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Post Executive Officer Recently Promoted to Rank of Lt. Colonel



Lt. Col. Channing Beasley receives congratulations from Col. Edwin Bobzien and Mrs. Jean Grigsby as Col. Bobzien pins the silver oak leaves on the shoulder of Lt. Col. Beasley. Picture in background is of Gen. William Welsh, new Southeast Commandant.

Lt. Col. Channing E. Beasley, Post Executive Officer of George Army Air Field, was promoted from the rank of major on orders effective March 26. Col. Beasley entered active service in the Air Forces in September, 1940, as a first lieutenant. Prior to his entrance into the Air Forces he had been a company commander in the Civilian Conservation Corps for four years.

Col. Beasley was born in Marion, Ohio, in 1909. Following his graduation from the public schools of Marion he for a time played semipro baseball in Ohio. Following his baseball career he entered the business world in various executive capacities which helped prepare him for the position he now holds. From 1931 to 1934 he managed a hotel in Marion.

At the beginning of his military career Col. Beasley was assigned to duty at Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La., where he was successively Group Executive Officer, Post Adjutant, and Squadron Commander. Col. Beasley was transferred in 1942 to Columbus Army Air Field, Columbus, Miss., where he served as Post Executive Officer and Post administrative Officer.

Col. Beasley has been at George Army Air Field since the Field was opened in October, 1942. In his position as Post Executive Officer he is responsible for the successful carrying out of the policies of his Commanding Officer, Col. Edwin B. Bobzien. Col. Beasley is typical of the younger men in whom the Army is entrusting its more responsible jobs.

Brig. Gen. Nowland Chief Speaker At Freeman Air Field Dedication

Formal dedication of Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Ind., and the graduation of the first class of cadets took place last Thursday, April 29, at 10 a. m. Highlighting the program was the appearance of Mr. Ab Freeman, father of Capt. Richard Freeman for whom the Field is named, and Brig. Gen. Bob E. Nowland, Commanding General of the 28th Wing. Freeman Army Air Field is one of a group of Army Air Fields in the 28th Wing for which George Army Air Field is headquarters.

The ceremony was opened with the playing of the National Anthem by 405th Squadron Band under the direction of T/Sgt. Richard Bowles. This was followed by an invocation by Post Chaplain Phillips B. Henderson.

After the invocation Col. Elmer Rundquist, Commanding Officer of Freeman Army Air Field, addressed the cadets and assembled guests and introduced Brig. Gen. Nowland who delivered the dedicatory speech which is reprinted in full in the adjacent column of SNAFU.

At the conclusion of Gen. Nowland's address he introduced the father of the man for whom the field is named, Mr. Ab Freeman, of

Easter Sunday Marriages By Two G. F. Men

Two marriages of George Field personnel took place last Easter Sunday. In the past chapel Chaplain Edward Wyckoff officiated at the marriage of Lt. James Keefer and Miss Dorothy Wilcock of St. Petersburg, Fla. Mrs. James Donovan served the bride as matron of honor and Lt. Donovan acted as best man. Lts. Keefer and Donovan are instructors in the two engine flying school attached to Squadron 4. In lieu of a honeymoon, Lt. and Mrs. Keefer are attending the Kentucky Derby today.

In the old Cathedral in Vincennes, Sgt. Martin Kolnacki, radio technician in the 708th Squadron, was married to Miss Yolanda Cerutti of New York City. Father Paul Deery performed the ceremony. Attendants to the bride and groom were Miss Mary Raffo and Cpl. John Benham. Following the wedding a reception was held at the newlyweds apartment in Vincennes. The reception was attended by the bride's mother, Mrs. Virginia Cerutti, and by Pvt. and Mrs. Gerald McGee, Pvt. and Mrs. Warren Greene, Miss Mary Raffo, Pvt. George Joseph, and Cpl. Benham.

Winamac, Ind., where Capt. Richard Freeman was born.

The remarks of Mr. Freeman were followed by the band's playing of the Freeman Field March which was written by Sgt. Bowles and dedicated to Col. Rundquist.

Graduation exercises followed the playing of the march. Maj. William B. Poe, director of training, delivered the introductory address which was followed by Col. Rundquist's graduation speech and the presentation of wings to the new officers by Maj. Poe. The oath of office was administered by Commandant, Maj. Albert Hughes.

The graduation ceremony was concluded with a benediction by the Rev. C. W. Burkart and the playing of the Army Air Corps song by the band.

Later in the day an aerial review was led by Capt. Albert Tyler, flight officer.

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Graduation of Class 43-D

Silver Wings Are Presented To Graduates

A brief but inspiring ceremony marked the graduation of Class 43-D, Aviation Cadets, from the Two-Engine Advanced Flying School at George Army Air Field last Thursday, April 29. Before a large group of relatives and friends who had traveled from distant parts of the country, George Field's latest "crop" of airmen filed across the stage of the Post theatre to receive their "wings".

The graduation program was opened with an invocation by Post Chaplain Edward B. Wyckoff. Following the invocation Maj. Ray M. Cook, Cadet Training Executive, delivered the address introducing the principal speaker of the morning, Lt. Col. William K. Kincaid, Assistant Commandant of George Field.

At the conclusion of Col. Kincaid's speech the Class of 43-D received the oath of office which was read to them by Capt. Dyson W. Cox, Director of Flying. Presentation of the "Wings" was made by Col. Kincaid. The graduation program was concluded with a benediction by Chaplain George W. McHugh.

Significantly, planes piloted by under-classesmen and their instructors droned overhead throughout the exercises, indicating that the business of war allows no holidays—even for congratulations of friends and "buddies".

COL. BOBZIEN GIVES POSTHUMOUS AWARD TO MOTHER OF HERO

WADESVILLE, Ind., April 28—(AP)—Posthumous awards of the silver star for gallantry in action and the Purple Heart for personal injury were made last night to Mrs. William Strauss for her son, Capt. Allison Wayne Strauss.

The awards were made on the first anniversary of the death of Capt. Strauss in an air battle in the Pacific war theater. Capt. Strauss was the first Posey county native to die in the war.

The presentation was made by Col. Edwin B. Bobzien, commander of George Field, Lawrenceville, Ill., at a war bond rally at which it was announced Posey county's second war loan subscriptions now total \$470,000 compared with the county's quota of \$431,000.

Spring Formal Attended By 200 Couples

The enlisted personnel of George Field celebrated the opening of the spring dancing season last Thursday evening.

The spring formal, attended by more than 200 couples, was led in the grand march by Pvt. Emmett Gemme and Miss Rose Jean Fincial.

The Recreation hall was gayly festooned with balloons, streamers, and bursts of confetti. Dancing lasted from 8:30 until 11:30 and the George Field dance band, under the direction of Sgt. Thomas Serdenis, furnished excellent entertainment.

Acting hostesses were Mesdames Otto Schultheis, John Baker, James McQuaid, Rene Dognaux, and John Dyer.

Lt. Roy Johnson, Special Services Officer, and his staff were responsible for the colored lights playing on the Air Corps insania backstage. Lighting effects produced the atmosphere of a big-time ballroom.



Aviation Cadet Wing Adj. Wesley Huckins



Aviation Cadet Wing Capt. Ted Miles



Aviation Cadet Group Adj. Henry Glass



Aviation Cadet Group Exec. Buell Crider

N. C. O. Club Opens With Dance, Floor Show Next Saturday, May 8

A dance and floor show next Saturday evening, May 8, will mark the formal opening of the new non commissioned officers' club. M/Sgt. William J. Lofley, president of the club, states that members may bring their own dates and there will also be other girls present for dancing partners.

Under construction for the past two months the now completed club building is one of the most attractive and thoroughly equipped of any in the Southeast. The interior of the building has been attractively decorated with murals painted by Sgt. Irving Brown of the 711th Squadron. In the center of the room there is a 20'x30' oak dance floor which is surrounded by a number of dining tables and thirty booths. A thirty-five foot bar extends along a portion of one wall where beer, soft drinks, and ice cream will be served. Sgt. Lofley has been able to obtain food rationing points from the Vincennes rationing board so there will be a limited number of food items for sale.

Sgt. Lofley states that enlisted men are required to serve in the club. They will receive extra pay for this work and men who are interested should contact Sgt. Lofley whose telephone number is 140.

Some N. C. O.'s failed to pay their dues last pay day and unless they paid the dues in full yesterday, or within the next few days, they will be dropped from the membership rolls. The initiation fee for N. C. O.'s who were stationed at George Army Air Field on or before March 15 and who failed to join the club may now join for a \$5.00 initiation

fee which is payable at the rate of \$1.00 per month.

Those who have been promoted to the grade of non commissioned officer or who have reached the field since March 15 may join for an initiation fee of \$3.00, also payable monthly. The monthly dues are \$1.00.

It is planned to eventually devote one section of the club to be used as a reading room with reading lamps and comfortable chairs. A suggestion box will be available for members to make known their preferences in magazines and newspapers. Those most in demand will be subscribed to by the club.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(AP)—President Roosevelt ordered government operation of the nation's coal mines today—with military protection if necessary—and in a statement called on striking miners to "return immediately to the mines and work for their government."

The president ordered Secretary of the Interior Ickes to take possession and operate the mines with such workers as he can provide, and told Ickes he could call on the Army for protection for them if necessary.

Lt. W. C. Dietrich Returns to Medics From Randolph Field

LT. W. C. DIETRICH 14 point . . . It is with a great deal of pleasure that we welcome home Lt. Warren C. Dietrich (GC) who had been stationed at Randolph Field, Texas. Lt. Dietrich, one of the most popular M. C.'s could not have arrived home at a more opportune time. Honestly Lt., isn't it great to back to the peace and quite of G. F. Oh Peace! Oh Solitude!

It has been reported that the EM of George Field are much more prompt in reporting for their shots, now that Mrs. Charlotte McCarthy wields the needle.

Didn't Cpl. A. Battinelli know that old "Doc" Luca's Magic Elixir would grow hair on anything???

It is understood that a neon salesman visited T/S. Colman Jersey the other afternoon concerning a certain sign.

Under the direction of 30 or 40 foremen our ditch digging gang is hard at work prettying up the joint. Seriously the boys are doing a fine job, and come the merry spring-time the place will seem not unlike a Botanical Garden.

Best Wishes and Good Luck to Sgt. Paul K. Potter, P. K. P. leaves in the near future to attend the M. A. C., O. C. S., at Camp Barkley, Texas.

Saturday May 1. Uniform of the day.—Khaki shirt, trousers and hat. (Long underwear and hot water bottles.)

Confidentially Sgt. "Milt" Ashby, how is your cousin in Olney. I understand her name is Wanna More. This Fella Ashby has more relatives in this part of the country.

The entertainment committee under the same Sgt. Ashby has lined up an interesting program for the near future. He will have boxing bouts. Cpl. Gallo vs. Pvt. Jennings and Cpl. Jersey vs. Pvt. Halm. The main attraction will be a debate between Pvt. Perez and Cpl. Photinos on, "The Advance of English Literature" or "Shakespeare's Place in the Sun." The final event will be a fight to a finish, no holds barred between Pvt. "5x5" Bardon and Cpl. "1x11" Thorpe.

The following will give the C. Q.'s in the other squadrons an idea of what Charge of Quarters tour in the Hospital is.

On C. Q.
Where do I wind up every week?
A job that tortures my physique,
A job that one would never seek.

On C. Q.
Where is it that I dassn't doze?
And answer questions known one knows,
Make up poetry and hand out prose,

On C. Q.
Where is it that I catch a chill?
And lose my only quinine pill,
And probably will remain until,
I'm rescued from C. Q.

No doubt everyone notices that brand new shiny sign out in front of the hospital, a fine piece of work by Pfc. Leifer. To "Keep Them Fit," in short, is the part we play in this game of conditioning men for War.

Signal Officer Is Visited By Wife and Child

Mrs. Stanley Martz, wife of Lt. Stanley Martz, post signal officer, was a visitor at George Field last week end. She was accompanied by her daughter Gloria. Lt. and Mrs. Martz' home is in North Tonawanda, New York and her visit here was the first she had made to George Field. Mrs. Martz and her daughter stayed at the Lawrence Hotel in Lawrenceville.



One of the most recent flying officers to receive promotion is Ray M. Cook, who may now be addressed as Major Cook.

The Major is Cadet Training Executive at George Field, and is a graduate of the well-known cadet school at March Field, California. Major Cook is a native of Illinois and in civilian life was President of the First National Bank of Zeigler, Illinois.

Popular Member Of "Snafu" Staff Leaves For O. C. S.

This week the Public Relations Office records the departure of an old member and the arrival of a new member of its busy staff.

Leaving the department where he had served almost since George Army Air Field was established was Cpl. William C. Heck, head of the Public Relations Office' Photographic section. The man behind the moustache, the iceberg of imperturbable dignity, the ambassador of the P. R. O., is gone. The files his industry has built, th

publicity his "eye for shots" has given to George Army Air Field speak louder than our praises. With all his friends, we wish his success in his O. C. S. training at the Anti-Aircraft Artillery school at Camp Davis, N. C.

Arriving in time to soften the blow of Heck's loss to the staff is Cpl. Norman Simpson, latest protegee of Maj. Milton Heath's talent scouts. Already Simpson's collaboration with Pvt. Marion Moore has made him a hit over the local airways. Simpson has had a broad background in radio broadcasting, having appeared on such popular shows as "The March of Time", "The Prudential Hour", Fred Allen, "The Army Hour", and the Treasury "Star Parade".

Test Yourself On Current Events

1. From Enfidaville, which the British Eighth Army captured last week, the shortest route to Tunis is about (a) thirty miles, (b) fifty miles, or (c) seventy-five miles. Which?
2. Among the forces spearheading the Eighth Army's attacks have been the Gurkhas. What are these?
3. Aiding operations in North Africa are the Strategic Air Force and the Tactical Air Force. Which of these has as its main job giving air support to ground forces; which the bombing of more distant targets?
4. In the air battle off Cap Bon, three American pilots become aces. Is the requisite for this shooting down (a) five planes, (b) three planes, or (c) one plane?
5. Lend-Lease supplies to North Africa included seeds to be used there for growing food for our forces. Half these seeds were for a former Chinese crop that is rapidly becoming an American staple. Is this (a) wheat, (b) turnips, or (c) soybeans?
6. And returning Lend-Lease vessels carried from North Africa to Britain 240,000 tons of phosphate rocks. Why is none of this fertilizer being brought back to the United States?
7. What Governor of a French overseas possession has been branded recently by the United States as a tool of the Hitler regime?
8. In the European theatre, heavy air assaults continued. In their raid on Bremen, the United States Eighth Air Force's target was (a) the de Havilland plane factory; (b) the Dornier plant; or (c) the Focke-Wulf plane factory. Which?
9. And in raiding Stettin, the British chose it as a target because it is (a) the port for Berlin; (b) the home of Joseph Goebbels, or (c) the capital of Bavaria. Which?
10. In telling the story of last year's Tokyo bombing, the Army revealed that the carrier Hornet was the Doolittle fliers' "Shangri-la." Where did President Roosevelt get the term Shangri-la to describe the secret base?
11. Reporting 128 Japanese planes destroyed or damaged in the Southwest Pacific during the first fifteen days of April, the War Department said these were all "combat losses." What are those?
12. Returning from its second patrol of the Pacific, the submarine Wahoo said it "mopped up" the Japanese and so flew a mop instead of the usual broom. Who first used a broom to indicate a clean naval sweep of the seas?
13. Launching a new cruiser, the Navy named it the Canberra. How was this a departure from custom?
14. On meeting President Avila Camacho, President Roosevelt reminded the world that the Chief Executives of Mexico and the United States had not met for many years. Was the last previous visit to our neighbor republic made by (a) Woodrow Wilson, (b) Theodore Roosevelt, or (c) William Howard Taft?
15. For sports fans, Spring officially started on April 20. Why? (Check your answers on Page 8)

"G. I." Favorite Mascot of 708th Moves Into Family Quarters

A few days before Thanksgiving, 1942, the recruits came into the 708th Orderly Room after a wet day on the drill field. There they found a bundle of wet, bedraggled fur which they promptly adopted as a squadron mascot. This skinny, woebegone creature turned out to be a female pup. She was immediately christened "G. I."

Her ancestry is very doubtful, but what she lacks in pedigree she makes up in her devotion to the enlisted men. She has come to regard civilians as intruders and shows her displeasure by barking continuously as one passes by. The Squadron has watched her

Pvt. Constantine J. Kozielski (Murphy, to you) of Polish extraction, and the one "key man" of the Squadron, Pvt. Isidore Hochstat who is Jewish. These four men can argue in any language you care to choose.

The Softball team is shaping up fine in practice and we look forward to giving the other squadrons plenty of competition in the weeks to come.

The Squadron wishes to extend its heartfelt sympathies to S/Sgt. William Cutler on the news of the death of his father.

FLASH!
"G. I." gave birth to three coal black puppies last Thursday evening. Sgt. Frank Kuefner acted as mid-wife and the mother, Officers and men of the 708th Squadron are now resting easily.

grow from puppyhood into what, in all appearances, will soon be motherhood. The Squadron carpenter (take a bow, Pvt. Koenig) has made preparations in anticipation of the blessed event by building a one-story cottage with all the comforts of a modern home, according to the living standards to which she is accustomed.

The father of the expected puppies is a matter of much speculation. There are many suspicious glances thrown about, but "time will tell." There is a rumor that three men will apply for immediate furlough if the puppies are born wearing glasses, and four if they have red hair. Well, the time is drawing near and it will be a great relief to both "G. I." and the men of the Squadron when the pups are born. S/Sgt. Irving Shack calls the veterinary asking if "G. I." is having "babies."

Pvt. Isidore D. Hotchstat—"Hey! I have a story for you." What is it we ask. Write it up that the 708th has the only Japanese on the field—me!! We looked up and believed it.

Pvt. David D. Mullen retort when awakened from a sound sleep—"leave me alone or I'll hand you your ear drums."

S/Sgt. John E. Davis gloatingly peering at an issue of "Esquire" in the day-room. Could not be sure that his ears wiggled.

Pfc. Chester J. Kurdziel—"They have no right to do this to me" but he scrubs the floor and pronto.

S/Sgt. Walter K. Long—"I've looked every place and I can't find Pvt. Gremlin," after he was told over the phone to look for him.

T/Sgt. John Bolinsky after thundering orders down the line we hear that he is called this endearing term, "Oh, Baby, try to be home early."

M/Sgt. Robert H. Smith has loads of troubles. Now his wife Annie Francis has sustained a bad sprained ankle, while shopping downtown.

Cpl. Ferdinand S. Basnett swept by waves of homesickness, "I just can't wait till that furlough starts," which is a month away for him.

Sgt. Joseph Belmonte—is determined not to oversleep as he sullenly now paints the picket fence in the squadron.

Dan Cupid has made a severe assault on the personnel of the squadron since April 1. Sgt. Ohmberger and Sgt. Kolnaki (the regular reporter) have said "I do" and we understand that Sgt. Leo Wydra will have done the same by the time this goes to press.

708th's quartet of Orderly "Roomers" is a real cross-section of the type of men of which the U. S. Army is composed. We have Cpl. Frank Kuefner of German extraction; Cpl. Howard Freeman, Irish and Scotch (what a combination).

Vincennes Library Invites Use of New Books and Magazines

An invitation has been extended by Miss Jane Kitchell, librarian of the Vincennes public library, for all men of George Field and their families to use the facilities of the library. In a letter received by the public relations office Miss Kitchell states that the library staff has enjoyed being of service to the officers and enlisted men and will welcome the smallest opportunity to serve them in the future. The Vincennes public library is located on the corner of Seventh and Seminary streets.

Eddie: "There was that damned Jap bomber right in me sights, and I gave him a quick burst, but I missed the heathen devil! I swung my machine gun, and tried again. But he dove just as I pressed the trigger. I tell yez, Tom, we had it hot for a while and then I got him right in me sights and—"

Tom: "Yer a brave man Eddie! I bet you got him that time sure."

Eddie: "No! The devil took me luck! Me nickle gave out just then, and the screen went dark!"

HIDDEN MOTORS FORESEEN
It is thought that efforts to reduce the air resistance of airplanes will eventually result in placing the motors completely within the wings.

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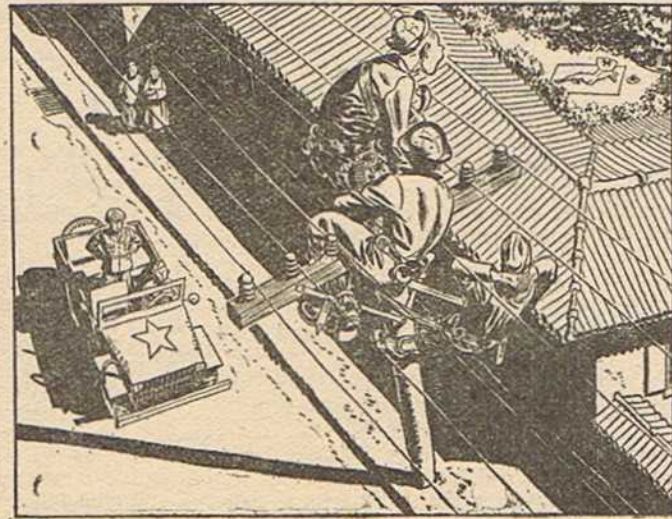
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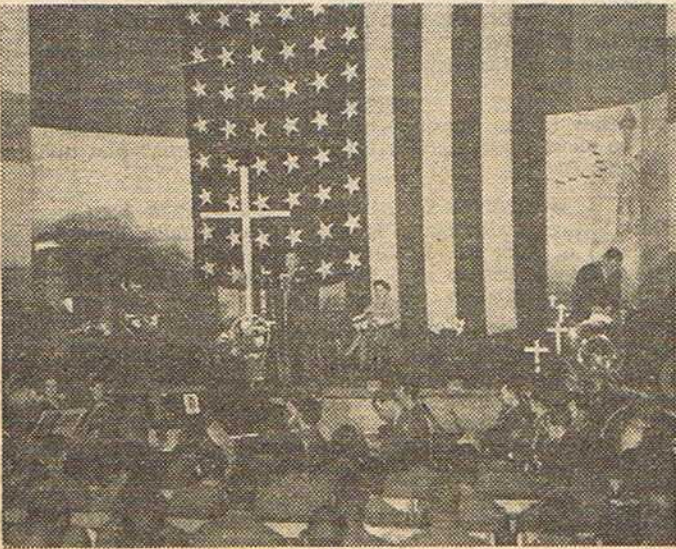
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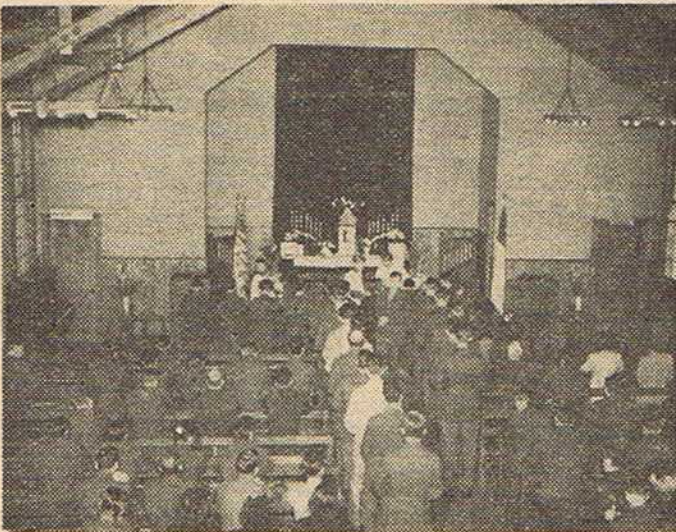
Last Sunday's Easter Services



Post Chaplain Edward B. Wyckoff delivers the Easter Sunday address on "The Big Parade". This sermon was broadcast over a three-station hook up in Vincennes, Evansville, and Terre Haute.



View from the stage of the Post theatre where the Easter Sunday services were held for the members of the colored squadrons.



View from the stage of the Post theatre during the Easter Sunday services held for members of the colored squadrons.

Flight Instructor Describes Steps Necessary In Training of Pilots

During Christmas holidays in 1939 I decided that being a school teacher was one of the best things that a man could do. I paid Uncle Sam \$100.00 to relieve me from the Army at Fort Benning where I was stationed in the Tank Corps. My purpose was to get two years of college for a start at teaching. By the time I had finished the two years of high school that I needed to enter college and the two years of college that I needed to teach school the Japs had attacked Pearl Harbor, things began to look bad for us. I made up my mind to enter the Air Corps and see if there was some kind of teaching job to be had in the best Air Force as to quality in the world.

I received my appointment as a cadet, February 19, 1942. From then on until October 19, 1942 when I was commissioned 2nd Lt. in the Air Corps, things went pretty smooth, but strictly military. They immediately appointed me a flying instructor, my education began here.

Training the world's best flying men to fly for the best army in the world is no part time job for anybody. Flying is an exacting science that requires the best effort that any man can put out. A first class pilot must be especially suited constitutionally and psychologically to take the air and withstand the every day rigor of flying, which isn't bad if you live clean.

The fledgling pilot gets to our Advanced Twin Engine School after he has passed the most critical points of his training period, Primary and Basic. If the Cadet gets to us we know that he has put many hours into perfecting his flying technique, military bear, confidence and treat them as such.

With this in mind we start the day off with a talk to the cadets on the particular phase of flying we intend to cover. We go into detail explaining why, when, and where each movement is made, stressing the importance now and later (especially the maneuvers used in combat) each of us trying to make our students the best that we have ever trained. By explaining the physiology of maneuvers in a plane the student loses most of his fear of it, thereby leaving him time to think of the maneuvers rather than dread it.

After the lecture we take the Cadet to the plane and do the actual flying, demonstrating the correct procedure and technique. Sometimes it takes drilling the student to make him proficient. While this is going on we are continually on the lookout for mistakes that may cost the student his life now or later when alone. Self-reliance is drilled and stressed until we are sure that the Cadet will not fall when he hits a tough spot of flying, he must think for himself and the others that he may have in his ship.

Lunch comes after five hours in the air, where we rest and discuss the experiences of the day. Then off to Ground School to teach or to be taught as the case may be. This is where we learn and teach the latest in modern warfare. Most of us hope to go to combat soon for a little travel and adventure, and knowing the tricks may save our hides many times.

Athletics start after we have finished Ground School where we learn self defense at our own request free except for many bruises and bumps.

This ends our official day of about 10 hours so we head for home or the Bachelors Quarters as the case may be. If we are not scheduled for a party or dance at the Club we start making plans for the following day of flying. We stay awake at night thinking of ways and means to

teach Cadet Doe to keep his head out of the cockpit or watch his instruments, or is there any possible way to cure his fear of unusual positions under the hood. Trying to solve these many problems we fall asleep hoping and maybe praying that our cadets make the grade here and later. Always looking for more cadets and new experiences, especially local men from Tift county and Georgia. In general come on and we will do our best to make your dream come true, to wear a pair of Silver Wings.

LT. BERL E. LIGHTFOOT,
Tn. Sqd. 8
George Army Air Field, Ill.

BUY WAR BONDS AT FIELD POST OFFICE

\$566.25 worth of War Bonds were recently purchased at the George Army Air Field Post Office by Mr. G. H. Moser. Mr. Moser came to the post office with Mr. John H. Dostert of the Sub. Depot. Another recent purchaser of a \$1,000 bond was Mr. Ralph Willis of the Area Engineer's office.

Words Are Cheap: Life Is Not.

Variety Show To Be Given Next Thursday

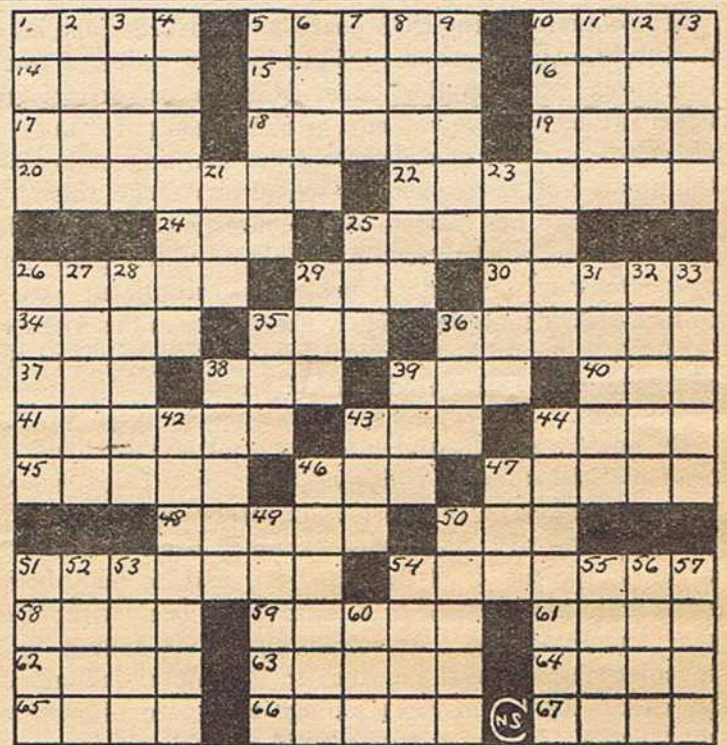
The Lawrenceville "Home Talent Show," which played to a full house here at George Field on St. Patrick's Day, will return to the Post Theatre for another performance at 8:30 p. m. on Thursday, May 6.

Mrs. J. E. Cobble, mistress of ceremonies, has arranged a program of musical and specialty dance numbers which is certain to prove most entertaining. Under the able supervision of Mrs. Mary Ruffy, the Junior High School band will play several selections popular with the men here. An octette of "Lilting Lovelies," also directed by Mrs. Ruffy is expected to give the assembled "wolves" something to howl about. This octette is composed of Shirley Emmons, Mary Lou Martin, Marilyn Watts, Caroline Jones, Betty Belcher, Donna Mayfield, Frankie B. Wolfe, and Joan Stansfield. Accompanying the girls will be Miss Norma Emmons.

The accordion-guitar numbers by the Sanders Sisters—Kathryn and Lois; Marsha Whittington's vocalizing, and Patty Whittington's dancing are sure applause-getters.

George Field's inimitable "Clown Prince" of humor, Pvt. Marion Moore, will M C an amateur contest, the participants for which are to be selected by special services. Prizes to the winners.

Stop! Look! and Loosen!—Buy More War Bonds.



ACROSS

1. Discontinue
5. Young branch
10. Wings
14. Assam silk worm
15. Is sullen
16. Wander
17. Healthy
18. Main artery
19. Scold
20. Bird
22. Commissions
24. Worm
25. Malicious burning
26. Braids
29. Duplicate
30. Yawning
34. Delivers a blow
35. Passing fashion
36. Amphitheaters
37. Busy insect
38. Deposit
39. Of the man
40. Of it
41. Mariners
43. Gushing flow
44. A beseeching
45. Slipped up
46. Age
47. Verse collectively: poetic
48. Commissioner
50. Conveyance
51. Unexpected good luck
54. Rummage
58. The bad in us
59. Misleads
61. Ireland
62. Glacial snow
63. Delete
64. Location
65. Parrot-like birds
66. Slight depressions.
67. Killed

DOWN

1. Plies the needle
2. Migrate cross-country.
3. Greasy
4. Beds
5. Boxes
6. Dress fastener
7. Possessive pronoun
8. Aquatic mammals
9. Russian rulers
10. Adjust.
11. Give use of

12. Desirous

13. Fish
21. Silly fool
23. Bellows
25. Help
26. Aspect
27. Steamship
28. Rose oil
29. Cove
31. Feeble-minded
32. Head tops
33. Composition
35. Enthusiast
36. Islet
38. Shelf
39. Fowl
42. Child's disease
43. Tittle
44. Own
46. Tolerate
47. Play on words
49. Came to a close
50. Foundations
51. Cheek: Zoology
52. Done with
53. Prima Donna
54. Remainder
55. Seed protector
56. Quote
57. Was aware of
60. Cooking dish

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The MP stuck his head in the orderly room door:

"Is there a mackintosh in here big enough to keep two young ladies warm?" he yelled.

"No, but there's a MacPherson who is willing to try," was the top-kick's reply.

SOMEWHERE A BOY HAS A RENDEZVOUS WITH DEATH

Somewhere tonight an American boy has a rendezvous with death!

Whether on a carrier's deck in the broad reaches of the Pacific, amid the blistering sands of North Africa, or in the fever-ridden jungles of New Guinea—whether swift and perilous, or horrible and slow his going—he is giving to his fellow men the greatest, most precious gift a man can give.

The years unlive—the warmth and laughter and the tears, the hopes, the dreams and aspirations, and most of all, his sons that might have been. All these he is giving.

No effort of ours, now, can stay the speeding bullet that has his number on it. What to him, now, are the bonds we buy, or the guns and tanks and airplanes we build?

With nothing that is bought or sold, with nothing that is made of human hands, can we share his sacrifice. What gift can we give to match his—what sacrifice can we make? The answer will come from that still small voice within the depths of our own hearts.

For no one can tell us how many bonds to buy, how hard to work for the implements of war we build, to keep his gallant effort from having been in vain. Yes, we must each decide the measure of our own obligation—the gasoline we do not use, the pints of blood we donate, the food we do without, and all of the other appeals we answer—to make the precious gift HE made worthwhile.

Not FOR the boy who is dying tonight, BUT BECAUSE HE IS DYING, we can make our sacrifices to the cause of freedom!

—By Pvt. Bud Hathcock

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SNAFU

Situation Normal, All Fouled Up

(An Old Army Expression)

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EDITORIAL

My contacts on the OCS board have afforded me an opportunity of gaining some insight into the value of formal education. Most applicants for OCS are high school graduates and many have had one, or more, years of college. If education is what one absorbs from learning rather than the number of years spent at school or college, then, I believe that one had reason to be concerned about the lack of education which prevails in this so-called enlightened age. Don't misunderstand me. These applicants are excellent officer material. Their usefulness to the Army and themselves, would be increased greatly, however, had their education been better rounded in advance.

By and large, an applicant when questioned about the branch of learning in which he specialized in college will be unable to answer the most rudimentary questions. Often, an applicant will claim that he reads a great deal; yet, when questioned about the last book that he read, he will show from his answers that he read the book without any real understanding. American history is taught in all schools; nevertheless, the answer to simple, fundamental questions about American history are more often wrong than right. It almost seems as if our schools taught the three R's exclusively, and that anything else in the curriculum spread a veneer of learning so thin that a pin could scratch through to the ignorance beneath.

Somebody said that the well educated man was one who could find a reasonable solution to any problem with which he might be faced. On this basis, it is not what one remembers, but the ability to reason which counts in education. Here again the applicant when presented with a common sense problem is seldom able to find a solution.

Perhaps, I am pessimistic. But I greatly fear inertia, or complacency. I wonder if, as a nation, we have not become complacent about our educational achievements. On the one hand, a large number (although a small minority) of our people are very well educated. On the other hand, there are few of our citizens who cannot read and write. Is that enough? Should we be satisfied? How about our vast electorate? Are they qualified to pass intelligent judgment on the difficult and intricate questions of national policy which are bound to arise after the war?

There is probably no panacea to turn to. We have the required machinery, although in spots the maintenance has been weak; it is mostly up to the individual and the family. If a father doesn't kick his son into learning now and then, the son just won't learn. When he is older, and his own master, it may be too late because the habit of study will not have been acquired.

If I have gained nothing else by getting back into the harness in this war, I have acquired a desire, and a resolve, to do my small bit, as best I can, to help raise the level of intelligence in this great land of ours which will grow, in greatness, in direct proportion to the effort which we make to educate ourselves.

MAJOR R. H. CAMPBELL

Poet's Corner

"MEDITATION"

When I think of the things I ought to be
 And see the things I am,
 I pray to God to forget me not
 And help me build myself a man.
 Build a man that's straight and true
 And stands with shoulders squared,
 To look the whole world in the face
 With eyes that see them through.
 Let his face be soft, noble and clean
 And colored by a thousand things . . .
 The love of God, the love of man,
 The love of happiness he brings.
 Then when I have built this man,
 dear Lord,
 The man that you want to see,
 Please answer my deepest prayer
 And let that man be me.
 (Written by S/Sgt. Fernard S. Jones, 1067th Squadron Supply).

OUR MOTHER

A name we hold above the rest,
 Our like with happiness has blest;
 Revered and loved by sincere hearts,
 Because she loved us from the start.
 —Our Mother.

Striving only for our joy and life,
 She has battled many a difficult strife;
 And now when her days are more serene
 A quiet calm makes life a pleasant dream
 —For our mother.

As she looks back o'er the years gone by
 It might bring a tear or a happy sigh;
 When of her daughter or son she dreams,
 Of their childhood joys and their happy teens,
 —God bless our mother.

And today, this joyous day of days;
 When glory is strewn all along the way,
 With roses and love and all that is best
 May we always cherish and honor with zest
 —Our mother.

—Cpl. William E. Flintzer, 327 Base Hqtrs. & Air Base Sq.

MY MOTHER

Of all the things I have on earth
 That prove to be of greater worth,
 Than gold or silver, glory, fame
 Is wrapped up in a sweet, dear name—
 My Mother.

Where'er I roam, what'er I do
 She is always loving, kind and true,
 That one who fills my life with joy
 Always, will I be—"her boy."
 My Mother.

Ever since 've been a lad
 When I'd be good or even bad,
 Helpful words would always come
 From that one and only one—
 My Mother.

Life holds very much for me
 And my goal will ever be,
 To love, and cherish every day
 In the same respectful way—
 My Mother.

—Cpl. William E. Flintzer, 327 Base Hqtrs. & Air Base Sq.

"WHAT IT TAKES TO MAKE A SOLDIER"

The following was submitted by Miss Helen Ewing from a publication by the Central Evening High School of Los Angeles:

- Take one draftee, slightly green.
- Stir from bed at an early hour.
- Soak in a shower or tub daily.
- Dress in olive drab.
- Mix with others of his kind.
- Grate on sergeant's nerves.
- Toughen with maneuvers.
- Add liberal portions of baked beans and roast beef.
- Season with wind, rain, sun, and snow.
- Sweeten from time to time with chocolate bars.
- Let smoke occasionally.
- Bake in 110 degrees temperature in summer and let cool to below zero in winter.
- Serves 140,000,000 people.

By Mrs. Nataniel Warring, wife of Capt. Warring at the Jackson Army Air Base.

Relieved of his duties as Commanding General, AAF Southeast Training Center, Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce has sent the following letter to all activities of the SETC:

HEADQUARTERS
 ARMY AIR FORCES SOUTHEAST TRAINING CENTER
 MAXWELL FIELD
 MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

April 15, 1943

FTREWELL TO THE COMMAND:

It is with a deep sense of appreciation of the work of the entire Southeast Training Center that I leave to take over new duties. I have received throughout my stay with you complete co-operation in all respects, which has made my tour of duty successful officially and very enjoyable personally.

I now go to the next phase of training—preparing men to participate in the war as members of a team. But I shall continue to watch the success of this Training Center as evidenced by the calibre of the graduates who report to my units for duty. I know they will come up to the necessary high standard.

The war is entering a favorable stage for us, but it is far from over, and the great work of preparation and training yet remains to be done. The greater the number of pilots, navigators and gunners who are graduated from this Training Center, and the higher the quality of their training, the sooner will victory be won.

I want to see thousands upon thousands of graduates of this Training Center in at the final victory so as to make it overwhelming. This time we shall leave no doubt in the enemy's mind or possibility for future argument as to his defeat. Your bullets and bombs will write in the ruins of his cities the two words we intend he shall remember forever—Unconditional Surrender.

I now take my farewell, thanking all of you for the work you have done for me and wishing you the greatest success in the future. I leave with the hope that our united efforts will lead to a triumphant and rapid termination of this conflict, and that you will take a helpful share in maintaining the peace to follow.

/s/ RALPH ROYCE,
Major General, U. S. Army.

At The Post Theatre This Week

TONIGHT

Double Feature, "Behind Prison Walls," with Alan Baxter and Gertrude Michael. Also a horror picture, "I Walked With a Zombie."

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, MAY 2 AND 3

"Reap the Wild Winds" with Ray Milland, John Wayne, and Paulette Goddard. Pathe News.

TUESDAY, MAY 4

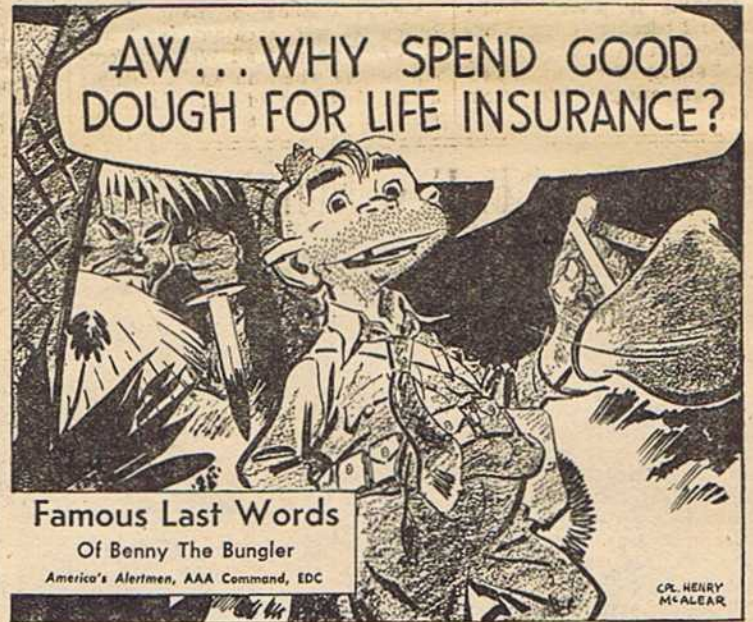
"Springtime in the Rockies," with Betty Grable and Carmen Miranda. Two short subjects, "Mr. Chips Goes to Town," and "Willoughby's Magic Hat."

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 5 AND 6

"White Savage," with Maria Montez and Jon Hall. Pathew News and March of Time No. 1, "Inside Fascist Spain." (There will be only one show Thursday at 6:30. The Lawrenceville home talent show will be presented on the stage starting at 8:30).

FRIDAY, MAY 7

"A Stranger in Town" with Frank Morgan, Richard Carlson, and Jean Rogers. Three short subjects, Borrah Minevitch and his harmonica school, "Don't look now," with Bob Hope and Bing Crosby, and "Trout," a sportscope.



Famous Last Words

Of Benny The Bungler

America's Alertmen, AAA Command, EDC

INSURANCE

Now the time has come for every man to take a stand in defense of his LIFE as well as his COUNTRY. Each and every man on George Field should have a maximum "National Service Life Insurance Policy." The policy is offered to Service Men at LOW PREMIUM RATES, with many outstanding advantages.

No red tape, no physical examination (for a limited period of time).

Two outstanding examples of our insurance drive to date are the following:

Lt. Bishop, Insurance Officer of the 708 Training Squadron and Cpl. Piccone Non-Com Insurance Officer also of 708, have sold three hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars (\$333,000) worth of insurance in their squadron during the past two weeks

1st Sgt. Shealy of 707th Training Squadron has come forward with a bang up report of two hundred and seventy-four thousand dollars (\$274,000) of insurance, in exactly the last FOUR DAYS. A remarkable accomplishment and a worthy contribution to his squadron record.

Each and every squadron insurance officer has laid the ground work for an "over the top" drive within the near future.

We wish our sincerest continued success to them in every endeavor to enlist each and every man of George Field in his moral obligations to his loved ones.

Any further insurance problems, please contact Lt. Roy P. Johnson, Special Services Officer, or Sgt. Edward Teeven, Special Services Department.



Shown above are Brig. Gen. Bob E. Nowland, Commanding General of the 28th Flying Training Wing, and Col. Elmer Rundquist, Commanding Officer of Freeman Army Air Field. Gen Nowland was the principal speaker at the dedication of Freeman Field last Thursday.

Colonel E. T. Rundquist, commanding officer of Freeman Army Air Field, has had a colorful and varied army career, serving in many capacities at stations in the United States and Panama.

He began his army service as an aviation cadet in the first World War. He took his ground school training at the University of Illinois, his alma mater, in May, 1918, and received his first flight training the same year at Carruthers Field, Tex. On completion of flying training he was rated a reserve military aviator. In 1919 he became a member of the Air Service Reserve and was rated Junior Airplane Pilot. He remained on reserve status until 1924, when he joined the regular army as a second lieutenant.

His flying career closely parallels the development of army aviation. In 1924 and 1925 he was a student first at Brooks field and then at Kelly Field, Tex. After completing his pilot training, he was rated airplane pilot and became assistant operations officer and Air Corps supply officer at Langley Field as assistant post engineering officer from 1927 to 1931.

Subsequent assignments and duties were: France Field, Panama, tactical officer, 1931 to 1934; Marshall Field, Ft. Riley, Kansas, operations officer, 1934 to 1938; Kelly Field, Texas, commanding officer, of 61st School Squadron, 1938 to 1939; France Field, Panama, operations officer, 1939 to 1941; Howard Field, Panama, operations officer and administrative inspector, August to December, 1941; Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, commanding officer of the Army Air Forces Detachment, December, 1941 to October, 1942. During these periods he advanced through Senior Pilot to Command Pilot and Combat Observer.

Colonel Rundquist was assigned to Freeman Army Air Field, October 14, 1942, when it was in the formative stage of development. Before the field was activated he was the project officer. He became the commanding officer December 1, when the field was activated.

Always a leader of men, Colonel Rundquist was a captain and won all-American and all-Western football honors when he was a member of the University of Illinois gridiron team in 1915, 1916, 1917.

Text of Speech By Gen. Nowland At Freeman Field

(Following is the complete text of the address delivered by Brig. Gen. Bob E. Nowland, commanding general of the 28th wing, at the ceremonies dedicating Freeman Army Air Field at Seymour, Ind., last Thursday, Apr. 29.)

Members of the military service of the United States and civilian friends, I am glad to have the opportunity to be here today to meet with you in the dedication of this field, and to participate in the graduation ceremonies of Aviation Cadet training class number 43-D, the first group of pilots to be graduated from this school.

This field, as you all know, has been named the Freeman Army Air Field, honoring the memory of Captain Richard S. Freeman, an officer of the Air Corps who has helped make aviation history for the Army Air Forces.

Captain Freeman was born at Winamac, Ind., June 22, 1907, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Freeman and it is our pleasure to have Mr. Freeman here on the platform with us today.

Captain Freeman, was known as "Dick" to everyone in his community and to his many friends in the army. It was evident early in his youth that he possessed many outstanding qualities. He was always respectful to his superiors, a characteristic he possessed throughout his life. He had a sympathetic consideration for the desire of others and a keen sense of judgment. Of an inquisitive nature, "Dick" was always exploring new fields.

After being graduated from Winamac high school, he entered Notre Dame University and later entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he made an enviable record. He was graduated from the military academy on June 12, 1930, and ordered to Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas for his flying training, which he finished at Kelly Field, Texas in October, 1931.

It is fitting that this field should be named in honor of an officer who had his unusual qualities. He was a man who possessed courage, pioneer instinct, a deep love for his fellow man and a strong fighting spirit.

His life was filled with examples of courage. In 1938 he participated in two "Good-Will Flights" to South America, flying in the B-17 Flying Fortress-type plane which is establishing such a remarkable record in all of our combat theaters of operations. He was commended by the Secretary of War for the first flight to South America and awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his participation in the second flight.

The love Captain Freeman had for his fellow men was one of his great virtues. In February, 1939, he again participated in a flight to South America, this time to relieve earthquake sufferers of Chile. Three thousand pounds of Red Cross medical supplies were flown from the United States, through bad weather and darkness, to the earthquake stricken areas of Chile. This flight, listed as the most meritorious in 1939, was a round trip of five thousand miles. Again he received the commendation of the Secretary of War.

It was my pleasure to have known Captain Freeman from the moment of his arrival for a tour of duty at March Field, Riverside, Calif., late in 1939. I was Post Adjutant there at the time he reported. It is customary in the Army for all officers so reporting to first see the Adjutant, who introduces them to the commanding officer and helps get them settled at their new station. I was very much impressed by Captain Freeman's splendid military bearing and many other soldierly qualities. He was an inspiration to the whole command.

In 1940, he flew non-stop from McChord Field, Tacoma, Wash., to Fairbanks, Alaska, in a Flying Fortress, and was the first pilot to land this type of plane in Alaska. While he was in the Arctic region he conducted cold weather tests, the results of which are instrumental today in the protection of our Arctic outposts.

Captain Freeman was truly a pioneer in the air just as his parents grandparents were pioneers in the early days in Indiana. One of the planes he had at Ladd Field in Alaska was used for pioneering flights in extremely low temperatures. The plane, known as the "Flying Laboratory" had special propellers, cowling, shutters for the motors and other cold weather features. It was in this particular ship that Captain Freeman and his crew of seven men were carried to their deaths, in Nevada in 1941.

Although Captain Freeman did not have the opportunity to fly in any combat action against our present



Capt. Richard S. Freeman, whose name lives again at Freeman Army Air Field, participated in a history making flight to the leper colony at Molokai while in service at Wheeler Field, Territory of Hawaii, in 1933.

Capt. Dick Freeman Lauded as Maker Of A. A. F. History

The aviation limelight into which Capt. Richard S. Freeman was thrust by reason of his flying prowess stresses the important contributions he made to international good will on his four flights to South America.

Captain Freeman, who lost his life when his "Flying Laboratory" crashed Feb. 6, 1941, near Lovelock, Nev., was born in Winamac, Ind. Freeman Army Air Field, advanced twin engine flying school at Seymour, was named in his honor.

In February, 1938, Captain Freeman flew to Argentina for the inauguration of President Ortiz, and was commended by the Secretary of War for the role he played as navigator on one of the six planes. In August of that year he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his participation in a flight from Langley Field, Va., to Bogota, Colombia, to greet Dr. Eduardo Santos, president of Colombia.

A graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, Captain Freeman was stationed subsequently at Langley, March and Lowry Fields, and later in Honolulu, where he earned the title of advanced navigator at the Wing Navigation school at Fort Shafter.

Attached to the Sixth Pursuit Squadron, Captain Freeman flew to the leper colony, across the Kaiwi channel, to bring the remains of Father Damien, founder of the colony, to Honolulu, where they later were returned to the priest's native Louvain, Belgium, for beatification and eventual canonization.

Father Damien, born January 3, 1840, in the hamlet of Tremeloo, Belgium, entered the congregation of the Sacred Heart at the age of 20. Three years later he volunteered for missionary work in the Hawaiian Islands, and was sent to the island of Hawaii. While ministering to the needs of his parishioners his heart was wrung by the sorrow caused when they were torn from home and friends and sent to the leper colony. Fired with a desire to help these poor unfortunates he volunteered for service on the island, where he labored for 16 years, until he was stricken with the dread disease and died April 15, 1889, the Monday of Holy Week.

The movement to return Father Damien's remains to his Belgium home was inaugurated after President Roosevelt received a letter from the late King Leopold of Belgium in which he informed him of the desire of the religious order of the Sacred Heart to have the priest's remains interred at Louvain, and enlisting the President's aid.

A delegation of church dignitaries and government officials, headed by Bishop Stephen P. Alencastre, vicar apostolic of the Hawaiian Islands, in seven service and civilian planes, flew to the island of Molokai, where the beloved priest had been buried for more than half a century in the secluded cemetery of Kalawao.

Residents of the settlement turned out en masse for the impressive services, held in the cemetery adjoining the little church of Philomina. Garlands of roses and lilies were draped over a monument to the saintly priest, where the body lay, and all groves were covered with flowers. Brief but simple services, befitting the life of the martyr priest, were conducted prior to the work of excavation. Following identification of the priest's remains by officials, the coffin was enclosed in an outer casket, which was placed in the roadway in order that all might file past to pay final respects.

The settlement choir, singing an Hawaiian dirge, approached the casket, with mourners joining in the singing of "Aloha Oe," the islands' farewell song. Later the casket was taken to the airport, where it was lifted aboard the Army bomber piloted by Captain Freeman, and flown to Honolulu, there to lie in state in a chapel adjoining the cathedral of Our Lady of Peace.

Following impressive rites Feb. 3, attended by huge throngs, Father Damien's remains were prepared for shipment across the Pacific on the USAT Republic. The Belgian ship, Mercator, carried the body across the Atlantic, where it lay enshrined in a resplendent casket of Hawaiian forest wood, the gift of the islands, a final tribute to the whom all the world honored.

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Freeman Field In Few Months Rises From Quiet Indiana Fields

Gently rolling Indiana farm land that once grew abundant corn crops is now producing "bumper crops" of pilots and technicians. The transformation from a pastoral scene to a scene alive with the activities of a twin-engined advanced training school was accomplished in a few months by careful planning and hard work.

Starting April 11, 1942, a preliminary topographic survey was made of the site where the field is located, and official announcement that the area had been selected for the field was made May 6, 1942. The first building contracts were let the latter part of June and the contractors moved in within the next few days. With the contractors came scores of workmen from many sections of the country.

From the united efforts of the civilian army, a city for an army of air corps personnel sprang up, a city complete with the utilities and services of a modern community. Almost immediately warehouses, barracks, mess halls, and other buildings began to take form. The city was planned to utilize every square foot of the area. Buildings were placed strategically so there would be no lost motion and precious time when the training program started.

Obstacles which would have been insurmountable to builders in a former era proved to be just interesting problems to the engineers and contractors. Examples of their science are the ribbons of smooth runways, aprons, and taxiways which weave into an intricate geometrical design.

Early in October, Colonel E. T. Rundquist who was to become commanding officer, arrived with a skeleton staff of officers. Before the field was activated he was the project officer and supervised the final stages of the construction program.

December 1, the field was officially activated and the Stars and Stripes were raised for the first time at post headquarters. Troops arrived at the

field a few days later and the area started to bustle with activity. During the first few weeks the soldiers were kept busy with squadron duties.

Additional men and officers reported in to the field at frequent intervals and were soon welded into the organization of the post which has developed a friendly co-operative spirit, a spirit that is becoming a legend.

Soon after their arrival at the field, the squadrons entered a keen competition for the efficiency award presented weekly to the squadron with the best record for the week. Ratings are made on cleanliness of the squadron area and barracks, military courtesy of the men, etc.

Provision was made for the leisure hours of the enlisted men. USO clubs for white and colored soldiers were opened in Seymour and an NCO club was organized at the field.

The religious life of the military personnel has been well provided for on the post. Services for Protestants, Catholics and Jews have been held regularly since the field was activated. Churches in Seymour encourage military personnel to attend their services.

A small building near the Officers' Mess building was made available for the recreation of the officers. Later the "club" was moved to the Officers Mess hall. Dances, card parties and informal get-togethers provide most of the entertainment.

By March 1, when the initial class of cadets, 43-D, arrived, the field was functioning smoothly. All of the various departments were synchronized to operate efficiently. The first flight by a cadet from the field (Continued on Page Eight)

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Is There Rationing on Main Street?

SPORT PAGE

"On the fields of friendly strife are sown the seeds, which on other fields, in other years, will bear the fruits of victory."
—General Douglas MacArthur.

Kentucky Derby to Have Color Regardless of War

Today is the sixty-ninth running of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs. . . . The aristocracy of the horse world will flash their colors on speeding feet, and furnish the epitome of thrills.

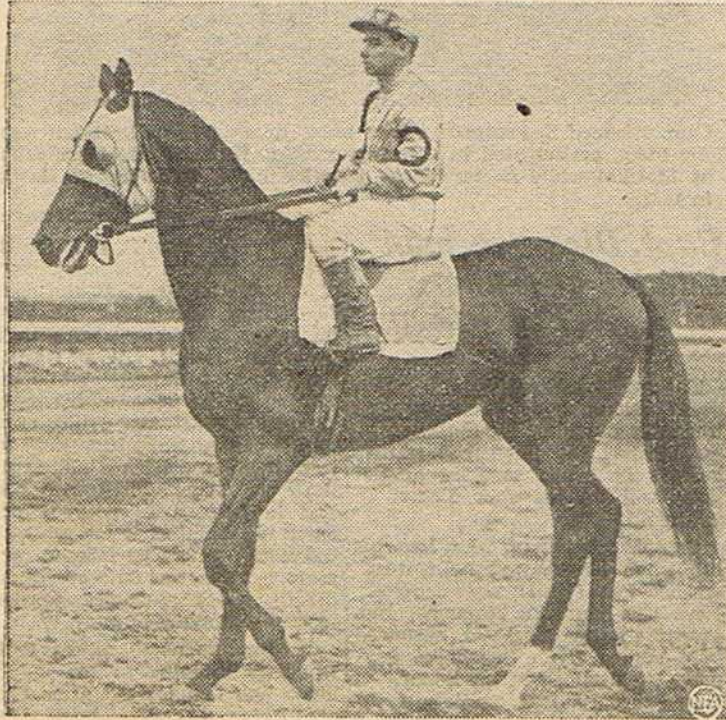
Top contending three-year-olds will be led to the post with the strains of "My Old Kentucky Home" dying away in the back ground. Then a hushed silence as the tense crowd waits the buzzer which will send the thoroughbreds thundering past the judges stand down the one mile track and maybe to riches and fame.

The field for the Derby will be smaller than usual this year, with 12 horses to face the barrier along towards 5 o'clock this afternoon. Of these Count Fleet, from the stables of Mrs. John D. Hertz, is the shortest priced favorite in the parmutuels in the long and glorious history of Churchill Downs, being quoted in the future books at two to one. Other hopefuls, are, Ocean Wave, No Wrinkles, Slide Rule, Twoses, Modest Lad, Burnt Cork

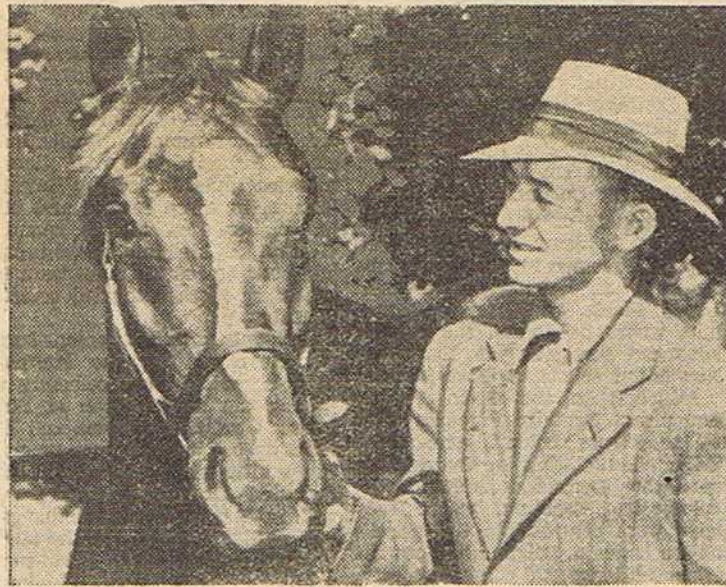
Blue Swords, Dove Pie, Bankrupt, Amber Light and Gold Shower.

The emergencies of war will prevent many notables from helping to make this world famous race one of the top sporting events of the year, but the picturesque Col. Matt Winn, impresario who has seen the running of every Derby is undaunted, and plans for this year's running include all the color for which he and the race of champions have long been noted.

DERBY FAVORITES



COUNT FLEET



SLIDE RULE



BLUE SWORDS

FLYER NINE MEET EISTC HERE MAY 11

George Field's baseball team will attempt to break into the win column of the ledger at the expense of the Illinois State Teacher's College nine when they come here Tuesday, May 11 to play a return game with the Flyers.

In a previous meeting the collegians took the measure of the service team by an 8 to 1 count at Charleston, Illinois last month. This meeting was the opening game of the season for both clubs and the weather had not permitted either team much practice, the Flyers having worked out but once. Since then new material has been added to the George Field team. Moreover Lt. Clark E. McClelland and his aids have had more of an opportunity to get a slant on the prospective material.

During the game last month the college nine tallied all their runs in the opening four frames on seven hits garnered off pitchers Howe and Vishell. Linderman and Murphy worked on the mound the final five innings for the Flyers holding the Teachers to no hits and no runs during that stretch.

According to Lt. McClelland many new faces will make their initial appearance in the game here May 11. Murphy or Linderman is slated to start on the mound for the Flyers, the game getting started at 2:30 P. M.

Lifeguards Wanted



Lt. Roy Johnson, Special Services Officer, would like to know how many men on George Field possess Life Saving Certificates, and would be available, if needed, for service as a life-guard at the Gregg Park swimming pool in Vincennes. Any who are qualified please contact Lt. Johnson immediately as training classes are now being held.

A PX SPECIAL

JUST ARRIVED!

Ladies COMPACTS

Fine Quality Cases, Powder Puff and Mirrors

Just The Thing to Send Home

Post Softball Teams To Be Organized Monday Evening

Initial "try-outs" for the Post softball team will be held at 6:00 P. M. Monday evening, May 12 at the ball diamond back of the Post Hospital.

Lt. Graham S. Baskin, who will be in charge of the team is planning on entering the Post softballers in one of the Industrial Leagues in Vincennes. Other games with outside competition will be scheduled throughout the season.

There will be no restrictions for those that wish to play according to Lt. Baskin. Members of the Post team will also be eligible to compete with their squadrons in the Squadron League.

Twenty Men From Field Enroll In Aquatic Course

Twenty men from George Field have enrolled in the twelve hour Warfare Aquatics Course at the Vincennes Y. M. C. A., according to Ray Beless, Physical Director at the "Y."

The aquatic students will be required to attend classes three nights each week, Monday, Wednesday and Fridays until the course is completed. Upon completion the student will be awarded the Senior Life Saving Certificate.

It is hoped, by Mr. Beless, that this first class will finish with the twelve hours before opening of the swimming season at Rainbow Beach on Memorial Day as some of the Certificate winners will be eligible to serve as Life Guards with extra pay at the Beach.

SIX SOFTBALL GAMES SLATED FOR THIS WEEK

Lt. Graham S. Baskin announced today a pre-league schedule of one week, arranged to give squadron teams an opportunity to work themselves into shape with competitive practices.

Twelve squadrons have already entered teams for the coming league play and it is hoped the 311th Squadron will sponsor two clubs making a two league, seven team combination.

The practice games for this week are:

- Monday—327th vs. Quartermaster.
- Tuesday—29th Hq. vs. 706th.
- Wednesday—1067 Guard vs. Band.
- Thursday—707th vs. Medical Det.
- Friday—708th vs. 711th, and 709th vs. 710th.

Team schedules for this week should contact each other concerning the starting time of the games which are to be played on the diamond behind the Post Hospital. The baseball diamond infield "will not" be used for softball.

HOW TO GET A PASS

Get down on your knees before the first sergeant and beg for a pass. Wait two days for results. Then see the captain. Get your wife, mother and father to come along. Assume you were one in a million. You get the pass.

Is There Rationing on Main Street?

STARS IN SERVICE

BARBUTI IS A LIEUTENANT IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS INTELLIGENCE DIVISION AND HAS BEEN STATIONED IN CAIRO, QUESTIONING ITALIAN PRISONERS!

THEY'RE READY TO GIVE THEIR LIVES... YOU LEND YOUR MONEY

BUY 2nd WAR LOAN BONDS

RAY BARBUTI WHOSE WIN IN THE 400 METERS GAVE AMERICA ITS ONLY INDIVIDUAL FLAT RACE VICTORY IN THE 1928 OLYMPIC GAMES!

George Field Quartermaster Is Expert In Food Conservation

Vast savings of food are resulting from the present basis of issuing rations to the Army developed by the Quartermaster Corps after an exhaustive survey of Army kitchens last year, the War Department announced today. This program is in effect at George Army Air Field.

A survey made at the direction of Major General E. B. Gregory, the Quartermaster General, early in 1942 at Camp Lee, Virginia; Fort Knox, Kentucky; Fort Benning, Georgia, and Fort Devens, Massachusetts, disclosed food waste running as high as 20 percent due largely to absenteeism. Immediate corrective measures taken are estimated to be saving more than 3,220,000 pounds of food daily on the basis of an Army of 4,500,000—the approximate size of the Army at the time the studies were made. Savings are increasing as the Army expands.

Food Issued on Basis of Men Present.

The present Quartermaster Corps program provides issue of food to troops on the basis of the number of men present for meals, rather than the number of men carried on the rolls. This avoids the waste that resulted in the past from "absenteeism."

The outstanding revelation of the surveys made by the Army was that the principal cause of food waste in the Army was the preparation of more meals than were consumed. This resulted directly from the fact that in every company almost invariably there were a number of men who did not answer the mess call for various reasons.

Accurate Attendance Gauge.

The present system provides for computing the attendance of men at each meal each day and preparing average daily tables modeled along the life expectancy charts of life insurance companies. These tables, which are constantly being revised, make it possible to gauge with extreme accuracy the number of men who will have to be fed each day.

The fact that the major cause of food waste was the preparation of excess meals bespeaks well for the economical and efficient operation of the food program in general since it proves that there is very little waste caused by improper handling, distribution or preparation. In general, it was revealed by the Army surveys that the individual men were receiving the proper quantities of food and in such a form that it was readily consumed.

The greatest wastage of food from left-overs was found to occur in the case of soups, indicating that the soldier is not a big soup consumer. Fresh vegetables, cereals, noodles and fish appear next in order of quantities, with meat far down the list.

Typical Dinner Analyzed.

Using a composite typical dinner as a basis for analysis it was found that food wastage was highest in the case of kale; next highest in vegetable soup and then, in order, coffee, cole slaw, mashed potatoes, roast beef, and finally fruit salad. The same analysis applied to a composite typical supper as the highest and ran down through beef stew, kidney beans, coffee and jello, in order.

Q. M. Corps Corrects Problem.

With these undisputed facts at hand, the Quartermaster Corps attacked the problem from four different points.

First the largest wastage—excess meals prepared—was speedily rectified by recommending the new basis

upon which to prepare meals in place of merely preparing food sufficient to feed every man known to be in camp. This change had the immediate effect of drastically reducing Army food waste and now permits a corresponding reduction in food procurements to the benefit of the civilian consumer.

Rigid Mess Supervision.

Secondly, rigid mess supervision was recommended. The Quartermaster Corps, pursuant to Army Regulations, has for years trained mess supervisors in its Schools for Bakers and Cooks, and such mess supervisors have been on duty in all installations under Quartermaster Corps control. However, Army Regulations do not make it mandatory for all post, camp and station commanders to utilize mess supervision; they merely require the Quartermaster Corps to train such personnel and make it available. Recently the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, issued orders requiring all Service Commands to install mess supervision and the necessary trained supervisors are being provided from Quartermaster Corps Schools.

Soldiers Urged Not to Waste.

Then the problem of persuading soldiers not to waste food by taking more than they can eat and leaving excess amounts on their plates has been tackled in various ways. An Army-wide poster campaign is now in full swing and posters literally screaming caution at soldier are rapidly appearing on the walls of every mess hall in the country. The campaign makes no attempt to curtail the soldiers' eating; it does, however, strongly urge him to eat a good hearty meal but not to take more than that. He is encouraged—even urged—to eat all he wants, but he is equally as strongly urged not to take an ounce more than he wants.

Less Popular Foods Served Less Often.

Finally, the avoidance of waste resulting from food soldiers do not like is rapidly being corrected in Master Menus which are prescribing the less popular foods on fewer occasions. Thus, since soldiers don't like kale, they are apt to get it infrequently; its place is taken by some other food with equal food value but more appetite appeal. The same goes for such items as liver and soups.

Aside from the revelations of waste, which was promptly corrected, the surveys made other interesting disclosures. It was proven again that the average soldier eats a highly nutritious, well balanced and generally satisfying meal; one that equals or exceeds the recommendations of the Nutrition Committee of the National Research Council.

Army Eases Civilian Food Rationing

It has also permitted the modifying of rations in certain cases, particularly as regards such foods as carrots, cabbage, string beans and beets so that slightly smaller amounts are now prescribed in the Master Menus, and a further saving is being effected.

These corrective steps, taken by the Quartermaster Corps months before general civilian rationing began, have greatly improved the economy and efficiency of Army food handling and have immeasurably eased the impact of the Army's food procurements on supplies available for civilian use.

FLEW 400 MILES FOR REPAIRS

Although blimps are vulnerable to submarine deck guns, one blimp, leaking gas for 72 hours from 14 gaping holes, flew 400 miles for repairs.

Ferdinand The Bull Has Rival in Sgt. Of Guard Squad.

Sgt. Carney B. Waller, Reporter The Orderly room and the office of the Provost Marshal are getting a fine job of interior decorating under the expert hands of Corporals Elmer B. Duncan, James H. Elbon and Pfc's Elmer J. Raisch and Othni B. Gardner.

We are still looking forward to that much-talked of party the Squadron is pitching in the near future.

Sgt. Stanley P. Tickey is going to give "Ferdinand the Bull" a close race in his fondness for flowers if he keeps searching, planning and planting as he is now doing.

You may now address the following men as Privates First Class: Anderson, Apgar, Bullard, Donovan, Finnell, Gardner, Garibaldi, James, Kandel, McGronan, Ralph O. Miller, Pykosz, Ramirez, Raisch, Louis Sacks, Schrobach, Shaffer, Yanche, Ynostroza and Zymroz.

This squadron is the proud possessor of two letters of commendation for their good work during the first black-out staged at George Field. One from the Commanding Officer, Col. Edwin B. Bobzien, reading in part: "Guard Personnel handled themselves in a manner that indicates diligent training, thoughtfulness, careful study of assigned duties, and their ability to carry out any task of this nature that may be assigned to them during actual combat conditions."

"All duties assigned to Guard Personnel regardless of the nature were performed in a manner that indicates careful study of Army Regulations, Post Regulations and Plans for defense of this station."

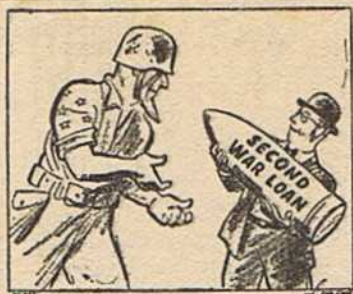
And from Major H. T. Hancock, Officer of the Day: "It is desired to bring to the favorable attention of the Commanding Officer the excellent manner that the members of the 1067th Guard Squadron performed their assigned duties during the practice black-out held at this station during my tour of duty as Officer of the Day."

Absent from the Squadron on furlough at this time are: First Sgt. Moulton; Sgt. Peters, Cpl. Zapata, Pfc's Karneffel, Ramirez and Pvt's J. T. Jones, Watson, McGowan, Gibbs, Glasgow, Corpiet and West.

FIRST AIR AMBULANCE

The first regular Air Ambulance Service, and almost certainly the oldest existing one, was started in Australia in 1928.

Is There Rationing on Main Street?



311th Sqd. Welcomes New Men

The aims of the men of the 311th are greatly increased by the addition of more men to our Squadron. The co-operative spirit exhibited at such an early period of their arrival is commendable. We truly hope to the title that has been given the 311th.

It is hoped that the spirit of Easter will linger in the hearts of all who listened in on the broadcast Sunday morning. Thanks to Post Chaplain Wyckoff and his associates who made it possible for the 311th to become pioneers of a religious celebration of this kind to be held at George Field. The occasion was one of beauty as well as thought. Some few of the soldiers brought their wives along to acknowledge and enjoy the services.

Leads Greeks



Col. Christodoulos Gigantes, fierce-whiskered fighter, commands the Sacred Squadron of the British Eighth Army, composed entirely of officers who escaped Nazis in Greece.

Our hearts go out in sincere gratitude to Mrs. Bigham, Mrs. Haines Meriweather and their co-workers for the keen interest they have shown in the men of the 311th and also for the wonderful entertainment they have provided for us. We especially remember Mrs. Bigham and Mrs. Meriweather in the early history of our parties. We call attention without reluctance to the benevolence of the young ladies of Terre Haute. They are all very friendly and entertaining and are a swell group of young lassies.

1st Sgt. Smith must have had an intuition that these additional men were soon to come. He has been speculating on more female company. Some of the fellows claim they overheard him mention importing some from Lemisia.

It is a hard sight to see so many soldiers who worry over never getting any mail. . . . It is twice as shocking to get many today and none tomorrow. There is probably a stamp ration going on too. Or could Jodie BE the recipient?

The most peculiar among the 311th personnel is Sgt. Davis. He finds luxury in things no one else would have under similar circumstances.

There is a rumor that the church goes here congregated at certain churches on Sunday's not only to keep in uniform their religious traits, but also to climax their Saturday night traits. This group of Saturday night hangovers is headed by Sgt. Boone.

We learned recently from "Sarge" that there is a wonderful congregation who attend a Baptist church in Mitchell, Indiana. We regret "Sarge" that our form of transportation doesn't extend this far.

Cpl. Noah Nelson are you the prospective groom or the best man Friday night? Whatever it is Cpl., I am sure that you have the wishes of the men of the 311th for a successful adventure.

Watch the 311th stay on the ball.

ARMY DIALOGUE

Jim—"Lemme take your pen."
Stim—"Sure."
Jim—"Got some paper?"
Stim—"Here."
Jim—"Going past the mail box?"
Stim—"Sure."
Jim—"Wait till I finish this letter, will you?"
Stim—"Sure."
Jim—"Got an envelope?"
Stim—"Here."
Jim—"Thanks. What's your girl's address?"

Bolivia's Leader



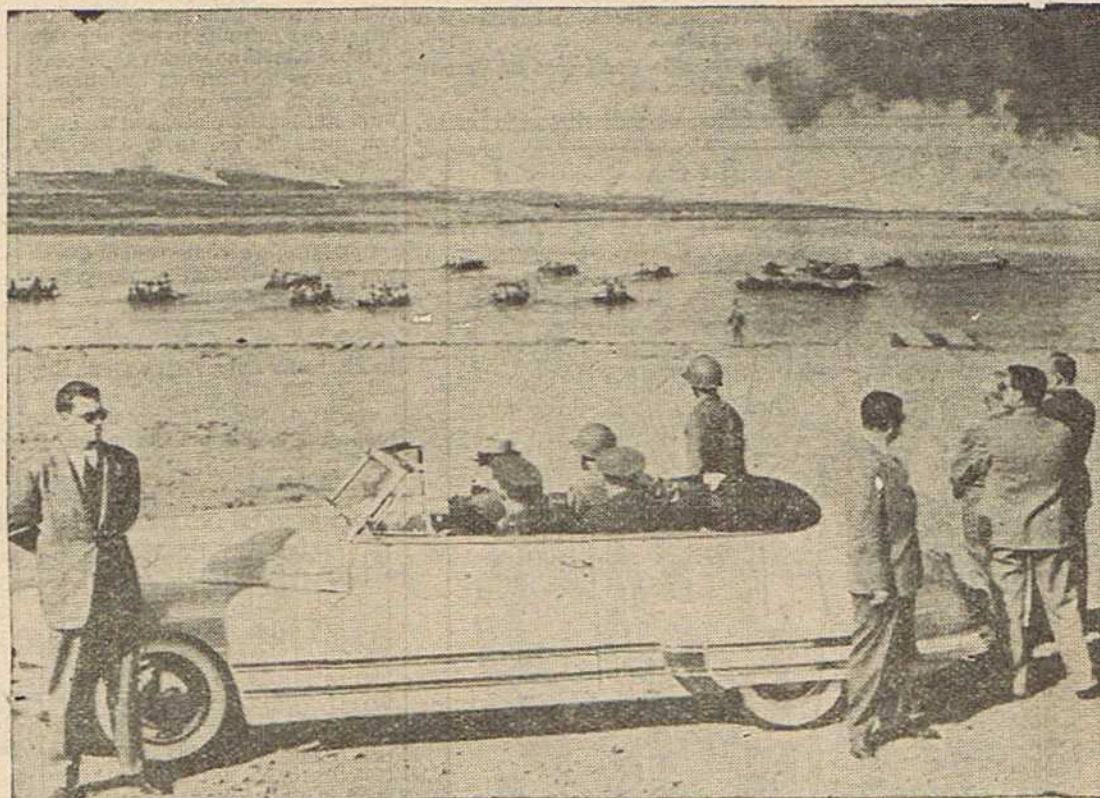
Gen. Enrique Penaranda, president of Bolivia, leads his nation in its newly declared war against the axis.

AMERICAN STEEL CAPACITY

The American steel industry has an estimated production capacity of more than 88,000,000 net tons at present.

All Liberty ships have a distillation system to transform sea water into potable fresh water.

Camp Carson Puts On Show for the President



Seated in front seat of the car, President Roosevelt on his recent tour of army posts watches the 89th infantry division at Camp Carson, Colorado, stage a water crossing in amphibious jeeps, assault boats and rafts. In background is a smoke screen protecting them from the "enemy." (Passed by censor.) (NEA Telephoto.)

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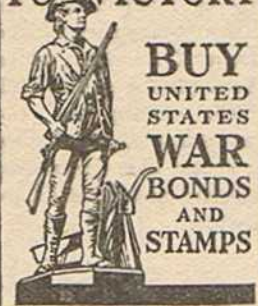
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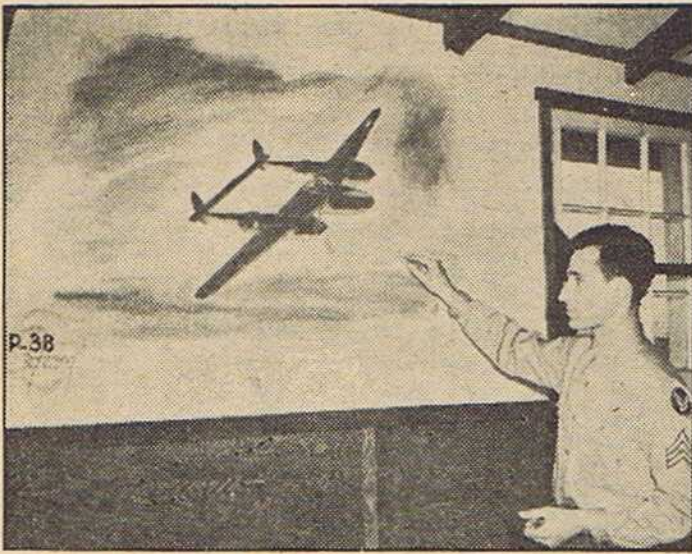
FOR VICTORY



BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

You can get those Bonds at your George Army Air Field Post Office.

Wall Paintings at N. C. O. Club



Sgt. Irving Brown of the 711th Squadron points to one of the murals he has painted for the wall of the new N. C. O. club which will be opened next Saturday evening.

MURAL PAINTER DECORATES WALLS OF N. C. O. CLUB

When George Field's N. C. O. Club opens sometime early in May, club members will find the walls covered with vividly-accurate chalk murals depicting various types of fighting and bombing planes in action. This series of murals is the work of Sgt. Irving Brown, of the 711th Squadron.

The murals along the north and south walls are 36 inches wide and 72 inches long. The front or main panel, at the east end of the building, is 36 inches wide and 120 inches long. This front mural shows a flight of six A. T. 10's flying in a "V" formation. All of this colorful chalk work is cleverly accurate in detail and action.

Sprayed with 'fixatif,' these pastel chalks are designed to last for years in perfect condition.

Tinted photographs, 9 by 12 inches, of six high-ranking Army Air Forces officers are on the wall just below the formation of planes in the front panel. The officers whose photographs are displayed, are: General W. W. Welsh; General H. H. Arnold; General Harold George, for whom this field is named; Colonel Edwin Bozelen, Post Commandant; Lt. Colonel Channing Beasley, Post Executive Officer.

Sgt. Brown, a New York boy, was a commercial artist in civilian life, his work concerned principally with advertising layouts. He designed the cover for George Field's Post Regulations Manual and the cover for the Cadet Graduation program. He has been in the army since November 1941, and came to this post last September. Sgt. Brown is a Crew Chief on the Line. After the war he plans to follow Aeronautical Drafting work.



Answers to Current Events Questions

1. Fifty miles.
2. Natives of India noted for their fierceness as warriors.
3. The Tactical Air Force, composed of medium and light bombers and fighters, is primarily an air-support unit; the Strategic Air Force, made up of heavy bombers, operates against distant targets.
4. Five planes.
5. Soybeans.
6. The United States is the world's largest producer of phosphates.
7. Admiral Georges Robert of the West Indian island of Martinique.
8. The Focke-Wulf factory.
9. The port for Berlin, to which it is linked by a 100-mile canal.
10. From James Hilton's novel, "Lost Horizon," in which Shangri-la was the idyllic secret State in Tibet.
11. Planes shot down in action; it does not include planes destroyed on the ground.
12. Sir Francis Drake's men are said to have tied brooms to the masts of their ships when they returned to England after defeating the Spanish Armada in 1588.
13. It was the first American cruiser ever named for a foreign city. It honored the Australian cruiser Canberra, lost in the Battle of Savo Bay during landing operations on Guadalcanal last Summer.
14. William Howard Taft, who visited Mexico in 1909 on the occasion of the opening of the International Bridge at El Paso.
15. The major-league baseball season officially opened after Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt threw the first ball for the Washington game between the Senators and the Athletics. The Senators won 7 to 5.

OFF LIMITS!

1. Wabash Tavern, 115 Broadway, Vincennes, Ind.
2. Elkhorn Tavern, 3 miles south of Vincennes, just east of Route 41. Capt. McGinn states that any soldier found in the Elkhorn will be removed under arrest and returned to his squadron.
3. Triangle Cafe, east of Vincennes on Route 41.

SALVAGE DRIVE AIDED BY MEN OF 29TH SQUADRON

Cpl. Charles F. Rogers, Reporter It's "Major" now boys and girls—Major H. T. Hancock. The squadron is almost as happy as Major Hancock himself about the promotion. Orchids and best wishes, Major, just keep right on going up.

Sgt. Ernest M. Lajeunesse brought in 15 pounds of old shaving and toothpaste tubes for the orderly room the other day for the Quartermaster Corps. The Q. M. wants every man to save his used metal tubes because the metal is sorely needed for national defense purposes. Get on the victory wagon with Sgt. Lajeunesse and save 'em up! Cpl. Robert Rankin will build a receptacle for them, so turn the tubes over to him. Save your tubes to beat the rubes.

Cpl. James C. Milgic wants everyone to know he has become engaged "to the sweetest girl in Detroit," Miss Jean Gagnon, but no marriage date has been set. . . . Pvt. Henry Phillips, the Connecticut Adonis, appears to be the big noise of the squadron softball team according to my grapevine. Knowing the Adonis intimately, they probably mean noisy with the vocal chords. . . . Pfc. Robert J. Parker has been accepted for the cadets. Congrats! . . . Belated, but congratulations to S/Sgt. Frederick M. Mitsch and his wife on the stork's recent visit with a baby girl. . . . Our wandering piano has finally returned to the fold of the day room. Now all we have to do is to find an 88'er who can beat eet reet. Maybe we could borrow Dick Tracy's piano man. . . . T/Sgt. William M. Gandy's newest h artbeat is from Terre Haute, Ind. Maybe we'll get him married yet. . . . T/Sgt. Ervine E. Vereen, recitator, the boys, chorusers, the song, "happy birthday to you" and all made merry Saturday to celebrate Vereen's birthday.

Well chillun, yo' mammy done tol' yo that al good things gotta end, so your roving correspondent will blow and bid you adios!

Mascots Prove Pressing Problem For Men of 710

This mascot business is getting down to a fine point—or shall we say close to the earth, anyway, everyone will know how 710 manages to keep an ear to the ground at all times. You see our new mascot "Lightning" is a half grown snapper turtle, and chucked full of that old snap and vigor. A special corral is in the progress of manufacture by one S/Sgt. Charles Laskey and our rock garden expert, Cpl. R. F. Spittler. Sgt. Kurtz has a dream of an idea about using a paint of some brilliant shade to paint a lacy border on friend turtle's shell and a huge 710 right smack in the back, then watch 710 go places.

Pvt. P. Drivas, is nominated for special mention to the "hall of fame." How any man can go through a week, seven whole days, 98 agonizing hours of hard physical labor and come up smiling on Monday morning is something to be wondered at. And we sure are wondering Phil. How many days in a week Phil.

"First Aid Squad" front and center: "Ye Gods" "Mummies," No Sarge—not mummies, just us, practicing with our little bandages and splints, but we are learning to stop the flow of blood almost as quickly as we start it. Bangs and bruises and bumps, lame dogs, stray cats, what next? First Aid has its place, and we know you men will see to it efficiently. The old rag handling experts include, Prom, Hanley, Ryan, Haussner, DeMulder, Hammer, Koscielny and Cadarett.

Cpl. Ford, we salute you, and wish you and your California bride a long life and lots of children.

Hostess: "So they're sending you to Alaska for duty. That's where they eat candles and blubber."

Corporal: "Well, if they make me eat candles, I'll blubber about it, too."

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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"This is The Army, Mr. Jones"; Beds Find Favor With 711th Men

The 711th Squadron, this week, is just one mad scramble from daylight until dark. M/Sgt. Bill Lofley, 711's line chief, reports the boys, "Working like mad men." "The faster we work the sooner we can quit and go back to the squadron and into those soft new beds!", they're saying. The orderly room staff has almost completely forgotten how to make out over-night passes. You see the boys simply wouldn't think of sleeping anywhere else now.

The rumor is going around that Sgts. Winnings, Blankenship, Newell, Fagan and even 1st Sgt. Walsh are planning to send their wives home and come back to camp to live. Sgt. Walsh is reported to have said, "Where on earth could a man find a nice place to sleep than on the new squadron beds?"

Cpl. Ed Dunap, George Arrowood, Stanley Nice, Niel Porter and Ernie Dettle, who were scheduled to go to O. C. S. have decided not to go. Cpl. Dunlap, speaking for the group, says, "Those beds, just like home; O. C. S. would never be like this!"

The manager of the Post Theatre reports, since the new beds have been installed, the attendance here has dropped off sharply. "It seems the boys prefer sleeping in this new luxury to my entertainment," says he.

Cpl. Ralph Trustman, Joe Lemieux, John Rigopolous, Sam Cloutier, and Warren Bates all come back three days early from their furloughs when they heard the startling news. It seems that even an Omaha, Nebraska paper carried this headline: "George Field, Illinois Gets New Luxurious Sleeping Equipment!"

At a recent meeting of the squadron barracks chiefs it was decided that the only way to get the boys out of bed in the morning is to install a mechanical device which automatically tips the beds upside-down at the proper rising hour.

S/Sgt. Albert "Frenchie" Labrie insists that the only way to get results on the rising problem is to have a barracks "Waker" who would go through each barracks in the morning with a pan of hot bacon and eggs. "The delicious odor," says Frenchie, "will make them so hungry that they won't be able to stay in bed!"

First Sgt. Walsh has other plans. The first soldier figures that the only way to do it is to draft a quartet of Singing Telegram boys and have them skip through the barracks every morning singing, "This is The Army Mr. Jones!"

An interesting suggestion came in this morning from Sgt. Algernon Brashears. His idea is to declare a field "Sleeping Week." Says Sgt. Brashears, "The Army has been too

What really made the problem acute was the fact that natives of the squadron have been complaining about miscellaneous dogs, cats, etc., which simply adore these new beds. "How they ever got there is a mystery to me," says Cpl. John Kissenger, whose uncle runs a pet shop in Skunk Hollow, Kentucky.

was made March 3. Soon the air was filled with the sleek, silver ships in the 'round the clock training. Night flying began April 4.

In a general order from the War Department dated March 3, the field was named Freeman Army Air Field, honoring the memory of Captain Richard S. Freeman, a native of Winamac, Indiana, who had lost his life in a "flying laboratory" in Nevada in 1941. Capt. Freeman gained fame for his "mercy flights," one of which was the historic flight to the leper colony of Molokai, to remove the remains of the founder of the colony, Father Damien. Later he flew supplies to earthquake sufferers in Chile.

Freeman Field

Class 43-E arrived at Freeman Field, March 27, and fitted into the smooth functioning program. Class 43-D was graduated April 29. When the members of the class received their wings they realized they had completed part of their mission. They had successfully finished weeks of rigorous training which made them the best pilots in the world, pilots that some day would strike at the very heart of the aggressor nations and help free the world from slavery.

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Throck: "Where in hell have I seen you before?"
Babe: "What part of hell are you from?"

Loose Lips Sink Ships

Dance at Officers' Club Last Monday



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A post-easter party and dance was held at the Officer's Club last Monday evening. Music was furnished by Carlos Molinda and his company who were imported for the occasion from Evansville, where they have been playing at the Club Trocadero. The evening was featured by an elaborate floor-show, entertainers shown here are, above; the Montez sisters, and at left; Carmen Cammachio.



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"My, what big eyes you have!"