

CUBS, WHITE SOX WILL TANGLE IN EXHIBITION GAME AT LOCAL PARK

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Victory Farm Gets Underway

"Back to the Soil" Movement Started This Week; Capt. Brannan in Charge

Rationing of the scarcity of fresh vegetables will not be a problem to the mess halls at Freeman Field this summer. The farm project, under the direction of Capt. Rudolph Brannan, post adjutant, got under way this week with the planting of one-acre of Irish potatoes. Present plans include the progressive planting of various types of vegetables to insure an abundant supply of fresh vegetables throughout the entire summer.

In studying the land in the field for possible cultivation, it was decided that the twenty acres between the north and east gates at the north end of the field were ideally suited for a victory farm project.

Rich Farm Land

The land on which the post is located is on the edge of the great midwest corn belt and is considered to be some of the best producing farmland in the United States. With the selection of the site for the farm, a call was issued for enlisted men to voluntarily work on the project. Preference was given to those men who had operated a farm before entering the service. Among the

USO Unit Scores Hit on First Appearance at Freeman Field

A packed house bowled with delight Monday night when the USO-Camp Show moved into the post gym for a performance of clever specialty numbers. The show, a blue circuit program, was brought to the field through the courtesy of the USO Camp Shows, Fifth Service Command and the Special Services Office.

Keke Is Highlighter

Headed by glib-tongued Phil Kaye, comedian, who highlighted the show with his cracks and songs and imitations, had the audience literally rolling in the aisles. Then there were the girls, Albie Gaye, the tap dancer, Carol Blake who "pulled down the booth" with her singing and Edith Rogers Dahl, the platinum blonde cutie who saved her husband, Harold Dahl, from the firing squad in Spain several years ago by writing "General" and enclosing her picture.

Berk Gets Smacker

The highlight of the show, as far as the enlisted men were concerned, was when Phil Keke asked if any soldier had a birthday that day. Cpl. John L. Berk of the 447th had just turned 23 and went up on the stage to receive the gift that Kaye promised. He was escorted to the stage by the two devotes, Edith Dahl and Carol Blake, then the girls went to work on him. Berk knows

Qualified Specialists Now Authorized to Wear New Sleeve Patch

A distinctive sleeve patch has been adopted and authorized for wear on the blouse, field jacket, shirt (worn without the blouse) and fatigue uniform by enlisted technical specialties of the Army Air Force according to a recent AAF Regulation.

The sleeve patch is a 2 1/4 inch equilateral triangle, resting on a background of ultramarine blue, with distinguishing designs in gold within to represent each of the five group assignments of technical specialties: armament, communications; engineering, photography and weather.

The patch will be worn centered on the outside of the right sleeve of the blouse, field jacket or shirt with the lowest point four inches above the lower edge of the sleeve. It will be worn on the left breast pocket of the fatigue uniform.

The patches will be worn in addition to the technicians badge and the qualifications are the same as those described for technicians badge in the TWINGINE TIMES March 28. An enlisted man must be a graduate of an army air force technical training

All Receipts Go To Recreation Fund; Starts 2:30 P. M. Redland Ball Park

Old rivalry will flare up in Seymour Monday afternoon just when it left off last fall in the Chicago City Series, when the Chicago Cubs tangle in an exhibition game with their arch rivals the Chicago White Sox at the Redland ball park.

This is the first game between these two teams since last fall when the Chicago White Sox copped the City Series. It will be a real battle. Every meeting of these two teams in the past has been a hair-raising, blood-thirsty fight to the finish. The Cubs are out to try and regain some prestige that was lost to the White stockings boys last fall.

Major Weiland Is New Executive Officer of Post

Major George W. Weiland has been named the new post executive officer according to a recent announcement made by Colonel E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of Freeman Field. Major Weiland succeeds Lt. Col. Ora M. Baldinger, who was assigned to duties as post engineer liaison officer. Before his entry into the service, Major Weiland was employed by the Pan-American Airways and a 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 as a member of the French Army and was in several major engagements.

A Salute To The Men Of The 320th Aviation Squadron

With competition for the most efficiency plaques at the recent award among the squadrons of the 320th have captured the award for the second consecutive week.

The attitude of the 320th towards the plaque and any other awards on the field, can perhaps be summed up in its words of the non-coms of the squadron. "We men of the 320th are out to win everything on this field. From efficiency plaques to baseball and boxing championships."

Band Plays Daily Retreat at Post Headquarters; Now Has 21 Members

The band seems to be raising the tone of many a department head in post headquarters. Reason is that every time the band marches up for retreat, almost everyone knocks off work to look and listen to the players.

Within the last few days the 405th AAF Band, commanded by Lt. Thomas V. Mistretta, has grown from nine men to 14's present strength of 21. With increase of organization there has been a similar increase in the quality of the music played.

T/Sgt. Richard Bowles, the band leader, is busy working out new arrangements and hopes to have outdoor band concerts as soon as the weather permits. Before reporting to Freeman Field, he was stationed at Gunter Field, Ala., where he composed "March Gunter Field" which is now the official march at that post.

S/Sgt. Henry E. Radian is the acting first sergeant and can be seen playing the clarinet six days a week at the retreat formations. Radian is usually the butt of all the jokes at the meeting of all the squadron first sergeants. The other "top kicke" kid him about the vast amount of paper work he must have to take care of all his men.

An interesting story is that of Pfc. Anthony A. Dohame. Du-

Big League Stars to Play. Both of these big league teams are coming to Seymour with their full complement of players. The first game will be the outstanding one of Big Bill Lee, Nihilob, stars as Big Bill Lee, Nihilob, the Mad Russian, Lou Norkoff, Ed Lou Warneke, Big Paul Deringer and Little Phil Cavaretta, led by manager Casey Stengel, manager of the Cubs. The White Sox roster will include many notable stars such as Luke Appling, First Baseman, Joe Kubel, Outfielder, Solters, and led by their cigar chewing aggressive manager, Jimmy Dykes.

All Receipts for Recreation Fund. The Special Service Office and the Post Club department are largely responsible for the success of this outstanding attraction to Seymour. All of the proceeds from this game will be turned by the field to be used to buy athletic equipment for the men at Freeman Field. "Both teams were most anxious to be able to do this for the men at this field," Lt. Davis, Special Service officer, stated.

Seats on Sale. Admission prices for the game are: Reserved grandstand seats \$1.10, bleacher seats (general) 80c; enlisted men (bleacher) 50c; High School students and children 25c.

The Sergeant's Right

In the general's office a young lieutenant, a middle aged major and an elderly general, being weary of discussing military matters, tackled the much pleasanter topic of kissing. A main point was whether kissing one's own wife was "effort" or "pleasure."

The lieutenant said that with him it was ninety per cent pleasure and ten per cent effort. The major allowed that with him it was fifty-fifty. The general admitted to ninety per cent effort and ten per cent pleasure. The sergeant on duty began shuffling the papers on his desk, whereupon the general said: "Sergeant, you've heard what's been said. What's your idea of this important matter?"

"Sir, if you will pardon me," replied the sergeant, "I'm sure it can't be the way you say it is. If kissing your wife was that much work you'd be having me do it for you."

The climax of "sweating out a promotion" used to be celebrated by passing out cigars to friends. A recent order from the War Department through Col. F. R. Kerr, acting chief of army exchanges, limits the sale of panatellas to not more than six to one person. S/Sgt. Wilbur Shabben of the 35th Group, has added a new twist to the old custom. Purchasing 25 ten cent Defense Savings Stamps he passed out a stamp and an album to his friends. S-Sgt. Robert Schlosser of the 10600th offers Sgt. Forrest E. Durey of the 447th a cigar from one of the last boxes purchased at the P. X.



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THE CHAPLAIN CHATS

by CHAPLAIN HENDERSON

It is surprising how few words make up our regular vocabulary. But several of them are badly overworked. Frankly, they are the words that we bring back from theology, such as God, hell, damn, etc. In our mouths they have taken on a different and a lower meaning.

In July, 1776 General Washington issued a General Order, part of which is as follows: "The General is sorry to be informed that the foolish and wicked conduct of profane swearing is increasing herefore the little known in an American army, is growing in fashion. He hopes the officers will, by example as well as influence, endeavor to check it, and that both they and the men will reflect, that we can have little hope of the blessing of Heaven on our arms, if we insult it by our impurity and 'filthy'."

Why Do Men Swear?

Maybe it is well that Washington is not in our barracks, our day rooms, our Officer's Clubs, and at our various group meetings. Why do men swear? It is a question to be pondered over. Of course, many of them are "smart"—which is nothing more or less than a "cool-legiate hang-over." Others think they are "tough" as they beat the air with dire epithets! Truthfully, swearing always denotes weakness. It is a mark of weakness in intelligence. Lord Byron wrote of an acquaintance, "He knew not what to say so he swore." Also, it is a mark of weakness in character. John Bunyan wrote of his early days, "I knew not how to speak unless I put an oath before and behind to make my words have authority." Sounds like some men in the army today.

Gentlemen Don't Swear.

More than anything, swearing reveals a man as anything but a gentleman. "On a certain occasion General Washington invited a number of officers to dine with him. While at table, one of them uttered an oath. Washington dropped his knife and fork in a moment, and in his sharp upraised voice said, 'I consider it my duty and duty of I thought that we all should ourselves gentlemen.' No person swore at the table after that."

Of course, we can't have Washington back with us, but I wish his spirit of decency and courtesy would accompany us so that we too could "suppose that we are all gentlemen."

How to Get "Three Squares" When Home On Furlough

When Johnny G. I. comes home on furlough every-one is so happy to see him. Big-home cooked meals are served on groaning tables and Johnny digs in with both hands. In case he doesn't know it the folks back home are living on a point rationing system and almost everything they buy is another ration coupon less for themselves.

Johnny will not eat his family out of "home and food" as he follows the procedure outlined by a recent OPA action.

A member of the armed services need only present his furlough papers to his post rationing board and state that he is to be at home for several days or more. For that period he will be allowed 15 points of extra ration thereof. He will also be allowed one pound of coffee for the period and one-half pound of sugar for each week.

Gadgets

A certain Student Officer of Class 43-D has a very lovely wife named in Backus. He believes she sings every Monday over the radio. "Buck," correct me if I'm wrong. . . . Why doesn't the radio in Backus, last name beginning with 'J', quit snoring so the rest can sleep? . . . Will someone please tell me why the Surgeon General's Office, U. S. Army Engineers or, shall I just guess? . . . Class 43-E came in with a bang. The Cadet Club was pleased to have them back over the weekend. . . . I was just wondering if anyone saw the fine exhibition of drilling that Flights B and C Class 43-B gave us last Saturday. . . . Flights B and C had open post over the weekend and it appears that they had a very good time. For further information on this subject see Cadets Pickles and Quaintance becoming every time you mention it they hold their heads. . . . Lt. Hellenkamp, how do you like it? Did you find everything the same or had there been some changes made?

Sweating It Out

Was there ever a term so indicative of the real experience. . . . The dictionary says "to sweat" (1) gathering of moisture in minute drops like those of perspiration—(2) hard labor. It is easy to realize why it says "sweat perspiration." So it has become the standard phrase with the boys in the Armed Forces. Various popular types of sweating embrace the following activities: "sweating out a ship," "sweating out a furlough," "sweating out the shoe line," "sweating out OCS." This latter comes from (2) of the definition of sweating hard labor. Well, we guess it all adds up to "sweating out" of "sweating out" Hitler's funeral and when that is all sweated out, it will be off to home we go, maybe.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, April 9—34th Group Dance at the Elks Club.

Saturday, April 10—Contest dance at officers club.

Monday, April 12—Baseball game between the Chicago Cubs and White Sox at the Redland ball park in Seymour—2:30 p. m.

Saturday, April 10—Regular USO dance night.

Sunday—Quiz program and buffet supper beginning at 5:00 p. m.

Tuesday—Square dance instruction from 9 to 10 p. m.; drillroom dance instruction from 10 to 11 p. m.

LUTHERAN CENTER.

The Lutheran Center invites you to spend another Sunday evening, with games and entertainment, April 11, at 8:00 p. m. Soldiers are welcome at all times. Open every evening for bowling, ping pong, reading and writing.

SOLDIERS HOSPITALITY

Friday, April 9—7:00 to 11:00 p. m. "Jolly Pop Corn Hours"

Saturday—6:00 to 11:00 p. m. "The Coffee Hours" Games, music and company.

Sunday—1:30 to 7:30 p. m. "Soldiers Favorite Hours" 8:40 to 11:00 p. m. "Soldiers Special Friday" Service.

Tuesday—6:00 to 11:00 "The Happy Birthday Evening." Home-made birthday cake and coffee for every one. All are invited to have a birthday during the week.

Wednesday—6:00 to 11:00 p. m. Friendship, Faith, and Fellowship night.

Thursday—8:30 to 11:00 p. m. "It's the Easter Parade Party Night" Those in charge will be Sergeant William "Woody" Capt. Monica Bump and musician hostess Thelma Embuff.

Aviation Cadet Examination Board Now Open to Enlisted Men at Field

Pillrollers

"In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." Ah! (L'Amour) what a beautiful and expressive! Poets, playwrights and authors have written about love through the years. But love has been won and lost with that magic word—"LOVE"—at stake. Love knows no barriers—no boundaries can be overcome with it as the guiding light. . . . Now the truth can be told. A beautiful romance has culminated in an engagement between Lt. Houston, Med. Det. C. O. and Miss Virginia Mathews, Sec'y. for the Executive Office. Good luck to you both! . . .

Getter babies?—"The wives of the enlisted men of the Med. Det. are a charming lot. T/Sgt. Johnny Stell, Cpls. Potts and Patch have their wives in town. Mrs. Edgar, the 1st Sgt.'s wife, is a swell hostess and makes delicious spaghetti. . . .

—There there were the three sergeants of the Med. Det. who spent the week-end in Louisville and want to go back—Need we say more? . . .

Reville is now being held daily. The chickens get up two hours later than the enlisted men of the Med. Det. Roll call is held in the dark, and each man is identified by name. Reports are given immediately after—how! what an improvement in health. Two of the men walked down the main street in Seymour and a local undertaker chased them for three blocks.

Capt. Griffith, the very popular Asst. Flight Surgeon, is termed as a "regular guy" by all the enlisted men. Report of Aviation Medical Examiner, has been transferred to Salt Lake City, Utah.

A new class of cadets is now on the field and being given their "64's." To those of you unacquainted with the term "64," it is a very rigid physical examination which is one of the factors in determining the status of a cadet. —New theme of paratroopers is—"I don't mean a thing if you don't pull that string."—From the picture of the same name.

Sgt. Jay Manasheh.

Victory Farm

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first to answer the call were Miss Andrew Hilton of the 36th Training Group and Pfc. Curtis Strickland of the 44th.

Hilton Veteran Farmer
[M]Sgt. Hilton has been in the army since 1918. He has in charge of garden projects in various posts throughout the country. While serving in Panama, he was in charge of an air base squadron was Colonel E. W. Rindquist.

Before entering service, Strickland, a county agricultural agent in Lowndes county, Georgia. Both of them were put in charge and given the "go-ahead" signal by Capt. Brannan.

Potatoes Are Eyed
On April 3, Strickland and three assistants, Pfc. Arthur W. Moseley, Reginald R. Beard of

Enlisted Men at Freeman Field, between the ages of 17 and 24 inclusive, may apply directly at this field for entrance into the Army Air Corps as Aviation cadets. Lt. Bruce Smith, post schools officer, Freeman Field, Ind.

(Applications are now being received by the Cadet Examining Board at this field, of men interested in becoming aviation cadets. Upon successful completion of the program, the cadets will be commissioned second lieutenants or flight officers.

Menial Physical Tests Given
Although no formal education is necessary, applicants will be required to pass mental and physical screening tests. To pass the physical test it will be necessary to have 20-20 vision and normal hearing.

Applicants who successfully pass the screening test will appear before the Aviation Field board. If the applicant passes the board he will then be sent to a classification and indoctrination center for two months of intensive training.

Get College Assignments.

At the conclusion of the two-month training program, prospective cadets, who have not had formal education will be assigned to colleges for three months of intensive study which will include courses in English, history, geography, mathematics, physics, and chemistry. At the end of this training the men will go into pre-flight training.

Applicants who have had a formal education, including sufficient college work, will be sent from the classification and indoctrination center directly into pre-flight training.

After completing pre-flight training, the men will go into primary training, then basic and advanced. Men who successfully complete the advanced training will be commissioned second lieutenants or flight officers.

the 109th and Gaye Evans of the 44th, cut the seed eyes from 1000 lbs of Irish seed cobbler potatoes. Monday morning the ground was plowed and harrowed and the actual planting began.

The seed potatoes should produce 300 to 400 bushels of top grade potatoes to the acre. Other vegetables will be planted including six acres of corn, four acres of watermelons, two acres of cantaloupe, and one acre each of tomatoes, cucumbers, peat, squash, butter beans, lima beans and string beans. There also will be half acre of each of beets, radishes, lettuce, and carrots.

Capt. Brannan has a thorough knowledge of the soil which was raised in North Carolina, where, for ten years, he helped grow tobacco on the family farm.

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Base Operations - Nerve Centre of The Field

Safety First In The Air and On The Ground Is Main Objective

The low whine of a starliner, propeller whirling, then whirling first left, then right, the steady roar of the engines; an other AT-10 is ready to take to the air.

But before and long after that, the wheels and cogs of Base Operations have been clicking and turning. Who is the pilot? Which aircraft is used? What rights? The steady roar of the engines; an other AT-10 is ready to take to the air.

What is his authority for the flight? How long was he gone? Questions—and the answers are at Base Operations.

Parts, vitally needed to keep the aircraft on the Base in operation—the training program in progress—must be obtained from the Supply Depot at Station "K". A call is put-through to Base Operations requesting that a pilot be detailed to fly to Station "K" to obtain those parts. The "K" wheels' gathers momentum.

How It's Done
Lieut. David F. Weller, assistant operations officer, calls for a pilot. Lt. Jones' Available Report contains information on 0800 tomorrow for a flight to Station "K".

The Dispatcher's Section arranges for the aircraft, call the Base Squadron, "set up a plane for to Station "K". Number 895. Set radio on cross-country frequencies. Thank you very much. S/Sgt. Bathy T. Wade is in charge of the Dispatcher's Section, supervising this work. Perhaps it is Sgt. Mack Croft who makes the call or Cpl. George Johanson or Lindsey Heeks or Pfc James Luther, George V. Hance or Fred Lenardo. Base Operations obtain the aircraft—four hours a day and every man who is out duty does the job as it presents itself. Planes must be scheduled, clearances must be obtained, everything placed in readiness for the flight.

Maps Are Vital
Maps? Cpl. Lawrence Galm and Pfc. George Cook are always busy. Hundreds of maps must be kept up to date in addition to plotting the courses for these flights. More information is obtained—service maps, Galm and Cook plot the courses, correct the maps, maintain all the radio information and information concerning the aircraft in the country. No pilot may take-off for a closed field or try to follow a radio beam that has been changed since his map was published. Safety—service! That is the watch words of Base Operations.

Pilot Gets Clearance
And now back to the Dispatcher. His reports are ordered. The Dispatcher hands him the clearance form to be filled out. This form is the written record, filed in the guardroom. It contains the aircraft serial number, destination and route of flight, altitude to be flown, hours of gas

board, radio information, weather information and contains the authority of the pilot. The assigned aircraft to turn it over to Lt. Jones.

The flight is ready to go but the dispatcher has a few more things to do. On the Dispatcher's board is recorded each ship of the flight from the home base to Station "K". On the board is shown the time to plane left, when it is expected to arrive, when it actually arrived, when it takes off for the return trip. When it finally returns safely aircraft clearances, then and then only is it erased from the Dispatcher's board.

Record Section Gets Busy

Now the Records Section goes to work. When the pilot makes a report of the number of hours flown, the time down at night and on instruments. This report is given to S/Sgt. Albert Groeling, who, with Pfc. Allan and Mrs. Carl Goodson, compile the information into a permanent record for both pilot and aircraft. Each month a certificate is made into a permanent record of every flight every pilot has ever made. One copy follows him from station to station and one copy is maintained in Air Force Headquarters at Washington.

Pvt. Richard Hemmerdinger and Pfc. Robert Helm maintain all the reports, publish the orders, write the memoranda, do all the necessary clerical work necessary to maintain an office of the size of Base Operations. As new aircraft are sent to the field, the administrative section assigns them to the different squadrons and maintains a record of which ones are in commission and if not, why not.

W. J. Louis Shirley has the important job of coordinating all departments. He must see to it that the Airways Section has the maps and the Dispatcher's Section has the necessary clearances, that the Record's Section keeps accurate records and that the Administrative Section submits reports promptly.

To the Operations Officer falls the task of enforcing the flying regulations and of formulating those regulations necessary for the maintenance of flight safety. The supervision of the emergency equipment, crash trucks and ambulances, assigned to the flying field, is his responsibility. Under his supervision of the maintenance of flying fields assigned to the station and the operation of night lighting equipment at the flying field of aircraft, and the formulation and enforcement of local taxing rules. He must be assured that each pilot cleared is qualified to perform the mission assigned and that weather hazards permit successful completion of the flight.

Major William E. Parsons, Jr., began the story at Ft. D. D. Russell, Wyoming, and brought up in the service by his father who retired after forty-two years service in Base Operations Office at Freeman Army Air Field. Major Parsons finished at the University of Alabama in 1932 when he was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the Infantry. After having been detailed to duty with the Air Corps at Gunter Field in August 1940, Major Parsons was transferred to Freeman and the service and has since been Assistant Operations Officer and Operations Officer at Bainbridge Field, Ga.

Roving Reporter

QUESTION OF THE DAY:

Do you try to arouse a girl's interest by boasting of your success with other women?
S/Sgt. Ray A. Young, Crew Chief 1078th:

I don't remember. I haven't had a pass since December so I haven't had a chance to do any boasting. No I haven't been in the guardroom. I've been too busy to go out—but when I do watch out gals.



S/Sgt. Young Pic. Talmorinan

Yes, but they usually don't believe me, I guess they can tell by my face that I don't lie very well. Confessionally, I have two girls in Seymour, and I have never told one about the other, however they're jealous of each other. I can't figure it out.



Sgt. Schwarz Cpl. Barber

No, because success is attained through merit. Besides I believe in playing safe. Can you imagine how far I'd get if word got around that I used that sort of technique? But if I thought a little boasting would help win my lady I'd sure be a boaster.
Cpl. Robert Barber, Mechanic 1078th:

No! Because the girls usually resent that kind of a line. When I'm talking a girl's try to make her believe she's the only girl I ever went out with—or want to go out with. This beats boasting all to pieces.

Correct Mailing Instructions

A recent memorandum from the Postmaster General states that all members of the armed services who use the free mailing privilege shall also add the branch of service of their address.

Letters sent by members of military or naval forces of the United States to be mailed postage free, shall bear in the upper right hand corner the word "FREE" and in the upper left corner the name of the sender together with his rank or rating and the designation of the service to which he belongs. For example, Private John Doe, 0000 TEF7 SA, Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Indiana, U. S. Army Air Force.

Messages on post cards may be sent free of postage but the free postage does not apply to packages, newspapers or air mail. Mail will not be forwarded if the sender has typed or printed his address and the address of the person to whom he is sending the letter.

Ex-Mess Sergeant Now Top-Kick Has "Old Feeling" For Mess Hall

It seems that the first sergeants on this field do not follow the general trend of their rank, and Sgt. Paul Marteny of Hq. and Hq. Squadron 320th Group has no exception. He is high of build and has over a year to go before reaching the quarter century. Strictly a Virginia gentleman, the top-kick left civilian life on July 18, 1940, in Clarkburg, W. Va., and was sent directly to Maxwell Field, Ala., where he got his start in army clerical work in the Sgt. Major's office. He was later shifted to an orderly room where he made corporal's rating in May 1941; the following July he received buck sergeant's stripes.

Appointed staff sergeant on New Year's day 1942, he became a mess sergeant in the cadet section at Maxwell Field, in charge of the office which handled all the food mess problems for the cadets in the Southeast Training Center. Sgt. Marteny received valuable experience in administration. It was a common order for him to order hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of food at a time.

Seven months later, after the food section first sergeant, he was awarded full rank. In September a change of scenery was finally decreed when, after more than two years' stay, he was

transferred to George Field, Ill. Here he continued in his capacity as top-kick and contributed much to the reorganization of the outfit.

Arriving at Freeman Field in the middle of last January, he assumed the position of first sergeant of what was then the 1078th. The area, at that time looked like a paved corn-field, but in a short time things were straightened out and the orderly room arranged in its present office-like appearance. With full cooperation from M/Sgt. Neary, the line was set up in its full efficiency place on the field when the long awaited planes finally arrived. Quite an impression was made on the men when an order was issued injecting some real army into the organization, for on those dark cold mornings everyone had to stand reveille.

At the squadron dance in March, Sgt. Marteny displayed his ability on the saxophone, giving out with a few hot licks between periods of gasping for breath. Besides this musical talent, he was considered quite an actor in high school, being president of a dramatic club.

Not content with being married to the army alone, Sgt. Marteny brought his home-town sweetheart down to Maxwell Field in November 1940 and the firm knot was tied. His spouse lives in Seymour with a junior top-kick who born the latter part of last year.

320th Sqdn.

Henry Hopkins called the first sergeant last week and told him that the food inspector was outside. Sgt. Robinson hurried to the mess hall and was surprised to see the colonel there. Later he asked Hopkins what made him think the colonel was a food inspector. "Well," replied Hopkins, "he had chickens on his shoulder, didn't he?" ... Frank Lewis has set the date for that trek down the aisle. Won't he be the girl's national spokesman from North Vernon, Frank?? ... The Lewites scored another easy victory on the homegrounds' of the George Field unit. Curtis Sims was the high score man getting 24 out of the 48 points himself. ... Miss Hightower, a prominent figure in the USO activities here, spoke to a group of non-coms last week. She said that the 320th was one of the finest groups she had ever had the pleasure of meeting. Robert Dorsey of Baltimore has passed all of the preliminary examinations for OCS. We wish you all the luck in the world, Bob, and we hope that some day you'll be able to salute you when you pin on those second lieutenant bars.

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Post Ball Team Rounding Into Form

Daily Practice Sessions Held At Seymour Ball Park

Boasting a couple of former semi-pro and professional stars, the post's hardball team is rapidly rounding into shape, according to Lt. Sidney S. Levenson, coach of the ball team. Daily practice sessions are now being held at the ball diamond in Seymour and the team's first practice game will be played soon.

Wolan Looks Good.

The most likely candidate to hold down the left field berth is Cpl. Ray (Whip) Wolan, southwesterly fielder and left batsman who hit 376 against pitchers in the Southeast Training Center last season when he played with the Columbus Army Air Base team. Wolan is a Detroit youth who shone for the Ford V-8's in the auto city before entering the service.

Wolan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wolan of 18001 Wood, Melvindale, Michigan and is now with the Ordnance Dept., attached to the 447th Base Hqs. A. A. 4.

Martin Is Former Pro.

Another former pro ball pitcher is Cpl. Lawrence S. Martin of the 447th who is showing up very well in practice sessions and will be one of the mainstays of the team. In civilian life Martin played in the Michigan State and Wisconsin State League. In 1941 he played with the Camp Grant ball team and last season played with the Columbus Army Air Base team where he finished the season with a 359 batting average.

Lavine Is Backstop.

SSgt. Charles A. Lavine, former backstop for the City College of New York, will probably be on the receiving end of the pitcher's slants.

Other men who have reported for berths on the team are: S/Sgt. Flavius J. Turner, Al Babichow, Cpl. William Savicki, Pvt. Armen G. Kavaljan, S/Sgt. W. G. Gullede, 7/Sgt. Claude Dorman, Pvt. Thomas T. Martin and Pvt. Ed Campbell of the 447th; Cpl. Max Solar and S/Sgt. Al Schwartz of the 35th Training Group; and Cpl. Henry T. Zurkowski of the 36th Training Group.

No Position Clinched

"All men are invited to try out for the team," stated Lt. Levenson. "We have some excellent material so far, but until the rest of the fields baseball aspirants show up, no position is cinched," the lieutenant added.

Lt. Levenson played outfield at New York University from 1934 to 1937. He coached the baseball team at Grover Cleveland High School in New York City winning the Queensboro baseball championship.

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Well, another payday, another game, and another sweating out the boys, but the boys are beginning to get used to it. One good thing, though, the money stays in the Squadron. . . . Cpl. Melchorre is complaining again. He says payday is too reminiscent of civilian life—where previously he used to pay a water tax, a sewage tax, landtax, etc.; he has representatives of the Red Cross Fund, Army Emergency Relief and so forth. The only difference he states, is that you don't have to worry about what suit to wear to a date. There is the one and only brown one. . . . There was a lot of noise and movement last Monday, and when the smoke cleared a lot of fellows found themselves in different barracks and strangely enough with barracks who worked the same shift. Another burden on the C. Q.'s shoulders has been lifted. His work is comparatively easier. . . . We've turned out a representative group of men for the Warrant Officer exam. Lots of luck fellows, we hope you make it. . . . We are pleased to report at the date that the Supply Room has acquired another chick—Dominick by name. . . . Aside to Ben Romero—is it true you used to run a zoo and that you're lonesome for it? It is the reason for your unusual requisition for 200 strong iron bars? The only thing now lacking is a trained elephant. Did you ever read Assop's story of the Nomad and the Camel? Read it! . . . Sgt. Gene Reynolds has invented a special "swank" wing ladder. It hooks on to a wing tie down loop. He has gotten tired of having to hang on. . . . Our illustrious bowlers are still the champions, having trounced Martens'. Rip and Windies (they're still asleep) to the tune of two out of three. So long for now.

36th Group

Here's something for the Navy to exploit. Pvt. Lombardi recently received from the Post Exchange Officer the following note: "Dear Private: The first company from whom we attempted to get your shoes, size 14E2 cannot manufacture shoes this large. We are trying other companies. . . . It's hard to visualize a non-com actually doing K. P. P., but we witnesses that spectacle pay-night when Sgt. Strittmayer and his "jaggy" helped serve midnight meals. However, we do not attest to their sobriety. . . . Pvt. Wm. Anderson must have been rather confused the other evening when he asked his P. P. to put his draft-card into the pass box. . . . Lt. Wesely having been transferred to the 1080th, the duties of Supply Officer have been taken over by Lt. Stroin. . . ."

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Quoting our bowling team, which last week to the 1980th, "We was robbed! No, it's not a military secret who our bowlers are, namely, Lt. Stroin, S/Sgt. Easton, S/Sgt. Widin, Cpl. Keller, Pfc. Koutman, and Pfc. Kretzschmar. . . . Can you imagine Cpl. Miller working among pigs and chickens, and milking cows? It will become a reality as soon as the past farm opera, for he'll be a farmer along with M/Sgt. Hilton, who has been appointed "boss-man". . . . Among his duties, Sgt. Newer took the job of squadron barber when he displayed his ability in the latrine last Sunday. With a pair of foot-long shears and a half-toothless comb, he cut to within a finger's width, the hair of our masquerading soldier, Cpl. Wadlow.

1079th Squadron

Glamour girls, sold live and eager eyes G.I.'s. That was the long to be remembered 1079th Dance. Overflowing with famous celebrities and liquid refreshment (mild the Woodmen put on velvet will be known as the Gals affair of the year. Of course, Sgts. Vozar and Colaroco vied for the jitterbug honors, with Miss Wood and Miss Rambo respectively as partners. The battle of swing and sway was hard fought and the loser has not conceded to date. Maybe a squadron vote would decide this issue. The C.C.C. demolition boys were back in force from their glorious campaign and a few brought back "souvenirs" to attend the dance with them, not had either boys. How about some more camps Capt.?

Spring is here fellows and say what you may you skeptics, it certainly is playing havoc with the 1079ers'. Cpl. Jordan, one of the C.C. boys, has taken the fateful jump and rumors have it that Pvt. Wilson is jewelry window shopping. Best wishes and how about kissing the brides, boys?

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Was your face pink, Conroy, on account of a Slip?

A few nurses went down to the photographic section the other day to take an identification photo.

Sgt. Conroy, who is in charge of identification pictures, asked, in his usual manner, one of the gals in white, "May I see your slip?", the shocked nurse exclaimed, "Say, Barge, that's rather personal isn't it?"

SIGN IN A SQUADRON LATRINE.

"Rumors emanating from this latrine do not necessarily express the opinion of the latrine orderlies."

This story originates in the Post Administrative office. A few weeks ago something went haywire in the men's room and Lt. Cook, assistant to the Post Administrative Inspector, asked the pretty little secretary to call up and have it fixed. The secretary immediately called but it seems a lady answered the phone, much to her amazement. After stammering around for a few seconds the Administrative secretary said, "Er-r, will you send someone up here to fix the men's lounge?"

Have your cigarettes gone to war?

Smoke your bunkmates.

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So, will your bunkmate.

Sean Mann, the dream (war time I see her she's dreaming).

about something) over at Special Services, said, "I know something I won't tell." Sgt. Lorenzo Sullivan, 447th's gloomier boy, "Never mind, little girl, you'll get over that when you're a little older."

And then there was S/Sgt. McNeese of the 35th Group who said: "Virgin wool comes from the sheep that can run the fastest."

"The slipper is the undoing of the modern girl," maintains Cpl. Wilcox of the 35th Group, "And yet on the other hand it opens up great opportunities."

Sgt. Williams of the Message Center, "Why did the new file clerk get sore and quit?" Sgt. Clements asked her to let him look at her pink slips. "Why, Barge, you really surprise me."

It was payday and Lt. Katz, the Finance Officer, got up bright and early for payday is his big day. He went over to his office and what do you think? The guard on duty wouldn't let him in. Lt. Katz tried to convince the guard that he was the finance officer but he was no avail. About 7:45 a sergeant who works in the Finance office came to work and identified Lt. Katz who was then admitted to his office.

Officers' Promotions

Officers notified by the War Department of promotions were asked this week to inform the Officers Personnel Section and the Public Relations Office immediately upon receipt of notification.

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