

# The Hood Panther

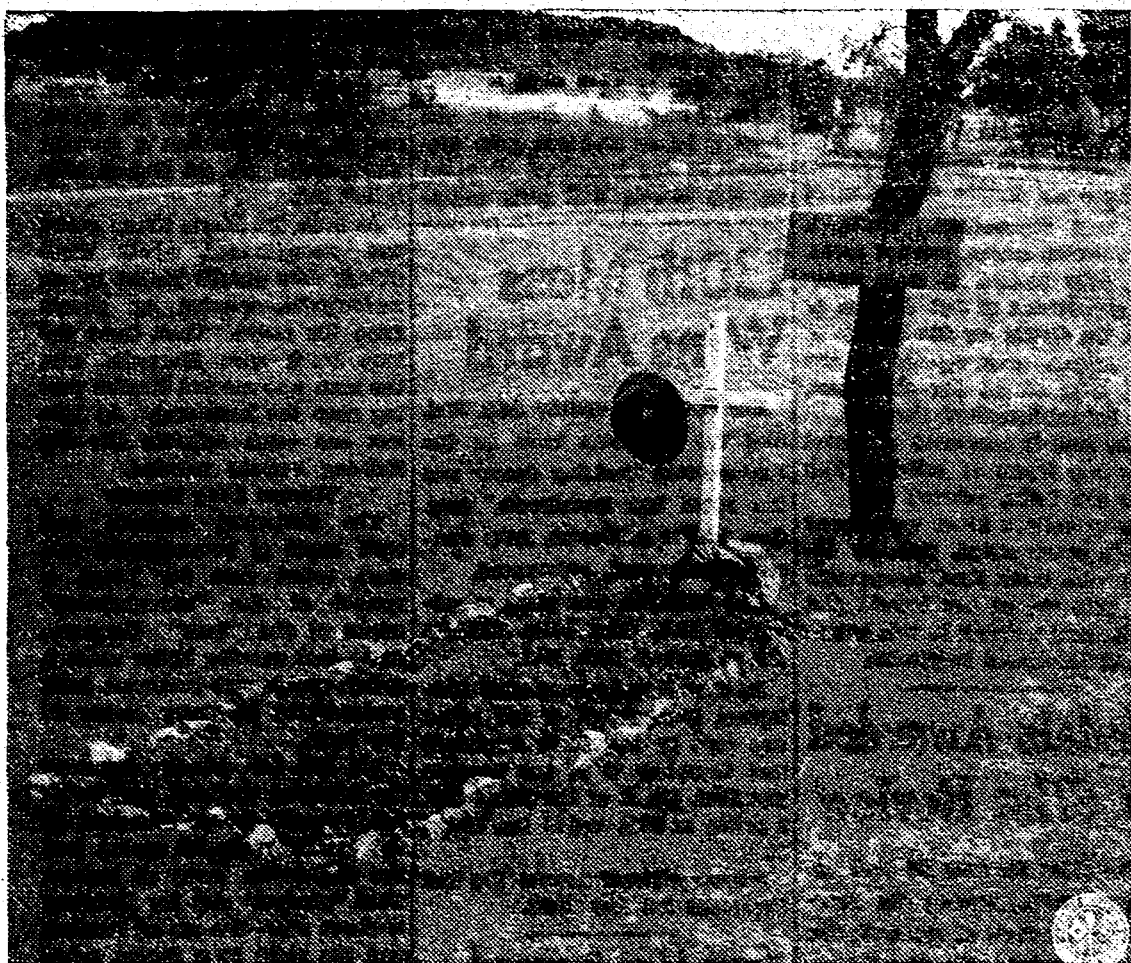
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**THIS MAN TALKED**—Complete with a white cross and a GI helmet with an eloquent, ugly hole, this mock grave was constructed by Lt. Leo D. Steibbe, assistant training officer, and Lt. C. Arthur Trust, assistant intelligent officer, 649th Bn., to show the men of the battalion the results of talking too much. Men have to pass the reminder each time they enter and leave the battalion area.

Camp Hood Signal Corps Photo

## CIO Members Become Soldiers For A Day

For the second time in the history of the United States, members of a trade union joined men in uniform to determine how they live and train, when 30 members of the CIO oil workers union came to Camp Hood last week.

Assigned to the 635th Bn., AUTC, the union men were "shown the ropes" by men of the battalion and officers and men of AUTC Headquarters. Each civilian was assigned a GI buddy in the 635th with whom he worked and at during the "educational training" period.

### Take Combat Course

Most, spectacular experience which the union men went through was Camp Hood's famous battle conditioning course which they took with their soldier buddies Thursday night. For the first time in their lives, the civilians had the experience of live machine gun bullets passing overhead, of firing live bullets at moving targets during street fighting in the Nazi Village.

In addition, the men attended weapons classes in the Tank Destroyer School, watched functioning of the Ordnance works and were shown the Quartermaster warehouses, laundry, salvage, cold storage and bakery. At the end of the day they turned in their GI equipment to the 635th battalion, and ate dinner at the 37th St. Service Club.

### See Fuel Need

Consensus of opinion among the union members was summed up by one who said: "We've great respect for TD training. We're going to make sure that none of your vehicles shall ever stand idle for lack of fuel which we produce."

### 145th Gets New Commanding Officer

Lt. Col. Thomas A. Houston, formerly a battalion commander at Camp Walters, is the new commanding officer of the 145th AST Bn., RTC. Maj. Thomas J. Martin, who had been acting commanding officer, has taken up his duties as executive officer.

## Ceremonies Make WAC Of WAAC

Members of the 1848th Unit, Eighth Service Command, WAAC, became members of the Women's Army Corps in ceremonies at the Tank Destroyer Center Headquarters Monday afternoon.

"As an old soldier, I welcome you to our midst," declared Major General Orlando Ward, Commanding General of the Tank Destroyer Center, and veteran of the North African campaign.

A few minutes later Colonel C. M. Thirkeld, Camp Commander, administered the oath to the women as soldiers in the Army of the United States. The detachment, commanded by Second Officer Helen L. Dunlap, then passed in review before General Ward and other officers of the TDC with music provided by the second Tank Destroyer Band.

Officers of the WAAC are scheduled to receive their oaths here on September 1.

Due to circumstances beyond control of the Editors, various pictures and features scheduled for this issue of the Panther were not available. These, including the Panther poll, will be published next week.

## New Button Given Those Discharged

Individuals honorably discharged from the Army during the present war will be awarded lapel buttons to signify their service to the nation, the War Department has announced. Men and women, whether officers or enlisted personnel, will be eligible if they hold honorable discharges.

The buttons are not yet available for distribution. They are being manufactured under direction of the Quartermaster Corps. When ready, full particulars will be made available so eligible persons may know how to obtain them.

The button is small and made of plastic material with a gold plating, eliminating use of critical materials. It is simple in design, a dexter eagle with a circle, the wings extending beyond the circle's edges. It contains no letter or ornamentation.

### TDS Master Sergeant In Academic Regiment Named Warrant Officer

M-Sgt. Charles G. Nichol of Headquarters and Service Company, Academic Regiment, Tank Destroyer School, was appointed assistant personnel officer in the academic regiment of the school.

A pioneer in the development of Camp Hood, he arrived March 21, 1942 and was the first enlisted man to join the School service regiment. He has served as the first sergeant major of the School service regiment, acting sergeant major of the School training brigade, and as first sergeant of cadre of the first officer candidate class. Mr. Nichol was a member of the first TD Battalion to arrive at Camp Hood, the 893rd TD Battalion. He has been personnel sergeant major of the academic regiment, with rank of master sergeant since August 8, 1942.

## 'Meet The Girls' With Eric Blore, Ann Savage, In Field House Tonight

Harry Savoy Of The Nightclubs Is Master Of Ceremonies; Patricia Ford, With Unusual Voice, Sings

"Meet The Girls," USO-Camp Show featuring Eric Blore, famous Hollywood butler, and Ann Savage, Hollywood starlet, starts its South Camp showing tonight at the Field House at 8:30. Admission is free.

The show appeared in North Camp Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and will show at the Field House through Saturday.

Last minute addition, of Eric Blore and Ann Savage, gave North Camp audiences more than

they expected, and provided a string of "belly laughs."

### Do Funny Skit

Blore and Miss Savage do a skit on the "Butler's Day Off," which gives Blore a chance to indulge in some of the antics that have made him famous in the movies. Miss Savage is funny, but she's even prettier.

Harry Savoy paces the show as master of ceremonies. Deval, Merle and Lee do their comic dance routine, and, of course, the girls in the invitation are D'Arteg's all-girl orchestra, playing it hot and sweet.

## Bus Schedules Changed To Make Better Service

Faster transportation in all directions may be obtained by using the Central Bus Station, Camp officials pointed out this week. Rearrangement of schedules by both bus operators will insure military personnel better service from the Central Station. Buses that heretofore have been loading at Killeen will come to the Central Station. Buses from North Camp will operate between the two Central Bus Stations and not go to Killeen.

New schedules which became effective Tuesday are as follows:

Depart Central Bus Station for Killeen every 10 minutes.

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Depart Killeen for Hood Village and old bus stop No. 19 every 30 minutes.

Shuttle buses depart from

Central Station every 10 minutes for Camp points only.

North and South Camp buses and Lampasas buses will not go into Killeen, turnaround being made at Central Bus Station.

## Religious Conference Here Monday

American unity which fuses racial and religious groups in an all-out victory effort, will be the topic of a four-day series of meetings opening Monday at Camp Hood, sponsored by the National Conference of Christian and Jews.

Speakers will include H. J. Ettlinger, University of Texas professor, representing the Jewish faith; the Rev. Paul A. McNally, vice president of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., representing the Catholic faith; and Col. Ora J. Cohee, chief of chaplains, Eighth Service Command, representing protestants.

The meetings are designed to reach an estimated 70,000 men and will contact the largest number of soldiers ever addressed in one camp by speakers of the conference, according to Chaplain Thomas H. Talbot.

## Outdoor Bowl Completed In TDS Area

The Tank Destroyer School's new amphitheater, set into the natural contour of a hill just east of the OCS Regimental area, will be formally opened soon with a boxing show staged under the floodlights in a ring constructed on the stage.

Conceived and built by school personnel, the amphitheater will seat 6,000 persons. Seats are constructed on an asphalt base built into the slope of the hill, forming a natural bowl.

The stage, 30 by 80 feet, includes footlights for outdoor presentations at night. It is so constructed that temporary additions will make it a basketball court.

### Leaves TDS Department

M-Sgt. Paul Moats left the reproduction dept., TDS, for a new assignment as Sgt. Major of the 16th TD Group. His association with Maj. Edwin Davis, head of the dept., dates back to the years he worked with the major in the reproduction plant at Ft. Benning, Ga. Sgt. Moats had been sgt. major of the reproduction dept. since its activation.

### Applications For Ration Book No. 3 Are Now Acceptable

Men and women in the armed services who are eligible to use War Ration book No. 3 will receive application blanks from their commanding officers beginning about Aug. 15.

The special military application must be mailed to the OPA Mailing Center, Chicago, Ill. before Aug. 31. Those who fail to apply for the book before that date will apply to their local war price and rationing board.

War ration book No. 3 will go into effect when existing books run out. However, it won't be needed for buying rationed commodities until Sept. 10.



## Jack Teagarden Band Plays Here August 24

When you hear the wail of the blues trumpet, it'll be Jack Teagarden and his boys giving at the Field House—August 24th, at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are now on sale at the

## Sounds Like This GI Hit The Jackpot

T-15 Milton Willis, Hq. Co., 348th TD, AUTC, had reason to pass cigars on the first of August. First, a nine pound son was born to him in Groveton, Tex.; then the adjutant approved a 10 day furlough, and before he left, he learned that he had been promoted from PFC to Technician 5th grade.

## Open Air Movies Beat The Weather

Company B, 801st Bn., men are cheating the present hot weather, somewhat, by showing open-air movies at night.

Through the efforts of T-4 Mike Nazarko, Co. B, Radio Technician, films are obtained from the post Special Services and projected upon the outside wall of one of the barracks. The result is a satisfactory showing of some of the best second run films available.

A few of the most recent pictures shown are: "How Green Was My Valley," "Grapes Of Wrath," "The Great McGinty," and "Johnny Apollo." A timely short subject or cartoon usually precedes the feature.

## Changes Are Made

Recent changes in the 664th include the assignment of Captain Stanley R. Kramer as acting S-3; Lt. P. Frymire, acting as adjutant; Lt. Morris Perl, acting S-4, and Lt. Fernandez, acting S-2.

Captain James P. Whitney and Lt. Paul E. Martin have been assigned as company commanders of B and Reconnaissance companies respectively.

## Father Of Boy

Lt. Thomas M. Hollahan, commanding Headquarters Co., 20th TD Group, is the father of an 11-pound boy, born recently in Austin, Texas.

37th St. and 162nd St. Service Clubs, at \$1. There'll be plenty of girls to dance with—though you may bring your own—or anybody's you can borrow for the occasion—and she'll be admitted free.

Dottie Reid will do the vocals, as she has on all broadcasts.

Teagarden and his trumpet—and his vocals—are considered tops in blues music, as attested by the fact that Paramount has featured him in the Bing Crosby picture "Birth of The Blues."

Harry Storum will be on the drums, and the Teagarden Trombone Chair will be in there as usual.

## 'Shootin' Irons' Not Unfamiliar To These Officer Candidates

The 47th Officer Candidate School Class at the Tank Destroyer School includes two men who had experience with "shootin' irons" in civil life.

Candidate Raymond P. Street inspected 75mm shells and bomb fins for size and surface for the War Department at Baltimore, Maryland.

Candidate William L. Streukens of New Brighton, Minnesota, was chief ballistics of the Federal Cartridge Company where he took tests of ammunition production in the ordnance plant, firing new ammunition in air-cooled and water-cooled machine guns. He recorded results of velocity and pressure and made hangfire and accuracy tests. He was also on the rifle team of the Minnesota National Guard.

## Post Exchanges Offer Photography Service

Camp Hood Post Exchange are now offering soldiers a photo developing, printing and photography service under the supervision of Lt. Paul Renay.

Individual photographs may be obtained at PX at No. 5 Colored soldiers may have their pictures taken at PX No. 7. PX No. 6 and No. 14 are now ready to develop and print photos and make group pictures.

Soldiers in North Camp who desire group photos may contact Captain Charleston, PX Warehouse No. 3045, at North Camp.

## Terrain Plot Used In 665th For Training

The average battalion has a sand table for tactical training purposes, but this was not realistic enough for the 665th TD Bn. The 665th went further and made a Terrain Plot, a miniature panorama of a portion of the training area set to a scale of 1-150 on a plot 20 feet by 20 feet.

The display is a replica of a 1,000 yard grid square, and includes every terrain formation of the area represented. Trails, a dam, knolls, creeks, wooded areas, etc., were plotted to scale under the supervision of Sgt. Jeffries of Rcn. Co. Credit for the success of the project goes equally to the men from all of the companies, who helped construct the plot.

The base is composed of gravel with two layers of caliche. The trees are twigs, painted OD.

Many tedious hours were spent on its construction, but the results were more than compensating. The use of the terrain plot for tactical training in this battalion is considered invaluable.

## Medals Awarded At 671st Review

The 671st Bn held its first review recently. During the exercises 10 members of the battalion were presented with Good Conduct Medals for exemplary behavior.

The awards were made by Lt. Col. Matteson, commanding officer of the 23rd Group, aided by Captain Davis, executive officer of the 671st Bn, on the parade grounds at 24th street and West avenue.

Receiving the medals were: 1st Sgts. Albert Bakos, Andrew A. Palguta; Staff Sgts Norman J. Zako; George J. Dors; Randall Barnes; Frank A. Hof; Melton Q. Lybrand; Ray N. Stanford; Donald D. Mensik, and Henry B. Marcinkowski.

## Soldier In RTC Saw Start Of Nazi Conquest Attempt

By Pvt. Merton Christenser  
Co. C, 138th Bn., TDRTC

I was in Cologne that day of March 1936, when the streets thrilled with the voices of the Nazis Sieg Heil-ing the movement of the German army into the Rhineland. "Germany is no longer bound by treaties imposed by tyrant enemies," Hitler yelled, and the mob responded, drunk on grandiose dreams.

### Comes As Surprise

Our party had arrived the evening before and was quite surprised to see Swastikas flaunted on the streets and girls every-

where selling Nazi party pins. After at last finding a hotel room we had dinner, and the waiter told us that Hitler and his legions were due to parade in town next day.

In the morning I was awakened by singing in the streets. Looking out, I saw a parade of Nazi youth howling the "Horst Wessel." By eight a. m. the mob of spectators had to be held back by storm troopers with interlocked arms. The parade came on in waves, and in one formation a parader was pointed out as Kaiser Wilhelm's son.

At noon the Storm Troop guard was strengthened. About three o'clock elite guards roared by on motorcycles, greeted by shouts from the crowd. Then came the long black open Mercedes with the man who mocked treaties posing atop the back seat. As Hitler's car came opposite the Sig Heil-ing became frenzied.

### Witness Long Parade

The motorized columns and rigid ranks of goosestepping soldiers rolled past for hours, a symbol of the "overwhelming" might of the "new" Germany. Later that evening Hitler made a speech which was broadcast from loudspeakers on every corner of the town.

We left for North Germany the following morning, and as we left German troops crouched at the border ready to spring into the defenseless areas of Europe. That "glorious" day for Germany is about over—the era of freedom and the right to a decent existence for all is next.

## 130th Mess Wins Award

For the week ending Aug. 2nd, best TD Battalion mess in the Replacement Training Center was the 130th TD Battalion's, Brig. Gen. Walter A. Dumas, RTC commanding general, announced.

The battalion was given a rating of 98.8. The 141st TD Bn placed second with 98.1.

In the contest among AST Battalions, Company A of the 142nd was tops in the Sixth Regiment and Company D of the Seventh was first. Co. A of the 142nd had a rating of 97.7, and D Co., 149th, 96.8.

Among officers' messes the 2nd Regiment led the field.

## Camp Mess Personnel Increases Salvage Profit From Refuse

As a result of cooperation on the part of camp mess personnel, July grease and bone sales showed a gain of \$2674.52 over June, it was reported by the Salvage Officer, Capt. Edward T. Leutwyler.

A team of non-commissioned officers delivered to each kitchen, post exchange and service club a specially prepared illustrated memorandum explaining the best way to segregate kitchen waste. To check on the efficiency of methods, a non-commissioned officer is making the route with the garbage collector once each week.

## 664th Outdoor Show Is Held

The 664th Bn. staged its first outdoor show Friday, July 30th, at North Camp Hood.

Boxing matches were followed by vaudeville acts, and a battalion song fest concluded the evening.

Lt. Harry G. Clark was the master of ceremonies. Lt. Edmund J. Fernandez arranged the affair.

## Quartermaster Sales Warehouse Has New Schedule Of Hours

In accordance with a directive issued by the Eighth Service Command, new hours have been instituted for the Quartermaster Sales Warehouse, for the exclusive use of officers:

Everyday except Tuesday and Friday, 8: A. M. to 5 P. M.; Tuesday and Friday 12:00 noon to 9:00 P. M.

## New Trainees Report To Co. A, 128th Bn.

More than 200 new AST trainees have reported to Co. A, 128th Bn. RTC. These are the first AST men to be received by the battalion, one of the three original RTC units.

A cadre school covering bayonet drill, mortar, and other Infantry tactics as a refresher has been conducted, with old timers and new cadremen participating, to prepare them to conduct basic training for the new soldiers.

The AST rookies are from all parts of the United States and average 20 years of age.

## Soldier Radio Show Featured On KGKO

A new program, "Myrt, the Flirt," styled for service men exclusively, is now broadcast each morning Mondays through Fridays, over radio station KGKO, Fort Worth, from 7 a. m. to 7:30 o'clock.

The program of popular recordings is ebbed by a young lady similar to the famous "Reveille with Beverly" show on the West Coast.

## Theater Schedules

### 162nd St. and 37th St. Theaters

Thursday, August 12: Behind The Rising Sun.  
Friday, August 13: Follies Girl and The Falcon In Danger  
Saturday, August 14: For Me And My Gal.  
Sun.-Mon., August 15-16: Salute To The Marines.  
Tuesday, August 17: Bomber's Moon  
Wed.-Thurs., August 18-19: Heaven Can Wait.

### Hood Road and 24th St. Theaters

Thurs.-Fri., August 12-13: Du Barry Was A Lady.  
Saturday, August 14: Follies Girl and The Falcon In Danger  
Sun.-Mon., August 15-16: Behind The Rising Sun.  
Tuesday, August 17: For Me And My Gal.  
Wednesday, August 18: Bomber's Moon.  
Thurs.-Fri., August 19-20: Salute To The Marines.

### 72nd St. Theater

Thursday, August 12: Follies Girl and The Falcon In Danger  
Fri.-Sat., August 13-14: Behind The Rising Sun.  
Sunday, August 15: For Me And My Gal.  
Monday, August 16: Bomber's Moon.  
Tuesday-Wed., August 17-18: Salute To The Marines.  
Thurs., August 19: Submarine Base and Honeymoon Lodge

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### Ave "D" and 24th St. Theater

Thursday, August 12: Salute For Three  
Friday, August 13: You Were Never Lovelier  
Sat. August 14: Submarine Base and Honeymoon Lodge  
Sun.-Mon., August 15-16: Du Barry Was A Lady.  
Tuesday, August 17: The Constant Nymph.  
Wed.-Thurs., August 18-19: Behind The Rising Sun.

### 18th and 15th St. Theaters

Thursday, August 12: You Were Never Lovelier  
Fri.-Sat., August 13-14: Salute For Three.  
Sunday, August 15: The Constant Nymph  
Monday, August 16: Submarine Base and Honeymoon Lodge  
Tues.-Wed., August 17-18: Du Barry Was A Lady  
Thursday, August 19: For Me And My Gal.

### 4th and 10th St. Theaters

Thurs.-Fri., August 12-13: Hers To Hold  
Saturday, August 14: The Constant Nymph  
Sun.-Mon., August 15-16: Salute For Three.  
Tuesday, August 18: For Me And My Gal.  
Thursday, August 19: Du Barry Was A Lady.



## Use Of Photomaps, As Taught In TDS, Praised In Sicily

Lost among the many dispatches coming from the Sicilian front last week was a short news article concerning the use made by our invading forces of recently-taken photomaps. The photos had been taken during the past three months, and covered the island completely.

Of small interest to headline

## 374th Engineers Now In Service Command Unit

The 374th Engineers Battalion was redesignated, August 2, as the 374th Engineer General Service Regiment.

The only engineer regiment in Camp Hood, they have established a record for themselves because of the good work they have completed. As a battalion, the engineers have built innumerable roads and obstacle courses, now in use.

Among the officers of the new engineer regiment to be promoted to captains were: Lt. Arthur J. Fox, regimental adjutant, and Lt. Garland C. Hinds, commander of Company "B", 1st Battalion.

## Soldier's Book Out

PFC Sammy Lillibridge, cornetist with the First Band, Tank Destroyer Center, has drawn upon his experience in civilian life to write a book called "Hilda Alive," which was published recently by Mat Jones, a Gatesville, Texas, newspaper publisher.

"Hilda Alive" is a factual account of the life of a "carnie," a carnival tentman and his side-show freak.

Lillibridge in private life was a musician and played with dance orchestras, circuses, and night clubs. In addition, he has been an acrobat, trapeze artist, carnival pitchman and barker, master of ceremonies, clown and stage comedian.

The soldier's home is in Pittsburgh, Pa., but at the present time he is residing at 2111 E. Main St., Gatesville.

Lillibridge joined the Army in 1940 and was assigned to the 893rd Tank Destroyer Battalion at Fort Meade, Md. He was in the first group to come to Texas to found the Tank Destroyer Center at Camp Hood. In June, Lillibridge joined the First Band, TDC, and has been with that organization ever since.

## Wins Wrestling Match

Last week, Company C, 635th Bn., staged a wrestling match between S-Sgt. William A. Strukel and PFC Louis P. Benevengo. PFC Benevengo won two out of three falls, the first going nine minutes and the second five minutes. S-Sgt. Rex L. Beal was promoter and announcer.

## Former Resident Of Island Malta, Now In The 670th Battalion Here, Relieved That Axis Bombing Past

T-5 Paul Said, 670th TD Bn., wears a different expression these days, for Malta, the most bombed piece of territory on earth and Said's home, is no longer suffering from the devastating aerial attacks that she has endured in the past months.

Said, who left Malta in 1932 and has lived in the United States since then, is a native of the island, and his mother still lives there. She is 78, but has survived all the bombings, although her

hunters seeking combat news, the photomap story was nevertheless noted by Army men who know how important accurate maps are to the accomplishment of any combat mission. Especially interested was the Pioneer Department of the Tank Destroyer School which teaches map reading and the use of photo maps to the Tank Destroyers.

### Vital To TD's

Accurate knowledge of the terrain to be crossed is vital to the TD's whose mobile vehicles often move across country. A good map is needed to lay out such routes before time is wasted in actually reconnoitering them on the ground. The TD's sole mission is the destruction of enemy tanks, whose movements are limited to certain types of terrain. A photo map will show what channels of movement are open to use by tanks. Knowing this, the TD's can often nip an attack in the bud. TD's, too, depend upon the cover and concealment offered by the folds of the terrain in choosing positions from which to attack. Photo maps, properly used, will show the areas where there is adequate foliage, or gullies and ridges to conceal the deadly destroyers.

### Instruction Here

The Pioneer Department thoroughly instructs all TD School students in the use of photo maps in addition to the conventional military maps, signs, symbols, and methods of land navigation. Of prime importance in photo map reading is the recognition and interpretation of ground objects as they appear on an aerial photo. Shadows, trees, buildings, roads, wheel tracks, camouflage, ground installations, gullies, ridgelines—all are of great interest to every TD. It is the mission of the Pioneer Department to help him his best advantage by properly interpreting his photo map, made perhaps only a few hours before by aerial photography.

## Love Will Always Find Some Way

A woman walked out of the cafeteria at the North Camp 12th Street Service Club with a tray filled with food. The waitress who saw her ran and reported the matter to Miss Halie Lindsey, assistant hostess, who promptly instituted a search which finally brought her to the far side of the adjacent Guest House. There, blithely seated under a large shade tree, was the young lady and her soldier husband, feasting away, picnic fashion. It seems that inasmuch as soldiers in fatigues are not allowed in the club, this dutiful wife served her hubby *al fresco*.

Miss Lindsey promptly retrieved the tray and left the picnickers to themselves. All's well that ends well—chiggers notwithstanding.



Camp Hood Signal Corps Photo

**SEWING BEE**—Housewives from McGregor, Texas, have been devoting one afternoon a week for the past month to making repairs and sewing on chevrons for soldier-attendants of the Leon Drive Service Club at North Camp Hood. Organized by Mrs. Hanover of McGregor, the ladies drive to North Camp Tuesday afternoon and stitch away from 2 PM to 5 PM. Soldiers who need repairs made or who have those new stripes to be sewed on may leave their clothing at the service club Monday night or Tuesday morning.

## This Man Rose In Grade Fast

Friends of T-Sgt. Irvin Schwartz, sergeant major of the 135th Bn, RTC, North Camp, claim that his promotion to that grade came in shorter time than did that of S-Sgt. Thomas J. Hurt, who, as reported in "The Panther" for July 29, rose from private to S-Sgt. in 11 months.

Schwartz, then a private, was assigned to the 135th Bn. when that unit was activated shortly after January 1, 1943. He was promoted to the grade of T-5 on January 25th, and six months later, almost to the day, was made T-Sgt.

In this instance, it's a case of "local boy makes good." Schwartz has lived in Fort Worth, Texas, all his life.

Before joining the Army, Schwartz, who plays a "hot lick" on the saxophone, toured the country with several bands.

## Officer Candidate Spent 10 Of 19 Years Abroad

Ten of Officer Candidate Henri Jean Pauchey's 19 years have been spent abroad. Born in Bronxville, New York, his parents took him to Europe when he was very young and he attended schools in Belgium, France, and Spain.

After an interim of five years, during which he was in the New York Military Academy in the United States, he returned to France, in 1938, for the summer months. There, with uniforms in evidence on all sides, he found Paris girding herself for the invasion which soon followed.

Now having compared this country with other nations, he is eager to do his share to preserve the American way of living, because "There simply is no other way to live."

## Private Conducts Church Services At North Camp

Pvt. David O. Prince, who holds a teaching certificate from Florida Normal college and has taught science subjects and coached basketball, football and other sports in junior high school, held the church services at the 18th St. Theater, North Camp, recently. Prince is not ordained but has been a lay minister for two and a half years. Many of the men of the 679th are displaying interest in church services, most of them trying for positions in the church choir.

## Personnel Of 41st OCS Class Had Unusual Civilian Tasks

The 41st officer candidate class now in its thirteenth week at the Tank Destroyer School at Camp Hood can list many colorful "MCO's"—main civilian occupations—of its members.

Candidate Charles J. Burke of Detroit was a patrolman whose

regular beat was the Detroit-Windsor tunnel under the Detroit River, linking Canada and the United States. Arthur Bergman was a high school principal at Comfort, Texas. James Dean of New Castle, Pa., was a kiln placer. Working for a pottery concern, he placed clay ware in the kiln for baking. He was also the organizer of a model airplane club which held exhibitions all over the state. Candidate Dean is a pilot himself.

### Entertained On Cruises

Thomas Egan was a pre-law student at Southern California. From 1935 to 1939, he worked four months each summer as an entertainer on pleasure ship cruises. In 1940, he was assistant navigator on a private yacht for eight months, making a trip from San Pedro to the South seas and north to Hawaii.

Joseph T. McDonnell is a graduate of the University of Nevada and was thereafter employed as graduate manager. He supervised all student activities, and acted as liaison officer between students and faculty, and school and public. He was permanent secretary of the alumni association and was in charge of the promotion and staging of state basketball tournaments.

### In Autry Film

Oral V. Rhodes of Tomahawk, Wis., was a musician and comedian. He played with a band on the radio and in the theater, and went to Hollywood to appear in a Gene Autry film.

Three great athletes are also in the class, Robert T. Eyck of Brooklyn college, football and track star, and Thomas F. Thiele and William T. Ullom, teammates on the Purdue university football team.

## Best Cakes Take Prizes

The Leon Drive Service Club at Camp Hood held a special event for the enlisted men who patronize the club last week when Maggie Rose Earls, senior hostess, and her staff presented a "cake walk."

Enlisted personnel baked the cakes entered in the contest, with two entries tying for first prize. Sgt. William Crowson, 138th Bn., RTC, placed first with his entry for texture and decoration, and T-4 Joseph Davis, 139th Bn., RTC, tied him for intricacy of design. Crowson was awarded a utility shaving kit and Davis was given a leather wallet.

Winning honorable mention was a four-layer cake entered by the WACs under direction of Mess Sergeant Wiser.

The 668th TD Bn., 23rd Group, BUTC, furnished not only the largest number of cakes but also some of the tastiest.

Lucky number holders in the follow-up cake walk received large slices of cake with iced orange punch.

## Father Of Boy

Lt. Charles M. Holland, Co. D, 147th AST Bn, has just learned he is the father of a seven pound boy, born in New York City. The new heir to the Holland name will be known as Charles M., Jr.

## Chinese Soldier Found His Career Changed By A New York City Fire

Cpl. Wing Chin, Company "D" Academic Regiment of the Tank Destroyer School, was a newspaperman until a fire caused him to acquire another career.

In Canton, China, Chin studied journalism. His coming to the United States in 1931 was a family project. It seemed that every family near the Chin home had sent one son to the United States, with the object of spending a few years here and then returning to China. Just after Chin landed, however,

the Japs raided Manchuria and the Jap-China conflict was underway. On arriving in New York, Chin found employment as a reporter on the Chinese Daily News, which was published by the National Party, led by Chiang Kai Shek.

Chin had been there a year and one-half, finally as assistant editor, when a fire gutted the building to the ground. Lack of funds to start a new plant forced Chin to turn to the restaurant business prior to his induction.

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## Functioning Of The AER

**A**LL FUNDS DERIVED from the screen production of "This Is The Army," soon to be released to moviegoers generally, will benefit Army Emergency Relief, which, as its name implies, was organized to meet the EMERGENCY relief needs of wives, parents, children, or close relatives of Army men who have previously contributed to their support.

Major L. T. Goode, Army Emergency Relief Officer in Camp Hood, announced this week that he is fully prepared to assist dependents of soldiers residing in the Central Texas area.

### Wastes No Time

Army Emergency Relief wastes no time in coming to the aid of needy dependents. After investigation, or recommendation, by the most expedient means, which shows the case to be worthy, the relief will be given immediately in the form of cash grants, loans, or other aid.

There have been instances of delay in the receipt of allotments by dependents; due to failure on the part of enlisted men to submit promptly or to sign the necessary papers for family allowances. This can be attributed to the frequency of soldiers being ordered overseas or to unknown destinations before all papers are completed, and to the enthusiastic reception of the plan by the millions of soldiers applying for the benefits offered by the War Department in the Family Allowance Act.

### Help While Waiting

In all cases where delays result, regardless of the cause, resort should be made to the services of the Army Emergency Relief, as this service is ready and should be utilized by the families of enlisted men through any period of financial embarrassment that ensues while they are awaiting receipt of checks.

Funds used by Army Emergency Relief have been raised in a large measure by patriotic citizens or by the military personnel, and through such shows as "This is the Army," the "Army War Show," and others, in which all participants were members of the armed forces. In assisting soldiers and their families in this way, the Army does not consider it a charity, because the emergencies requiring assistance are due to the call to the service of the nation. "We view our aid," Major Goode said, "as a friendly act of one neighbor to another, just as happens constantly in every community in the country. Therefore, Army Emergency Relief does not compete with or replace the American Red Cross or other worthy welfare agencies but works with them in closest co-operation."

### Must Show Relationship

Dependents who write to the Camp Hood Army Emergency Relief, or elsewhere for aid are required to prove relationship to the soldier, and to furnish his full name, grade, serial number if possible, and the soldier's last mailing address. Members of the military personnel are also eligible for Army Emergency Relief Assistance and should apply to their organization commander or to the Army Emergency Relief Officer.

## 'A Woman's Work Is Never Done,' Even A Camp Hood Librarian's

Excerpts from Leon Drive Library's day:

"Gotta good biography, lady?"

"Any romantic books in his library?"

"What about a math book, Sgt?"

"Please, Ma'am, do you have any good science books?"

"What do you have about aviation?"

"I have to lecture to the boys about poison ivy, snakes and spiders tomorrow. Where will I find something about that?"

"I want a book!"

Have you an argument to settle? The ASTP and BUTC boys find a clearing house for their arguments at the Leon Drive Library located directly across the street from the Leon Drive Service Club between 21st and 22nd Streets on Leon Drive.

But it isn't all a game of questions and answers. For instance, there are the boys who came in to read the home town newspapers—from New York City, San Francisco, Chicago, New Orleans, S. Louis, Atlanta, Washington, D.

C., Boston, Detroit and Philadelphia.

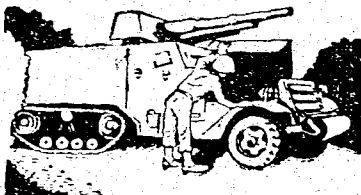
And, too there are the 168 boys who have cards and are reading things like All Night Long by Erskine Caldwell; Night Shift by Maritta Wolf, and The Gremlins Of Lt. Oggins, by Irwin Shapiro. Maybe they are cartoon addicts and go for Charles Addams' Drawn And Quartered and The New Yorker War Album. These five books are a part of the present 457 volume collection housed by the Leon Drive Library.

Marcia Williams, librarian, says that the library eventually will house 5,000 volumes.

### 100 Percent Qualify In Headquarters Co. Of 21st TD Group

Headquarters Co., 21st TD Group, qualified 100 percent, officers and men, on the 1,000 inch machine gun range at North Camp Hood last week. The average score was 113, with top score of 127 out of a possible 128 by Private Gordon W. Edgington.

## Looking UNDER THE HOOD



### Out With It!

If any of you fellows are hiding a pipe organ in your footlocker, out with it! Pvt. John E. Rickert Co. B, 661st Bn., has been searching BUTC for one with no luck. Pvt. Rickert of Kicklyn, Pa., was quite well known throughout suburban Philadelphia as a talented pipe organist before he came into the Army.

### This GI Gate Rates

Another musician of some note is Pvt. Nicholas Fungio of the 668th Bn. In jive talk the boys of the 668th explain that he is a varied bugler since he can "blow it sweet for retreat" or "lean on it heavily for reveille." In addition to his G. I. duties he gives out for his fellow soldiers' with imitations of Harry James and other top orchestra leaders, according to PFC Lloyd C. Gooden.

### Oil On Troubled Minds

A most discouraging sight to would-be "goldbricks" at Dispensary No. 11, in the 113th Cavalry area, is a glass, gallon jug of castor oil prominently displayed where sick callers are most apt to see it when they enter. If they're really sick they'll probably never notice it.

### Not Losing Face, We Hope

Cpl. James Bergers drops a note to inform us that an old tradition had been lost in the 145th Bn., due to the slip of a razor in the hand of Capt. Harry Robertson, CO of Co. A. It seems he lost his mustache and is now concentrating on a new one. It has no connection with Capt. Robertson's mustache, but the enlisted men's team and the officer's team of the 145th have each won five games with no losses. Not bad.

### Shooting Off The Mouth

There's a little confusion at North Camp. New trainees, mistaking the boom of a 75 mm cannon, recently installed in headquarters quadrangle to sound off reveille and retreat, for the voice of their 1st Sergeant, are leaping out of bed muttering, "Yes Sergeant, I'll be right out Sergeant." At first, when the men found out that it's only a 75 mm cannon and not the 1st Sgt. at all, they went right back to sleep. That's where the RTC bands and the BUTC sound system comes in, furnishing martial music at "0545" to soothe the savage breast of rudely awakened G.I.s. You youngsters don't know how lucky you are to have a little thing like a 75 shooting off its mouth.

### Colonel Thirkeld Addresses 40th TD Graduating Class

Col. Charles M. Thirkeld, camp commander, addressed the 40th Tank Destroyer Officer Candidate Class at graduation exercises held Friday in the TD School.

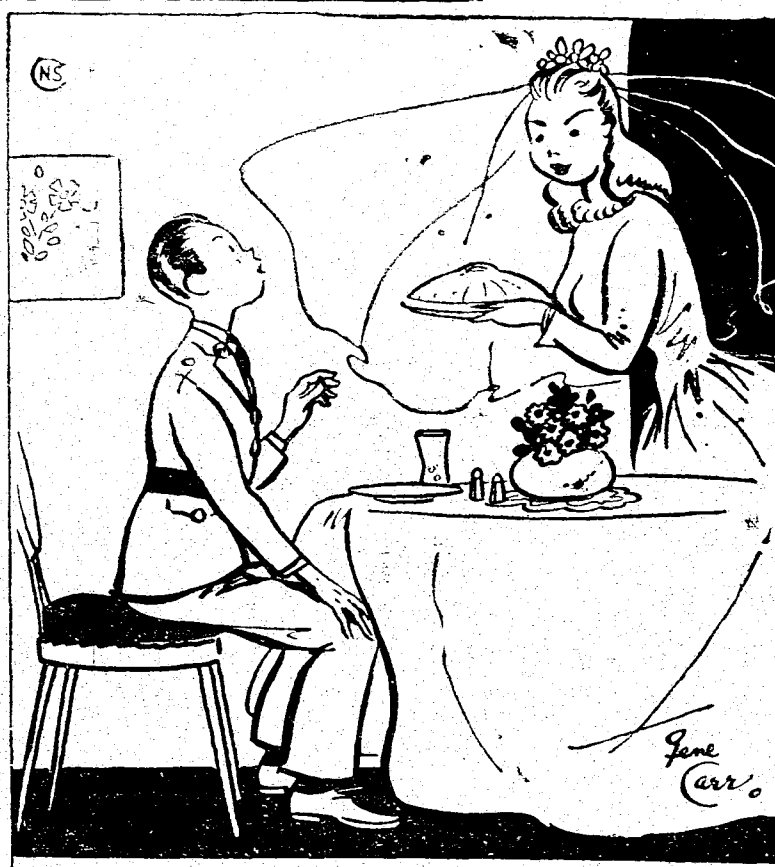
"By hard work, with a touch of common sense and good judgement, you will become a good officer," Colonel Thirkeld told the new officers. "Work hard, shoot squarely, and know your stuff."

Brig. Gen. H. T. Mayberry, school commandant, presented the certificates and commissions.

Under the new 17-week schedule for OC schools, no new class was enrolled this week. Entering classes are now activated twice monthly.

### Is Now A Father

T-5 Emery Smith, Co. B, 635th Bn., recently became the father of a girl.



"Now don't worry about your cooking not agreeing with my stomach, dear. My government insurance policy covers all hazardous undertakings."

## Army Quiz

1. What is the greatest weight a military plane now in use can carry?
2. Does the German soldier start his marching movements on his left or right foot?
3. Where should the flag of the United States be placed in the chance of a church?
4. What does the second digit in Army serial numbers reveal?
5. What is the cost of making a Jeep?
6. How many war bonds did the men on Bataan purchase while they were fighting the Japs?

Answers Page 7.

### Second RTC Band Entertains Patients

The 2nd RTC Band entertained patients and staff of the North Camp Hood hospital at an outdoor concert last week. The musical program was the first to be furnished by any outside group.

The Red Cross hospital staff hopes to continue these outdoor entertainments and to be able to provide other recreation as soon as the new recreational building is ready for use.



Editor, The Panther:

I have just received my first copy of The Hood Panther and enjoyed every word of it. I am looking forward to my next copy.

It is interesting to know all about Camp Hood and its work. I am glad my brother, Pvt. Anthony Lichota, Co. E, 131st TD Bn, is having his basic training there.

Keep up the good work!  
Mrs. Josephine Griebel,  
Buffalo, N. Y.

Editor, The Panther:

The Hood Panther is an interesting and well-written paper. You are to be commended for your fine work.

It so happens that a certain young man who is very dear to me is at Camp Hood. I shall not mention his name because his extreme modesty causes him to have an aversion to publicity. To be quite frank, he is like a son to me.

Mary Warner Hall  
Tacoma, Washington

## Camp Roberts Doffs Ties To Hot Days

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—That necktie, which causes so much discomfort for soldiers during the summer months, may now be doffed while in camp for the rest of the summer, according to a change announced last week in camp regulations.

During the summer months in camp, between reveille and retreat, the shirt may be worn without tie and the top button unbuttoned.

### Many Are Promoted In Co. C, 658th Bn.

By Pvt. Richard Etherington  
Co. C, 658th Bn.

The beginning of the fourth month of training for Co. C, 658th Bn. AUTC, brought forth many promotions. Cpls. Carl E. Worthen and John N. Kategian were made Sergeants.

Promoted to Corporal were Pfc's Neil Harte, Cecil Dindburg, Lawrence Wallace and Pvts. Joseph Borri and Luke Rappas.

The following Privates were promoted to Pfc.: Michael Andreshak, Frederick Burrow, Elmer Hallen, Larry Kearnes, Otto Klien, Stanley Marute, LaVerne Preston, George Reid, Paul Schreiber, Joe Skutnik, Edward Smahay, Chester Sobon, Leo Stazuck, Harry Straley, Ernest Street, and Henry Weidner.

### Many In 648th Bn. Attend Special Class

Twenty-three enlisted men of the 648th TD Bn. AUTC are attending a 12 weeks school in the fundamentals of reading, writing, and arithmetic. The classes under supervision of Lt. Peter Canter, Battalion Liaison Officer, is a part of an Army-wide program to fit slow learners or partially educated men for combat duty.

Instructors T-5 Robert M. Billen, PFC Theodore M. Bernardi, and Pvt. Ellsworth R. Elden-Muller, report rapid progress in the courses.

### Infantry Guidons Appear In RTC

Blue and white guidons of the Infantry arm have made their appearance at the TD RTC in the 132nd Specialized Training Battalion.

It was the needlework of Mrs. Robert W. Rhoades, wife of Lt. Rhoades of the battalion staff, that fashioned the guidons. The field of the guidon is blue with white crossed rifles. The guidons have been presented to Companies A, B, C, and D.



## AUTC Battalion Wins Mock Battle During Maneuvers On The Range, But Loses Real One To Chiggers!

By PFC H. Hart Nance

From midnight Friday until dawn Saturday morning, the men of the 648th TD Battalion AUTC lay camouflaged in an area comparable only to the dense jungles of Guadalcanal. From reconnaissance platoons the report had reached headquarters that two enemy jeeps and nine medium

tanks were sighted traveling south on Georgetown Road near Antelope School. The ground-air liaison officer reported two companies of tanks advancing on the right. Hastily, each report was entered on the situation map until now it was as striped as the Star Spangled Banner. The zero hour grew near.

With a harsh, "Give 'em hell!", the first note of the attack was sounded by 1st Sgt. Jones of Company "A". After that it was easy. Umpires, raced back and forth, ordering first this tank and then that scout car out of the maneuver, until with 30 minutes, the 648th held the spoils of victory in their hands.

By 5:30 Saturday afternoon the men were returning to long-awaited showers and mattresses, but the fight had not ended. In fact, it had just begun. Like a convention of tobacco auctioneers, the men in the barracks, yelled back and forth, excited over a counter attack by the Red Army.

Sometime during the night, the Reds had penetrated both flanks, the rear, and the forward sector, digging deep into the men. Thousands of red-bugs and wood ticks, armed with what must have been 155 mm. fired simultaneously and the 648th admitted its first loss of a major battle.

## 661st Obstacle Course Includes Many Barriers

A newly-constructed obstacle course is helping to put the men of the 661st TD Battalion in fighting shape.

Designed to include almost every type of barrier normally to be encountered in combat, the course embraces barbed wire entanglements, hurdles, water hazards, rope climbing.

Starting the obstacle run, the soldier crosses a snarl of barbed wire, staked low to the ground, in flying leaps, then descends a sharp decline to jump a five foot ditch. Crossing this, he ascends a sharp grade, crawling under a series of barbed wire entanglements on his way to the top. Then the course leads over half a dozen log hurdles, to a water filled ravine which is spanned by a narrow log.

Arriving at a gully the soldier grasps a long rope, and "monkey swings" himself to the opposite side. From there he crawls under a log barrier, scales a six foot wall, climbs a long rope hand over hand, and finishes the test by crawling along a horizontally stretched rope between two tree-trunk supports followed by a sprint up a rocky slope to the end of the line.

## 113th Cavalry Men Take Conditioning Course With CO

Led by their regimental commander, Col. William S. Biddle, a group of 32 officers and men of the 113th Cavalry Regiment (Mech.) recently completed training at Battle Conditioning Course No. 2.

The group comprised those who had, for various reasons, missed the course with their regular units early this year, and they found the 110-degree temperature of Texas Summertime added no comfort to the already difficult schedule. Maj. Wilbur F. Stephenson, regimental S-2, was in charge of the group, which prepared for two weeks by taking obstacle courses twice a day before marching out to the "Commando Course."

Col. Biddle, whose experiences in Africa have taught him the training value of such physical and mental strain as that offered at the course, took the entire schedule along with the others in the detail, and, at the completion of the "5-mile run," expressed his entire satisfaction with the course, and with the methods of instruction used at this famous TD "man-proving" ground.

## Battalion Night Popular Program At Service Club

One of the more successful bits of entertainment at the north camp service clubs has been the weekly "Battalion Night" programs at the 12th St. club.

Featuring variety shows by different organizations, the "Battalion Night" has been most recently handled by the 138th RTC Bn. and earlier by the 139th Bn. The special service officers of each unit sponsored the programs. Announcements of each show are pinned up and attendance indicates that the "Battalion Night" will be an institution at this service club.

## Bivouac New For 665th

While for many of the men in Camp Hood, being in bivouac has a familiar sound, the recently activated 665th Bn. found the wilds of Coryell County to be anything but the "same old story."

Most of the men in the outfit are from big cities in the North and moving to the bivouac area meant for some of them, the first romp in a wide open space bigger than the next door lot.

Yet after only two weeks in the woods, the men have oriented themselves and have lost no time in getting ahead with training and taking part in the battalion's sports program. Even on night problems, which are the acid test for a man used to nothing darker than a seaboard dim-out, the city boys of the 665th have come through with the ease of veterans, it is reported.

## Battalion Party Held In North Camp Hall By Co. A, 140th Bn.

Company A, 140th Bn. RTC, North Camp Hood, recently held a battalion party in the 5th Regimental Hall at Headquarters and First Street.

Girls of the WAC Det., TDC, and wives of the enlisted men were guests of honor.

Lt. Col. Francis Flanagan, 5th Regt. commanding officer; Major Harry J. Rainey, commanding officer of the 240th Bn. and 1st Lt. Joseph Berry, commanding A company, attended the dance and smorgasboard buffet dinner.

The party was given by the men of the battalion, who will shortly compete their training.

The 2nd RTC band, led by T-4 Bill Fischer, provided music.

Pvt. Fred Hart arranged the decorations.

T-4 Paul Schafer baked a large cake for the affair.

Committee responsible for the affair consisted of Privates Joseph Burr, Richard Robinson and William P. Tavonlareas, aided by platoon leaders Lts. Victor Sutherland and Harry Burnette.

## Is Transferred

T-5 Charles Stuerenberg, former Company Clerk of Company "B", 605th Bn., AUTC has been transferred to Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as a student under A.S.T.P. program.



Camp Hood Signal Corps Photo

The Village Is But One Phase.....

## AUTC Course Has Woods, Mountain, Street Fights

It will be a long half-mile next week for men in the Advanced Unit Training Center going through the new four-hour "trial by fire" battle conditioning course.

The new feature of the course will give the Tank Destroyer trainees experience, over a distance of half a mile, in mountain, street and woods fighting.

### Is Continuous Attack

A continuous attack will lead them through a valley swept by machine gun and rifle fire, over a mountain side that goes straight up and then leans backward,

through the famed "Nazi" village at the top of the climb, and, finally, several hundred yards of dense woods, to their objective, a "German" ammunition dump.

Assembling behind a ridge under cover of indirect fire from destroyers, one section of men will move out to attack the village through the woods from the flank, while the other will form a right frontal attack through the valley, which is under constant mortar fire and offers few opportunities for concealment.

Scouts precede each section to

previously designated rallying points. To reach those points, they must negotiate an overhanging ledge about 20 yards from the top of the cliff. The first man is "thrown" up over the ledge and the rest are pulled up by toggle ropes.

### Wipe Out Machine Guns

The scouts secure the top of the cliff, wiping out a machine gun nest and snipers with grenades. Then the others move to the top of the cliff and set up their two machine guns to cover the assault on the Nazi village.

From this point on, live ammunition is used in the individual arms of the men, the village is taken and the two sections converge in the woods, moving toward the objective.

"Victory" is achieved with blowing up the ammunition dump.

## Letter From Africa Discloses Work Of Tank Destroyers

An officer at TD School Headquarters received a V-Mail letter this week from Lt. James R. Goodson, who was recently commissioned at the Ordnance School, Aberdeen, Maryland, and is now serving overseas.

Of particular interest to Tank Destroyers is this statement in his letter: "From reports I hear, the Tank Destroyer units are becoming more and more important, and I'm proud to say that I served in the TD School."

Lt. Goodson's line of work in the depots overseas deals with machines used by TDs, and his information as a close observer speaks well for the Tank Destroyer outfits in combat.

## 668th Battalion Qualifies Many

Although it's a new battalion, the 668th TD Bn., BUTC, has already made a good start in qualifying its men in the use of the .30 caliber rifle.

Last week the battalion went on the range and 37 men made expert, Cpl. Gene Burton of Co. B leading the others with a score of 197 out of 210. Besides the good lot of experts, 115 men made sharpshooters. Later tries will be made to even better this standing.

## Have A Party

Officers and enlisted men in Hq. Co., 652nd TD Bn., had an informal get-together in the company mess hall recently, with Lt. Edmund Zilinski, company commander, and 1st Sgt. Yawn as hosts for dinner.

## Headline Review

Prime Minister Churchill is on his way to Washington. The announcement of his arrival in Quebec was made by Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King in a telephone call to President Roosevelt. Mr. Churchill and Mr. King will discuss Empire matters and then go on to Washington.

The conference will be held against a background of Nazi retreat on all fronts as the Allies move in to begin mopping up.

The German-Russian front is balancing on Kharkov, as the Russians poured five powerful columns into that front, forcing the Nazis to fall back.

In Germany civilians continue to be evacuated from Berlin, spurred on by continued Allied bombing of the Ruhr and Rhineland. The waves of bombers crossing the channel are said to be growing progressively larger.

In Sicily the Nazis are dynamiting mountain passes behind them as they retreat, desperately trying to delay the Allied advance and give themselves a chance to keep their forces in some semblance of order.

An Allied communique revealed that American jungle troops have opened the battle for the last main center of Japanese resistance on New Georgia Island, Bairoko.

At the New Guinea end the Allies continued pounding enemy defenses, dropping 142 tons of bombs on or near Salamaua, blowing up two ammunition dumps and various military buildings.

Back in Washington President Roosevelt met with major officials of the State Department and his foreign affairs advisers, in what would seem to be a checkup on the diplomatic fronts.

That continuing news of Allied successes on all fronts has not slowed up the determination to keep punching harder all the

time, nor has optimism caused any let down on the homefront is indicated by a statement from Senator Harry S. Truman, investigating the American defense program.

The senator called our production record "amazing," and declared it was increasing at a rate that promised the Allied troops the arms needed to push the Japanese and Nazis back under their rocks.

Back from a three week visit to Africa, Iceland and England, Elmer Davis, director of the OWI, predicted that a third front would be opened in Western Europe, but would not guess when.

In a move to consolidate amity among the Allies, the United States and Britain were reported to have agreed to recognize the French Committee of National Liberation as the de facto government of France, until General Giraud's armies land in France.

If the Italian newspapers and radio can be believed, Marshal Badoglio is trying to bring Italy closer to the Axis. However, it seems quite evident that the Italian people have had all they want of the Nazi's war.

Georgia ostensibly became the first state in the nation to lower the voting age to 18, through passage of an amendment to the state constitution.

Meanwhile in Washington Senator Hatch announced that a Senate judiciary subcommittee would consider an amendment to the Federal constitution to lower the voting age to 18.

Further news at home contained a report from Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau that direct taxes on business would probably be doubled for 1943.

The former French Liner Normandie was finally floated, and work continued at a rate which promised that the huge ship would soon be back in service.

# Houston Symphony Here Monday, Tuesday Night



The Houston Symphony Orchestra will play two concerts in Camp Hood. The first will be August 16th, in North Camp at the All Purpose Recreation Building, 12th St. in the RTC area, at 8:30 p. m. Admission will be free for both performances.

They will give the same program August 17th at the Field

House in South Camp, also at 8:30 p. m. The program will consist of:

Procession of Sirdar by Ippolito-Ivanow, L'Arlésienne Suite by Bizet, Serenata Regionale by Hernandez, the Strauss Emperor Waltz, and the Prelude to "Die Meistersinger" will complete the first half.

The Finale from Sibelius' Sym-

phony No. 2 will open the second part of the program. They will play a group of novelties, Templeton's Mozart Matriculates and Bach Goes to Town, and Gould's Pavanne. The program will close with Bach's Little Fugue in G Minor and Enesco's Roumanian Rhapsody.

The orchestra will be under the direction of Ernest Hoffmann.

## If You See A Mark IV Tank Here You Haven't Been Drinking Too Much; It's Just An AUTC Replica

If you see a German Mark IV tank tearing across the landscape in one of the AUTC tactical training areas don't shoot at it.

It is merely a replica of the German tank, built on a framework over a scout car, which it uses for locomotive power.

Five of these models have been built in the AUTC Training Aids Production Shop, for use in platoon tactical problems by the 1st Training Group. These "tanks" will be used when real tanks are not available, thus saving gasoline, decreasing actual tank requirements, without sacrificing realism.

At the other extreme on the production line at the shop are models of tanks, M-10s, and other vehicles, about the size of a thimble, built for use on the newly constructed terrain plots. Over 600 of these models have already been distributed, and others are available for units which have not received them.

"If you don't have it, and need it for training, we'll build it for you," is the way Sgt. Irby L. Nicholas and his crew or eight carpenters look at the training aids problem.

During its 13 months of existence the shop has turned out thousands of dollars worth of training aids, including models

of various kinds of enemy armored vehicles and tanks, sand tables, targets, blackboards, and even German pill-boxes.

Capt. Kenneth C. Burtis, AUTC billeting officer, is in charge of the shop.

## Driving Tests A Bit Rugged

The ability to ease an M-10 Tank Destroyer down a 45 to 55-degree slope and then take it up an embankment equally as steep, are some of the requirements of a graduate of the RTC's driving school for officers and cadre members.

One course, a two-and-a-half-mile route on the slope of Lang Mountain, looks like a roller coaster. Some of the climbs are at 60-degree angles, and the dust is heavy.

But after a run through this driver-maintenance school, Tank Destroyer crews should be able to take one of the 35-ton monsters through any type of terrain they might encounter on the battle field.

## 658th Battalion Now Part Of AUTC; Men Attend Various Schools

The 658th Bn entered AUTC on Monday, July 26. With the AUTC schedule of the day into effect, the personnel said they did not find it difficult to get used to the extra sleep in the morning and the shorter day, but that they miss those Saturdays off at eleven o'clock in the morning, which were on the BUTC schedule.

Many of the men are now going to schools to study for specific jobs for which they showed aptitude or had qualifications.

## Seven-Year-Old G. I.'s Son Has Been Everything From PFC To 1st Lieutenant Just Like His Father

By PVT. WALTER GLASER

Charles Edward Miller, about 7, son of Lem Edward Miller, the "veteran" of the 40th graduating class, Officers' Candidate School, 4th Company, was "duked out" just like his dad Friday at graduation exercises in the 24th Street Theater.

Miller's son went along in "grade" just like his dad. He started his "career" as a P. F. C., then went to corporal, sergeant, first sergeant and finally "second lieutenant" when his father was commissioned last week.

Second Lieutenant Miller has

## Prizes Offered G. I. Playwrites

Fifty-eight prizes of from \$10 to \$100 each are offered men and women in all branches of the armed services in a playwriting contest sponsored by the National Theater Conference.

Long plays, one-act plays, short skits and blackouts may be submitted by authors. A special \$100 prize for a musical comedy of one to two hours' running time is also offered. In addition, contestants whose entries show marked ability will be recommended by the judges for post-war fellowships and scholarships to be contributed by leading American colleges and universities.

Manuscripts must be received not later than Sept. 1. They should be sent to Playwriting Contest, National Theatre Conference, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

## Can't Write Directly To Prisoners Of War

Warning has been given by the War Department that military personnel cannot correspond directly with prisoners held by the enemy, since there must be no information in such mail that might disclose that the writer is in the military service of the U. S., whether he is stationed overseas or not.

Military personnel who wish to write to prisoners should send their letters to a relative or friend in the U. S. to forward.

## Now Under Quarantine

Headquarters Company, 829th Bn., is now undergoing a 21-days quarantine.

Personnel of the company have devised a philosophy: No matter how tough conditions get, Headquarters Co. is always a little tougher. This slogan, they say, does not apply, however, to the chow!

# Camp Hood Libraries Are About Everything A Serviceman Desires

Libraries Are Reading Rooms, Travel Bureaus, Writing Rooms, And A Lonely Hearts Problem Aid

An army library is pretty much what the men make it. Here at Hood it is a school, a lonely hearts-problem aid, a travel bureau, a lounge, a writing room, and a few other things old man Carnegie may or may not have anticipated.

Our library would also give pause to the beaglenoses who would sell us short, who insist that the average soldier is a beer-ing blowz with the intelligence of a high grade cretin. Pinup girls may be the most popular pictures in camp, but technical books are the most popular volumes.

Without interpretation, the look most often requested at the 37th St. library currently is an advanced algebra text. It might be a lot of soldiers with Texas moon-stroke trying to determine accurately if two can live as cheaply as one; but then it could also be a lot of soldiers who prefer after the war to design the ditches rather than dig them.

### Looks Like Ambition

It must be ambition, because there are more men than ever signing up with the U.S. Armed Forces Institute, and borrowing books for supplementary reading.

They're studying everything from high school English to college Psychology II, taking advantage of a chance to make a good investment—under the plan they may take any high school course, with full credit, at a cost of two dollars a course; or any college course, at any one of a hundred or so colleges that have extension divisions, and pay only half the cost up to \$40.

The library serves a purpose for these men, as it does for those who borrow its books on diesel engines, on radio, electricity, on commercial art, on any number of trades and crafts.

### Romances Available

For a purpose of another kind of ambition, the library serves the men with moon-glow in their souls but glue in their imaginations. These are the men who borrow Bartlett's volume of quotations or the sonnets from Wimpole Street, to tell the girl they left back there that their love is as high as the howl of a Texas coyote.

The library has a large stock of books from which the "bewitched and bewildered" can borrow phrases to snowunder that girl—Romeo and Juliet, Cyrano DeBergerac, Heloise and Abelard, Don Juan, The Rubaiyat, and similar lyrical equations.

For those whose romantic urge covers more territory, there are coverbound trips on Halliburton's Magic Carpet to Dana's Seven Years Before the Mast. There's always Joseph Conrad, of course, and Tomlinson's romantic steamship adventures. And for those who like odd adventure, there are the exotic antics in Hudson's Green Mansions.

### Current Reading Popular

To mix adventure, economics, and current events there is a long list of breathless reports of the Quixotic newspaper reporters jousting with Hitler, Hirohito, Benito, and windmills—Jonah John Gunther INSIDE EUROPE, ASIA and SOUTH AMERICA; Webb Miller who FOUND NO PEACE; Sam Dashiell watching VICTORY THROUGH AFRICA; W. L. White who took A JOURNEY FOR

## Services Held For Col. Smith

Officers, and non-commissioned officers of the first three grades, of the 653rd Battalion, and officers and men of the 15th TD Group Headquarters and AUTC Headquarters, attended services for Lt. Col. Daniel W. Smith, commanding officer of the 653rd Bn., who died suddenly at McCloskey General Hospital last week.

Services, with full military honors, were held at Christ Episcopal Church, Temple. Officers from the 653rd Bn., served as pall bearers. Internment will be at Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

Col. Smith was one of the original tank destroyer officers and was formerly with the 894th, 654th and 636th battalion before taking command of the 653rd in March, 1943.

## Daily News Sheet Used In TD RTC

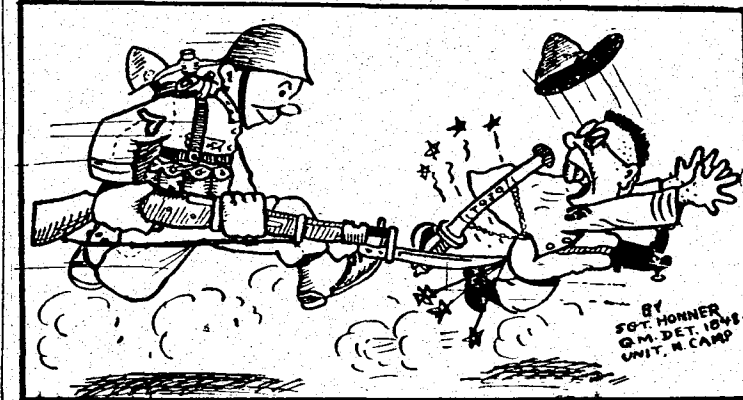
Units in the Tank Destroyer Replacement Training Center are keeping abreast of the news of the war and current events with the introduction of a daily news sheet.

The War Department in Washington, D. C., daily send between 1,000 and 1,200 words of the latest developments in all theaters of war by TWX. This is known as the Army News Service and is sponsored by the Special Service Branch.

Captain Howard Van Dyke, special services officer for RTC, made the arrangements for the new service. The TSIP staff at RTC headquarters summarizes the dispatch into a mimeograph daily news release which is distributed to training battalions and AST battalions through platoons.

MARGARET and found that THEY WERE EXPENDABLE.

For atmosphere the library is unbeatable—whether to write the great American novel on army life, or a letter home. There's inspiration in Menkens book of quotations, erudition in the encyclopedias and dictionaries, and the atlases make it the ideal spot to plan that trip you're going to take the day after "duration and six months."





## Double Time

In civilian Life double to me  
Meant a double shot of TNT.  
A sure thing parlay at the corner hall.  
Double pay for all and all.

But as an Army man its true  
Double time makes me blue.  
You chase along as if a WAAC,  
Not a Looney, were leading the pack.

It's double here and double there,  
Double, double everywhere.  
We double up and down the range,  
And at Retreat, double to change.

If double wages were given for pay  
And furloughs were the double way,  
Double would only mean sweet talk;  
But the likelihood of this is—not.

—Pvt. Burt Fulton,  
19th TD Group

## Stay At Your Job

Yes, things look good, the end's in sight  
We stand a chance to win this fight.  
Though caught off guard and badly shaken  
By treachery from a war-like nation  
We lost no time in fighting back

But things looked black  
Yes, things looked black

We all gave up our peaceful way  
Of doing things; with no delay  
The factories began to hum,  
Supplies and men began to come

To keep the Axis from our gate  
Were we too late?

With empty guns our heroes died,  
"Just give us planes and shells," they cried  
"And we'll avenge their every crime."  
"Just give us planes and men and time."

They gave their lives  
To give us time.

That time gave us a chance to live,  
A chance to brace, a chance to give  
An answer to the Axis claims  
That Freedom's dead and now in chains.

But they were wrong  
They won't last long.

Foot by foot they're losing ground,  
Day by day we grow more sound,  
But victory's not ours until  
The war is done—their last gun still.

Stay on your guard  
Drop not your sword!

Keep choking out their breath of life  
Forget ye not the world of strife  
That they have cast upon us all  
And realize why they must fall.

It's yours to choo:  
Do you dare lose?

To let up now is to erase  
The good work done; to abandon chase.  
The end is near and victory dear,  
When a job's all done is the time to cheer.

Then we'll have peace  
Eternal peace.

—Pvt. Leslie Share  
Co. A. 820 T. D. Bn.

## Renewal

Do not come with me: for this little while  
Darkness must fold my journey, mile after mile.  
Until I reach a place that is my own,  
Moon-edged, star-sewn.

There I may school in roofless tower at  
My reticent heart  
And find a braver world that opens  
To lift me on a spring-insurgent tide.  
So I shall be more exquisitely new  
Returned to you.

Into this voluntary interlude  
I stine, do not intrude.

Pfc. Keith Quick  
Hq. Det. DEML

## Waco Rodeo Will Show Five Nights

Five nights of thrilling entertainment will be in store for any soldier who gets to see the World's Championship Rodeo at Waco's Cotton Palace Stadium Aug. 17-21.

The eighth annual Bear Club show will feature broncs, bulls, steers, and calves that will perform later this year at the Madison Square Garden in New York City.

More than 200 head of stock will be seen in the show which is owned by Gene Autry and associates.

Wiley McCray, a favorite rodeo clown will be on hand to give all the trimmings to the show.

Prizes totaling \$3000 will be offered for the different contests which have already attracted top cowboys from all parts of the country.

## Company C, 665th Bn., Wins From Headquarters

In a recent softball game, Co. C, 665th Bn. took Hq. Co. over the hurdles 7 to 1, remaining undefeated in battalion competition. Pvt. Conover limited the gold-bricks of Hq. Co. to two blows. Later the Rcn Co. suffered their first defeat at the hands of the Co. C team, with Conover handing out only two hits there, too.

## AUTC 'Demons' Win

Displaying a complete reversal of form, Colonel Heavey's AUTC "Demons" trounced the 829th Officers' Soft Ball Team 15 to 2. Colonel Heavey pitched "shut out" ball for three innings. This victory clinched the three game series with the battalion team, the "Demons" taking two out of three.

## 113th Cavalry Defeats OCS Regiment Players

The 113th Cavalry baseball club, nod holder of top place in the post "League B" diamond chase, turned back the strong OCS Regiment nine, 8 to 2 in a game played last week on the OCS field.

The Cavalrymen took the lead at the gong of the first inning and were never headed throughout the contest.

## The 'Black Panthers' Win Baseball Game From Trucking Bn.

The "Black Panthers" of the 829th Bn. defeated the trucking battalion personnel team this week. The trucking battalion was undefeated previously. The Panthers have been defeated twice, playing games outside camp.

## Now Acting CO

Lt. Willie May Yongue is acting commanding officer of the WAC 1848 Unit. She was the first WAAC officer to report to Camp Hood.



## He Helped Create Donald Duck For Walt Disney, But Doesn't Find It Affected His Temper Any

By PVT. WALTER FRYE  
Hq. Co. TDC

He was the man behind the Duck—Donald Duck of Hollywood and the whole world. That's why T-4 Amby Paliwoda, Hq. Co. TDC can say "Hi ya, pal" to the famous little duck he helped draw when he worked for Walt Disney's Studios.

More than just a duck-penner, Paliwoda is one of the leading cartoonists in the country and an excellent muralist.

Sergeant Paliwoda has been painting for the past 15 years. During this time, his work has taken him to many foreign countries where he has had a chance to work under some of the best painters in the world.

Went To Europe  
From 1928 until 1932 Paliwoda studied at the Cleveland School of Art where he won the famous Agnes Gund Scholarship enabling him to study in Europe for 13 months. Four of these months were spent in Rome, three in London, and the remaining six months were spent traveling in every country in Europe.

Paliwoda then returned to this country, opening his own studio in Cleveland Public Library which drew high praise for the young painter.

Late in 1932, Paliwoda went to Hollywood, California, where he was immediately employed by the Walt Disney Studio. Sergeant Paliwoda stayed here for six years, until the day he entered the service. He worked on all of the Disney features, including "Snow White," "Pinocchio," "Bambi," "Dumbo," and "Fantasia." In between these features, Paliwoda was kept busy putting out Donald Duck cartoons and other shorts of the same nature.

Enters Tre Army  
In 1941, Paliwoda was inducted, the first of 250 Disney employees. He was immediately sent to the Training Film Laboratory in New York, where for a year he ani-

mated training films for the army.

In May, 1942 Paliwoda was transferred to Camp Hood where he helped start the Visual Aid Program here. Now, Sergeant Paliwoda is working under Col. Westover at the Tank Destroyer Center, doing publicity illustrating by means of posters.

"I guess my biggest thrill, says Sergeant Paliwoda, was when I was invited to exhibit in the Contemporary American Exhibition Of Oil Paintings held in Cleveland in 1932. It was a strictly invitational exhibit with the foremost painters in the country being there. Up until that time, I had no idea anyone was interested in my paintings, but after that exhibition I realized that there were people who had my work and had head about me."

## Quiz Answers

1. The Douglas B-19 bomber. It is designed to carry 140,000 pounds when fully loaded.
2. On the right foot, opposite to the American soldier.
3. On the left side, as seen by the congregation, all other flags should be on the right.
4. It reveals the Service Command in which a soldier is enlisted or from which he was inducted.
5. About \$900, according to the War Department.
6. More than \$400,000 worth.

## 113th Cavalry Wins From 801st Battalion

The 113th Cavalry baseball team defeated the 801st TD Bn. nine, 10 to 5 in a post "League B" game last week.

The Cavalrymen are now far out in front in the League B chase. The 10 to 5 win last week was their 11th victory in 13 games.

## Male Call

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

## Whoops Group



## North Camp Boxing Team Wins Bouts From Waco Field

The North Camp Hood boxing team, recently formed by Lt. Bernard Tarabino, assistant Special Services Officer of the RTC and S-Sgt. Victor Mettler, coached by Cpl. Joe Muscato, of Co. A, 149th AST Bn., RTC, traveled to Waco and battled the Waco Army Air Field boxing squad.

Final results of the evening's show was one knockout, three technical knockouts and one unanimous decision for the Tank Destroyers, while the Flyers reaped one booted decision and another that looked like a draw.

### Fights Exhibition Bout

An exhibition bout by Cpl. Muscato, who is a contender for the world's heavyweight crown, and Pvt. "Kid" Tilly, of the Waco Air Field, was the final attraction.

Other bouts on the card were as follows:

Pfc. Ray Slagle, Co. B, 146th AST Bn., North Camp Hood, beat Pvt. Charles Rogers, Waco Flyers, on an easy decision.

Sgt. Willie Hale, Co. B, 143rd AST Bn., knocked out Pvt. Jack Meadors in the first round, when he unleashed a terrific right to the Waco fighter's chin.

Pvt. Kenny Metzner, Co. A, 138th Bn., RTC, lost a close decision to Sgt. Maurice Bean, 185 pounder of the Waco Flyers.

Pvt. Oscar Delaney, 659th Bn., BUTC, was awarded a TKO over Pvt. Walter Holt of the Flyers in a fast go. A cut over Holt's eye in the first round caused the Waco fighter to give in.

Cpl. Al Dutra, Co. D, 128th Bn., RTC, won on a TKO from Sgt. Emilium Dorell, of the WAAF.

### Decision Is Unanimous

Pvt. Billy Cramer, Co. B, 136th Bn., RTC, took an unanimous decision from Pvt. Bill Pollis, of the WAAF.

Pvt. Dick Cook, Hq. Co., RTC, lost a much-booted decision to Waco's Pvt. Virgil Yates.

Pvt. Lou Villante, Co. D, 129th Bn., RTC, scored a TKO over Sgt. Winfred Ellis, WAAF, middleweight slugger, in the eighth bout of the evening.

### Twilight League Gets Underway In 635th Battalion

In the first game of the newly-organized battalion twilight baseball league, Headquarters Company, 635th Bn., defeated Company C, 7 to 6.

The teams will play a round-robin schedule with a play-off between winners of the first and second half. Lt. Donald M. Carnine, Co. B, has asked for games with other teams with the winners of each half.

### 145th And 143rd Teams Win In North Camp Meet

The 145th Bn., TD RTC, North Camp, defeated the 131st Bn., 16 to 2 in a recent softball contest in the Coca-Cola softball tournament underway at the North half of Hood. Both clubs are representatives of the sixth regiment.

The 143rd Bn., RTC, cadre team, behind the hurling of Pvt. Howard Tepps, took a close decision from the 149th Bn. softballers, 8 to 7 in another feature contest of the tourney.

### TDS Athletic Program Largest In The Army

The Tank Destroyer School is currently involved in one of the largest athletic programs to be found in any army camp.

Almost every man is participating in some form of outdoor sports, with 100 softball diamonds, 90 volleyball courts and five baseball diamonds now in use in the School area. Four modern tennis courts are nearing completion and will be ready for play within a short time.

### Defeat Academic Nine

Last week, the 635th Bn. swamped Academic Regt. 16 to 3. Pitcher Stephenson of the winners allowed five hits and struck out six. Shortstop Martin of the 635th, hit 5-5.

## 113th Makes It Two Over OCS Team

By Private Walter H. Glaser

The 113th Cavalry baseball team made it two in a row over the OCS nine last week, when it scored an 8 to 2 win with the help of 10 OCS errors.

Charlie Frank and Bill O'Malley divided the pitching for the losers, with Frank being relieved in the third inning after walking several batters. O'Malley who finished, hurled good ball, but errors constantly kept him in hot water.

Cross, a big right-hander, hurried for the winners, and scored his second win in a row over OCS, holding them to three scattered hits. His teammates collected only five hits, but errors and walks helped materially in scoring most of the runs.

In scoring two wins over the OCS nine, the 113th team made only eight hits, winning the first, 7-0, on three hits, and the second, on five hits.

## RTC Sports Program Big

Play in the RTC softball tournament is progressing into the final stages with 14 teams fighting to ward off elimination at North Camp Hood.

In the officers' bracket, the 5th Regiment is leading the way. Last week they scored a 6 to 5 win over the strong 4th Regiment nine.

The 145th Bn. teams seem to be the ones to beat in the enlisted men's groups as they have advanced without too much opposition, their latest wins being over the 149th Bn., 28 to 6 and the 131st, 16 to 3.

Lt. "Bud" Jacobsen, SSC of the 145th, has issued a challenge to any team in North or South Camp which would like to dispute the potency of his men. He may be reached by calling North Camp 3062-W.

Cpl. Joe Muscato, assisted by Pvt. Louis Villante, nightly coaches a team of 15 boxers, the Tank Destroyers, at the Central Recreation Hall, Park St.

Anyone at North Camp interested in boxing has been invited to attend these sessions from 7 to 8 o'clock each evening.

Plans for a proposed camp card in the near future are being formulated, and a match with the combined Waco and Blackland Army Air Fields has been tentatively set for Aug. 18.

### Tank Destroyer School Gets New Tennis Courts

Capt. Leslie Wood, TDS athletic officer, has announced that four modern tennis courts are nearing completion on Battalion Avenue, near 24th St.

Sgt. James Wainer, a former Chicago tennis star, will have supervision of the equipment and will direct the games and tournaments being planned. A supply of new tennis racquets, balls and shoes have already been received by Capt. Wood.

### First Sergeant Hurls OCS Team To Victory

Behind the three-hit pitching of 1st Sgt. Stanley Young, the OCS Regiment softball team walked Station hospital 7 to 4 score Friday night. Young twirled excellent ball all the way as he took the mound for the first time this season.

Spectacular defensive playing on the part of both clubs featured the contest. Any team wishing games with the OCS has been asked to telephone S-Sgt. J. Tomczyk, 2286.

ADDITIONAL SPORTS  
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### With PFC Keith Quick

Lt. Felix Bucek, former member of the great 1941 Texas Aggies gridiron team, now stationed at North Camp, is the second Camp Hood athlete chosen for play in the College All-Star-Washington Redskins football game to be played in Evanston, Illinois, the night of August 25. The other Hood athlete, also a former Aggie, is Lt. Willie Zapalac. Bucek will hold down a guard slot, while Zapalac will try to elude the Redskins from a backfield position. We'll be listening in Lts., and here's hoping both of you will play a great hand in ousting the "world's champions of football" . . . Now that Camp Hood is being dressed up with a fine array of tennis courts, swimming pools and other forms of sports attire, why not construct a golf course! We'll wager any amount that such an investment would go over in a big way, for there's plenty of us fellows here in Hood that go for the fairway layout. What's more, such an enterprise might serve to attract many famous golf notables to come to Hood for war bond and charity exhibitions. With such stars as Byron Nelson, Ben Hogan, Jug McSpaden and Sam Snead hitting from a Camp Hood tee, we'd have a gallery equal to any National Open event. Of course, all this is merely a suggestion, but Hood couldn't go wrong by having a golf layout. There's lotsa' fellows here that wanna play, officers as well as enlisted men. Sounds like an awful good idea to us! Write us what you think of it. . . . North Camp Hood's Boxing team, under the direction of Lt. Bernard Tarabino, and coached by Cpl. Joe Muscato, will journey to Waco come the night of August 18, to engage the Blacklands and Waco Army Field ring teams in a fight card which will be held at Wright's Arena in Waco. In their last appearance in the Waco ring, the fighting North Camp troupe won all but two of the eight bouts held. The team boasts some of the best ring material available in any Army site, and are capable of taking on any kind of competition, from Bantam to Heavy.

## Pool Tournament Planned In Service Company, OCS

Headquarters and Service Company, OCS Regt., is planning a pool tournament in the near future over the best two-out-of-three game route, and players who take part must participate, as there will be no forfeits.

Sergeants Wells, Friedman, and Downs and T-5 Diamond will be in charge of the tourney. The first prize will be two cartons of cigarets; second, one carton of cigarets; third, five packages of cigarets; and fourth, five packages of cigarets.

The pool tournament will be conducted in the H. & S. Company Day Room, where two tables are available. A ping-pong tournament is also being planned in the future, providing enough entries can be procured.

Those already signed for the pool tourney include, T-Sgt. Vincent G. Sickora, S-Sgt. Andrew Whyte and Joseph P. Paradiso, Sgts. Charles D. Trautwein, and Louis M. Friedman, Corporals Albert J. Polansky, William C. O'Malley and Junior R. Seitz.

T-5's Raul C. Valdez, Kyle H. Ellender, Pablo M. Alonso, and R. E. Langdon, P. F. C's Alfred R. Schaaf and Raymond Mishler and Private Erwin L. Kessler, Solome P. Vigil, Alfred Giovanelli, Emmett M. Allen, Carl R. Wooddell, Armas B. Johnson, Leander F. Kapsner and Walter H. Glaser.

Additional enlisted men from the company are invited to sign up for the tourney, and those still planning to enter are asked to turn their names in to the company orderly room.

### 635th Bn. Defeated By San Marcos Nine

The 635th Bn. lost a 13 inning battle to the San Marcos baseball team this week, 1 to 0.

The game was a pitcher's battle between Pvt. Bob Shepard of the 635th, and Baker of San Marcos. Shepard allowed six hits and struck out 21; Baker allowed three hits, struck out 14.

Pvt. Shepard's pitching record in the semi-pro tournament is 46 strikeouts, allowing 11 hits and six runs.

## Mail Your 'Panther' Home!

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