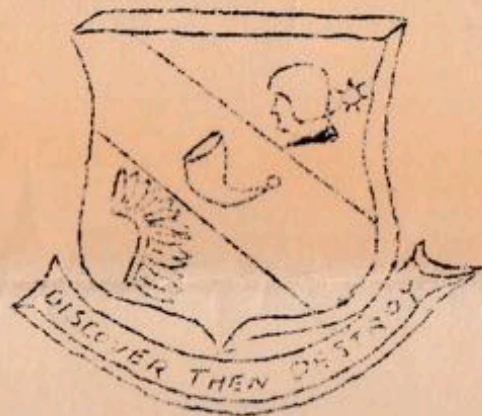


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THIS MONTH'S EDITORIAL
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As time staggers on and the 776th remains at Camp Hood (using a legal term) "in status quo", the favorite topic for conversation, it seems, is "When Are They Going to Turn Us Loose on Those X's; Y's; Z's; Rats?" After the "bull sessions" have broken up, the shouting and the tumult dies, and the old timers have started a few "latrine rumors" on their merry way ---- the answer to this question, following the precedent of the old World War I query "Where Do We Go and When Do We Eat," is "Who Knows?"

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It seems (always a good way to start) there was a pretty, albeit, somewhat giddy young woman, who, following a custom of generations of giddy young women; fell asleep one night and dreamed. She dreamed that as she lay in her downy bed a handsome villain crept into her room, stole to her bed, snatched her from it, and swiftly took her to a shady dell. The GYW quaveringly asked him, "What are you going to do?", whereupon the HV answered, "Howinell should I know---it's your dream!"

So let's hang on follas and not get too impatient. We're getting some mighty good training here which will come in mighty handy when they send us over to get in our licks; and when that day comes, let's show the "Nutzies", or the "Eye-ties", or the little "Slant Eyed So and Sos" (whichever the case may be) what it means to run up against a real T. D. Bn!

Lt. Hale

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NEWS IN GENERAL

NOTICE

All men who can drum or bugle and are interested in forming a drum and bugle corps, turn their names in to T/Sgt. Carmical at Battalion Headquarters. Let's show the 705th the 776th is pretty hot stuff too.

SO DO WE ---BUT

Judging from Major General Bruce's statement in the first edition of The Hood Panther, the General likes this place.

We do too when the breeze comes from the Gulf. But when that wind takes off from the Panhandle, coming this way --- our John L's are in order and they're very uncomfortable.

Perhaps our blood will warm up regardless of climatic conditions, after those 228 WAACs get here.

CHRISTMAS MEMO TO ALL T.D. UNITS

Don't forget to shop early and remember our Camp Hood M.P. Detachment.

LT. MONROE JOINS BATTALION

1st. Lt. Harmon L. Monroe, 1IC reported to the 776th for duty December tenth. The Battalion heartily welcomes him, and hopes he is here to stay. With Lts. Stone and Brantley already "on deck", our Medical Detachment is now at full strength; however, let's all stay off the sick list --- it wont make the "Medics" mad.



HUMOR

Heard in an air-raid shelter:

"Is there a macintosh in here that's large enough to keep two young ladies warm?"

"No, but there's a MacCumber who's willing to try," was the reply from a dark corner.

THE LORD GAVE US TWO ENDS
TO USE;
ONE TO THINK WITH; ONE
TO SIT WITH
THE WAR DEPENDS ON WHICH
WE CHOOSE,
HEADS WE WIN; TAILS WE
LOSE.

We Wonder

Cav. Journal

- Why they call 1st Sgt. Byrne "Whistle Happy".
- What T/V Chester Thompson has found in Temple. "
- If Pfc Racine from Recon is the original "Mr. "Five by Five".
- Where all the rumors start from.
- Why T/IV Frank Grillo of Hq. Co., is called the "Laundry Magnate". Hello Tommie.
- Why Pvt. John Boyd from Recon is teased about "Vitamins".
- Why 1st Sgt. Lunde goes to Killeen on Saturday nights.
- When M/Sgt. Kolbo's girl is coming to see him. "ATTENTION BOYS"
- If Capt. King's hand was burned lighting a GI gas range.
- Why we don't get more furloughs.
- What Lt. Rothschild does in Waco on weekends.
- If T/V Ege from "A" Co. uses Kleenex to remove foundation cream and nail polish.
- How T/Sgt. Manfredo's Co-Ed in Belton likes his "Cookie Duster".
- When Pfc Kockrow is going to sew on his stripes.
- Why 1st/Sgt. Floyd is called "Clark Gable".
- If Cpl. Juneau is still called the "Pied piper of Copperas Cove".
- When Cpl. Benedetti is going to be married.
- What Cpl. Vender Haar and S/Sgt. Hilson were doing roaming around the campus at Mary Hardin Baylor College.
- How our "Doc", Lt. Monroe, likes the 776th.
- Why we have to take so many "SHOTS"
- How Pvt. Masica got the monicker "Nick The Greek". How much for socks Nick.
- What Sgt. Rosier and Cpl. Hecker have found in a certain small town in Texas. "Steers"
- If S/Sgt. Simich is attracted to the Sheriff's daughter because of her "C" card, and if it is true he dressed in the feeble glow of a GI flashlight the first A.M. in the Barracks here.
- If S/3gt. Caddy still courts the "Marshall" at Copperas Cove.
- If Col. Barney sits on a pillow because of boils.

The young Negro recruit was the victim of so many practical jokes that he doubted all men and their motives. One night while he was on guard, the figure of one of the officers loomed up in the dark."

"Who goes dere?" he challenged.
"Major Moses," replied the officer.
The young Negro scented a joke.
"Glad to meet yuh, Moses," he said cheerfully, "advance and give de ten commandments."

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

L-A: "You mean there's nothing wrong with me, Doc?"
MD: "Well, your left leg is swollen, but I wouldn't worry about it."
L-A: "If your left leg was swollen, I wouldn't worry about it neither."

A recruit was being given an intelligence test in the army.
"What would happen if one of your ears was cut off by a bayonet?" asked the examiner.
"I couldn't hear so well."
"What would happen if your other ear was cut off?"
"I couldn't see."
"What do you mean?"
"My hat would fall down over my eyes."

Sign in Topeka, Kansas:

SERVICE MEN'S BARBERSHOP
ARMY HAIRCUTS REPAIRED

New word for gals fascinated by
army uniforms: KHAKI-WACKY

Sgt. Gerbich: "I saw you in
Temple last Saturday, winking
at all the girls."

Sgt. Duffield: "I wasn't wink-
ing; it was windy and something
got in my eye."

Gerbich: "Yeah, she got in your
car, too."

A movie actor wearing thick-
lensed glasses upon examination
by the draft board, was rated
as 1-A. When he protested, the
medical examiner said, "Listen
brother, yesterday I passed a
stone-blind man as 1-A."

"Stone blind - and he's in
the army!!?"

"Nope, had to turn him down;
his Seeing-Eye Dog had flat
feet."

Sgt. Alfreds (snoring under his
platoon): "If the muzzle vel-
ocity of the '45 pistol is 820 ft.
per sec., RJ 219 is near Anderson
Mountain, and I'm moving along at
30' miles per hour, how old am I?"

Yardbird: "You're 26."

Alfreds (astounded): "That's ab-
solutely right - how did you fig-
ure it out?"

Yardbird: "I've got a kid brother
who is 13, and he's only half
nuts."

Adolph Schickelgruber is beginning
to realize that the biggest goose
step the Nutzies ever took was
when they marched into Russia.

All of which reminds us that the
final All-American box score will
read like this:

No Hitlers
No Ruins
No Terrors - in the good ol'
U. S. A.

(Rambling - cont'd)

RAMBLING WITH THE 776TH

After reading last issue's "Rambling
with the 776th" the boys asked for it ag-
ain to see if I was really nuts-nuts are
pretty good eating if you get them out of
the shell-Shell used to be good gas in the
old days before rationing-rationing is
what the boys get at chow time-Time is a
weekly news magazine-magazine is part of a
weapon-weapon is something a woman does on

(next column please)

a man's shoulder (Ed. note: Wow!)-
shoulder is what there are most of in
service-service is what you get when you
wait on yourself-yourself is an important
cog in this battalion-this battalion is
the 776th-the 776th is at Camp Hood for
the present-presents are what you get for
Christmas-Merry Christmas to everyone,
and see you next issue!

Lt. Rothschild



"Here's a list of who NOT to smack"



Okay! ... I said is it Okay?

