling the local U. S. O. recreation center at Fourth and Franklin streets will be placed under way within the next few days by Dunlap and Company of this city, successful bidder on the job.

The Dunlap firm was awarded the remodeling contract on a bid of \$15,406.58. There were several other bidders.

Equipment and supplies to be used in the installation of new plumbing at the center are already being moved in preparation for the start of the work. Much of the millwork is being done now.

Plans call for remodeling the entire street floor and the basement. The south part of the main floor which is now being used as a storage room and garage is to be converted into an auditorium and dance room with a stage.

A new lobby is to be installed at the north end of the main room and various other improvements and installations are contemplated in the plans drawn by the firm of McGuire and Shook, Indianapolis architects.

## 1943\_06\_17\_Dunlap to remodel USO

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# 83rd's Doughboys Vie in Big Field Day Program

Doughboys of the 83rd Infantry division at Camp Atterbury took time off from their regular training Wednesday to match skill at the division's first field day and at the same time played host to several thousand guests, including friends and relatives.

The field day found the doughboys vieing at such old-time athletic events as a 3-legged race, wheelbarrow dash, piggy-back horse and rider event and Indian wrestling, along with competition in more modern events, dealing strictly with making the doughboy more proficient at the game of war. The latter included shelter tent pitching, rolling field packs, servicing trucks, rifle shooting and running the infiltration course.

The field day was climaxed with a military parade and review by the 329th Infantry at 4:15 p. m. and the soldier warriors then relaxed at two big dances Wednesday night, one for enlisted men in the sports arena, with 200 girls from the Indianapolis service men's center as guests, and a dance for officers in Officers Mess No. 1.

The 330th Infantry regiment nosed out the 329th in a hard-fought battle for top honors in the field day events, winning the division's first field day banner with a total of 105½ points. The 329th finished second with 105 points.

Other placings were 83rd Division field artillery, 102½ points; 331st Infantry, 52 points, and Separate Units, 41 points.

The field day included 19 events. The 330th won seven first places, the 100 and 220-yard running events, running broad jump, grenade throw, horse and rider (piggy back), close order drill and volley ball. The 329th won four firsts, tent pitching, wheelbarrow race, running high jump and pack rolling, making a grand slam with all four places in the latter. The Field Artillery was tops in truck driving, infiltration course, gun crews and Indian wrestling. The Separate Units won physical fitness and rifle shooting, while the 331st copped the softball tournament and the 3-legged race.

Staff Sergt. Len Sexton of the 330th was the only 2-place winner

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1943\_06\_17\_83rd Doughboys in big field day program

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## 83RD'S DOUGHBOYS VIE IN BIG FIELD DAY PROGRAM

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in the field day events, taking firsts in the 100 and 220-yard dashes.

### Company G Wins Tourney.

Corp. Leroy Titus hurled Company G of the 331st to a 7-0 shut-out of Company K of the 329th in the softball tournament finals.

Also on the day's card was a baseball game between the Camp Atterbury nine and the Stout field team from Indianapolis, with the Attaboys losing, 4 to 2.

The Stout fielders put together too many double plays for the hosts, cutting short Atterbury rallies four times with as many double plays. Atterbury took a 2-0 lead in the third, then yielded two runs in the sixth to knot the count. In the seventh Bob Harris hit a homer with one on to give the Stout nine the deciding runs.

Mayors of Franklin and Shelbyville were among special guests at the field day, along with heads of the USO centers in neighboring towns, including Earl Schreiber of the Columbus USO. Mayor Carlos S. Folger of Columbus was unable to attend.

Mass field days of the type held Wednesday at Atterbury were introduced into the Army recently to cultivate closer companionship between units of large organizations, as well as to give the individual soldier a chance to show his skill.

## 1943\_06\_17\_83rd Doughboys - continued

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## 12 Oil Paintings Are Loaned to Hospital

Local Artists in Conjunction with Local Red Cross Chapter Hang Paintings in Auditorium of Station Hospital at Camp Atterbury

Through a co-operative arrangement between the American Red Cross and members of the Brown County Artist's Group, twelve oil paintings were hung today in the Auditorium of the Station Hospital at Camp Atterbury for the duration of the war.

The paintings are loaned to the hospital, the action being sponsored by the local chapter of Red Cross, as part of its activity in the Camp and Hospital Council, an organization formed a few months ago by the Red Cross for providing service men with many comforts, both recreational and cultural, not provided by the Army.

Artists participating in the project include Dale Besaire, Mrs. Mussette O. Stoddard, Carl Graf, Mrs. Leota Loop, L. O. Griffith, Adolph Shultz, Mrs. Alberta Shultz, Mrs. Sybil Connell, Edward K. Williams, Miss Marie Goth, C. Curry Bohm, and V. J. Cariani. Each has contributed a painting ranging in size from 20 x 30 to 40 x 48 inches, and all are of landscape or figure subjects.

The auditorium of the hospital is a large room with high ceilings where a great many of the activities of the camp are conducted. On Sundays it provides the setting for religious worship by the convalescent soldiers and throughout the week it is used for recreational gatherings for the enlisted men as well as a meeting place for camp officers and Red Cross representatives. The walls there provide a nice background for the paintings, which completely "make over" the appearance of the room.

Sometime ago an appeal came to the local chapter of Red Cross from field representatives stationed at the Camp, asking whether or not the Brown County group of artists would care to participate in any way in the activities of the Camp and Hospital Council. The artists responded generously and a committee made a trip to the hospital several weeks ago where the plan for loaning the paintings for the duration was worked out.

Through the Council, the local Red Cross Chapter has also made a donation of hickory furniture for the hospital. Lee Bright, Dr. B. W. Marshall and Mrs. Howard Zody made up a committee which visited the hospital and made the selection of Brown County's gift. In response, Mr. John L. Stewart, Red Cross representative at the camp, recently wrote the local chapter, saying, "I wish to take this opportunity of thanking your chapter for their splendid contribution of the three sets of furniture for the screened-in porches. Also the fine paintings in the auditorium are regarded as one of the outstanding contributions in the camp. Your chapter and council have done more than their proportionate share. It is all very much appreciated."

Dale Besaire, L. O. Griffith and Mrs. Leota Loop, representing the artists, and Mrs. K. M. Kunkel, chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter, made the trip to Atterbury today to supervise the hanging of the paintings in the Auditorium.

# 1943\_06\_17\_12 Oil paintings loaned to STATION HOSPITAL

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# **PUSH WORK ON NEW ROAD 31 AT EDINBURG**

**Fills and Bridges Are Well  
Under Way for By-pass  
Project.**

## **CHANGE FRANKLIN PLAN**

**Dual-lane Road Now Stated  
to Go Through That City,  
Instead of Around.**

Work on the Road 31 by-pass around the town of Edinburg is well under way and by late fall traffic is expected to be using the new 1.9 mile strip of paving which will go west of the Edinburg city limits.

The construction is part of the state's program for dual-lane Road 31 from Greenwood to the Columbus by-pass, and eventually on south to Louisville. This program is among post-war plans of the highway department.

Construction of a 320-foot concrete bridge over Sugar creek for the new Edinburg by-pass has been started by the Smith and Johnson company of Indianapolis. The new bridge is being built about four-tenths of a mile west of the present bridge over Blue river at Edinburg and part of the construction equipment can be seen from the present Road 31 route.

**To Drive 132 Piles.**

The big bridge structure will have a 28-foot roadway and pedestrian walks on each side. At the present time workmen are driving piling for the south abutment with use of a steam hammer. A total of 132 piles, 20 to 25 feet long, will be driven into the ground in each of the bridge's two abutments. There also will be three piers and work has been started on the southernmost pier.

Work also has been started on grading and building the fills leading to the bridge approaches. The road contract has been awarded to the Belms Bros. company of Indianapolis. The fill on the south side of the bridge is nearing completion. It will be approximately 3,000 feet long and will have a maximum height of 18 feet.

**Change Route at Franklin.**

Paul Gibson of Salem, with the Sevier state highway office, is project engineer for the by-pass construction.

The state highway commission has revised its plans to by-pass the Franklin business district and has decided on a new route for Road 31 following Morton street and cutting across four east-west streets in Franklin's west end, according to a story this week in the Franklin Evening Star.

The new Franklin route is among plans for the post-war dual-lane of Road 31.

Engineers started surveying the route through Franklin last week and the Franklin Star quoted Samuel C. Hadden, chairman of the state highway commission, as saying that the route through Franklin had definitely been selected.

**Begin at Old Crossing.**

Carl Vogelsang, head of the road design department of the highway commission, said that the new route for Road 31 begins at the point where the present route crosses the site of the recently dismantled tracks of the Indiana railroad north of Franklin.

South of Greenlawn cemetery at Franklin the new route picks up the previously surveyed cross-country route originally selected for the new road, and follows that route south to the present route of Road 31 just north of Amity.

Present plans call for construction of a two-lane roadway of concrete, with the eventual development of the by-pass route into a dual-lane highway.

1943\_06\_16\_Push work on US 31 dual lane

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# Planes 'Strafe' Troops Training at Atterbury

The small liaison planes which have been darting over Columbus for the past several weeks, heading for Atterbury Army Air field like so many homing pigeons each evening, have been giving soldiers of the 83rd Infantry division at Camp Atterbury first-hand information on warfare from the air.

Instead of commissioned officers as pilots, the liaison planes are piloted by corporals and sergeants, a number with years of experience as barnstormers or civilian pilots who have flown as a hobby. The oldest is 41 years old and a veteran of World war I.

The small two-seated planes have been throwing 1-pound flour bombs (flour in paper sacks) at the troops, "strafing" them unexpectedly while they were in moving formation or bivouac and in other ways teaching the doughboy the need to keep a wary eye toward the sky.

## Drop and Read Messages.

The planes also have been doing liaison work, picking up messages from the air, as well as dropping notes and reading panel messages spelled out by the troops below. Another use has been to see if the doughboys have been learning their lessons

in camouflage. If the pilots of the U. S. planes can detect the troops in spite of their camouflage, so could the Axis fliers.

The liaison planes were assigned to work with the 83rd Division troops and are from Godman field at Fort Knox, Ky. They are being serviced at Atterbury Army Air field here. The men also are being quartered at the local field, flying their planes here from Atterbury late each afternoon.

## Can Land on a Dime.

The planes are under the command of Lieut. R. J. Callan, flight officer. Lieut. C. D. Brewer, an aerial photographer, also is with the group.

The ships can land or take off on the proverbial dime. When they arrived at Camp Atterbury, the pilots landed and took off on camp streets. Later Lieutenant Callan started looking for a temporary airfield and, although he did not know it, picked out the site originally selected as an airfield with the Atterbury boundaries. The weeds were cut to make runways across the field and the little planes went into action.

A mobile ground radio unit accompanies the planes so that pilots can keep in touch with Lieutenant Callan at the improvised field.

1943\_06\_16\_Planes strafe 83rd troops at Atterbury

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## 'KHAKE-KAPERS' WELL RECEIVED

Show Lives Up to Reputation, But Crowd Is Smaller Than Hoped.

"Khaki-Kapers." Fort Benjamin Harrison's musical comedy satire on Army life, played to a small house at Crump's theater Tuesday night, but lived up to the reputation it has made as an outstanding "hit" production.

The show toured northern Indiana after making its debut at Indianapolis last winter and after its appearance in Columbus Tuesday night headed for Louisville, where it will make a 4-night stand, moving from there to Columbus, Ohio. The show is slated to return to Camp Atterbury for a performance on June 21.

The engagement here was sponsored by the special services branch of Freeman Army Air field at Seymour, but the crowd was smaller than hoped for, believed largely due to the short notice given of its arrival.

Top scenes in the show in the opinion of the majority of the audience were Guadalcanal and the Kitchen Police scenes. The Guadalcanal scene, starring Corp. Al Hodges and Sergt. Carl Baker, was presented under dimmed lights, the stage picturing a trench on the island wrested from the Japanese. Using real guns, the two soldiers blasted at the opposing Japanese, with Corp. Hodges carrying on alone after his buddy died from wounds.

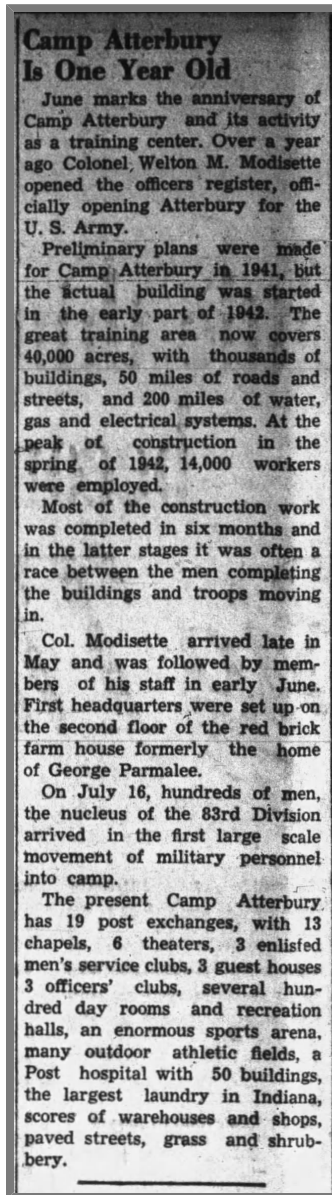
1943\_06\_16\_Khaki-Kapers show well received at CRUMP theater

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1943\_06\_16\_Camp Atterbury one year old

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# RESIDENT HERE IS PICTURED

A souvenir pictorial revue of Camp Atterbury has been published and is proving a big hit with the doughboys. The review copies are on sale at the Atterbury post exchanges and contain pictures of all phases of Army life as it is at Atterbury.

The picture book is entitled, "A Camera Trip Through Camp Atterbury."

On the next to the last page is a picture of Post exchange No. 1. In the picture is Mrs. Bessie Van-Norman, 821 Fifteenth street, pictured at left. She is a clerk at the PX stationery and novelty counter. At right is Mrs. William Chandler, who recently left to join her husband who is to graduate from an officer candidate school in Texas.

Post exchange No. 1 is under the management of Bernard Drake, 1125 Pearl street.

1943-06\_16\_A CAMERA TRIP THRU CAMP ATTERBURY  
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# **BIG FIELD DAY AT ATTERBURY TOMORROW FOR 83RD OPEN HOUSE**

Camp Atterbury, June 15—"Open house" for the friends and relatives of the 83rd Division will be held Wednesday, according to an announcement by Maj. Gen. Frank W. Milburn, division commander.

The event will be a mass Field Day, including a parade, athletic contests, military demonstrations and a dance in the sports arena with 200 girls from the Indianapolis Service Men's Center.

Although introduced only recently into the Army, the Field Day has grown fast in popularity. It affords the soldiers an occasional day of wholesome and stimulating recreation.

The division area will be alive with competition throughout the day. The military events will include shelter half pitching, rolling field packs with full field equipment, hand grenade throwing, truck driver competition (changing tires and appearance of truck and driver), manual of arms and close order drill competition, rifle shooting, running the infiltration course and artillery gun crew competition.

The athletic program will be just as active—a three legged race, the

wheelbarrow race, the 100 yard dash, the 220 yard dash, running broad jump, Indian wrestling and horse and rider (piggy back).

A softball and volleyball tournament for the division championship will be run off during the morning and afternoon. In addition there will be a baseball game between the Camp Atterbury team and some nearby nine.

The 329th Infantry Regiment will have a parade late in the afternoon. Two dances will conclude the day's activities, one for the enlisted men in the sports arena and the other for officers.

Special eating arrangements are being made for the guests in the service clubs.

1943\_06\_15\_83rd plans Open House at camp

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## ENGINEERS LIST PROJECT COSTS

**Spend \$315,000,000 in District—Both Corps and Camp Have Birthday.**

The Louisville district of the United States Corps of Engineers, which was in charge of construction of Camp Atterbury and the airfields in this locality, has revealed military expenditures in its area through April 30, 1943, totaled \$315,000,000.

In addition to its war program, the peace time activities of the Corps, which will celebrate its 168th anniversary Wednesday, continued without interruption in 1943. The \$315,000,000 spent in this district went for the construction of camps, air fields, cantonments, ordnance plants, modification centers, hospitals, quartermaster depots, and barge projects since the start of World war II.

Engineering units Wednesday will commemorate the 168th anniversary of the appointment of the first chief of Engineers, Col. Richard Gridley, who was paid \$60 a month for his services with George Washington's army. The Corps was established on June 16, 1775.

### Camp Marks Birthday.

Camp Atterbury also is celebrating a birthday—its first.

June marks the first anniversary of the camp as an active training center for the Army. It was just a year ago that Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, opened the officers' register in the farmhouse which served as post headquarters.

Colonel Modisette arrived at Atterbury late in May, 1942, and was followed by members of his staff in early June.

On July 16, hundreds of men, the nucleus of the 83rd Division, arrived in the first large-scale movement of military personnel into the camp. The division was then activated on Aug. 15.

## 1943\_06\_14\_Engineers list costs of projects

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### Billiard Ace Visits Atterbury.

Charles Peterson, famous billiard expert and former world's champion with the ivories, spent the weekend in Columbus and Camp Atterbury. Peterson, who for years co-starred with Willie Hoppe, was here to entertain the soldiers at Atterbury with his rare assortment of trick and fancy billiard shots.

His exhibition at one of the Service clubs Saturday night was his 1236th show for the men and women of the service since Pearl Harbor. He has visited more than 200 camps, naval and air bases and has given as many as 14 exhibitions in a single day.

Peterson on his tour has made a practice of going places where other entertainers seldom reach. "I rode eight hours by truck to reach one hidden training center," he said.

Pete, as he is known to his friends, probably has more personal acquaintances in the newspaper field than any other figure in the sporting field. He has given exhibitions in practically every city in the country and has touched many of the smaller communities. When he began touring with Hoppe some 30 years ago he began a practice of mailing 30 post cards a day to his friends and acquaintances, mostly in the newspaper field. He has continued this hobby down through the years and is still doing it.

For a number of years he made a practice of remembering his sporting editor friends by sending them newspaper shears on which was engraved "Show Me a Shot I Can't Make." That, incidentally, is the title of an article on Peterson which is to appear in the coming issue of the magazine News Week. Referring to the sports editors, and he is personally acquainted with a majority of them from John Kieran, Joe Williams, and Warren Brown on down, he said, "They have been great to me, and I like to keep in contact with them."

For years Peterson has been appearing regularly at the leading colleges and universities under auspices of the Association of College Unions. For a year and a half he has been giving 80 percent of his time to the Army camps where hundreds of billiard tables are in operation almost continuously.

After the war he sees a great boom in the popularity of billiards, similar to that which has gained command in the field of bowling in recent years. During the past quarter of a century bowling has been transformed from a sport associated with the saloon business to a national pastime, conducted on a high plain, with appeal to both men and women. With men and women in the colleges and universities, and in the Army and Navy being taught the sport, Peterson foresees the same change over in billiards.

After visiting Army camps, air fields and naval bases from border to border and coast to coast, Peterson has nothing but the best to say of the men in the service. "It's a great army and one which we should point to with pride," he said. "On my tour I have seen few out of line. Not so long ago I was riding on a train on which there were 400 soldiers. The behavior of one of these soldiers was entirely out of line and the lady seated across from me spoke out in critical terms of the Army. I asked her why she should blame the other 399 for the misdoings of one. Then I asked her to compare it with her home community and see if only one out of 400 wasn't a pretty enviable record."

Before the war Peterson gave one day each week to the Boys

Clubs of America, entertaining the club boys with his trick shots. He is a close friend of Walter M. Hall, former local Boys club director now with Boys Clubs of America in New York. A few years ago Peterson put on an exhibition for the local club.

## CRUMP'S

TONIGHT ONLY



### FIVE GRAVES TO CAIRO

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## NOTICE

"FIVE GRAVES TO CAIRO"

Will not be shown Tuesday on account of stage show

"KHAKI KAPERS"

ONE ON MONROE'S! TWO MAD STAMPS, HERE

## RIO

TODAY and TUESDAY

BRUCE CABOT and FAY WRAY in "KING KONG"

WIN STAMPS AND BONDS AT THIS THEATRE

## MODE

TODAY and TUESDAY

ANDY FALLS for a NEW TYPE OF GIRL...THE INTELLECTUAL TYPE!



ANDY HARRIS

# 1943\_06\_14\_Billard ace visits Atterbury

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# Reported Plan to Make It Prison Camp Fought

A movement has been inaugurated in Indianapolis, with assistance from civic leaders in towns and cities in the Camp Atterbury vicinity, to prevent if possible, reported plans for transforming Atterbury from a training camp into a concentration camp.

Ernest W. Budd informed members of the Rotary club of the planned opposition at the club's luncheon meeting today.

Mr. Budd read letters received by Mayor Carlos S. Folger from Senator Frederick VanNuys and Rep. Louis Ludlow which were in reply to inquiries he had made regarding the reported change at the camp. Senator VanNuys wrote that he had been informed by the provost marshal general in Washington that such a transformation was not planned at the local camp.

## No Official Indication.

The War department ten days ago announced Camp Atterbury as one of 21 camps where prisoners of war were being interned. However, there was no indication that it is planned to change the camp from a training center to a prison exclusively.

At the present time several hun-

dred Italians are interned in one section of Atterbury.

Mr. Budd said opposition to the reported plans for a change-over was being organized to protect interests of the neighboring cities where heavy investments have been made to provide accommodations for the families of the military personnel of a large training camp. The contention is that if such a change-over at the camp were made, the military personnel would be greatly reduced.

Mr. Budd said he had been delegated by the organization in Indianapolis to contact the local Chamber of Commerce, civic organizations and city officials, and ask them to write their congressmen registering opposition to such a change.

The program at the Rotary meeting was in charge of Will Roth.

Mr. Roth called on members of the club for remarks and opinions on a series of timely subjects having to do with the war.

Those taking part were Vincent McMullen, H. L. Knudsen, Q. G. Noblitt, F. M. Sutter, Glenn Thompson, F. H. Suhre, Julian Sharpnack and Bob Gordon.

1943\_06\_14\_Against plan to make Atterbury a Prison Camp

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## 1,250 PLAN TO GIVE BLOOD

Camp Atterbury, June 14 (Special)—Atterbury soldiers celebrating the first birthday anniversary of this Hoosier training center will reverse the role of celebrant by "gifting" a worthier cause. More than 1,250 here will donate blood, starting today, to the American Red Cross.

Col. Charles S. Hendrick, Post Surgeon, announced all was in readiness for the first donor, when the Red Cross Mobile Unit arrived at the Post Hospital for a 5-day visit.

The Red Cross personnel is capable of taking 250 donors daily, in groups of 25 every half-hour. A staff of seven will be at the Post Hospital to supervise the bleeding and all the needed facilities of the hospital has been put at the Red Cross disposal.

Blood-takes here will be sent to Indianapolis for processing and the plasma will be subsequently distributed throughout the battled-world to aid injured soldiers.

1943\_06\_14\_1250 soldiers plan to give blood at camp

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## 88 GUARDSMEN ON MANEUVER

### Mock Battle and Review Are Among Activities at Youth Camp.

Local state guardsmen were nursing some sore and stiff muscles today in the wake of their weekend battalion maneuvers held at the Columbus Youth camp, the first such maneuvers for the local units and among the first held in the state.

Firecrackers were used to simulate firing during the mock battle staged at the camp Sunday morning, but the 28 first aid cases for the medical detachment weren't simulated. None of the cuts, bruises and scratches, however, was serious.

Seventy enlisted men and 18 officers were present for the 2-day maneuvers, which started Saturday afternoon. Company F of Columbus and Company G of Bloomington, units of the Second battalion which is headed by Maj. Sherman T. Sublette of Columbus, took part, along with some men from Company B, Greensburg, and Company C, Shelbyville, both units of the First battalion of the Fourth Infantry regiment.

**Feltus Reviews Troops.**  
Col. Paul L. Feltus of Bloomington, commander of the Fourth Infantry, and members of his staff were at the camp Sunday and witnessed the review which was staged on the athletic field.

Arriving at the camp Saturday afternoon, the men held flag-raising services; each was assigned to quarters, kitchen details selected, and close order drill was held. Supper consisted of wieners, baked potatoes, green beans and salad. Following the supper, the men were free to do whatever they wished.

Sunday morning's activities started with calisthenics and breakfast of bacon and eggs. Section problems and a mock battle followed a worship service conducted by Lieut. Charles Bradley of Second Battalion headquarters.

**Colors Presented.**  
Sunday dinner featured baked chicken. In the afternoon the review was held and regimental colors presented to local Company F, which has been selected as the color company for the Fourth Infantry during the year 1943. As color company, the local unit will carry the regimental colors whenever the regiment is assembled for duty or training.

The three meals during the maneuvers were prepared and served in the administration building at the camp. The men slept in the cabins at the camp.

The guardsmen returned home Sunday evening and 45 Columbus Boy Scouts took over the Youth camp today. They will spend this week at the camp. During the following week, the first open session for boys will be held at the youth retreat.

## 1943\_06\_14\_88 Guardsmen on maneuver at Youth Camp

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# NEW THEATER OPENS TONIGHT

Camp Atterbury's theater No. 6 will open for the first time tonight, serving the Service Unit's area. The theater is located at Division and Noble streets.

The opening show, "Bataan," will be presented both today and Sunday.

The theater will be used as a chapel on Sundays and will be available daily for training films and special meetings.

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## Suspenders, Face Creams On Italians' Want List

Atterbury Colonel Gets Surprise—Language Is Big Barrier.

**(Editor's Note: This is a second story on the internment camp for Italian prisoners of war at Camp Atterbury and was written by Harold Harrison of the Associated Press, one of the reporters who toured the camp recently.)**

Camp Atterbury, Ind. June 11 (P)—Lieut. Col. John L. Gammell, commanding an American Army unit which has charge of Italian prisoners of war now being held at Camp Atterbury, has decided he didn't know much about the likes and dislikes of his "guests." The area where the prisoners are housed is just like the remainder of the camp. The men live in barracks, they have their own mess halls, reception centers and their own canteens.

And it was in connection with the canteen that Col. Gammell had one of his biggest surprises. He had laid in the usual store of candy, cigarettes and other such items and when he had one of his first meetings with the regimental, battalion and company leaders among the prisoners, he showed them the list to see if it met with their approval.

**He Didn't Have Them.** Then Colonel Gammell found the prisoners wanted those things but more than anything else they wanted suspenders, hair oil, hair tonic, facial creams and hand lotions.

"And I didn't have any of those things," Colonel Gammell said as the Army conducted newspapermen through the prisoners' stockade for the first time.

The language problem is one of the most difficult for the American officers in charge of the prisoners. They don't speak Italian and only a very few of the prisoners speak any English. As a result, soldiers who can speak Italian have been rounded up to act as interpreters.

One of the busiest men in the camp during the inspection tour was Pvt. Carlo Fogar, a French-Italian who became an American citizen only recently. Pvt. Fogar is one of the best of the interpreters.

**Learn "Same Thing."** The Americans and their prisoners have solved part of the language problem, however, the officers have learned the Italian words for "same thing," so now when they want the prisoners to do something such as perhaps pick up paper around a barracks, the officer does it first and then says "same thing" in Italian. The prisoners grin and go to work—they know what they're to do.

Newspapermen on the tour ate with the prisoners at noon and when one of them filled water glasses he reeled off something in Italian. An officer seated at the table told the reporters the said water is "no good—wine, much better."

One English word all of the prisoners seem to understand quickly is cigarette. One of the reporters happened to mention that word and several Italians standing nearby lighted up with broad smiles and called out "cigarette!"

The prisoners are given upon their entrance here the basic course in American military courtesies and enough English to enable them to understand the fundamental military orders.

They are taught to recognize the national anthem, "To The Colors," the various bugle calls, American insignia of rank and such commands as "halt," "attention," "forward march," etc., and of course that newest of all orders, sometimes given in Italian and sometimes in English—"same thing."

## BOB'S LUNCH IS ROBBED OF \$32

Burglar Gains Entrance by 'Jimmying' Lock on Back Window.

Bob's Lunch room, located on Third street, was entered Thursday night by a burglar who made away with upwards of \$32.50 in cash.

The robbery was discovered at 4 a. m. and police were notified. Entrance to the lunchroom owned by Bob Morrison was gained through a rear window. The improvised lock on the inside of the window was "jimmied," permitting the burglar to raise the window and enter.

Approximately \$32.50 in cash was known to have been taken. In addition the burglar removed the money from two slot coin collectors for a juke box. The collection boxes were removed from the wall inside of the booths in the establishment.

## STRATEGY FOR BUGS OUTLINED

Victory Gardeners Told How to Combat Pests by Experts.

Do you have Mexican bean beetles, potato bugs, leaf hoppers or corn borers?

How to combat these Victory garden fifth columnists, as well as how to solve other garden problems, was explained at two public garden meetings held Thursday at the home of A. V. Keesling, county agent.

Although Columbus and county is overflowing with Victory gardeners, the attendance at the two meetings was comparatively small.

Glenn Leiker of Purdue university explained control measures to wipe out the invading insects.

For use on potatoes he recommended copper lime dust or melon dust or, if a spray is preferred, a mixture of Bordeaux and arsenate of lead. These may be added to water, four or five tablespoons of each to a gallon, then sprayed or sprinkled on the potato plants.

**May Buy Stirrup Pump.**

If the gardener does not have a spray he may purchase one of the civilian defense stirrup pumps. The Bordeaux will kill the flea beetle and leaf hoppers, while the arsenate of lead will kill the potato bugs.

For protection of beans against the Mexican bean beetle Mr. Leiker recommended use of Rotenone.

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# 1943\_06\_11\_Italian POWS want list

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### Many Skilled Workers in Group Of Prisoners at Atterbury

By Harold Harrison.

Camp Atterbury, Indiana, June 10.—(AP)—Farmers, carpenters, cooks and highly skilled masonry workers are among the Italian prisoners now being held at Camp Atterbury.

The unskilled laborer also was much in evidence as the Army conducted newsmen on the first tour through the big stockade where the prisoners are held in this spotless Hoocher Camp.

The prisoners who are working outside the stockade are better off financially than their companions. They receive 50 cents a day in addition to their regular 15-cent-a-day allowance.

Cot John L. Gammett, commanding officer of the United States Army unit which has charge of the prisoners, said however, that the extra pay has been authorized for prisoners who must work within the stockade at such jobs as cooking the meals and doing necessary carpenter work.

Over at the camp's fifty-acre vegetable garden one group of prisoners was busy hoeing potatoes. Officers said about three-fourths of the prisoners, who recently arrived here, were farmers in peacetime Italy and were "very adept at it."

They sang as they worked and when news photographers took their pictures they grinned broadly and whistled away with their toes with added vigor.

At one entrance to the camp another group was busy carving the name "Camp Atterbury" in a huge rock.

Along one road around the stockade two youthful prisoners were making a stone American flag on a raised spot in the ground. In front of several of their barracks, the same as those which house American soldiers, the prisoners have made various displays in rock.

**Song Request Denied.**

Another group of prisoners was cutting weeds. When someone suggested to the officer that the men sing the Italian version of "The Beer Barrel Polka," their favorite marching song, the interpreter called to them but said they told him it was "too hot."

About 100 yards from the stockade another group of men were clearing off what once had been a huge pile of scrap left from construction of barracks. The area was almost entirely clean.

If the meal served newsmen on their trip through the camp was any indication, the cooks know what they are doing—that is, if you like spaghetti and Italian bread. That's the favorite food of the prisoners.

They eat their meat and potatoes but usually not until after they have devoured a big plate of spaghetti or more.

The prisoners keep the barracks in repair. Others work in the prisoner stockade canteen.

**Band Pieces Needed.**

But regardless of what they were doing, you saw broad smiles. There were no evidences of any dissatisfaction.

The camp has its musicians, too, and Colonel Gammett is trying to round up musical instruments for the prisoners. If the instruments can be found, he said, he has enough talented musicians to form a 100-piece band.

The prisoners work a maximum of ten hours a day and six days a week. Some don't work that much, of course, because of lack of jobs for them but the army is making arrangements to use them on nearby private farms.

Where that is done, the farmer will pay the Government an agreed wage for the laborer. The

prisoner then will receive his regular 80 cents a day and he may spend up to 215 cents in the canteen. All profits from the canteen go right back into the prison stockade—to outfit the internment camp, buy athletic equipment, musical instruments or do many other things to contribute to the comfort of the men as required by the Geneva Convention, an international treaty governing treatment of prisoners of war to which, all principal belligerents have subscribed.

Colonel Gammett made it plain that the treatment of the men is in accordance with the Geneva Convention.

"They are not convicts in any type of way," he said. "They're soldiers. It's true they are enemy soldiers but your friends or brothers may be in the same boat over there."

### Airfield Worker Facing Charges

Howard Basham, age thirty-four, of Columbus, employed on one of the airfield projects, was scheduled to be arraigned today before Judge George W. Long in Bartholomew Circuit Court of Columbus on a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. He was arrested following an accident on Alternate U. S. Road 31, eleven miles north of Seymour Tuesday night in which two women were injured and an automobile destroyed by fire.

Basham also was charged with leaving the scene of an accident following his arrest by Officer Joseph L. Cline, of the Seymour state police post. George E. Miller, age thirty-five, of Columbus, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

Mrs. Mabel Johnson, wife of James Johnson, and Mrs. Mary Green, wife of Edna Green, all of Smith street, East Columbus, were treated at the county hospital for head and facial lacerations following the wreck.

Basham was arrested by state police thirty minutes after the wreck.

The accident occurred as Mrs. Johnson and her two children, Betty Jean, four, and Jimmy Ray, two, and Mrs. Green were on their way to Junesville to see a doctor about one of the children who was ill.

They were riding in a roadster driven by James Taylor of East Columbus.

According to the police report,

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**VIEWS ON THE NEWS.**

The "approximately 29,300 acres of Bartholomew county land taken by the War department for an army camp and three airfields is a drop in the bucket of 19 million acres now owned or leased by the department—an area larger than the combined area of New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware and Massachusetts. An article in the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post says: "The land acquisition program of the War department ranges from the lease of a tiny roof top or back yard in a coastal area for the placing of a searchlight to the block of approximately 3,000,000 acres of Nevada desert to be used as a bombing range."

And the several hundred Bartholomew county families forced to move off their farms compose only a company in the army of 50,000 families dispossessed by the War department. These range from 5 "settled and prosperous farmers in the black soil belt to a tribe of Oglala Sioux Indians in the Bad Lands of South Dakota."

"What most people do not realize," declares the Post article, "is that years of planning and research went on before a single site was chosen. In many cases it had actually begun eight years earlier, when the War department, laying its plans for the day when such a war might come to us, decided to use a particular district after perhaps a hundred other possible sites had been studied and rejected." How long the Camp Atterbury site had been spotted on the War department maps has never been announced and may never be learned here, but it is evident that it was marked first as a general location. We recall that when it came time to make the survey to pin the camp down to a specific location, an area west of Garden City and Walesboro was considered first, then one almost directly west of Columbus, then one at Kansas town before the cantonment site was finally moved north into Johnson county.

Wherever the War department decides to set down an ordnance plant, an airfield, a target area or what not, the Post writer points out, "it slices like a huge biscuit cutter through the whole fabric of the section; through the intricate maze of transportation routes, power and oil pipe lines; through an overlapping and interwoven net of mineral, oil, grazing and other rights. It cuts through long-established usages and customs; through community life and sentimental ties as it touches school and church districts and cemeteries."

"Considering the scope and complexity of the task," concludes the Post article, "one must concede that in the time that has elapsed since Pearl Harbor a miracle has been performed. Where a year ago, there were open cornfields or desert wastes, there are now training centers, immense ordnance plants, factories and mills turning out munitions of war. Scattered around these plants are the unsung heroes of the day, the thousands of farmers who turned their backs on a pattern of life that had been generations in the building."

## 1943\_06\_10\_Land acquisition study

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## Airport Site Ex-Land Owners May Get Refund

Persons who owned land which was purchased by the government for Freeman Army Air Field southwest of Seymour and who are entitled to a rebate on taxes from the government, should send their name and address to Paul Jones, Columbus Abstract Company, 419 Third street, Columbus, Ind., it was learned here today.

The check for the back taxes to which the former landowners are entitled will then be sent to them, it is stated.

1943\_06\_10\_FREEMAN field land owners get refund

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## Col. Baldinger Is Promoted

### Lieutenant-Colonel Is Promoted to Rank Of Full Colonel

Promotion of Lieut. Col. Ora M. Baldinger, engineering liaison officer at Freeman Field, to the rank of full colonel is being announced by Col. E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of the field.

Colonel Baldinger received his military training at Virginia Military Institute, graduating as a second lieutenant in 1910. He was launched on his flying career in 1912 and has served the Army overseas—in the Orient, in Europe and Africa. During the World War I he was commanding officer of an observation school at Post Field, Fort Sill, Okla.

Colonel Baldinger served as junior military aide to President Woodrow Wilson and senior military aide to President Warren Harding. He lived in the White House and was the President's official spokesman, accompanying him on the presidential trip to Alaska. When Harding died in San Francisco, Colonel Baldinger was at his bedside. He continued to serve as military aide in the cabinet of President Calvin Coolidge.

Colonel Baldinger and his mother, Mrs. Eliza G. Baldinger, live at 511 Indianapolis avenue in Seymour.

1943\_06\_10\_Col Baldinger promoted at FREEMAN

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# 83RD DOUGHBOYS BATTLE IT OUT

'Blues' and 'Reds' Take Part  
in Field Maneuvers at  
Atterbury.

The "blues" and the "reds" of the 83rd Infantry division at Camp Atterbury were battling it out today in field maneuvers.

Similar to previous maneuvers, the doughboys are living in the field during phases of the battle problems which have been going on this week.

Although the problems are being carried out inside the Atterbury reservation, several vehicles of the division were seen in Columbus today, their occupants wearing the colors of either the "blue" or "red" forces.

Inside the camp's boundaries in Bartholomew county, peeps and combat cars kept the dust rolling as they speeded along meeting thrusts and counter-thrusts of the foe.

Most of the vehicles were camouflaged with greenery. Some of the moving peeps held small-sized trees, the occupants' heads sticking through the boughs as the vehicles rolled down the roads.

Liaison planes also joined in the maneuvers, adding realism to the combat problems.

1943\_06\_09\_83rd Div doughboys mock battle

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# 400 Women are Trained For Noblitt-Sparks Jobs

In the six months since its birth on Dec. 7, 1942, a year after Pearl Harbor, the Noblitt-Sparks downtown training school has had almost 400 women trainees, some of them wives of Camp Atterbury or Atterbury Army Air field soldiers, doing their bit on the production front while the husband carries a gun.

The Noblitt-Sparks figures, plus those revealed recently by other local war industries, give a striking picture of the increasing part the Columbus woman is playing in the war effort.

The Noblitt-Sparks training school, located at the southeast corner of Sixth and Washington streets, gives the women war workers brief training in crimping, soldering, spot welding, punch press operation and torch welding.

Length of time a trainee is in the course, receiving pay while learning, varies according to speed in "catching on" and the need for new workers at the Noblitt-Sparks plants.

## How Long It Takes

"One girl was here only two and one-half hours before moving into the production line," said Ben Ropp, former high school teacher and now head of the N-S school.

"That is an unusual case, but the time normally varies from 10 hours to five days. Twenty-four is the most we have had at any one time because of the constant demand for workers at the plants."

In the school, the newcomer gets acquainted with the tools and processes, at the same time learning what is to be expected when she goes into the factory.

Mrs. Thomas Durbin, who is employed at the school with Mr. Ropp, explained that the training school gives the worker-to-be a chance to get acclimated and to lose what timidity she may have at taking her first factory job. Mrs. Durbin was employed in one of the N-S factories for about two years and is well qualified to answer the applicants' question, "What is the work like?"

While some of the workers at school during the winter months were wives of soldiers, women also came from local homes and farms along with those from neighboring towns.

## 40 High School Girls

Approximately 20 girls from rural high schools and 20 from Columbus high school stepped from

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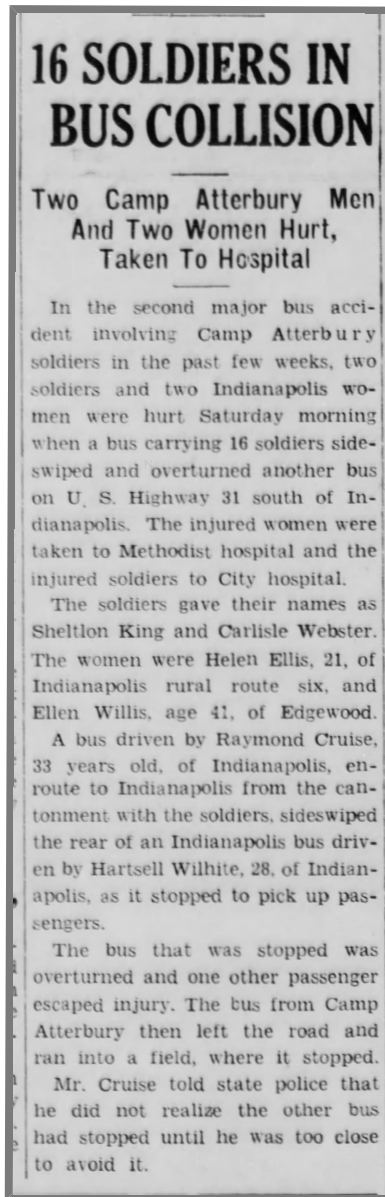
1943\_06\_07\_400 women trained for Noblitt-Sparks jobs

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## 1943\_06\_05\_Sixteen soldiers in major bus accident

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# ATTERBURY TO BE PERMANENT PRISON CAMP

Army Says 36,688 Enemy Internees Now Held In U. S. Camps, 14,516 of Them Italians; Steps Are Taken to Expand Selected Reservations

Camp Atterbury is scheduled to be a permanent internment center for prisoners of war, army headquarters in Washington announced yesterday.

According to a story appearing in The Indianapolis Star, based on an army communication released to the Associated Press, several thousand Italians are already confined at the camp and more are expected to arrive later.

Atterbury officers declined to discuss the transformation of a section of the camp into a prison or to disclose the size of the prison, The Star said.

The first and only press release from the public relations office at Atterbury regarding the internment camp and Italian prisoners of war was issued on May 19 when it was officially announced that "Italian prisoners of war at the internment camp located here (Atterbury) will be available for necessary agricultural labor."

## North African Fighters?

According to The Indianapolis Star's story, appearing in its Saturday edition, the Italians held at the nearby army camp are said to have been taken in the recent North African campaign.

The Star said: "The army announced that 36,688 enemy prisoners are now held in 21 prison camps in the United States. The total includes 14,516 Italians; 22,119 Germans and 62 Japanese."

"Other camps to which Italians have been sent include Crossville, Tenn.; Carson, Cal.; Clark, Mo.; Florence, Ark.; Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Oden, Okla.; Phillips, Kan.; Winchester, Mo.; and Wheeler, Ga. The army said the combined capacities of the camps now being used is 55,000 but that steps are being taken to expand camps that are to remain permanent quarters for prisoners of war. The prisoners are being housed in several of the camps only temporarily."

"Col. Welton M. Modnette, camp commander, is in command of the prison camp at Atterbury."

## Tell About Camp

"The army released a word description of the prison camps. The standard stockade at each of the camps, the army said, is an inclosure within a double-barbed wire fence with guard towers covering a narrow alley between the fence. The stockade is divided into three compounds, each containing butchery, mess hall, toilet facilities and other installations for 1,000 prisoners. Within these compounds prisoners are permitted to circulate freely, but gates restrict passage between the compounds."

"The typical prison camp housing 3,000 prisoners, the army said, requires the services of 500 officers and enlisted men of the army, who are housed outside the stockade in nearby barracks and offices. The signal and administrative detachment is made up of three military police escort companies, additional officers and three attached officers."

"The companies usually are rotated, one on actual camp guard maintaining the towers and gates, another company in the alert and the third engaged in tactical and other training exercises or in supervising the guarding of work details. Prisoners are organized into companies of 200, each under an American army officer, and in turn, battalions are formed within the camp."

## Enlisted Men Help

"The prisoner company commander is assisted by army enlisted men, including a first sergeant, a mess and supply sergeant, clerk, interpreter and cook. The cook, however, merely supervises preparation of food by the prisoners, who are re-

mitted and expected to organize and administer their own affairs as much as possible.

"The army said the office of the provost-general has found that many of the prisoners held in the United States have special skills, but the use to which these skills may be put is restricted. The use of prisoners as emergency farm labor will be confined to operations requiring 12 or more men at one time, the army said, such as cotton picking and harvesting. Other occupations in which the army expects to employ large numbers of prisoners are road building, irrigation, dam construction and similar projects."

Washington, June 5 (AP)—The War Department today for the first time officially revealed that the United States holds only 62 captured-in-combat Japanese prisoners of war in this country.

Despite a maximum of several hundred other Japanese captives held by the Allies in the southwest Pacific, this low figure is in sharp contrast to the Army announcement on June 3 that 11,207 U. S. soldiers are now prisoners in Japan, and approximately 18,000 more are listed as "missing in action" in the Pacific area.

Detachment of the Japanese prisoners, who are now quartered at Camp McCoy, Wis., came in an Army report which revealed that 22,119 German and 14,516 Italian captives are being held in 21 camps in the continental United States.

Army officials attribute the reduced number of Japanese war prisoners to the fact that the Japanese code of Bushido refuses to recognize the existence of captives. According to the military tradition, soldiers falling into enemy hands are regarded as "legally" dead.

In its report, the war department also provided a glimpse of the actual administrative and operational organization of prison camps in this country.

All installations, except prison camps at Angel Island, Calif., Camp Blauding, Pa., and Fort Meade, Md., are permanent. Combined capacity of the 21 camps, located in 17 states, is approximately 55,000.

The office of the provost marshal general reported that many prisoners have had farm experience. These will be used only in lots of about 12 or more for such work as cotton picking and harvesting because of the limited number of military guards. Other prisoners will be employed on road building, irrigation development, dam construction and similar projects.

Recreational facilities will be supplemented by gifts from private organizations. "Because the prisoners naturally favor the sports of their own countries, standard army athletic equipment kits have not proved generally satisfactory," the Army said.

Formal educational courses, dramatics, music and other cultural activities are also included in the camp program. The Army quartermaster corps will prepare menus on the basis of "national preferences."

Camp administration follows a well-established pattern. In a typical camp 3,000 prisoners are guarded by 506 Army officers, and enlisted men.

## 1943\_06\_05\_Camp Atterbury to be Permanent POW camp

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## ONE OF 2 ESCAPED PRISONERS REPORTED CAUGHT IN MORGAN

Acting on a tip, Morgan county police authorities Thursday afternoon purportedly captured one of the two garrisoned soldiers who fled the prison ward at Camp Atterbury's Station Hospital early Wednesday morning and last night returned him to the cantonment, where he is said to be facing a 10-year sentence.

The soldier, who was said by a Morgan county police officer to be Charles Hall, was caught along a road near Mt. Zion in Morgan county by Sheriff Omer St. John and Deputy Ray Rainwater, who were called to the community when residents suspected that he might be one of the prisoners.

Police believe the other prisoner may be hiding in the same locality.

Until Morgan county authorities had been called to the Mt. Zion community, the hunt had centered on the hills of Brown county, where the soldiers were reported to have been seen.

Except for the hunt for the prisoners, local officers experienced a comparatively-quiet 24-hour period. Only two arrests were made here, two Dugger men being arrested Thursday night by Officer Wayne Burdsall after they were said to have run a preferential street.

### Charged As Drunk Driver

They were Leslie Mitchell, age 23,

charged with drunken driving, and Albert Mitchell, age 57, slated for public intoxication. Both pleaded not guilty when arraigned in city court Friday morning before Mayor W. V. Hemphill and their trials were set for Saturday morning.

John Duckworth, of Edinburg, entered pleas of not guilty when arraigned in city court on charges of disorderly conduct and public intoxication and his trial is to be held later. He is under a six months' suspended sentence following his arrest a few weeks ago on the same counts.

An Edinburg officer, Forrest Huntsman, suffered a deep cut over his right eye in a fight there Wednesday night after he made an arrest. A prisoner resisted the officer and started to fight. Five stitches were required to close the wound.

1943\_06\_04\_Escapees caught

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# Air Base Private Dies at Atterbury

Camp Atterbury, June 4. — Pvt. John Andrezepewski of the 1035th Guard Squadron, Atterbury Army Air Base, Columbus, died in the Camp Atterbury hospital yesterday as the result of acute appendicitis. He is survived by an aunt, Julia Mierzwinski, of Trenton, N. J.

1943\_06\_04\_Cols Air Base Pvt dies in Camp Atterbury  
HOSPITAL

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# 3 MORE WILL SEEK 'WINGS'

## Bill Stearman, Senior, and Ben Walker, Teacher, Are Accepted.

Three more Columbus residents, along with six soldiers from Camp Atterbury and 11 local residents who already have gone into training, have been accepted for flying training by the aviation cadet examining board at Freeman Army Air field, Seymour, it was announced today.

The three include a local school teacher and a member of the 1943 high school graduating class, Benjamin F. Walker, teacher at McKinley and coach of the school's basketball team, and William L. Stearman, star player on the high school basketball team for the past four years.

The third man accepted is Arthur V. Keller, 825 Cherry street, employe of Cummins Engine company.

Both Walker and Keller are married and have young daughters, but volunteered for Air force service. The three will go to Indianapolis to be sworn in with one of the draft groups either at the end of this month or during the first part of July.

### Eight Others Leave.

Eight other local men left today for training as aviation cadets after being accepted by the Freeman field board, while three others already have started training.

The six soldiers from Camp Atterbury accepted for cadet training are: Pvt. Lewis S. Seibert, A. T. Co., Bloomfield, Pa., and Pfc. John C. Stone, Jr., Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., Pippapass, Ky., both of the 329th Infantry; Pvt. Rollo Allen, medical detachment, Nanvoo, O.; Sgt. George L. Mulig, Co., B, Canton, O.; Pfc. Byron C. Vice, Toledo, O., of the 330th Infantry; and Sgt. Warren E. Bicley, Co., F, Sandusky, of the 331st Infantry. All are with the 83rd Division.

1943\_06\_03\_Nine go to Freeman Field - BILL STEARMAN

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# M P'S TO WORK REST OF WEEK

Will Direct Traffic in  
Business District on  
Saturday.

Military police from Camp Atterbury will continue to serve as traffic policemen in Columbus for at least the rest of the week. Lieut. William Dyer, in charge of the platoon, said today.

The M. P.'s took charge of the traffic in the city Wednesday and were back on duty this morning, working at the principal street intersections during the traffic rush hours.

Lieutenant Dyer said the military police would be on duty Saturday, which is the busiest day of the week for traffic in the city.

The M.P.'s, distinguished by their white gloves and blue arm-bands, have helped speed up the traffic in the business district. While they are on duty the electric signals are turned off and the traffic is kept rolling steadily.

1943\_06\_03\_MPS in Cols for the week

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# SEEK 2 AFTER FLEEING CAMP

**Soldier Prisoners Escape  
from Atterbury Hospital—  
May Be in Brown County.**

Two American soldier prisoners who escaped from a hospital detention ward at Camp Atterbury Tuesday were still being sought by authorities today.

It was reported that the two men were dressed in civilian clothes which they were believed to have taken off a clothesline near Nineveh.

There were published reports today, quoting Russell W. Cochran, Johnson county sheriff, that four men had escaped from a detention ward at Atterbury Wednesday.

These reports were denied by the Atterbury public relations office today and it was believed that Sheriff Cochran was referring to the men who had escaped Tuesday.

The Johnson county sheriff, who with his deputies joined in the search for the fugitives, said he had been informed that the men had spilled a strong disinfectant on themselves as a ruse to be moved from the camp's regular guardhouse to the detention ward.

The fugitives were reported seen by a farmer Wednesday in Brown county near Nineveh.

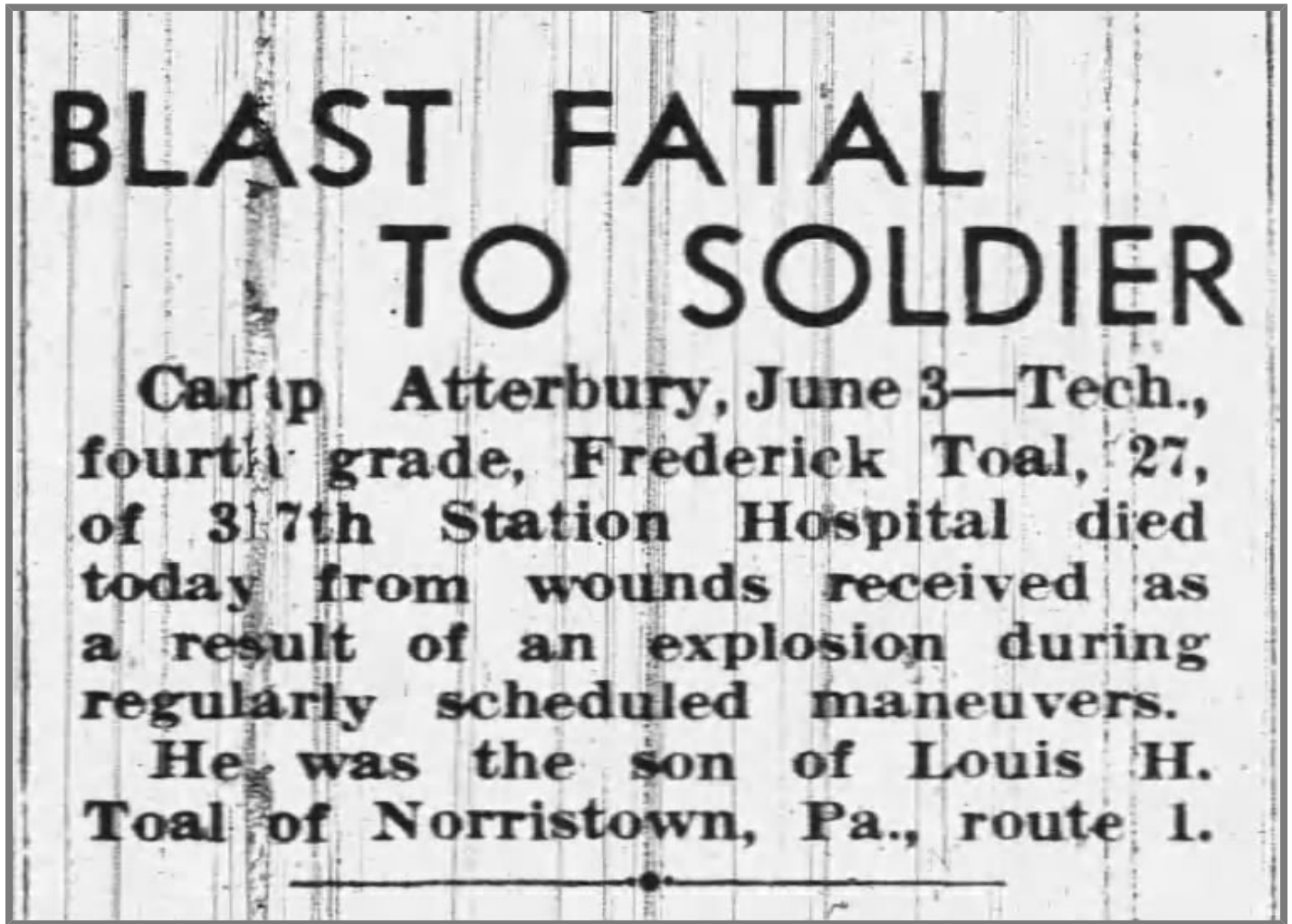
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# NO INSIGNIA FOR ARMY GIRL

Camp Atterbury, May 28 (Special)—Atterbury soldiers have been cautioned not to send their unit insignia to the wife or girl friend; and if she already has the insignia, have her put it away or she'll be violating army regulations.

The regulation, AR 600-40, prohibits the wearing of insignia intended for soldiers by others than those in the service. According to the War Department violations will be prosecuted to the extent of \$300 fine or six months' imprisonment.

The main reason for this enforcement is that many women started wearing pins, wings, and everything but service stripes, causing shortages and making it more difficult for soldiers to purchase necessary unit emblems. Also many of these insignia are made of metals restricted for the duration.

1943\_06\_02\_No insignia for your girlfriend

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A military police unit from Camp Atterbury will take charge of traffic during rush hours in the city of Columbus beginning today, Chief of Police Cuba McKay has announced. The arrangements have been made in order to give the M. P.'s experience in handling automobile traffic. While the soldiers are on duty, the traffic signals will be turned off.

1943\_06\_02\_MPs in Columbus

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## FRONT LINE MEN GET 'K' RATION

**No Cooks Needed; Breakfast, Dinner and Supper Already Prepared.**

Camp Atterbury, Ind., May 26 (Special)—What do soldiers on the front line eat?

It's the "K" Ration—three meals put up in small, compact packages that are easy to carry, yet the food contains the necessary calories required by fighting men.

Cooks are not needed where this ration is used, because it is already prepared for eating. However, the facts about the "K" Ration are taught to all students attending the 1562nd Service Unit School for Bakers and Cooks, according to Lt. H. S. Decker, commandant.

For breakfast, Ration "K" offers the soldier chopped ham and eggs, fruit bar, coffee powder and sugar.

For dinner: 4 oz. canned cheese, 2 oz. malted milk tablets, lemon powder and sugar.

For supper: 2 oz. chocolate bar, canned pork loaf, and bouillon powder.

Defense and graham biscuits are provided with each meal. Extras with each meal are small boxes, each containing four cigarettes and one stick of chewing gum. The powdered drinks are to be mixed with water from the soldier's canteen.

Ration "K," first used by the parachute troops, has been found to be popular with fighting men. It offers variety and is adaptable to all kinds of climates. It does not spoil. The soldiers receive their next day's supply of the packages at the same time they receive new ammunition.

Also carried by the front-line soldiers is Ration "D"—the emergency ration to be used in case the soldier gets lost or is cut off from his unit. It consists of three chocolate bars, one for each meal. These bars contain such concentrated food value that they must be eaten slowly over an hour's period.

The secondary line soldiers carry the "C" Ration, canned food that is somewhat bulkier than that carried at the front line.

## 1943\_06\_02\_K Rations for front line troops

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# ATTERBURY HAS OWN RAIL HUB

Staff of 60 Directs Operations—Sawmill Is Included.

Camp Atterbury, June 2—This post boasts a railroad hub of its own, containing every transportation facility, from a ticket office to switch engines.

Rail Transportation is the official name of this post branch, and its chief function pertains to routing and receiving both material goods and manpower to and from Camp Atterbury. Major C. C. Boatright, chief, Transportation branch, directs the railroad hub's activities.

To the average person, Rail Transportation means troop movements and little else—but this is only one function of the office. Everything, by train or truck, must be routed in or out of Atterbury by Major Boatright and staff, and "there are hundreds of shipments coming and going everyday."

Besides receiving 25 to 40 truckloads daily, Rail Transportation unloads carloads of coal, clothing, equipment and other subsistences in its own "yards." Two locomotives, one steam and the other Diesel, spot the cars to their camp destination; a gasoline crane unloads the heavy equipment.

Local Traffic Included.

Every item received must be checked for damages and shortages before a bill of lading is approved and sent to Washington, D. C., for payment. If a discrepancy is noted, a claim is instituted against the carrier.

The movement of men is another responsibility of Rail Transportation. This includes the supervision of local bus and rail transportation to Indianapolis, Edinburg, Columbus, Franklin, Shelbyville, Nineveh, Trafalgar, Morgantown and Martinsville, in addition to "secret destinations."

Individual parties are routed daily. Each man is supplied his transportation, including Pullman, meals en route and route travel before leaving Camp Atterbury.

Larger shipments are troop movements. Major Boatright's office can arrange shipment to any destination for any outfit within the hour and have it on the way within three to four hours. For such movements, the first step taken is to telephone the Traffic Control office in Washington, D. C., for routing and then arrange with local railroads for necessary passenger, Pullman, kitchen, baggage, and freight cars. Loading is done by the Atterbury yard crew.

Own Crating Warehouse.

Rail Transportation has its own packing and crating warehouse, which makes boxes to ship equipment and blocking material. A small sawmill is on hand to supply the lumber in any shape needed to ship a unit's property.

Before a troop train leaves the post, its route is marked, its equipment and supplies checked and railroads are posted.

All this work is handled by a staff of 60, including 15 enlisted men. Major Boatright, a veteran railroad man with 29 years' service with the freight and passenger traffic departments of the Santa Fe railroad, directs the operation at the Atterbury hub, with the assistance of Lt. H. K. Anderson and Lt. Robert E. Heidt.

As all over the United States, the railroads are moving men and material, so is it in Camp Atterbury—a day and night job, every day, every hour.

## 1943\_06\_02\_Atterbury has own railroad

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# Dehydration Saves Space



(U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

Lessons and demonstrations in the preparation and reconstitution of dehydrated foods are a part of the courses given soldiers by the 1562nd Service Unit School for Bakers and Cooks at Camp Atterbury. Tech. Sgt. John Watson, theoretical instructor, shows how cabbage, carrots, meat, potatoes and onions look before and after they have been dehydrated. The use of dehydration for overseas food shipments saves as much as 85 percent in shipping weight. Dehydration also is being tried in Bartholomew county this year as a substitute for canning.

1943\_06\_02\_1562nd SU gives demo on food dehydration

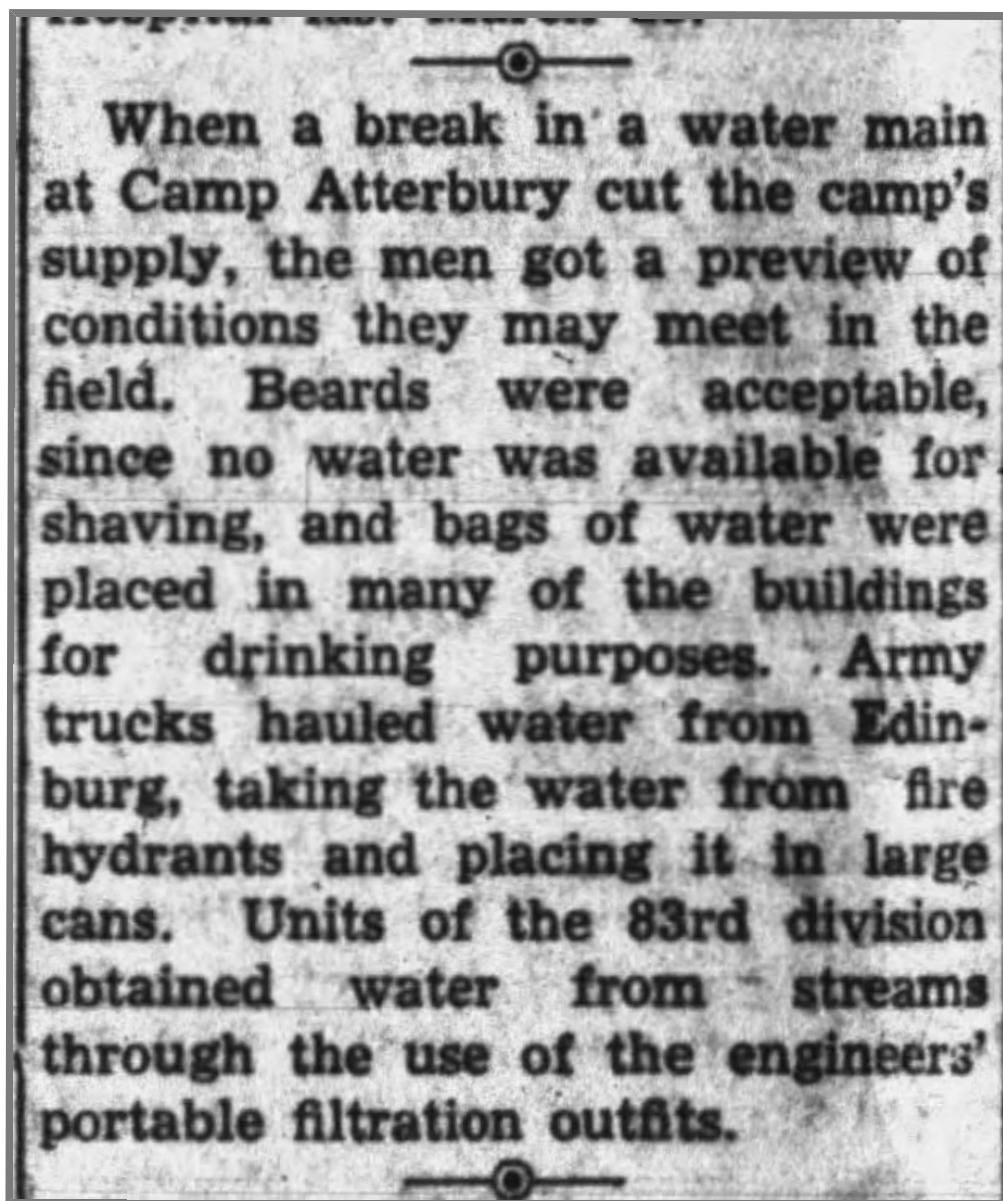
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## ATTERBURY HOSPITAL SOLDIERS UNDERGO PROGRAM OF BUILD-UP

Camp Atterbury, June 1—Today, before a soldier is released from the Atterbury Post Hospital after a period of confinement of any length, he must first undergo a gradual build-up program.

When the soldier reaches the convalescent stage, where bed rest and active treatment are not needed, the ward surgeon sends him to the Convalescent Ward, where he receives gradually increasing amounts of exercise and work.

"Although the Convalescent Ward

has been in use for only a few weeks, the results have proven very satisfactory. It enables us to send men back to their units in better shape for active duty," Lt. Col. Royal G. Grossman, commanding officer of the Post Hospital stated.

When the soldier is sent to the Convalescent Ward, his ward surgeon indicates which of the four exercise groups he is to follow, Nos. 1, 2, 3 or 4. Group No. 4, for example, has only ward fatigue, 15 minutes of drill and games daily in Red Cross recreation hall, in addition to reveille and retreat. The amount of work and exercise is increased up to Group No. 1, whose daily program includes two one-hour hikes, two 45-minute periods of drill, 30 minutes of calisthenics, fatigue duty, recreation, reveille and retreat. Every patient should "graduate" into Group 1 before being released to his organization.

### Keep Clinical Records.

Actual control of the individual patients is retained by their respective ward surgeons, who keep their clinical records. Each day at 4 p.m. all convalescent patients report to their ward surgeons for examination.

If the examination shows the patient's condition warrants it, he will be advanced from Group No. 4 to Group No. 3 or 2, for example. On the other hand, if the check-up shows he is not gaining ground, he may be dropped a notch or even returned to the ward for further observation. When the ward surgeon is satisfied that the patient is capable of active duty, he is discharged—but not until then.

Commanding officer of the Convalescent Ward is Capt. Justin S. McPartland. T/Sgt. Mike Moleson and Cpl. Leonard Brown of the 1560th Medical Section have charge of the patients for exercise, drill detail and class sessions.

According to Capt. McPartland, the average time spent by the patients in the ward is 15 to 20 days. None are taken for periods of less than five days and few run beyond a month.

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# RURAL SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION RECOMMENDED

State Inspector Tells Trustees 16 1-Room Set-ups Too Many.

## TO TACKLE BUS PROBLEM

Township Officials Meet Again to Talk Transportation.

Wilbur Young, inspector of the state department of education, meeting with the Bartholomew county township trustees at a special meeting Friday afternoon, urged the officials to begin giving consideration to a school consolidation program after the war.

Mr. Young was in the county throughout the week inspecting the rural schools.

He told the trustees that 16 1-room schools were too many for the county. It was brought out that consolidation would make possible the offering of more extensive academic programs to the pupils, and thus make for a better educational set-up.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the trustees were scheduled to meet again at the office of Forrest C. Carmichael, county superintendent, to tackle the school transportation problem. School bus contracts in the county expire at the close of the present school year and it will be necessary for the trustees to negotiate new contracts.

### Notes Forward Steps

At Friday's meeting, Mr. Young complimented the trustees on two forward steps taken during the past year. One was the establishment of a permanent record system for rural pupils. The other was the extensive health program introduced in the country schools.

The inspector offered a number of minor recommendations. One was that the school rooms in many of the schools be redecorated, another that good quality coal be purchased for the coming year. He also suggested that new and appropriate pictures be secured for the walls of the school classrooms, that a bulletin board be placed in each room, and that additional primary material be provided the teachers.

The trustees reported that plans are being completed for winding up the present semester.

### First Commencement Thursday

The first of a series of rural school commencement exercises will be held next week. The Clay township commencement on Thursday night will be the first in the county. Chaplain Luther Evans of Camp Atterbury will deliver the address. On Friday night the German township eighth grade graduation services will be held at Taylorsville. The Rev. J. E. deGafferly of Nashville will speak.

On the matter of school bus contracts, the trustees plan to get them taken care of as soon as possible. The new contracts will be for two years and will be negotiated.

Since busses are "frozen" in their present service by ODT ruling, it is considered likely that most trustees will be successful in getting through new contracts.

## 1943\_04\_17\_Rural School Consolidation recommended

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# Farmer Will Do It Like This When War's Over



(U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

A "peep" into the Victory garden of the Headquarters section, 1560 Service unit, at Camp Atterbury, to provide the power for plowing. Lieut. Isaac H. Wilder, Jr., company commander, is shown trying his hand at plowing. He admits he was never a farmer, but Lt. Col. Raymond E. Copeland (extreme right) post operations and training officer, can provide lot of good advice. Colonel Copeland was brought up on a small farm and was a county supervisor with FSA. Watching with interest are Pfc. John Magnoni, driver, Maj. Charles W. Gravenkemper; Staff Sgt. Gerald S. Miller, 1st Sgt. Frank C. Bond and Master Sgt. George H. Hostetler.

1943\_04\_17\_Plowing with a jeep

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## AIR BASE WILL HAVE 2ND SHOW

Group of Columbus Citizens Will Be Guests at Field Tuesday Night.

Soldiers of Columbus Army Air base will play hosts to their second U.S.O. show Tuesday night as well as to a number of Columbus civilians, who will be guests of Maj. Avery S. Keller, commanding officer.

The guests will include Mayor Carlos S. Folger and Mrs. Folger and a committee of the Elks club, which has provided furniture for the enlisted men's three dayrooms at the base.

The Elks club guests being invited are Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Whitehouse, Frank Metzler, Dr. and Mrs. Lyman Overshiner, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Schumaker, Mr. and Mrs. Ray C. Frohman, Mr. and Mrs. Eldo Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Dally Powell.

The group will be guests at dinner Tuesday night and will attend the U.S.O. show to be given for officers and enlisted men at the base.

### Five Performers Booked.

The show, billed as No. 14 on the U.S.O. Camp Show Blue circuit, Tabloid Troupe, will be staged in the enlisted men's mess hall. The first show given recently at the base was put on in the field's hangar.

The show troupe will be composed of five performers, two women and three men. They are billed as Jimmy Burns, comedian and tap dancer, Hal Hague, comedian, Mary Dooley, singer, Lorraine Vernon, juggler, and Arthur Rapezzi, accordionist.

The first U.S.O. show at the camp proved to be a big success and the men are looking forward to another gala occasion Tuesday night.

In providing furniture for the air base's dayrooms, Columbus Elks club purchased approximately \$400 worth of hickory tables, chairs and settees made at Martinsville.

### Other Organizations to Help.

Other local organizations also are planning to assist the soldiers in setting up their recreational equipment, which up to the present has been on the short side, although ping pong tables and dart games have been installed. There are also books and magazines.

Tri-Kappa sorority is planning to help equip and decorate the officers club section of the officers mess, equipment of which now includes two ping pong tables, a pool table, and a "juke" box, along with a small amount of furniture.

With arrival of spring, plans for outdoor recreation for the men are being made. Softball leagues are being planned and the base hopes to put one or more teams into the Columbus softball leagues, if the sport is played here this summer.

The air base also is planning a hardball team and possibly will schedule games with Camp Atterbury and Freeman Army Air field.

## 1943\_04\_17\_Air Base to have 2nd USO show

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## WAACS Cram for Quiz



(U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

Camp Atterbury, April 10. — These four WAACS, members of the 44th WAAC Post Headquarters company here, formed one team in a recent quiz contest at Service Club No. 1. They did plenty of research work in the library, studying for the quiz-bee, as the photo shows. They are (left to right): Aux. Frances Thomas, Aux. Carol Savage, 1st Leader Helen Alexander and Staff Leader Jean Axton. Staff Leader Axton has since been appointed to Officer Candidate school.

1943\_04\_16\_WAACS cram for quiz

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## 2 MORE WAACS SENT TO O.C.S.

Camp Atterbury, April 16 (Special)—The 44th WAAC Post Headquarters company here has contributed two more candidates for Officer Candidate school at Ft. Des Moines, Iowa. Leaders (Sgts.) Dinah Braun and Frances B. Meehan reported to the final examining board at Ft. Des Moines Monday and were accepted.

Leader Braun was employed as a legal secretary in New York City in civilian life. She completed basic training at Daytona Beach, Fla., and worked in the adjutant's office before leaving for OCS. Leader Meehan was assigned to the military personnel branch at Post Headquarters. Before entering the WAAC she worked as a traveling cosmetician. Her home is in Miami, Fla.

1943\_04\_16\_Two more WAACS to OCS

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## REMODELING OF SERVICE CENTER GIVEN APPROVAL

Entire Building to Be Used  
for Facilities for  
Soldiers.

PROJECT TO COST \$20,000

\$4,000 to Be Spent for  
Furnishings—Heating  
Plant Needed.

A remodeling and refurnishing program at the U.S.O. recreation center at Fourth and Franklin streets has been approved by the New York office of the United Service Organizations and it appears likely that actual work will be placed under way in the near future.

The quarters will be expanded to take in the entire street floor and basement of the U.S.O. building which is provided by the city.

When the job is finished, the amount of space used by the center will be more than double the present area in use.

Expenditures totaling \$20,848.22 have been authorized to make the center one of the best in southern Indiana.

### New Heating System.

Of the appropriation \$16,560.12 is to go for renovating and remodeling. A big slice will be taken out of this figure for the heating system.

The south end of the main floor, now used for a storage room, is to be converted into an auditorium and ballroom. A finished wood floor will be put down on the present concrete foundation for dancing and a stage will be erected at one end of the annex.

The section of the building now in use is to be completely remodeled. A lobby is planned at the north end of the room. The lounging and writing rooms are to be arranged and a conference room provided.

The spacious basement is to be converted into a games room with ping pong and other games available.

The sum of \$4,288 has been allocated for furnishings and fixtures.

### Plans Nearly Complete.

Plans and specifications for the project are about complete. Earl Schreiber, director of the local center, went to Indianapolis today to meet with Wilson Connell, Jr., of Chicago, U.S.O. building chief, and members of the firm of McGuire and Shook, architect's employed on the project.

Only a few details of the plans remain to be worked out before the organization will be ready to receive bids on the remodeling.

The appropriation for the project was authorized by the New York U.S.O. office with the understanding that the local U.S.O. council would release approximately \$3,500 held by it to go toward the project.

Although the problem of priorities will be faced in getting the job under way, indications are that speedy approval will be procured.

## 1943\_04\_16\_Remodel Columbus USO

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# OPEN CAMPAIGN TO CURB NIGHT ROVING IN CITY

**Tavern Operators Promise  
Cooperation by Earlier  
Closing.**

**PROBLEMS ARE WEIGHED**

**City and Military Officials  
Confer With Beverage  
Permittees.**

At a conference at city hall Thursday afternoon, attended by city officials, representatives of Camp Atterbury and the Columbus Air base and local tavern proprietors, the need for taking steps to curb the all-night roving the city by soldiers and civilians, was discussed.

Recent surveys indicate that the pedestrian traffic in the business district between midnight and 5 a. m. is almost as heavy as it used to be between 10 p. m. and midnight.

At the conference, the tavern operators voluntarily agreed to earlier closing.

They announced that they would immediately begin closing at 11:45 instead of midnight on week nights, and at 12 o'clock instead of 1 a. m. on Saturday nights.

**Time to Make Bus.**

The earlier closing on week nights, although only 15 minutes, will give soldiers a better opportunity to make the midnight bus back to camp.

Other moves are being considered in an attempt to improve the local situation and the military authorities have promised their cooperation.

Besides the tavern operators, those attending the conference Thursday were Lieut. John D. Winebrenner, of Camp Atterbury; Dr. Milton S. Ross, director of the district health office; Lieut. James W. Faulkner, representing the provost marshal's office at Atterbury; Captain George E. Jones, provost marshal of the air base; Mayor Carlos S. Folger, City Attorney William J. Bowman, and Chief of Police Cuba McKay.

**Reports Disease Spreading.**

Lieutenant Winebrenner, who headed the local office of the state board of health before entering military service, discussed the importance of controlling venereal disease. He pointed out that it was spreading in the community.

Tavern operators were advised of their responsibilities with regard to keeping prostitutes from making headquarters of their places of business.

Officials have hinted that if the tavern keepers fail to handle the situations in their respective places, other steps will be taken. To date none of the local establishments has been declared "out of bounds" by military authorities.

**Curfew Working Well.**

The military and city officials together with the tavern operators, held a frank discussion of the local situation, and all were fairly well agreed that prompt action was necessary to curb some of the "night life."

The city of Columbus has had some success in keeping young people off the streets late at night by putting a 10 o'clock curfew into effect. Now the job is to halt the running around of the elders.

Police report that boys and girls of the community have been doing a good job of obeying the curfew and only a small number have been picked up.

Reports from Franklin, Edinburg and other nearby cities where curfew regulations have been adopted indicate they too are having success.

## 1943\_04\_16\_Curb night life in Columbus

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# ALLOW SHERIFF 30-CENT MEALS

## Commissioners Fix Pay for Feeding Prisoners Under New Law.

The county board of commissioners at their session last week fixed the prisoner feeding allowance for Sheriff Walter Oneal at 30 cents a meal for the period beginning March 10 and ending July 1.

In the past the sheriff has received 20 cents a meal for feeding jail prisoners.

The Indiana General assembly in recent session raised the maximum meal allowance to 30 cents with the provision that Otto K. Jensen, chief examiner of the state board of accounts, fix the specific allowance.

The county commissioners were authorized to fix the allowance for the period ending July 1 in an opinion handed down by James A. Emmert, attorney general. Beginning July 1, Jensen will establish the allowance.

### Authorize Electric Pole.

The commissioners granted permission for a pole to be set at the northwest corner of the courthouse yard, in connection with the transfer of the electric stop and go signal from Second and Jackson streets to Third and Jackson.

Bid of the J. D. Adams company of Indianapolis on grader blades for the county highway department was accepted.

The commissioners also accepted the bid of the Indiana Equipment company of Indianapolis on a 300-gallon tar kettle and accessories for the highway department. Fred Voss' bid on gravel was approved.

## 1943\_04\_14-Sheriff spends 30 cents on meals

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## NEW ATTERBURY OFFICER WELL KNOWN IN SPORTS

Camp Atterbury, April 14 — Lt. Col. Chester E. Davis new Executive officer of Headquarters, 8th Detachment, Special Troops, 2nd Army, stationed here, won renown as an outstanding figure in American sports. As a quarterback at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Lt. Col. Davis was looked on as one of the greatest players to appear on a Rocky Mountain gridiron.

But it was as a member of the All-Army polo squad that Col. Davis achieved his greatest fame. In 1934, he rode on the U. S. Army four in the National Junior Championship tournament and then went to Washington, D. C., where his team made a clean sweep in its annual series against the Mexican Army four. Col. Davis was outstanding in other sports as well, holding interscholastic and intercollegiate high hurdles records in the Rocky Mountain conference for several years.

During the first World War, Lt. Col. Davis was commissioned in the Cavalry and served with the 13th Cavalry on the Mexican Border. His military record since then has been long and varied, including tours of duty as troop commander. From October, 1941, to March, 1942, he was regimental commander at the Cavalry Replacement Training Center, Ft. Riley, Kans. For the past year he was officer in charge of the Southwestern Remount Area at Colorado Springs, Colo.

## 1943\_04\_14\_New officer well known in sports

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# COMMON LABOR DEMAND GROWS

## War Construction Projects Here Require More Manpower.

While many observers predict that additional building will continue at Camp Atterbury as long as the war lasts, creating a constant demand for workers, new construction in this area is bringing added need for common laborers and there are again fears that a serious shortage may develop.

A number of new war projects are being placed under way and as a result calls for laborers are being sent out by the union and the U. S. Employment Service office here.

Present work being started includes the minor additions at Camp Atterbury by Dunlap and Company of this city and Stuntz-Yoteman company of Frankfort, erection of new buildings and lengthening of runways at the Columbus Army Air base and construction of the new section of relocated Road 222 north of Camp Atterbury. In addition, work is slated to start within a few weeks on the Road 21 by-pass around the town of Edinburg.

Another Boom Seen.

The renewed construction indicates another construction boom in the local area, although it will be mild compared with the Atterbury boom last summer.

While most of the companies have their own skilled labor, they must depend on the neighboring area to supply common laborers. The laborers are furnished through the Hodcarriers and Common Laborers union and the union already has experienced some difficulty in meeting contractors' calls for men, in spite of the fact that some of the jobs are bringing 75 cents and \$1 an hour.

Many of the men in this area who were employed on construction of Camp Atterbury last year are now in the Army. This is particularly true of the 19 and 20-year-olds. Many others have found permanent civil service jobs at Atterbury, while others have entered war industries.

It is expected that approximately 150 laborers will be needed at the Columbus air base this week. Several civil service positions also are open at the air base, although some employees are being transferred there from Camp Atterbury. It is estimated that between 50 and 75 permanent civilian workers will be employed at the base. These figures are approximately half the previous estimates.

A number of persons also are being hired out of the local area for the sub-depot section at Freeman Army Air field, Seymour, and are taking mechanical training in special classes in the industrial school, a partment of the local high school. As these positions are under civil service, persons who are now employed at war jobs are not eligible.

Additional construction at Camp Atterbury has continued almost without interruption all winter and it is understood that plans now call for construction of four additional mess hall units.

Because of the expanding size of the Army and the need for more and more soldier housing, there are many who predict that as long as the war continues at its present pace it will be necessary to expand existing Army camps.

Although there are no other facts to substantiate the belief, a number of persons qualified to make good guesses predict that Atterbury stands a fair chance of gaining a major expansion, possibly this summer.

## 1943\_04\_14\_Common labor demand grows

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## Landmarks in Atterbury Area Offered for Sale

The last landmarks of the former farm area that is now the cantonment section of Camp Atterbury, Indiana's biggest Army camp, are to be sold for salvage, it was announced Friday by the federal land acquisition office here.

The buildings, scattered through the cantonment area and a number of them entirely surrounded by barracks or other new camp buildings, have been used as offices of construction companies or for storage purposes, and are now being released by the post and area engineers for sale to the general public as salvage.

The buildings will be sold through the land office on the third floor of the Bassett building.

### Brick Church Included.

Included among the buildings for sale is the old brick Pisgah church, one of the oldest churches in southwestern Johnson county. Bodies of some of the county's earliest settlers were buried in the cemetery at the rear of the church building and were moved last fall to the new cemetery site west of Road 31.

Other buildings now for sale were listed by the land office as houses, barns and a number of smaller outbuildings. Included are a number of the larger farm homes of the area which because of their size and good construction were used as contractor officers.

Payment has been made through

### Golf 'All Out'

Driftwood camp has gone "all out" for war, with the plowing up of its golf course this week in preparation for putting out a Victory crop of corn.

The golf course, first established as a 7-hole course with sand greens, was started in 1925 and was one of the first courses in this section. Many local golfers took their first swings on the Driftwood course.

Last summer, busy with the swarm of Camp Atterbury construction workers' trailers, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hartman, camp owners, did not operate the course.

"We decided to put in crops this year," said Mrs. Hartman Thursday afternoon. "There are now other things more important than golf."

Mrs. Hartman estimated that more than 50 former caddies at the course are now wearing uniforms of the armed services.

the land office here for two more tracts of the land taken in Brown county for the addition to Atterbury.

Carl C. Johnson was paid \$800 for 68 acres, while the B. F. Goodrich corporation received \$1,800 for 160 acres.

## 1943\_04\_14\_Camp landmarks for sale

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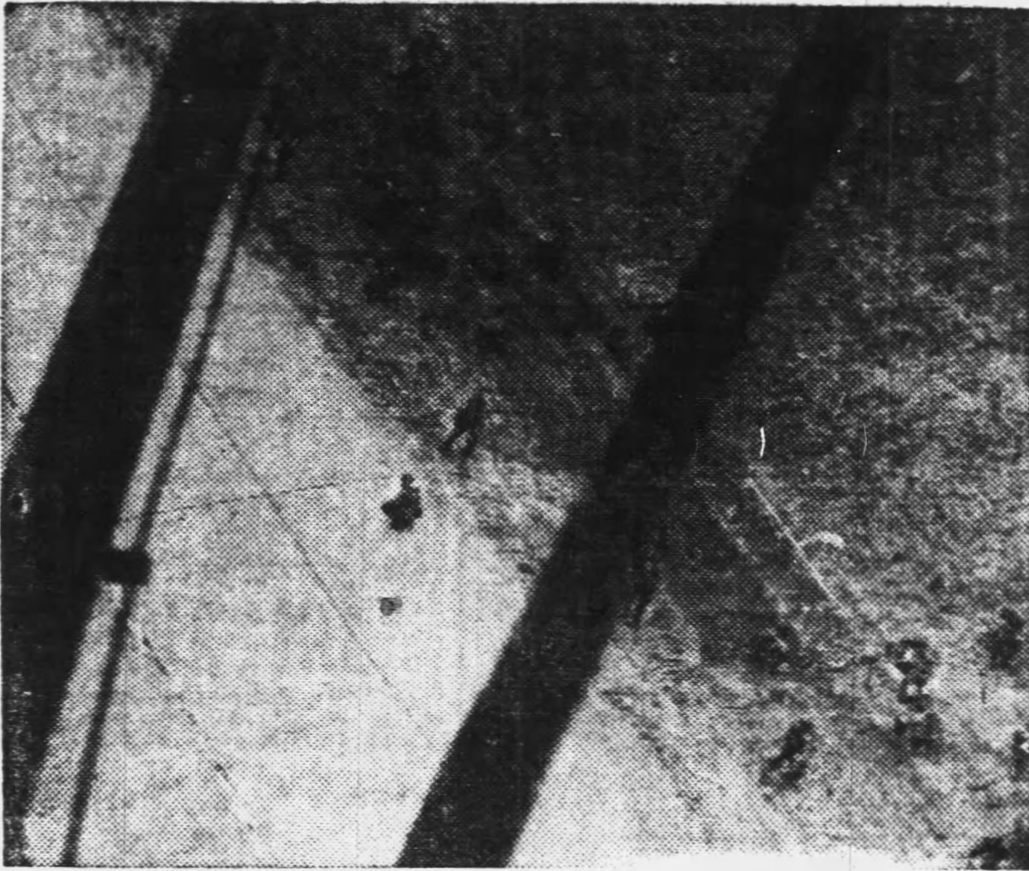


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## Doughboys Scramble



(365th Combat Team Photo)

Camp Atterbury, April 8. (Special)—Practicing protection from aerial attack was part of the maneuvers of the 2nd Battalion, 365th Combat Team, 92nd Division, when that unit bivouaced in Franklin recently. The above graphic photo shows men caught during a 10-minute marching break seeking cover from an "enemy plane."

1943\_04\_14\_365th Combat Team

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## Camp Quartermaster Unit Jack of All Trades

Camp Atterbury, April 13 (Special)—Quartermaster section, 1560th Service unit, is a "jack of all trades." It is a company of men who do everything from operating a large fleet of Army vehicles to mending the shoes soldiers wear and the clothes they tear.

The work of the men is important in keeping this large post running smoothly, because it is their job to maintain a smooth flow of clothing, equipment, food, coal, etc., into camp. Although handling those items is but one of the duties of the Quartermaster section, it best describes how the unit keeps Camp Atterbury moving.

Capt. Harry Lerner, who has just been promoted to his present rank, is the company commander for Quartermaster section, but as the details of men from the company go to their various chores daily, they work under the direction of officers in charge of the various branches. All of the jobs are under the supervision of Col. Clarence Lineberger, director of supply and service division, and also under Maj. John C. Frame, chief of the quartermaster branch.

### Soup to Nuts.

One detail of men is assigned to the warehouses of the Camp Quartermaster branch, and there they handle everything from the soup the soldiers eat to the nuts on the bolts. They unload all the supplies that are brought to this post by rail, and reload into trucks and distribute to various units. Lt. Emil C. Reuter is the officer in charge of the warehouse section and Lt. Frank A. Sabine is the sales officer, operating the subsistence warehouse.

The same important job is handled by another quartermaster detail at the coal yards. When a

unit is short of coal it is these men that deliver it. The company also assigns men to take care of the stables on the post. Coal yards and stables are in charge of Capt. Lerner.

Operating the post motor pool with all its trucks, peeps and staff cars is another job handled by the Q.M. men. In addition to supplying chauffeurs, the unit also supplies the mechanics. These men are directed by Lt. Erling C. Gasman, in charge of the motor pool.

Quartermasters also work with Maj. Charles C. Boatright, the rail transportation officer. This department recently put its own locomotive into operation and also provides the engineer, Pvt. Samuel Tucker.

### Repair Shoes, Too.

Another trade the quartermasters handle is the shoe repair work in the C. & E. shop and the tailor shop that mends torn clothing. This is a part of the salvage section, headed by Lt. Alfred M. Scharff, salvage and reclamation officer. Salvage also includes collection of all scrap and waste that can possibly be used again, including metals, papers, fats, baskets, boxes, used motor oil, rubber, etc.

Bakers from Quartermaster section operate the quartermaster bakery where thousands of loaves of bread are baked daily for the entire camp. Lt. Glenn E. Findley is in charge of the bakery.

All of these jobs require many clerical duties at Post Quartermaster headquarters, and Quartermaster section supplies the clerks, too.



1943\_04\_13\_QM Unit jack of all trades

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## SPRING GREENS READY TO EAT

### Dandelion Crop Free for the Gathering, Points Out Pur- due Nutritionist.

Lafayette, Ind., April 13 (Special) —The first spring greens, rich in vitamins and iron, will soon be ready for harvest, suggests Miss Marie Straszheim, Purdue University extension nutritionist. By the time the first victory gardeners are preparing to plant other greens, the spring's dandelion crop-free for the gathering—will be at its best for table use.

Dandelions provide tasty greens only in the very earliest weeks of their growth, before the blooms appear. Later the leaves become too fibrous and strong in flavor for good eating.

Dandelion greens—like other kinds of greens—should be used soon after gathering, while they are highest in vitamin value. If the greens are gathered and cleaned before cooking time, they may be stored at refrigerator temperatures to keep them fresh.

Little liquid is needed for cooking the young greens. Usually that liquid which clings to the leaves during washing is sufficient, especially when they are cooked in a tightly covered pan. Cooking time should be very short—only 5 to 10 minutes—to preserve both food value and color of the greens.

The young dandelion leaves may also be used raw, Miss Straszheim reminds. Mixed with other greens in a fresh, spring salad, they bring to the table the very maximum of their food value.

## 1943-04-13-Dandelion greens ready

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### 118TH HAS BIVOUAC.

The 118th Station hospital is training here in theater-of-operations buildings, the kind it is supposed to have when it gets going somewhere "over there."

But this is a fast-moving war and things don't always turn out as they do in medical training text books, so station hospital units go out on bivouacs and their men learn the arts of smoothing out the uncomfortable spots under a pup tent, of pounding tent stakes with home-made mallets built of sections of 44's and broom handles, of spreading blankets over the windshields of ambulances as part of their camouflage.

In their first bivouac last week the unit bedded down along the banks of Nineveh creek. High points in the program were demonstrations in heavy tent pitching by Lt. Earl W. Kujala and building of sanitary installations by Lt. Robert Modica. A gas mask drill was led by Capt. Herbert Kirchman the first afternoon, followed by decontamination drill the next morning.

## 1943\_04\_13\_118th Hospital bivouacs

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# MEAT CEILINGS ARE ANNOUNCED

Beef, Veal and Lamb  
Schedule Will Go into  
Effect Thursday.

Prices which consumers in Bartholomew county will pay for the 23 most popular cuts of beef, veal and lamb, effective Thursday, were announced last night by the Indiana Office of Price Administration.

The list, on a cents-per-pound basis, applies to all of the state except Lake, Newton, Benton and Warren counties. It follows:

Beef	AA	A	B
Porterhouse steak ....	67	62	53
T-Bone steak .....	67	62	53
Sirloin steak .....	49	46	40
Round steak (bone in) ..	52	48	42
Rib standing roast, (7-inch cut) .....	45	42	38
Rump roast (bone in) ..	34	32	28
Chuck or shoulder roast, (bone in) .....	36	35	33
Short ribs .....	24	24	24
Plate (boneless) .....	30	30	29
Shank (boneless) .....	31	31	31
Ground beef .....	31	31	31

Veal		
Loin chops .....	49	46 42
Rib chops .....	45	44 41
Round steak (cutlets) ..	54	51 45
Sirloin steak or chops ..	42	41 38
Leg .....	38	36 32
Breast (bone in) .....	23	23 21
Ground veal & patties ..	34	34 34

Lamb		
Loin chops .....	68	64 59
Rib chops .....	54	51 47
Leg (whole, half or short cut) .....	46	43 40
Breast and flank .....	23	22 20
Patties (ground meat) ..	36	36 36

The prices are for Class I and Class II stores whose annual volume of business does not exceed \$250,000. The AA price is choice cuts, A is good cuts, and B is common cuts.

Ceiling prices for Warren, Newton, Benton and Lake counties in Zone V are virtually the same.

## 1943\_04\_12\_Meat Ceilings announced

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## WAR GARDENS

### Soldiers At Atterbury and Freeman Field to Do Bit With Victory Crops.

Soldiers at both Camp Atterbury and Freeman Army Air field at Seymour are doing their bit to help solve the food shortage problem—they are raising Victory gardens.

Atterbury's soldiers are getting their gardens under way and hope to raise lots and lots of vegetables for their own mess tables this summer.

At Freeman field, a 20-acre Victory farm has been prepared, to be devoted entirely to the cultivation of every-day foodstuffs. Freeman field soldiers planted 1,000 pounds of seed potatoes in getting out their potato crop. Among other plantings planned at the air field are six acres of corn, four acres of watermelons, two acres of canteloupe, one acre each of tomatoes, cucumbers, peas, squash, butter beans, lima beans and string beans. There also will be half an acre each of beets, radishes, lettuce and carrots.

Volunteer help from among the personnel at the field will cultivate the crops on the farm.

The many former farmers among the soldiers helping on the gardens at the two cantonments are getting a big kick out of telling the "city folk" soldiers just how to plant this and that.

## 1943\_04\_10\_War Gardens at Freeman and Atterbury

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# COMMON LABOR DEMAND GROWS

## War Construction Projects Here Require More Manpower.

While many observers predict that additional building will continue at Camp Atterbury as long as the war lasts, creating a constant demand for workers, new construction in this area is bringing added need for common laborers and there are again fears that a serious shortage may develop.

A number of new war projects are being placed under way and as a result calls for laborers are being sent out by the union and the U. S. Employment Service office here.

Present work being started includes the minor additions at Camp Atterbury by Dunlap and Company of this city and Stuntz-Toeman company of Frankfort, erection of new buildings and lengthening of runways at the Columbus Army Air base and construction of the new section of re-located Road 252 north of Camp Atterbury. In addition, work is slated to start within a few weeks on the Road 31 by-pass around the town of Edinburg.

**Another Boom Seen.**

The renewed construction indicates another construction boom in the local area, although it will be mild compared with the Atterbury boom last summer.

While most of the companies have their own skilled labor, they must depend on the neighboring area to supply common laborers. The laborers are furnished through the Hodcarriers and Common Laborers union and the union already has experienced some difficulty in meeting contractors' calls for men, in spite of the fact that some of the jobs are bringing 75 cents and \$1 an hour.

Many of the men in this area, who were employed on construction of Camp Atterbury last year are now in the Army. This is particularly true of the 19 and 20-year-olds. Many others have found permanent civil service jobs at Atterbury, while others have entered war industries.

It is expected that approximately 150 laborers will be needed at the Columbus air base next week. Several civil service positions also are open at the air base, although some employees are being transferred there from Camp Atterbury.

It is estimated that between 50 and 75 permanent civilian workers will be employed at the base. These figures are approximately half the previous estimates.

A number of persons also are being hired out of the local area for the sub-depot section at Freeman Army Air field, Seymour, and are taking mechanical training in special classes in the industrial school, partment of the local high school. As these positions are under civil service, persons who are now employed at war jobs are not eligible.

Additional construction at Camp Atterbury has continued almost without interruption all winter and it is understood that plans now call for construction of four additional mess hall units.

Because of the expanding size of the Army and the need for more and more soldier housing, there are many who predict that as long as the war continues at its present pace it will be necessary to expand existing Army camps.

Although there are no other facts to substantiate the belief, a number of persons qualified to make good guesses predict that Atterbury stands a fair chance of gaining a major expansion, possibly this summer.

# 1943\_04\_10\_Construction continues at Atterbury and Columbus air base

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## Capt. J. G. Morris Becomes Major

Promotion of Capt. John G. Morris to a major has been announced by Col. E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of Freeman Army Air Field. Maj. Morris is supply, budget and fiscal officer at the field.

Prior to coming to Freeman Field he was stationed at Blytheville Ark. Before entering the service he was manager of the Bama Cotton Mills at Enterprise, Ala.

After being graduated from Geneva high school, Geneva, Ala., in 1930 he entered Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., and was graduated in 1934 with a bachelor of science degree.

1943\_04\_09\_Capt Morris become Major

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# BABY'S BODY FOUND AT CAMP

Camp Atterbury, April 9 (Special)—The body of a baby boy was found Thursday in a field west of the buildings at Camp Atterbury.

The Johnson county coroner, Dr. Arthur W. Records of Franklin, who investigated, established that the child was born about three weeks ago and had been abandoned at birth.

1943\_04\_09\_Baby boy's body found in Atterbury field

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## ATTERBURY WAACS TYPE, DRIVE TRUCKS, USHER IN POST MOVIES

Camp Atterbury, April 9.—In the month that has elapsed since their arrival here March 6, the members of the 44th WAAC Post Headquarters Company have quickly become accustomed to Army life and to their new jobs.

The members of the unit have all had personal interviews to learn their backgrounds and abilities, most of them have been assigned to jobs. Some have already learned their new assignments and have replaced soldiers who will become available for field duty. The other Waacs are still working with the men and learning the details of their assignments.

Jobs include everything from operating a typewriter to driving a 1½-ton truck, from filing service records to ushering in post theaters. And the women like it, as shown by their own statements.

Auxiliary Frances Thomas of Whitman, Mass., now assists the hostess at Service Club No. 2 and says: "I'm crazy about my job and think I am very lucky to have such a choice way of doing my bit in the war effort."

### Finds Work Interesting.

Leader Helen Whitely was a physical training instructor in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. She worked until a few days ago on officers' records at Post Headquarters. She said: "I find work here more interesting and I feel I am doing something of value." Since then she has been

chosen for Officers' training at Ft. Des Moines, Ia.

Auxiliary Margaret Clark of Boston, Mass., is the only Waac assigned so far to the Internal Security and Intelligence office, where she does stenographic work. Her comments praise the enlisted men in the office who have whole-heartedly helped her learn her new job and operation of the department.

Like all soldiers in this big camp, the Waacs fall out for Reveille at 6:15 a.m. and stand Retreat in their company area at 5:30 p.m. If their assignment calls for working all night—they work all night—just like the enlisted men did before them.

But it isn't all work for the members of the WAAC. Some can be seen at post theaters and the service clubs every night enjoying themselves. "Barracks check" is held at 9:30 Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights; at 10:45 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, and at midnight Saturday and Sunday.

1943\_04\_09\_Atterbury WAACs drive trucks, usher in post movies

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# ALLIES HOLD NEARLY 11,000 ROMMEL MEN

## Educators to Confer Here On Problems

Dr. Malin to Address 100 From Sixteen Counties Saturday—Lanier Chairman

Approximately 100 educators from high schools throughout sixteen southern Indiana counties are expected here Saturday for an educational conference of the sixth district which has been meeting throughout the year to discuss changes in the education program to meet war needs. Dr. J. Lanier, superintendent of the district, is chairman of the conference. The district includes the following counties: Adams, Boone, Clark, Clinton, Gibson, Hamilton, Hendricks, Hendry, Jackson, Madison, Morgan, Newton, Putnam, Shelby, Spencer, Warren, and Wayne.

Dr. Malin, who has had a long career in education, will be the guest speaker at the conference. He will discuss the importance of education in the war effort and the need for a more efficient educational system. The conference will also discuss the need for a more efficient educational system and the need for a more efficient educational system.

## Capt. J. C. Morris Becomes Major

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## Weather 'Annoying' Bids April 'Showers'

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## Twenty-Acre Victory Farm Is Laid Out at Freeman Field

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## Baseball Talk At Lions' Meet

Musical Numbers Provide Second Feature On Program

Members of the Seymour Lions Club enjoyed a "double feature" program at their regular weekly meeting at the Elks Hotel dining room Thursday night.

## John A. Ray, 69, Dies at Cortland

John A. Ray, age sixty-nine, resident of Jackson county, died at his home at Cortland, Ind., Tuesday afternoon, April 7, 1943.

## Grad Income Aid Scheduled Here

Refunds for the first quarter of 1943 income grant income aid will be paid to students at the University of Indiana at Bloomington, Ind., on Friday, April 10, 1943.

## Man Is Arrested for Speeding After Warning

A few minutes after he had been warned by a state police officer near Seymour that he was operating his automobile too fast, a man was arrested for speeding.

## Weather Records

See on page 2 for weather records for the week ending April 8, 1943.

## They're All Closing

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## City Resident Is Missing

William J. Klemm, age thirty, 1315 West Fourth street, has been missing since last Friday.

## Expect Increase In Bus Problems

Delays attending the annual convention of the Indiana Bus Operators' Association last night were expected to increase the number of bus problems.

## Price Freeze Planned for Most Foods

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Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, right, commander of all United States Army and 12th Air Force, and Gen. George S. Patton, left, commander of the Third Army, are seen here in the British headquarters at Tunis, Tunisia.

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## Fox Gets Set To Make New Run up Coast

Nazis Are Pulling Out of Menzies And Mahan—Flee Under Air Attack

By Associated Press. The British Royal Air Force today sent 11,000 men taken prisoner, and immediately is sending all of its aircraft and tanks to Tunisia.

Following the British Army's victory in the Battle of Kasserine, the British Army is sending all of its aircraft and tanks to Tunisia.

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# 1943\_04\_09 Allies hold nearly 11,000 Germans in Tunisia

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# Fox Gets Set To Make New Run up Coast

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Arthur's airmen also machine-gunned other Jap coastal vessels near the Aroe Islands and raided Jap bases on New Guinea, New Ireland and Tanimbar Island.

In Burma, American airmen dropped 13 tons of high explosives on the Jap headquarters at Toungoo, setting fires that could be seen twenty miles away. Other American airmen destroyed a Jap supply dump at Ningam in central Burma, and the RAF hammered at other Burma targets.

The Japs claim to have sunk an American cruiser, a destroyer and ten transports off Guadalcanal, and shot down 37 American planes off Guadalcanal. This is a wholly unconfirmed Jap claim.

The United States navy already has announced the action. According to the American communique, it was the Japs who lost the 37 planes, and there was no mention made of any damage to an American convoy.

1943\_04\_09\_Allies hold 11,000 - Part 2

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## Twenty-Acre Victory Farm Is Laid Out at Freeman Field

That Victory Gardens aren't just a fad was demonstrated substantially today by an announcement from Freeman Army Air Field that the air training center is going in for food-raising on an extensive scale.

The field is to have a Victory Farm, and it is to be just what the term implies.

Where some of us folks here in town will be chopping about in patches of ground averaging about the size of a city lot, Free-

man Field's Victory Farm is to be a twenty-acre affair, devoted entirely to the cultivation of such every-day foodstuffs as potatoes, beans, peas, corn and so on, with some watermelons and cantaloupes for good measure.

Already, the potato crop is in the ground, and other crops are to be planted as rapidly as conditions will permit. It took 1,000 pounds of seed potatoes to plant the part of the field's Victory Farm which is to be devoted to that crop.

## Baseball Talk At Lions' Meet

### Musical Numbers Provide Second Feature On Program

Members of the Seymour Lions Club enjoyed a "double feature" program at their regular weekly meeting in the Elks Home dining room Thursday night.

In addition to several Army officers and others who were guests at the Meeting, Thornton

Captain Rudolph Brannan, post adjutant, is in general charge of the farm project, with Master-Sergeant Andrew Hilton and Pfc. Curtis Strickland, as two of the key men for the project. Pfc. Strickland is a former county agriculture agent.

Among other plantings planned for the farm are six acres of corn, four acres of watermelons, two acres of cantaloupes, one acre each of tomatoes, cucumbers, peas, squash, butter beans, lima beans and string beans. There'll also be half an acre each of beets, radishes, lettuce and carrots.

Volunteer help from among the personnel at the field will cultivate the crops on the farm.

1943\_04\_09\_20 acre Victory Garden at Freeman

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# SOLDIER FAINTS ON STREET HERE

A Camp Atterbury soldier fainted about 6:15 o'clock Tuesday night on the sidewalks at Fourth and Washington streets.

He was given a preliminary check by an Army doctor and then moved unconscious in a military police truck to the military aid station on Franklin street.

As no report was made to the public relations office at Camp Atterbury, it was presumed that his condition was not serious. The soldier's name was reported as Callahan and he was said to have recently been dismissed from treatment in the Atterbury hospital.

1943\_04\_07\_Solider faints on Columbus street

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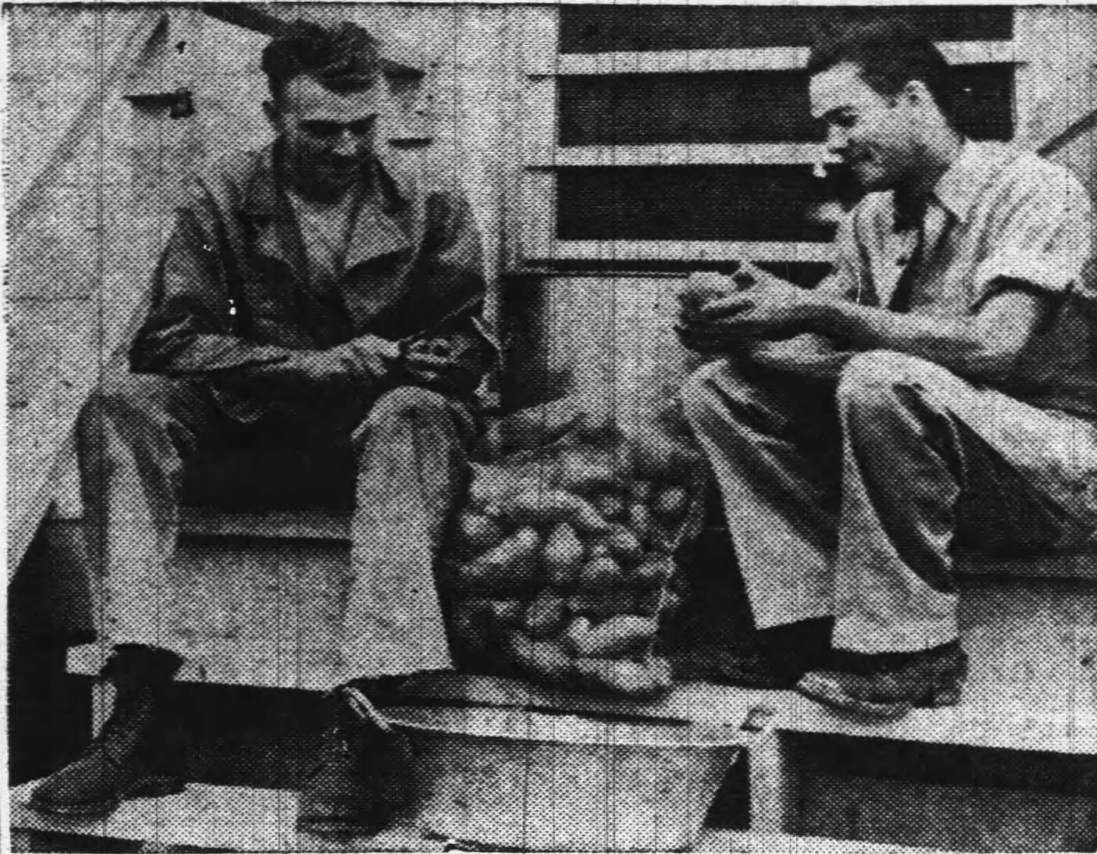


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## Atterbury 'Spuds Time'



(U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

**Camp Atterbury, April 7. (Special)**—When a "G. I. guy" finds himself on K. P. he can always be sure of one thing—he's going to find himself face to face with an enormous sack of "spuds" and he's going to have a mess sergeant put a paring knife in his hand. Pvts. John Moorman and Alvin Pitre don't seem to mind, though. They are members of Battery D, 537th Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) in training here.

1943\_04\_07\_KP time at Atterbury

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# FIREMEN PUT OUT BUS BLAZE

A Camp Atterbury bus of the Swallow line caught fire at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in front of the bus station on Fourth street, but the flames were extinguished quickly and only slight damage done.

Firemen were called from Central station by telephone.

The fire was believed to have started from an electrical short in the wiring.

1943\_04\_07\_Fireman put out fire on Atterbury bus

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# Maj. Weiland Is Executive Officer

Major George W. Weiland has been named post executive officer at Freeman Army Air Field according to an announcement made by Colonel E. T. Rundquist commanding officer. Major Weiland succeeds Lieutenant Colonel Ora M. Baldinger who has become post engineer liaison officer.

Before his entry into the service, Major Weiland was employed by the Pan-American Airways and at one period of this employment he was in Brazil where he built airfields for the company. During the first World War he saw action overseas with the French army and was in several major engagements.

1943\_04\_06\_Major Weiland is Exec Officer at Freeman

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## Night Flying Starts At Freeman Field

Cadets of Class 43-D, being trained at Freeman Army Air Field, began night training operations Sunday night.

Students receive dual instruction training by flying at night with instructors for a time, then fly in teams of two cadets to a ship.

Many local residents watched the lights of ships rising into the air from the field as the first night flying got under way here Sunday night.

1943\_04\_05\_Night flying begins at Freeman

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# BRUISED WHEN JEEP HITS HER

Mrs. Josie Prather was struck by a jeep early Monday afternoon in front of the Kroger store on Jefferson street and suffered severe bruises on the right hip. The driver of the jeep was Pvt. Harry Sch-nitker, Headquarters Co., 83rd Division, Camp Atterbury.

1943\_04\_05\_Lady injured by jeep from 83rd Div

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## Jasper Davis Passes Away

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county, one of nine children of Philip Davis and Alice Anne Stout Davis. A brother and sister remain, John Davis of East Columbus, and Mrs. Charles Spraggs, living west of Columbus.

The deceased came to Johnson county from Bartholomew county about 20 years ago and farmed in the Pisgah community until moving to near Greenfield about a year ago. He had been engaged as a farmer all his life.

He was married to Miss Mattie McMann, who survives with six children. They are Scott Davis, of Edinburg; Guy Davis, Miss Mamie Davis and Mrs. Ottis Mills, all of near Greenfield; Frank Davis, now in the service; and Mrs. George Henderson, living southwest of Columbus.

Ten grandchildren also survive. Mr. Davis belonged to the Ohio Chapel church.

1943\_04\_05\_Jasper Davis dies - continued

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# JASPER DAVIS PASSES AWAY

Former Pisgah Farmer Dies  
Near Greenfield; Rites  
To Be Wednesday

Jasper Davis, 74, who formerly resided in the Pisgah neighborhood before it became a part of Camp Atterbury, passed away at his farm home south of Greenfield at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. He had been in poor health for the past five years, in which period he had suffered four strokes.

Short funeral services will be held at the home Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the body will be taken to Ohio Chapel church, southwest of Columbus, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Rites will be conducted by the Rev. G. F. Powers, pastor of the Nineveh Christian church.

Mr. Davis was born in Eartholomew  
(Continued on Page Six.)

1943\_04\_05\_Former Pisgah Atterbury land owner dies -  
Jasper Davis

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## 5 WAACS ACCEPTED FOR OFFICER SCHOOL

Camp Atterbury, April 5 — Five members of the 44th WAAC Post Headquarters Company here have been accepted for WAAC Officers' Candidate School and will report to Ft. Des Moines, Ia. .

They are: Staff Leaders (S/Sgt.) Lillian J. Axton and Helen Spiegel, and Leaders (Sgt.) Vera Mitchell, Helen P. Whitely and Adeline Palmer.

Staff Leader Lillian J. Axton is duty sergeant with the company. A resident of Clarksburg, W. Va., and an employe of a finance organization there, she enlisted in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, September 10, 1942. After receiving her basic training at Ft. Des Moines she was assigned to a company in the 2nd WAAC Training Center at Daytona Beach, Fla., and then came to Camp Atterbury.

Leader Vera Mitchell was employed by a book shop in White Plains, N. Y., before enlisting January 2, 1943. She was assigned to Post Locator Division here. Staff Leader Helen Spiegel, a general clerk in Post Headquarters here worked for the A. B. Pieper Company, in New York City before her enlistment December 11, 1942. Leader Helen Whitely, also a general clerk in Post Headquarters, was employed by the New York Ordnance District in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., prior to enlisting December 24, 1942.

Leader Adeline Palmer lived at Providence, R. I. and worked for the New England Telephone Company, enlisting November 8, 1942. She also attended a six weeks' course in Administration before being assigned to Atterbury where she did stenographic work in the Post Personnel office.

## 1943\_04\_05\_Five WAACS accepted for Officer school at Atterbury

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## First USO Vaudeville Unit to Show at Field

Men of the Freeman Army Air Field will witness their first traveling USO vaudeville show when it is presented in the post gymnasium at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Troupe No. 19, Tabloid Troupe is the way the entertainment unit is listed on the USO Blue Circuit which entertains the boys in uniform from coast to coast. A variety program is expected to be presented, with three women and two men giving song and dance numbers and similiary vaudeville acts.

The troupe, showing here through arrangement with the special service office at Freeman Field, comes from the Jefferson Proving Grounds, near Madison, and will go on to the Columbus air base from its local appearance

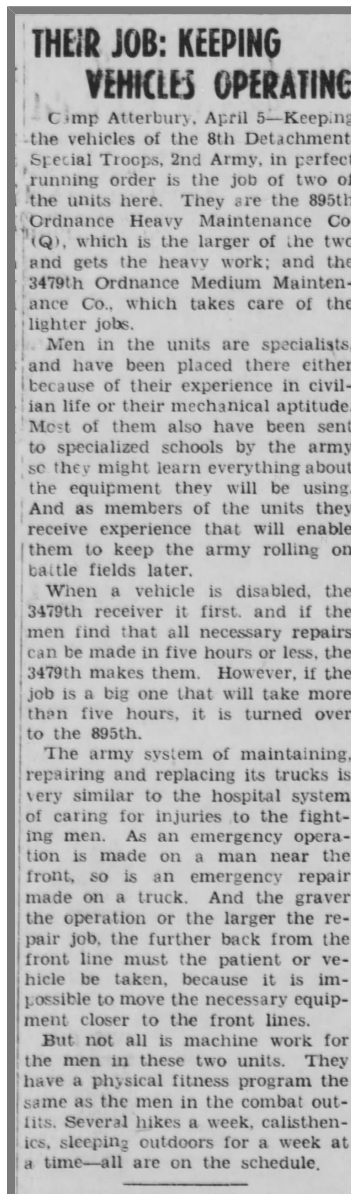
1943\_04\_05\_First USO show at Freeman

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## 1943\_04\_05\_8th Det Spc Trps/895 Ordnance Heavy Maintenance keep vehicles operating at Atterbury

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## 22,332 POUNDS GREASE SAVED

Camp Atterbury, April 3 (Special)—Camp Atterbury is doing its part in a big way in salvaging all possible grease from waste fats accumulated in its mess halls. According to Lt. Alfred M. Scharff, post salvage officer, 16,153 pounds of cooked grease and 6,179 pounds of "trap" grease were sent on their way last month from this camp to be used in the manufacture of explosives for the war effort.

This means that the Atterbury mess halls made available enough recoverable glycerine to manufacture approximately 11,000 pounds of dynamite or to fire 89,328-37 mm. anti-aircraft shells. Also, waste fat is a source of synthetic resin used in making extra-tough "war paint."

Salvaging 33,123 pounds of bones from the mess halls last month helped the war effort, too. They will be used in the manufacture of fertilizer.

1943\_04\_03\_22,332 pounds of grease saved in Atterbury mess halls

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# New Road 31 at Edinburgh Is To Eliminate Present Curves

In less than two months, the State Highway Commission intends to begin work on a relocation project which will shift the route of Road 31 further west of Edinburg, it was learned today.

A new concrete road will be built from the point northwest of Edinburg where Road 252 intersects the federal highway to a point nearly a mile south of Rest Haven cemetery.

The new road will be routed west of the cemetery and will be no closer than one-half mile to Edinburg at its nearest point.

A new bridge over Blue River, probably as long or longer than the present bridge at the old mill and dam—one of the picturesque spots along the highway between

Indianapolis and Louisville—will be required.

The highway commission is advertising for bids on concrete pavement for the road, to be 1.916 miles in length, this week, and bids will be received until April 20, when they will be opened and publicly read.

State Highway Commission attaches indicated that it might be expected that work will actually begin by May 20.

The suddenness with which the word came and the speed with which construction is expected to begin are indicative of the desire for finishing the relocation project quickly and opening the new

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## New Road 31 at

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route to traffic well within the current calendar year.

While there was no announcement to the effect that the Army had a hand in the project, it was assumed that the military has either demanded the relocation or fully approved it since priorities on critical materials to be used in the project have already been granted and when the construction company which submits the winning bid is formally designated everything will be ready to go.

The present route of Road 31 actually by-passes Edinburg, but in a peculiar way. There are a number of traffic hazards on the two-mile stretch from north to south of that town, including at least six rather sharp curves, a narrow bridge and a poor intersection with Road 252 on the east side of the road just south of the Blue River bridge.

The relocated highway will begin at the north end at the point where the chief east entrance road to Camp Atterbury angles off Road 31—the point where old Road 252 formerly intersected with the Federal highway.

The old route turns sharply to the east and angles southeast to cross Blue River, sweeps southeast to the town limits, curves to an almost due south direction, curves again southwest, and finally straightens out a few hundred yards south of the Bartholomew-Johnson county line.

The new route, however, is expected to be curveless, shooting out across farmland, crossing Blue River approximately one-quarter of a mile west of the present bridge, passing Rest Haven cemetery on the west, continuing across more farmland to the present route of Road 31, nine-tenths of a mile south of the county line, somewhere in the vicinity of the Log Cabin filling station and the old Kansas road.

Fifteen years ago, or thereabouts, Road 31 was paved and the route which formerly went through the streets of Edinburg was relocated to the west.

## 1943\_04\_01\_New road 31 - continued

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## "Gate Runners" at Airfield Warned

Unauthorized civilians are warned against attempting to enter Freeman Army Air Field, it has been announced today by Colonel E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of the field.

A recent general order issued from Headquarters, Freeman Army Air Field states, "The entire reservation of the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School, Freeman Army Air Field, is hereby designated as a restricted area as defined by paragraph 63, Army Regulations 380-5. It is unlawful for any person to enter Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Indiana, without written permission of the Post Commander. Attempts to run by "gate guard" may result in injury or death by gunfire.

Civilian employees of Freeman field are subjected to military law the same as are military personnel of the field. Civilian employees and military personnel are required to have identification passes or badges to gain entry to or from the post.

1943\_04\_01\_Gate Runners at Freeman warned

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## Freeman Field Cadets Are to Begin Using Columbus Field

Within a few days Uncle Sam's flying cadets, who are getting their advanced twin engine training at Freeman Army Air Field here, will have a chance to make use of the runways at the new Columbus Army Air Base, it was learned today.

Cadets have not as yet been making use of the landing facilities at the five auxiliary fields which have been established in connection with Freeman field. Up to now they have conned their landing and take-off operations to the facilities on the main field here.

However, it is expected that about the end of this week cadets from Freeman Field will be using both the runways here and those at the Columbus field.

An article in Wednesday's Co-

lumbus Republican states that "aerial activity at the local field will be welcomed by the ground crewmen now stationed here. Life for them has been rather dull."

The article continues:

"Two planes from the Seymour base landed here over the week end and the sound of their motors could be heard over the northern part of town as they took off from the field.

"In the last few days a number of the planes have been flying over Columbus in formation, some of them at low levels.

"The Army Air forces have not yet revealed what use is to be made of the Columbus base or when additional groups will be sent here. Plans for the field apparently have been changed at least twice.

"Since the departure from the field of Col. Harold S. Peterson, who went to Key Field, Miss., to become commanding officer, Maj. Avery S. Keller has been in charge here.

"Still more buildings are to be added to the local air base and will consist of a utility engineer section, including paint shop, blacksmith shop, electrical, plumber and sheet metal shop, carpenter shop, warehouse and offices.

"It is understood that the contract for these buildings has been let to the Shelby Construction company of Shelbyville, which has been engaged on other buildings added to the original air base plans.

"At least nine other buildings have been added to the original

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1943\_04\_01\_Freeman field cadets begin using Columbus air base

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## Doughboy Is Tops, Says Nurse Quin at Atterbury

Camp Atterbury, April 1 (Special)—The American soldier is the most individual service man and has the finest sense of humor in the world in the opinion of Capt. Beatrice M. Quin, chief nurse at the Station hospital. And she should know because she has had approximately 26 years of regular Army service, including one year overseas during World war I.

Morale of the soldiers from this country is always high, the captain states; and she believes this is due to the characteristics of the country—its freedom and its training. Having been brought in contact with soldiers of most countries during her army career, Captain Quin holds the United States service man in very high regard—he can always laugh at his troubles, has a perpetual spirit of friendship, and always will go out of his way to help his buddies.

Today Captain Quin has charge of preparing members of the Army Nurse corps to do the same work she did during the last war. She supervises the training of the nurses here and is responsible for their welfare both on and off duty.

**Must Follow Troops.**  
This training is exacting for both the captain and nurses under her. Since it is the prime duty of a nurse to go where the troops go and assist the sick and injured, she must be trained to do her job well in any part of the world. The fact that Army nurses are doing an excellent job over the globe is proven by the news from the fighting fronts, Captain Quin asserts.

Born in a small village in Cheshire, England, the daughter of a British Army officer, Captain Quin first had her desire to become a nurse while recovering from a severe illness. But her chance to study the nursing profession did not come until she visited this country—and war was declared against Germany and the other aggressor nations. Immediately she entered nurses' training in New Jersey.

In November, 1917, she enlisted in the Army Nurse corps at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C. Overseas she served at several hospitals; and eventually was assigned to the "Base 3" unit, a general hospital at Montpont, in southern France. There she had ample opportunity to study the American soldiers under difficult conditions. Captain Quin was proud of every one of them because they were determined individuals who would not be held down—even as today.

**Obtained Rank in 1920.**  
Nurses in World war I held no rank such as they do today. This honor was not granted until 1920. At that time Captain Quin was stationed back in the States and received the rank of second lieutenant. She received her present rank when she was assigned here in August, 1942, and is the only regular Army nurse stationed here today.

Her service in the United States has included assignments at Fort Knox, Ky., as far back as 1920; San Francisco, Cal.; Fort Lewis, Wash., the Walter Reed general hospital in Washington, D. C., where she has been stationed most of the time; Pine Camp, N. Y., and here. Captain Quin was assigned to both Pine Camp and Camp Atterbury when they were new stations, and she organized the training program for the nurses.

The captain still keeps in contact with the other people who served with her in the "Base 3" unit in France. Each year the officers, nurses and enlisted men of the group hold a reunion dinner in New York—and it is Captain Quin's desire that she will be able to attend one of them soon to talk over old times with her "buddies."



Veteran Nurse Quin.

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## 1943\_04\_01\_Chief Nurse Quinn at Atterbury

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Pvt. and Mrs. Charles E. Hendershot, 1435 Washington street, are the parents of a son, Charles Stephen, born March 20 at Camp Atterbury hospital. Private Hendershot, who is stationed with a tank destroyer battalion at Needles, Calif., is home on a 15-day furlough and will remain until Sunday. He has two brothers in the service, Pvt. Kenneth Hendershot at Fort McClellan, and Wayne Hendershot in training at Naval Signal Corps school at Urbana, Ill.

1943\_03\_31\_Baby boy at camp HOSPITAL - Charles Stephen

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## TOOK RIGHT OF WAY LAST YEAR

### Highway Commission Prepared For Road 31 Relocation Well In Advance

The State Highway Commission apparently has been planning the relocation project for Road 31 near the Camp Atterbury entrance for many months.

County Recorder Eddie Verbryck said today that right-of-way grants on approximately 11 acres of land running through the old McMillan farm at the west edge of Edinburg, now owned by Dr. W. L. Portteus and Elba Branigin, Jr., of Franklin, had been taken last May and recorded here last November.

Only two or three tracts of land are involved in the one-mile Johnson county stretch which is to be used as a new route for the U. S. highway in a curve-eliminating plan made public Monday.

A large number of right-of-way grants have been recorded here during the past year, including strips of land on many farms in Needham and Blue River townships, over which the new dual-lane route of Road 31 is expected to be built when the war emergency is over. Other right-of-way grants recorded here recently have involved land in the relocation of Road 252 north of the old road between Nineveh and Edinburg.

1943\_03\_30\_State Highway commission took rights of way for US 31 last year.

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# WILLIAM COY DIES SUDDENLY

Former Resident of Camp  
Atterbury Area Expires  
at Edinburg.

Edinburg, March 29—William Coy, 79, retired farmer and former resident of the Bartholomew county area now occupied by Camp Atterbury, died unexpectedly at 12:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his home, 607 South Kyle street, Edinburg.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at Edinburg Methodist church. The services will be conducted by the Rev. Ray Bozell and burial will be made in Rest Haven cemetery.

Mr. Coy was born Dec. 27, 1863, in Shelby county, the son of Matthew and Rebecca Poe Coy. He married Miss Ida May Wray in August, 1889. He was a member of the New Bethel church and the Knights of Pythias lodge.

Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Coy, one son having preceded his father in death.

Surviving are the widow; three sons, Eldon and Milo Coy of Edinburg and Clarence Coy of Columbus; one daughter, Mrs. Gladys Rairdon of Edinburg; two brothers, John Coy of Needham and Ira Coy of Edinburg; one sister, Mrs. Sadie Wirey of Franklin, and ten grandchildren.

1943\_03\_29\_William Coy dies. Former resident of Camp Atterbury land

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## EDINBURG TO BE BY-PASSED BY ROAD 31 CHANGE

New Highway and Bridge West of Present Route to Be Built This Summer.

OPEN BIDS ON APRIL 20

2-Mile Section Will Be Constructed as one Lane of Dual-Lane Project.

To relieve the traffic bottleneck at Edinburg, Road 31 will be relocated to the west of that town with construction of a new strip of concrete paving almost two miles long and a new concrete arch bridge over Blue river.

Attaches of the Indiana State Highway commission at Indianapolis explained details of the project today, stating that the new highway will leave the present Road 31 route a short distance south of the Log Cabin filling station in Bartholomew county, then go west of Rest Haven cemetery at Edinburg and the residential buildings along the cemetery's western edge.

A new concrete bridge 250 to 300 feet long will be constructed over Blue river west of the narrow bridge on the present Road 31 route.

**9 Mile in Bartholomew.**  
The new highway strip will connect with the present road near the main entrance to Camp Atterbury.

The new strip will be 1.916 miles long, 1.1 miles in Johnson county and .9 mile in Bartholomew county.

The state highway commission will advertise April 1 for filing of bids on the construction. The bids are to be submitted at the state highway commission office in Indianapolis until 10 a. m. April 20, at which time all proposals will be opened.

The route of the highway relocation already has been surveyed as part of the proposed dual-laning of Road 31 from the by-pass north of Columbus to Greenwood and right-of-way is being purchased.

**Second Bridge Later.**  
While the complete dual-laning project still appears out of the picture until after the war, the new road to be put in west of Edinburg will be constructed as one lane of the dual-laning project and right-of-way is being purchased now for the second lane which will be put down later.

The new bridge to be put over Blue river will serve but one lane of the proposed dual-lane highway and when the other lane is put in a second bridge will be constructed.

Although more expensive in dollars and cents than using one bridge, highway commission attaches pointed out that a second bridge would be built later in order to prevent a serious traffic hazard.

**Will By-Pass Edinburg.**  
The new highway section to be constructed will serve as a by-pass for the town of Edinburg and all that town will be reached by the present Road 31 entrances on the north and south. Several filling station operators on the present Road 31 route along the western edge of Edinburg face the same situation as did those in Columbus when this city was by-passed.

The new highway also will allow through traffic to avoid the narrow bridge over Blue river and the increased traffic into Edinburg at Blue river mill because of Camp Atterbury.

It is expected that the section of relocated highway will be completed this summer, although construction of the long bridge may require more time.

# 1943\_03\_29\_New US 31 dual lane to bypass Franklin and Edinburg

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# WILL PICK UP WAR HOSIERY

Another pick-up of hosiery will be made next Wednesday and Thursday and women having silk and nylon ready for the war program are requested to leave them with their retail hosiery dealer.

Mrs. Georgia Williams of the civilian defense salvage committee pointed out that cotton stockings are not wanted.

The Senior Service Girl scouts in charge of Mrs. Gordon Miller will call at the stores and collect the hosiery.

1943\_03\_27\_Will pick up war hosiery

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## Modern M.P. at Atterbury Trains in Art of 3 'P's'



(U. S. Signal Corps Photos)

At top: The motorcycle patrol keeps cars within camp speed limits. Pvt. Keith Knudson is shown going past one of the signs announcing maximums.

At bottom: Day or night, fair weather or foul, M. P.'s guard camp entrances. Here Pfc. James Mayrick examines pass of William O. Burgess, camp post-office employee from Gas City.

### Former Mitchell Police Chief Heads Enforcement Group of Picked Men.

Camp Atterbury, March 27. (Special)—The average citizen's ideas about military police date back to the last war, but don't blame him, because those ideas came out of radio comedians' old joke books, says Major Clyde W. Smith, Sr., who should know. As Director of Internal Security and Intelligence in this large training camp, he is head of a law enforcement organization and program that would do credit to a large city.

According to Major Smith, the average citizen pictures an M.P. as a "big mean cuss" with a minimum of brains and a maximum of brawn. Actually there is about as much relationship between this conception and fact as there is between the old town "quintable" and a modern scientifically trained police officer.

"Size isn't particularly necessary," states Major Smith, "and none of the best men we have had were comparatively short fellows. There isn't any particular type of man that makes a good M.P. but we do look for a man with the right temperament."

**Courtesy Also Needed.**

"As one Army officer put it recently they should have the three 'P's', 'Patience', 'Persistence' and 'Psychology'. And our men are constantly being schooled in courtesy."

When it comes to schooling, the M.P.'s at Atterbury know what it means, for there is a continuous one with their officers as instructors. Shotgun, pistol and rifle marksmanship occupy a good part of their time. They learn judo, the Americanized and streamlined version of jiu jitsu, which teaches them to control malefactors with ease, regardless of size.

The fact that their officers can double as "professors" in the field of law enforcement, is a tribute to the fact that Uncle Sam wasn't caught napping this time. All of them have had specialized training in the Provost Marshal school, now located at Fort Custer, Mich., and they are all schooled in every phase of scientific crime detection.

"Go over the list of the military police officers here," said Major

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## VICTORY LOAN DRIVE MAPPED

### County's Part of 13 Billion Dollar Fund to Be Large Amount.

Plans for a campaign in Bartholomew county in conjunction with the 13 billion dollar Victory loan drive to be launched April 12, were outlined at a meeting of the Victory fund committee and members of the local War savings staff, held Friday night at the Chamber of Commerce.

Kenneth Johnson of Indianapolis, regional sales director of the Victory fund committee, was the principal speaker. He discussed the different bond issues to be offered and the sales plan.

Edwin B. Anderson, head of the Victory fund committee for Bartholomew county, was in charge. He explained that in December the Treasury department asked for a nine billion dollar Victory loan, and the goal was over-subscribed by more than three billion dollars. The goal in April will be 13 billions, with the objective to reach every citizen who has funds available for investment. It is hoped to procure eight billions of the goal from non-banking investors.

**Announces Committeemen.**

William G. Irwin and Meredith Lamberger also spoke at the meeting.

Mr. Anderson has announced the members of his Victory fund committee as follows:

A. V. Keasling, William H. Dobbin, Frederick M. Sutter, R. C. Rockefeller, John W. Soverkrup, Q. G. Noblitt, Fred H. Suhre, G. L. Reeves, W. H. Gildersleeve, V. E. McMullen, Ed. L. Voelz, Morris Hogue, William G. Wiseman, Mr. Lamberger, Walter Golden, Robert G. Stang, Walter E. Simmen, Carl L. Root, D. M. Bolger, Mr. Irwin, Hugh Th. Miller, Francis M. Overstreet, Albert W. Phillips, John E. Summa, Walter C. Nugent, William M. Keller, Ray Henderson, Clyde Marr, Robert E. Gordon, Julian Sharpack and Willard Winscott.

**Sub-Chairman For Hope.**

Mr. Winscott, cashier of the Hope state bank, will be sub-chairman at

# 1943\_03\_27\_MPs at Atterbury

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When the 300 war workers who spent three days this week at Camp Atterbury with the 83rd Division heard live machine gun fire whining only one foot over their heads in the Ranger School, they didn't have to be told twice by the sergeant to hug the ground in the approved doughboy fashion.—83rd Division Photo.

## 1943\_03\_27\_Live machine gun fire for 83rd Div

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## 150 LBS. OF OLD HOSE DONATED

County Home Ec Members  
Ship Silk, Nylon Discards  
In Large Quantities

One hundred fifty pounds of old silk and nylon hose have already been collected by Home Economics club members and shipped to Defense Supplies Corporation in New York.

The fibers will be utilized in making powder bags for guns. The bags are made of silk because it completely burns up leaving no residue. To provide enough silk for the powder bag of a 16-inch gun, four dozen pairs of all silk hose are required.

Mrs. Louise M. Craig, home demonstration agent, announced that the collection would continue for the duration. In addition to the campaign conducted by Home Economics club members, many stores selling hose have a collection box.

Mrs. Craig suggests that as all home-makers in the county do their spring cleaning, they look up discarded silk and nylon hose, wash them and either take them to the hosiery counter in a department store or to a Home Economics club member.

1943\_03\_27\_150 pounds of old ladies stockings donated

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## SOLDIERS HOME AFTER 15-HOUR BIVOUAC HERE

One thousand Negro soldiers of the 2nd Battalion, 92nd Division, were back at Camp Atterbury this morning after a 15-hour "visit" in Franklin during which hundreds of residents were given a taste of military life—at least from an observation standpoint.

At 7 o'clock Saturday morning, the march back to Atterbury began, headed by Lieut. Col. S. L. Foulston, commanding officer of the battalion, and by 9 o'clock at the latest, the soldiers had completed what Col. Foulston said was a bit of training which was "fun for them."

After the 7-mile march into Franklin Friday afternoon, a parade through the downtown district, some drilling on the Armory commons where the overnight bivouac was held, and the 7-mile march back to camp, the battalion was scheduled to march twelve additional miles on the military reservation during the remainder of Saturday.

### Want Another Dance.

But if anyone believes the boys will be dog-tired and ready to hit the hay early tonight, they're badly mistaken. In spite of the 24 or 30 miles of marching and the extra steps taken at Tom Johnson's USO dance in the city hall last night, the boys were "complaining" last night because there was no dance scheduled for Saturday night.

Downtown streets were lined by civilians, including several hundred Franklin school pupils who got out of class early to view the display, when the parade passed east on Jefferson street and doubled back to South Main on Monroe street at 4:15 o'clock Friday afternoon. The battalion, headed by the division band, marched in squad and company formation, and in the rear were about twenty Army vehicles, chiefly peeps and jeeps and amphibian cars towing weapons on trailers.

After reaching the Armory grounds the battalion broke formation. The vehicles were lined up on the Pioneer Park boulevard on the south bank of Young's creek. A 37 mm. gun was set up in the northeast corner of the area to be fired during retreat. A couple of dozen pup tents were raised in orderly rows at the west end of the area, and other units continued drilling on the field.

### Col. Willingham Present

Guns were taken into the building back of the Armory which was built for horses attached to the National Guard unit occupying the Armory some years ago. The weapons were lined up for display and the public was allowed to inspect them.

Retreat was sounded at 5:30 o'clock and Col. C. M. Willingham, commanding officer of the 365th Combat Team, the part of the 92nd Division training at Atterbury, was present to witness the operation.

Then mess call was issued, and the hungry soldiers went past the field kitchens where Field Ration "C" was handed out by spotless chefs. The hot food — soy-belly, noodles, cooked greens, oysters, cocoa—steamed in the cool early spring atmosphere, dampened by a light drizzle that never developed into a real rain.

### Civilians Try Army Chow.

Approximately 25 civic leaders received invitations — and responded

unanimously—to share mess with the soldiers and were served at tables set up in the Armory garage-stables. Col. Foulston was a gracious host, took pains to see that his guests were shown proper courtesies. Other officers commanding various units of the battalion assisted and saw that no one went away hungry.

Later, the city hall auditorium became the scene of Army "maneuvers" as a major portion of the visiting soldiers shifted from the bivouac grounds to the downtown district for a dance sponsored by the King Street USO club.

The 2nd Battalion is composed of men who have been in the Army only 13 or 14 weeks. The folks who witnessed the parade and retreat would never have known it if Col. Foulston hadn't let the cat out of the bag.

A former Johnson county boy is connected with the battalion, Lieut. Noble, who graduated from Edinburg high school in 1937, introduced himself to friends as commanding officer of Company H and said he'd been at Atterbury the past seven months.

Col. Foulston, the commanding officer of the Battalion, lives in Franklin at the Willard Hotel.

The division band, which provides martial music for the parade and retreat is a crack musical outfit.

## NINEVEH MAN IS WOUNDED

War Department List Includes  
Pfc. Ralph Miller As Casualty  
in North Africa

Pfc. Ralph W. Miller, whose mother, Mrs. Effie E. Miller, was listed in a War Department communiqué with a Nineveh address, was wounded in the North African theater of operations, according to word issued today.

Residents of Nineveh contacted by The Star said they did not know of a Mrs. Effie E. Miller living in that community and they did not recognize the wounded man's name. It is believed Mrs. Miller lives in Brown county south of Nineveh.

Pfc. Miller was one of three Indiana men in the list of 247 soldiers on the casualty record.

The War Department, in issuing the list, said that many of the wounded, injured at the time of American landing operations several months ago, have recovered and have returned to duty, some of them having been in combat again.

# 1943\_03\_27\_92nd soldiers home after 15 hour bivouac in Franklin

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## MEDICAL TRAINING REALISTIC



Evacuation of wounded from the field is taking on a realistic turn these days as the men of the 365th Combat Team medical detachment go through their training with speed and precision at Camp Atterbury. The photo above shows a "casualty" being brought in to a receiving clerk for disposition.—365th Combat Team Photo.

## 1943\_03\_27\_92 Combat team trains realistically

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## 1943\_03\_27\_83rd Rangers practice hand to hand

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# STILL WORKING AT ATTERBURY

## Will Have Grass Soon—New Facility Buildings Are Being Planned.

Considerable work is still progressing at Camp Atterbury, including addition of several facility buildings and preparation of the big "camp city" for the arrival of summer.

More rock walks are being put down in the cantonment area and wooden walk bridges constructed across ravines. Baseball and hardball diamonds are being planned and a number of camp sections have been landscaped.

Arrival of green grass within a few more weeks will give Atterbury a look of prosperity and no longer will it be "Mudberry" to the doughboys.

A contract has been let to Hagerman company of Fort Wayne for construction of additional facility buildings to be used for storage.

Additions also are scheduled for Atterbury's big hospital section, including special wards, nurses quarters, changes in some existing barracks, covered walks and additions to the cold storage facilities. Plans also call for installation of a sprinkler system.

## 1943\_03\_25\_Still working on Camp Atterbury

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# ARMY VEHICLES<sup>N</sup> PASS THRU CITY

The city saw some of its heaviest troop movements since Camp Atterbury was established Thursday morning. Convoy after convoy of all types of vehicles passed through Franklin enroute to and from the cantonment. State police provided escorts for several of the movements and military police were stationed at all local intersections.

1943\_03\_25\_Army vehicles pass thru Franklin

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Sat, May 28, 2016

# ALLEGED HOUSE OF ILL FAME IS RAIDED IN CITY

Arrest of four occupants of a taxicab parked on a lonely country road, raid on an alleged house of ill fame, and the continued search for a missing 15-year-old Franklin girl featured police activity Thursday as officers resumed their drive to rid the city and county of vice conditions.

Mrs. Nora Burries, 43, living in the 200 block on North Main street, pleaded not guilty to a charge of keeping a house of ill fame when arraigned before Judge Grant Rogers in Circuit court.

She was unable to provide \$250 bond and was returned to jail. The charge is based on an incident said to have taken place March 6.

Arrested besides Mrs. Burries in the taxi shortly after midnight on Thursday morning were three other occupants of the taxi, including Norma Downe, age 22, Homer Stinson, 32, and Robert Devore, age 34, all of Franklin.

## HINTS KAISER SHIPS FAULTY

### CIO Shipbuilders' Union Head Demands Revelation Of All Instances Of Crack-Ups

Washington, March 25 (INS)—John Green, president of the CIO's shipbuilding workers union, today demanded before a Congressional hearing that the Maritime Commission reveal all of the instances where ships built in the yards of Henry J. Kaiser have "cracked up."

Green, testifying before the Truman committee investigating war production, attempted to explode the industrial miracles wrought by Kaiser. Kaiser, who has set one record after another in shipbuilding, recently had one of his ships break in two after it was launched.

Green was called to testify about jurisdictional labor disputes in the Kaiser shipyard and ended up by attacking the industrialist.

"I am the last person to deny the achievements of Mr. Kaiser," Green declared. "He certainly has been responsible for organizing the supply of merchant vessels so badly needed for the war effort. But, gentlemen, you and I know, and every practical shipbuilder will concur in the statement, that at least 50 per cent of the accounts of his work are bully-boo."

"His admitted achievements are blown up into miracles and his failures are played down or suppressed."

The CIO labor leader then posed this question:

"Has the Maritime Commission revealed all of the instances of Kaiser-built ships cracking up?"

Green added that "many of our older yards, unattended by corps of superfluous publicity men, are turning out ships faster and more efficiently" than the Kaiser shipyards.

## RED CROSS PROGRAM HELD AT MASON HOME

The sixth "Home Circle Revue" was held in the Masonic Home auditorium Wednesday night when representatives of the Johnson county Red Cross chapter entertained the Home residents.

Rev. Richard E. Lentz, chapter chairman, presided. A "style show" was given, children of the Home modeling garments made by the Red Cross.

Mrs. Luther Poe, chairman of the production corps, supervised dressing of the children and introduced Mrs. Harry Houghman, chairman of volunteer special services; Mrs. Myron McCurry, chairman of the hospital recreation corps; Mrs. Roy Sheek, member of the motor corps; Mrs. Paul Scott, chairman of nursing corps; Miss Louise Schoepfel, executive secretary, and Miss Mary Koch, home service worker.

Miss Koch sang, "The Children's Prayer," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Lentz.

## WOMAN FINED FOR DRUNK

Gertrude Goins, 42, of Edinburg, arrested on West Court street at 5 o'clock Wednesday evening by Officers Lawson Sullivan and Rufus Underwood, was fined \$1 and costs, \$6, in city court here Thursday for public intoxication. She was also sentenced to the women's prison for 30 days.

Homer Scott Corman, 47, of Indianapolis, employed as a blacksmith at Camp Atterbury, was arrested at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon on U. S. highway 31, by State Patrolman Forrest Brewer and charged with public intoxication. He was fined \$25 and costs, \$30, in city court here Thursday and his driver's license was suspended for 90 days.

Court trial Thursday brought to 97 the number heard by Mayor Hemphill since he took office January 1, and a total of \$90 cash in fines was taken by the city Thursday morning alone.

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## BATTALION TO BIVOUAC NEAR CITY ARMORY

**1,000 Soldiers Of 92nd Division Coming Saturday Afternoon For Parade, Retreat, Overnight Stay**

More than 1,000 officers and men of the 2nd Battalion, 92nd Division, of Camp Atterbury, plan to bivouac in Franklin overnight Friday during routine marching maneuvers, it was learned here today.

Schedule to arrive in this city at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, the battalion will be complete with motorized equipment and field pieces for a "visit" of some twelve to fourteen hours at the Battery "A" Armory commons at South Main and South streets.

The public will be given an opportunity to view the bivouac operation and a parade will be staged through downtown streets just after the battalion's arrival.

### Parade Downtown Area.

The 92nd Division band is slated to meet the battalion upon its arrival around 3:45 o'clock at the point where Road 31 elbows from Main into South street. Arrival of the outfit will be a signal for the start of a parade over the following route:

East from Main to Home avenue on South street; north on Home avenue to Jefferson street; west from Home avenue to West Court street on Jefferson street; south on Court and Main streets to the Armory grounds.

A colorful phase of the bivouac will be retreat at 5:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. "Retreat," for those unfamiliar with Army terms, is a ceremony in which the flag is lowered. Firing of 37 mm. guns will feature this operation.

### First Unit to Appear Here.

After spending the night in the lowlands area surrounding the Armory, the battalion will continue its march and depart from the city.

This will mark the first appearance of any Army unit from Atterbury in this city. In peace-time years, Field Artillery units from Ft. Harrison marched through Johnson county enroute to Fort Knox, Ky. for maneuvers, and frequently bivouacked in the Franklin and Edinburg communities.

Providing it doesn't rain, the 92nd Division band plans to hold a public concert in the north lawn of the court house square at 7:30 o'clock Friday night.

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Food Budget For Next Week  
Can Now Be Figured By  
Housewives.

Now, Mrs. Housewife, you can plan your meat budget for next week.

Points values on meats, fats, fish and cheese were announced today by the OPA and at the same time it was made known that each individual will be entitled to 16 points a week under the new ration program.

Most housewives of Columbus have expressed themselves as welcoming meat rationing. In recent weeks they have found it difficult to buy even a good meaty soup bone.

With rationing an equal distribution of what supply there is assured.

Under the new rationing order Americans will be permitted to buy two pounds of popular type steak or three and one-half pounds of hamburger per person per week.

**16 Points Per Week.**

Actually, most people will buy less because they will want to use some of the same coupons for butter, lard, cheese or canned fish. They will have 16 points to spend per week at an average coupon cost of eight points per pound for the whole group of foods.

A typical budget probably will be, per person, two pounds of meat plus perhaps a quarter pound of butter and a quarter pound of cheese. A whole pound of butter calls for eight points.

OPA said the rations are relatively more liberal than the rations for processed foods, but the impact will vary sharply in each family. Families that have liked and been able to afford to eat a lot of meat may find their rations only a fraction of their customary purchases, but in some of the poorest classes, the ration may exceed what families may be able to afford.

Compared with such things as gasoline and shoe rationing, the new program will affect the lives of Americans more than any other type of rationing undertaken so far. By Monday, about the only important unrationed foods in grocery stores will be milk, bread, cereals, preserves and fresh fruits and vegetables.

**No Customer Coupons.**

Restaurants and other public eating places continue without customer coupons, but their overall food supplies are rationed and officials are considering legal limitations on portions. OPA officials hint that people cannot expect to supplement their home meat rations very much by dining out.

Only farmers are exempt, being authorized to eat as much as they desire of their own produce, although they must collect coupons if they sell any of it to outside consumers. Farmers also hope that rationing will restrain wholesale and retail meat prices sufficiently to obviate an OPA proposal for restricting the prices of live meat animals.

The new point values were unveiled to the press by OPA with charts, tables, volumes of explanatory matter and quiz sessions.

The new plan goes into effect at 12:01 a. m. Monday.

During the first week, each person must use the red A stamps in his No. 2 ration book (the one in which the blue stamps are used for canned goods) to buy meat except poultry and game, edible fats and oils, except olive oil and salad dressings; cheese except soft and perishable cheeses such as cottage cheese; and canned fish or shell fish. Meats are rationed whether fresh, frozen, cooked or cured.

**May Carry Over Points.**

The following week, any left-over A's plus the red B stamps may be used, and in the third week the left over A's and B's

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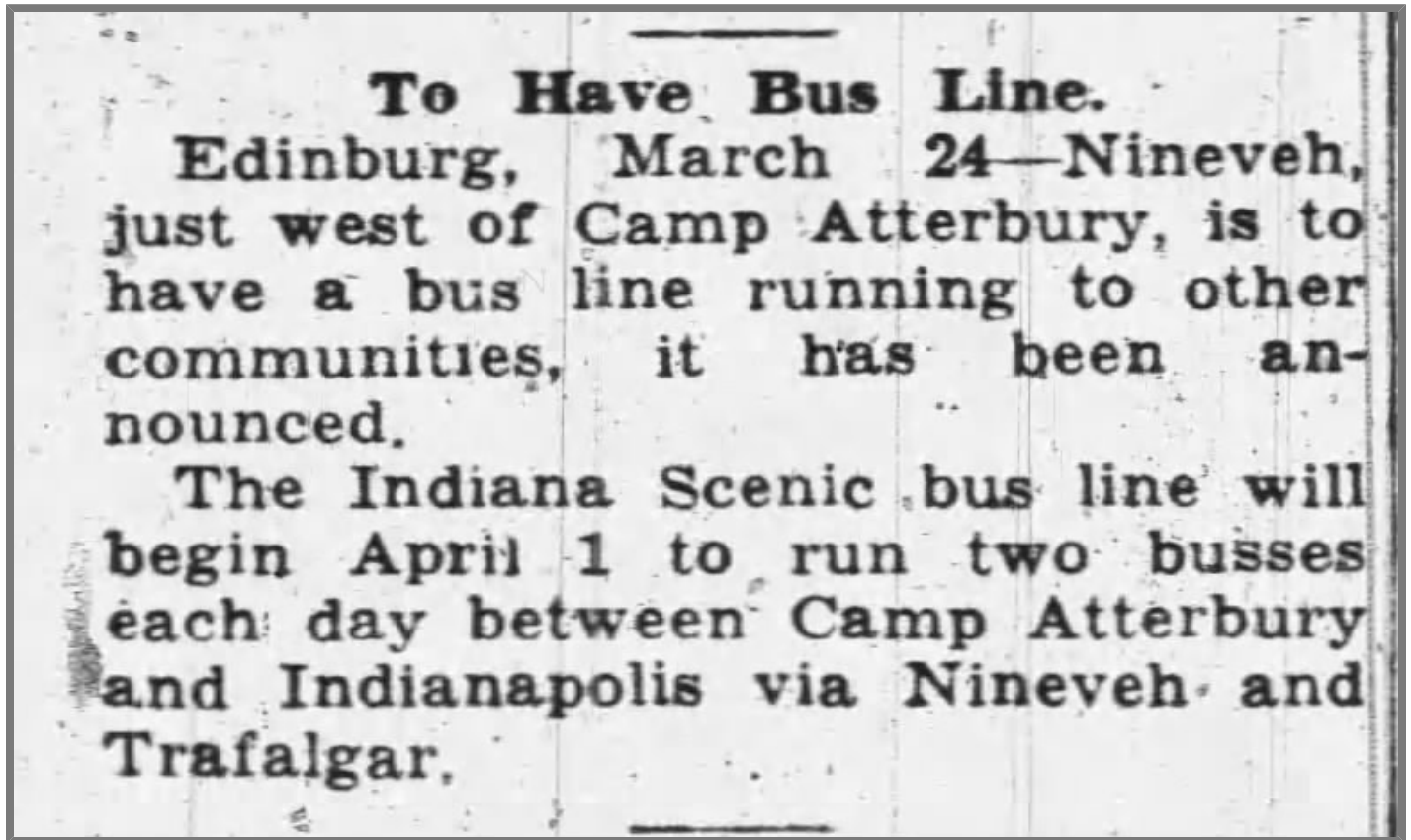
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# POINT VALUES GIVEN FOR NEW RATION PROGRAM

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plus the red C stamps. The same carryover is provided in the fourth week, but all four weeks' stamps expire together April 30. Procedure after that remains to be determined.

At least during April, this will cause great variance in weekly purchases, since some people may want to save some of their early-month coupons for a splurge in the final week of April.

However, the real purpose of this system of accumulating coupons for the first month is to give a fair break to people in some communities where meat or butter may be especially scarce in the early part of the month.

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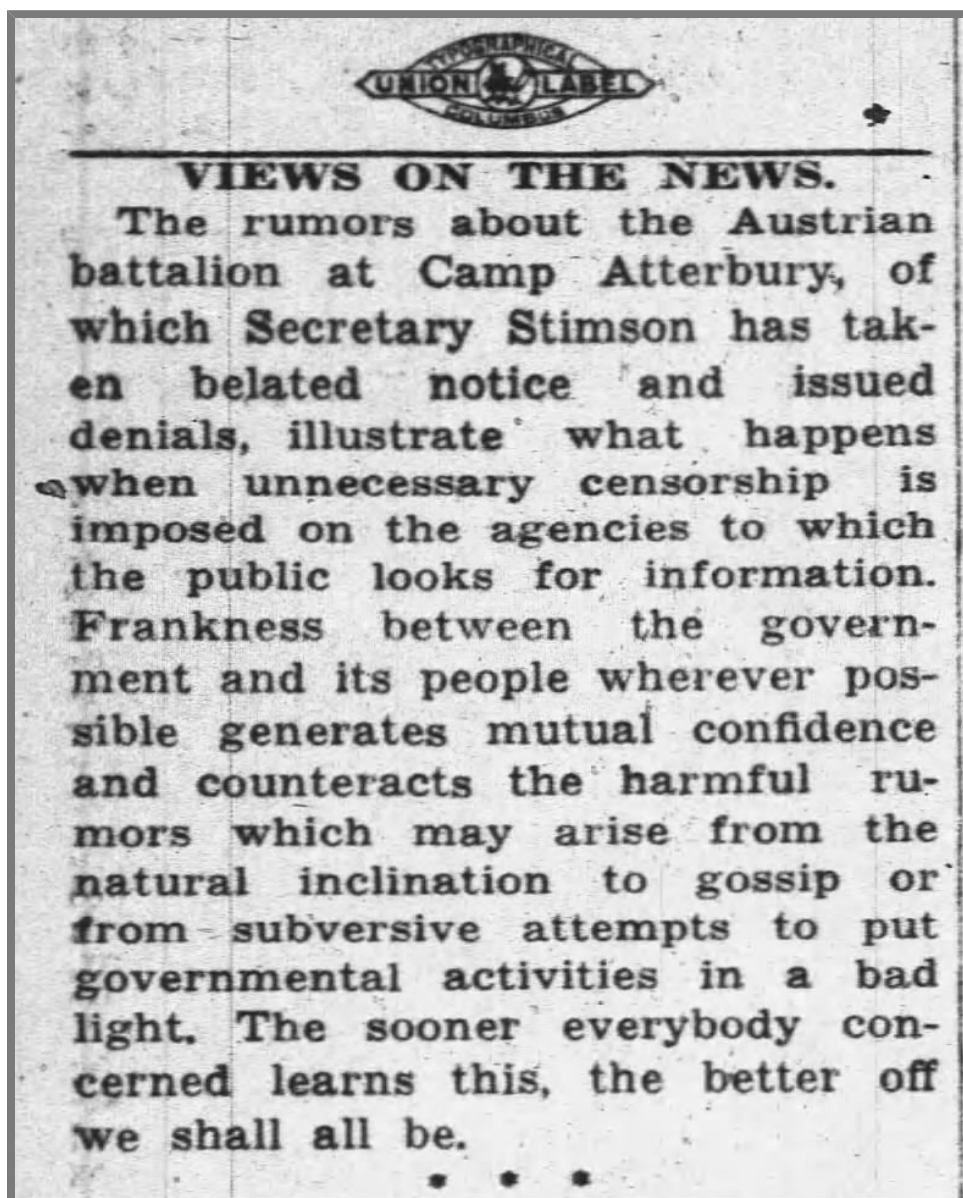
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## Army Opens Austrians To Interviews, Pictures

The War department has hoisted the veil of secrecy that cloaked the 101st Infantry battalion, the so-called Austrian battalion, at Camp Atterbury and the stories the press was printing today, the stories from the men themselves, answered the many criticisms and charges hurled at formation of the unit.

The War department announced Tuesday that it would permit release of stories about the 101st Infantry. As a result the many press correspondents and photographers at Atterbury to cover the visit of the war workers were allowed to interview and photograph members of the unit.

"The 101st is organized just like any other combat unit," Lieut. Col. Vincent J. Conrad, battalion commander, told the visiting reporters. "It is attached to the Second Army and was activated at Camp Atterbury on Dec. 15, 1942."

Although the unit now includes some Yugoslavs, Czechs, Hungarians, Italians and a few Germans, the War department is planning to restrict it to Austrians and men from other countries probably will be transferred.

The War department also has announced that other men wishing to leave the unit for duty in other outfits will be allowed to do so. Further additions to the unit will be on a voluntary basis.

Colonel Conrad, a graduate of West Point and the grandson of American pioneers, has seen service with combat units in Panama as well as at posts in most sections of the United States. In June, 1919, he was on the Mexican border in the chase for Villa. His son, Vincent, Jr., who is now in officer candidate school at Fort McClellan, Ala., was the first U. S. military man's son born at Fort Davis, Canal Zone.

Members of the 101st battalion include many with musical talents and many with degrees from Europe's leading universities. Some of them sang and played for the press correspondents—a singer who has been heard over the NBC network and a concert artist from Vienna. Some do not want their names published while others use new names because of relatives still in Europe.

Reporters talked to two who fled from Nazi concentration camps. There was Frank Steiner who, after finally getting free of a con-

centration camp, struggled for eight months in reaching the United States. He finally made it by way of North Africa and Casablanca.

"I am ready to serve wherever and however the United States wishes," said Steiner, and there was no doubt but that he meant it.

Henry H. Stanton also was in a concentration camp. He had a scholarship to John Hopkins university.

Gary A. Bahrlick left Austria 3½ years ago and was attending John Hopkins university when drafted. Only 22, Bahrlick wants to be an accountant. Although he speaks fluent English, the young soldier believes he still has an accent and is anxious to lose it.

Then there is Warren G. Stokel, who arrived in the United States on Nov. 7, 1939. He remembers the date well because to get into the United States he had to "jump" the ship on which he was a steward.

"I want to be a good American," said red-headed Stokel.

Stokel's statement was echoed by other members of the 101st whom reporters contacted. Those who had been in Nazi concentration camps summed up life there in one four-letter word. It was "hell."

Two of the three Hapsburg archdukes serving as privates in the 101st declined to give interviews or have their pictures taken. However, they did consent to being included in a group picture. The third brother was not present Tuesday.

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The archdukes, all youths, have been the butt of much unfavorable publicity and have become camera-shy. They hope to make their own way on their own merits and their buddies in the 101st call them "good soldiers."

Catholic and Jewish faiths predominate among the battalion. Forty-six percent are Catholic, 42 percent Jewish, eight percent Protestant and four percent others.

Members of the 101st are anxious to be recognized as Americans and the aliens are given a chance to become citizens by meeting regular citizenship requirements.

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# WILL SERVE AS POST CHAPLAIN

Camp Atterbury, March 17 (Special)—Chaplain (Capt.) Reginald Rowland, who has come here from Camp Breckinridge, Ky., has been assigned as acting post chaplain, Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander has announced. Chaplain Rowland served as chaplain during the last war and was stationed at the base hospital at Camp Green, Charlotte, N. C. He was ready to go overseas when the Armistice was signed.

Prior to entering the service this time he was pastor of the Teaneck Presbyterian church, West Englewood, N. J.

1943\_03\_17\_New post Chaplain - Reginald Rowland

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# CAFETERIA FOR NOBLITT SPARKS TO BE ERECTED

Combined Dining Room and Recreation Hall for Employees Planned.

## TACKLES FOOD PROBLEM

Company Finds Private Facilities Not Adequate With Gas Rationing.

A building to be used as a dining and recreational hall for employees of the company's five plants in Columbus will be erected by Noblitt-Sparks Industries, Inc., according to a decision reached late Friday by the firm's executives and announced today.

Preliminary plans already have been drawn and construction of the new building will start within a short time, providing materials can be obtained in compliance with government regulations.

The building will be used essentially as an eating place for employees of the company and as an auditorium in which they can meet for social and recreational purposes. A cafeteria with modern kitchen equipment will be installed. Plans call for the use of practically no critical materials, it was stated.

The new structure probably will be erected on the company's property near Seventeenth street and Central avenue and arrangements will be made so that the cafeteria will be available to all employees of the five plants for the noon meal. Meals probably will be available to employees working on night shifts also, it was stated.

### Eating Problems Studied.

For some time now officials of the company have been seeking a solution to the eating problem of its employees. "The present restaurant facilities in the neighborhood of the company's plants were found inadequate so representatives of the company began a study of industrial cafeterias in other cities."

"Although we have felt for some time the desirability of a recreation hall for employees, I doubt if we would have considered seriously the installation of a cafeteria had not war conditions presented new problems for employees," Q. G. Noblitt, president of the firm, said. "The decision came, not as a result of a desire on our part to enter the restaurant business, but rather to help relieve a condition in this community brought about by an increased population and the closing of many eating places throughout the city."

"Many employees, who in peacetime go home at noon, now find it impossible because of the restrictions on gasoline. More employees than ever before have found it necessary to carry their lunches. Should they desire to supplement their meals with hot drinks, soup and the like, this will be possible through the cafeteria. We feel that it is highly desirable for our employees to have available to them, in these times of food rationing, good nutritious meals so that they will be able to continue with the production of war products."

### Seating Capacity 300.

The proposed new building will be 84 by 120 feet, one story, and will be constructed of brick or building tile. It will have a concrete floor, wash rooms for men and women, and will contain two small dining rooms which will be used for foreign's meetings and the like. The cafeteria will be arranged in such a way that two lines of employees can be served at the same time. A large kitchen and a food storage room are provided for.

The estimated seating capacity of the cafeteria is approximately 300 persons and by staggering the noon hour it is believed all employees of the company who desire to do so may be accommodated at meal time. The hall will be equipped with fluorescent lights and music will be provided through a loud speaker arrangement.

The cafeteria will be equipped with folding tables so that these can be collapsed and removed when meetings of employees are held. Mr. Noblitt explained that the cafeteria here will be the first to be operated by the company.

Decision was reached to make the initial experiment here in Columbus rather than at Greenwood, Franklin or Richmond, where the company also has plants, because the eating problem appears to be more serious here than in the other communities.

The company's employees total approximately 1,200, of whom 1,000 work in the five Columbus plants.

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# Indian Goes on Warpath At Air Base; In Jail

## Redball Holds Captain and Sergeant Prisoner in Latrine.

Redball, a full blooded Indian stationed at the Columbus Air base, held a captain and sergeant captive in a latrine building at the point of a gun Monday night before he was apprehended by a force of military police and Columbus police with the aid of tear gas.

Patrolmen O. E. Adams and Paul Eddy of the Columbus police department answered an emergency call to the air base about midnight with a supply of tear gas. The two city patrolmen joined the military police in the capture, which came ten minutes after three charges of tear gas had been fired into the latrine room where Private Redball held possession.

Redball was brought to the county jail about 1 a. m. for safekeeping by six military police and the two city officers.

### Excitement for New Policemen.

Patrolman Adams, who, with Patrolman Eddy, is a new member of the police force, said this morning that the incident provided them the most excitement they had had since joining the department.

According to information given the police, Redball had been in Columbus and apparently had consumed some firewater.

Returning to the base he went

on the warpath.

He caught the captain and sergeant in the latrine, allegedly made threats against them and held them prisoners with a .45 calibre revolver. One of the officers finally made his escape, but it was nearly an hour before the other got away.

### Refuses to Come Out.

Redball refused to come out of the building and when the first charge of tear gas was sent into the room he fired one shot from his revolver, the police said.

After the second and third charges of tear gas he still refused to come out and called to the police that they would have to come in and get him. He declined to throw his gun outside but after some persuading placed it on a ledge about four feet from him. Police armed with shotguns and revolvers then entered the building and took him in charge without resistance.

## JOHN H. HINES TAKEN BY DEATH

Dies in Hospital Following  
Short Illness—Funeral  
Thursday.

John H. Hines, 64, of 100, west

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# Blackout Set Half-Hour Later; Plans Complete

Changing of the time for the blackout here Thursday night to begin at 8:30 p. m. was announced today following receipt of official War department approval setting the time from 8:30 to 9 p. m.

Under a verbal agreement, the time originally had been fixed as from 8 to 8:30 p. m., but it will now be changed to the half-hour period from 8:30 to 9.

The War department communication received today was from Headquarters Fifth Service Command, Services of Supplies, Fort Hayes, Ohio, and declared that the commanding general of the Fifth Service command had authorized the blackout for Columbus and East Columbus starting at 8:30 p. m.

Marion H. Amick, Bartholomew county civilian defense director, and Frederick M. Sutter, commander of the civilian defense corps, said the change would have no effect on the blackout program.

## Warning Whistle at 8:25.

Under the revised schedule a warning whistle will sound at 8:25 o'clock and the air raid alarm will be given at 8:30.

Further plans for the blackout were perfected Monday night at a meeting of the coordinating committee, district air raid wardens and lieutenant wardens held in the council chamber of the city

## Wardens Listed

A list of the air raid wardens in the fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth and ninth precincts is published on page 3 of today's issue of The Evening Republican.

Wardens in other precincts will be announced later.

The wardens will be responsible for their blocks during the blackout from 8:30 to 9 p. m. Thursday and residents are urged to cooperate by having all lights in their homes and places of business turned off during the blackout period.

hall.

The district wardens and their lieutenants head an organization of approximately 300 block wardens whose responsibility will be to see that residents have turned out all lights in their sectors.

It was pointed out that merchants in downtown Columbus are asked to turn out their own lights, including their street signs, when the air raid alarm sounds at 8:30 p. m. Thursday.

Cooperation of persons living in

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**BLACK-OUT SET  
HALF HOUR LATER;  
PLANS COMPLETE**

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downtown apartments also is being asked in order that the blackout will be total. It was pointed out that because of the many upstairs apartments the wardens will have difficulty in checking on all the lights and residents are urged to make sure that they have thrown their apartments into darkness.

Arm bands and supplies were distributed to the district wardens at the meeting by Mr. Amick. Mr. Sutter discussed the work to be done and answered questions brought up concerning the blackout operations.

For air raid protection, the city of Columbus has been divided into districts by precincts. This organization was set up some time ago and was turned over to the present coordinating committee.

**Wardens Perfect Plan.**

The district wardens are now perfecting their organizations by blocks in each precinct. Because of the odd shape of some of the precincts, it has been necessary to have several lieutenants who will head posts in the precinct.

The block wardens then operate under the post established in their area. All "incidents" reported by the block wardens to their post will be relayed to the proper authorities through the control center set up in the city hall building. In this manner the control center keeps in touch with each block in the city and dispatches equipment to wherever needed.

Approximately 40 auxiliary policemen and a number of auxiliary firemen will be on duty during the blackout.

The auxiliary police will work under the direction of Police Chief Cuba McKay, assisted by William White, a member of the civilian committee.

The auxiliary police will be used in six squad cars and five or more will assist regular police in patrol work. In addition, a force of approximately 20 military police from Camp Atterbury and the Columbus air base will be on hand.

Auxiliary firemen will be stationed at the two fire houses and will be on an "alert" in case they are called during the blackout period.

Company F, local unit of the Indiana state guard, also will be used. Under the direction of Capt. David Dickey, it will set up guard lines around the city's utility plants and services.

All civilian traffic will halt during the blackout period from 8:30 to 9 p. m. and official cars will have dimmed lights, especially prepared for the blackout.

**District Wardens Listed.**

The list of district wardens was announced today by Mr. Sutter. They are as follows:

Columbus—First precinct, Valmore McQueen, 219 Fourth street; second precinct, John R. Rees, 1511 Lawton avenue; third precinct, Ray Butler, 2119 Washington street; fourth precinct, Miss Evelyn Seward, 628 Lafayette avenue; fifth precinct, Miss Edna Folger, 711 Pearl street; sixth precinct, Claude Smith, 2217 Pearl street; seventh precinct, John W. Hines, 801 Fourth street.

Eighth precinct, Emmert Hoeltke, 834 Chestnut street; ninth precinct, Alfred Wiegman, 1602 California street; thirteenth, north precinct, Kenneth Waggoner, Sr., 1726 Caldwell drive; thirteenth, south precinct, Earl B. Pulse, 1430 Cottage avenue; and fourteenth, Robert Holland, 620 Maple street.

East Columbus—William Palmer, 425 State street; the Rev. S. B. Walls, 640 Oak street; Dale Greenlee, 509 Cherry street; Piny Poffenberger, 772 McKinley avenue, and J. B. Kress, 2403 Seventeenth street.

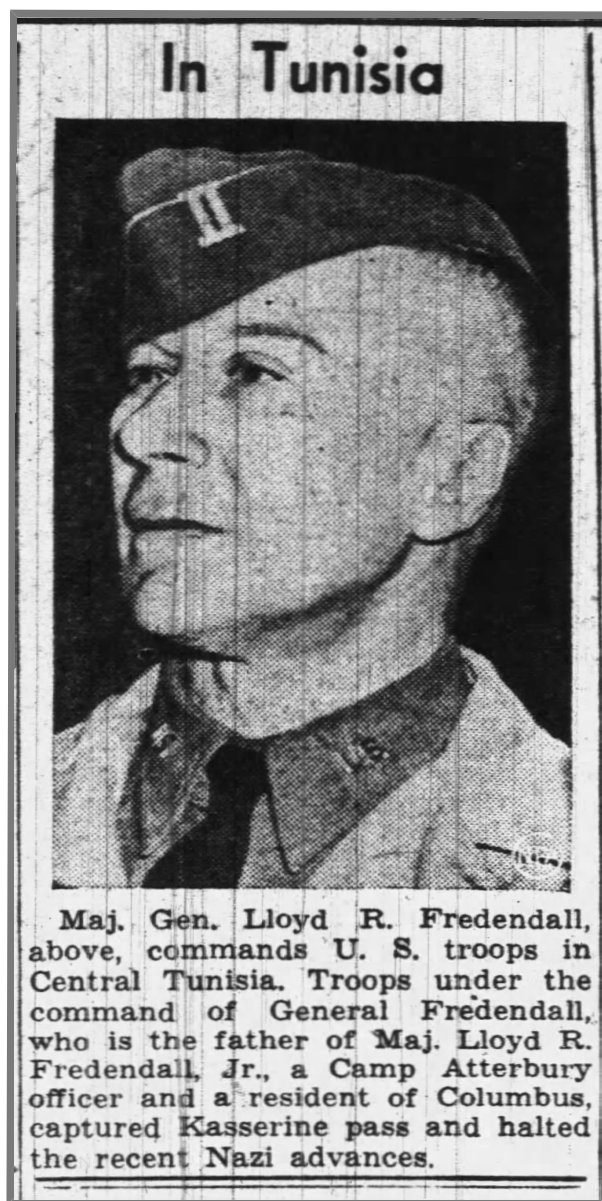
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## CANTEEN OPEN IN USO CLUB

Remodeling Of King Street  
Unit Continues—Equip-  
ment Is Arriving

The King Street U.S.O. is having its face lifted under the direction of Tom Johnson, the director. The remodeling was started about a week ago and the canteen was ready for public enjoyment Saturday night, although all the other details are not completed.

Among new facilities made possible by the remodeling of the social center for soldiers is a dark room. The center has received new apparatus for developing and enlarging for the boys to use in making their own pictures. The room is in the basement.

Eventually, the whole building will have a new appearance. The back room used before for storage, has been completely done over into an attractive canteen. The snack bar has its own kitchen, refrigerator and storeroom. Dancing on the new hardwood floor will accommodate a large number of soldiers. If their tastes do not run to dancing, there will be table tennis. New equipment and furniture are arriving every day. The lounge already has two pieces of light maple furniture, a large magazine rack and a solid round table. Settees, armchairs and tables of the new wood will replace the iron tables and chairs now in the lounge and throughout the building.

### Exterior To Be Painted.

All the exterior woodwork will be painted and the brick walls will be pointed up. Plans for summer entertainment have been included in the exterior remodeling. At the back of the building and along one side concrete will be laid to afford a smooth place for a shuffle board court and gaily painted tables. This portion of the center will be well lighted with strings of colored light and will have the appearance of a French cafe.

The light post on the corner will be a green flag pole in the near future with the United States and U.S.O. flag waving on high.

All the interior decoration is under the supervision of the U.S.O.-Y.M.C.A. and will be completed in the near future. Other than the dances at the City hall, no other social schedule has been planned as yet. A new schedule will be built around the new additions to club.

Mr. Johnson announced that a dance will be held at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening in the City Hall auditorium. Shelbyville and Franklin girls will be hostesses. The Buffalo Rhythm Kings of Camp Atterbury will play.

# 1943\_03\_08\_Franklin's King St. USO remodeled. 92nd Buffalo Rhythm to play

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130 WAACS AT  
CAMP GETTING  
USED TO COLD

**First Company Arrives in Snow, Sub-Zero Temperatures From Warm Climate Of Florida; Report To Commander**

Surrounding Florida's sunny skies and warm temperatures for snow, storm and sub-zero weather in the unit, a company of 130 members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps duty were becoming acquainted with Camp Atterbury.

Camp Atterbury greeted its first company of WAACS Saturday morning in a heavy snowstorm. The members of the 44th WAAC Post headquarters Company arrived from Daytona Beach to find the big blizzard Army training center in snow, indeed like mid-winter weather, although spring officially is only a few days hence.

They reported for duty in a formal military ceremony at 11 o'clock Saturday morning to Col. William M. Modette, post commander. With the 28th Infantry Band of the 8th Division playing "This Is the Army, St. Jones," the company was presented to the post commander and his staff by 2nd Officer Helen C. Crook, commanding officer. Present also were the executive officer, 1st Officer Mary L. Porter, and supply and mess officer, 1st Officer Mildred Peterson.

**Commander's Welcome Brief.**  
Col. Modette said:  
"I want to welcome the WAACS to Camp Atterbury. We are proud of our camp and we are sure you will all live up to our standards."

After the ceremony of presentation, the company marched around their barracks with soldiers' precision with the band in the lead, showing the effect of the military training at Daytona Beach.

Among those present for the ceremony were 1st Officer Helen V. Modette, from Headquarters of the 1st Service Command at Columbus, Ga., and 1st Officer Gertrude Smith of the WAAC recruiting service in Indianapolis.

This first group of WAACS to be assigned to duty in a camp in Indiana number 130 members including commissioned officers. As soon as the members are ready for assignment, they will take over jobs at the post to relieve men for one post duty. Included in the company are: A clerical platoon, service club platoon, barber shop, etc., mess, transport, cooks, bakers and others.

**Four Weeks Basic Training.**  
All of the Auxiliaries have had their needs of basic training and most have had varying amounts of specialized training for various specialties. Some will occupy positions at Post Headquarters requiring ability to type and use shorthand. Others will work in various capacities in the service club, as cashier, assistants in the library, and other similar tasks. Another group will fill jobs hitherto occupied by men in the post theater, doing the ushering, selling tickets, etc. Although there are cooks and bakers in the company, they will confine their activity to their own mess hall.

Preparation for the coming of the WAAC Company was completed before they arrived. 1st Officer Mildred Peterson, their mess and supply officer, arrived here about ten days ago and supervised installation of all equipment and food. When the Auxiliaries jumped from the big flat-wheel trucks which transported them and their barracks camp from the train, they found their beds ready and made and a hot breakfast of fried eggs, sausage, toast and coffee which was prepared for them by the staff of the subschool for cooks and bakers.

However, members of the company took over operation of the kitchen at once. The highlight of the dinner was a huge cake with "Welcome WAACS" in icing which also was presented to the members of the company by the bakery school.

**Iowan Commands Company.**  
Commanding the company of WAACS is 2nd Officer (1st Lt.) Helen C. Crook, whose home town is Reola, Iowa. Before enlistment in the WAAC she was a legal secretary in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was a member of the 2nd Officer candidate class at Ft. Des Moines, Iowa, and entered the service August 2, 1942.

Executive officer of the unit is 1st Officer (2nd Lt.) Mary L. Porter, who is the daughter of Colonel E. D. Porter, commanding officer of the 28th Infantry Brigade, 8th Division, now in training at Camp Atterbury.

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### 130 WAACS At Camp Getting Used to Cold

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Atterbury. She is a graduate of Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., and was a librarian in that city for one year. She has spent most of her life at Army posts with her parents.

3rd Officer Mildred Peterson, supply and mess officer, is the wife of Warrant Officer (junior grade) George A. Peterson of the U. S. Marines, who is on foreign duty. She worked for the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co., Philadelphia, Pa., before entering the service.

**Expected for Months.**

Atterbury had been expecting a contingent of WAACS for many weeks. It was learned last fall that some were to be sent to this camp.

The WAACS were created last May 14, less than a year ago, and recruiting of officer candidates began on May 27. More than 39,000 women from all over the country applied.

The first officer candidate class of 440 members began training at Fort Des Moines, Ia., on July 20. On November 2 the first group of officer candidates, made up entirely of women selected from the ranks, began training and was commissioned December 24.

The Daytona Beach training center was the second to be opened in the nation. It was opened December 1, little over three months ago. There are now four WAAC training centers and a fifth is to be established soon. There are over 30,000 women enrolled at present.

**Grades and Equivalent.**

Commissioned officer grades in the women's army, with equivalent in the regular Army, are as follows: Third Officer, equivalent to Second Lieutenant; Second Officer, equivalent to First Lieutenant; First Officer, Captain; Assistant Field Director, Major; Field Director, Lieutenant Colonel; Director, Colonel.

Women in the various grades wear insignia of the equivalent rank in the men's Army. For instance, the Second Officers wear the silver bars of the Army's First Lieutenant.

Grades in the non-commissioned officer group are Auxiliary, equivalent to private in the Army; Auxiliary First Class, Private First Class; Technician 5th Grade, Technician Fifth Grade; Junior Leader, Corporal; Technician 4th Grade, Technician Fourth Grade; Leader, Sergeant; Technician 3rd Grade, Technician Third Grade; Staff Leader, Staff Sergeant; Technician Leader, Technical Sergeant; First Leader, First Sergeant; Chief Leader, Master Sergeant.

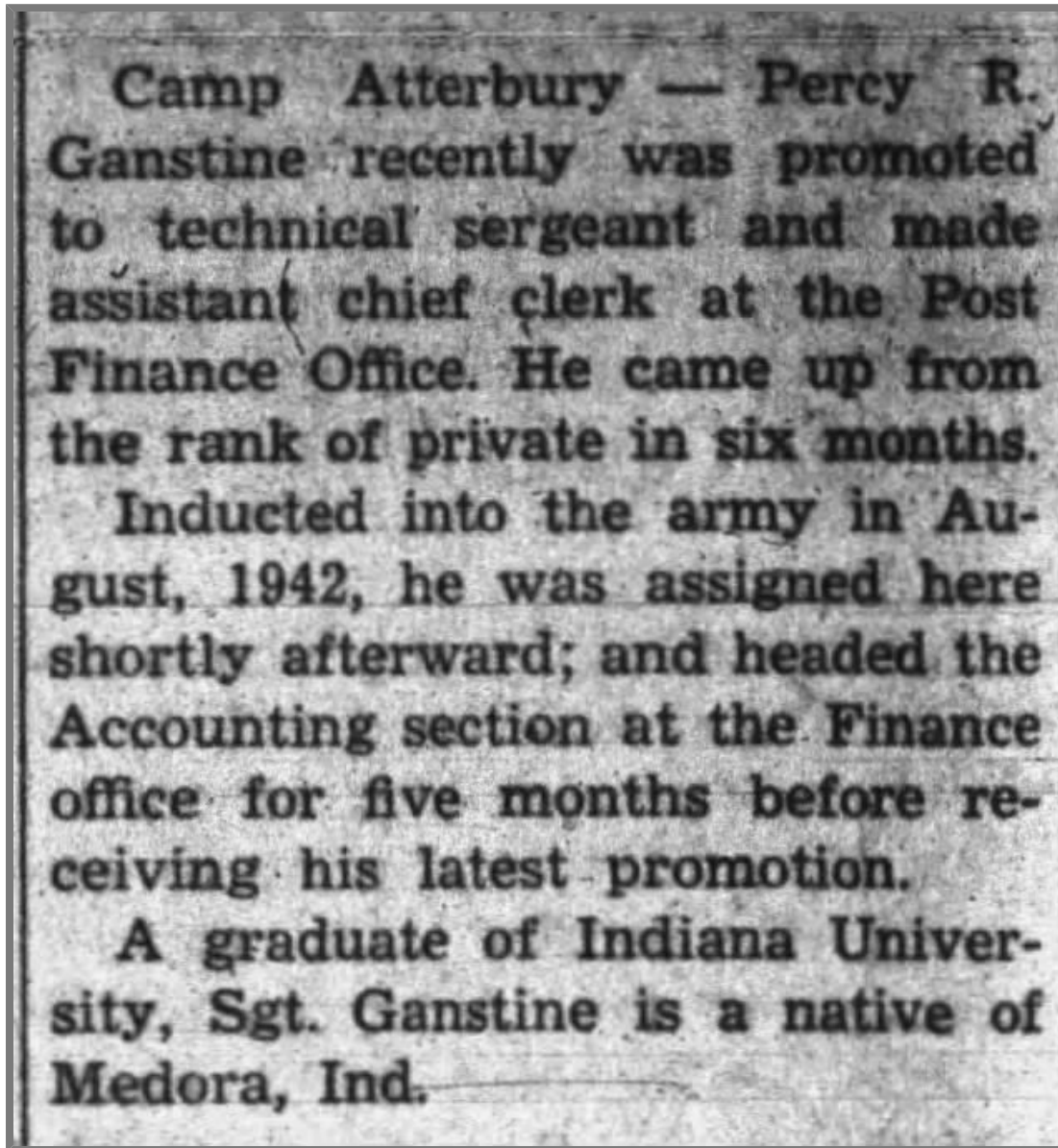
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1943\_03\_06\_Promotion to TSgt - Percy R. Ganstine

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# NEW CHAPLAIN AT ATTERBURY

Camp Atterbury, Indiana, March 6 (Special)—Newest chaplain here is 1st Lt. Cornelius Wilkens, a Presbyterian, with the 537th Coast Artillery Bn. (A.A.)

Chaplain Wilkens, a native of Morrison, Ill., has been in the ministry for the past 12 years and served several pastorates in South Dakota before entering the Army. He was graduated from Central Academy and Central college in Pella, Iowa, receiving an A. B. degree. He studied three years at Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Mich., where he received B. D. and Th. M. degrees. He then took up graduate work at the University of South Dakota for an M. A. degree. He also attended Chaplains' school at Harvard university.

He is married and was in the Officers' Reserve corps for six years before being called into active service.

1943\_03\_06\_Camp gets new chaplain - 1Lt Cornelius Wilkens

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## Chaplain Going Overseas.

Chaplain Thomas A. Bartley, who has been conducting Catholic religious services for men of the 1560th Service unit and for the Post hospital since December, has been ordered to foreign duty and is leaving Camp Atterbury.

His going will be felt keenly by the many men with whom he has done excellent work and to whom he has been a good friend.

1943\_02\_23\_Camp Chaplain going overseas Thomas A. Bartley

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## Two Soldiers Taken Near Here

Two of four soldiers who escaped from the guardhouse at Camp Atterbury Saturday night and kidnaped a guard, were apprehended about 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon on U. S. Road 50 near the Jackson-Lawrence county line west of Brownstown by Officer Walter G. LaMaster and Laboratory Technician Robert Grannan, of the Seymour state police post.

The soldiers were operating an automobile they had stolen a short time before at Bedford, it is reported here.

They and two others escaped at Atterbury Saturday taking a guard, and stopped a man on the highway, in whose car they rode to Indianapolis. From there they went to Bloomington and two of the khaki-clad quartet were picked up there by state police of the Putnamville post. The other two continued to Bedford and took the car, only to be picked up by the local officers.

The four and the guard were returned to military authorities at Camp Atterbury.

1943\_02\_22\_Two soldiers captured that escaped from guardhouse

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# CROWE LAND SET AT \$1,050

In one Camp Atterbury case tried in federal court today at Indianapolis Robert B. Crowe of this city was awarded \$1,050 for 38 acres of Bartholomew county land taken for the Army camp.

The government testimony set a value of \$650 on the property, while witnesses for Mr. Crowe fixed the value at between \$1,700 and \$2,200.

Forty-three camp land cases were set for trial before the jury today. Thirty-eight were settled out of court, four continued and the one case settled by jury.

1943\_02\_22\_Crowe land set at \$1050

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## ***Had Others' Hair Standing on End, Commander Finds***

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 20—A couple of weeks ago THE ATTERBURY CRIER, camp weekly newspaper, ran a story about the soldier who was stopped by Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander, and told his hair was too long and needed cutting. The boy then told a buddy it was not too long, it was just "standing on end."

The tale was picked up by the news services and sent all over the country. This week Col. Modisette received the following letter with a clipping of the story from a Denver, Colo., newspaper:

Dear Colonel:

The enclosed clipping caught my eye and I am curious to know whether or not you are the Major Modisette who used to make my hair stand on end at Ft. Meade, South Dakota, in 1935. If you are, I would like to hear from you.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM S. HANNAN,  
Lt. Col., Inf.

P. S. Yes, it is the same "Major" Modisette.

# 1943\_02\_20\_Soldier's hair standing on end

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# RAIN DELAYS WOOD HAULING

Earth Too Soft For Trucks To  
Drive Around Free Fuel  
Pile At Atterbury

Persons who have permits to haul away scrap fuel wood from Camp Atterbury were advised today by authorities there that they must wait until the ground freezes again before they can move trucks into the area.

Permits have already been issued by County Agent S. B. Scott for the removal of approximately 150 truckloads of the wood, offered free for the hauling by Camp Atterbury.

Mr. Scott said the present warm weather and rain had made the earth soggy around the woodpile in the camp area and that trucks would be unable to drive in the vicinity before another freeze.

Applications may still be made for fuel wood, as there is plenty left to give away, but the limit per applicant is two truckloads.

1943\_02\_20\_Rain delays free wood hauling

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# LAST FAIRLAND-MARTINSVILLE RUN ON N.Y.C. NEXT SATURDAY

The last run over the historic Fairland, Franklin & Martinsville branch of the New York Central Railroad will be made on February 27, according to the latest word received here.

The railroad had sought for several months permission to abandon the line from Trafalgar to Martinsville and the matter had been under advisement by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Passenger service over the line was abandoned a few years ago but freight had been continued, although the railroad, in presenting its case to the I. C. C., reported a steady loss of money on the line.

While the February 27 run will be the last scheduled over the line, there will be work trains in Martinsville after that time as considerable work must be done before the final abandonment. The railway company has asked permission to remove the tracks from Martinsville to Trafalgar.

Switching facilities as far south as the Davis Cooperage Company in Martinsville will remain and will

be used by the Pennsylvania Railroad, which will be Martinsville's only rail outlet when the New York Central completes its withdrawal.

Leo Vessenmeier, agent in that city, said today he would remain there for a while but expects to take another post with the New York Central lines when the abandonment work is complete.

What final disposition will be made of the roundhouse, turntable, and station owned by the New York Central is Martinsville has not been announced.

After the last run, service will be maintained, however between Trafalgar and Fairland.

1943\_02\_20\_Last NYC run on Fairland-Franklin-Martinsville

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# INSPECT ALL FOOD PLACES

**Army Officer, Sanitarian Busy  
 This Week Checking Cafes  
 For New Approval Cards**

Camp Atterbury and district health office attaches have been busy this week inspecting eating places in Johnson and neighboring counties.

While no official report has been given on the result of the inspection in Franklin or other towns in this county, William D. Harrison county sanitarian, and an army officer have been observed making calls at various cafes and taverns where food and drink is served.

New approval placards in red, white and blue colors are being distributed to replace the old approval cards in black and white. But only the places passing the rigid inspection are being given the new cards and if sanitation conditions are not up to snuff the place has to wait for its new card until it complies with regulations, and meanwhile the old card is taken away.

1943\_02\_20\_Inspect all food places

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## RUSH TO BUY CANNED GOODS

Housewives Get Last Opportunity Today For Unrestricted Purchases

Housewives today made their last unrestricted purchases of some 20 varieties of canned fruits and vegetables for the duration of the war. Sales of such products will be halted at midnight tonight and remain frozen until Monday, March 1, when rationing of canned goods begins.

At the same time, the Department of Agriculture issued orders under which civilian supplies of canned vegetables from next summer's pack will be increased by approximately 10,000,000 cases. Most of the increase will be in canned tomatoes and snap beans. There were no significant changes in fruits and juices.

The Agriculture department also guaranteed salmon canners to release for civilian consumption the remaining 20 per cent, or approximately 20,000,000 pounds, of their 1942 pack. It will remain "frozen" pending consumer rationing of meats.

The order completes the allocation of the 1942 pack of canned salmon, the government previously having released 20 per cent to civilians and purchased 10 per cent for military and lend-lease.

Within 48 hours, the OPA will make public the "point" values which will determine how many cans of grapes, or beans or corn, or soups, each individual will be permitted to buy.

During March, every man, woman and child in the country will be entitled to spend 48 "points" for canned goods.

The "point" coupons will be contained in War Ration Book No. 2, which will be distributed through local ration boards, school houses and other registration sites beginning next Monday. Registration places will be announced locally.

Blue stamps in the book will be used for canned goods rationing with the red stamps to become valid when meat rationing starts about April 1. There will be stamps of eight, five, three and one point denominations.

OPA officials warned that book two will be issued only to persons holding copies of book one, which is used to ration coffee, sugar and shoes. However, the previous ban on the issuance of book one will be lifted to permit acquisition of this book by those who do not now have it.

Registrants also will have to present a "consumer declaration," showing the number of rationed cans of food of eight ounces or more in excess of five per person and the number of pounds of coffee on hand last Nov. 28, less one pound for each person 14 years old or over.

An eight point blue stamp will be deducted from ration book two for each can over the limit, while one coffee stamp will be torn from ration book one for each pound in excess of the allowable one pound per person figure.

Officials explained that copies of the "consumer declaration" printed in local newspapers can be clipped and filed out and used at the time of registration. One person may register for all members of the family.

Officials also pointed out that canned soups, broths and chowders made from meat, poultry or fish are not covered by the ban on sale of canned meat and canned fish which became effective two days ago. Instead, canned products of that type are to be rationed under the forthcoming canned foods program.

When the ration program starts, public eating places will receive bi-monthly allotments of rationed foods. Officials said a person eating away from home would not be required to surrender individual coupons, but in case where he is eating in a certain hotel, restaurant or rooming house for seven days or more, he must turn over his ration book to the operator who will forward it to the local ration board.

# 1943\_02\_20\_Housewives rush to buy canned food before deadline

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# PURPLE HEART MEDAL GIVEN TO SOLDIER HURT IN WORLD WAR I

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 16—During a review Friday afternoon of the troops of the 8th Detachment, Special Troops, 2nd Army, Colonel Richard C. Stickney, their commanding officer, pinned the Purple Heart Medal on Master Sgt. Milton Douglas Lawrence of Co. A, 31st Signal Construction Bn., who was wounded Oct. 23, 1918 in the battle of the Meuse-Argonne. Col. Stickney also is a member of the Purple Heart.

Sgt. Lawrence, whose home is in Lynchburg, Va., went into service in the last war with the Virginia National Guard in the Famous Co. H, 116th Infantry of "Blue and Gray" 29th Division, and was overseas from May, 1918 to May, 1919. He took part in 14 different engagements, all of which were in the Argonne with the exception of the Metz and Alsace-Lorraine battles.

After he was wounded he was sent to the base hospital at Bordeaux, France, and when he recovered he rejoined his old outfit before it was sent back to the United States for demobilization.

Sgt. Lawrence did telephone work in civilian life, and he answered the

call for men with his technical ability July 31, 1942, and was given a master sergeant rating. He came here with one of the first groups of men for the 31st Signal Construction Bn.

The troops of the 8th Detachment were led by Lt. Col. Fred G. Goyer, executive officer, as they were reviewed by Col. Stickney. The order conferring the medal on Sgt. Lawrence was read by Capt. Ralph R. Bremers, Special Services Officer. Lt. Col. Paul Pinckhardt officer of the 31st Signal Construction Bn., was instrumental in getting the medal for Sgt. Lawrence.

Sgt. Lawrence is married and has three sons and a daughter. One of his sons is serving in the Navy.

1943\_02\_16\_PH given to WWI soldier

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## COUNTY GETS ASPHALT—IF IT HAS MONEY

116,000 Gallons Released By Government For 28 Miles Of Road Resurfacing; Sufficient Cash?

The county today had received approval on the request of its highway department for priority on 116,000 gallons of liquid asphalt for spring resurfacing, and now the only major problem the road office faces is getting the money to buy it.

Lewell B. Griffin, county road supervisor, said today that approval of the public roads administration of the Federal Works Agency was received Monday and that the county would be allowed to buy the resurfacing material.

But the county has as yet no assurance it will have sufficient funds to purchase that quantity of asphalt, although the roads this spring will need that much or more.

### \$25,000 Last Month.

No one has the least idea how much revenue the county roads department will receive this year from the state distribution of gasoline taxes and other taxes, or whether that same method of distribution will be made during 1943 as has been made in the past.

Around January 1, Johnson county's distribution check arrived, furnishing \$24,900 to the road department. Ordinarily, the county gets about \$100,000 a year from state gasoline taxes, and this money is used for maintenance and repair.

At present, one of the big problems faced by the Indiana Legislature is upkeep of highways, since gasoline revenue is dwindling steadily, and some plan of upkeep is being considered. Johnson county's 1943 share may be considerably less than its 1942 share. If so, the money will have to be allocated to go as far as possible in maintenance of roads in a military area—not inside of Camp Atterbury, but in the arterial road system surrounding it and leading into it.

### Will Do 28 Miles.

If the money is available this year for purchasing the 116,000 gallons of liquid asphalt on which approval has just been given, the road department intends to resurface approximately 28 miles of existing blacktop roads, roads which have been seriously damaged by heavy traffic and a severe winter. Now generally in pretty bad shape, the road department must wait until weather conditions are more favorable before the repair program can begin.

When it does begin, the repair program will consist of patching holes with some 8,000 gallons of patching material released early in January from priorities and now awaiting application.

The next state gas tax check will come to the county on April 1, unless the rates of distribution are changed. Ordinarily, checks come four times a year, the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

1943\_02\_16\_Johnson County gets asphalt if it can pay for it

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## COLORFUL WORDS USED TO DESCRIBE FENCING

A Federal court jury in Indianapolis, made up principally of farmers grinned when George I. White, Franklin attorney, described a fence yesterday.

He said it was "jackass high, bull-strong and pig-tight." In other words, it was an awfully good fence.

Mr. White was describing a tract of land condemned by the government for use in construction of Camp Atterbury. The government is conducting land-condemnation suits this week.

1943\_02\_12\_Colorful words describe fence

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## ATTERBURY PRIVATE DOTES ON EQUIPMENT

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 12. — Pvt. Julius Bronson now with the 31st Signal Construction Battalion, was prepared for the worst when he came here from New York three months ago to begin his Army training. He brought along enough extra equipment to prepare him for any emergency — except possibly an extra dose of “double time.”

For an overnight bivouac, besides the standard equipment, Julius has an alarm clock (in case the bugler oversnores), candle, flashlight, quill toothpicks, collapsible drinking cup

and oil cloth to cover the group of his pup tent.

While marching in chilly weather, he wore a sheepskin vest, ear muffs, an ingenious wire holder of his own invention to keep his rifle and pack slung well up on the shoulder, polarized sun glasses and special cleats for icy roads.

Other “extras” used by Bronson are a pair of rubber gloves to use while on KP, a shower brush, pumice stone, scouring powder, tweezers, lime water salt, liniment and mustard plasters.

And he expects to add mosquito netting when the weather gets hot and the pesky “buzzers” come a-visiting.

1943\_02\_12\_Atterbury Private dotes on equipment

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## FORMER CZECH SOLDIER NOW IN TRAINING AT CAMP ATTERBURY

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 11—The fellows in the barracks didn't know much about John Seleyo except that he was a quiet fellow, always "on the ball," and a real soldier.

At the first formation the 8th General Hospital, in training here, ever stood, you could see that Seleyo had a peculiar salute. His facing movements—smart as they were—were different from the old G.I. But he looked trained.

The reason soon came out. Twenty-two months in the army of the Republic of Czechoslovakia taught John Seleyo a few military habits he had to change, plus many it was well worth while keeping.

One day he showed the men his passport photo. It was Seleyo all right, but in it he wore the beard and the vestments of a Greek Orthodox priest.

In 1937, Seleyo came to this country. He remembered that the Greek Republic took form in Pittsburgh, U. S. A., under the guidance of the elder Masaryk.

### Go Jump, Officer Says.

Earlier in the same year, he was on maneuvers with the Czech army. During this period he was given a message to deliver to a German officer. He explains that in democratic Czechoslovakia one could find Germans, Hungarians, Czechs, Slavs — all peoples — among the officer personnel. When he delivered the message, the German officer told him, without any provocation, to go jump in the lake. This isn't actually what he said, but we can't print the actual words.

Private Seleyo — he was a corporal in the Czech ranks—said that this incident was only one of a number demonstrating the extreme ar-

rogance of German Hitler sympathizers in the Czech army. He noticed, for instance, that wherever the Czech army built fortifications the German officers were there photographing them. Men under German officers found that all the stripes went to Germans who were known to express sympathy for Hitler. The Czechs resented this treatment.

When Seleyo reached this country, he went to work in a woolen mill in Hanover, Conn.

### Going Back to Monastery.

Back again in a great democratic army, this is the way Seleyo feels, in his own words:

"Our country was free like America. All of us, Czechs and Slovaks, had a republic before the Nazis took the freedom away. Now we will break the neck of Nazism and Fascism and take freedom again for everybody. We must never give them a chance to take freedom away again. We are all united, there and here. We want to fight for freedom."

After the war? Well, after the war, he is going back to a monastery. Then he will await the call of an Archbishop of his faith to fulfill his duties.

## 1943\_02\_11\_Former Czech soldier trains at Camp Atterbury

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# ASSIGNMENTS AT ATTERBURY

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 11 (Special)—Lt. Col. Clifford A. Best arrived here recently and took command of the 35th Evacuation hospital. He succeeds Maj. James B. Seaman.

Colonel Best, a regular Army man, came here from the 82nd Air Borne at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Second Lieutenant Jacques Mohr has been assigned assistant post engineer and assistant post fire marshal, according to an announcement by Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander.

Lieutenant Mohr came here from Columbus, Ohio. He received his commission at the Engineer school at Fort Belvoir, Va.; and previous to that was stationed at Pine Camp, N. Y. In civilian life, he was an instructor of statistical analysis at Dartmouth college in Hanover, N. H. He is a native of Savannah, Ga.

## 1943\_02\_11\_Assignments at Camp Atterbury

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## 8 ATTERBURY MEN IN CRASH

**Car Rams Stalled Auto South  
Of City; Soldiers Escape  
Injury; Report At Camp**

Eight soldiers from Camp Atterbury were involved in an accident south of here on U. S. Highway 31, about 6 o'clock Thursday morning, the accident occurring a quarter-mile south of the Franklin city limits.

Lieut. John Charnecki, of Co. A, 101st Infantry, who was riding to camp with two other soldiers, told State Policeman Don Phipps that the 1938 Hudson sedan he was driving developed motor trouble and stalled on the highway.

Approaching from behind in a 1940 Oldsmobile sedan, Lieut. Leo Remmetter failed to see the stalled car and crashed into the rear. Lieut. Remmetter, of Co. L, 331st Infantry, was driving to camp with four other soldiers.

The soldiers, none of whom was injured, cleared the highway of wreckage and continued on into camp to answer reveille. They later returned to Franklin to report the accident and have the cars towed to this city by a wrecker.

Damage was extensive to the left rear of the Charnecki auto and also to the front of Lieut. Remmetter's Oldsmobile.

### Trucks In Accident.

Two trucks were in a minor accident on South Main street at the side of City Hall about 6 o'clock Wednesday night. Chief of Police Lawson Sullivan, who was looking from a window at police headquarters at the time, witnessed the collision.

Trucks involved were a 1942 Ford army truck in which were riding Russell Colgrove, 27, and Carl F. Ashbaugh, both of the 1560th Service Unit at Camp Atterbury, and a 1937 Chevrolet driven by Byron Parkhurst, 55, of 640 South Home avenue.

Chief Sullivan said Mr. Parkhurst pulled away from the curb, apparently to make a "U"-turn, then decided against it and started to back into his parking place just as the soldiers were driving in. The front of the army truck was slightly damaged.

Two fog lights on a car owned by Dr. Eugene Milleson, of Shelbyville, chiropractor with offices in Franklin, were stolen from the vehicle following a serious automobile accident, a wrecking serviceman has reported to Shelbyville police. Dr. Milleson was seriously injured and was confined to Major Hospital there for several days.

1943\_02\_11\_8 soldiers in car crash. One 101st man

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## 1943\_02\_09\_Nita Bradley to sing with Charlie Barnet's band at camp

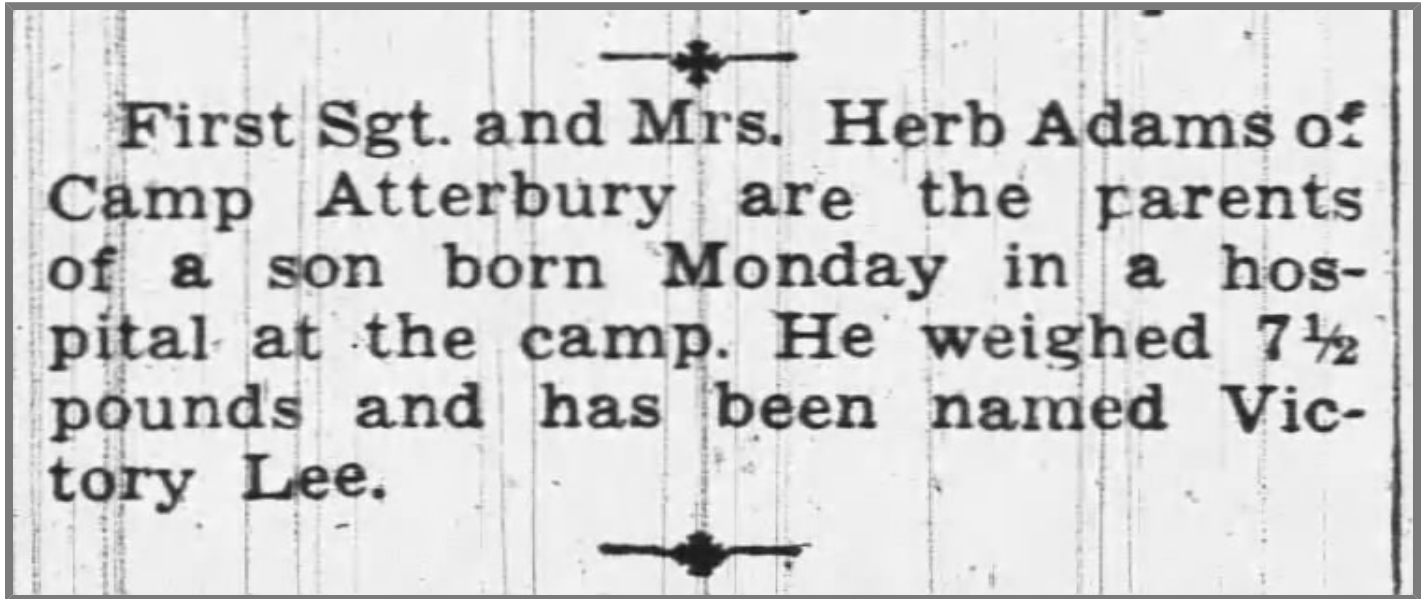
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1943\_02\_09\_Boy born at camp hospital - 1st Sgt Adams

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## 2 SOLDIERS EACH BUY \$1,000 IN WAR BONDS

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 8 — War Bond sales in camp took a sudden jump last week when 2nd. Lt. Alden B. Mellick and Tech 5th Gr. Louis J. Beskin each bought \$1,000 worth of War Bonds at the Post Finance Office.

Lt. Mellick is assistant Special Service officer and came here last month from Ft. Sill, Okla. Formerly he was a clerk with a public utility company at Enid, Okla. He now resides with his family at Shelbyville, Indiana.

Tech. 5th Gr. Beskin, now with the 3479th Ordnance Maintenance Co., served in World War I as sergeant major with the Motor Transport Corps. His home was in Chicago, Illinois.

War Bonds were sold for the first time in the Finance Office during January; and according to Major Benjamin H. Tellejohn, post finance officer, sales have increased gradually every week.

\* Camp post office January sales of War Bonds and Stamps were up 30 per cent over sales in December, according to Wilburn Elliott, superintendent. The January Bond total was \$11,118.75, and Stamp total, \$800.75.

1943\_02\_08\_Two soldiers each buy \$1000 war bonds

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# SOLDIER'S BODY FOUND BY RAILS

Atterbury Artilleryman Be-  
lieved to Have Fallen from  
Train En Route Home.

The body of a Camp Atterbury soldier, who was en route home on a 2-day furlough, was found Sunday morning on the New York Central railroad tracks near Winchester. He was identified as Henry E. Kwiecien, 21, attached to the 324th Field Artillery of the 83rd Division at Atterbury.

Dr. Lowell Painter, Randolph county coroner, said Kwiecien apparently fell from a train Saturday night on the way to Cleveland to spend a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Josephine Kwiecien, whose name was found in the soldier's pocket with the return stub of a round-trip ticket to Cleveland, purchased Saturday night in Indianapolis.

The body was discovered early Sunday morning by crew members of a New York Central train.

1943\_02\_08\_Soldier's body found by rails

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## COLUMBUS FULL OF SHOES AND NOT A PAIR ON SALE

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ors. On the prohibited list will be formal evening slippers, men's patent leather shoes, hard-soled slippers, men's sandals and many sport shoes. That order will make possible the production of an estimated 15,000,000 additional pairs of essential shoes.

2. WPB will prohibit manufacturers from increasing production of higher-priced shoes at the expense of low and medium-priced lines. That will protect persons with low incomes.

3. WPB and OPA will ask manufacturers in the near future to develop "war model" or utility types of shoes at reasonable prices.

4. Manufacturers will be encouraged to develop "ersatz" shoes, types using little or no leather and which may be offered ration-free.

### Rationing Program 'Simple.'

Brown explained the shoe rationing program as "simple, with only four main points for the public to remember:

"1. Stamp 17 in War ration book No. 1 is good for one pair of shoes between Feb. 9 and June 15, in any store that sells shoes. If you buy by mail, enclose the stamp with your order.

"2. Stamp 17 is transferrable among members of a family living in a same household and related by blood, marriage or adoption. For example, fathers and mothers can use their stamps to provide extra shoes for their children if necessary. (Women and children, according to shoe dealers, generally use more shoes than men, whose models are sturdier.)

"3. Persons who do not possess War ration book No. 1 may apply for this book at a local war price and rationing board.

"4. If a person needs to buy shoes and has no stamp No. 17 in his immediate family which he can use, he may apply to his local war price and rationing board for a shoe purchase certificate."

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## Columbus Full of Shoes And Not a Pair on Sale

### Surprise Freeze of Footwear to Be Lifted Tuesday.

With thousands of pairs of shoes in stock, you couldn't buy a pair in Columbus today at any price.

Under the government's surprise move Sunday of "freezing" all retail stocks of shoes preparatory to rationing, sales were prohibited today.

Shoe rationing will begin tomorrow with coupon No. 17 in War ration book 1 (the sugar book) good for one pair.

The ration is three pairs a year for every man, woman and child but members of a family may pool their coupons so that some may buy more if others buy less. If Mr. Jones needs only one pair it will be possible for Mrs. Jones to use the two other coupons from her husband's book along with her own and get five pairs.

**Baby Shoes Exempt.**

The new OPA regulation covers all shoes containing any leather and all rubber-soled shoes. It does not cover slippers, soft-soled baby shoes or storm wear such as rubbers and arctics. Shoe repair work and second-hand shoes are not rationed.

Clamping down on shoe sales was one of the best kept rationing secrets of the war. Heretofore there has been advance notice of rationing, resulting in "runs" on retail outlets and extensive hoarding.

Sunday's announcement was an almost complete surprise even to reporters who were summoned to the White House to receive it from Stabilization Director James F. Byrnes.

It will be the first rationing of wearing apparel to affect all civilians. The only other item of wearing apparel on the ration list is heavy-duty rubber footwear.

**Item Item on List.**

But shoes will be the 10th item on the ration list, those preceding it being sugar, coffee, gasoline, automobiles, tires and tubes, typewriters, fuel oil, bicycles and heavy-duty rubber footwear. All canned goods will be added to the list on March 1 and meat about April 1.

Byrnes said shoe rationing was necessary because of a critical shortage of heavy sole leather, more than one-third of which is being used for military and lend-lease purposes. Rationing, he said, will "make certain that the American people continue to have all the shoes they need for the duration of the war."

Present plans to allow individuals three pairs of shoes each per year appeared to be well on the liberal side. That is more shoes than the average American purchased in any year up to 1936, including the lush years before 1929. However, hardships may face families with two or more growing children who wear more than three pairs of shoes a year.

**1942 Biggest Year.**

Byrnes announced that in 1942 Americans bought more shoes than ever before—450,000,000 pairs. That reflected the fact that civilians had more money to spend than ever before and also probably reflected considerable hoarding by persons who suspected that shoe rationing was on the horizon. At a recent shoe sale in Washington, women waited for hours in a line that extended half the length of the block.

Byrnes said that rationing was ordered by the War Production board. Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown put the order into effect immediately.

OPA officials said that shoe rationing does not indicate that clothing rationing will follow; that no plans are being made to ration clothes either now or at any time in the near future.

**To Eliminate 'Fancy' Shoes.**

Four other actions will be taken soon to support shoe rationing and assure civilians of adequate footwear.

1. WPA will issue an order eliminating wasteful shoe practices—unnecessary styles and col-

### Boys Can Buy 'Em

Washington, Feb. 8. (AP)—Members of the armed forces will be able to buy shoes without ration books but they will need certificates. The Office of Price Administration made this clear today.

Some soldiers buy shoes, particularly for off-duty wear, instead of using government issue footwear. They may obtain a certificate to buy shoes from any authorized officer of the armed services.

## DRIVER SLATED AFTER CRACK-UP

### Young Motorist Alleged to Have Run Stop Sign, Causing Accident.

Larret J. Crockett, 16, of 1936 California street, was cited on a charge of reckless driving by city police, following an automobile accident which occurred at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, at Tenth and California streets.

According to the police report, the youth failed to obey a stop sign.

The car he was driving figured in a collision with one driven by James Furnish, 18, of Louisville. Considerable damage resulted to both cars.

The case of Edward Hammack, 26, of 1310 Sycamore street, charged with reckless driving, has been set for trial in city court on Feb. 24.

Hammack was arrested after his car struck a city bus at 7-th Street and Pearl streets last week.

Mrs. Oren Young, 1822 1/2 Gilmore street, a passenger in the bus at the time of the accident, suffered leg injuries and is in county hospital.

## FIFTH SON TO ENTER ARMY

A fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. Bine Rodman of Elizabethtown will enter the U. S. Army Tuesday. However, one of the sons has been given a medical discharge.

Edward Rodman, who will be 20 in March, is to report at Fort Harrison for induction as an aviation machinist. He has been employed at Noblit-Sparks Industries Corp. Theodore Rodman is stationed in Philadelphia. Pvt. Vernie Rodman in Alaska, and Pvt. Leroy Rodman at Camp Blanning, Fla. Alvines Rodman was honorably discharged but expects to be called back into the service.

## PROMISE MORE MILD WEATHER

The mercury was on the rebound this afternoon and the Indiana weather bureau predicted continued warm weather for tonight and Tuesday forenoon.

The mercury stood at 49 degrees at 1 o'clock this afternoon—one degree higher than Sunday's high.

The low temperature Sunday night was 26 degrees. The high Saturday was 56, with a low Saturday night of 25 degrees.

## DEATH TAKES JOHN A. HOOK

John T. Hook, 62, founder and president of the Hook Drug company, which operates a store in Columbus, died Sunday at an Indianapolis hospital.

The Hook company, founded in 1912, now operates 52 drug stores in Indiana.

Mr. Hook's wife, two sons and a daughter survive. Funeral services will be conducted at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning in Indianapolis.

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Cpl .and Mrs. Lloyd Donald Gra-  
ham announce the birth of a daugh-  
ter, Sandra Faye, at the Camp At-  
terbury hospital on Sunday morn-  
ing. Cpl. Graham arrived home last  
Thursday on a few days' furlough  
from Camp Claiborne, La.

1943\_02\_08\_Sandra Faye Graham born at Atterbury hospital

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## PICK WINNING SLOGAN IDEAS

### Camp Paper's Contest Results Announced—Cpl. Vorhis Wins First Place

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 8 — The camp newspaper, The Atterbury Crier, conducted a contest last month for slogans written by the soldiers themselves to emphasize the importance of safeguarding military information. The opportunity was given men who submitted the first, second and third-place winning slogans to meet beautiful Maria Montez and other gorgeous members of "Hollywood on Parade," the USO-Camp Show which appeared here Wednesday night. They had the "Thrill of a lifetime" when they were photographed "holding hands" with the enchanting Maria of "Arabian Nights".

The prize-winning entry was submitted by Tech. 5th Gr. Harry C. Vorhis, 1560th Service Unit, Medical Detachment, whose slogan was "Keep mum, Chum, and keep the bums dumb."

Second was Pfc. Glover T. Deal, Co. B, 30th Signal Construction Battalion, who submitted: "If we soldiers keep tight our lips, we may save American battleships." He missed the Hollywood interlude because of illness.

Pvts. Jack M. Straus, Anti-Tank Co., and Sidney Stein, Co. H, both of the 331st Infantry, made the joint entry that won third place with "Talk you must ration for the duration."

There were so many fine entries that the judges decided to give recognition to the entries of three more as "honorable mentions." They were Pvt. Charles H. Jones, Service Battery, 597 Field Artillery, 92nd Division; Pvt. Cyrus Dimler, 73rd General Hospital, and Pvt. Joseph Kiser, Service Battery, 324th Field Artillery, 83rd Division.

Judges were: Capt. Ralph R. Bremers, Special Service officer, 8th Detachment, Special Troops, 2nd Army; 1st Lt. C. J. Allen, 83rd Division Press and Radio officer; 2nd Lt. George W. Bescoe, Assistant Post Internal Security and Intelligence officer, and 2nd Lt. Wesley Jones, Post Public Relations officer.

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## SILVER OAK LEAF OF COLONEL JOHNSON IS DUE TO INITIATIVE

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 8.—Because a young man wearing sergeant's stripes in the 43rd Division at Camp Sherman, O., during the last war had initiative and ability, and because ex-President "Teddy" Roosevelt liked men who could get things done, Harley E. Johnson today is wearing the silver oak leaf of a lieutenant colonel and is assistant director of supply at Camp Atterbury.

As Pvt. Johnson, he entered the service in 1917. Assigned to the 308th Trench Mortar Battery in the 158th Field Artillery Brigade of the 63rd Division, he quickly attained the rank of sergeant.

At that time the "Stokes" type of trench mortar was proving a big factor for the Allies in Europe. None were available in this country because they were manufactured in England and sent immediately to the troops in combat. Capt. Yosall of the British Army, who was serving as instructor, said that Sgt. Johnson's outfit needed some so the men could become accustomed to them.

Sgt. Johnson's record showed he had been a signal inspector with a railroad and, therefore, might be mechanically-minded. Asked by his company commander if he could make some models of the Stokes trench mortar, Sgt. Johnson asserted he could if he had the plans. A wire to the War Department in Washington, D. C., brought the plans to camp next day. They were flown there by airplane—which in itself was unusual in World War I, and gives an idea of how important the project was.

Due to his contacts with the railroad, Sgt. Johnson obtained permission to use the Columbus, O., railroad machine shop at night, after the civilian workers had gone home. Then he and five of his buddies went to work.

### Made Working Models.

Scrap materials were used in the manufacture of the models, and the six workers went their orders one better—they made working models, that would actually fire dummy shells. In eight days, six models were completed. Soon the men were training with their new trench mortars—junk yard tubing shooting wooden plugs for shells.

Then the big day arrived. Col. "Teddy" Roosevelt visited the camp on a tour of inspection. Sgt. Johnson was informed that he was to bring his trench mortars to Division Headquarters to demonstrate them for a distinguished visitor.

The demonstration that followed is still vivid in his mind. Watched by Col. Roosevelt, Maj. Gen. Edwin Glenn, commanding general of the Division; Col. Ashburn, brigade commander, the sergeant showed them the fine points of the trench mortars.

### Teddy Pats His Back.

The onlookers declared their approval, but the outstanding reward was the pat on the back given him by the ex-President, followed by "Teddy's" statement that enlisted men who showed such ability should be recommended for officer's training.

Less than two months later, Sgt. Johnson received his orders to report to Officers' Training School in another section of Camp Sherman. Three months later he received his commission at Columbia, S. C. Then followed a period of training in the Field Artillery School and finally an assignment with the Air Corps. Lt. Johnson served as a faculty instructor at Post Field, Okla., until

February, 1919, when he was placed on the reserve list.

Returning to civilian life in Columbus, O., he again was employed by the railroad and, later, an oil company. But he still maintained his contacts with military life, serving in the National Guard in Ohio. Recalled to service in 1940, Lt. Col. Johnson was assigned to the 37th Division at Camp Shelby, Miss. He came to Camp Atterbury in August, 1942. He is married and has one daughter.

## "DON'T BE FRACTIONAL SCOUTS"—DR. SPENCER

Speaking on the subject, "Practical or Integers," Dr. W. G. Spencer, president of Franklin College, gave the address Sunday afternoon at a Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor held in the Indiana World War Memorial in Indianapolis.

Enumerating the various points in the Scout code, Dr. Spencer urged the boys to strive for 100 per cent in all of their efforts and to avoid being fractional Scouts.

He characterized as "fractional patriots" automobile drivers who exceed the 35-mile speed limit. Those who travel 40 miles an hour are two-sevenths less than patriots, and those who go 45 miles an hour are two-sevenths less than patriots, he said.

The same thing is true, he continued, with the Boy Scouts who thinks it necessary to be trustworthy or helpful or courteous only part of the time.

Live in such a way that you will be known as boys and men of integrity, the highest compliments that can be paid to anyone, he said.

Mrs. David Holman and her little daughter, Sandra Lee, were brought to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Borgstead, Monday from the Station Hospital at Camp Atterbury. The baby's father, Pic. Holman, is on desert maneuvers in California.

## Announcements

The Hopewell church is sponsoring a community supper at the Franklin township school Wednesday at 7 p.m. A group of Camp Atterbury soldiers will be special guests. Please bring well-filled baskets.

The Shiloh Community Aid will have an all-day meeting and pitch-in dinner Thursday at the home of Mrs. O. L. Deer. Mrs. George Handy is the devotional leader. The committee asks that all Red Cross sewing be turned in. Please note change in meeting place.

Mrs. Roscoe Perkins will entertain members of the Mapah Bible class of the Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

# 1943\_02\_08\_Harley Johnson becomes Lt Col at camp

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# BILL TO REGISTER ALL 18 TO 50 PLACED BEFORE CONGRESS TODAY

War Service Act Would  
Give F. D. R. Supreme  
Control Over Labor.

MORE WORKERS NEEDED

Measure Would Provide  
Means to Mobilize All  
Manpower.

Washington, Feb. 8 (AP)—A national war service act, granting President Roosevelt sweeping power to utilize the nation's manpower and womanpower in any job deemed necessary to achieve victory, was introduced in Congress today by two Republicans.

The measure, which would make millions of Americans eligible for a call to duty on assembly lines of tanks and planes and in the fields to sow and reap the country's crop, was submitted by Rep. Wadsworth (R-N. Y.) and Senator Austin (R-Vt.).

The purpose as set forth in the measure's preamble—is "to provide further for the comprehensive, orderly and effective mobilization of the manpower and the womanpower in support of the war effort."

Behind its introduction stood mounting complaints from agriculture areas that farm labor is flocking to better-paid jobs in war industry, from war industries that the demand for skilled labor is resulting in "striking" and inflation-producing bids for able workers.

The national war service act would affect every person now registered under the selective service act, except those serving in the armed forces, including the WAAAs, WAVES and SPARs and would require registration of all women between the ages of 18 and 50.

Exempted, however, would be women with children under 18 and expectant mothers, but even these would be subject to service under the act once the condition which brought them deferment "ceases to exist."

Under its terms, the President would be authorized, whenever he determined "that additional workers are needed in any war industry, in agriculture, or in other occupations, activities or employments, essential to the effective prosecution of the war," to issue a call for volunteers.

Would Protect Seniority.  
If sufficient volunteers to meet the need failed to respond, the chief executive then would be empowered to direct the selective service boards to supply them "from those who are liable under terms of the act."

Unlike the men called to duty in the armed forces, those selected under the national service act would "receive the compensation and working hours applicable to the kind of work which he or she is required to perform in the place of employment to which he or she is assigned."

The act offered statutory protection of seniority rights, and entitled persons called to service under its provisions to return to their present position in private or public employment, provided that the employer's circumstances have not changed to make such restoration "impossible or unreasonable."

## Russians Hurl Shells at German Lines in Rostov

Moscow, Feb. 8 (AP)—The Red army sent shells screaming across the Don river into German positions in Rostov today. Russian dispatches reported, as the fourth battle for this important city opened while masses of Russian troops battered their way toward the main German defenses in southern Russia on a 500-mile front.

Russian forces seized the town of Azov, 15 miles southwest of Rostov, yesterday, freeing the left bank of the Don of the last center of German resistance and making a large-scale assault on Rostov possible, a special communique announced.

Meanwhile to the north, Russian troops continued to clear great areas of Russian soil of the invader and threaten the great German bastions of Orel, Kursk and Kharkov, Russian communiques said. The railroad between Rostov and Kharkov was cut with the capture of Kramatorskaya and the line between Belgorod and Kursk was snapped with the capture of Gontsevo, the Russians announced.

Savitsk Falls.  
Savitsk, another railway center on a smaller line between Kharkov and Slavyansk, was also captured, the army of Col. Gen. Nicolai F. Vatutin surged forward in a move apparently designed to isolate both Rostov and Kharkov.

The Germans were reported rushing thousands of reserves into the breaches in their lines in an effort to stem the Soviet flood, but dispatches indicated that grant Russian offensive was crumpling forward with unprecedented speed for a winter campaign.

(The mid-day communique as recorded by the Soviet radio Monitor in London said the Germans were resisting stubbornly in the region of Kramatorskaya, reported captured by the Russians last night. Eleven German tanks were reported disabled there and in a nearby sector, the communique said, the Russians broke through to the rear of the German defenders, routing enemy infantry forces.)

(West of Kupiansk, where the Russians are surging toward Kharkov, 200 Germans were reported killed. A large populated place in this region was said to have been recaptured and a company of German infantry wiped out.)

Re-took Rostov Before.  
(North of Kursk, too, the Soviet offensive was said to be maintaining its momentum, with a number of new communities recaptured by the Russians, 400 Germans killed and many guns and materiel captured.)

(The German forces seeking to hold Rostov against the Russian troops pressing at the gates attempted to regain lost positions south of the city but were met by withering mortar fire.)

(The mid-day communique, as recorded in London, said "the enemy was hurled back, abandoning many officers and men killed on the battlefield.")

The Russians were turning their guns on Rostov for the second time since the Germans first captured the city on Nov. 22, 1941, at the peak of their invasion thrust.

The Germans held the city only a week on that occasion. The Rus-

of Azov and trap thousands of Nazi troops behind Rostov.

The German forces still remaining in the Caucasus were in great peril. The Red army already has pocketed one group between Azov and Yeisk and the only salvation for the large forces in the Kraenodar and Novorossiysk areas is evacuation by sea across the Kerch straits.

The Russian Black sea fleet has been reported on the alert for this contingency.

## SOLDIER'S BODY FOUND BY RAILS

Artilleryman Believed to Have Fallen from  
Train En Route Home.

The body of a Camp Atterbury soldier, who was en route home on a 2-day furlough, was found Sunday morning on the New York Central railroad tracks near Winchester. He was identified as Henry E. Kwiecien, 31, attached to the 24th Field Artillery of the 83rd Division at Atterbury.

Dr. Lowell Painter, Randolph county coroner, said Kwiecien apparently fell from a train Saturday night on the way to Cleveland to spend a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Josephine Kwiecien, whose name was found in the soldier's pocket with the return stub of a round-trip ticket to Cleveland, purchased Saturday night in Indianapolis.

The body was discovered early Sunday morning by crew members of a New York Central train.

## J. EARL OAKS PASSES AWAY

Funeral Tuesday Afternoon  
for Former Edinburg  
Resident.

Edinburg, Feb. 8—J. Earl Oaks, 46, former Edinburg resident, died Saturday morning at his home in Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at Edinburg Christian church, in charge of the Rev. Ralph Records, assisted by the Rev. Glenn O. Mills. Burial will be made in Rest Haven cemetery.

Mr. Oaks had been a resident of Indianapolis for the last 22 years and for 20 years was employed by Kothe Wells and Bauer grocery company.

He was born Sept. 20, 1896, the son of Henry and Emma Oaks. He married Thelma Holdreft Sept. 29, 1923.

One son, Earl Jr., of Indianapolis survives with the widow. Other survivors are his mother, who resides in Indianapolis; a brother, George Oaks of Edinburg; and

1943\_02\_08\_Bill to register all women for draft, 18 to 50

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# BARNET BAND AT ATTERBURY

Camp Atterbury will receive a national salute Tuesday when "The Victory Parade of Spotlight Bands" sends Charlie Barnett and his orchestra to Atterbury, according to A. E. Schumaker of the Coca Cola Bottling company, sponsor of the affair.

In addition to the regular show there will be a 25-minute coast-to-coast broadcast over 142 Blue network stations. The broadcast will be from 8:30 to 8:55 Tuesday night and can be heard locally from WISH, WSAI or WLS.

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1943\_02\_06\_Charlie Barnett band at Atterbury

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## LAND TRIALS TO BEGIN MONDAY

First of Atterbury Cases  
Slated to Open in Federal  
Court at Indianapolis.

First trials in the Camp Atterbury condemnation suits are slated for Monday and Thursday in Federal district court at Indianapolis before Judge Robert C. Baltzell.

The first group of cases include those tracts of land first taken over by the government and are those on which the Atterbury buildings are now located.

Only two of the tracts are in Bartholomew county, while the remainder are in Johnson county.

Those in Bartholomew county are the tracts which were owned by Levi Records and Elmer Records.

In the condemnation trials, a price settlement will be reached by the court, the owners and government agents having failed to agree on a price figure for the land.

### Other Trials Later.

Trials on the remainder of the Bartholomew county land whose owners declined to accept the government-offered price will be held later.

Reports on the bulk of this land have been filed by the court-appointed appraisers. A group of appraisers was appointed by Judge Baltzell in each county in which the condemned land was located and they visited each tract and made their appraisal, submitting these figures to the court.

During the trials, it is expected that at least three sets of appraisal figures will be set out, including those of the original land acquisition appraisers; those of the pointed appraisers, owners, and those of the court-ap-

After the court appraisers file their reports, both the government and the landowners have the right to file objections, thus throwing the cases into trial for a decision. In the cases which will open Monday, objections were filed either by the landowners or by the government.

## 1943\_02\_06\_Camp land condemnation trials begins

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# HOW WARRANT OFFICER RATES

## Atterbury Explains Position of Soldier Who Has In-between Rank.

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 4 (Special)—The warrant officer in the Army holds one of the most unique positions in military service. His status is the source of many queries from both civilians and servicemen.

According to Army regulations, the warrant officer is neither an enlisted man nor a commissioned officer—but he is an officer and is given all the recognition of a commissioned officer. He outranks all enlisted men, and is outranked by

commissioned officers. He rates a salute and is addressed as "Mister."

The warrant officer's insignia is a spread eagle with a wreath, and is worn on his blouse lapels, on his shirt collar, and on the front of his visored service cap. Another identifying mark is the round-end bar of brown with horizontal gold stripe which he wears on the shoulders of his blouse, on his shirt collar, and on his garrison cap.

Picked from the ranks of enlisted men by written and oral examinations given by the Army, the warrant officer is well acquainted with the rules and regulations, and the many forms used in transacting Army business.

### HARDY BLOOD DONOR.

LaGuna Beach, Cal. (UP)—Mrs. Paul E. Neuschaefer, 25, pedaled her bicycle a distance of 65 miles in order to make her blood donation to the Red Cross. She made the trip in five hours.

1943\_02\_04\_How Warrant Officers rates

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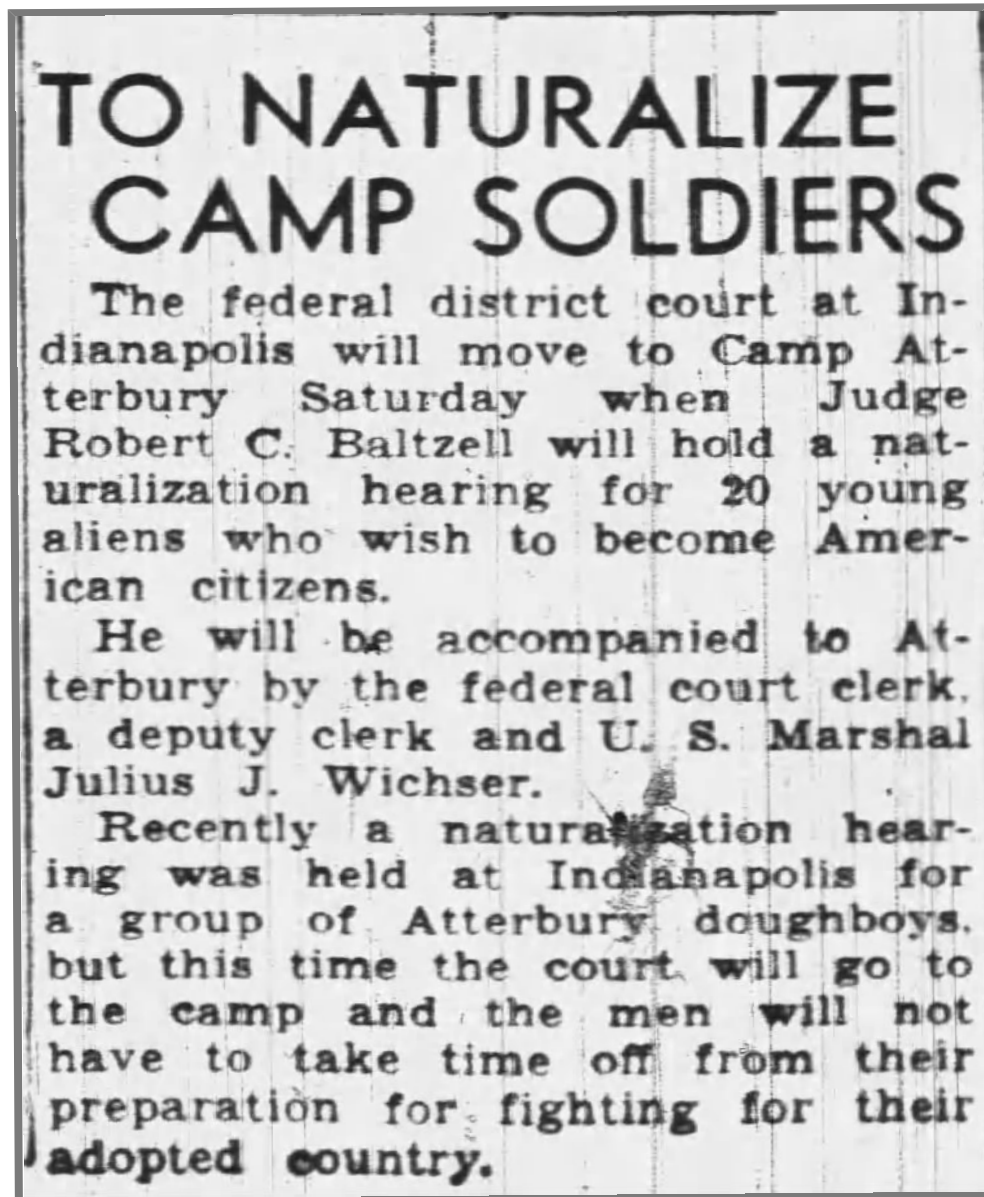
1943\_02\_04\_Camp's post engineer property officer promoted

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1943\_02\_03+To naturalize 20 camp soldiers

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# PIANIST HEADS RADIO SHOW

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 3 (Special)—Pvt. Loren Yaggy, Oberlin conservatory graduate, will headline the "Meet the Yanks" radio program at 9:15 o'clock tonight over WIBC. "Meet the Yanks" is the all soldier show broadcast direct from Service club No. 2 at Camp Atterbury each Wednesday night.

Private Yaggy of the 18th General hospital is a newcomer to the program and is an accomplished pianist. His home is at Fort Wayne. Others who will appear on the broadcast tonight are Privates Norman Atkins and George Dyer of the 31st Signal Construction battalion, the 331st Infantry Glee club and the 83rd Division "Riflemen."

1943\_02\_03\_Pianist heads radio show from camp

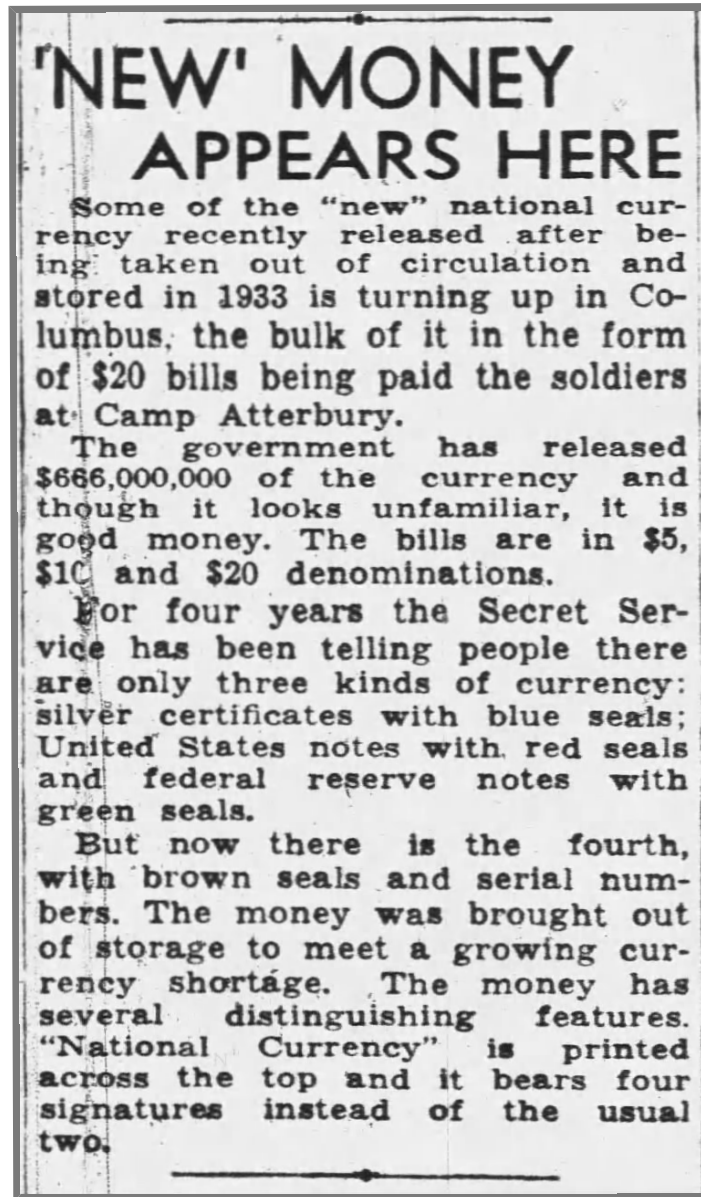
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# MORE PAID IN CAMP ADDITION

Owners of five more tracts in the Brown county addition to Camp Atterbury have been paid by the government.

The payments were as follows:

Charles and Lizzie Cordray, two tracts, 10 acres \$100 and 10 acres \$400.

Mary J. Bisel, 1 acre \$500.

Sadie G. and M. L. Holmes, 58 acres \$750.

Albert Bergman, 98.84 acres \$4,000.

In some cases the payments included buildings, while in others there were no structures on the land.

The four payments bring to 16 the number of tracts in the camp addition for which owners have been paid.

1943\_02\_03\_Five more paid for camp land

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## Doughboy Sailor

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 2. (Special)—He may be a private to the Army, but he's an ensign to the Navy. For Pvt. John M. Psaki of the 83rd QM company has received the Naval commission for which he applied prior to being drafted out of Georgetown university into the Army last fall.

It's all slightly confusing to the son of New York's assistant district attorney and more than a little amusing to the QM non-coms, who are enjoying the rare privilege of giving a naval officer k. p.

Ensign-Pvt. Psaki, hopes to transfer soon to the service in which his rank will be respected.

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# CAMP'S MOTOR POOL GROWS UP

Lieut. Gasman, One of Atterbury's Pioneers, Recalls Early Days.

Camp Atterbury, Feb. 3 (Special) —Living in a farm house with no lights and no running water, placing buckets of water in the sun to warm for the evening bath, helping unload a trainload of 2-wheel trailers—those are the vivid memories of early Atterbury to First Lt. Erling Gasman, officer in charge of the Camp Quartermaster Motor Pool.

Arriving early in June, Lieutenant Gasman set up his motor pool headquarters in a brick farmhouse at the northwest edge of camp. Here he lived a primitive life with other Quartermaster officers. Taking a bath the hard way was a daily occurrence. Morning and noon meals were obtained by fighting the flies in "Ptomaine Tent," and everyone climbed aboard a cargo truck to go to Franklin, Ind., for the evening meal.

Only 10 vehicles were parked at the motor school at first. The repair shop was a converted corncrib, and the only tools available were those that came with the delivered vehicles.

## Bicycles Included.

Today the motor pool has been moved one and a half miles closer to the center of camp, has grown to include every type of vehicle from a jeep to a tractor-trailer—and bicycles, painted in G. I. brown, which will be very much in evidence about camp when warmer weather arrives.

Lieutenant Gasman served 18 months in the World War I, 16 of them overseas. He was a corporal in the 23rd Engineers Truck company, No. 9. Receiving his commission in the Reserves in 1930, he was called to active service in January, 1942, at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyo. He also served at Fort Knox, Ky., before coming here.

In civilian life, Lieutenant Gasman was a fuel dealer in Spokane, Wash. He has a son, William B., in the Naval Reserve.

1943\_02\_03\_Camp's motor pool grows up

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# CONTRACT LET FOR PAVING OF COUNTY ROADS

Blacktopping This Year to  
Be About the Same  
as Last.

ONLY 3 SUBMIT BIDS

Prompt Action Taken by  
Commissioners After Of-  
fers Are Made.

Bids were received today by the Bartholomew county board of commissioners on bituminous road materials for the county highway department for 1943.

The bids were received both on the materials and the application.

Only three firms sought the contract. They were L. F. Cavitt of Lockland, Ohio, John F. Seever of Guilford, Ind., and the firm of Rhoe and Lyons of Aurora.

It was a far different story from the bidding in past years when as many as 12 contractors have sought the Bartholomew county road work.

Members of the board of commissioners indicated that the contract might be let before the end of the day. Last year the board took a week to study the bids before making the award.

The firm of Rhoe and Lyons had the contract for the road work last year.

After a review of the bids, the commissioners voted to award the contract to Rhoe and Lyons.

The commissioners said that the Aurora firm submitted the low offer on each type of material.

It was estimated that the bid of asphalt material figured about 10 percent higher than last year.

**To Blacktop Roads.**

Kenneth Jackson, county highway superintendent, stated that unless some new changes in WPA regulations come through, the county will probably do as much blacktop road work in 1943 as in 1942.

The commissioners said they had received a number of complaints that trucks and vehicles from Camp Atterbury, traveling the county roads on routine motor marches, were causing much damage to the roads. The commissioners explained that it was easy for damage to be caused especially when the roads are soft and thawing.

The board plans to confer with officials at Camp Atterbury to determine whether anything can be done to avoid the damage to the roads.

**Close Air Base Roads.**

At their session today, the commissioners made the closing of the Middle and Township Line roads at the Columbus Air base official.

Viewers on the road closing were Charles Giese, Abner J. Hunter and Albert Fiesbeck. The viewers made a favorable report on the closing and the commissioners approved their findings.

The roads have been closed to the public for several months, and have disappeared. The air base has been set down right in the middle of Middle road.

**Courthouse Parkers Hit.**

Another matter before the commissioners was the problem caused by the use of the courthouse parking space by outsiders.

It was brought out that there are 33 employees in the courthouse with only 22 automobile parking spaces and many of these are taken by motorists other than those working in the county building.

Hoping to solve the parking problem the commissioners made an order prohibiting any person other than county employees using the parking spaces in the courthouse alley from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. daily.

The order is to be turned over to the sheriff for enforcement.

## 1943\_02\_02\_Barth county lets contract for road paving. Officially closes roads in air base

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ARMY TO CALL  
TEN OF EVERY  
14 ABLE-BODIED

McNutt Says Most Men  
Physically Fit, 18-38,  
Will Be Used.

FATHERS NEXT IN LINE

Deferments for Dependents  
Near End—'Essential'  
Jobs Stressed.

Washington, Feb. 1 (AP)—War  
Manpower Commission Chairman  
Paul V. McNutt told the House  
military affairs committee today  
that by the end of this year 10  
out of every 14 of the able-bodied  
men between 18 and 38 will be  
in the armed forces.

McNutt made this statement  
during discussion of the college  
training program being worked  
out for the armed forces.

In reply to questions of com-  
mittee members, he stipulated  
that the men in that age group  
would serve "as fighting men" by  
the end of this year.

Its first "and an essential war  
job or duty" edit was issued in  
Washington today by the War  
Manpower Commission—an edit  
which also wiped out for count-  
less thousands all dependency  
draft deferments, even for those  
men with children.

Designed to impel transfer of  
draft eligibles from non-essential  
to essential work, the order wip-  
ing out dependency deferments  
for men in certain occupations  
sets up a list of activities and  
job occupations which are to be  
"non-deferrible," regardless of de-  
pendents, after April 1.

This order will make many Bar-  
tholomew county fathers eligible  
for the draft within 30 days after  
April 1, unless they find jobs in  
essential war work.

Paul V. McNutt, WMC chair-  
man, also warned in Washington  
that the non-deferrible list would  
be expanded "from time to time"  
to include other occupations and  
activities, whenever war labor de-  
mands become greater.

30 Days to Change Jobs.

Although selective service boards  
were instructed to start on the  
April 1 date reexamining the  
status of "non-deferribles," work-  
ers in that classification will be  
given an additional 30 days to  
file essential petitions providing  
that they have registered with  
the U. S. Employment service for  
a job transfer.

The "non-deferrible" list, which  
Chairman McNutt called "just a  
beginning" in a broad hint that  
dependency deferments are being  
curtailed generally to relieve la-  
bor shortages in war industries,  
covers:

1. All job-occupations in 19 man-  
ufacturing, retail wholesale and  
retail trade, and nine service ac-  
tivities.

2. Twenty-nine job occupations  
"non-deferrible regardless of the  
activity in which they are found,"  
even if it is one of the 38 activi-  
ties which have been designated  
as essential for purposes of occu-  
pational deferment.

No-Standing Industries.

In the first group are:

Manufacturing—Curtains, drap-  
eries, and bedspreads; piecing,  
stitching, tucking, and embroidery-  
ing; trimmings, stamped art goods,  
and art needlework; cut, beveled,  
and etched glass; cutware; glass  
novelties; mosaic glass; stained  
beaded, ornamented, and decorated  
glass; jewelry; toylike work;  
ornamental gold and silver leaf  
and foil (non-industrial); silver-  
ware and plated ware (non-indus-  
trial); costume jewelry and novelties;  
decorative feathers, plumes,  
and artificial flowers, frames,  
mirror and picture gilding cards  
and picture post cards; jewelry  
cases; and signs and advertising  
displays.

Wholesale and retail trade—An-  
tiques, beer, wine, and liquor;  
custom tailors and furriers; candy,  
confectionery, and nuts; florists,  
jewelry, novelties, and tobacco.

Service—Automobile rental serv-  
ice; dance, music, theatrical and  
art studios and schools; gambling,  
interior decorating, night clubs,  
parking lots, photographic studios,  
Turkish baths, massage parlors,  
clothing rental, porter service, and  
social-secret restlodge.

Non-Deferrible Jobs.

The job occupations listed as

(Continued on page 2)

1943\_02\_02\_Army to call 10 of every 14 able bodied

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## 38TH LOCATED IN LOUISIANA

**All Units Changed From Camp  
Carrabelle, New Address  
APO 38, Livingston**

A change of station involving all units of the 38th (Cyclone) division from Camp Carrabelle, Fla., to Camp Livingston, La., has been completed and the division postoffice has announced the new address for its soldiers.

The division, composed of former national guard units from Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia, celebrated the second anniversary of its induction into federal service January 17. The former Battery A, 139th Field Artillery, of Franklin, is a part of the division.

The soldier's name should be written plainly on the envelope and followed by his serial number, his regiment, battalion or separate unit, his company, A.P.D. 38, Camp Livingston, La.

The division was moved to Camp Livingston for further advanced training after completing a specialized course at Camp Carrabelle.

The division's new camp is completely modern with paved roads, many recreational facilities and gas-heated hutments.

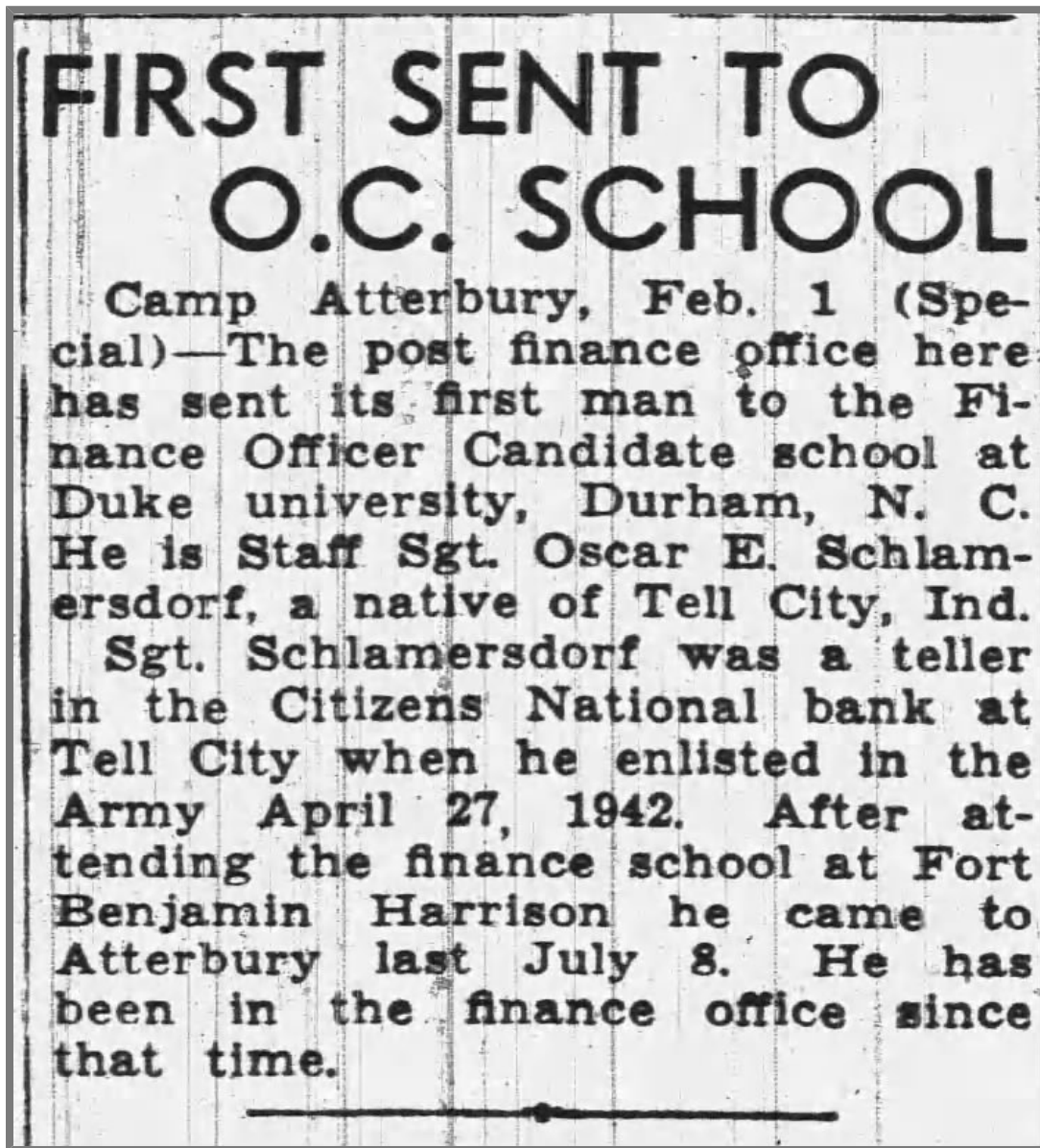
## 1943\_02\_02\_38th Div moves to Louisiana

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Millard Hopper, world champion checkers player, will entertain soldiers at Camp Atterbury and the Franklin U. S. O. centers Tuesday and Wednesday and also will appear before the Franklin Kiwanis club at its noon luncheon Tuesday.

1943\_02\_01\_Expert checker player at Franklin USO

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## "DEADLINE DAY" AFFECTS TAXES, MILK, DRAFT CARDS AND SUGAR

Monday became one of the most important "deadline days" since the government began imposing various restrictions at the outbreak of the war.

Milk, draft cards, taxes, and sugar figured prominently in the "deadlines," not all of which were based on federal regulations and orders.

Effective today, residents of Johnson county as well as the entire nation were forced to buy milk in quarts, the government having banned delivery or sale of pints and half-pints.

At present, this new regulation may not impose any hardships on local folk, but with the arrival of warm weather those who use small quantities of milk and do not have adequate refrigeration may find they'll either have to quit buying milk, throw part of it away, or use more than they have been using.

Coupon No. 11 became valid in War Ration Book No. 1 today, good for three pounds of sugar. Coupon No. 10 lost its negotiation value at midnight Sunday and householders were cashing in the new stamps today and replenishing their dwindling sugar supplies.

### Gross Tax Due Today.

Because January 31 fell on Sunday, Indiana gross income tax payments were not due until today, and hundreds of local residents had waited until the last minute to file their returns and include their

checks, money orders or cash payments on their 1942 incomes. The post office was busy handling mail addressed to the gross income tax division at Indianapolis. There was a rush of payments Saturday and a bigger rush today. With the State tax out of the way, taxpayers' attention centers now on payment of the Federal income tax, due on March 15.

Selective service registrants checked their billfolds this morning before leaving home on business or professional pursuits. Effective today, the draft law requires that registrants carry with them at all times both their registration and classification cards.

Incidentally, a new month for buying War Bonds and Stamps opened today and war savings staff officers issued an appeal for continued heavy buying of both bonds and stamps during February, in order to meet a quota of \$611,874 set up by the U. S. Treasury Department for this month in Johnson county.

1943\_02\_01\_Deadline Day for ration cards - milk, sugar and draft

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## CHIEF ENGINEER OF CAMP LEAVES

William H. Thomas, 'Spark-plug' of Construction, Goes to Miami.

Camp Atterbury bid good-bye today to another man who played a major role in construction of the big, sprawling Hoosier cantonment.

He is William H. Thomas, who arrived in Columbus one year ago today, to serve as chief civilian engineer on the Atterbury project. He and Mrs. Thomas have been residing in the Rio Plaza apartments in Columbus.

Mr. Thomas is being transferred to the Miami division of the U. S. Corps of Engineers at the Miami, Fla., office.

A veteran of the engineering profession, Mr. Thomas, whose home is at Tuskegee, Ala., has been with the U. S. Corps of Engineers as a civilian engineer for nine years. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri.

### Heads Staff of 500.

Coming to Columbus Feb. 1, 1942, along with Maj. W. S. Arrasmith, who was area engineer for the Atterbury project, Mr. Thomas and his staff of civilian engineers had their offices in the Columbus armory.

Later the engineers' offices were moved to the camp construction site.

Mr. Thomas was in charge of all civilian engineers under the U. S. Corps of Engineers and at one time his department included 500 workers, in addition to the regular office employees.

Although seldom in the limelight of the Atterbury project, Mr. Thomas served as a "spark-plug" for the construction job, working day and night in keeping the government's end of the big project rolling, checking on specifications, coordinating work of the contractors and the architect-engineer's office and seeing that other work not included in the contracts was done by the civilian government employees in his own department.

## 1943\_02\_01\_Chief Engineer of camp leaves

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# Charlie Barnet Band At Atterbury Feb. 9

One of the nation's best known dance orchestras, Charlie Barnet and his band, will make a personal appearance on the stage of a theater in Camp Atterbury on Tuesday of next week.

Barnet's orchestra will make a radio network broadcast the night of February 9 from Camp Atterbury.

1943\_02\_01\_Charlie Barnett band at camp next week

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## COUNTY GETS 1-MILE ROAD OF CONCRETE

Federal-Aid Access Highway  
From Atterbury To 252 Is  
Turned Over To Local  
System To Maintain

Johnson county today was formally presented with a new concrete highway, 1.22 miles in length, and was given assurance that other improved roads would be made available in the near future.

The new road, now part of the maintenance program of the county highway department, is a short stretch which formerly was the north end of the Drake schoolhouse road.

It was turned over to the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting in the courthouse this morning by two federal representatives, who reported that pavement twenty-four feet in width has already been laid and that a third 12-foot strip will be built alongside the present two 12-foot strips.

### Connects With Atterbury.

Known as an "access road" improved with federal aid, the short highway connects the north boundary of Camp Atterbury with the new relocated route of Road 252 between Trafalgar and Amity. Previous to the paving, the road was narrow and in poor condition for heavy motor traffic and was considered a necessary traffic outlet with the new concrete stretch.

Lowell B. Griffin, county road supervisor, said maintenance of a concrete roadway is inexpensive — the better the road material, the less expensive the maintenance.

Only three other short stretches of concrete highway are included in approximately 330 miles of roads now in the county system. They are located in Greenwood, Whiteland and Trafalgar and the total length is not as large as the length of the newly acquired road.

Three other "access roads" in the vicinity of Camp Atterbury are likely to be improved with federal aid and turned over to the county for maintenance in the near future, the county has been informed.

### Unlikely Of Concrete.

Though it is unlikely they will be made of concrete, they will be greatly improved and will be a favorable addition to the county system, it was said.

One of the roads is a three-mile stretch of the east Nineveh road, a road running north and south near the western boundary of Atterbury. Another is the road along the north boundary of the camp for a distance of three miles from the west Nineveh road to the Muxferry. The third improvement in the program is a two-mile stretch of the Durham road from Road 21 west to the northeast boundary of Atterbury.

These improvements are only in the "consideration stage" now but are expected to materialize soon since their improvement is considered important to the military.

# 1943\_02\_01\_Camp access highways turned over to county

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Mrs. William Wipf and daughter, Sheila Elizabeth, were returned from Camp Atterbury hospital to their home on North Yandes street, Friday.

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## 1943\_01\_29\_Baby Sheila Elizabeth Wipf goes home from camp HOSPITAL

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# CHILD IS BORN DEAD AT CAMP

Edinburg, Jan. 27 (AP)— Short funeral services were held this afternoon for Sharon Elizabeth Mroz, who was born dead this morning to Master Sgt. and Mrs. John Mroz at the Camp Atterbury hospital. Burial was made in Rest Haven cemetery.

1943\_01\_27\_Baby born dead at camp HOSPITAL - Sharon Elizabeth Mroz

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# CAMP OFFICERS ARE PROMOTED

## Three Raised in Rank in Atterbury Station Com- plement.

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 26 (Special) —Lt. Col. Raymond E. Copeland, director of post operations and training, has been promoted from the rank of major, it was announced by Col. Welton M. Modisette, post commander. Also announced were the promotions of Maj. Clifford S. Miller, director of the post administrative division, from captain, and Capt. Harry D. Weller, chief of the post military personnel branch, from first lieutenant.

Lieutenant Colonel Copeland served with the Depot brigade at Camp Sherman near Chillicothe, Ohio, after being graduated from the first Officers' Training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison in 1917. From Camp Sherman he went overseas with the 813th Pioneer Infantry in 1918, remaining abroad until March, 1919, when he returned and was placed on the reserve list. He was called to service again in April, 1942.

His home is in Eaton, Ohio, where he was county supervisor with the Farm Security Administration under the Department of Agriculture. He is a native of Athens county, Ohio.

Major Miller came to Camp Atterbury recently after six months with the Army War show. Prior to his duty with the show he served as public relations officer at Fort Benjamin Harrison, and also at Atterbury for a short time. He joined the show in Pittsburgh and traveled with it as far west as Omaha, Neb., acting as assistant adjutant of the provisional task force, investigating officer, inspector, surveying officer and custodial officer of the special ration fund. In civilian life he was in the investment and banking and pharmaceutical manufacturing business in Indianapolis.

Captain Weller, commissioned in June, 1933, came here June 15, 1942, from Fort Knox, Ky., where he served as assistant personnel adjutant at post headquarters. First the post personnel adjutant here he later became chief of military personnel branch.

He is married and has had his home in Indianapolis since 1933, and was valuator with the Federal Housing Authority there before entering active service. He is a graduate of Indiana university.

## 1943\_01\_26\_Camp officers promoted

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# 8 MORE PAID FOR CAMP LAND

Checks Delivered to Owners  
of Brown County Section  
Added to Atterbury.

Eight more former owners of land taken in Brown county for the addition to Camp Atterbury have been paid by the government. The payments bring to ten the number now paid.

Latest of these paid by the government through the land acquisition office here are:

George C. Coy, 80 acres, \$2,600, and 70 acres, \$700.

Roy and Florence E. Waltz, 139 acres, \$1,200.

Maude V. Coy, 10 acres, \$100.

James N. and Katherine Hamblen, 80 acres, \$2,500.

Nettie Coy Wirey, 40 acres, \$400.

Karl Clemm, 120 acres, \$6,000.

Fred L. and Ina P. Ellison, 45.5 acres, \$1,500.

Dr. Karl T. Kernel, 40 acres, \$3,000.

Owners of more than 40 tracts included in the addition will be paid by the government following the signing of options.

1943\_01\_26\_\* more paid for Brown Cty land

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# NEW MILK SALE RULES WEIGHED

## Ban on Delivering Small Bottles Not to Be Felt Much Here.

The series of changes in sale of fluid milk, including a ban on delivery of pints and half-pints to homes and retail stores, will not have any great effect on Columbus consumers, according to local milk distributors.

However, the distributors fear that the provision requiring a deposit on bottles will prove more of a bother than a help in conserving milk bottles. They point out that in the case of home deliveries they will have to keep an exact check on each bottle returned, something they have not done in the past.

The series of changes ordered for economies, was announced Saturday by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard and are to become effective Feb. 1.

The order, Wickard explained, will conserve bottles and other materials, manpower, delivery equipment, gasoline and rubber tires.

### Few Pints Delivered Here.

The aim, Wickard stated, is to enable milk distributors to pay dairy farmers more for their milk, where necessary, while at the same time holding consumer price increases to a minimum.

Columbus distributors reported that few pints and half-pints are being delivered to local residents at the present time, owing to the every-other-day delivery plan.

The deposit to be asked on the milk bottles has not been determined for the local area, although according to the federal regulations it must not be less than 1 cent for each glass container of four quarts or less used in the sale of milk or cream for consumption off the premises of the handler. The deposit on milk cans and cases must not be less than 25 cents each.

### Regulations Listed.

The complete list of regulations under the new order is as follows:

1. All package sizes for milk below one quart are eliminated except where the milk is to be resold for consumption on the premises. This requirement will remove pints and one-half pints from retail stores and home delivery wagons.
2. Purchases must be confined to not more than two handlers unless the delivery from each handler is in excess of 300 quarts. This applies to retail stores, hotels, etc.
3. Delivery truck loads are limited to advance and standing orders. This is designed to save time of delivery men.
4. Milk returns from stores, hotels, etc., are eliminated. This requirement will end consignment sales and should, Wickard said, result in fuller use of delivery space and time.
5. Deposits must be collected on all glass bottles, milk cans and cases. This is designed to lengthen the life of the containers and reduce replacement costs.

## 1943\_01\_25\_New Milk delivery rules

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# TO FILE MORE CAMP REPORTS

## Court-appointed Appraisers Complete 2nd Group—1st • Hearings on Feb. 8.

Reports of the court-appointed appraisers on the second group of Camp Atterbury tracts which are in condemnation probably will be filed today or Tuesday in federal district court at Indianapolis.

One hundred, twenty-two tracts are involved in the second group which are to be filed. Three of these tracts are in Brown county, while the rest are in Bartholomew and Johnson counties.

It is believed that either the government or the owners will file exceptions to the appraisers' reports in the majority of cases, making trials necessary. Some of the tracts are in friendly condemnation to clear title.

### First Hearings Feb. 8

The first group of reports filed were on 46 tracts, which were in the first 7,000 acres taken by the government for the cantonment area of Camp Atterbury. Only two of these tracts are in Bartholomew county, the remainder being in Johnson county.

The first hearings on the contested cases have been set for Feb. 8 in federal court.

There are a few tracts which still have not been appraised by the court-appointed appraisers and reports on these cases will be filed later.

After filing of the report, citing the price decided upon by the court-appointed appraisers, the government and the landowners have 10 days in which to file exceptions. If an exception is filed, the case is then set for trial and the price decided upon by the judge or jury.

## 1943\_01\_25\_More Camp land reports

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# HOSPITAL HAS FIELD BATTLE

## 39th Unit at Atterbury Takes Part in Sham Combat.

Soldiers of the 39th Evacuation Hospital at Camp Atterbury went into action recently in medical support to an 83rd Division unit which "attacked" the enemy just before daybreak.

The medicos evacuated wounded and gassed casualties, established a collecting station and otherwise operated an evacuation hospital as closely pursuant to field conditions as equipment permitted.

The training problem included exercises in supply, use of field mess, construction of field sanitary appliances, receiving and evacuation of medical and surgical cases, a genuine gas attack, a complete field telephone setup for intramural communications, and construction of facilities for concealment and camouflage.

On the evening of the first day, the men gathered around several roaring fires and enjoyed a community sing, as well as several specialty acts by members of the unit.

Viewing the last part of the field problem was the 39th's new commander, Lt. Col. Allen N. Bracher, from Camp Edwards, Mass. He has been in active service for eight years, including an assignment at Schofield Barracks, Honolulu, Hawaii.

1943\_01\_25\_39th EVAC Hospital has sham battle

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## SCREEN STARS TO VISIT CAMP

**Maria Montez and Eddie  
Foy, Jr., to Appear in U.  
S. O. Show Feb. 3.**

Maria Montez, famous young screen star, and Eddie Foy, Jr., son of the late Eddie Foy and a leading comedian in his own right, will give the soldiers at Camp Atterbury a big treat when they make a public appearance there on Feb. 3.

The two are making a 2-week volunteer personal appearance tour of Army posts with the U.S.O. Camp Shows production, "Hollywood on Parade."

The tour will start Jan. 25 and six Army posts will be visited, including Atterbury.

Maria Montez was born in Tijuilla, capital of the Dominican republic, where her father was Spanish consul and embassy delegate to that country at the time. She was educated in private schools, and after graduation made many trips to Europe. Because of war conditions abroad, she decided in 1939 to remain in New York where she was engaged by the well-known artist, McClelland Barclay to be his "perfect cosmopolitan type" of model. Her signature to a movie contract some months later ended her modeling career.

She has the role of Scheherazade in "Arabian Nights," which has just been released.

Eddie Foy, Jr., the son of one of America's most famous and loved comedians, was born in New Rochelle, New York, the seventh child of that famous family. When only a small child he made his stage debut with his father and sisters and brothers who were billed as "Eddie Foy and The Seven Little Foyes." He played throughout the country with his father's act, which was disbanded at the death of the elder Foy. Since then, Eddie, Jr., has made his own reputation. His more recent screen appearances have been in "Secret Service of the Air," as "Wrong-Way" Corrigan, in "Women in the Wind," and as Eddie Foy, Sr., his father, in "Yankee Doodle Dandy," with James Cagney.

## 1943\_01\_23\_Maria Montez & Eddie Foy, Jr in USO show

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## 4 SERGEANTS ARE TYPICAL

**Atterbury Proves General's  
Point That Men Wearing  
Chevrons Are Backbone**

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 23—"The men wearing the chevrons are the backbone of any unit. The success or failure of the unit rests largely on their shoulders. The big problem of leadership is getting chevrons on the right people."

Those were the words of Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, commanding general of the 2nd Army, when he was here recently to inspect the combat troops. So four typical sergeants were chosen at random:

First Sgt. Thomas A. Knoll, age 28, 457th Engineers Depot Co., comes from Philadelphia, Pa. He was a member of the National Guard for five years before being called to active service two years ago. In civilian life he was employed as a press-feeder by a container manufacturer.

Master Sgt. C. L. Craven, age 37, is the real veteran of the four. He has 17 years of service, entering the army at the age of 20. Now regimental sergeant major of the 365th Combat Team, 92nd Division, Craven is a graduate of the Chemical Warfare School, and has been an expert rifleman for 13 consecutive years.

Tech Sgt. Jack Myers, age 33, has been in the service but 18 months, yet already is detachment supply sergeant for the Medical Section of the 1560th Service Unit. Born in London, England, Myers came to this country and made his home in Canton, O., at the age of 20. His former occupation? The clothing business.

Staff Sgt. Robert V. Lavois, age 23, has had five years of regular army service. He is now duty sergeant in the 331st Infantry, 83rd Division. His former home was in Dorchester, Mass., and his adult occupation has always been the army.

Their records show every soldier has a chance for promotion in the service. They are well-versed in the ways of the Army, their previous service extending from Arizona to Georgia. And American soldiers just like them are scattered all over the world—leading the fight against those who would destroy democracy.

1943\_01\_23\_Four Sgts are typical

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# GEN. DAVIS IS AT ATTERBURY

High Ranking Colored Officer  
Scheduled To Visit At  
King Street USO Club

Brig. Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., reported to be the only colored man holding that rank in the U. S. Army, is inspecting Negro troops stationed at Camp Atterbury.

Arriving Thursday, Gen. Davis will remain until Sunday, observing the men in their training and work.

Gen. Davis was expected to pay a visit to the King Street USO center in Franklin this afternoon to observe the recreational and entertainment opportunities offered by the only USO club for Negro service men in the immediate area surrounding the camp.

Veteran of almost half a century of service in the Army, Gen. Davis came up from the ranks and served in both the Spanish-American and World wars before he was promoted to the rank of brigadier general in 1940.

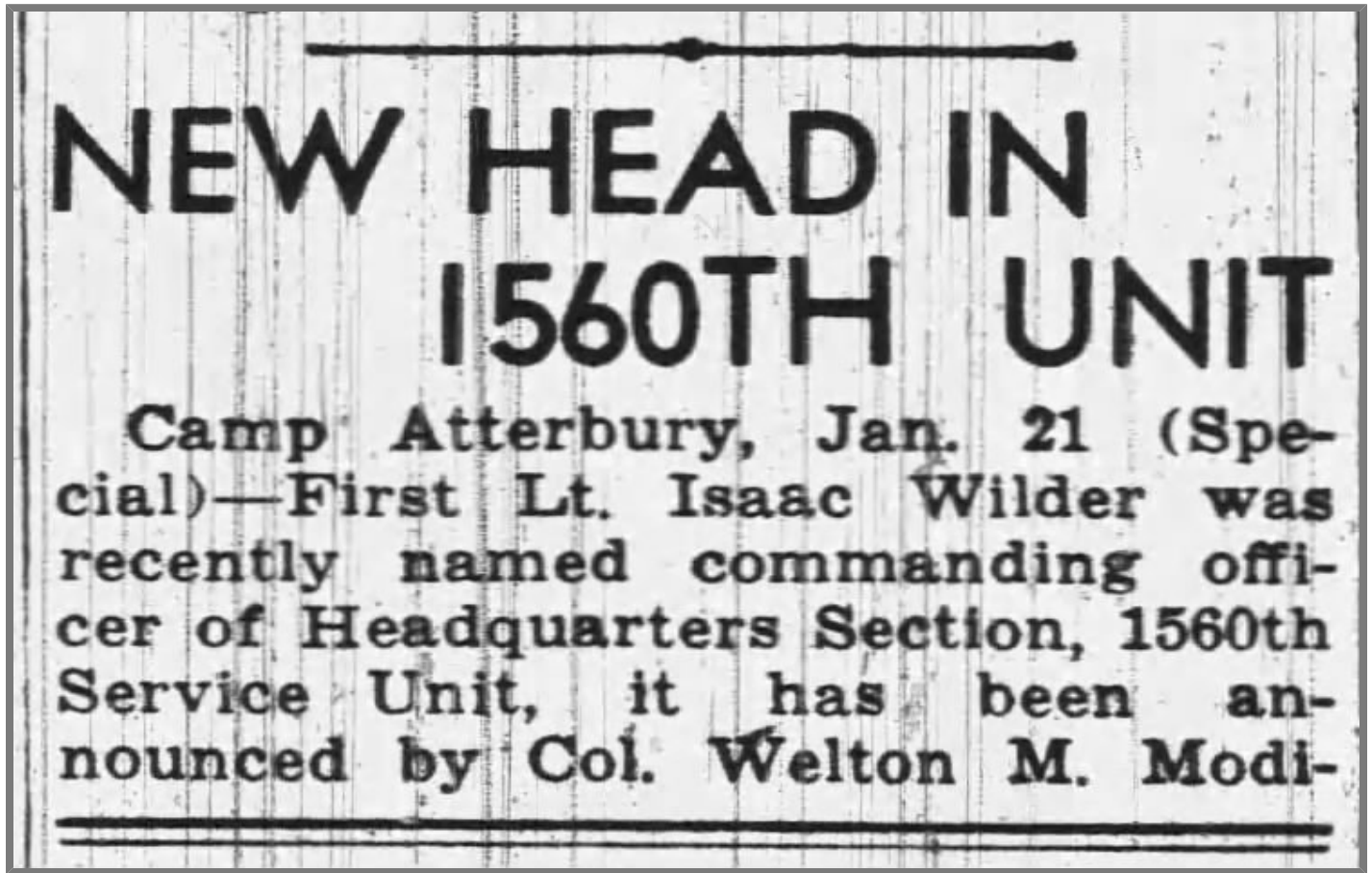
## 1943\_01\_22\_Gen Davis inspects Negro troops

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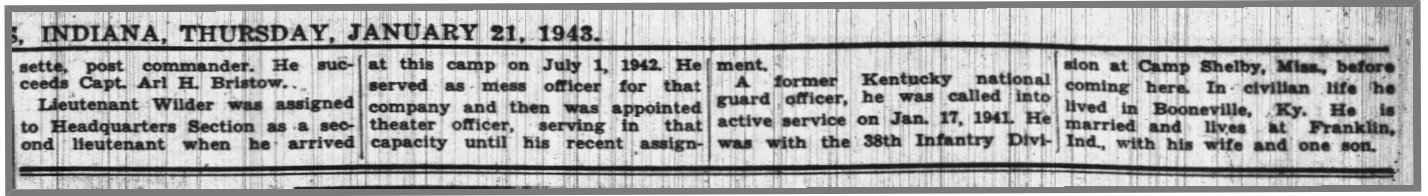
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## 23 CHAPLAINS ON DUTY AT CAMP ATTERBURY



Pictured above are 20 of the 23 chaplains at one of their regular meetings: Front row (left to right) Virgil M. Hailey, Post Chaplain; Anthony F. DeLaura, 331st Inf.; Henry M. Marusa, 329th Inf.; Jacob M. Ott, Jewish Chaplain; August P. Donnelly, Asst. 83rd Div. Chaplain; Luther W. Woodward, 330th Inf., Luther W. Evans, 83rd Division Chaplain. Second row (left to right) Oscar F. Bohman, 8th Detach. Spl. Troops; Gerhard L. Lucke, 83rd Div. F. A.; Ernest E. Heuer, 329th Inf.; Lewis P. Bowling, 329th Inf.; Thomas S. Clarkson, 331st Inf.; John D. Duggan, 83rd Div. F. A. Third row (left to right) Julius E. Foster, 579th F. A.; James W. Blich, 330th Inf.; Charles L. Carpenter, 1560th S. U. Med. Sec.; Francis T. Day, 2nd Army Attached Troops; Thomas A. Bartley, 1560th S. U.; Francis J. Sullivan, 330th Inf.; John J. Gallagher, 308th Med. Bn. Not in picture are Chaps. Hayes H. Webster, 331st Inf.; Edward W. Jones, 365th Inf.; Furney N. Marshburn, 365th Inf.—(Photo U. S. Signal Corps.)

## 1943\_01\_19\_23 Chaplains gather for group photo

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## 3 Vets of 83rd in 1917 Together at Atterbury

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 18 (Special)—Three veterans who helped prepare the 83rd Infantry division of World war I for overseas duty are together again here where the reactivated 83rd Division is in training.

They are Majors Raymond E. Copeland, post director of operations and training; Charles W. Gravenkemper, post inspector and commander of the provisional regiment, and Burtch W. Beall, assistant post inspector.

All three were graduates of the first Officers' Training camp at Ft. Benjamin Harrison in 1917, receiving their commissions at the same time; and all three were assigned to Camp Sherman near Chillicothe, Ohio, where the 83rd Division was in training.

Majors Gravenkemper and Beall were assigned to the 83rd, while Major Copeland served with the Depot Brigade at the camp. Although the three of them were in adjoining companies at Officers' school, they did not become acquainted until their assignment at Camp Sherman; and Major Gravenkemper met Major Beall for the first time when the latter arrived here recently.

From Camp Sherman, Major Copeland went overseas with the 813th Pioneer Infantry in 1918.

There he remained until March, 1919, when he returned here and was placed on the reserve list. He was called to service again in April, 1942. Major Copeland's home is in Eaton, Ohio, where he was county supervisor with the Farm Security administration under the department of Agriculture. He was born in Athens county, Ohio.

Majors Gravenkemper went overseas with the 83rd Division in 1918, and served for a time with the famous Rainbow Division. He was discharged in 1920 but remained in Europe with the American Graves Registration service until 1922, when he returned to this country. In civilian life, he was a builder at Norwood, O. Major Gravenkemper was called back to active service in April, 1942.

Due to physical disability, Major Beall was unable to accompany the old 83rd overseas. He remained at Camp Sherman doing post exchange and motion picture duty until April, 1919, when he was transferred to the reserves. He returned to active service a year ago as president of the Aviation Cadet Examining board at Cleveland. In civilian life, Major Beall was buyer of men's furnishings for the F. and R. Lazarus and company store in Columbus, Ohio. He is a native of Gallipolis, Ohio.

1943\_01\_18\_Three Vets of 83rd in 1917 together again at Atterbury

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# Austrian Legion Caught In Political Barbed Wire

New York Sun Tells Story of  
Outfit Rumored For  
Atterbury.

There have been reports that an Austrian unit will be formed at Camp Atterbury, but a story in the New York Sun reports that plans for an Austrian Legion of the U. S. Army are still meeting considerable political opposition—the same sort of opposition which is now giving the United States a major headache in North Africa.

It is understood that plans call for formation of an Austrian battalion, similar to that already announced for Norwegian nationals, units of which would be stationed at various Army posts.

The battalion would be the same as any other U. S. Army unit and would become an integral part of the American army.

When the plan was adopted the United States government apparently felt there should be no reason why the Austrians could not be given a chance to fight against the Nazis. So, the battalion was authorized by the War department.

## Complications Develop.

However, complications have arisen, involving the Archduke Otto of Hapsburg, and the three main Austrian factions in this country are "all churned up about it," according to the story in the New York Sun.

The Sun story reported that: "Reports were soon heard that Archduke Otto of Hapsburg was to be in charge of the affairs of this battalion. This President Roosevelt accurately and properly denied at a later press conference. However, The New York Sun is informed that while the Archduke, who is not a citizen of the United States, obviously could not hold any such authority, he is the liaison between the Army and Austrians interested in becoming members of the battalion.

His position might thus be described as chief recruiting officer.

"In addition to the Archduke's monarchist group there are in the United States two other Austrian factions. One is the Social Democratic group under the leadership of Dr. Julius Deutsch. The other is the liberal group in which County Ferdinand Czernin, son of the late Austrian foreign minister under the Emperor Franz Josef, is a prominent figure. Both of these non-monarchist groups, while very strongly in favor of the Austrian battalion, feel that the liaison between it and the Austrians who want to join it should be in the hands of a non-partisan committee representing all three factions, with a chairman elected by the committee itself.

"The liberals take the position that the Austrian battalion is still one of the most potent instruments through which Austrian unity may be brought about. It constitutes the only opportunity Austrians are given to participate actively and militarily in the war efforts. The liberals argue that many Austrians are willing, even anxious, to get into the battalion, but that they will not do so if the only agency through which this can be done is that of Archduke Otto.

## Representation for Liberals.

"The New York Sun is further informed that efforts are now being made to bring the War department to see the advantages and the essential fairness of a non-partisan committee in which the monarchists, the Social Democrats, and the liberals can all be represented in the recruiting of the personnel of the battalion. A point worth noting is that this proposal, though made by non-monarchists, does not seek to eliminate the monarchists from the picture, but merely to obtain equal rights for themselves.

"Observers here see in this situation an illustration of the kind of difficulties with which Europe will be beset when Germany has been defeated."

1943\_01\_18\_Austrian Legion caught in political barbed wire.

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# 179 RATE AS COOKS, BAKERS

With 179 men receiving certificates, the Camp Atterbury Cooks' and Bakers' school graduated its largest class.

Pfc. Victor A. Mutinagni, 329th Infantry, had highest grades in the Mess Sergeants' course, and Pvt. Henry R. Bedson, 331st Infantry, led the Cooks' course. Top places among the student bakers was held by Pvt. Merle J. Enalheart of the 1560th Service unit, Quartermaster section. Lt. Col. Henry Neilson, director of operation and training in the 83rd Infantry division, was chief speaker at the graduation exercises.

1943\_01\_18\_179 rate at Cooks and Bakers

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## 1943\_01\_16\_Three sets of sister at Post HOSPITAL

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Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hall announce the birth of a son at the Camp Atterbury hospital on Wednesday morning. Mrs. Hill is the former Miss Ivy Schmidt, foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Earlywine, of Hensley township. Mr. Hill is in the Navy, stationed at Chicago.

1943\_01\_16\_Johnson Cty baby boy born at Camp HOSPITAL

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# RED CROSS AIDS AT ATTERBURY

**Staff Assists Men With  
Loans, Family Information,  
Personal Problems.**

A staff of around 20 Red Cross workers is serving the soldiers at Camp Atterbury, acting as a communication clearing house, making emergency loans to the soldiers, aiding convalescents and looking after the comfort of relatives summoned to a soldier patient's bedside.

John L. Stewart is field director for the Red Cross chapter at Atterbury.

Soldiers who borrow money from the Red Cross usually need it to meet their families' needs as to rent, food, medical bills and the like. About 175 loans, without interest, are being made each month.

The chapter also helps adjust personal or family problems and upon request of the medical officer will provide recreation for convalescents, write letters home for those unable to write, assist a discharged soldier in establishing himself in civilian life and plan vocational rehabilitation for men discharged because of physical handicaps.

Last month, the Atterbury chapter sent 800 telegrams to various Red Cross units throughout the country, making requests upon the volunteer workers who handle the jobs over the nation.

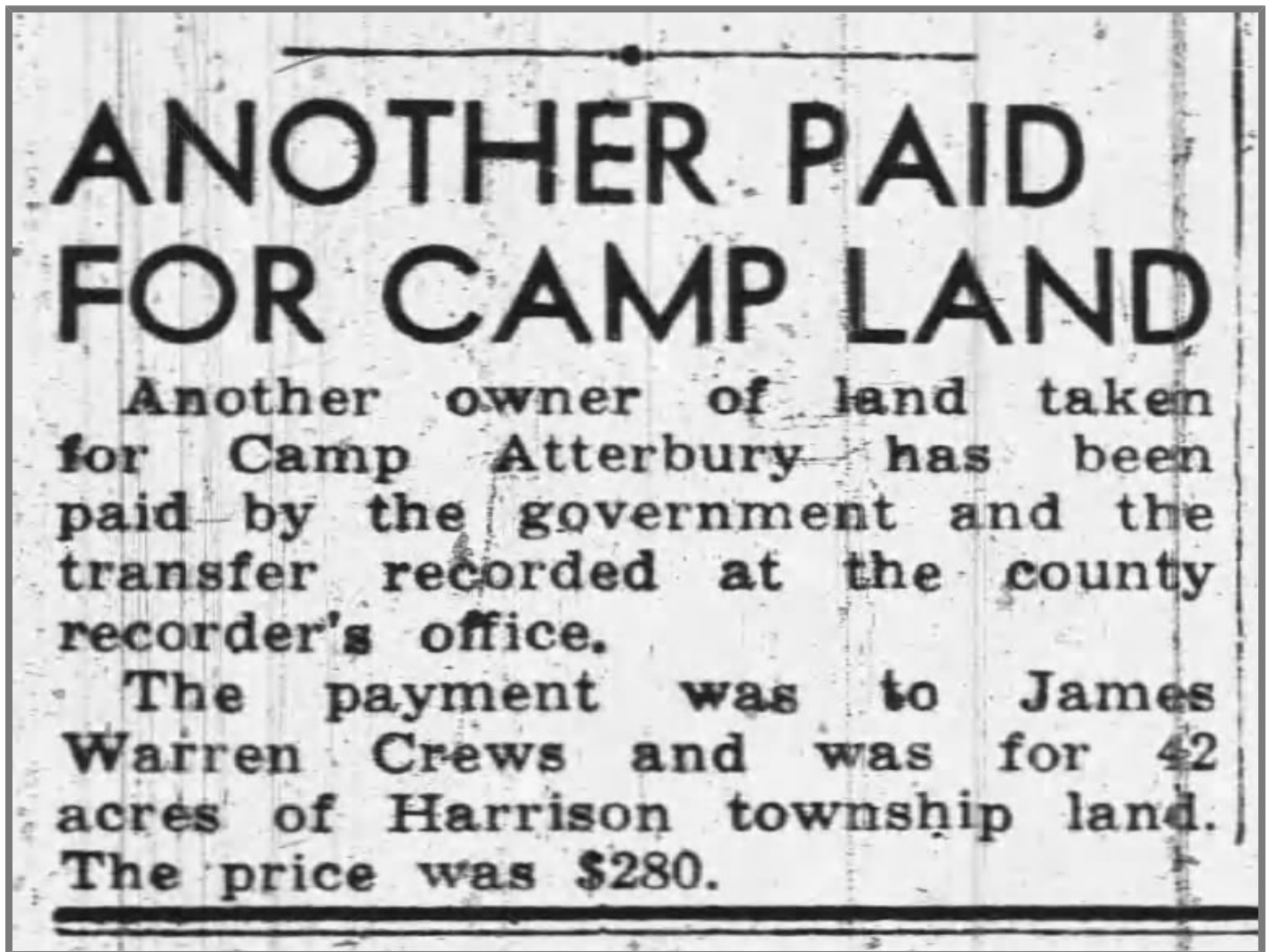
## 1943\_01\_14\_Red Cross aids at Atterbury

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1943\_01\_13\_Another paid for Atterbury land

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## Atterbury Men Send Records Back Home

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 12. — The men at Camp Atterbury have found a new and unique way of speaking to their folks back home. Every Sunday large numbers of soldiers record messages at one of the post's Service Club and then dispatch the recordings to their homes.

This courtesy has been extended to the men for the past several weeks by the Christian Tabernacle Apostolic Faith of Columbus and is being enjoyed by many men. The Rev. P. W. Bayne, assisted by John E. Meredith, brings the recording equipment and discs to the camp each Sunday through the courtesy of the church.

1943\_01\_12\_Atterbury men send record home

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## RE-ENLISTS

**Veteran of 17-18 Gives  
Up \$5,000 a Year Job;  
Now At Atterbury.**

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 11 (Special)—The new first sergeant of Division Headquarters company, 83rd division, gave up a \$5,000 a year job to re-enlist in the Army. He is First Sgt. Ned N. Skolnick, who was a "top kick" of the A. E. F. in 1917-18.

Now 53 years old, the veteran was assistant superintendent and general agent in Toledo, Ohio, of one of the largest insurance companies in the country, when he decided to return to Uncle Sam's service. He is married and has a 5-year-old child.

Asked how the doughboys of today compare with his buddies of 25 years ago, Sgt. Skolnick said:

**Better Training Today.**

"They are as fine a bunch of soldiers as our country ever had, and they are better educated than the men of World war I. Incidentally, too, they are receiving more schooling in the Army today than we did in the last war. Consequently, they have more opportunity to become officers.

Sergeant Skolnick is "sold" on the opportunity the Army offers men in their later life.

"The experience they receive in the Army is of inestimable value to the soldiers after they are discharged," he said. "For some, it is their first opportunity to test their powers of leadership, and encouraged by their success they carry their new-won self-confidence and ability back into civilian life."

1943\_01\_11\_Vet gives up \$5000 a year job to join 83rd

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# SEYMOUR GETS HOUSING UNITS

**350 Family Project Approved  
for Location Near New  
Flying Field.**

Seymour has been awarded a federal defense housing project to provide accommodations for 350 families, according to announcement made by Rep. Earl Wilson.

The announcement said there will be 250 larger family dwelling units and also accommodations for 100 couples. Temporary-type construction will be used. The project will be for use of defense workers and employees doing maintenance work at the Seymour Army flying field.

The housing project will adjoin the north edge of the flying field, two miles southwest of Seymour, and will cover 30 acres of ground.

It was reported at Seymour that surveyors, representatives of the Federal Defense Housing administration and the architect-engineers for the project already have arrived there and that it is understood the project is to get under way soon.

The Seymour Tribune reported that there is an acute housing shortage at Seymour as a result of the flying field.

1943\_01\_11\_Seymour gets 350 family housing units

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# RECALL MAJOR RATION DATES

Several Important Days To  
Keep In Mind Headlined  
By Local OPA Board

Johnson county rationing board members today called attention to important dates for local residents to remember in connection with the OPA rationing program during the remainder of January:

January 15—Last day to register for War Ration Book No. 1.

January 15—Last day for inspection of truck tires.

January 19—Second fuel oil ration period expires, but No. 3 coupons are now usable through amended regulations until February 20.

January 21—Last day to use No. 3 gasoline coupons in "A" books.

January 22—Coupon No. 4 in gasoline "A" books is worth four gallons until March 21.

January 31—Stamp No. 10, good for three pounds of sugar, expires at midnight.

January 31—Last day for inspection of passenger car tires.

## 1943\_01\_11\_Major Rationing dates

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## 500 SOLDIERS STRANDED HERE BY ICY ROADS

Left Without Way Back to  
Camp When Busses Have  
to Quit.

300 BED DOWN AT U.S.O.

Hotels and Private Accom-  
modations Exhausted—  
Snack Bar Sells Out.

The U.S.O. center at Fourth and Franklin streets was transformed into a hostelry Saturday night when some 500 Camp Atterbury soldiers were stranded in the city.

The soldiers were left marooned when all bus service between Columbus and the camp was halted at 11 o'clock Saturday night because of the icy condition of Road 31.

All hotel accommodations were quickly filled and several of the men were placed in rooms in private homes by the U.S.O.

After all available accommodations had been secured, some 300 to 350 soldiers were still waiting at the U.S.O. and that is where they spent the night.

Some slept on the floor while others used the lounging chairs and davenports.

150 Folding Chairs Used.

Approximately 150 folding chairs were put into use and many of the boys slept sitting up. Others walked the streets and loafed in all-night restaurants until bus service to the camp was restored at 4:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

U.S.O. help, including Director Earl Schreiber, remained on the job throughout the night and the snack bar was kept open.

Coffee and cakes were served to the soldiers until the supply on hand was exhausted.

The snack bar did a rushing business with almost every item sold.

The soldiers began heading for camp when the bus service was restored. However, many of them were making a weekend of it and stayed on Sunday.

The city was crowded with soldiers all day. As fast as one busload would return to camp another would arrive here.

One Atterbury bus was sid-swiped by an automobile on Road 31 near Taylorsville but none of the occupants was injured.

Four Soldiers Hurt.

Six persons, including four soldiers from Camp Atterbury, were injured Saturday night when an Indianapolis-bound bus skidded into a bridge at Buck creek near Indianapolis. The bus skidded on the ice into the bridge as the driver attempted to avoid striking two stalled automobiles on the highway.

The four soldiers were hurled through the windshield of the bus. They were Pvt. Speedy Leach, 20, lacerated forehead; Pvt. Albert Goudek, 24, back injuries and face lacerations; Corp. Ormond W. Joyle, fractured nose and right knee cap; and Pvt. George Valanguolo, back injuries. Ralph Valanguolo of New Haven, Conn., civilian who was visiting his brother, George, suffered a wrenched ankle.

When discontinuance of bus service stranded the Atterbury soldiers in Columbus Saturday night, the military police from the camp remained on duty until 6 o'clock Sunday morning.

1943\_01\_11\_500 soldiers stranded in Columbus by ice

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## 12 CHAPELS WITH 5,000 SEATS, 23 CHAPLAINS SERVE SOLDIERS

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 11—When a problem weighs heavily on a soldier's mind, he often seeks out and is welcomed by any of the chaplains at Camp Atterbury. These "man to man" talks, religious services and recreational programs arranged by chaplains stresses the significance of the fine religious and morale setup at the camp.

The fact that Atterbury's chaplains constantly welcome all problems, acting as counsellors and in many other ways lightening the leisure hours, is the reason they are considered "regular guys" by all men on the post.

Camp Atterbury has 23 such chaplains for services of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths and the chapel doors are open 24 hours every day. Likewise, the chaplains' office doors are open at all times for a discussion of any nature. Those who go there for counsel leave with the sensible solution to their problems and with the knowledge that the chaplain is a real friend.

### 4,800 Chapel Seats

The camp has 12 chapels, each seating over 400 men, and presenting a beautiful place of worship both inside and out, with equipment comparable to that of most churches. Services are also held in other buildings, including the hospital auditorium.

A program services is mapped out for each Sunday for each denomination and also for special days of

worship, and the chaplains see to it that the program allows all men ample time to worship. Over 40 services are held on the post each Sunday.

A chaplain's duties do not end with the services. With no exceptions they all volunteer as morale-builders in many other ways. They are ever ready to give advise to men with something "on their chest." They make frequent trips to the hospital to cheer sick soldiers. They arrange recreation hall shows, perform marriages, baptisms, conduct funerals and make frequent trips to nearby cities and towns.

No one's troubles are too much trouble for the chaplains. Although they are commissioned officers they mix with all soldiers. That's why they are "regular guys." That's why they and their chapels provide the camp with an important morale-building program.

## 1943\_01\_11\_12 Chapels, 5000 seats and 23 Chaplains at Atterbury

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## GOT 60 CENTS A MONTH IN ITALY ARMY IN 1917

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 9 (Special).  
 —Pvt. Angelo Pezze, 43-year-old Italian veteran of the last war, finds a big difference between the two cents a day he received in 1917 and the \$50 a month he now is drawing as a member of Headquarters Battery, 908th Field Artillery Battalion, 83rd Division.

"If Italian soldiers were paid \$50 a month, every man in Italy would be in the army," he exclaimed. "Why, I don't know how to spend all the money I'm getting now."

Pvt. Pezze was a youth of 17 when he was captured by the Germans and Austrians in June, 1917, and spent the remainder of World War I in an Austrian prison camp.

"We were tricked," he explained. "I was in the heavy artillery and we were sent shells for light artillery. Before we could get the proper ammunition, nine hours elapsed, and we found ourselves surrounded by Germans. Some arrests were ordered, I found out afterwards."

The veteran came to the United States in 1921 and became a citizen. He was inducted September 28 from his home in Clarksville, Pa.

"If it wasn't for the great number of German soldiers in Italy, I believe the people would turn against the Axis," he commented.

## 1943\_01\_09\_Got 2 cents per day in Italian Army

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# WPA ON MARCH TO GRAVEYARD

## Bartholomew County Is One of First Three Closing Up Service Division.

WPA died a quiet and inconspicuous death in Bartholomew county Wednesday, a victim of wartime prosperity.

All WPA projects are to be closed by Feb. 1 by order of President Roosevelt and John K. Jennings, state director, announced Wednesday that in the service—or white collar—division three counties are to close daily.

Bartholomew, Allen and Clay counties were the first on the list and were eliminated Wednesday as far as the service division is concerned.

There has been little WPA activity in Bartholomew county for several months. The last major work project here was the removal of the interurban rails from the northern end of Washington street. When that project was finished a half-dozen men were transferred to Camp Atterbury.

### \$300,000,000 Spent in State.

There also has been WPA workers at one of the schools in the county, assisting with the hot-lunch program.

According to Jennings' announcement, these workers apparently will continue on the job until project pay periods fall due this month.

The Indiana WPA, which has spent about \$300,000,000 since 1935, at one time employed more than 105,000 persons.

Less than 5,000 relief workers are left on the program in Indiana, which at one time did everything from minding babies to tending house for the aged and the ill.

Practically all WPA relief workers will be out by Feb. 1, Mr. Jennings said. Only enough administrative and supply fund workers will remain to check in the tools and equipment, each piece of which must be accounted for.

1943\_01\_07\_WPA ends

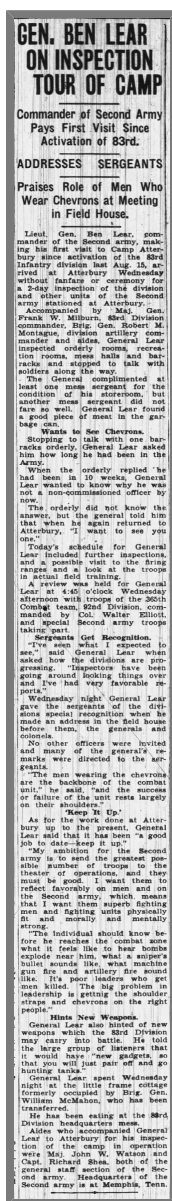
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# 1943\_01\_07\_Gen Ben Lear reviews 83rd

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## SOLDIER, 51, CLAIMS AGE TITLE FOR UNIT

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 7.—Pfc Joseph A. Murphy, 51, claims title of the oldest enlisted man on active duty in the 83rd Division Artillery here.

A Philadelphian, Pfc Murphy joined the Army in 1913, saw a year's service on the Mexican border, went to France in the second AEF convoy in 1917. He was a seismological engineer with the U. S. Coast Guard and Godetic Survey before returning to the service.

"I tried to enlist December 15, 1941, he said, "but was turned down because of my teeth. When the Army loosened its restrictions, I immediately signed up."

Murphy is now in the meteorological section of the 83rd Division Artillery which supplies weather data necessary for firing the guns—the temperature, air density, wind direction and other information. He holds a civil engineering degree from an institute in Philadelphia.

1943\_01\_07\_Fifty-one year old soldier in 83rd

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# JACOB CARTER PASSES AWAY

**Foundry Employe Dies of  
Mercury Poisoning—Fu-  
neral Held Saturday.**

Jacob Carter, 65, of 1108 Ninth street, an employe of the Golden foundry, died at 6 o'clock last Wednesday night in county hospital. Death was attributed to mercury poisoning and followed a week's illness.

Mr. Carter had been ill of a skin irritation and applied the poison on his body, arms and legs but applied it too heavily. In attempting to remove the poison he drove it into the blood stream.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home and at 2:30 o'clock at the Nazarene church, conducted by the Rev. Murrel Deckard. Burial was made in Garland Brook cemetery.

Mr. Carter was born Aug. 22, 1877, in Brown county, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Carter. He had lived here for a number of years. He was a member of the Nazarene church.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Lela Hatton; three grandchildren, Jimmy Hatton and Mrs. Gwen Stutz of this city, and Harry Hatton of Kankakee, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Melissa Pruitt of Terre Haute, and Mrs. Sarah Hedrick of Indianapolis.

1943\_01\_06\_Foundry employee dies of mercury poisoning

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## FINANCE OFFICE TO SELL BONDS

**Atterbury Soldiers Do Their  
Bit, Many Using Pay  
Deduction Plan.**

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 5 (Special) —When the post finance office was authorized to sell war bonds with the opening of the new year, it added just another convenient way that soldiers can and are buying War Bonds and Stamps in surprisingly large numbers.

Col. Welton M. Modisette, camp commander, and many of the officers and civilian personnel employed at the camp are and have been buying Bonds considerably in excess of the suggested 10 percent of their incomes. Col. Modisette, in urging increased Bond purchases at the camp, declares they are "the best investment in the world—the United States government."

A large percentage of the enlisted men here have authorized deductions from their pay every month toward the purchase of bonds, which are made in units of \$1.25, according to Lt. Harry D. Weller, first bond officer.

At least one unit here boasts that every man in it is buying bonds. It is the 18th Hospital center, which also has announced that one-third of its men are buying bonds at the rate of \$5 or more a month, with some buying one or two bonds each month, according to Capt. Monroe Broad, company commander.

Soldiers here look at War Bonds not only as a means of helping finance the war they are going to win, but also as a means of building up a nest egg for the day when they will return to civilian life.

The Camp Atterbury postoffice, too, continues to do a thriving war bond and stamp business. According to Wilburn Elliott, supervisor, sales have been increasing steadily. Pay days always brings a large and steady stream of men to the war bond window.

## 1943\_01\_06\_Camp Finance Office to sell bonds

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# Company C Bakes Bread Out in Wide, Open Spaces

Company C, 100th Quartermaster battalion at Camp Atterbury, composed of Negro soldiers, bakes its bread by the hundreds of loaves right out in the wide, open spaces.

The company is one of the specialized units attached to the Second army and its recruits are being taught only one job, but it's a big one—the baking of white bread in the field for up to 40,000 troops.

The baking is done in large outdoor ovens which are portable and are carried by company trucks. The soldiers dig holes in the ground into which are fitted the fire boxes on the bottom of the ovens. Wood provides the fire.

## Bread That Can Take It.

And if it's bread you want, these are the boys that can turn it out. It comes in big, round 4-pound loaves with a thick crust. This bread can take it and can stand for some time before becoming stale. It may be a little hard to get inside a loaf after it has been baked several days, but it still tastes good and doesn't crumble.

However, Company C plans to get the bread to the men right after it is baked, wherever the troops may be. The company sees to that by going right along.

Even if the field ovens are de-

stroyed in battle, the company can still bake bread.

They can do it by building their own ovens and the men have been trained for such an emergency.

## First You Dig Hole.

Soldiers dig holes in the ground and two wood barrels with bottoms knocked out are placed end to end on top of a base of bricks or rocks.

The men cover the barrels with mud, leaving the front open. Then they build large fires inside the barrels and on top of them. That burns out the barrels and bakes the mud, giving them an oven of barrel circumference and two barrels in length.

To bake the bread, the men build bonfires on top and inside the ovens. When they are good and hot, the inside fires are raked out and the bread dough slipped in for the baking.

## Here's the Recipe.

The dough is mixed in special tanks, somewhat resembling a bathtub.

Here is the recipe:

One hundred pounds of flour, 51 pounds of water, two pounds of salt, three pounds of sugar, two pounds of powdered skim milk and one pound of yeast.

If you follow it closely, you will get about 144 one-pound loaves.

1943\_01\_06\_100th QM/C bakes bread anywhere

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# NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that the Tax Duplicate for State, County, Townships, Schools and Corporation of Bartholomew County for the year 1942 and payable in 1943 are now in the hands of the County Treasurer who is ready to receive the taxes charged thereon. The following table shows the rate of taxation on each \$100.00 worth of taxable real and personal property, and each poll in the several units.

Due January 1, 1943. First installment delinquent after first Monday in May, second installment delinquent after first Monday in November.

GEORGE DONHOST, Treasurer Bartholomew County, Indiana.

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	3 Township Road Bonds .....			.001																		.001	.001	3			
	Total Township Rate .....	.09	.09	.055	.08	.02	.20	.11	.40	.28	.10	.08	.365	.13	.03	.02	.08	.11	.11	.13	.055	.055	.055				
School and Library Rates	1 Tuition Tax .....	.18	.22	.405	.30	.16	.61	.43	.25	.12	.24	.25	.325	.25	.30	.53	.25	.43	.25	.24	.18	.18	.18	1			
	2 Special School Tax .....	.57	.53	.38	.34	.14	.75	.32	.50	.70	.51	.45	.44	.31	.34	.71	.45	.32	.32	.31	.35	.35	.35	2			
	3 School House Bonds .....			.13	.04	.14		.09							.04	.09		.09	.09		.13	.13	.13	3			
	4 Library Tax .....	.08	.03	.03	.03	.08	.03	.03	.08	.08	.08	.03	.03	.03	.03	.03	.03	.03	.03	.03	.08	.08	.08	4			
Total Twp. School .....		.78	.78	.945	.71	.47	1.39	.87	.78	.85	.78	.73	.795	.59	.71	.73	.87	.87	.59	.755	.755	.755	.755				
Corporation, City and Town Rates	1 General Tax .....														.34	.67	.15	1.45	.62		.815	.815	.815	1			
	2 Fireman's Pension .....																				.02	.02	.02	2			
	3 Policemen's Pension .....																				.005	.005	.005	3			
	4 Corporation Bonds .....																		.25	.285	.065	.065	.065	4			
	5 Recreation Bonds .....																				.0250	.0250	.0250	5			
	6 Park Fund .....															.08					.02	.02	.02	6			
	7 Street Fund .....															.16					.335	.335	.335	7			
	8 Bonded Debt and Interest .....																				.02	.02	.02	8			
Total Corporation Rate .....															.24		.15	1.45	1.07	.62	.97	.97	.97				
Tot. Rates	Total Rate .....	1.36	1.35	1.49	1.23	.98	2.08	1.47	1.67	1.62	1.37	1.30	1.65	1.21	1.47		1.45	2.92	2.54	1.83	2.27	2.27	2.27				
	Each Installment .....	.68	.675	.745	.615	.49	1.04	.735	.835	.81	.685	.65	.825	.605	.735		.725	1.46	1.27	.915	1.135	1.135	1.135				
POLL TAX	1 State General Fund Poll .....	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1			
	2 State School Poll .....	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	2			
	3 County Revenue Poll .....	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	3			
	4 Tuition Poll .....	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	4			
	5 Special School Fund Poll .....	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	.50	5			
	6 Corporation Poll .....																.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	6			
	Total Poll Rate .....	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00				

STATE OF INDIANA, BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, SS:

I, Leonard R. Thayer, Auditor of Bartholomew County, hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of all Tax Levies for the Taxes collectible in the year 1943.

Columbus, Indiana, January 1, 1943.

LEONARD R. THAYER, Auditor Bartholomew County.  
GEORGE DONHOST, Treasurer Bartholomew County.

The Annual Sale of Delinquent Lands and Lots will take place on the second Monday in April, 1943.

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## New Year's Baby.

Edinburg, Jan. 5—A son born to Sgt. and Mrs. George Jennings at the station hospital at Camp Atterbury was the first to arrive at the Army post in 1943.

The Jennings child is ineligible to vie for "baby honors" because the parents had not lived in the county a sufficient length of time.

They came to Edinburg to live in August when Sgt. Jennings was transferred to the local camp. The child was named Robert Patrick.

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# Soldiers from 'Nowhere-Everywhere' In 83rd Division Camouflage Show

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 5 (Special) —In a small, natural amphitheater on the Camp Atterbury reservation, officers and non-commissioned officers of the 83rd Infantry division yesterday witnessed a "drama" that some day may save their lives, as well as those of many of their men. It was a demonstration of camouflaged military operations, given under the direction of Capt. Howard A. Sawitzke of the Engineers Section, 2nd Army Headquarters, Memphis, Tenn.

The soldier-spectators sat on a hillside facing a relatively bare, roped-off area about 100 yards square. Captain Sawitzke stepped before a microphone in the middle of the clearing. Apparently, he was the only person there.

"We have prepared for you today," he said, "a little demonstration in camouflage. I know you are familiar with many phases of this important art of modern warfare, but what you see today, we hope, will imprint itself on your mind so that you will realize the importance of camouflage. For example, you are familiar with the 6-foot foxhole you see here beside me. But in open country that could be spotted by a plane 10,000 feet high, even if the turned-up soil on the edges was covered with turf. So we have to use another type. Can any of you see it?"

**Men from "Nowhere."**

Nobody could. Captain Sawitzke then called out:

"No. 1, come out!"

Almost at his feet, a small circumference of the grass rose and a rifleman crawled out. This concealment, the captain explained, is a "spider hole."

Next, he called on "No. 2" to reveal his position by firing and come into view. There was a shot, then a sniper in a grotesquely-painted suit emerged from a small clump of bushes.

At the officer's third command, a yard-square section of sod lifted from the ground in front of the first row of the spectators just enough to reveal the snout of a machine gun, which went into action with a rapid burst of blanks.

But perhaps the most amazing performance of all was given by an Infantry anti-tank gun crew, who emerged from the ground, wheeled their gun into position, fired a shot, pushed the gun back and disappeared from view—all in 18 seconds.

**Use "Molotov Cocktail."**

"That," commented Captain Sawitzke, "is what has happened many times to a straggling vehicle in a convoy. Before the victims knew what hit them they were blasted to bits, with no visible foe for their fellow soldiers to deal with."

The proper way to destroy a tank with a "Molotov cocktail" was demonstrated next. A jeep, simulating a tank, was driven through the area. Suddenly, a

soldier rose from a nearby "spider hole" and hurled a simulated "cocktail"—an incendiary bomb, usually a bottle of burning kerosene. One of the soldiers in the jeep leaped out and attempted to "put out" the "fire" with an extinguisher, but a burst of bullets from concealed riflemen and machine-guns toppled him over.

"The point to remember here," the instructor said, "is that it's not enough just to hide men out in spider holes to throw 'Molotov cocktails' at tanks, because the tank crew can put out the blaze and then kill the ambushers. You've got to have protection for these men, riflemen or machine-guns to shoot the crew when they emerge from the tank. Otherwise, you're just wasting your men."

Thus it went, until 18 "acts" of this life-and-death drama had been completed. At the close, Captain Sawitzke called on all his "actors" to show themselves again. There were nearly 100 of them—in the small area which apparently had been safe and lifeless.

The cast of the show comprised enlisted men of the 308th Engineers, 83rd division, and members of the anti-tank companies of the 329th, 330th and 331st Infantry regiments of the division. Captain Sawitzke also was assisted by two enlisted men from his headquarters, Staff Sgt. Eugene Laico and Technician Third Grade Harold Woodruff.

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## 3 BROTHERS IN SAME ATTERBURY DIVISION

Camp Atterbury, Jan. 4. — The three Fleischer brothers from Warren, Ohio, believe in sticking together. They all worked in defense industries in civilian life, they entered the Army on the same day, and all three are now doughboys with the 83rd Infantry Division at Atterbury.

Pvts. Martin and John Fleischer are 20-year-old-twins — brother Mike is 13. Martin and Mike are in the 329th Infantry, and, to avoid confusion, John is in the 331st. Martin used to make gun barrels, Mike bomb shells, while John did government construction work.

As they complete their first two months of training, the three Fleischer brothers agree the Army isn't so bad after all—"though we got considerably more for making guns than firing them."

They look forward to a New Year action.

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# BRIG. GEN. WOOD REVIEWS TROOPS

Brigadier General J. E. Wood, staff officer of 92nd Division Headquarters, Fort McClellan, Ala., reviewed the 365th Combat Team at Camp Atterbury last week.

On Thursday, he reviewed the Team at evening formation. Gen. Wood arrived in camp on December 28 and inspected the troops in training throughout the week.

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## Librarians at Camp Find Soldiers Want to Learn

Camp Atterbury, the city of a thousand wonders plunked down in the middle of former Hoosier cornfields, has three libraries that are proving among the most popular places in the camp city.

The three libraries have a total of approximately 9,000 volumes. In addition, books are kept in the company day rooms.

But more books are needed, especially those of the non-fiction type and the latest fiction.

Believe it or not, Miss Katherine Beadles, librarian of the library at Service club No. 2, declared the biggest demand is for non-fiction books, including those on all kinds of technical subjects.

### Take Correspondence Courses.

She explained that a number of the men are taking correspondence courses through the Army institute for high school and college credits.

It's not that the Army is going high-brow. The men are just anxious to learn and many are reading to help themselves earn their promotions.

The Indiana state library is assisting in obtaining books of the non-fiction type on special call.

The three camp libraries are located in the service clubs and include two rooms, one on the ground floor where the stacks are located and the other on the second floor, where the men can read or write.

The libraries are similar to public libraries in civilian cities. The books can be taken from the

library for 2-week periods, but most men prefer to read in the libraries. There is no fine for keeping books out too long. The librarian just notifies the man's company commander and the books always come back.

### Like Fast Action Stories.

Next to the demand for non-fiction books, Miss Beadles said, are rated the mysteries and westerns—the soldier wanting his action fast and furious when he's in the mood for entertaining reading.

"But what I wouldn't give for a half dozen copies of 'See Here, Private Hargrove,'" Miss Beadles added, explaining that her library does not have a single copy of the best-seller soldier book.

Most of the books in the libraries were donated by individuals and organizations in nearby cities, but the gifts have almost ended.

Federal funds are provided for buying additional books from time to time, but persons are still welcome to send books. The books can be mailed to any one of the librarians at the camp.

### Weekend Crowds Biggest.

The libraries have their biggest crowd on the weekends when many soldiers spend practically all their holiday reading.

In addition to the books, the libraries subscribe to around 50 of the more popular magazines and are planning to have state papers available.

The libraries also have road maps, train, bus and airplane schedules available for the men.

"One of the first things a man does on getting into Atterbury," said Miss Beadles, "is to get a map and find out where he is and how far he is from home—his next step is to start figuring out by what route he can make connections to get back home for a visit."

### The Girls Behind the Guns.

Miss Beadles is from Mayfield, Ky., where she was a librarian. Prior to that she was a librarian for seven years at Roswell, N. M.

Miss Dorothy Dobb, formerly of Oberlin, Ohio, is librarian in the library at service club No. 2. She was a librarian at Oberlin college.

Miss Corrine Eaddy, whose home is at Cincinnati, is librarian at service club No. 3.

The librarians live in the guest houses at the camp. Each is assisted in the library by an enlisted man. Also helping at the libraries are women employed through WPA.

## BASSETT RITE SET FOR TODAY

Edinburg, Jan. 1—Funeral services were to be held today for Marilyn Jo Bassett, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bassett of Nineveh, who died Wednesday night in her father's arms while enroute to the Riley hospital in Indianapolis.

The child had been ill for four weeks and had just recovered from an attack of double pneumonia.

The body is at the Flinn funeral home in Franklin, where services were to be held by the Rev. G. F. Powers of Nineveh Christian church. Burial was to be made in the church cemetery.

Three sisters, Rose, Lee, Alice Jean and Kay Bassett survive with the parents. Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Bassett of Shelby county and Mr. and Mrs. Manford Mead, and great-grandmothers,

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## Ninth District Legion Votes Aid to Post

**Convention Here Votes  
To Help Freeman  
Field Recreation—  
Commander Speaks**

Recreational needs of soldiers stationed at Freeman Army Air Field southwest of Seymour will be aided by American Legion posts of the ninth congressional district, it was announced today following a district convention of the Legion and auxiliary here Sunday. The meeting was well attended by officers and post members from throughout the district.

After Lieut. Roland O. Davis, special service officer of Freeman Field, had addressed the Legion members at a business session in the high school gymnasium Sunday morning on the recreational needs here, the district went on record to raise funds in each post to help in that work. All past ninth district commanders were named to a committee for this purpose and Martin W. Steinweld, of this city, was named general chairman of the past district commanders' group.

Outstanding addresses by Clarence U. Gramelspacher, commander of the Indiana department, and by Capt. Cecil N. Rogers, provost marshal at Freeman field, featured a public meeting of the Legion, auxiliary and others in the gymnasium at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

### Legion "Does Its Bit"

Commander Gramelspacher, introduced by Carl Graham, state adjutant, quoted impressive statistics showing the part Legionnaires are playing in the war and the civilian defense program. He said 150,000 members of the Legion and 400,000 of their sons are now in the armed forces in World War II.

Capt. Rogers, who held the intense interest of his audience, quoted many of the great men of history in pointing out the duties of those who are on the home-line battlefield. His address was inspiring.

Others introduced at the public meeting were M. J. Plump, commander of Seymour Post No. 82; Mrs. T. F. Cortes, president of the Seymour auxiliary; Mrs. J. J. Kutch, president of the ninth district auxiliary and Mrs. George Walthall, of Clinton, president of the Indiana department of the Legion auxiliary, who spoke lastly.

### Herrmann Presides

Forrest O. Herrmann, of this city, commander of the ninth district of the Legion, presided throughout the meeting, said by Commander Gramelspacher. He has been one of the best district gatherings held recently.

Commander Plump opened the meeting of the Legion Sunday morning in behalf of the Seymour post, which was host to the gathering, and District Commander Herrmann was in charge of the business session, which included talks by Wayne Lowe, department membership chairman; Lt. Davis, Adjutant Graham, State Commander Gramelspacher and Mrs. Walthall.

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