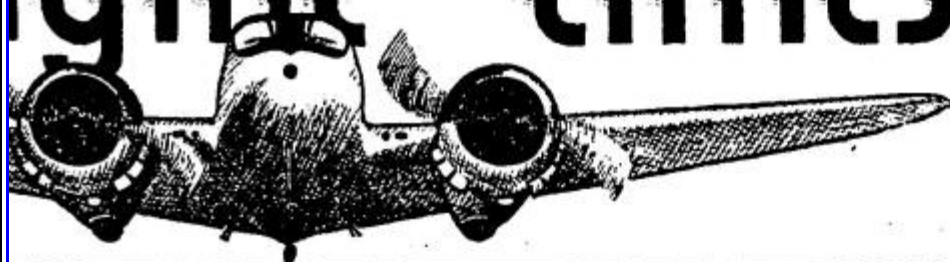


# Twine times



DON'T MISS  
1080th NEWS  
THIS WEEK!  
HILARIOUS!

FREEMAN FIELD, SEYMOUR, IND.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1944

## Big League Exhibition Game Slated For Next Wednesday

### Holiday Passes

This year, Friday evening, April 7, marks the beginning of the observance of the traditional Jewish holiday of Passover. In a letter written by Col. E. T. Rundquist, Commanding Officer of the post, the attention of all squadron commanders is called to the fact that in cases where passes will not interfere with the duties of Jewish personnel, they may be issued according to army regulations.

Those within striking distance of home, may be issued such passes to give them the opportunity of being at home for the customary Seders of the first two nights, in the company of their families.

For Jewish men and women in the armed forces in this area who will be unable to make the trip home, the Jewish community of Indianapolis, in cooperation with the JWB, is arranging an extensive program of home hospital-

### Contrary Weather Has Stalled Weeks Of Needed Pep-Up

Two big league exhibition ball games are slated to be played on the field ball diamond in the 447th area next week if—and the “if” is a big one—the weather holds up. The first ball in the opening game between the Chicago White Sox and Chicago Cubs will be tossed out at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday afternoon. The next day, Thursday, March 30, the post nine meets the Pittsburgh Pirates in an exhibition game at the same place and at the same time.

Weather the past few weeks has held up practice sessions for the league clubs as well as the local squad. In addition, the layer of snow which blanketed most of Indiana last Sunday has made it impossible to resurface the diamond here on the field. But if “Old Sol” keeps on peeking out from behind

### Twine Fame

We ain't braggin'—but—our stories are getting around. This week's (March 31) issue of Yank, the Army weekly, carries a paragraph on page 19 which tells GI's all over the world that Pvt. Milburn Divine of the WAC Detachment here at Freeman has a trunk which saw service in every war since the Revolution. You read the story, at least we hope you did, in the Feb. 18 issue of TWINGINE TIMES.

Last Week we received a communication from Lt. Col. Richard E. Daley, Public Relations Officer at Training Command Headquarters, Fort Worth, that the story on Sgt. Edward M. Stankewich has been forwarded to the American Pilot and Technician magazine by the War Department Bureau of Public Relations.

ARC Unit Assigned

ity during the first two nights of Passover.

The Jewish Welfare Board is distributing questionnaires providing assignment for the Passover home welcome program in Indianapolis. Jewish men and women stationed at Freeman Field should fill out these forms and mail them as soon as possible to Mrs. Mildred Levey, JWB Director, 2314 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. They will be available in Chaplain Hall's office and in the various squadron orderly rooms.

### Officer Takes Course

Lt. Cecil F. Martin, general supply officer, has been selected to attend a 30 day administrative inspectors' course at Army Air Forces Training Command at Orlando, Fla. The course will begin Monday.

the clouds for a few days, the post engineer gang will be able to fix the field up in time for both contests.

#### Train at French Lick.

Both Chicago teams arrived at (Continued on page 7, column 2)

### Officers Will Attend CIS School at Randolph

A flying instructor here and eight flying officers graduated with Class 44-C have been selected to attend Central Instructors' school at Randolph Field, Texas. The course will begin tomorrow.

In the group are Lts. Norbert J. Knopinski, instructor in Flight B, Echelon 4; George H. Lenke, Jr., Norman E. Urschel, Harry W. Price, Clinton E. Norton, Edward R. Landgraf, Bruce A. Herold, Robert K. McBride and Robert W. Leslie.

Upon completion of their training the men will return here to serve as flying instructors.

## ARC Unit Assigned New Ass't Director

The Red Cross has added a new member to its staff for the position of Ass't. Director to Mr. Bernard Woods. Having served at Reading Air Base, Pa., for six months, and with the 9th Infantry Division prior to that, Mr. Fred E. Rigsby arrived Monday noon. "Ready," as he says, "to whip into action." Mr. Rigsby's total time with the Red Cross runs well over a year and a half.

The latest work of the organization, announced Mr. Woods, was to completely equip the day room of the 1079th Squadron. All new furnishings and drapes arrived this week, to the glee and delight of the men in the squadron, who quickly unpacked and set up the "Old Hickory" padded couches and chairs.

## Skirmish At Beach-on-the-Creek

# "Invasion" Day March Finds Freeman Troops Making Friends With Natives; Pursue Elusive Enemy In Woods

Somewhere in Indiana (Delayed)—Almost everything about the battle of the Beach-on-the-Creek had a fantastic, unreal and unexpected quality.

The first blow came on that fateful afternoon on Saturday, March 18, 1944, when I saw my name on a white sheet of paper on the bulletin board alerting me for the "invasion." "But it can't be," I said to myself, "it's raining too hard. We can't go out in this weather, we'll all catch cold." So disregarding the whole thing, I stumbled back to the barracks and went to sleep. My slumbers were disturbed, however, by a mean old sergeant who shook me and said, "Git outta

By Pvt. E. Tarfu  
Twingine Times Staff  
Correspondent.

that sack, ya bum, and climb into your fatigues. We move out at 1400."

#### And We Moved Out

Unreal as it was, we moved out at 1400 and assembled in front of the post schools building. Hundreds of other grim-faced GI's stood quietly by while the invasion staff officers mapped out final plans for the assault. At 1503, just as the meat wagon from the station hospital pulled up, the order was given, and the operation began.

Moving with measured tread

out the Walnut Street gate, the column came to a halt as the first houses in the beleaguered streets of Seymour were reached. Here again the general staff held a hurried conference while we rested on the side of the road. Then the unexpected happened. Two of our canine mascots, usually docile and friendly creatures, attacked a black rooster. They chased the bird all over a field while the men stood helplessly by. They had been given orders to remain on the right side of the road and dared not break the order. Finally an unidentified private, who couldn't stand the bloody sight any longer, broke ranks and beat off the animals. (Continued on page 7, column 3)

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**THE CHAPLAIN CHATS**

By CHAPLAIN HALL

Before the war the church came in for a lot of criticism. Many were saying that it was falling as an institution. Others were of the opinion that it was standing in the way of progress. In order that you might appreciate what "the church back home" has been doing for the past fifty years, I pass on two stories from the South Pacific that are worth your reading. A CHAPLAIN WRITES: "The oft-termed 'impractical' missionary work of the church has produced one of the most practical surprises of the war. Invaluable assistance to allied service men by islanders of the fever-infested South Pacific. Voluntarily, one-time savages daily risk their lives to carry ammunition to the front lines. Many hundreds of wrecked and wounded aviators and sailors have discovered that the reason they were carried tenderly on stretchers for days across the Owen Stanley Range by 'fuzzy-wuzzy angels', instead of being eaten forthwith or being turned over to the enemy for reward, was that Christian missionaries had been at work among these tribes for only fifty years. An American airman made a crash landing. 'You are burnt. We must take you to Dawin' said the head man he encountered in the bush. The wounded man was placed as comfortably as possible in the bottom of the dugout canoe while the aboriginal Good Samaritans battled over the long trek of thirty-five miles to the military hospital. 'One might have expected,' says the Bishop of New Guinea, 'that these brown people who have but recently emerged from savagery and the stone age would have seen Christ in the Australian. Perhaps they have—but the fact is, many Australian soldiers who perhaps had never seen Him in the likeness of Christ in their own home life have seen Him in the faces and lives of those brown 'fuzzy-wuzzy angels.'



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**Tactless Taxiing**

Approximately 12 out of every 100 aircraft grounded for accident repairs are there because of inexcusable carelessness in taxiing. Inexcusable because taxiing accidents are almost 100 percent avoidable. Take this typical example. A pilot was taxiing a P-51 down the strip after landing. The strip turned, the pilot didn't. Result—one smashed propeller. A propeller smashed for only one reason: an ignorantly inefficient pilot who did not feel it necessary to 'ess' turn as he taxied down a comfortably wide strip. The manufacturers of the P-51 have provided it with many automatic features: automatic oil shutter, automatic coolant shutter control, automatic tail wheel lock. It, or any plane, has not been provided, as yet, with automatic taxiing.

Taxiing, obviously, is one of the easiest functions of piloting. Any pilot who can't taxi an airplane has no business flying it. If he cannot keep his plane from getting smashed up on the ground when an accident is the result of sheer carelessness he can hardly be trusted in the air where the problems are more critical, the demands on skill more severe.

Taxiing accidents take many forms, but most boil down to pilot error. Most frequently occurring are those where the pilot jolts down the runway at an excessive speed, failing to 'ess' turn, and eventually hitting something or nosing over while trying to avoid a crash-up. No airplane is designed as a ground racer, no airplane under complete control when taxied too fast. No pilot, moreover, is considered hot for whizzing down the runway. Such behavior is the mark of a rank amateur.

**MOVING EXPERTS**

Question: How many letters do you receive and how many do you answer a week?



Pfc. William LaSamme, 35th. Flight C—"I'd say about ten letters a week, and most of them are from my folks down in San Antonio. I answer about the same number."



Pfc. Heinz Sieglitz, 447th—"Not many and I don't write very much. I do mail a couple of letters home each week and keep up a pretty steady correspondence with my brother in Fort Jackson, S. C., but outside of that my family isn't much on writing. I'd rather go home on furlough and see them."



S/Sgt. Ira M. Bailey, 447th—"Well, I don't get much mail since I came back to the States, because I live in Portland, Ind., and can get home often enough to see my wife and family. But, when I was in Persia I used to get about 25 letters every month, and they were my best morale booster." Eds note: See Sgt. Bailey's story on page 7.



**HOW COME THE NEWS**

By PROGNOSTICATOR

The Russian drive is continuing into Rumania and as predicted, may not stop until it hits the Carpathian mountains. The entrance of 150,000 German troops into Hungary is a move to strengthen the defense of these mountains. The Nazi's are now preparing to light for Festung, Germany for the first time and the strength of their resistance to invasion of these lands they wrongfully call their own will tell us shortly whether the war in Europe will be prolonged or shortened. The Crimean is being evacuated by Germans but not very successfully. This tells us that the Nazis are preparing to lose most of the holds on the shores of the Black Sea. Along the Leda River, the Japanese are now cleared from the jungles of the Hainan Yalu and the drive on the important Myitkyina has begun. The jungle trained American troops are the first to be sent to these lands. Its making a difference in American equipment and troops. The making a difference in whether the war in Europe will be prolonged or shortened. The Crimean is being evacuated by live toward the old.

**WHERE ARE THE YANKS?**



The Fiji Islands, larger in area than the Hawaiians, yet smaller than the state of New Jersey, are strategically important in the Pacific war. Sitting astride the sea lanes that run from the Panama Canal to Australia, the Fijis lie 5,000 miles southwest from San Francisco and 1,300 miles north of Auckland, N. Z. Populated by 215,000 natives, the Fijis produce sugar, coconuts and cocoa. Human flesh was once a popular dish among the islanders, but those days are gone forever. Missionaries put a stop to cannibalism many years ago.

**CHAPEL SERVICES**



For Jewish Personnel  
Friday, 8:00 p. m.—Jewish Service in Chapel.

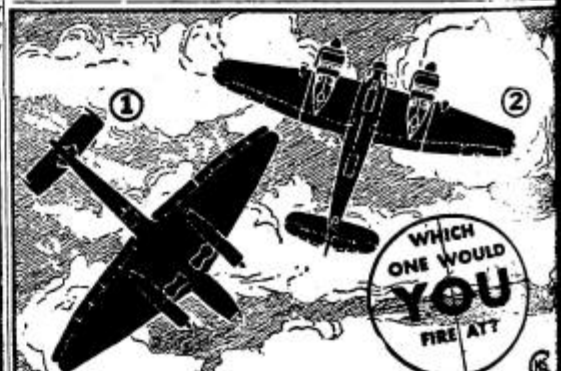
For Catholic Personnel  
In Chapel No. 2  
Sunday Masses at 6:30 a. m.; 9:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m.  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday Masses at 7:00 p. m.  
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Masses at 7:00 a. m.  
Tuesday Evening, Miraculous Medal Novena at 8:00 p. m.  
Confessions will be heard before each Mass.

**Natives Sympathize With Gen. Stilwell**

Burma (CNS)—Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell was crouched in the bottom of a fragile Chinese rice boat when it pulled up to a dock here. "Look at that poor man, said one of the native dockworkers. "He must be over 60."

Gen. Stilwell translated the conversation to his companions. "See," he remarked with a grin, "you've got to take a lot of results when you get to be my age."

For Protestant Personnel  
In Chapel No. 1  
Sunday services at 6:20 a. m. and 10:30 a. m.  
320th Squadron Church Services at 9:15 a. m.  
Weekdays  
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—At Exchange discussion club meets.  
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Choir rehearsal.



Professionals have nothing but scorn for the pilot who taxis carelessly. Professionals taxi as they fly, with full respect for the problem at hand. If vision is obstructed, they 'ess' turn, back and forth slowly, clearing the strip so that all obstructions are visible.

**Operetta by V-Mail.**

London (CNS)—Pvt. Charles Rasely, stationed here, and Miss Ethry Cline, of Easton, Pa., are composing an operetta. Rasely sends the music to lyricist Cline via V-Mail.

**Indianapolis.—(CNS)—The Indiana Appellate Court has ruled that a pedestrian has the right to collect damages for injuries sustained in a collision with another pedestrian guilty of negligent walking.**

**T/Sgt. Charles Levine, 447—**"My wife and I receive about 15 a week. Most of them are from relatives and friends back home and we answer all and more than we receive. I get at least one a week from my brother, Lt. Lou Levine, in Italy, and another from Pfc. Hy. Levine now at Fort Ben Harrison."

**Fire at No. 11 It's the German Junkers Ju. 86K, a low-wing, medium bomber, powered with twin engines. The long, transparent nose of the streamlined fuselage projects well ahead of the underslung engine nacelles. Both edges of wings are uniformly tapered to rounded tips. The tailplane is rectangular and has twin fins and rudders.**

**Not at No. 21 It's the British "Beaufighter," a twin engine, wing fighter and torpedo bomber. The short nose of the fuselage is set behind the line of engine nacelles. Both edges of the outer wing panels taper equally to rounded tips. The leading edge of the tailplane is straight and the trailing edge swept forward to rounded tips.**

**Army School Gets Large Home Study Turnout At Field**

Now that Joe College has gone to the mountain truly has come to the "mountain" beneath the Armed Forces Institute. The institute is the school with a world-wide campus. It was designed for soldier and sailor alike, and its headquarters are in Madison, Wis. The student studies by correspondence, or with a self-printing textbook or in an off-duty class. Courses completed may be submitted for credit in civilian schools.

Twenty three Freeman GI's are enrolled in the institute through the special service office. Pamphlets describing the institute have been distributed by the special service office, with Lt. David O. Davis in charge.

**300 Courses Offered.**

The institute offers about 300 courses in high school and technical subjects, covering almost every topic from algebra to air conditioning. In addition, 83 prominent universities cooperate with the institute to offer some other courses—some vocational, such as journalism; others cultural, like philosophy. AFI has only one rigid rule; scholastic standards must be kept at the high level approved by recognized vocational organizations.

Recognizing the difficulties under which students work, whether at home or in theaters of operations, the AFI places accent on individual attention. A student notifies when, where and how he wishes to study. Under favorable conditions, a lesson a week is average. But a student can take up to a month or even longer with good reason. As each lesson is completed, it is returned to the institute in Madison or one of the overseas branches, where it is corrected, graded and commented upon by the instructor, and returned to the student.

Thus the AFI enables the citizen-soldier to continue his education during the period that he serves as a soldier.

A \$2 enrollment fee pays for many courses as the applicant wishes to study as long as the work is satisfactory. Enrollment blanks may be obtained from Lt. Davis in special service.

**Religious Service for Convalescents Held Each Sunday**

The base hospital has treatment

**All This and Ration Points Too—**

No, friend you can't get ration points at the commissary sales store, but you can use those stamps and tokens to purchase food and meat items from one of the best stocked stores within a radius of thirty miles. The store is open six days a week from 8:30 a. m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p. m. Pvt. John Pfeffer, one of the clerks, keeps up a steady line of patter as he totals the purchases of three of the steady customers. See story on page 4.



**Entire Week's Marches Reach All Personnel**

Known as "provisional" Infantry Battalions, groups of Freeman men have begun "bivouac" training this week. The destination of the marches has been the Beach-on-the-creak, a spot approximately five miles from camp.

Planned and directed by Major Cecil N. Rogers and his staff, with the assistance of experienced officers at the field, the objective of the training program is to equip men with the fundamental knowledge of field operations that may some day prove invaluable.

Daily, columns of squadrons have cleared the field about 1500, marched by foot to their destination, received varied training, messed for one meal in the field, and returned over the same route, arriving back at the post at approximately 2100. The rate of march has been about 2 to 2½ miles per hour.

Uniform and equipment consist of: fatigues, garrison cap, overcoat (for the colder days) gas mask, pistol belt with canteen, cover and cup.

Strict marching discipline was observed and maintained throughout the activity, though singing was encouraged. Route step was the order of march, except when passing through the neighboring town of Seymour.

**Program Outline.**

The sequence of events when the groups arrive at the designated places follows a set pattern. First instruction in tent-pitching is presented, with minute explanations of the army pup tent. Then groups are selected to try their own hand at the process. Imagining themselves in actual combat areas, the men prepare camouflage with local stones and branches. Native American ingenuity they call it. Next step in the training process is the digging of latrines. The standard depth is plumbed before the initiates sit down, and let others go to work. Before the men leave the area, they do know how to set up these sanitary units.

**Food Served Quickly**

Mess is the highlight, as work-whetted appetites are satisfied in less than twenty minutes. Trained kitchen crews set up the mobile kitchen and water supply, and keep a steady stream of men flowing through the serving line. After the area has been policed and cleaned, the public address

**TWIN-DAD SAYS:**



From now on, TWINGINE TIMES, will try to hold to a schedule of weekend weather reports, furnished through the courtesy of the Post Weather Office. These accountings of the climate's whimsies will be "probables" of course, but should reflect the general trend for Friday, Saturday and Sunday of each week. For ye followers of the Indianapolis, Louisville and Cintown arrows, this service may indeed save you many a wrinkled pair of trousers, and perhaps a few slides on those worn tires of yours, when the roads get a little skiddy.

For this week, "Twin-Dad" as we have named our little prognosticator of the skies, says: Friday evening—Partly cloudy, warmer. Saturday—Scattered light

**Service Club Features Dance, Deluxe Menus To Entice Wandering GI, Wac**

The Service Club is swinging into its entertainment programs for the week with the announcement of another dance tonight at 8:30 o'clock. These affairs will be a weekly occurrence in the future.

Mrs. Alex Kramer, hostess of the club, says she makes it a point to have "lots and lots" of Wacs at these dances, Wacs to talk to, Wacs to shuffle with, Wacs to ping-pong with and walk home after the fancy steppin' is over. Refreshments for the evening are on the house, so don't eat all

on the field. "Come-in", she says, "and let me list your name, then I can call upon you for special occasions and dances. Nothing livens up a party more than seeing or hearing your friends perform, no matter how amateurish they may be."

A new menu has been prepared and is outlined for the benefit of ye-mid-day snacksters. Sandwiches are the rule, tasty, fresh sandwiches to tickle the palate and melt the sweet-tooth of any gourmet. Slices of smooth, moist cheese, spiced ham, and salami to suit the taste of the most discriminating. A coffee urn is anticipated, and promises fragrant, homelike java to warm the cockles of a frozen March heart.

**Plan Entertainment**

Mrs. Kramer flashes an urgent SOS to the talented enlisted folk

Since the club has opened its portals to the lounge-seeking GI, it has done a thriving "business" during the day in off duty hours, and in the evenings when it becomes a warm refuge for letter writing and relaxing. The bright Scotch pattern couches are as inviting as a golf green on a hot day it has been heard said between bites on a hot dog.

Special Services wishes to remind the men and women of Freeman that friends and family are always welcome at the club.

**F/Sgt. Off To School**

F/Sgt. Forrest E. Brockenridge of the 468th squadron has been selected to attend a 30-day administrative inspector's course at

**Alarm Signals Are**

D. U. L. C. Co.

ted a new program to fulfill the religious needs of the men who are confined to its wards. As soon as they are able to get about and reach the Recreation room, without buckling too many times, the Sunday morning services are open to them. A beautifully walnut-encased altar has been loaned by the Chaplains Office and draped over it is a velvet scarf upon which stand two candlesticks and a gold cross. Every Sunday Chaplain Russell Hall and his wife bring a portable organ with them and conduct services in true church style. Accompanying them the other week ends have been a violin soloist and the Victory Four quartet.

Among other developments are the moving in of several of the benches that used to strain under the weight of movie-eager fans at the theatre before the Era of Luxury. These will be placed in the recreation room and provide greater seating capacity for the patients who wish to spend concluding afternoons absorbed in reading or entertainment signs. Black plastic airplane models have been strung from the ceiling and afford the plane-spotter the opportunity of famil-

showers in morning, cloudy later, same temperature.  
Sunday—Partly cloudy, cooler.

**Italians Sow Crops As War Rages On**

Naples (CNS)—Unmoved emotionally by a war that has torn their homeland to shreds, Italian farmers in the Vanafro area near Cassino went right on sowing crops while guns roared in the distance and planes flew overhead. Their industry in the very face of war is expected to yield 2,000 crops of potatoes by June, according to Allied Military Government agricultural experts stationed here.

...rizing himself with all the models now in use.

The Officer Club Wives have donated twenty-five reading lamps, which hook up on the posts of the beds and shed a clear light over the entire zone of reading and writing. They are a great help, it is said, in relieving headaches and eyestrain due to insufficient light in some sections of the wards, although generally they are not necessary in the central portions of the rooms.

**Published in Case**

An outline of Uniform alarm signals, has been published by post Headquarters, and should be called to the attention of personnel at the field.

The general alarm for air raid is a modulated or intermittent blast of the whistle or siren for a two minute period.

The alert is one short and one long blast, repeated once. Civilian evacuation is two shorts and one long blast, repeated once.

Gas attack would be announced by the beating of metal implements on pipes, cans, etc.

The all clear, would be sounded with one continuous blast of the siren for a two minute period.

**3,562 Movie Actors Entertain GIs in Year**

Hollywood (CNS) — The Hollywood Victory Committee sent 3,562 movie actors more than a million miles to make 12,619 appearances before servicemen last year, the committee has announced. These figures nearly double the organization's first-year accomplishments.

the Army Air Forces Technical Center at Orlando, Fla. Upon completion of his training F/Sgt. Breckenridge will return to Freeman.

system "sounds off" with lectures on phases of training that have not been covered, due to operational impossibility.

**WAC OF THE WEEK**

She used to ride the range surrounding Lometa, Texas looking for lost cattle, but Lucille Brooks has given up her horse for a Ford V-8 staff car, which she uses to drive officers around the wide expanses of Freeman.

Lucille, who seems to have a smile that never comes off, will be remembered as the singing cowgirl guitarist in the "WAC Acts of '44" presented here on the field a couple of months ago. She lists her hobbies as horseback riding, photography and reading fiction, but neglected to mention that she enjoys dancing. And is usually on the floor whenever the orchestra strikes up—dancing, of course.

Brooks was born in Comanche, Texas and attended grade and high schools in Lometa, later working on her father's ranch near the same town.



**Signalers**

We would like to give our congratulations to Pfc. James "Moose" Croff for a perfect inspection. But, Captain, the Det. as a whole will have to see that.

We are still waiting for that letter from Lt. Kraus to say "Hello George," which will mean the Gang as one. The Det. gave him a party in their proud private dayroom which he seemed to have enjoyed very much and we all miss him. Happy landing, Lt.

Our bowling team seemed to have lost out a couple of nights last week. But came right back to beat the 107th three straights. Keep it up, Timber Topplers.

We had an old friend visit us last week, Cpl. Joseph M. Millner, who left last June for Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. He's completed his course and had an eight day furlough and then had to report back to Washington for assignment. Of course, the reason for him being here is the girl in the Western Union Office in Seymour.

We just picked up a weather report on the radio for Indiana, rain and snow until further notice.

About all the Det. has had a letter from Cpl. Legg who is down in Arkansas. He says you should be here on Saturday night when all the cotton pickers and rice growers crawl to town.

The Telegraph Office don't mind for people leaving gloves and your personal belongings in here as we will give the Spot News a ring for you. But the next person that leaves an address book, will you see that it has more blonde and brunettes and not so many Sergeants and Privates.

Sgt. Horne, the picture snatcher, would you like to get your picture with that Thomas Edison telephone. What did you do in

**Special Features Dept. Post Sales Store**

Answer to the harassed housewife's prayer is the commissary sales store, a veritable haven these days of rationing.

Not that ration points go by the board at the sales store; far from it. It's just that the store stocks a larger supply of rationed items than are to be found in civilian owned grocery stores. For instance, spices, cocoa and unsweetened chocolate, at times almost impossible to purchase in town, usually can be found on the well-stocked shelves of the sales store.

Furthermore, dollars do double duty at the commissary, where it is possible to save up to 30 per cent on groceries.

**Friendly Clerks**

In the light and airy sales store one may spend an hour or two shopping amidst the most pleasant of surroundings. Tempting displays of foodstuffs are arranged by Pvt. Earl Pagelsdorf, who is in charge of the store, and his assistants, Pvt. Stanley Sladyk and Pvt. John Pfeffer. In civilian life Pvt. Pagelsdorf, who is from Milwaukee, was employed in a retail grocery store there. Pvt. Pfeffer was assistant manager of a retail poultry house in Fairfax,

Minn., while Pvt. Sladyk was a truck driver in Hartford, Conn.

Besides retailing such hard-to-get items as soap, sardines, salmon and pineapple, the sales store also stocks ham, bacon, eggs, butter, cheese, milk, bread and GI coffee, ground fresh in the store. Those who know their coffee consider the sales store brand right up there among the top blends. The coffee is shipped here from the Memphis quartermaster depot at Memphis, Tenn., and non-perishables are obtained from the Chicago quartermaster depot. Eggs, fruits and vegetables are bought at the U. S. Army market center at Louisville and meats are obtained from Atterbury. Dairy supplies are purchased from a Seymour dairy.

**Business Improves**

A far cry from today's monthly receipts of \$2,200 was the first day's total sales, which amounted to a mere \$1.87. That was last March 22. On an average day some 175 persons patronize the store, which is open daily except Sunday from 8:30 a. m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p. m.

Adjoining the sales store is a large warehouse, where dry staples are stored. Custodians

of the storeroom are "Fuzzy" and "Wuzzy", four months' old kittens, who mean certain death for a trespassing mouse.

GI guardians of the warehouse are Sgt. Fred Stephenson, Pfc. Henry Primm, Pfc. Arthur Roles, Pvt. William Couzy, Pvt. Veto Mazelnik and Pvt. Hubert Bailey. Manning the cooler, where meats and perishables are stored, are Cpl. George Ansley, Cpl. Fred Jenkins, Pfc. Otis Green and Pvt. James Smith. Cpl. John Gerber breaks down field rations and holds sway from his desk in the commissary office. S/Sgt. Jack Gudor is steward of the commissary and Lt. Morris W. Zoogman is sales officer. Prior to entering the service, Lt. Zoogman taught English at an intermediate school in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The sales store is open to officers and non-commissioned officers of the first three grades if married. Married cadets and other enlisted personnel who are married also may shop at the store providing they secure permission from Col. E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer. Purchase permits must be obtained from the sales officer and shown at time of purchase.

**14th AAF Now Annihilating Japs By A Ratio of 15-to-1**

Washington, D. C.—American aviators in China have stoned

**Spreading Out**

The entire cadet corps is having a well-deserved rest this week, with the arrival of the new lower class not expected until about March 26.

**Britain Touts Basic English**

London, (U. P.)—Prime Minister Churchill, in a speech at the close of a session of the House of Commons, announced in a Commons that the British Government would into the business of teaching basic English, possibly with the cooperation of the United States.

Basic English, consisting of 850 nouns and 200 verbs and other parts of speech, was worked out by two English educators and is ready to be taught in British and American colleges.

**Praised It At Boston.**

Churchill, in a speech at Boston last September 6 when he was awarded an honorary doctorate, lauded basic English as a common language and the foundation of a common American-English citizenship.

He announced that the government-sponsored British Council would teach Basic English in that some colonial governments would be invited to experiment issuing handbooks on the subject to their people. He also said the British Broadcasting Corp. had been asked to consider including its teaching in its overseas programs, and that foreign consular and diplomatic representatives would like to be asked to encourage its spread.

Asked whether discussions be taken place with the United States to insure cooperation, Churchill replied:

"I certainly had considerable discussions with the President of the United States. The teaching of Basic English plays a very considerable part in the United States in the respect of foreign teaching citizens, and of citizens who have not completely mastered English language."

civilian life, make inventions for lazy people?  
 What's your trouble, Gore, can't you beat Allen when you play alone?  
 Must stop now as there must be a formation.

**One Man Audience Sees Free Movies**

Assam (CNS)—The most exclusive movie audience in the world is composed of a single man—S/Sgt. Frank Kulikowski, an aviation mechanic who has been confined to a hospital bed here since a plane crash in October.  
 Every Sunday night, a special service officer drags his projector into Kulikowski's room and sprays a movie on the wall over his bed.

up destruction of enemy fliers to a ratio of between 15 and 20 to one as they celebrate tomorrow their first anniversary as a separate command, Secretary of War Stimson told his press conference.

Paying tribute to Major Gen. Claire L. Chennault and the Chinese aviators working as members of the 14th Air Force, Stimson said they have made their presence a source of bad news to the Japs each passing day.

He pointed out that "11 enemy ships have been sunk in the last two weeks" and, besides much damage inflicted, "this air force has also destroyed 45 to 65 enemy planes . . . while losing only three planes."

"They have attacked enemy shipping off the coast of China and enemy docks and warehouses at many ports, accentuating the attrition from which all Japanese shipping is suffering," said Stimson. After describing the wide extent of their operations, he added: "They have initiated the first effective aerial support given the Chinese ground forces. They have taken hard raps but have grown in strength, and now, day after day, are hitting back at the enemy. Chinese fliers are working with Americans in closely integrated action."

Army casualties, said Stimson, number 121,458—20,592 killed, 47,318 wounded, 26,326 missing and 27,222 held as prisoners of war. Navy casualties are 40,824—17,261 killed, 9,910 wounded, 9,239 missing and 4,414 prisoners.

The upper class—really has a chance to whoop it up, and one might almost say, that if they weren't cadets they would As it is all they do is spread out a bit.

The next class is expected to be about 60 men larger than any single class in the past, necessitating some changes in the set-up of the barracks, such as additional wall lockers, new bed arrangements.

To assist in the greater amount of training and instruction, several flying officers will be borrowed from the flight line, and will act as Assistant Tactical Officers.

**"Hell With Babe Ruth Yell Charging Japanese"**

Cape Gloucester, New Britain Staff Sgt. Jeremiah A. O'Leary, Marine Corps combat correspondent, reports that Japanese troops charged the Marine lines shouting the strange Japanese battle cry:

"To hell with Babe Ruth!" The charge was scored as error. Thirty Japanese were struck out for good.

In New York Babe Ruth pleaded:

"I hope every Jap that mentions my name gets shot to hell with all Japs anyway."

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**166th Pac's**

**PAC J. E. Bass.**  
 lited and b'lessed, sure 'eggy occasion the night need saint's birthday. The hlyak was feeling his best life of the dance was by his. jitter-bugging. E says it's natural! gh a little late to cele- Pat's Day, the three day continue to enliven the One enthused Irishman, at he's an Irishman if it him a pass, is PAC Ralph J.  
 a new shipment of PAC's Det. now. Yes, there are ver-reas men. Jost watch sure items and you'll soon ainted with some of them. self edote their experineces

bunion derby. The boys looked tired, but like old fire horses they finished breezing into the stable.

The Tyrolean splendor of our gardens was given quite a setback by the recent storm. Some of our lofty and stately poplars were leaning at a forty-five degree angle, but the Fish and Game Commissioner, Sgt. Irvin, promised to restore them to their former glory.

The VOICE has returned from Billings.

Cpl. David Breilain feels slighted. He was married last week and we didn't mention a word about him here. "Sfunny what some guys will do in order to get a little publicity. I'll be back—"

**1080th Notes**

Once upon a time there existed in a little village called Freeman, a group of mammals who bore resemblance to the Family Anthropoid. Now this community was progressive culturally. They had once heard of a man called Darwin who, they said, had once remarked that the Ape was descended from man: And so they decided that in the best interests of science, that they would try to span the years back to man and emulate all that he did.

After a careful study they discovered that man's environment stemmed from closed rooms filled with the blare of music which accompanied a primitive dance called Bitter Juggling. The room was generally filled with the odor

Her name is Martha Brown. The ceremony is to take place in the home of her parents. The Philadelphia residence of S/Sgt. John J. Cimorelli is getting to be very popular with some of the men of this organization. Mrs. Jean Cimorelli, John's wife took a couple of our boys enroute to New York and fed them some delicious meat balls and spaghetti. She can be looking forward to a certain visitor soon. Several of the men have taken up a moustache (ad. If ) perchance, some one comes across a bottle of hair growing tonic, I wish they would give it to Pvt. Bill Glisson and John Ola. Both these men are having difficulty developing theirs. Who is that certain S/Sgt. that has been bee quite a bit lately with a certain WAC. I have been told that her name is "Frankie". Well, folks, it is time to sign off.

**35th Group**

**By Tomes & Schaffer.**  
 Ah! Spring is here. Well anyway, the calendar says it is. And Sgt. Vozar finds he still has a weakness for feathers. He just can't resist them.  
 Among the boys just recently returned from furlough, we find that ole banjo player from Missouri Pfc. Mitchell, of Flight D. Also "Mah Boy" Donza, to whom I have given my solemn promise not to reveal his nickname. Yeah, "Pineapple" would be very, very angry with me.  
 Flight "D" has added One Dog to their Morning Report Strength Figures. And he is a basketball player at that. After his recent bath, I'm told he smells very

**705th Band**

dia, Sicily and other main...

mail has been extra heavy since certain PAC's have...

Joseph D. Shepherd con...

base of you who read last...

447th Squadron

Our indoor athletes took three...

Sgt. John Freeman would...

The march and bivouac boys...

The card on the bulletin board...

The past few days have been...

Monday afternoon we didn't...

"Jelly" Pines, who claims to...

We gave a hearty farewell...

Ask Cpl. Tex Wingard to give...

of a rancid drink brewed from...

Everyone from the village came...

Suddenly before they knew it...

Before they knew it this excit...

When they awakened from this...

467th Squadron

Wedding Bells are going to ring...

Post Library News

"My Family, Right or Wrong,"...

Pop—wanted to run everything...

Mrs. Sousa—first conceived the...

Nancy—was the youngest of the...

The author of "My Family, Right...

sweetly. Him, that's queer, I...

3rd Lt. Hart, after wandering...

Wonder why Pfc. Hughes and...

Pvt. Hassel's wife arrived recently...

S/Sgt. Moul and Sgt. Niggel of...

S/Sgt. Quinn certainly looks...

Cpl. Shannberger is hanging a...

In Memoriam. The personnel of the...

GI Still Operating At Same Old Stand

Port Moresby (CNS)—Back home...

Incapacitated for further combat...

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

Who Threw That Section Eight?



SPORTS PAGE



Pitt Pirates Meet Freeman March 20

Will The Weatherman Repeat Himself-- seems to be the question that baseball fans on the field will be asking themselves up until game time between the Chicago Cubs and White Sox next Wednesday

Ping Pong Tournament To Start Soon

# Freeman March 30 On Field Diamond

Last year's fourth place Pittsburgh Pirates, now in spring training at Muncie, Ind., will start out on the road to what they hope will be the league title when they meet Freeman here in an exhibition game on Thursday, March 30.

Although the outcome of the game won't influence their standing one way or another (as if we had to tell you) the Pirates will put on a good show, because aside from being an exhibition game it will afford Frankie Frisch, an opportunity to look over some of the players he is counting on for the season.

### Temporary Line-Up.

Frisch has jotted down a tentative line-up for the National League battle, but like all big league managers, he knows that the men who look like the fair-haired boys in spring training, might fold up like an accordion when things begin rolling along. So he'll be watching his boys closely next Thursday.

Frankie will be keeping his eye on "Preacher" Roe who has done pretty well for himself on the mound and also on Harry Amato in the outfield. Babe Dahlgren is almost assured of the spot on first and Frank Zak can call the position at shortstop his own. Jimmy Russell will catch again this season and Johnny Barrett will roam the garden out in the right field. The other Victory gardener at left is Frank Colman.

As far as the other positions go, Frisch isn't sure yet.

## Gen Chennault Sees Japs Licked From Air

China (CNS)—Major Gen. Claire L. Chennault believes that the Allies can destroy Japan from the air with only one-tenth of the air force now being used to wreak havoc on Nazi Germany.

According to a United Press dispatch, the commander of the U. S. 4th Air Force is convinced that if he can knock out the enemy shipping lanes in the South China Sea and, Yangtze River and the railroads in northern China, Japan's industry and her army will collapse "easily".

afternoon. This photo was taken last year and shows Col. E. T. Rundquist buying the first ticket for the Cubs-Sox clash which was to have been held in town—but the game was never played because the "dew" was especially heavy that day. Wednesday's game will be played on the field diamond and will be free to all. Shown in the photo from left to right are: Lt. Roland O. Davis, Orval Grove, Thornton Lee, Bing Miller, Col. Rundquist and Jimmy Humphries. The men in "civvies" are all members of the White Sox.



## Bowling Standings Fourth Week

Team	Won	Lost
1080th	20	4
447th	19	4
35th D	16	5
35th	16	5
Finance	17	7
46th	16	8
Signal	13	11
07th	13	11
5-B	11	13
05th	10	14
5-A	9	15
20th	7	17
Medics	6	18
079th	4	20
067	0	24

High Single Game.		
10th	1080th	246
Montgomery	446th	243

High Three Game Series.		
080th		2544
447th		2537

## Zippy Bowler Sets New Field Record

Termed by many observers as the "hottest bowler" on the field, Sgt. John Roth of the 1080th came up with two new records for his rivals to shoot at, as he sparked his team to a new high three game series figure of 2544, tossing the ball down the alleys for a 246 in one game and 608 for the three game series.

The record shattering performance was given at the field bowling center on Wednesday, March 15, the night after T/Sgt. Clarence Montgomery of the 466th had bowled a 243 and was congratulating himself on having won the book of theater tickets offered as the weekly prize. The new three game series record set by the 1080th also caused the keggers of the Airbase to pull some long faces for they were sure that the mark of 2537, they had set that week, would stand

for quite a spell.

The 1080th, at this writing, holds a slight edge over the 447th in the squadron league standings. They have won twenty and lost four to the 447th's 19 wins and five losses. Trailing right behind the two top teams are Flight C and D of the 35th, both have sixteen games on the credit side of the ledger and five in the red margin.

## Post Bowlers Trim Seymour's Keggers In First of Games

Freeman's all star bowling squad took the Seymour aggregation by 225 pins, in the first of two games to determine the top team at the field bowling center last Sunday. Both teams will meet again this Sunday at 1:30 p. m. in the Lucky Strike alleys in Seymour.

Challenging the field team two weeks ago, the city bowlers arrived at the field last Sabbath day to stake, what they thought, would be a strangle hold on the prize for first place—a steak dinner. But they were outclassied by Freeman which set the pace with three team members rolling 500 or better, in a three game series. High man for the Seymour team was Newkirk with a 488, while Roth of the 1080th found his groove and tossed a neat 553.

Freeman				
Name	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Rawksby, 907th	142	180	137	500
Montgomery, 466th	148	170	130	470
Hobbs, 35th	150	182	143	455
Roth, 1080th	179	193	181	553
Stravolo, 447th	182	181	156	519
Totals	901	896	626	2423

Seymour				
Name	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Newkirk	162	155	151	468
Lucas	156	130	177	463

## Officers And

Lt. J. H. Woodbridge, the officer in charge of all the recreational activities, announced this week that the ping pong tournament would begin on the field next week.

Letters have been sent to the squadron commander suggesting that teams be organized for the games being held in the rooms. The officers will be to sign up for the tournament by registering at the offices. Elimination and final games the contest will be held in the service club on the gym.

### Winners Get Prize.

Prizes for the winners in each class have not been decided yet, but it was expected the officers would be able to see for a five and two dollar book as the first and second while the enlisted personnel might be in the form of a phy.

Lt. Woodbridge returned to field last week from Ft. Beach, Fla., where he had recently completed officers' command school. He is a native of Haute, Ind., and before the service was the boys' baseball and track coach at Hamersville High School in Hamersville, O.

The ping pong contest is the first of a series of competitive games that Lt. Woodbridge planned for the men and women on the field. Within a few days he intends to begin indoor volleyball, softball and basketball tournaments.

## Bitter Rivals Weigh In Freeman Battle

The game between the 1080th and the White Sox next Wednesday here on the field promises to be a pretty hot affair, for the teams are bitter rivals.

Sports writers have given the Sox the edge over the Cubs year because they have lost more important men than any team in the league. Jim Dykes, manager of the team arrived at French Lick, Ind., Sunday and brought along a line-up of players including Ross, Floyd Speer, John Humphries, Mike Tresh, and Guy Curtright and several others.

The Sox have been expected to train on the West Coast at French Lick, but observe that they would be as well trying to train in the middle of the Atlantic ocean—the field that wet. Instead the team was obligated to work-up in a hotel auditorium.

The Cubs, under the management of Jimmy Wilson, have several old-timers in their line-up. Jimmy Fox, the former American League home-run king, was waving his bat this year for a comeback. Paul Covey was recently classified 4F and has been working out on the field. Derringer, Paul Erickson,

## The Wolf

by Sansone



## Orders Is Orders

"There's such a thing as carrying the letter of the law too far," three patient Yanks have been quietly but firmly informed by their superior officers. Stumbled upon in a supply dump in the hills toward the Cassino front by a group of officers, the doughboys had plenty of explaining to do. Equipped with all the necessities of home, including plenty of food and blankets, their abode bore signs of being set for a duration stay. "What are you men doing here?" queried the officers. "Guarding the supply dump, sir," they replied. "Where's your Commanding Officer?" "We don't know, sir. We haven't seen the lieutenant since he told us to remain until relieved." "And when was that?" "December 21, sir!" However, all's well that ends well, and the three lads are

Hey, Blue-eyes! 'th' boys tell me you're a how!!

141	148	146	420
128	150	142	440
121	148	135	440
Totals 738 741 831 2280			

Burrows and Dale Anderson arrived at French Lick to practice their mount work

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### New Postal Rates Effective March 26

New increase in postal rates throughout the nation will be effective March 26.

With the exception of the regular letter stamp, service men affected by the new regulations.

Free mail of course, is allowed the man in uniform. In his civilian brother will pay a cent more for local three cent- where it used to be.

Per change to go into effect Air Mail rate per ounce in continental limits of the nation 3 cents. However the 6 cent rate per half ounce allowed armed forces outside the United States will remain.

Sgt. Charles Levine NCO in charge of the Freeman Post Office, this to say about the recent comments. "This is just a way to get a little more revenue. All we're at war and every bit helps."

#### Parcel Post Up

Parcel Post rates will be increased to three per cent, and the C. O. D. and registry will be increased accordingly. Money order rates are: 1 cent to \$2.50, 10 cents: \$2.51 to 5, 14 cents \$10.01 to 25 cents; from \$20.01 to 50 cents; from \$40.01 to 75 cents; from \$60.01 to \$80.00; from \$80.01 to \$100, 37

Insurance rates are: up to \$5, 10 cents; values up to \$25, 20 cents; values up to \$50 cents; values to \$100, 50 cents; values up to \$150, 60 cents; up to \$200, 70 cents.

Patrons are asked to compare the rural mail carrier with the new rates and determine if he is willing and ready to do all times. Carriers have a supply of cards, stamps and envelopes with them on hand.

### President Awaits Soldier-Vote Plan

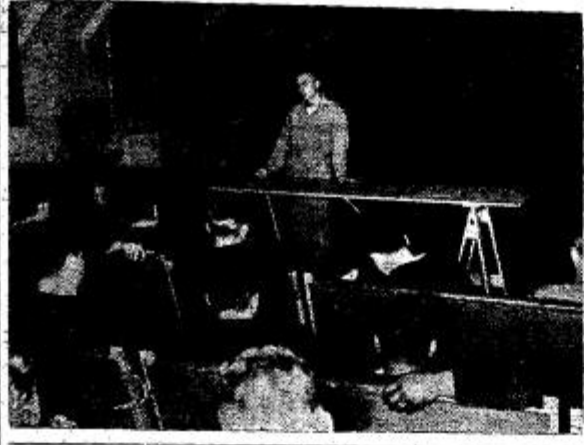
The soldier vote has been the subject of some discussion in Congress concerning the constitutionality of making a federal ballot available to uniformed citizens. The point of indecision is to decide about whether a federal ballot would bring more votes than the old system.

Several states have already passed the law; and the remainder and passage remain in the chief legislative bodies of the nation. The reason behind the uncertainty is due to the vast difference in state laws, and the difficulty in making one uniform law to fit the situation that will be all.

Earl Warren of California has been the first to say that the federal war ballot measure is acceptable under the law. Other governors have

### All Rest And No Study

make GI Joe a dull boy, so the powers-that-be at the station hospital have rigged up a series of lectures that are both entertaining and informative. One day the patient may come into the recreation hall and find that he has a seat on the aisle to view one of the screen's latest offerings, the next day the subject might be one of a military nature. Here T/Sgt. Edward V. Cassidy discusses the field stripping and nomenclature of the automatic pistol, while convalescent patients listen attentively.



### Correction Plis!

Because of a misunderstanding by his agent in booking dates, Louis Armstrong and his orchestra, originally scheduled to appear here on Saturday, April 1, will arrive at the field four days later, April 5 and play for dances at the post gym and the 320th Squadron.

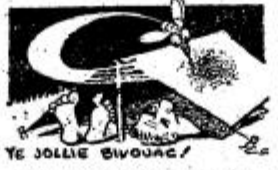
From 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. "Satchmo" and his band will play for the enlisted personnel and officers at the post gym. A half hour later, at 10 o'clock, the entire crew will set up at the 320th and play for the men in the squadron until 12:30 a. m.

### Big League Game

(Continued from page one) French Lick, Ind., last Sunday to start spring training, but the snowy St. Moritz scene which greeted them wasn't at all the kind of weather in which to get out and limber up. About the only arm practice the teams could get was pulling down the lever on the slot machines in the hotel lobby. The "Jimmies", Dykes of the Sox, and Wilson of the Cubs, have had a couple or three headaches trying to figure out their respective line-ups and are almost afraid to call for their morning mail because included in the envelopes might be another "greetings" letter which would grab off another of their players for armed service.

#### Better Luck for Pirates.

Spring training for the Pirates has fared a little better because they have the field house at Muncie, Ind., in which to practice. Frankie Frisch, manager of the team which wound up in fourth place in the National League last year, has several good prospects for his camp. "Preacher" Roe of



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A grateful native came rushing down and with tears streaming over his cheeks, thanked the soldier.

#### What? No Rumors

Again we were on the move. This time we passed through the heart of Seymour. Natives peered out from behind drawn shades and when they saw that we were friendly troops they came out to cheer us on. Two little tow-headed youngsters spread flowers in our path while the older people, visibly moved, bade us God-speed.

The advance party, under the command of Lt. Charles E. Heaton, moved westward and closer to the place where the enemy had been reported. Morale amongst the troops was excellent as they marched along singing softly to themselves. Just before we reached the Beach-on-the-Creek we paused again while the engineers repaired a bridge which had been blown up by the enemy. But still we hadn't seen any of them. Crossing the covered bridge we came closer to the waters of the White river and found that the enemy had fled down river on improvised barges. We had taken the Beach-on-the-Creek without a fight.

#### "X" Rations Delicious

Tension relieved, the men set about making themselves comfortable as they could under the dreary conditions. Some of them pitched tents while others built fires. The chow wagons rolled on and "X" rations were distributed.

### S-Sgt. Ira Bailey Tells of Crushing Heat, Quagmires In Iran--March 1942

Hollywood pictures Persia as a lush country with harems of beautiful women filling every nook and cranny of ornate Oriental structures, but S/Sgt. Ira M. Bailey, who served with an Air Force Detachment in that country for a year and a half, has a different story to tell.

He vividly recalls summer heat of 136 degrees on the desert, dust storms which cut visibility down to minus zero. He also tells of seasonal rains which turned supply roads into sticky quagmires that not even the vaunted jeep could plow through. As for the beautiful women, Bailey says "There just aren't any. The first white woman any of us saw was an army nurse who came to our base in Dec. 1942. Plain as she was, she was the most beautiful woman we had seen in nine months."

#### Primitive Country

Bailey was one of the fifty officers and men of an AAF detachment who arrived in Iran--the modern name of Persia--in March 1942 to establish an assembly base for American aircraft to be flown to Russia on the lend-lease arrangement. In addition to the men of the detachment there were 300 civilian technicians whose job it was to assemble airplane parts, shipped by convoy around Africa, and turn the A-20's, P-40's and P-39's over to Russian airmen who flew them into their country. The base was established at Avadan, which is twenty-five miles up the Shatt-al-Arab River. When the group arrived Avadan was nothing more than an arid island up river from the Persian gulf. Anything which remotely resembled modern conveniences was simply nonexistent, and all equipment and tools had to be ferried up the river.

#### Nine Hundred Miles: Ten Days

There was, however, a railroad which ran from Khorramshahr, on the gulf, to Teheran, the scene of the Roosevelt, Churchill, Stalin conference. It had been the personal hobby of the Shah of Iran who had been deposed when England and Russia made a reciprocal trade agreement with Iran in 1942. The line was 900 miles long, full of hairpin turns and at one stretch of 123 miles in the north and mountainous section of Iran, there were no less than 121 tunnels carved out of the mountainside. Rolling stock of the single track line consisted of German locomotives and outcast European cars, which Bailey says "weren't even good for cattle cars." "A one way trip could be negotiated in ten days, with luck," he adds, "but more often than not, it stretched out into two weeks, what with

rail breakdowns and engines overheating in the upgrade passes."

Since then the army engineers have rebuilt the road, added American rolling stock, cut down some of the steeper grades and have so reduced the travelling time that three round trips a week are made with lend-lease goods. In addition, a motor highway has been built parallel to the railroad and the army's prime movers run forty per cent of the goods up to the Russian border where it is turned over to the Russians.

#### Was A. P. O. NCO

Bailey was the non-com in charge of the army postoffice at Avadan and says, as most any man who has served overseas says, "mail from home is the best morale booster there is." In the beginning it used to arrive once a week and was usually fifteen days old upon arrival. But as the war progressed and Mussolini was chased out of his "Mare Nostorum", and convoys were able to sail through the Mediterranean, mail was speeded up and just before Bailey left Avadan it used to arrive three times a week and wasn't more than seven days old.

On Nov. 1, 1943, Bailey was relieved from overseas duty, under the rotation plan now used by the army, and returned to the states via the air route through Cairo, Ascension Island, Natal and Puerto Rico. He is now assigned to the post office on the field and doesn't worry about receiving his personal mail these days, for his home is in Portland, Ind., and he can get home to see his wife and family every week end.



North Africa--A young American officer took a ring to an Arab jeweler to have the tarnish removed. The Arab couldn't understand English and the Yank couldn't speak Arabian. Finally the American wrote a note which said "Remove the tarnish" thinking the jeweler would have a friend who could translate. The next day the officer called for the ring. The tarnish was still there but neatly engraved inside were the words "Remove the Tarnish."



the presidential query, any objections, but it is felt that the agreement will be approved.

The president approves the act, and if the state courts rule the act invalid, the ability of that servicemen and women will vote in the August primary and the general election in November.

The state courts rule the new act unconstitutional, in the services will not be to vote until 1946.

**Fliers Transfer**

Transfer of six flying officers, members of Class 44-C, to four schools at Smyrna, Tenn., is announced.

They include Lt. Wallace A. Williams, William A. Lincoln, Howard F. Schuh, Melvin F. Kuyper, and Lester E. McElroy.

the mound has shown plenty of pep in twirling the ball and Frisch is looking for big things from his new seventeen year old outfielder, Harry Arnato.

Here on the field, the Freeman line has been belting the ball around for the past three weeks and although they too have been held up by the weather, "they are looking good," according to Capt. C. D. Nichols.

Like the big league managers, Capt. Nichols has a headache or two of his own. He's not bothered about his players receiving those letters, but the "lucky bird" that might come up and force him to revise the line-up he has set for Thursday's game. As far as the pitcher is concerned, it will either be Higgins, Whitson or Allwright who will open against the Pirates, depending on which pitcher is in the best shape.

uted to the men. A critique was held by Major Cecil N. Rogers, commander of the operation, and Capt. Julian F. Lytle, who led our troops in the March. At exactly 1930 we rolled our packs and began the long march back to our home base.

As we crossed the covered bridge, some elements of the enemy troops, in violation of all rules of international warfare, attacked our forces with "poison gas." One of our alert gas non-coms sniffed the gas and immediately gave the warning. He was credited with saving our troops from suffering heavy casualties. The enemy elements were quickly wiped out and we proceeded homeward without further incident.

**Buy More War Bonds**



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**News And Views**

(Culled from our contemporaries)

Pity the sons of the sould sod when they learn this: Arthur C. Brown, Northwestern's professor of English and authority on Irish literature said the other day that St. Patrick was not Irish and his name was not Patrick. "St. Patrick," he said, "was not an Irishman but a Welshman who came to Ireland from Wales where his father was a Roman official. His native Irish name was not Patrick because no ancient Irish word begins with the letter "P". The name Patrick derives from the name Patricius, and is a name he took when he was ordained a priest. His Welsh name was Sucat."

S/Sgt. John B. Zealor of Roxbury, Conn., says he "sat tight and waited" and caught up with his hunting and fishing when army bookkeeping lost track of him and he got a thirteen months' furlough. He returned to this country, after serving with an overseas bombing group, on Jan. 10, 1943, and reported to West Palm Beach, Fla. There he was given a furlough and told to await orders. The end of the furlough came when the War Department wired his mother stating that her son's whereabouts was not known. She replied that her son had been home for thirteen months—and was quite broke.

Tony Millette, a street car switch-tender in St. Paul, Minn., worked for twenty years without a red lantern to protect him against careless motorists. Then the Twin City Transit Co. ordered the use of lanterns, Millette set out his light and went to work. It was immediately smashed by an automobile.

A deputy collector of internal revenue at Rochester, N. Y., loves his work and all because of one little kiss. When he announced to a taxpayer—an attractive woman—the amount she owed to the Government, which was less than she had anticipated, she exclaimed: "I'm so happy I could kiss you." "I'm not going to stop you," he replied. And whereupon she did.

Leonard E. Williams, who snored his way out of the army, returned home to Duquoin, Ill., last week—still sleepy. Williams was drafted in July, 1942. He was a civilian again twenty-eight days later. He said he thought he was the first man in military history to be discharged for snoring. In desperation the Army housed him in a private room, he said, but his snores resounded throughout the barracks and brought about his eventual discharge.

Add picturesque typographical errors: From a western newspaper one learns that the "latest box score shows 11 Jap ships slunk."

**Poem for Spring:**

'Tis spring, 'tis spring,  
The bird is on the wing.  
Oh yeah, dat's ahead,  
I thought the wing wuz on the bird.

Then there was the corporal who worked in a photo developing laboratory. One day they had an order to print up hundreds

**Giant Educational Plan Nears Final Vote In Congress**

The "GI Bill of Rights," known more formally as the Serviceman's Act of 1944, is assured of almost unanimous passage in Congress, it was learned today.

The measure embodies many programs or phases of programs contained in bills presented by various Senators in recent months. Of great importance, besides its sweeping appropriations for hospitalization, loans and employment benefits, is the program of free schooling, at the government's expense.

Any person, man or woman who has served in the active military or naval service, on or after Sept. 16, 1940, and prior to the termination of the war and was discharged honorably after at least six months duty would be eligible for educational training in elementary, secondary, business or vocational schools, colleges, normal schools, professional schools or universities.

Training would extend for one year or more, beginning not later than two years after the date of discharge, or two months after the termination of the war. In some instances studies could be pursued for four years.

As full time students, veterans would be allowed \$500 a year for tuition, not including board or living expenses, and a subsistence allotment of \$50 a month. A student with dependent would receive additional \$25 a month.

**Newest Flak Suit Is Real Lifesaver**

Advanced South Pacific Airbase, (AP)—Second Lieut. A. K. Maginnis, of Edgewater, N. J., navigator of a B-25 Mitchell bomber, says he knows of only one instance in which a man was saved by the Army Air Forces

**Lake Out Of The Woods**



Ever since Veronica came out of the woods and piled on top of her head we've been able to notice a couple of things we never got around to seeing before. Miss Lake will be seen in her latest starring picture, "The Hour Before Dawn."

**Some Conjecture About The Boy That Governs A Squadrons Life**

The Squadron Orderly Room. Does anyone ever pause long enough to render salute to this place of whirling activity? Does anyone ever stop to salute the hardy souls who take a beating day after day, week after week from the merciless pounding of an average of 400 men per outfit? Does anyone give a second thought to the order and pattern behind the activity in the squadron administrative office? How about passes, furloughs, duty sheets, disciplinary bulletins, dental appointments, rosters for "call-jumpies," retreat parade bivouac? How about supply

gent's. He is a master per being and the tiger evolved into one and had a hard glazed finish. Who knows as the "top-kick" origin of the word does obscure. The word kick, itself speaks of a gentle that bespeaks the man's p. "Top" might refer to a. Perhaps the following co used as the slogan for the peer: "Sighted two, kicked

**Briefing Meeting H**  
Each morning at 10 of "briefing" meeting is held Post Schools building, the officers' participating





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