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Ratings Thaw Out; 7 Men Receive "Kick Upstairs"

More Promotions Possible During The Month

Spring, according to the calendar year, officially arrived in these parts March 21, but to the men of Freeman Field as well as those in the Southeast Training Center spring officially arrived yesterday when the thaw came and promotions were made for the first time in more than a month. Only one detachment received promotions, but it was pointed out that further promotions would be forthcoming on the fifteenth and first of each month.

Approximately seven men of this field were broad smiles yesterday when they were officially informed of the step-up in grade. Hard working men of the Finance Detachment were rewarded for their long wait by being the only men on the field to receive the new ratings.

On April 21 all ratings in the entire Southeast Training Center were frozen for an indefinite period. The reason given for the "freeze" was for the purpose of reorganization and reassignment of men at the different fields in the Southeast. Some stations were overburdened with high ranking non-coms, while at the same time other fields suffered from the lack of skilled men. Conferences followed and a number of men were shifted where they were needed most. This is the reason for the sudden influx of non-coms of the first three grades at Freeman.

Among those to receive promotions were the following men of the Detachment Finance Department: from Tech 4th to Tech 3rd, Arthur H. Schneider; from Tech 5th to Tech 4th, Robert R. Fitzgerald, James R. Goughly; to Tech 5th, Pfc. Howard O. Albersmeier, George N. Bombolis and Walter S. Kulesa; to Pfc. Earl L. Duval.

EREN GUN

The famous Eren gun was invented by Czech engineers who fled to England when their country was invaded.

Veteran Flier Displays What a B-26 Can Do; In Thrilling Exhibition Here Tuesday

Instructors and Cadets received a demonstration of what the latest B-26 can actually do in the air Tuesday afternoon when Major J. W. Barnett, test pilot and veteran of air battles in the South Pacific and Tunisian campaigns, put on a thrilling exhibition at Freeman Field.

Major Barnett convinced every cadet and instructor present that he can really fly a B-26. He handled the massive bomber with such ease and agility that everyone present was soon convinced that the major really was a flying ace.

Seven Enlisted Men at Freeman Pass Aviation Cadet Examination

Twenty-nine men, soldiers and civilians, have been accepted for flying training by the Aviation Cadet examining board at Freeman Field this week.

According to an announcement by Lt. Bruce L. Smith, recorder of the aviation cadet board, these men will leave for the classification center at Nashville within a month to take the tests and be classified as pilots, bombardiers and navigators.

The seven enlisted men from this field who were accepted by the board are S/Sgt. Robert E. Butler, 1879th; Cpl. Leslie O. Davis, 447th; Pvt. Hubert J. Fuller, 447th; Thomas P. Medley, Q.M.C.; Pvt. Paul E. Penrod, 330th Gr.; Cpl. Edward J. Martin, 35th Gr.; Cpl. Carl D. Smith, 1879th.

Six soldiers from Camp Atterbury, Indiana, were among those accepted, together with five civilians from Seymour, and eleven civilians from Columbus, Indiana.

These men are among the first to be approved for flight training since the opening of the drive by the Flying Training Command to secure more flying crew members to arm the ever increasing numbers of combat aircraft coming off the production line.

All-enlisted personnel of the Air Forces, between the ages of eighteen and twenty six, who desire flying training, are urged to apply at once.

LAFF OF THE WEEK

A couple of yardbirds were discussing the evening gown of a girl one of them had taken to a formal dance the night before:

"Say that was some dress she was wearing," said one. "The back was so low it was cut down to her private."

"Whaddya mean private?" asked the other. "Looked to me like it was cut down to the corporals, that's just a little above a private."

What a B-26 Can Do; In Thrilling Exhibition Here Tuesday

The exhibition was highlighted by the demonstration of climbing turns, level flying, and stunts with only one motor. The instructors and cadets received their biggest thrill when Major Barnett brought the B-26, at an altitude of about 100 feet and doing around 200 per cent, down over the field doing a steep banking turn around the tower.

One thing is certain, Tuesday's exhibition convinced everyone present that the B-26 is one of the best ships in the world. As one instructor said after a hop in the bomber, "Hell, I don't think I can get myself back in an AT after that thrilling ride."

Capt. Lytle Is New C. O. of 1080th Sqd.

Captain Julian Lytle is the new Commanding Officer of the 1080th T.E.F.T.S. squadron.

Captain Lytle, formerly Mess Officer of Consolidated mess halls Nos. 1 and 2, took over the CO. duties of the 1080th Sqdn. this week. He replaces Captain William Kearner, who left recently for an officer replacement center for assignment to overseas duty.

Captain Lytle entered the armed forces at the same time his son joined, in April, 1942. His son, Sgt. Julian Lytle Jr. is a rear gunner and radio operator in Marine Aviation. Captain Lytle believes he is now somewhere in the Solomon's area.

Captain Lytle, whose home is in Murfreesboro, Tenn., was an instructor in an Officers Training School during World War No. 1. Before reporting to Seymour he was stationed at the Cadet Classification Center in Nashville and before entering the service he was assistant general manager of the Westley Magnonise Company of Louisville. Prior to this association he was district manager of the Myles Salt Company in New Orleans.

WEDDING BELLS SATURDAY

Lt. Harry Womelsdorf and Miss Evelyn McGee, who will be married in the Post Chapel Saturday at 4:30 p. m., by Chaplain Phillips B. Henderson, cordially invite officers and their ladies to attend the ceremonies. Miss McGee's home is at Winston-Salem, N. C. Lt. Womelsdorf, who is base photographic officer, is from Wichita, Kan.

Freemen Use Old 'Squeeze Play' To Defeat Peru Naval Base 7-6

Coming through with a "Frank Merrivell" ninth inning rally the Freeman nine defeated the Peru Naval Base Ball club 7-6 in an exciting game Wednesday afternoon at the Seymour Ball Park.

The tilt was a see-saw affair. The lead changing every other inning. Going into the ninth with the ball game tied up 6-6, Madrid, classy Freeman short-stop walked, Wolan singled and Madrid galloped to third, on the throw Wolan advanced to second. Schwartz, who already had three hits, was given an intentional pass which loaded up the bases. At this time Major Carroll brought the old and famous "squeeze play" into action. On a perfect hit bunt by Lt. Crim-

Chapel Attendance Increases; You Guessed It! WAACs Dood It

Empty chapel pews almost are a non-entity since the WAACs moved in on Freeman Field. Those in the know report that there has been a 40 per cent increase in chapel attendance at both Sunday and Friday evening services following the arrival of the soldiers in skirts. Thus, the WAACs continue to broaden the scope of their influence. More power to you, gals.

WAAC Non-Coms Join NCO Club 100% Strong

An invitation by M/Sgt. Thomas D. Smith, president of the NCO club, to all the non-coms of the 742 WAAC Company to become members of the club was accepted unanimously and wholeheartedly by all WAAC non-coms this week.

Although the non-com complement of the group is relatively small every one of the non-commissioned officers of the company is now a member in good standing.

With the advent of the fairer sex as members of the NCO club we can look for some new touches in the way of decorations and probably paper doilies under each glass of brew. Another power that we've been wondering about is who does the leading when a junior leader dances with a corporal.

Lucky Birds

Beginning with this issue Twingine Times will publish the names and "thumb nail" sketches of officers and enlisted men who have been fortunate enough to receive orders to report to replacement centers which are expected to lead to combat duty. Today's "Lucky Birds" is confined to officers.

Their past week two officers, Major William E. Persons Jr. and Captain William C. King, received the orders every officer and enlisted man hopes he will get soon. Both of the men left early in the week for replacement centers.

Major Persons, who was base operations officer, is a native of Alabama. He is the son of Col. W. E. Persons Sr., retired, who lives in Montgomery, Ala. The

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Most Gripes Are of Humorous Nature

The first harvest of gripes was reaped from the gripe boxes on the field this week. If the old adage that a griping soldier is a happy soldier is true, then there are some happy soldiers at Freeman Field.

Complaints ranged from the recent ban on wearing low quarter shoes to lipstick on the cups in the mess hall. In most cases the slip of paper were unsigned but quite a few complainers had the courage of their convictions and signed their names to the gripe.

Shoes Are a Problem

The largest number of complaints were from men concerning the recent ban on wearing low-quartered shoes. They pointed out that they look pride in appearing neatly dressed and that the compulsory wearing of G. I. shoes detracted from the "bit and polish" that has been typical of the Freeman soldier. Lt. Roland O. Davis, special service officer, stated that he would send a letter through proper channels on the nature of this complaint to Headquarters of the Flying Training Command from where the order originated.

The ban on wearing low quarter shoes resulted from the inability of local shoe shops to repair soldiers' shoes in addition to those of civilians.

WAACs Crack Line

Next in the order of complaints had to do with the WAACs "bucking" the mess line. "We're all in the army," wrote one man, "and if a master sergeant can 'sweat out' a chow line so can they." One character complained about lipstick on the cups. (Eds note: He's probably the same fellow who gets lipstick on his collar and then wears the same shirt all week so that his buddies can see what a Cassanova he is. Maybe he's complaining because the personal touch of application was missing.)

The P. X. came in for it's off-sided "ribbing." Some wanted a greater variety of food while others said it was too expensive. "The P. X. store should open all day," scribbled one Freemanite, "it makes it kinda tough trying to get up there to buy things when you're working on the line during the time that they keep open."

An auxiliary dropped a note in one of the gripe boxes saying that the fountain girls could be just a bit more friendly toward the WAACs. While on the other side a worried wife said that she didn't like the lady soldiers because her husband had to work in the same office with a very pretty WAAC.

MAJOR WEILAND ON DS; CAPT. BRANNAN PINCH HITS

With the absence of Major George Weiland, post executive officer, who is on temporary duty at Boston, Mass., Capt. Rudolph Brannan is now ably filling in for the major in the capacity of executive officer. Lt. Jack Ekan has also been temporarily moved up to post adjutant.

Capt. Brannan has been in the army since 1929 and has risen to his present grade from the ranks. Before reporting to Freeman Field he was stationed at the Lockbourne Army Air Base where he also served as post adjutant.

"Friendship" is the motto of Texas.

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THE CHAPLAIN CHATS

By CHAPLAIN HENDERSON

The other day I read a letter written by a lieutenant in the Army to his sister. He is stationed on some battle front. He writes: "My buddy and I were sent out on duty with our unit, equipped in the work I told you before was our job. We had just received information—the most important in weeks. When we were discovered by the enemy, I gave my buddy the information we had collected, told him to beat it with it and prepared myself to face them. . . My buddy had not obeyed my order. As I reached for my carbine, a shot from one of them struck me in the breast and blasted me down. Thinking I was dead, my pal jumped for me, grabbed my carbine as well as his own, stood astride my body, blasting away with both guns. He was blasted too—his knees with three bullet wounds. . . But when he finished, there was not one of them left. He was amazed when I rolled over and tried to get up. The force of the bullet had stunned me. Dazedly, I wondered why I pulled that little Bible out of my pocket and in utter muteness looked at that ugly hole in the cover. It had slipped through Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, on through the other books, and kept going. Where do you think it stopped? In the middle of Psalm 91, pointing like a finger at these verses, "A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand, but it shall not come nigh thee."

So, when I read that verse it raised me three feet off the ground. I did not know there was such a verse in the Bible. It is dangerous to draw too many conclusions from this true story. It was a miracle. I do not believe that God defends some from death and allows others to perish from a bullet. He is not that kind of a God. The important thing in this story is that the man had a Bible in his pocket. The Bible saved his life as it has others, but the rest of the letter tells of how the Bible saved him. That's the primary purpose of the Bible. Keep it in the pocket of your shirt—it may save your life; it surely will save you.

FAITH

There are many men on this post whose work and efficiency is suffering from a feeling of uncertainty at this time. Pending changes in ratings, squadrons and work have been the causes of this somewhat chaotic mental foginess.

Take it from an old timer's experience, the Army is constantly changing and will always be changing. This is necessary in order to attain the most effective Army of all times out of a naturally peace loving population.

Faith in the ultimate victory over our barbarous faithless foes, the axis powers, is all that will keep us on the straight and narrow path of maximum efficiency in our particular work. Also we need faith in our great cause of maintaining our American freedom and liberty to keep our eyes above our own petty grievances and disappointments.

It is a certainty that all of us who attain efficiency in our jobs and who have reached physical well being will be called for combat duty sooner or later. Most of us should go in 1943 and all of us who are in this category should go by 1944, so let us tighten our belts, work harder and more intelligently in order that we may finish this fight quicker and with less loss of lives of our fellow Americans and Allies.

Lastly, let us keep faith with our fallen comrades who fought so heroically on Bataan, Midway, Wake, Guadalcanal and North Africa. Our chance will come and may God be with us that we will be ready and willing for any sacrifice which may be required.

CAPT. NORMAN B. WOOD, CO, 1079th TEFTS

A yardbird is a guy who would like to drown his troubles—but can't get the sergeant to go in swimming.

Faith is the belief that you won't draw K. P. next Sunday because you have a date with a beautiful blonde.

Roving Reporter

Question: (Asked of the WAACs) Now that you are in uniform, yourself, what do you think of the men in uniform? Answers:



Auxiliary Harriet Villars, of the information desk at Post Headquarters. Before I came into the army, I thought that soldiers weren't so good. But now that I'm in uniform I find them different than I expected. They are swell in their attitude towards us WAACs. I like working with soldiers. I like to date them too, but I would rather go out with a job I know in the Navy. I've had dates with soldiers and always had a good time. I prefer dating them to civilians.

Auxiliary Sophie Krochmal, who works in the photo lab. I have a brother in the army so I have always liked soldiers, but before I joined the WAACs, they were not as noticeable as they are now. I think they're swell and like working with them better than I like working with women. I'll date a soldier over any civilian. You can go out with them just for a good time and without spending a lot of money. I like the treatment we get from the soldiers here and I'll like going out with any of them, non-coms or privates, they're all the same to me.



Aux. Avis Williams, clerk, in the personnel section: "We WAACs are treated like 'queens' by the fellows in uniform, especially so at Freeman Field. They are much more friendly than civilians and are very patient in teaching us to do our jobs. The general run are courteous, sociable and thoughtful—but once in a while we run across a so-called G. I. wolf. All in all, we are one hundred per cent for the soldiers. We are here to do a job just as they are. I hope we can continue on friendly terms."

Aux. First Class Helen Malbass, also of the personnel section: "Upon our arrival here at Freeman Air Field we WAACs contemplated a 'Cold shoulder' greeting from the soldiers. But instead, we received a hearty welcome. Boys, we want to inform you of our appreciation for that. I like working with the soldiers, and I think all of us WAACs do. And so far we haven't seen 'any disinclination on the part of the soldiers to work with us. I have always liked soldiers, but getting into a uniform myself has upped my opinion of them. I prefer dating a soldier to dating a civilian as you can have a better time with a man in uniform like your own."

A bachelor has been defined as a man who didn't have a car when he was young.

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CUFF NOTES

"Smooty," the black haired cocker spaniel which is the pride and joy of Lt. and Mrs. John E. Morwood, is a mighty happy little doggy these days, for his mistress has come home again. . . Rosemary's been 'way down south in Shreveport, La., visiting her parents, the W. H. Ellises, while John was in Bryan, Texas, attending instrument instructors' school. . . Post headquarters welcomes a newcomer to its midst—attractive Mrs. Paul Hal Smith of the vivacious manner and red hair—wife of Lt. Smith of the 1089th. Mrs. Smith, better known as Hope, formerly worked in the sergeant's office, transferring Tuesday to post headquarters. . . The baby owl which found its way to the 1089th's door a few days back is no more. . . Could be the bird died of a broken heart when it learned that its commanding officer, Capt. William Kearney, was being sent to Salt Lake City. . . George Rose is congratulating himself on his good luck. . . A new tenant of the house the Kearneys occupied on South Park drive, Mr. Rose "inherited" the captain's Victory garden. . . And a real garden it is, too, complete even to potatoes, often a mighty scarce item these days of rationing. . . Seems mighty nice having Mrs. Ruth Levine of the post administrative inspector's office back with us again after an extended absence. . . She looks right chipper, too, and so it's small wonder the inspector's office has taken on a new complexion. . . Can a certain lovely lady in black be the reason why Lt. John Wiley and David Brickley frequent post headquarters so much of late?

"Woe is Me" Army life to me, has it's ups and downs, But sometimes I wonder, who's the clown, Must be me from the way I act, As I started off, on the wrong track, Fault number one, "women lovely and fine," Fault number two, "whiskey, song and wine," Fault number four, "doing the town," Starting today, there'll be a different Joe, I've found the cause, for my grief and woe, Back on the Beam, and there to stay, From the primrose path, no more to stray. Written by Pvt. Joseph F. McGonigle, 447 Base Hq. & A. B. Sqn.

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Dots - Dashes - Flashes Aero-Ettes

Plans are getting under way to give a dance for Class-43-G in the next week or two. It's observed that plenty of the members are taking over the cadets in a big way—Seen at the Cadet Club each Wednesday are Barbara Grey, Eileen Robinson, Barbara Pittman. . . . A certain club member would like to know the name of the cadet who smiles at her when he marches by each day. She thinks he's probably in Flight 4. And, please will the guy assert himself???? Immediately!! Prize winner this week of the Tall Story Club is Bettye Young. The things that girl doesn't tell of the trip she and Madelyn took this week end. . . . We wonder how Mary Lou in message center gets to know so many of the officers. Why it's the male call, of course. . . . We hear Jeanne in hospital is getting the "light-foot" from someone. . . . Who was that gruesome looking twosome we saw the other night?—Why, it was Barbara LaCroix and Lt. Tieman. But whatever was the matter? . . .

Author Anonymous Idea Excellent

A poem, expressing the sentiments of every private on the field who has ever pulled K.P., came to the Public Relations Office this week. The author, for obvious reasons, chose to remain anonymous, sending his masterpiece through message center. In these words the poet asks the question every K.P. would like to see answered. "This is the Grippe, dear sir, To you who've forgotten the strain, Of standing fifteen hours a day On the mess hall's hard terrain. We ask for a little favor, please. Not very much, I swear. We ask it for our comrade's sake, Is this no more than fair? We want when our work is through, A little time of rest; A restful pause, a breath of air, A kindly cigarette. We know we cannot loaf. . . and this we'd never do, If every day we'd get a break at Ten and we'd at two."

LUCKY BIRDS (Continued from page 1) major attended the University of Alabama from 1929 to 1932. Captain King, who was school operations officer, came to Freeman Field from Moody Field, Ga. In civilian life King was an attorney. He was graduated from Baltimore university law school in 1940. Other officers from this field who have been lucky enough to get assignments which were expected to send them to overseas duty are: Capt. Addison Youman, Capt. William Kearney, Capt. Daniel Lieblein, Capt. Mendall Butterfield, Lt. Jerome Tober, and Lt. James Campbell.

MAJESTIC Fri. - Sat., June 4-5 JEAN PARKER "THE TRAITOR WITHIN" Plus: SECOND HIT JOHN MACK BROWN "TENTING TONIGHT" Starts SUNDAY! BARBARA STANWYCK "LADY OF BURLESQUE"

VONDEE Fri. - Sat., June 4-5 MICHAEL SHANE "TIME TO KILL" Plus: SECOND HIT "LAW OF JUNGLE" Starts SUNDAY! BING CROSSBY—BOB HOPE "STAR SPANGLED RHYTHM"

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 Supply Officer... Sgt. L. Mitchell A. Skrzypok
 Communications and Transportation Officer... Sgt. L. John R. Kayes

A Little Praise Goes A Long Way

The remnants of disaster left after World War I for MPs and members of Guard organizations is not justified. For it is and was a military necessity to conform to ironclad rules and regulations. But now with the proper orientation and indoctrination the Military Police and Interior Guards serve as an efficient law enforcement organization. For example, a nationally known newspaper columnist, Ernie Pyle, writes like this in one of his columns.

"Allied Headquarters, North Africa, By Wireless—During the Tunisian campaign I had a chance to visit the 9th Division only once. I didn't know a soul in this division, and I drove into their shrub-hidden command post with the same feeling of lonely uneasiness one gets in approaching a strange big city for the first time.

MP's Are Good

"But as we piled out of our jeep one of the M. P.'s came over and pulled one of these columns out of his pocket—one written way back last winter about the Military Police and Interior Guard. He laughed and said he'd been waiting a long time for me to show up. He said he knew the Military Police and Interior Guard were good but he didn't think they were quite as good as I made them out."

Freeman Field's, 1087th Guard Squadron is far from the theater of operations, but it performs a vital and necessary duty of security and protection to a military training installation. The Guard Squadron is part of the original foundation fabric of this Advanced Flying School.

Originals Were Largely Basics

The original members of the group were largely basics and it was the duty of Captain Cecil M. Rogers, Provost Marshal, C. O. and Provost Marshal to direct the schooling. The multitude of subjects taught show in an off-handed way the numerous duties of this squadron. The basic fundamentals like military discipline, courtesy and guard duty were taught by Sergeant Charles Sisk, veteran of World War I.

The secondary phase of the course covered all subjects which were related in any way to guard functions. The course began with infantry drill, the manual of arms and similar basic requisites. It wound up with criminal investigation and fundamentals of law dealing with arrests, crimes and Articles of War. Instructors in these courses were Staff Sergeants Carl L. Haskins, Edward Siderman, Aleck G. Morris and George Smith.

Here Comes "Mike"

No story on the 1087th would be complete without its "doggy" aspects. The keystone of this part of the squadron is Corporal Mike, a Doberman Pinscher, who just missed being inducted into the WAGS by the age requirements. Shortly after joining the Guard Squadron, Mike went AWOL for a canine dame. Upon his return the punishment meted out to him was solitary confinement and promotion to sergeant. Other dogs of the organization include a Police dog, naturally, and two puppies of undetermined pedigree. The only kind missing is that which is usually associated with police organizations, Bloodhounds.

Bride: "But you never smoked in bed before we were married."

Town Patrol



Guardlights

In order to become an honorary member of Pvt. Charles Keenan's Character Club you have to comply with this all important by-law: "I regret that I have but one tooth to give for my country." . . . S Sgt. George Smith is having a windfall of trials and woes. First Mike went AWOL, then Smith went on sick call and now the greatest worry of them all—he has to wear G. I. shoes. . . The "Khakis Are Coming." The members of the Guard Squadron will soon be issued another uniform. . . With the squadron area being graded there is talk of boardwalks and grass.

Pfc. James Kneel expects to appear before a board of his betters to judge his aptitude for the position of chauffeur for the WAACs. . . The 1087th "Dead Eye Dicks" are living up to their name on the rifle range these days.

Lt. Hildebrand E. Haecker is passing out 50c cigars to the tune "Lt. Haecker has a Son." . . . The newly born babe has this for a handle, Christopher Frederick Haecker. . . Cpl. Edward Hooper seems to be a bit confused in the matter of where his heart's desire lies. First in the Chatterbox, second in Brownstown and last it might be that Pfc. WAAC that is home on furlough in Seymour. . .

It will be Orange Blossoms and Wedding Bells for Pvt. Edwin Glegg on June 28. . . There is a new asst. commander of the guard, S Sgt. Joe Tribble. . . The acting sergeant of the guard, Cpl. Walter La Borda brought back the better half upon his return from his furlough. . . The three damels, Clarice Kovener, Margaret Haines and Dorothy Robins, just fascinate the boys.

Advice To Soldiers:

If she looks old, she's young;
 If she looks young, she's old,
 If she looks back, follow her!

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The unique distinction of having held the hand of practically every female civil service employee on Freeman Field belongs to Sgt. James F. Channell, the fingerprint man of the guard squadron.

A native of Odenville, Ala., Sgt. Channell is the man to whom all applicants for jobs on the field are sent for fingerprinting. "The length of time required to fingerprint a person is variable," says Channell. "I can usually do the job in about two minutes, but when the subject is young, pretty and of course female, I somehow or another manage to stretch it out to ten minutes."

When your reporter was visiting the guard squadron, Sgt. Channell had turned over the fingerprinting of a future field employee to his assistant, Pvt. Howard B. Coughenour. Needless to say, the applicant was a man.

Guard Squadron Crack Shots, Says Sgt. Sisk

Duty Sergeant Charlie M. Sisk of the Guard Sqdn., is a soldier of the old school. At the time when most of his present charges were playing with toy soldiers, Sgt. Sisk was serving overseas with the 8th Infantry in the Army of Occupation. "Too young to serve in the last war he enlisted in 1918 and was shipped to Brest, France, and then to Coblenz, Germany, where the 8th was quartered until 1921. "The big mistake the Allies made in the last war," says Sisk, "is that we didn't march clear through Berlin. The Jerries are good fighters on someone else's territory," he added, "but when the war comes in their own back yard, they show that big yellow streak. The last armistice was a proof of all I've said. You can be sure that this time it will be different."

After a few years back in civilian life, Sisk again returned to the army. This time he was stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he was a graduate of the Infantry Instructor's School. He is an expert machine gunner and a sharpshooter with the .45 cal. automatic pistol.

On the range at Freeman, Sisk assists the range officer in instructing the men of the 1087th in the use of weapons. When asked what he thought of the marksmanship of the Guard Sqdn., Sisk said, "They're pretty good shots. I'd hate to be on the receiving end of those .45's when our boys are firing."

EVERYDAY MOVIES

By Denys Wortman



"Before this summer, Africa was one place in the world I never thought I'd want to spend my vacation."

S-Sgt. Long New Acting Top Kick

It may be only a coincidence, but it is noteworthy that both the former "top kick" and the present acting first sergeant of the 1087th Guard Sqdn. are from Pennsylvania and their homes are only 100 miles apart. S Sgt. Clifton B. Long, who has been in the army since June 19, 1941, is from Hunkock Creek, Pa., a town approximately 100 miles from Harrisburg. Failing to secure a release from his hometown Selective Service Board to enlist in the regular army, Long was inducted at Fort Meade, Md. Five days later he enlisted in the army for three years. This was made possible because at that time the United States was not at war and selectees were only required to serve for one year.

From Ft. Meade, Long was transferred to Maxwell Field, Ala., then to Craig Field, Ala., and finally to Naper Field, Ala. All these three moves took place in as many months. At Naper he was assigned as an orderly room clerk and rose to his present rank in that capacity. In Sept. 1942, Sgt. Long was made acting first sergeant of the 432nd School Sqdn. and remained on the job until Dec. member of the same year when he

F-Sgt. Krause Leaves For OCS At Miami

The Guard Squadron lost a well liked First Sergeant when Allen Krause left this week for Officer Candidate School at Miami, Florida.

Sergeant Krause came to the Guard Squadron at the time of its activation as a Staff Sergeant and immediately took over the duties of Acting First Sergeant. In short order he was promoted by Captain Frank Lewis, to First Sergeant, a position he handled capably up until the time of his departure for OCS.

Sergeant Krause, who had waited nearly four months for his OCS orders to arrive, was on furlough when they did come. He was called back to the field after only a few days of his furlough time was up.

Some girls experience love but others love experience.

He was transferred to Freeman Field June 17 promises to be one of the biggest days in the life of S Sgt. Clifton B. Long, for on that day he will be married to Miss Sarah Haas of Seymour.

Honor Guard

The men of this group are officially known as the Mounted Guard for general officers visiting the field. They are from left to right: Pvt. James Little, Pvt. John W. Kinsey, Cpl. Edward Hooper, Sgt. Charles Sisk in charge, Pvt. Charles Keenan, Pvt. George Walls, Pvt. Wilfred Harris and Pfc. Noah Malone.



Intra-Squadron Softball 'Tourney' Starts June 14

Sqdns. May Enter More Than One Team; All Entries Must Be in by June 11

Lt. Nichols, head of the post physical training department, announced this week that the intra-squadron softball tourney would begin Monday, June 14.

All entries must be turned into the physical training department on or before Friday, June 11 or they will not be accepted for tournament competition.

The number of teams each squadron and detachment may enter in the tournament is unlimited. One, three, five, as many squads as a squadron or detachment can form will be accepted as entries. If enough teams are entered in the tourney, Lt. Nichols plans to conduct playoffs among the various clubs within each squadron and then divide the teams, on the strength of their showing, into class A, B and C leagues for the big, inter-squadron games. Round Robins will be played in each league, with the winners going into the final playoff games with the other league champs.

Several softball teams have already been formed and have been playing practice games. All teams considering entry into the tourney had better get in plenty of practice as the competition will be tough, Lt. Nichols said.

Lt. Nichols also announced that the new obstacle course will be ready for use next week. The course, three hundred yards long and containing all the usual obstacles, excepting the scaling wall, will be located in the main athletic area on the Headquarters road directly across from the cadet drill field and parade grounds. All officers, cadets and enlisted men will be required to cover the course as part of their physical training program.

S/Sgt. Casey: "Sgt. King, are you troubled by improper thoughts?"

Sgt. King: "Nooo, I enjoy them."

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Wax Works

These two weeks of quarantine are just about over for the first contingent of WAACs who arrived at Freeman to take over some of the men's jobs. Which means that now the men will be able to date the girls, instead of just chancing to meet them at the Oasis or the theatre. But, cautions AFC Velma A. Lewis, who's working at the WAAC Personnel Section in Headquarters, please don't call the Orderly Room. "Home phone" for all the girls now is the Day Room—PA-024.

First furlough in the company went to AFC Frances Boyer, who works in the Post Technical Inspector's office, to go home to Wheeling, West Virginia, to see her brother, who's just back from overseas duty.

Wanted: By every WAAC at Seymour—one good remedy for removing all that fur that has such an affinity for attaching itself to those seductive GI cotton stockings. Aux. Josephine Peter-

son of California, is spending a good portion of her spare (?) time trying to eradicate those black spots.

AFC Alice E. McClay, who just arrived at Seymour from Army Administrative School in Texas never knows whether or not to wear her utility coat to work at Supply headquarters. The Indiana weather is so unpredictable. And those hoods weren't made to scare little boys—they're just for protection from the elements.

But now every soldier and cadet at Freeman is getting used to the idea of having women in uniform around, but you should have seen those stares the men gave the twelve girls who arrived from Fort Des Moines as the vanguard of the 742nd WAAC. That first group included the Post Headquarters Company cadre, headed by the charming blonde first sergeant (technically, first leader) Betty A. Lysnought, Ldr. Esther A. Yuss, and Jr. Ldr. Adele S. Weiss—all of whom are now full-fledged members of the NCO club. Of course, 3rd Officer Martha T. Riley, the CO, and 3rd Officer Elizabeth R. Haupt, Mess and Supply Officer, were really the very first WAACs at Seymour.

SPORTS -- FAN FARE

The Freeman Field baseball team so far this season has proven itself to be an "in and out" club. On paper they look mighty good but on the field it's a different story. The season record of three losses, one tie and one win, together with the exhibition of errors and weakness at bat in the double header with Purdue last Sunday, shows they lack hitting power and can become very erratic.

The team batting average of .321 indicates power. But that average is upheld by five men, Schwartz, Albright, Wolan, Leahy and Madrid. These men all are hitting 300 or better. But there are nine men on a ball club and five hitters isn't enough. Lt. Crimmins, who recently returned to the club, hit well against Purdue and may continue to do so, but even that won't be enough.

Hitters Are Needed
When Major Carroll said at the beginning of the season, that he needed a pitcher, a utility fielder and some hard hitting outfielders, he hit the proverbial nail on the head. But he could have added

a need for more hitting power in his infield.

The infield combination of Lt. Crimmins at third, Madrid, short, Martin, second, and Lt. Tiemann at first is almost flawless. Madrid and Madrid are craftsmen around that "key-stone" territory. Lt. Tiemann fields his position well and handles throws like a major leaguer. And Lt. Crimmins should settle down to smooth fielding at the hot corner. But Martin and Lt. Tiemann haven't hit. In the games to date, neither one is batting even close to 200. And that weakness at bat hurts.

In the outfield Leahy and Wolan are the only ball players. Both can slam the apple and cover their "gardens". But it takes three players to form an outfield and Freeman has no right fielder. Savicki, Shehan, Hoefler, Phoester and Lt. Mattes have all played the position. Lt. Mattes is a pitcher so he is out as a permanent outfielder. Of the rest Shehan looks the best. He made a beautiful throw to cut off a run at the plate against the Seymour Reds, but that lone qualification doesn't put him ahead of the field. The squad won't win with only two outfielders.

And we still need a pitcher. Albright is good, and Mattes and Dorman can hold their own. But the team needs a top notch mound artist if the Freeman expect to split even on their tough schedule. With a good pitcher added to the staff it's likely that moving Albright out to right field would settle a problem and add greatly to the strength of the club.

Taking everything into consideration, however, the team is doing pretty well. If Lt. Tiemann and Martin begin to hit and we can acquire a right fielder, the Freeman would be strong enough for any service or semi-pro outfit. Oh Lord, answer Major Carroll's prayer.

There should be a good pitcher or an outfielder among the men at the field, who haven't reported for baseball. The positions are open, and they can't lose by trying.

Battin The Breeze

BY PRIVATE CONVEYANCE

The exact cause of the absence of "Battin the Breeze" in last week's issue of Twingine Times is sort of a deep dark military secret, you see Pvt. Conveyance was down around the WAAC's quarters trying to see what he could see, when the "raids came," so when the Private didn't show up for a couple of days we sent out a searching party in an amphibious jeep and of all things, where do you think we found the Private? He was down at the Victory Farm pulling whiskey on some tomato plants so they would come up stowed.

It seems Sgt. McCandless, mess sergeant, had a poor little WAAC in tears the other day. Said the sergeant to the private, "You'll eat all of those potatoes." Said the WAAC to the sergeant, "Like hell I will." The outcome, you guessed it, she didn't. A lady always wins out in the end. How's about it Sage?

Ne doubt you've heard what the Indian said when he first saw a mermaid. "How."

A certain Loolet's wife a short while ago was getting some invitations printed at the local printing house. The L's wife wanted the cards to read Mrs. Lt. _____. When told this wasn't cricket she insisted that the Lt. part get into the invitation somehow.

I wonder what T Sgt. Duskop and Annie were doing in Indianapolis last week. Rumor has it that rice was falling out of the sergeant's hair upon returning. How's about it Annie?

Let Sgt. Marigny: "You sure have a thin dress on tonight. I can see your pink underies."

She: "Wrong this time Serge, that's sunburn."

A GI Joe asked me the other day, "What do you think of blondes?" I told him, "Blondes were invented just to keep married life from running smoothly."

Did you hear the story about the woman who cried wolf—and she was right the first time.

Latest GNR is that most of the boys will be traveling soon, in fact there are some that are beginning to get so sick already. Rest at ease, men, there is nothing to this and by the way ratings are on the upgrade once again. Just keep sweatin', you'll make it by and by.

S Sgt. Schlessler: "It says here in the paper that the young girls today are abandoning all restrictions."

1st Sgt. Al Schwarz: "Well, I'd better not catch Mabel without her's on!"

The latest communique that has reached me deals with one T/Sgt. Orlando. The Sgt. it seems got stuck down at the WAAC barracks. No, it's not what you're thinking. Sgt. Orlando was driving along trying to stay off the newly oiled road when he ups and skids into the ditch. The Sgt. says due to the cooperation he received from the WAACs in getting him out of the hole he is going to invite them out to one of his famous home cooked dinners.

So until you hear from me next week here's a little tip: The best WAACs of all are found at the Oasis Beer Hall—and boy oh boy, I sure oughta know.

Freemen Drop Both Games of Doubleheader To Purdue University

The Freeman dropped both games of the double header with Purdue University at Lafayette Sunday, 10-1 and 5-4.

Freeman went wild at bat, committing a total of ten errors in the two games. At bat they couldn't seem to hit the medicine twisting of the Purdue pitchers, collecting but seven scattered safeties in each contest.

Dorman hurled the first game and gave up 11 hits to the Purdue batters. Sloppy fielding and four errors did not help him any. Purdue made all of their ten runs in three big innings, scoring twice in the second frame and pushing across 3 runs in the fifth and 5 in the sixth.

Freeman's lone tally came in the fourth inning when Schwartz led off with a single and got home on two errors.

The second game was close but fruitless. Albright pitched a good ball game, yielding only 6 hits. But his effectiveness wasn't enough to overcome the 6 costly errors made by the Freeman.

Freeman started off to a 3 run lead in the first inning. Wolan doubled and Madrid singled, scoring Wolan, Leahy walked. Schwartz grounded out, Madrid

scoring on the play. Crimmins lifted a long fly to center, Leahy beating the throw to the plate. Martin struck out to end the inning. In the sixth inning two singles and a walk gave Freeman their final run.

Both Purdue and Freeman played good baseball. The university team was fair, but their pitching was poor. The Freeman lacked power at the plate and were unsure in the field. Albright, Wolan and Lt. Crimmins were the stand-out performers.

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