

## CG CORRALS CG'S DRIVER

While observing the fighting at the front, Major General John E. Dahlquist, Division Commander, recently captured the driver of the Commanding General of the 47th German Infantry Division.

Driving down the main street of a newly-captured town, General Dahlquist spotted a wayward German. The general drew his pistol and took the Nazi into custody. After mounting the front of the general's jeep, the German was driven to the POW enclosure.



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# T-PATCH

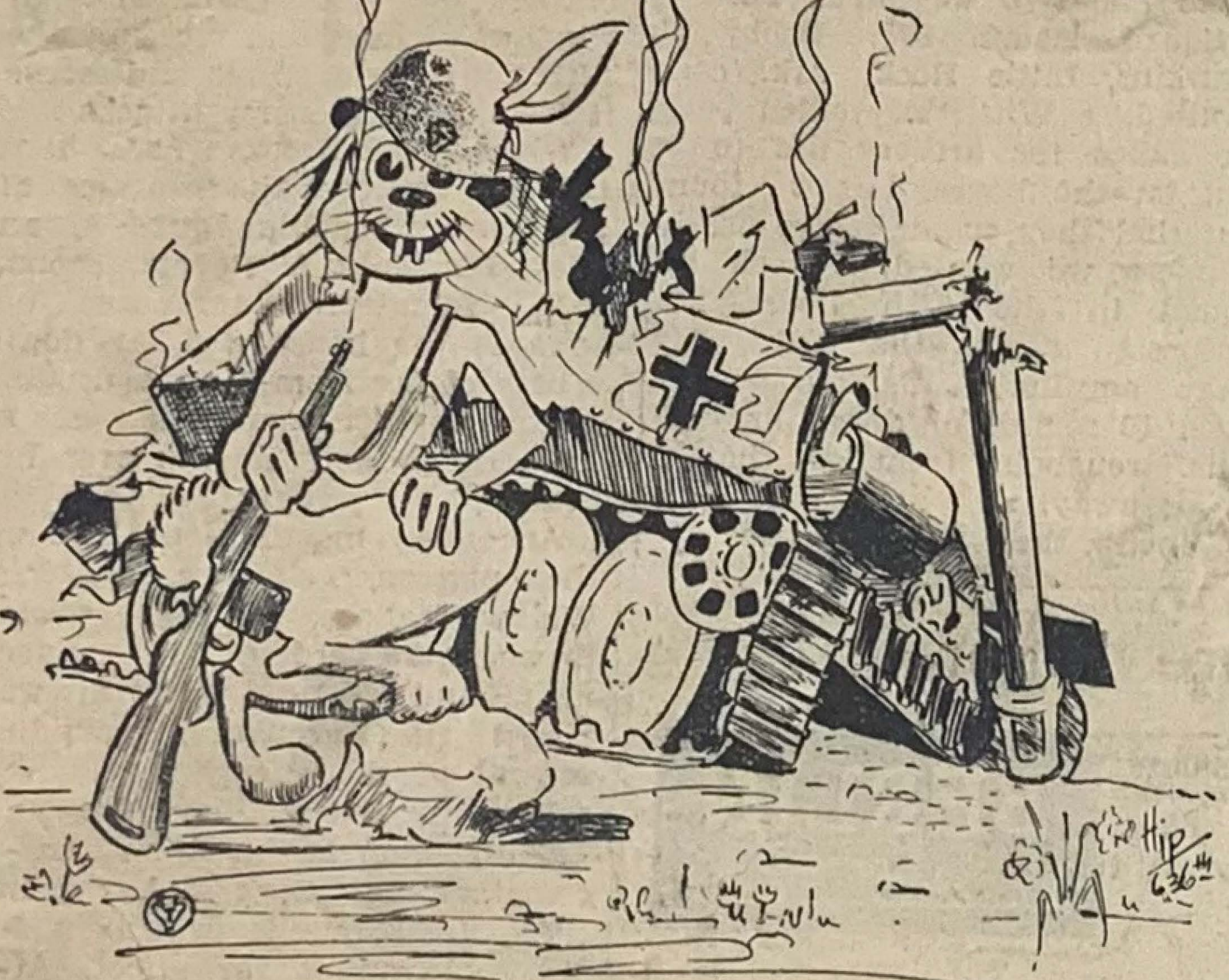
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Happy Easter



## Division Civil Affairs Give Aid To The 'Walking Dead'

Major Grady Durham, G-5 of the 36th Division, called them « Zombies. » The men at the POW enclosure called them the « Walking Dead. » They were, in reality, 200 members of a German forced labor battalion, left behind when the Nazis hastily retreated from the advancing units of the 36th.

Nearly starved, ill-clothed, the group was composed of Poles, Czechs, French, Italian and Russian prisoners of war. After interviewing a few of the men that were able to speak, Major Durham decided to set up a rehabilitation center in a newly occupied town for them.

« They looked as though they could use a little rehabilitation, » said the major.

The men were given food and rest while a team was selected to manage the rest center. Just looking at the men, Lt. George Blanton, officer in charge of the POW, decided that keeping them without proper medical attention would be useless.

« I made arrangements for trucks and had the poor devils evacuated to the rear where they would receive the proper attention, » he said.

While loading the trucks, the MP's had to carry most of the under-nourished men to the vehicles and lay them down on the floor. They were too weak to stand up.

« There are millions of these forced labor battalions now in Germany, » said Major Durham. « They will be treated and looked after by the occupying military government. We'll show them every possible consideration. »

## 132nd First To Fire From German Soil

By Bill Morris

Close on the heels of the doughs of the 142nd Infantry was the 132nd (Fight With The Rammer-staff) Field Artillery Battalion... the first field artillery battalion of the division to cross the German frontier.

To Battery A's Number 1 Gun section went the honors of firing the first shell from a position on German soil. Enemy guns were the first target, and the mission was fired at 1740.

Battery A's Number 1 gun section comprises the following artillerymen:

S/Sgt. Quincy Hazelwood, Paris, Texas; Cpl. James Cothran, also of Paris, Texas; Cpl. Clarence Witt, Azle, Texas; Cpl. Gunther Flier, Falson, S.D.; Pfc. James Godbey, Ware, Ky.; Pfc. Manuel Castro, NYC; Pfc. Bob Massago, Utica, N.Y.; Pfc. Alfred Scartozzi, Highland Park, Mich.; Pfc. Clarence Shifflett, Elkton, Va.; Pfc. Victor Verkamp, Ferdinand, Ind.; and Pvt. Francisco Marin of El Paso, Texas.

### NEW ARMY IN ETO

Presence of a new American Army on the Western Front — the 15th, commanded by Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, has been revealed. It will be part of Gen. Omar Bradley's 12th Army Group, placing under Bradley more than one million combat troops.

## Seventy Men Of 142nd Decorated At Review

### Largest Number Ever Decorated At One Ceremony ; Lt. Speights Receives Fifth Silver Star - Second Bronze



Eighty-one awards were presented to seventy officers and enlisted men of the « I'll Face You » 142nd Infantry Regiment recently. The Division Commander, Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, decorated the men and accepted the review of a composite battalion of the regiment.

1st Lt. Nathan Kaplan, Company C Commander was the first recipient of Distinguished Service Cross. The award was made for extraordinary heroism during the battle for Saint Croix when he forced the enemy to abandon two machine gun nets, attacking across on open area. He then reorganized his platoon in an attack against three tanks, forcing the enemy vehicles to withdraw.

The second DSC was presented 2nd Lt. Eugene M. Perry, Jr., Wauwatosa, Wis., a platoon leader in Company E, for destroying one enemy MG nest and advancing to knock out a second despite the fact that he suffered a head wound.

A third DSC was presented to na, Ala., Company I platoon sergeant, for extraordinary heroism at Selestat in destroying an enemy

MG post and audaciously forcing its crew to surrender, destroying also a vital enemy outpost and enabling his platoon to capture 85 of the enemy. Sgt. Bell also received a Silver Star Medal for gallantry in action at Oberhoffen.

Battlefield Commissioned 2nd Lt. Shelby Speights, Popularville, Miss., Company C, received an unprecedented Silver Star Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, as well as an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Bronze Star Medal — a total of six medals for gallantry.

Two other members of the lieutenant's platoon, S/Sgt. Roy E. Nelson and S/Sgt. Charles W. Leadingham, were also awarded the Silver Star Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster.

Squad leader, received two Oak Clusters to his Silver Star Medal. Decorated with the Silver Star were:

Lt. John T. Lachenmayer  
T/Sgt. Elmer J. Eggemeyer  
T/Sgt. Pershing E. Freeman, who also received the Bronze Star Medal.  
T/Sgt. Charles L. Pegg  
S/Sgt. Melvin T. Nealis  
S/Sgt. Sam H. Gingles  
S/Sgt. Roy E. Jones  
S/Sgt. Evan E. Voss  
S/Sgt. Ralph G. Kinder  
S/Sgt. Martin F. Robinson  
S/Sgt. Zack Barack  
S/Sgt. Leonard A. Oberheier  
S/Sgt. Vorise Miller  
Sgt. Gilberto Gonzales  
Sgt. Clinton R. James  
Cpl. Mark Schneider  
Cpl. Gerhard A. Miller  
Cpl. William V. Howland  
Cpl. William J. Hughes  
Cpl. Stanton A. White  
Pfc. Raymond E. Daily  
Pfc. Richard L. Callihan  
Pfc. Ewel Bell  
Pfc. Ernest L. Chavez  
Pfc. Allen E. Stern  
Pfc. Rolly Walker  
Pfc. Paul G. Montgomery  
Pfc. George F. Richards  
Pfc. William Van Milligan  
Pfc. Fred E. Kreigelstein  
Pfc. Charles W. Heal  
Pfc. James E. Sullivan  
Pvt. Joseph Voelker

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## Definitely Was Not Termites

Late one afternoon, Sgt. Chester J. Cieliesz, Rockford, Ill., and the members of his patrol reported back to the OP after successfully completing their mission. Orders were issued to dig in and hold the forest.

When it started to rain, Cieliesz reached for his raincoat which was worn over the back of his rifle. As he unfolded it, he discovered that it was riddled with bullet holes. He took and found that Jerry had bullets and chewed off the handle and had nicked his rifle butt.



S/Sgt. Thomas E. Bohannon of Coleman, Texas, Battery C, 132nd Field Artillery Battalion is shown receiving firing orders from his battery headquarters prior to calling out his section for a firing mission. T-Patch Photo By Shaffer.

## 'Off Again - On Again' For Co. F, 143rd

It was an « off-again, on again » affair for the Second Platoon of F Company, 143rd Infantry on a hill near Ribeauville.

The platoon had moved into position toward evening along the crest of a recently-taken hill. On the following morning the Germans counterattacked. At first the enemy attempt succeeded and pushed the 2nd Platoon from its crest. Despite casualties the T-Patchers managed to hold at the foot of the hill. Throughout the day they engaged the Jerries in scattered fire fights.

That evening 1/Sgt. Oscar Oller,

East Alton, Ill., gathered together the remnants of his depleted platoon. He counted only twelve. Among the dozen men were Pfc. Robert Freeze, Niles, Mich.; Pfc. Alex Kissel, Pontiac, Mich.; and Pfc. Earl Bazemore, Springfield, Ga.

With Sgt. Oller leading, the little column worked its way back up the hill to a point left of their former position. Here they laid down such a heavy base of fire that the Germans must have figured an entire company was attacking.

Sgt. Oller approached a foxhole and called loudly for the occupant

to surrender. When the request was disregarded, Oller persuaded by tossing a hand grenade. This changed the Kraut's mind for he tried frantically to give up, but the grenades exploded too quickly.

Evidently a sizeable audience had watched the play-by-play, for almost immediately large groups of Germans began to give up.

After retaking the positions, the 2nd Platoon counted a total of 28 prisoners. They didn't bother counting how many they had killed. They kept on moving.

## Almost Curtains For Murdock

One close shave a day is enough for any one man, but Sgt. Wellington R. Murdock, 141st Infantry, found his OP abounding with them.

The first came as two Kraut artillery duds thumped against the side of the house. That was enough to put most people in a lather. Then three rounds that were definitely not duds burst into the building next door. Adding insult to injury, a Jerry MG cut down the curtain in a window through which Murdock was observing. After all that, the sergeant admits he began to be a bit nervous.

### Spring Come To The Front



A group of artillerymen of 132nd tank in the sunlight between firing missions. They are: (L to R) Pvt. James Paulk, West Frankfort, Ill., Pvt. Leroy Hoffman, Jamaica, N.Y., carrying in wood, Pvt. Pleased LaBelle, Frendale, Mich., writing a letter on roof, (Front row L to R): Pfc. Joe Justice, Weatherford, Texas, reading book, Pfc. Bill Anderson, Chicago, and S. Sgt. Tom Bohannon, Coleman, Texas.

T-Patch Photo By Shaffer.



By Clarence Lasky

The third platoon of Baker Company, 141st Infantry, went into position on the other side of the canal, relieved the 1st platoon occupying five houses. 2nd Lt. Alexander Brooks, Chicago, commander of the 1st platoon, remained in charge because of his knowledge of the situation.

When the third platoon crossed the footbridge at night, the Germans illuminated the area by setting fire to a house. From a lumber pile 200 yards to the front of the 3rd platoon, the enemy opened up with machine guns and rifle grenades. T/Sgt. Virgil D. Cork of Ralph, Ala., called for and directed 60 mm mortar fire on the target. Thirty seconds later, he silenced the enemy nest.

Lt. Brooks said: « The next night at 1900 we attacked to take the seven remaining houses on his street. It was to be a surprise attack with no mortar or artillery barrage laid down before hand. We met little opposition in taking five houses, but on the sixth a rat pistol opened fire from the cellar along with several machine guns which

were dug in around the house. I dispatched a squad to work around near the house and get frontal fire while another squad went into the fifth house with light machine guns. Heavy enemy bazooka fire changed our plans of attacking this sixth house so we pulled back. »

Squad leader Pfc. Bobby J. Hawkins, Little Rock, Ark., commented: « When we pulled back, we called for artillery fire to be put on the house, but we found out that they couldn't give us the support we wanted. I took my squad in the fifth house and outposted it for the night. The next morning at daylight, a TD fired 10 rounds of direct fire into this stronghold from less than 80 yards away. »

When the Jerries tried to

withdraw from this house, assistant BAR man, Pvt. George W. Loveall, Galva, Ill., volunteered to race into the building and search for any enemy that might be there in the three floors. He entered the first floor and shot five rounds from his M-1 through the back window at a Kraut that was running through the back yard and heading for a pile of bricks that held up a bazooka team emplacement. Before the enemy could reach his destination, Loveall had killed him. Said Pvt. Loveall: « Another bazooka team opened fire 50 yards from the house with 10 rounds so I decided to leave the untenable position. We then pulled back to our original jumping off spot to reorganize. Then we crawled over fences and through windows of houses to reoccupy the fifth house we captured and secure it from further enemy attacks. »

When Lt. Brooks had been trapped between the crossfire of two enemy machine guns in an alley, Pfc. Jack A. Regina, Bronx, N.Y., volunteered to crawl up towards the house and lay down a base of fire from his Tommy gun so that the lieutenant could escape from the bullets zinging over his head.

An enemy machine gun held up the platoons advance, so Pfc. Walter Wallace, Chicago, crawled to within 25 yards of the emplacement and silenced it with well aimed rifle grenades, wounding several of the artillery.

Directing 105 artillery fire on a 120mm mortar position in a cemetery, Sgt. Cork said, « I had them fire 3 rounds to zero in and then 12 rounds for effect. After the barrage, all we could hear was a lot of hollering and screaming. Must have wounded a few. »

Sgt. Refertine Jenkins, Hillsdale, N.J., volunteered to set up an OP in a house for directing 60mm mortar and artillery fire on the enemy. The enemy shelled his position, coming so close that Jenkins was knocked off his feet.

During the night attack when wire lines were constantly being knocked out, he volunteered to assume the duties of laying telephone wire across the river under enemy shelling, keeping communications open for vital operation.

Assistant squad leader, Pfc. Alfonso Gomez, Philadelphia, was in charge of carrying rations and ammo across the river. Crossing on a footbridge under enemy observation, he and his detail were shelled with 120mm mortar fire. Their crossing at night, illuminated by many enemy flares, had braved this shelling to deliver the much needed supplies.

Pvt. SAM LOVATO, 753rd Tank Bn. from Las Vegas, N. Mexico informs us of the names of two of the tanks they had over in their outfit. There was a WE GO THROUGH HELL WITH THE 88s. That speaks for itself. For the benefit of certain guys over at his outfit, Lovato adds, « Back it Out. »

Dedham Mass. (Mrs.) — Grounds for divorce: Mrs. Laura Grimm sent her husband out to look for a job. He found one all right — For her.

## Medics To Get Combat Badges

By Camp Newspaper Service

A Medical Badge has been authorized by the War Department in « recognition of the service rendered during combat » by members of the Medical Department assigned or attached to the Infantry. It is of silver metal, elliptical in shape, with the Medical Department's insignia, the Caduceus, and the Geneva Cross superimposed on a letter surrounded by a wreath of oak leaves. It will be worn on the left breast above decorations and service ribbons.



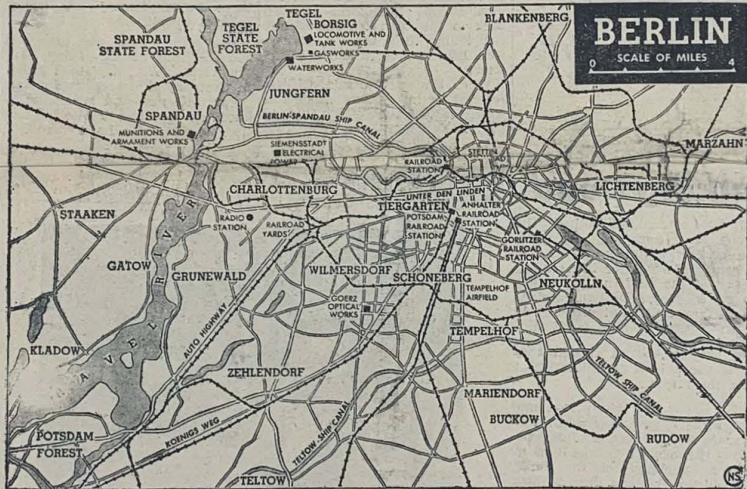
The badge will be temporarily assigned or temporarily attached during combat to the Medical detachments of Infantry regiments, battalions or elements there of since Dec. 7, 1941.

Since members of the Medical Department are protected personnel under the terms of the Geneva Convention, the right to wear the badge may be temporarily withdrawn upon transfer to duties other than medical in which he may come in contact with the enemy. In such cases, the right to wear the Medical Badge will be restored on relief from combat duties or on reassignment to the Medical Department.

Regimental commanders are authorized to make the award for « satisfactory performance of duty under actual combat conditions. » They also are given the authority to withdraw the badge if the individual fails to perform his duty satisfactorily.

Enlisted and officer personnel below field grade (major) are eligible for the badge and it may be awarded to the regimental surgeon regardless of rank.

## A City That Was—Berlin Before Hitler



Before Hitler's ill-fated bid for world domination brought upon Berlin the retribution of Allied airmen, it was one of the most modern and beautiful cities in the world. Now vast areas are rubble. In 1933, Greater Berlin, which includes the suburbs, was the largest city on the European continent, in population, with 4,242,501, and was surpassed only by London, New York and Tokyo. In area (338 square miles) only Greater New York was larger.

## Liepold Returns To Birthplace

The linking up of the 3rd and 7th Armies near the German town of Kaiserslautern brings that little city into the news. In addition to all the tactical implications, however, this development was of particular interest to Pfc. Kurt Liepold, of 2nd Bn., Hqs., 143rd Infantry. It happened to be his home town. Rather it would be more correct to say that, he was born there; his home is really in New York City.

Liepold and his brother Walter, were prominent politically in the German Democratic Party up until the time of the last free elections in 1932. When Hitler came to power, they retired of necessity to the comparative obscurity of the larger city of Frankfurt, and then left Germany altogether in 1938.

Now, after seven years, almost to the day they left, Liepold returned to the scenes of his earlier day but under a wholly different circumstances than when he left and wearing the uniform of his new homeland.

## 'Identification On Sight' School Held By 443rd

« Identification on sight » is the theme of a new school conducted by Sgt. Charles Wax, Brooklyn, and Sgt. Don Hibben of Milwaukee, for men of 443rd Ack-Ack Bn. « The purpose of the course is to teach our men, as well as other soldiers — the identification of enemy and friendly aircraft at a glance » explained 1st Lt. Gordon Cole, Rochester, N.Y., officer in charge of the school.

The first lesson is one of identification. The outline of a plane is flashed on a screen to familiarize the men with certain characteristics peculiar to the different types of aircraft.

Projectionist Sgt. Wax calls, « Ready Now! » and flashes a one-thing of a second view of the plane. « The reason for allowing the men only a fraction of a second for identification is because they

seldom have more time than that when an enemy aircraft approaches. »

When the craft is identified, the picture is again flashed on the screen and Sgt. Hibben explains in detail the identifying characteristics.

When the men are able to identify all types of aircraft on sight, they are taken to the Ack-ack range. There with the help of a Piper Cub, they receive lessons in tracking and height and range estimation.

The Cub pilot flies over the gun position at a given altitude, known only to himself and the officer in charge, and the men estimate the altitude and track the plane with their guns as it zooms over. « This procedure teaches them at approximately what range their gun is effective, » said Sgt. Wax.

## Pistol Packin' Papa

Two gun Texans are no rarity, but a new all-time high was reached when 1st Lt. O'Dean Cox, of Waco, Texas, Co. of Company K, 143rd, was seen carrying a bucket full of Lugers around after the fall of Bitschhoffen.

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# GI Giant Is Mobile Arsenal



Supplementary mobile arsenal for Able Company, 143rd, is Chicagoan Pvt. Joe Garcia, six-foot-two, 220 pound machine-gunner.

« A big horse can carry a big load, » that's his motto. Not that he is a big horse; he's pleasant, if slightly overgrown GI who once supplied an entire platoon with grenades and ammunition during an attack.

A good load for Garcia includes one light machine gun without tripod, one carbine, with five clips of ammunition and 100 extra rounds, one 45 cal. pistol with three clips of ammo and another 100 rounds, plus any number of grenades.

During one attack, he sallied forth with 20 hand grenades, plus his ordinary complement of shooting irons, wound up lending grenades to his platoon. « So I went back and got a few more, » he said. « I got enough that time though. Two dozen, maybe, and I needed them — I threw them all myself. »

# Kraut Gunner Was Hard To Locate

As Pfc. Edgar L. Burrell, Nashua, N.H., and a comrade stood guard in the early hours of the morning, they watched for a German machine gunner on 'the opposite side of the canal who had opened up on them most every night.

When the Kraut gunner finally fired that night, the two doughs discovered that once again he had moved to another house. Now it was difficult to locate him because he had discontinued using tracers.

While Burrell and his buddy took cover beneath a window to return fire, a MG bullet struck a curtain overhead and buried them beneath the drapes.

« That's what made us sore, » they explained.

# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Do We Need God?

If there were no God, men would have to invent one, it has well been said. But we know that there is a God. The creation of the world and the Bible tell us that there is a God.

We need God. We need the assurance that Someone greater than we guides and directs the affairs of our lives and of this world.

We need God as a Haven of Refuge. My conscience accuses me of sin. But though I fly to the uttermost ends of the earth, I cannot get away from my conscience. Unless I come to God, I must despair. But God has found a way of washing away the condemning spots of sin. His Son came to die. His blood cleanses us from all sin. As my soul longs for salvation, God offers and grants it in Christ. So God supplies this need.

If I need God, then I ought to worship Him. That is the honorable thing to do. And the chaplain is in the Army to help you do that very thing.

Fred R. Lammert, Chaplain, 141st Infantry.

# 142nd C Company Patrol 'Fire Up A Storm' For Krauts

By Howard Jones

The Second Platoon of Company C, 142nd Infantry moved silently toward the Moder River. For 2nd Lt. Anthony S. Mazur, Shelton, Conn., and his men, it was nothing new. They were to find out how strong was the enemy.

Cautiously, T/Sgt. Raymond Collins, Columbus, Ga., and the other members of the platoon approached the river and looked out toward the Kraut infested forest on the other bank.

Even before the men attempted to cross the river, they had to contend with miniature lakes of water. The shell craters had been filled by constant rain. In complete darkness they waded across four streams, two of them waist-deep and the other two, knee deep.

Finally the doughboys reached the barriers improvised by the enemy. When the first scout stepped on a mine, lead from machine guns, machine pistols, and rifles greeted the Second Platoon. But the infantrymen didn't turn back, they had come to « fire up a storm. »

As Lt. Mazur and his group attempted to flank the main enemy fire by moving to the left, concertinas of barbed wire halted their advance. The platoon exchanged fire for fire and silenced several machine guns.

They stayed in this inferno until they were satisfied that the sector was well-fortified. Then slowly turning around and continuing to fire, the Second Platoon made its way back to the company.

In the book of records this action may not be recorded, but the C Company doughboys, now fighting beyond the Moder, know that it proved invaluable when the big offensive began.

Other members of the patrol included: S/Sgt. Gays H. Pare, Kelo, Wash.; S/Sgt. James B. Knowlton, Friendly, W. Va.; Sgt. Harold M. Hoover, Detroit; Pfc. Frank L. Ganley, Detroit; Pfc. Frank Dipetrantonio, New York; and Pfc. John G. Miller.

# REVELATION

At Shangri-La a GI thought (His mind by so much joy (distracted)

Perhaps he only dreamed (This food, these girls, these (melodies

Were just the pleasant phantasies (Of slumber, so it seemed.

Resolved to cut the knot of doubt (At noon that day he set about

A certain answer to find. (As she brought his pie, he (pinched Jeannette

(At a point not sleeping with best (etiquette)

And - her slap has made up his (R. W. Rubright (mind:

11th. Engineers

# Non-Fraternization Policy

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PROCLAMATION BY ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT



As soon as Germany is entered, the term « Civil Affairs », as used in France will be dropped. The Civil Affairs Officer with the Division will be known as the Military Government Officer, Policy Number 1: « The arrest of all Nazi officials and persons suspected of having committed war crimes.

# Lt. Gregg Honored At SHANGRI-LA

36th DIVISION'S 'OWN' REST CAMP

# Sixth Hotel At Rest Camp Named After Latest CMH Winner

Another of the 36th Division's famous sons has been honored by the Division Rest Camp. Five of the hotels of the Camp had already been renamed in honor of previous winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor. 2nd Lt. STEPHEN R. GREGG, the Bayonne, N.J. warrior of Co. L, 143rd Infantry, becomes the sixth name to be placed on the hotels.

Soon after the Rest Camp opened, Gregg was here as an Enlisted Man, but on his recent visit, he was wearing bars and holder of the Nation's top military award.

The dining tables at Shangri-La have always been nice, but you should see them now. Big tables have been replaced by tables for four, and each one is bedecked with a modernistic table lamp. China cups and saucers have replaced the old tin cups.

Recent visitors to the Rest Camp, who had birthdays during that month were T/S WILFRED MARTEL, 3rd Bn. Med. 143rd Inf.; Pfc. MICHAEL KURUCZA, Co. F, 141st Inf. of Perthamby, N.J.; Pfc. ROFDEN V. WAGNER, JR., Co. F, 141st Inf. of Chehalis, Wash.; and Pfc. TOMMY REITANO, 111th Med. Bn. of New Haven, Conn.

Pfc. BOBBY SAVOY, Service Co., 143rd Inf. of Beaumont, Texas seems to have made a pretty good job of finding him a home while he was down Shangri-La way.

Cpl. KENNETH CONN, 753rd Tank Bn., who hails from Davenport, Iowa is sporting a mighty nice picture on his cigarette case. She is the drum major of the school band at a college in Iowa. Kenneth, by the way is a 3rd cousin of fighter, Billy Conn.

Just another reminder that the « T-Patch » has a news office at Shangri-La. If you have a story about any of your buddies, bring it up to the office in the Recreation Center at the Rest Camp. If you aren't coming to Camp yourself, then send the story by one of your buddies who is heading this way.

# Shangri-la Sports

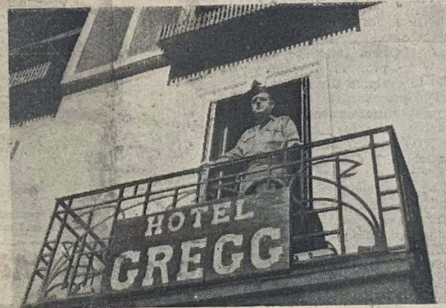
« PANTHERS » WIN FIRST OUTDOOR VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

With weather perfect for outdoor sport, the Shangri-La Volleyball Tournament has moved outside. With a regulation size court, the members on each team have been increased to the customary six. Winners of the first of these outdoor tournaments were the « Panthers », an independent team composed of men from all over the Division.

This winning combination consisted of Pfc. Leonard Singer of Chicago and Pvt. Jim Stubblefield of Detroit, both of 636th T. D. Bn.; Pfc. Walter Juehney 133rd FA of Midland, Mich.; Pfc. Clyde Bartley, another 636th man from Clearfield, Pa.; T/4 Harry McGreevy, 155th FA of Versailles, Ohio; and Pfc. Irvin Cassidy, Co. G, 143rd Inf. of Shelby, Ind.

The semi-final victims of the « Panthers » were the « Floaters », another independent team consisting of Pfc. J. Mestechkin of Chicago and Pfc. A. Brochu of Wainville, Mass., both of the 143rd Inf.; Pfc. J. Hauke of Long Island, Pfc. K. Hamilton of Vallejo, Cal., and Pfc. G. Cusimiano of Wakeegan, Ill., all of the 142nd Inf.; and Pfc. P. Stamlets of Milford N.J. of the 141st Infantry.

The final victory came over the Crawford Hotel team, an all-141st Inf aggregation. Their roster read Pfc. Ralph Aguilar of El Paso; Pfc. Percy Neuhart of Alden, Iowa; T/S Bridger Hobday of Harlingen, Texas; Sgt. Eric Winter of Franklin, N.J.; Pfc. James Kotch of Detroit; and Pfc. Richard Purkey of Conroy, Ohio.



Lt. Stephen R. Gregg was on hand recently at Shangri-la to add color to the occasion when this hotel's name was changed from the « Villa » to « Hotel Gregg ». This was the sixth hotel of the 36th Division Rest Camp to be named after the Division's winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor.



Lt. Gregg shows his Congressional Medal of Honor to Miss Kay McDonald of the ARC at Shangri-La. He has since returned to the states.

# Lots Of Characters In The Jam-Band

The Rest Camp's top entertainment today is when those « mad-men of music » — the Shangri-La « JAM-BAND » reach into their overflowing bag of tricks and give out with entertainment a-la-carte... the joint is always jumpin'!

ARTHUR CAIRNS' Jam Band is made up among seven super-characters. PAUL ABRAHMA, Philadelphia, thinks of nothing but food, while JON FORTE, also of Philly, can never remember when or where they are to play and is always late... HAROLD TIEMAN, La Grange, Texas, has a southern accent so thick you can cut it with a knife. JACK MILLER, Newark, N.J., who spends all his time trying to be a « casanova », between autographed pictures HILDEGARD keeps sending him... RAYMOND WOLF, Brillion, Wis., who can never find enuff Schnapps... and JAMES HATZI of Milwaukee who plays everything from « corn » to Bach in 16 bars, and of course CAIRNS is quite a character himself, and really has a « knocked-out » band. Those of you who have yet to visit SHANGRI-LA, have a treat in store when you can listen to these bandmen's « ear-candy ».

# Signal Company Historian Gets Commendation From War Dept.

Sgt. Richard Wilbur, New York City, 36th Division Signalman was commended by Maj. Gen. W. S. Rumbough, Chief Signal Officer, United States Army, for « a fine historical report » on the 36th Division Signal Company.

The commendation stated :

« The fine history of the 36th Signal Company has been received, and it is desired to express appreciation for the promptness with which it was submitted, and the superior manner in which it was prepared.

« The accomplishments of the 36th Signal Company have been outstanding, and the writer of your unit history has done an excellent

job in recording them in historical form. It is not often that this office has had the privilege of reviewing a unit history which was so well written, and in which the writer so obviously took personal interest and pride.

« Please extend my congratulations to the Historian and other members of your staff who contributed to the preparation of this fine historical report. »

# U. S. Armed Forces Institute Offer Educational Facilities

1. Many high schools, colleges, and universities in the United States are granting credit for military experience and for courses taken while in the service. The U. S. Armed Forces Institute does not grant credit but will supply you with an « Application for Credit for Educational Achievement During Military Service » (US AFIT Form 47, revised 18 September 1944). You may use this form to apply for credit toward a high school or college diploma or to obtain consideration for a job.

2. To make it easier for military personnel to apply for high school, college, and university credit for what they have learned since they entered the service, the U. S. Armed Forces Institute has developed

a new form which makes possible direct contact between military personnel and the school official or prospective employer who is to evaluate the record.

3. The procedure is simple. Go to your Information-Education Officer or write to the Commandant, ETO Branch USAFI, Hq U. S. Army, APO 413, U. S. Army, for a copy of USAFI Form 47 (Revised 18 September 1944). Read the instructions carefully. Fill out the first page, and have your Personnel or Information-Education Officer fill out the second page. He will send the completed form to the school or employer to whom you want it sent.

4. The school will tell you how much credit you have earned and what further courses you should take. If requested by the school, the Institute will give you special tests designed to measure what you have learned in the service. These include not only the end-of-course tests listed under self-teaching courses, but also subject-field tests and general educational development tests.

5. There is no charge for accreditation service! You need not be enrolled in a USAFI course to request accreditation service, but an officer, warrant officer, or flight officer of the Army must pay two dollars for any testing service.

# 142nd Awards

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- Pvt. James W. Arnold
- Pvt. Lawrence A. Butler
- Pvt. Daniel Campbell
- Pvt. Henry D. Philbeck
- Pvt. Dominick Gallo

Six Oak Leaf Clusters were presented to men who had previously been awarded a Bronze Star Medal :

- T/Sgt. Ed. C. Dahlgren
- S/Sgt. Alvin J. Donnicci
- S/Sgt. Richard B. Dowsis
- Sgt. Clarence A. Krause
- Cpl. Loraine F. Haas
- Pfc. Brandon J. Fayne

Bronze Star Medals were presented to the following :

- S/Sgt. Michael J. Kennelly
- Sgt. Ernest J. Saccoccia
- Sgt. Edward P. Kmoteck
- Sgt. Charles S. McPhate
- Cpl. Willard R. Crawford
- Pfc. Earl E. Woodard
- Pfc. George V. Milchak
- Pfc. Arthur H. Mickelson
- Pfc. Donald R. Walker
- Pfc. William P. Henderson
- Pfc. Orville S. Dustermer
- Pvt. Joseph G. Cascone
- Pvt. Charles M. Rago
- Pvt. James D. Tanos
- Pvt. William H. Davis
- Pvt. Enoc N. Ensey
- Pvt. Alexander J. Zyrambi
- Pvt. James Pellerito

This is the largest number of men of the 142nd Infantry Regiment ever to be decorated at one ceremony.

# There Are Such Things



And there isn't much you can add to a photo like this of lovely SALLY SNOWDEN, another one of Walter Thornton's New York Models.

# More Air Medals For Artillery Aerial Observers

A sixth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the Seventh AIR MEDAL has been awarded to each of the following for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight :

- 1st Lt. MAX B. BENJAMIN, Wichita, Kan., 132nd FA Bn.
- 1st Lt. EDWARD R. MAI, Wakeeny, Kan., 36th Div. Arty.
- 1st Lt. ARLE F. SVOBODA, Ellsworth, Kan., 155th FA Bn.



1st Lt. Valentine, photographer with the 163rd Signal Photo Company, caught in action taking pictures of the awards ceremony of the 142nd Infantry by the T-Patch Staff Photographer.

- 1st Lt. JOHN R. HENDLEY, Houston, Texas, 131st FA Bn.
- 2nd Lt. JACK MARTIN, Memphis, Tenn., 155th FA Bn.

- 2nd Lt. RAYMOND E. BIBB, Nashville, Tenn., 132nd FA Bn.

A second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third AIR MEDAL has been awarded to :

- 1st Lt. HUGH H. MIZE, Sabersha, Kan., 59th Arm. FA Bn.
- 1st Lt. EDWARD J. INGRAM, Booneville, Ind., 59th Arm. FA Bn.
- T/4 MONTE E. LEE, Lubbock, Texas, 131st FA Bn.

An Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the second AIR MEDAL has been awarded :

- 1st Lt. FRANK A. EIFLER, Roxbury, Mass., 59th Arm. FA Bn.
- T/4 JOSEPH M. BROOKS, Corsicana, Texas, 132nd FA Bn.

The AIR MEDAL has been awarded to each of the following named individuals :

Capt. CLARENCE NEWSOM, Coffee Springs, Ala., 155th FA Bn.

1st Lt. NORVIN F. RAQUE, Louisville, Ky., 132nd FA Bn.

1st Lt. NORMAN S. FREEDMAN, Exeter, N.H., 132nd FA Bn.

Cpl. WILLIAM A. ADAMS, Spruce Pine, N. C., 59th Arm. FA Bn.

Orofino, Ida (CNS) - Arrested on draft evasion charges, a local hermit had this excuse : « I went into the forest right after Roosevelt was first elected and I haven't been out since. »

# SORRY...

Censorship regulations forbid your sending copies of the T-Patch to the states.

# Sport CHIPS

By Clarence LASKY

Jim Bagby, right hand pitcher and problem child of the Cleveland Indians, has agreed to terms for 1945. He is employed in an aircraft plant and is 4-F. Bagby won 17 and lost 14 in 1943 with the season highlighted by his feud with manager Lou Boudreau. He won only four and lost five in 1944, though he saved several games by clever relief pitching...

Luke Johnso, co-coach of the Chicago Bears of the National Football League, said he had turned down a \$20,000 offer to coach the Cleveland Rams of the same league...

Plans were announced for a metropolitan « championship » series among the Yankees, Giants and Dodgers for the benefit of the Red Cross before and during the coming baseball season...

The opening day of 1945 Spring training for the Chicago Cubs were moistened somewhat by a river which has completely covered their training field at French Lick (Ind.). Manager Grimm's spirits were further dampened by word that outfielder Dom Dalesandro, who hit .305 last year, had been inducted. Charlie Gassaway, 17-game winner for Milwaukee last year, will not report, preferring to keep his job with the Tennessee state police...

Tues McLaughry, Dartmouth football coach, said A. Barr Shively of Williams College will be his line coach next season...

After 18 months at sea on a destroyer, Lt. Ted Schroeder, 1942 national tennis champion, is getting a stretch of shore duty at the Jacksonville Air Station... Andre Lenglet, French heavyweight, who fought between 1928 and 1938, has been found guilty of collaborating with the Nazis and sentenced to five years at hard labor... After taking one glance at Doc Blanchars last September, a Notre Dame scout wired coach Ed McKeever : « Have just seen Superman in the flesh ; he wears number 35 on his Army jersey »... Buddy Young, national sprint champion and Illinois All-American footballer, has been inducted into the Navy...

Lt. Young Bussey, former LSU football captain and a star back with the Chicago Bears, is missing in action in the Asiatic area... Pfc. Howie Krist, 1943 Cardinal World Series pitcher, has been wounded in action here in France (leg wound)... Next sports troupe to go overseas will be an all-Negro unit featuring Henry Armstrong - former triple-title-holder ; Kenny Washington, grid grid guard from UCLA, and Jesse Owens, Olympic sprint king.

Jimmy Gallagher, general manager of the Chicago Cubs, has come up after long research with some revealing figures on just how many men have left professional baseball for the armed forces. Gallagher said his studies showed more than 4,000...

# Male Call

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



# Personnel Officer, Female, Civilian, Hep



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