

SPOTS AND LUCKY MILLNER'S BROADCAST FROM POST GYM

Floor Champs Feted At Elks tonight

447th Gives Dance In Honor of Post Basketball Champ.



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The thermometer may be down around the freezing point on the streets tonight but at the Elks' Club it will be sizzling around the melting point, for the 447th will present its first squadron dance, honoring their basketball team that won the post basketball tournament last week.

The officers and men of the airbase squadron are proud of the champs and plans indicate that this will be the outstanding dance of the season. Elks' Club officials have assured the squadron that the entire facilities of the Elks' Club will be at the disposal of the men and their dates. Through the men and their dates.

A buffet supper will be served, "Dagwood" style sandwiches being "piece de resistance." And of course, the "foundation of youth" will be there for those who care to indulge.

Corporate Girls Galore.
The post Aero-ettes and the GSO girls have been invited and a corsage will be planned on each of them and they enter the door. Latest reports have it that Sgt./Pvt. "Iron Hat" Casey and "Theobalds" Carey are fighting it out for the honor of being the "pin up" boys. Dress for the dance will be optional, so that the jitterbugs will not have to worry about entanglements with long flowing gowns.

Williams, Bain Entertain
Sgt. Dave Williams and Cpl. Victor Bain, of the entertainment committee, have promised a variety of entertainment for the evening. They announced this morning that the D. C. boys of the 320th Aviation Squadron will furnish the solid five and that the one and only, that procurator-in-chief of the truth, Lawrence "Lorenzo" Sullivan will act as master of ceremonies.

Cartoons Removed From Paper

In order to conform with a recent regulation pertaining to civilian-published newspapers, the cartoon and comic strip features will be eliminated from this and succeeding issues.

Laff Of The Week

In the Navy Department two commanders, who were men of few words, worked at adjoining desks for six weeks. One of them was always there at five o'clock and the other was never through.

One day the one who was never through looked across at the other with a jaundiced eye and said, "I notice you always get through at five o'clock. How do you do it?"

The other commander got up, came those and, taking the tone of a conspirator, said, "Whenever I get anything I don't understand, I mark it 'For Commander Smith.' I figure in a department of this size, there must be a Commander Smith."

"Take off your coat, Buddy," said the other commander coldly. "I'm Commander Smith."



The INKSPOTS

A Salute To The Men Of The 1080

The men of the 1080th are to be complimented for their remarkable sense of humor. Their original Rack club showed how they made the best out of a none too laughable situation by organizing a club and laughing at themselves when they had been "brushed off" by the girls at home. Now they have popped up with something else. Most squadrons have a mascot but the 1080th has one of a different kind. This mascot is a two-week-old chick that they've named "Jimmy." For the present, unless the egg situation proves the chick to be a member of the opposite sex.

Last Call! Name Baby Contest Ends Saturday

There is just one more day left to enter the name "baby" contest. All entries must be in by 4:30 p. m., Saturday, March 20. The judges will be in the Public Relations Office on Monday, March 22 at 4:30 p. m. to decide what name submitted will become the official title of the post paper. The person submitting the name selected will receive \$5 in cash, two steak dinners, two theater tickets and a date.
Name Must Be New
Remember, the suggested name must not have been used in any other paper and should be no

Goldian of 1078th Sets High Mark At Post School

Grades at the Post Training School have reached new heights. The record formerly held by Cpl. L. L. Cowart of 1060th, has been topped by Pfc. John V. Goldian, 1078th, who earned an average in all courses of 98.5. Goldian completed this fine record with seven grades of 100, three grades of 96, and one grade of 95.

During the past two weeks, other unusually high grades have been earned. Sgt. Henry P. Scheir and Sgt. William S. Neville, both of 447th, almost equal Private Goldian's record by turning in an average of 98.4, each. In third position stands Pvt. Joe G. Miles, 1078th, with an average of 98.

Two Men Have 97.8.
Fourth high grades have been made by Sgt. Victor R. King of 447th and Pvt. Jack Nichols of 1078th each of whom show the (Continued on page 8, column 2)

EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA

Something new has been added!

The winner of the name "baby" contest will receive a cash prize. In addition to those mentioned in last week's paper. The extra prize will be a long distance telephone call anywhere in the United States.

The call has been donated through the courtesy of the Anheuser Busch Brewing Company, by their local agent, Bud Yates.

longer than two words. A ballot isn't necessary for you to submit a name. An ordinary piece of paper with your suggestion and your name and squadron number will do. Leave your entry with your first sergeant or send it to the Public Relations Office. You may be the winner. Submit your entry now.

All Star Program Starts at 9 a. m. Sunday Morning

Don't be alarmed if on Sunday morning, March 21, 1943, you hear the boom of cannons and the shrill ra-ra-ra-la-la of bugles reverberating through the Post. It won't be an invasion, nor will it be an Ozon Welles "sneer."

It will be the triumphant procession of the Four Ink Spots, Lucky Millinder and his band featuring "Sister" Rosetta Tharpe and Peg-Leg Bates, one-legged tap dancer, as they make their entry into the post for a combination show and broadcast. This all-Negro show of nationally famous entertainers are currently appearing at the Circle Theatre in Indianapolis.

Entertainers Feature Breakfast
The whole cast of 29 entertainers are getting up before breakfast to come to the field to put on their show. The performance will begin at 9:00 a. m. At 9:15 a. m., Station WIRE of Indianapolis, will pick up a fifteen minute broadcast by remote control. After the broadcast, the Ink Spots and Company will give their regular performance.

"We don't have to tell you to be there for this will be tops in entertainment. The Special Service Office, under the direction of Lt. Roland O. Davis, deserves a round of applause for bringing this show to the field."

Ink Spots Are Famous
Today the word "Ink Spots" is synonymous with the word fame. But this fact wasn't always true. Only a short time ago, in 1939 to be exact, the Four Ink Spots were an obscure radio quartet. But in the same year the Decca Record Company released an Ink Spot recording of the song "If I Didn't Care." The rest is history. . . . The record sold over 300,000 copies.

Winchell Stamps Approval
Walter Winchell, a humorist about them and claimed that the Ink Spots were the greatest thing ever to hit Broadway. . . . The boys appeared at the Paramount (Continued on page 2, column 2)

Correspondence Courses Open to Enlisted Men

The Special Service Office through the Army Institute has developed a plan whereby men who have more than four months service may pursue a correspondence course in high school or college education.

Lt. Roland O. Davis, Special Service Officer, has a booklet describing these courses, and any men that are interested may call at Lt. Davis' office for this booklet. It tells of a plan whereby, in spare time, one can improve his chances for promotion and can continue or begin a high school or college education. It tells how the finest educational facilities of the United States have been made available to soldiers while they are in the army, no matter where they are stationed.

Anyone May Enroll.
Never having taken a correspondence course before, one may question his ability to learn a subject by mail. There is no need for hesitation on that point. (Continued on page 2, column 1)

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Seymour, Indiana

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THE CHAPLAIN CHATS

By CHAPLAIN HENDERSON

I have often wondered just what the men think about the chaplain and his work. Maybe it is better that I don't know! As every man in this army, we find ourselves here with a very definite purpose and to condemn the sinners. We are here to help build high morale and good character to the end that all may serve better our country and our God. In times of war in which our nation has been engaged we have found our leaders especially concerned about the religious life of the soldier. They know he needs some high, intricate and holy purpose. In brief, they know he needs God. Hear what two of our war-time Presidents have said. On May 2, 1778 at Valley Forge, General Washington urged worship.

"The Commander-in-Chief directs that divine worship be performed every Sunday at 11:00 o'clock in each brigade which has a chaplain. Those brigades which have none will attend the place of worship nearest them. It is expected that the officers, all of ranks will, by their attendance, set an example to their men. While we are duly performing the duty of good soldiers we certainly ought not to be inattentive to the highest duties of religion. To the distinguished characteristics of a patriot is that our highest glory to add the more distinguished characteristics of a Christian."

Reverend Speaks

Or listen to President F. D. Roosevelt: "The supreme values are spiritual. The hope of the world is that character which, built upon the solid rock, withstands triumphantly all the storms of life. To build this exemplary character is our great task. Without it, the abundant life cannot be realized, and the best citizens and soldiers of a country are those who have put on the armor of righteousness."

These two Presidents, so concerned for our nation, know the quality of citizens and soldiers that will make secure its future. "We are the best men!" is something worth repeating to the great masses that turn our nation of our land, whether it will degenerate or grow greater, depends upon us. Let's be true to those who put this trust in our hands.

Correspondence

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press as fast or as slowly as you want and any one can get individual attention and help from the Institute.

Each year in the United States over a half million men and women have been studying correspondence courses. Many of them are in the army and are continuing that study. The soldier can select his own subject, one that interests him, and join with them. This is true, even if it has been years since he left school.

Spare Time Utilized.

How much time will it take? An hour of spare time here and then will show results. The soldier is his own timekeeper and he can fit his reading to suit the schedule of regular military duties from day to day and from week to week.

The booklet also describes the cost for the courses, and one can see that the cost is very little or less than it would be for any civilian.

SEYMOUR'S COMPLETE DEPARTMENT STORE

— YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT OUR RECORD DEPARTMENT —

SEARY, ROEBUCK AND CO.

Ink Spots

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theatre in New York and broke all box office records, overshadowing even the great Glenn Miller.

Millions of entertainment seekers from coast to coast have heard and seen this great quartet and have paid them unprecedented honors. Through all this the Ink Spots have passed with flying colors. Today they are even greater than they were when they found sudden fame and have added to their laurels such Decca records as "I've Been Thinking Prayer," "Maybe," "Do I Worry," "I'm Still Without a Sweetheart," "Keep Cool," "Hey, Doc," "Nothin' in a Dream" and "No Nothin'." But if you are skeptic and think that this article is overloaded with descriptive adjectives take a trip to the gym and tour your own opinion.

Highest Paid Quartet!

It wasn't until the Decca Recording Company released their version of "I I Didn't Care" that the boys really clicked. Today they are the highest paid quartet in the business and have made fast their claim to fame with such recordings as "My Prayer," "Java Joe" and "I'm Still Without a Sweetheart."

Vondielingen's SHOES

FOR MEN IN THE ARMED SERVICES

120 W. Second Street

1087th Guard Sqdn.

Having suffered temporary but irreparable setbacks at the hands of the 1078th and 1079th, the Guards are set to bounce back at the highly-souted (mostly self-praised) 1080th bowlers, 1st Sgt. Swartz and his shtly here to the contrary. Involuntarily seems to have taken possession of the 1080th cranium so that a slight touch of puncture wound would not be out of place. Maybe the trophy which was displayed prominently in "Baby" last week caught the eyes of the 1080th but with an eye to background at all times, we failed to discern much of the trophy. When word arrived from Cpl. Ordille that his car had broken down while conveying him back from furlough, we expected just another January... however, it turns out that if he has gas coupons to go with it, he has a car which should make a "wurst" in Seymour school circles. Pic. Keith threw a serious operation for a set-back and is recuperating rapidly. Meanwhile there are welcome additions to the 1087th, the latter having hair-raising stories to tell of Pvt. Harvor and the Battle of Midway. A rooming-house has been constructed for Mike, but the boys are making wagers as to whom the first human occupant will be. Keenan, the fighting Irishman, returned from furlough "dodging and weaving," as a portent of doom to would-be violators of the AWs.

Another "mercy flight" was made to Chile in 1939, carrying Red Cross supplies to earthquake sufferers. A graduate of Brooks, Kelly and Langley Fleets, Capt. Freeman was one of the pioneers in the Army Air Mail service. He flew with General Henry H. Arnold on a mission to test Martin Bombers from Washington, D. C. to Fairbanks, Alaska. He was the first pilot to land a B-17 Flying Fortress in Alaska.

Capt. Freeman was killed Feb. 6, 1941, when a "Flying Laboratory" he was piloting crashed near Lovelock, Nev. He is the son of Ab Freeman of Winamac, Ind.

Schedule of Coming Events

March 19—44th Dance Tonight.

March 21—Ink Spots Broadcast.

The USO

205 S. Chestnut St.

Saturday, Mar. 20—Dance with the USO Girls.

Sunday—Quiz program, cigarettes and movie passes as prizes. Buffet supper served by MSO beginning at 5:30 p. m.

Tuesday—Square dance instruction from 9:00 to 10:00 p. m. Ballroom dance instruction from 10:00 to 11:00 p. m.

Thursday—Free movies. Selected short subjects. 9:30 p. m.

The Hospitality Center

Tipton and Walnut Street

Friday, March 19—Fun and games night. "Play Sing and Laugh. 6:00 to 11:00 p. m.

Saturday—6:00 to 11:00 p. m.—"The Coffee Hour." All soldiers who really enjoy a wholesome Saturday evening should be at "The Coffee Hour" in the Center. Sunday—1:30 to 11:00 p. m.—Soldiers Sunday Fellowship Service for all soldiers 8:45 to 11:00 p. m.

The Colored Unit of the USO

Tipton and Lynn Street

Saturday, March 19—Bagel Saturday Nite dance.

Tuesday, March 22—Dance and jam session.

Thursday, March 24—7:30, Free Movies.

Stripe Paper Men

807th GMC

To Cpl. Clyde C. Charles, Kenny, Edwin Rugg, Robert Scheubauer, Fred Stephenson, George Ansley. To Tech 5—D. J. Cross, Clifton Morgan, Otis Rich.

Bell Cleaners

112 St. Louis Avenue

Captain Freeman

320th Sqdn.



Capt. Richard S. Freeman, the man for whom Freeman Army Air Field was named, gained fame for his "mercy flights." One of which was the leper colony at Molokai, from whence the remains of the founder of the colony, Father Damien, were taken to be placed on a transport vessel and sent to his native Belgium.

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Grown Up

That Happy-go-lucky;

That don't-give-a-dam;

That stealer of apples;

And strawberry jam;

That laughing young devil,

Whom studies just bored,

Has traded his horns for

Two wings, and has soared.

Where ack-acks are thicker

Than peas in a pod;

Where wings grace in passing

The garments of God;

Where Death laughs so hearty

His sides fairly shake;

When Youth, erstwhile carefree,

Looks down at life's mistakes.

The laughing that bubbled

When war first began,

Has steadied with combat.

That boy is a man.

Earl R. Stewart.

Led by the sharp shooting of Native Tatum and William Carroll, the 320th Lawdies played a sensational game they soundly trounced Artburys 30-17 before wild cheering fans. It was the hardest fought contest of the season, the 320th's first since. After slow start things began to click. Tatum found his stride and his efforts spurred Carroll Angelo, the Pvt. William Jefferson returned from a three-day pass feeling very happy about the whole thing... Cpl. Zack Hargrove, who shot at the officers club, returned from Homer's Pa., bringing his wife with him. Blue days are over now, aren't they, Hargrove?... Pvt. James Sims, our erstwhile company clerk and star member of the basketball team, was unable to play because of a bad ankle... Someone said that Hopkin Bart, the company clerk has really scored in North Vernon. He says no fare, boys no meals, and sees no reason to be placed on a plane for all of this Harold?... Curtis Sims was short on bus fare coming home the other nite. Did Hargrove care that the officers club break you, Curtis?... What happened to the Model T Ford that Lemon and Furguey of B-1 thought to send to B-12 defeated B-1 this week for the first barracks in the squadron. B-11 trailed a long with Carson as chief.

P.X Will Be Closed Saturday

Capt. Wilcox L. Harris, post exchange officer, announced today that the post exchange will be closed all day Saturday (Tomorrow) for inventory.

Capt. Harris wanted to remind the men that inventories will be taken on the twentieth of each month, unless that day falls on a Sunday or holiday. In the twentieth, if the inventory will be on the preceding day.

New Bus Schedule

The B. J. & H. Buslines are now endeavoring to maintain a schedule to and from the Freeman Army Air Field.

During the day the buses will enter the main gate at approximately 10 minutes of the hour, make a complete circuit of the field and depart at approximately 10 minutes after the hour. The buses will leave the USO at 30 minutes of the hour.

After 5 p. m. the buses will run continuously until 12:00 p. m. on an approximately 15 minute schedule.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Sunday, March 21, 1943

Post Chapel

Opposite GYM

FOR CATHOLIC MEN:

9:15 a. m. Confession.

10:30 a. m. Mass.

Confessions will be heard by the priest on Saturday evening from 8:30-9:00 o'clock in the Chapel.

FOR PROTESTANT MEN:

10:30 a. m. Negro services.

11:00 a. m. Church services sponsored by the 1080th Squadron. Special music. Everyone welcome.

FOR JEWISH MEN:

8:30 a. m. evening. 7:30, the service will be conducted by Mr. Ly. on Wednesday of the Jewish Welfare Board, Columbus. All Jewish men and their wives are invited.

Services In Seymour

St. Ambrose Catholic Church
321 S. Chestnut St.

Sunday Masses, 8-8:10 A. M.

First Presbyterian Church

Third & Walnut

Sunday Morning Worship,
10:20 A. M.

First Methodist Church

Ewing & Third

Morning Worship, 8:20 A. M.

First Baptist Church

Third & Walnut

Morning Worship, 9 to 11 A. M.

Evening Worship, 7:20 P. M.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Walton & Chestnut

Sunday Services, 9:00 & 10:30 A. M.

CONTROL TOWER MEN, SEYMOUR, MARYS OF POST

Traffic Control of Airway Is Exciting Work, Tower Men Like Their Difficult Assignment

Every day we nonchalantly view the giant tower with its green glow lower than the edge of the line, little realizing how vital it is to the successful operation of the many planes flying overhead.

When our reporter recently climbed the 65 steps up the long stair case leading to the highest point on the field he found it a bewilderment of activity with Sgt. John W. Welty, tower chief, sitting as queenbee.

Plenty of Activity

After a couple of minutes in the tower control room, amid the buzzing of microphones and various loud speakers, the answering of radio calls, telephone and the speaker, directly connected to operations office, it is completely befuddled and starts to appreciate the good work these tower men are doing.

From the time the planes start early in the morning, until the last planes check in at night, the tower is all eyes and ears. No plane is permitted to leave the grounds until its radio has been tested O. K. and is on the proper frequency. Planes traveling "cross country" must be on a different frequency than plane going "local" so it's pertinent for each tower to have a number of receivers to enable operators to check the various frequencies.

Atmosphere Like Wall Street.

The almost constant chatter of three receivers set on different frequencies, tends to create an atmosphere paralleling a section of the stock market on Wall Street. "I thought I'd never make a tower operator when I first entered a control tower," Sergeant Welty said, "but after I got the hang of it I wouldn't change for another job because there's never a dull moment in the tower."

For planes having no radio or whose radio is out of working order, the tower uses a red and green signal light for take-off and landings.

Sounds Like Double-Talk.

A glance at the parked planes revealed one that was "warmed up" and before taxiing off the following conversation took place. Pilot called in—"391 to Seymour Tower, go ahead." Tower—Seymour Tower to 391, go ahead. Pilot—391 back to tower—"Taxi and take off instructions, please." Tower—"Roger, you are clear to taxi out to the intersection and call in." Pilot—"Seymour tower-traffic taking off east—give the tower call when you

are in number one pilot-off position and call in." Pilot—Seymour tower 391, number one take off position. Tower—"Roger, 391, you're clear to go" and so another of the silver, sleek twin-motored advanced trainers takes off. This is just the usual procedure in getting one plane in the air so you can see why tower operators usually get bald or prematurely grey.

S/ Sgt. Welty is assisted by Pfc. W. W. Kellog and Pvt. Snyder, Whitaker, Klein, Raina, Mandfield, Brecken, Wirica, Tabor, and Cpl. Vito Niemi, radio maintenance man.

Goldian of 1078th

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high mark of 97.8 for their efforts.

Post Training School under the direction of Lt. Eric L. Smith, is concluding its ninth week. Changes and improvements have been made as conditions require. Nine instructors have conducted classes throughout the entire period. These nine are Lt. Charles F. Wehr, chemical warfare; Capt. William B. Keeler, army organization; Lt. Paul Goldstein, pay and allowances; Lt. William O. Moon, pilotage; Major James T. Frazier, military information; Capt. Robert C. Camish, interior guard; and Capt. Leslie M. Nestor, army organization and discipline.

The program of instruction was amplified recently by the addition of several new courses. Safety training and information is taught by Lt. Ardison Y. Yeaman, Post Intelligence Officer. Lt. Harold Estes, Post Statistical Officer, teaches identification of aircraft. Lt. William S. Lewis instructs military sanitation and first aid. Infantry drill is taught by Lt. Thomas V. Mistretta, commanding officer of the 40th band.

Gadgets

It appeared on the Cadet bulletin board yesterday that our Cadet John Quincy Adams of the 1078th is famous for his name but also for having met a formation last Saturday. He had better be careful or Ripley will be looking for him.

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One of the Spots



Billy Kenny is the top tenor of the 10th Spots quartette that will broadcast from the post gym on Sunday. He was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, December 14, 1914. . . six feet two and weighs 160 pounds . . . Played football and starred at the Crumpus Athletic High School . . . is a natural singer . . . got his start on station WKRF . . . Played football and starred at the Crumpus Athletic High School . . . has driven in many races . . .

Pill Rollers

The fair sex have invaded the Hospital! Now in the time of strife and chaos it really is a refreshing sight to have such charm and beauty about. Heading the parade of paltrudes are six nurses with effervescent personalities. Chief nurse, 1st Lt. Winifred J. McKinney, comes here with an excellent record. Having spent twenty-four months of army service of which twenty-one months were spent at Mitchell Field, Long Island. Before coming here Lt. McKinney was stationed at Fort Dix, New Jersey. She is a graduate of the Nassau Hospital, School of Nursing, completing her course "Cum Laude". The remaining three are here from the Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. Namely: 2nd Lt. Eugenia Kish, 2nd Lt. Catherine Cahill, 2nd Lt. Evelyn Langdon, 2nd Lt. Mary Allen, 2nd Lt. Elsie Cochran. An interesting by-line on 2nd Lt. Elsie Cochran is a fact that she was born in London, England, her home is in Toronto, Canada. Many of the places in and around London, bombed by the German Luftwaffe, can be recalled very vividly by Lt. Cochran. She spent many happy days there during her childhood.

We wish all "OUR ANGELS OF MERCY" the best of luck, and may their stay be a pleasant one.

In the Flight Surgeon's office are two very capable and efficient young ladies: Mrs. Evelyn Wardell, whose husband is in staff at this field and Miss Elsie Hardesty. Miss Hardesty's father runs a hotel in Seymour, and with Elsie's captivating presence special rates can be arranged.

Registrars office has the unique distinction of having a very radiant personality, doing her job with the same efficiency as B. Henderson. To those of you who don't recall the name, Mrs. Henderson is the wife of the Post Chaplain. She is an extremely likeable person with a lot of charm. Her one solemn hope is that more men on this field attend services regularly. Judge Elmer's capturing sentence is that "the Chaplain has made a very noble choice."

The administration building is the mecca where all the girls report in the morning and in the late afternoon to leave at night. The young lady in charge holds the honor of putting in the longest period of service in the hospital. Mrs. Genevieve Sage.

Browning's Military Background Proves Useful As First Sergeant

The distinction of being assigned as the first "skipper" at Freeman Army Air Field belongs to P/Sgt. Jerry C. Browning of the 447th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron. Arriving in Seymour on December 1, 1942, with a nucleus of headquarters squadron, his was the task of organizing and setting into motion the necessary wheels of machinery in the operation of a coordinated airbase.

Ueda is a General.

Born in Washington, D. C., Browning's life has been, in one way or another, connected with the armed services. Boyhood crises "My uncle is a general" was no idle boast for Browning. His uncle, Brig. Gen. Wood Woodford, flight surgeon in the Air Force of the 1910's, is a general with flying overs in one of the theaters of operations. The Air Force of the War Office is directly connected with General H. Arnold's headquarters. Another Rear Admiral John B. Fay, former commandant of the Norfolk War school, is now on active duty with the fleet in the Pacific.

Joins National Guard.

In 1938 Browning set out to establish a military career for himself. He joined the Maryland National Guard and had reached the rank of S/sgt. when the guard was federalized in February, 1941.

Stationed at Fort Meade, Md., his regiment was split up to form the 89th Central Postal Directory. The 2nd was the first divisional anti-tank battalion to be activated in the rapidly expanding Army. Manoeuvring on December 1, 1942, Browning in command of a gun crew. Problems in screened and overhead firing were "duck soup" for him because of the excellent ordnance had been his favorite hobbies.

In the spring of 1942 he transferred to the Air Corps for gun training. "I guess I wasn't cut out to be a flyer," says Browning. His next station was Craig Field, Ala., where he "invented" the rank of first sergeant. This promotion came Dec. 1, and the squadron transferred from Craig to Seymour on December 7.

Recently Sgt. Browning was married to Miss Dorothy E. Walsh, daughter of the late Capt. Joseph Walsh of the 1078th. Sgt. Walsh served in the Spanish American War, saw service in China, and was one of the builders of the building in Washington. Not to be outdone by "the sergeant, my husband," Mrs. Browning also has a relative this name. Her father, Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts is her first cousin.

447th Squadron

Our victorious hoop-stars will be the "guests of honor at the dance tonight. . . The jubilant and happy crowd is a goodly one recognized some of the spectators in their enthusiasm. . . Our new squadron commander, Major Reginald C. McGill gave the opening talk and told them what was expected of them both as soldiers and members of his squadron. . . We want to take this opportunity to welcome the new additions to our group. Some of the new privates spent sleepless nights trying to figure out their income tax. Some of the returns were classic. . . What T/Sgt. was awakened at 1:00 a. m. by some jerk who had misappreciated the time and thought that it was 6:00 a. m. . . The bowling team is starting to show some real form with the recent acquisition of some new talent. It must be prize-winning if our hopefuls walk around with a dreamy look on their pans. Two of our little lads, S/sgt. Master and Sgt. Wood look the air lock week-end and flew to Chicago. . . The Ordnance Department took over Indianapolis last week-end and the boys were out there drifting in they did all right. . . Mutt and Jeff combination—Sgt. Callahan and Cpl. Nigzel. . . Pvt. Bledsoe has joined the light section of the squadron. The others are: Sgt. Dave Williams, S/sgt. English, T/Sgt. "Porky" Martin. . . Pvt. Lauder's "B" is a good one. . . Starting to show results. A girl at the USO asked him if he would like a cookie the other night. . . Interesting situation—the same hanger and are arch rivals in basketball. . . A number of recruits are being made for forgoths and are being sent after the 1st. It seems that these requests are made right after the lads get a letter from the little gal back home.

1080th Sqdn.

Well, it looks as if Spring has finally come to the 1080th and incidentally Indiana. The ample supply of rain in the ground is evidence that we're in the midst of our Spring thaw. In connection with this, Sgt. Schlosser, a keen brain, is thinking of starting a water and business. The profits will go to the Red Cross. . . Cpl. Schrimpe was seen outside the supply room. What's cooking, Ben? . . . Personal to 1st Sgt. Upchurch of the 1078th—what happened to your Bowling Team Thursday night? . . . Very little has been heard from the Orderly Room boys—what's wrong? Have you guys taken the "kiddies"? . . . Apparently Pfc. Barber hasn't he was sporting a beautiful eye in this writing. Has Cpl. Blodgett got any kind of an explanation for the eye? . . .

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447th CAPTURES POST CAGE CROWN

Tight Play Marks Game; 320th Trims Atterbury Quintet

The 447th cagers emerged victorious, 41 to 35, in a hard fought, thrill packed game over the 1079th squadron Friday night, March 12, for the Post Basketball Tournament Championship. The game was played in the Seymour high school gymnasium.

Both teams got off to a slow start, neither scoring during the first few minutes of the game. The 447th boys then got their steam up and rolled in eight points before the Woodmen even got into the game. The 320th does not indicate the tight ball game that was played.

Hard Luck Dogs 1079th. Davis and Horwood of the 1079th had the hard luck twins of the game as their shots consistently failed to swish the net.

Wolan, Davis and Albright played a bang up ball game for the 447th. Albright's play under the basket and on rebounds was outstanding. The all around play of Davis was the highlight of the evening, he was all over the floor and always at the opportune time. The defensive play of Doan and Eaton, which proved himself a long slender artist, rounded out an unbeatable aggregation.

Capt. Wood Inspires Men

Evidently Capt. Wood put some fire in his boys during the first half for the third quarter saw the 1079th, a red hot outfit, coming within five points of the pacemakers however their team of 1079th boys lived up to their 447th shorts confined to "drop" buckets from every angle of the floor and they never threatened. Davis was high point man for the winners with 12 points.

Major Jobe, Director of the USO presented Captain Plausche and the men of the 447th squadron the beautiful trophy for capturing the Post Basketball Championship.

In the curtain raiser to the 44th-1079th game the 22nd squadron's team tumbled Cap Atterbury's service Squadron team, 29 to 17. Tatum, former member of the Globe Trotters, former professional team, was high point man for the 320th.

Dots and Dashes from Aero-Ettes

At a meeting of the Aero-Ettes, Barbara La Croix of the Sub-Dept was elected by the club to fill the vacancy of the former marriage of Mary Wistick to Capt. Washik. . . Welcome to the club, Morgan! . . . Seen quite steadily together are Clem and Margaret Barzani and Lt. Ed Kovacic. . . Patty Butcher and Lt. Graham. . . New Member Barbara La Croix and Lt. Bob Timman. . . Marie Richard and Mr. . . The club extends its best get-well wishes to Lt. Morrison although it seems to us the Medicine men at least keep themselves in tip-top condition. . . Last request comes from Capt. Brannan who begs please, stop being a member of a bad organization—He offers to make the supreme sacrifice of wearing a petticoat. . . Cadets and gals attended to the music of the Post Orchestra last Friday night at the Cadet Dance. . . Most enjoyed of all though, were the free nights of the post given to the women of the Jigging Contest and the elimination dance. . . Wives of married cadets were also asked to attend and appreciate the extra night in which they could see their husbands.

CHAMPS The 447th Basketball team which copped the Post title on Friday, March 12. Kneeling left to right are King Dorman, Wohlen and Albright. Standing left to right Capt. Ewell Plausche, Eden, Patterson, Davis and Farrarher.



Battin The Breeze

BY PRIVATE CONVEYANCE

Things are coming to a fine how do—when a gal has to give up lipstick. The other day a New York Episcopal Bishop remarked that rouge, lipstick, fingernail polish were not necessary to morale. It seems that this slip of the tongue lit the fuse out Hollywood way for the gala out at Lockheed and in Hollywood immediately informed the Bishop that painted lips and tinted fingertips are a necessity for girls at home and it inspires the boys—~~even though they can't see him.~~ This reminds me of the soldier in Australia who wrote his gal all about the gals in the land down under. She wrote back saying, "What have they got I haven't got?" The soldier replied, "They haven't got anything you haven't got, baby, but they've got it here."

As one Lockheed "eye-opener" (drivetrainer sweater to you) in her own words through ruby lips said, "Isn't there enough damage being done to the maps of the world without moving in on the women too?" In this I am sure are old dogfaces will concur.

Ho Hum, it seems the fems struck a counterblow. They asked the Bishop how he would like to give up shaving for the duration. But, you've got to get up early in the morning to put it over on a Bishop, sister, you see curves and sweaters just don't count. The Bishop retaliated with, "You give up cosmetics, I'll give up shaving. My O's, my, these civilians sure are having a tough time in this war."

I've often wondered how the "gals" get that ray complexion on their cheeks. I spent a couple hours down on the line Saturday afternoon and found the answer. It seems they're now taking mud baths.

Follows, if you want to spend a few home like hours drop into the USO any Sunday afternoon around 3 o'clock. The USO Mothers are doing everything possible to give a guy that old homey atmosphere. The chow they dish out is "just like mother's" and the quiz program that follows might get you a ticket to the show or a pack of cigarettes. Take a tip—that pie is really EXTRA, EXTRA!

Memo From Pappy

Smoky Hill, Ky.,
March 15, 1943.

Dear Son:

Your uncle has a job at last, the first in 48 years. We are better off now, \$17.45 every Thursday, so we are doing a little fixin' up.

We sent to Sears Roebuck for one of our new-fangled bathrooms like you hear is in some houses. Over on one side of the room is a big white thing like the pigs drink out of, only you get in it and take a bath all over. Over on the other side is a little gadget called a sink, this is for light washing such as your hands and face. But over in the other corner—Wow! We really got something there. There is a thing you put one foot in it and scrub it till it gets clean then you pull the chain and get fresh water for the other foot. Two lids come down on the darn thing, and we ain't had no use for them in the bathroom, so I'm using one for the breadboard, and we framed Grandpa's picture in the other one. They are very nice people to do business with, why they even sent us a roll of writing paper.

Take good care of yourself.

PAPPY.

907th QM

We shook hands and wished good luck to "Pappy" Freeman and Pic. Bear last week. They have gone home to aid the War effort in other lines; Pappy to his farm in Texas and Bear in a defense job. . . Five new fellows joined us, from South Dakota, and added to those who came in last month. The third barracks is open. The 907th seems to be expanding. . . We haven't seen anyone take "Shorty" McCoolsey on in a game of darts yet, and from the looks of his scores no one will. They're THAT high. . . Pingpong seems to have lost its favor with those who played it. . . Perhaps the lack of interested opponents has dampened their ardor; a Rugg vs Medley session would be interesting. . . During the rain last week we all did an "Eliza crossing the ice" when waiting along the boards into the barracks. It was a tossup to the crawl or the strok toward the worst of the rain, but either would have been useless at that; snowshoes might have worked out okay. Wonder what the rain was doing to the webbed feet? Perhaps they'll lose their webs when dry weather comes along though.

1077th Sqdn.

The church services held Sunday at the post chapel were a shining tribute to our Adjutant, Lt. Paul H. Smith. Due to his splendid organization and direction, the program presented a most inspiring hour of worship. To solicit, Sgt. Bud Wood, we present our orchids of the week for his vocal selections during services. . . Bloodhounds wanted: The C. O. of the 1077th has issued a request for at least six burly bloodhounds for the purpose of retrieving rebel rags, who are seen racing for the P. X. . . It beats all how these 1077th boys get around. Just Sunday night roll call was held at the terminal station in Louisville. It took one complete car for the boys to ride back by rail. Then they simply rented a taxi company to ferry them out to the field. Looks like the Seelbach Hotel Bar has about taken the boys' minds off the hoodies. . . Who commonly called Simon LeGree by the boys (Privates) of the squadron. Could it be Sgt. Robinson? Why he doesn't even carry a whip-boy. . . If anyone hears a loud noise of planks falling in the middle of the night, there is no cause for alarm. We all know what it is. Bobby has the boys on night duty again. . . What certain Tech Sgt. of the squadron came in and asked the First Sergeant for a rubber pass? Seems he wanted it to have a stretch in front and also one behind. . . Glad to see Pvt. Leahy back on the job after a week's sojourn in the hospital. Are you listening girls? . . . We of the squadron are just waiting for one thing. Capt. Reid knows what it is, but he isn't telling. Could be Miami calling.

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1079th Sqdn.

Hats off to the 447th basketball quintet. In the post championship game played at the Shields High School gym in Seymour, the 447th cagers defeated the 1079th squad. Definitely on the "back" side from the start our boys were ridding the goal all through the first half. Davis and Horwood time and time again put shots in the basket only to have them roll out. Wohlen, Davis and Albright of the 447th playing superb ball, had the better of the first half which ended 23-12. At the start of the second half our boys put on pressure and came up to within five points of the pacemakers, but eased off in the fourth quarter as the 447th goals continued to drop. Horwood, Davis and Upchurch divided scoring honors for the 1079th team. . . Enthusiasm ran high all through the game as a crowd of 400 witnessed the contest. . . Smiley Morris, assisted by Lt. Francis Guilo, led the cheering section which urged the boys on all the way. . . On Monday night, preceding the play-off game, the 1079th smothered the 1078th team in the semi-finals to the tune of 52-31. Upchurch led his team to this victory by dropping in 21 points. In the final quarter of this game Mr. Charles Farr made his initial appearance of the season and had 4 points to his credit. . . Our bowling team split in two contests this week. Taking 2 out of 3 strings from the league leading 1079th we were paced by Capt. Norman Wood were really "hot." Rolling as anchor man Capt. Wood won one string in the 1079th and the last box and nearly duplicated the feat in the last string but fell a few pins short.

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