

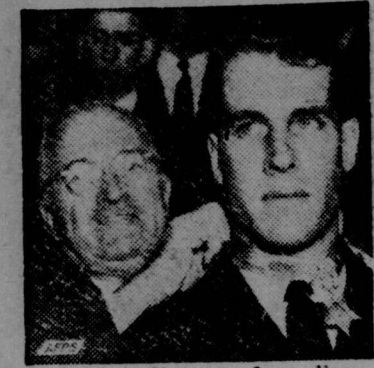
Flirting With Death!

**Four Soldiers In Wreck
At 65 M.P.H. On Post**

A 65-mile-an-hour auto crash on the post at the foot of division hill above the finance office wrecked a 1946 Ford sedan and put two camp soldiers in the hospital early Tuesday morning. Two others were unhurt.

The crash occurred at 2235 hours when the automobile driven by Corporal Wesley Dixon, Company C, 95th M. T. B., failed to make the turn at the foot of division hill. According to the post safety office, passengers in the car say the driver was speeding 65-miles-an-hour when the crash occurred.

**MEDAL OF HONOR
WINNERS**



President Truman Awarding Medal of Honor to Lt. Thomas J. Hudner, USN.

By Armed Forces Press Service
"There has been no finer act of unselfish heroism in military history."

That's what his skipper said of 27-year-old Lieutenant (JG) Thomas J. Hudner, USN... the Navy's first Medal of Honor winner in the Korean war... His skipper's remarks were underscored by President Truman who personally presented the nation's highest military award during White House ceremonies.

Hudner is the only living Medal of Honor winner of the present war... His feat spiked another of the Communist propaganda guns... For it was Hudner's heroic, but unsuccessful, attempt to rescue a drowned fellow Navy pilot—a Negro—that won him the highest award and the nation's admiration.

The drowned pilot was the late Ensign Jesse Leroy Brown... who was not only the first Negro naval aviator but the first naval officer of his race to lose his life in any U. S. war.

Lieutenant Hudner was taking part in a close support mission in the rugged country near the Chosin Reservoir on Dec. 4, 1950... Ensign Brown's plane, smoking went down five miles beyond friendly lines... But the pilot is alive.

Inhesitatingly, Hudner went down to help Brown... Seeing Brown's plane on fire, Hudner crash-landed his own plane... And ran to the aid of the injured, trapped Brown...

Finding he could not open the burning aircraft's canopy, Lt. Hudner packed the fuselage with snow to keep the flames away from the ensign... A Marine Corps helicopter, piloted by Lt. Charles Ware, soon joined Lt. Hudner...

Both Hudner and Ware were constantly in danger of attack... Their efforts to extricate Ensign Brown from the plane were futile... and Brown died shortly afterwards.

Lt. Hudner was commissioned in 1946 following his graduation from the U. S. Naval Academy... Single, he is the son of Thomas J. and Mary B. Hudner of Fall River, Mass.

Johnny On the Spot

Johnny, the Phillip Morris trademark, appeared three days at Camp Roberts this week. His gifts of free cigarettes to servicemen were greeted enthusiastically by those who saw him at the spring carnival.

The car clipped a stop sign, slid off the road, across a grassy plot, over another road, and rolled over among a series of concrete building blocks on the opposite side of the second road. The car stopped 317 feet from the point where it left the road. Authorities measured 175 feet of speed marks left by the speeding automobile. Force of the impact completely smashed the top of the car forcing rescuers to break the windshield to extricate the trapped driver and passengers.

The owner of the car, Willie J. Severe, is a trainee in Company C, 95th M. T. B. Two other trainees with the same outfit, Private Wilmer Layn, and Private Frank J. Cobb were passengers in the back seat. The driver of the car, Corporal Dixon, is a member of the cadre of the 95th M. T. B.

According to late reports injuries were slight, and no action has been taken yet against the 65-mile-an-hour driver.

**Soldier Careers
Into Big Truck
On Highway 99**

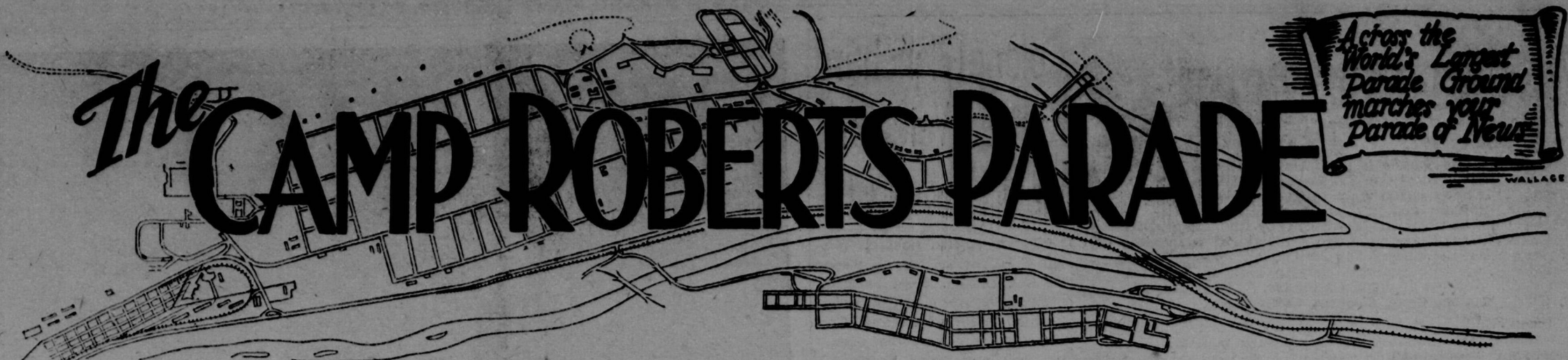
While trying to pass a flatbed truck on highway 99, two-and-one-half miles south of Gorman, California, last week, Pfc. Paul Compton, Headquarters Company, Seventh Armored Division, ran into trouble.

Seeing that he could not pass the truck in time, he slowed to get back in line when the truck driver—anticipating his passage—also slowed. This put Compton in the awkward position of being on the wrong side of the road with no place to turn to avoid a head-on crash with oncoming traffic.

He applied his brakes firmly. So did the flatbed truck. Still there was no place to turn to get back to the right side of the road. Speeding traffic was heading at breakneck speed toward the worried PFC and his passenger, Sergeant John L. Anderson, also of Headquarters Company, Seventh Armored Division.

Then, with a quick flip of the steering-wheel, Compton careened to the right; the crash of metal on metal echoed down highway 99. Oncoming cars rocketed by him on the left, while he fought to keep control of his car as it bounced on and off the right rear side of the flat-bed truck.

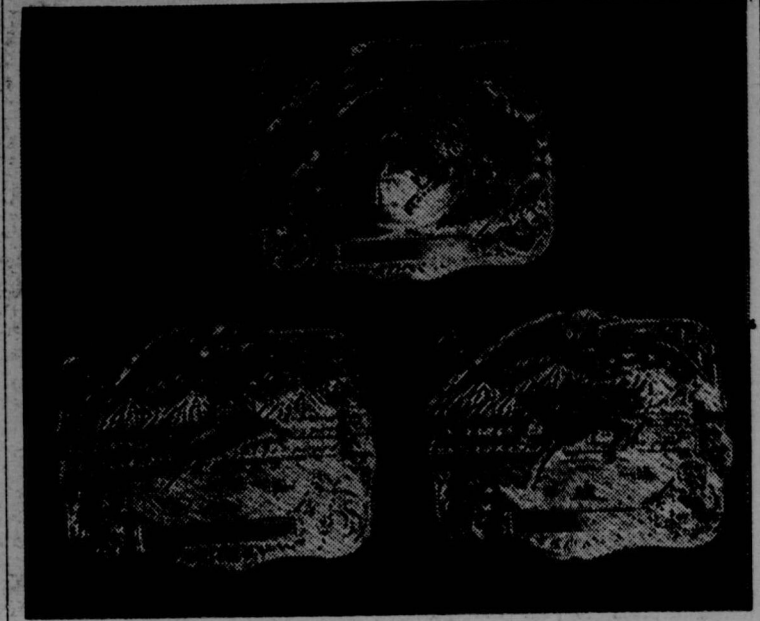
He fought the auto to a standstill, surveyed the damage which was slight, and remounted for an uneventful trip to his destination.



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QUEEN MERNA AT CAMP—Merna McMillan, who will reign as Cowboy Queen at the annual Spring Roundup, is spending her evenings at the Camp and the outdoor beauty has spurred ticket sales considerably. The GIs with her, no doubt rodeo fans of long standing, are not further identified.



FOR GI CONTESTANTS ONLY—These three handmade gold and silver belt buckles will go to the top GI cowboys in this year's Spring Roundup. Donated by Post Photographer Bill Shannon the buckles are a special addition (for Camp Cowboys only) and will be given in addition to the regular cash awards.

**TOP STARS SET
FOR BIG SHOW
THIS WEEK-END**

Topped by two of the biggest names in the "rodeo world," Gene Rambo, World Champion All-Around Cowboy and Gordon Davis, World Champion Calf Roper, plus over forty G. I. contestants from Camp Roberts, the Paso Robles Spring Roundup takes the stage at the San Luis County Fairgrounds this Saturday and Sunday. Starting time is 1400 on both days and tickets are on sale at PXs and Service Clubs throughout the camp. Half of the proceeds from this year's Roundup go to Army Relief and the Post Central Fund.

The G. I.'s Queen, Merna McMillan, picture above, will preside over the six events including bulldogging, bareback and saddle bronc riding, team and calf roping and bull riding. GIs are eligible for cash awards as well as the special awards for G. I.s only. These awards are sponsored by Post Photographer William "Wild Bill" Shannon and consist of three handmade gold and silver belt buckles, pictured above, and will be suitably engraved with the winners name.

The grand entry parade along with clowns and trick-riding will round out the star-studded program. The 7th Armored Division Band will be on hand to provide the musical background for what promises to be an inexpensive day of excellent entertainment for camp and community alike.

**USAFI Mobile Unit
To Visit Roberts**

The ever popular USAFI Mobile Unit will pay a second visit to Camp Roberts this Monday in the continuing efforts to bring education to the GI's door. Offering unlimited educational and career guidance assistance the Mobile Unit is expected to spend about a week in the field here. Your Unit T.I.E. Officer will be able to inform you as to the time and date that the unit will be in your area. Visit the Mobile Unit and observe first hand the many educational advantages offered to-day's modern soldier.

Two In U-Turn Crash

Royden D. Cumley smashed into a car driven by David Mason on post when Mason attempted a U-turn without signaling, according to the Post Safety office report. Damage was confined to

Solemn High Mass

Solemn High Mass honoring Mother's Day will be held here at Soldier's Bowl, the open air amphitheater, at 1100 hours, 13 May.

The Mass will be celebrated by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William S. Walsh, Post Chaplain. Assisting Chaplain Walsh will be Chaplain (Major) Edward J. Saunders, newly arrived III Corps Chaplain, and Chaplain (1st Lt.) John D. Benson.

A Choir made up of men and women of the post and an organist, Pvt. John B. Moriarty, C Company, 87th Reconnaissance Battalion, will provide music for the Mass.

Special religious Mother's Day cards are being made up for the men as a remembrance to send home.

**III CORPS CHIEF
VISIT FT. LEWIS**

Maj. Gen. William B. Kean, new commander of the III Corps, visited Fort Lewis early last week on a tour of training activities.

The former commander of the 25th Inf. Div. in Korea inspected training areas, several units and post installations with Brig. Gen. Leroy H. Watson, Fort Lewis Commanding General.

**Music, Bingo, Punch
For Reserve Command**

Honor guests at a recent San Miguel USO Club party were men of Reserve Command. On the agenda were special bingo game, music by the Reserve Command Hot Shots, Marion Henry's Talent Show of Paso Robles, and Specialty Acts by Reserve Command entertainers.

**BRITISH COMMONWEALTH
Atlantic Pact Members**

Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series on the member-nations of the North Atlantic Pact. Later articles will deal with Iceland, Italy, Luxemburg, Norway and Portugal, in that order. The United States, also a Pact member, will not be covered in this series.

More than 100 countries, territories, dominions and islands make up what is known as the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Among the foremost of these are numbered The United India, Union of South Africa and Gibraltar.

Their total population, according to latest official figures, is estimated at 597,600,000, and the area covered, 13,023,000 square miles; approximately one-quarter of the land surface of the world.

Commonwealth countries are considered by Britain as senior partners in a world-wide enterprise; the other members of the Commonwealth are considered as junior partners who will, eventually, gain senior membership. There are eight Commonwealth countries: The Dominion of Canada, The Commonwealth of Australia, The Dominion of New Zealand, The Union of South Africa, The Republic of India, The Dominion of Pakistan, The Dominion of Ceylon, and The United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland). The eight are free and independent nations.

How an island the size of England could develop such a tremendous empire is easily seen when one considers her history. England, in her early days, was able to contain her population. As the country grew, however, expansion became necessary, and Englishmen went to sea in search of new territory. They became the forerunners of the vast British import-export system. Raw material funneled into England and was shipped out in the form of manufactures. Necessarily, Britain became a leading nation in international trade.

To protect these trade lines—which by now had become the model menus that are made up in Washington, D. C. by top Army Dieticians with the advice of market experts. These "Master" menus reach the individual posts approximately six months in advance and serve as the basis for the months planning.

The Post Food Supervisor and his staff study the master menu and suggest revisions to suit local preferences, markets, and conditions. A serious consideration is the availability of perishable foods on the seasonable market.

Large market centers prepare advance reports on perishable commodities such as fresh meats, fishes, fruits and vegetables. Listing the foods expected to be scarce or plentiful, these reports make it possible to order far ahead of the delivery date.

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**Film Beauties to
Be Seen Sunday**

Three name stars will appear at the Sports Arena Sunday accompanied by their troupe of showpeople. Kanan Wynn, comedian; Debbie Reynolds, young MGM star who sings, dances, and clowns; and Monica Lewis also of MGM, and as well-known for her red-haired beauty as for her personalized style of singing; will head the show Sunday.

Two performances are scheduled. The first will be at 1600. The second performance is to be at 1900. Dependents as well as military personnel are invited to attend.

The cast of this show is stopping here en route to Los Angeles from a noon engagement at Travis Air Force Base, north of San Francisco.

Accident Report

- 0 days since last military disabling injury.
- 16 days since last civilian disabling injury.
- 2 days since last army motor accident.
- 7 days since last fatality.
- 16 days since last fire.

**Dieticians, Special Planning and Purchasing
Make American GI Best Fed Soldier In The World**

Ma's cooking was good, but she wasn't feeding an Army. Post Food Supervisor, Captain Harry T. Lipsky does supervise the feeding of an Army and here's how it's done.

With more than 80 mess halls under his control, Capt. Lipsky and his staff have been responsible for the fine chow that rates "tops" with the Army here, but "those dinners didn't just happen".

Planning is the most important factor in the tremendous job, as menus must be approved, and food must be ordered months in advance of the day the food is actually served.

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Food Service Supervisor, the Sales Officer, and Post Surgeon, and representatives from major post units. The Board meets monthly and is presided over by Capt. Lipsky.

Hospital Dietician, 1st Lt. Betty F. Challman, represents the Post Surgeon in matters of nutritional balance and makes recommendations where necessary. 1st Lt. Leroy Gardella, Post Subsistence Sales Officer is the "watch dog" of the budget and expert on commodity costs and availability.

The Board, however, does more than just discuss the menu. The meeting permits a general airing of field problems, and provides for a forum-type ironing out of difficulties that range from feeding of watermelon in the field to the sanitary distribution of tea leaves.

Many helpful suggestions arise which are passed on to mess personnel.

Another advantage of the Menu Board is that it makes possible the consideration of local preference in drafting the final menu. Food Supervisors are trained to keep close tab on the troop's opinion of different foods and manners of preparation.

Daily inspections are made of mess halls at random throughout the post. Capt. Lipsky assisted by Technical M/Sgt. Robert L. Townsend and SFC Lawrence Mitchell visit the messes, and the Sgts. (incognito) wait in lines and eat with the men in order to observe comments and general opinions of the food.

Mess Stewards also study the average preferences of their men through remarks and attitudes toward the various prepared foods.

Food wastes are observed through a plan of "Garbage Segregation" and an accurate picture is obtained as to the likes and dislikes of the troops at large. These factors are carefully considered by the board in preparing the final menu.

When the Master Menu has been approved, the Post Subsistence Sales Officer is able to order the foods.

Requisitions for subsistence are handled by nationally organized QM Purchasing Agencies. Non-perishables are distributed from depots located strategically within Army Areas.

Buying Offices in Chicago, New York and Oakland pool purchasing power to save millions of dollars for the Services annually. For example, a branch office in the Pacific Northwest buys practically all canned salmon for the needs of the Armed Forces.

Perishable items, such as meats, fishes, fruits, and vegetables are obtained through a complicated nationwide system of market centers which are linked by teletype.

Los Angeles serves Camp Roberts, and if it cannot supply the needs, the Field Office in Chicago directs the purchase to another area center where the items are available. Field Headquarters keeps a close watch on prices and redirects purchases to save money when necessary.

Some items are purchased locally such as milk. Bids are invited, and the contracts are awarded to the supplier offering the commodity, in conformity to specifications, at the lowest price. Orders are received at the Cen-

tral Post Breakdown warehouse and the fresh foods are delivered daily to messes. Barring last minute substitutions, the daily menu is the same throughout camp.

Final authority in all phases of Food Service from planning to preparation is Col. James E. Wood, Post Quartermaster Officer supervises and coordinates efforts of the Food Service, sales and procurement, ration breakdown, and Post Bakery Sections.

Members' at the April Menu Board Meeting were: Chairman, Capt. H. T. Lipsky, Post Food Service Supervisor; 1st Lt. Leroy Gardella, Post Sales Subsistence Officer; and 1st Lt. Betty F. Challman, Dietician representing the Post Surgeon.

The following Food Service Supervisors represented major post units: Capt. B. W. Carter, Division Trains; Capt. Frank A. Gisondi, Commandant 6th Army Food Service Sub-school; Capt. Paul A. Trostle, III Corps; 1st Lt. Norman D. Bradshaw, Leader's Course; 1st Lt. Charles P. Smith, Combat Command A and R; 1st Lt. Richard W. Geyer, 7th OM Battalion; 2nd Lt. William H. Ellison, Combat Command B; 2nd Lt. H. H. Muse, Post Ration Breakdown Officer.

The following Food Service Technicians were present: M/Sgt. S. M. McDowell, Divarty, SFC. Edwin Wilson, Combat Command A; SFC. Lawrence Mitchell; Sgt. M. R. Henry, 6100, Mess No. 2; Sgt. E. E. Jenkins, 6100 ASU, Mess No. 1; and Sgt. Martin J. De Marque, Reserve Command.

CHIEF OF STAFF INSPECTS TRANSPORTATION



7th ARMORED DIVISION CHIEF OF STAFF, Col. Paul G. Hollister, reviews Operating Reports with Post Transportation Officer, Lt. Col. Alma S. Packer in a recent inspection of the Motor Pool. Left to right are: Col. Hollister, Lt. Col. Packer, Lt. Col. Joseph Leichenstein, Assistant Chief of Staff of G-4, Mr. Robert McKinney, Superintendent of Motor Pool, Capt. John E. Teller, Trans. Supply Officer, Sgt. Melvin C. McLarty, and Capt. Abbott R. Jones, Trans. Maintenance Officer.

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Colonel Blanchard Korean Veteran Now Heads CCR

Korean veteran, Colonel Weston F. Blanchard has succeeded Lt. Col. Don A. Mason as Commanding Officer of 7th Armored Division Reserve Command. Colonel Mason will become executive officer of Reserve Command.

Colonel Blanchard, a native of Windsor, Vermont, comes to his new assignment directly from the Korean action where he served as executive officer of the 5th Infantry Regiment, 24th (Taro Leaf) Division. His appointment is in keeping with the Army's policy of placing returned combat commanders in charge of training units.

Commissioned through the ROTC in 1932, Col. Blanchard saw action through the Italian campaign of World War II with the 361st Infantry Regiment, 91st Division, and is a graduate of Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont.



VETERAN SQUEEZEBOX SOLOIST, eight-year-old Benny Vogel of Paso Robles shows the men of Reserve Command, 7th Armored Division how to make the notes fly. The occasion was a recent party for trainees at the San Miguel USO Club. Besides applauding wildly at the ability of Benny, the GI's marvelled at how the little man could even carry the huge instrument.

AT YOUR CHAPEL WEST GARRISON

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| PROTESTANT | |
| —SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP— | |
| Chapel No. 1 | 0900 |
| Chapel No. 2 | 1100 |
| Chapel No. 3 | 1300 |
| Chapel No. 4 | 1500 |
| Chapel No. 5 | 1700 |
| Chapel No. 6 | 1900 |
| *Communion held first Sunday of each month. | |
| WEEKDAY | |
| Midweek Service, Wednesday, Chapel 5 | 1900 |
| Choir Rehearsal, Tuesday, Chapel 3 | 1900 |
| DENOMINATIONAL SERVICES | |
| —SUNDAY— | |
| Episcopal Communion, Chapel No. 6, Sunday | 0900 |
| Lutheran Communion, Chapel No. 5, Sunday | 0900 |
| Latter Day Saints, Chapel No. 6 | 1400 |
| WEEKDAY | |
| Pentecostal, Thursday, Chapel 3 | 1930 |

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| EAST GARRISON | |
| —SUNDAY— | |
| Morning Worship, Chapel No. 25 | 0900 |
| Morning Worship, Chapel No. 28 | 1100 |
| Hymn Sing, Chapel No. 28 | 1730 |
| *Communion held first Sunday of each month. | |
| WEEKDAY | |
| Chapel 25 | 1900 |
| Chapel 5 (Bldg. 5014 16th and G) | 1900 |
| Chapel 6 (Bldg. 6050) 17 and G | 1900 |
| Chapel 3 (Bldg. 3029) 6th and J | 1900 |
| Chapel 4 (Bldg. 4014) 11th and J | 1900 |

FAITH FOR LIVING!

By CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) HOMER H. ELLIOTT

In Colonial times there was a Dark Day. It seemed as if the sun had forgotten to rise. As the eclipse increased, people rushed to the churches to pray, for the belief that the Judgment Day had come.

The Connecticut legislature was in session. One trembling legislator moved an adjournment so that the members might prepare for the final hour. "I move" said another, "that candles be brought in so that we may go on with our work. If it is not the Judgment Day we have no reason to adjourn. If it is let us be found with faith doing our DUTY."

It is this faith for living we all need today. We may feel that we are caught in the grip of great world movements, gigantic social, political and physical forces which are determining our destinies in spite of all we can do. It is easy to accept an attitude of futility in the face of these confusing conditions, but the destinies of nations and the people in it are not ultimately settled by diplomats and politicians but thru the loyal devotions of her men and women. Let us stand with the Faith in man and God which will help us to live maximum lives in time of maximum demands.

New Jolley Boy

A baby boy was born to Dorothy and Corporal Dolphy Jolley at the U. S. Army hospital here 21 April. The new son weighed 8 pounds 1-3/4 ounces.

Six Pound Girl

A girl, weighing 6 pounds 11 1/2 ounces, was born to Corporal Charlie Newman and his wife Robbie J. Newman at the U. S. Army Hospital here 12 April.



DAILY INSPECTIONS ARE MADE OF MESS HALLS AT RANDOM . . . This time it's the 512 Signal Base Maintenance Company Mess in East Garrison where Capt. Harry T. Lipsky is shown discussing the merits of a tasty chop with mess personnel. Left to right are 2nd Lt. Francis White, 512 Mess Officer, Capt. Lipsky, Post Food Service Supervisor, Pvt. Arthur Kowalski, Food Technician, and Sgt. William T. Burton, Assistant Mess Sergeant. "Ours is the finest Mess Hall on post," proudly boasted Lt. White.

NEED CREDIT?

Are YOU interested in adding credits to your college program? USAFI enables you to do this by offering you correspondence courses with any one of forty-four nationally known colleges. They list over 5000 different courses and fees average about eight dollars for a three credit course. The courses are the same ones offered to civilian students at higher fees and they are conducted in the same way. Rules are lenient regarding assignments; courses must be completed within a two year period and not more than 12 months must be allowed to elapse between assignments. The testing center at this post is authorized to administer any tests they may require.

This is your chance to advance yourself academically while on active duty with the Armed Forces. In the event you should be discharged, you are allowed one year in which to complete the course.

Transferral from one post to another has no effect upon your studies since the relationship is conducted solely between the school involved and yourself. What can you lose? If you desire clarification of any of these points or desire more detailed information, come to the Education Center at Bldg. No. 3044 or call extension 132. They are there to help YOU, let them.

Hope Chairman Of Defense Week

Bob Hope, the Paramount star who has been called "the nation's Number One soldier in greasepaint," has been named Honorary Chairman of National Defense Week by the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, national organization with headquarters in Washington. National Defense Week will be observed May 12-19.

Purple Heart Vet Lectures Troops

Recently assigned to the I and E Section was Cpl. James B. McOwen, a veteran of the present Korean conflict who was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart.

Much of McOwen's time was spent as front-line PIO Correspondent and he was on hand to report the historic Hungnam Evacuation and the Chosin Reservoir mele. Many of his stories reached the waiting world through Army releases and Associated Press wires.

A Journalism student at Columbia University for two years Cpl. McOwen worked as a reporter on the New York Daily Mirror before entering the Service.

Almost 8 Pounds

An infant daughter was born to Rosemarie and Corporal Martin Shiffar at the U. S. Army hospital at Camp Roberts, 17 April. The baby weighed seven pounds twelve-and-a-half ounces.

Report From Washington

By Armed Forces Press Service
 Exercise Southern Pine, the joint Army-Navy-Air Force maneuvers scheduled for June 20 to July 10 in the Fort Bragg, N. C. area has been postponed until August. Deferment until the later date will afford support to the summer training program of civilian components, and also provide additional training for new personnel. For example, newly-commissioned officers from R. O. T. C. programs, graduating in June, will be available for participation in the August maneuvers.

The Sixth annual convention of the 84th Infantry Division Rail-splitter Society will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, on August 27 to 29. The Society is composed of veterans of the World War II Divisions which saw action in the European Theater during the heavy winter campaigns of 1944-45 and the spring drive across Germany to the Elbe.

The 45th Oklahoma National Guard Division, recently federalized, has embarked for overseas station through the New Orleans Port of Embarkation. The movement marked the first large out-going troop shipment through the New Orleans port since World War II. It also marked the first use of a new technique which eliminates staging and delivers troops from training camp to shipside in one movement.

Patricia Becker Weds R. Berry At Post Chapel

Miss Patricia Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Becker of Greenville, California became the bride of Robert H. Berry in a beautiful Chapel ceremony here Saturday, 21 April.

Officiating at the rites was Chaplain Emmett Jones with the bride's sister, Margaret Becker, acting as Maid of Honor, and William F. Berry, brother of the groom, as Best Man.

Bridesmaids were Elizabeth Berry, sister of the groom, of Seal Beach, and Nadine Brown of Oakland, California. Ushers were friends of the groom, Michael Aylward and Kenneth Whitmore of QM Supply Co.

The bride is a student at the University of California, while the groom is attending the Radio Operator's School here at the QM Supply Co., 7th QM Battalion.

Indian Country

Mrs. Evelyn Mendenhall, stenographer in the office of the Camp Roberts Parade, and wife of Pfc. Kenneth Mendenhall, Post Motor Pool, resigned this week to be with her husband who is transferring to Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

New Girl of A. G. E.

A new clerk-typist reported to AG Enlisted last week. Mrs. Letz Darlene Cullop, of Paso Robles assumed duties here 25 April.

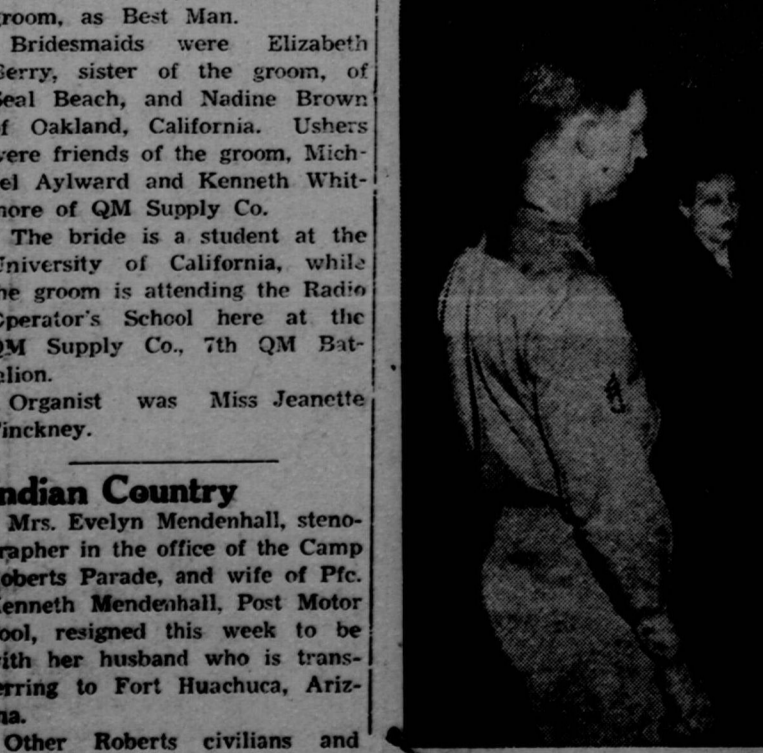


NEWLY NAMED RESERVE COMMAND CO., Colonel Weston L. Blanchard (seated) confers with Lt. Col. Don A. Mason, Command Executive Officer. The regimental commander came to his assignment directly from the Korean battlefield.

Formal Dance For NCO Club

The first formal dance to be held at the N. C. O. Club here was announced for Saturday night, 5 May. There is no admission charge, and all members are urged to put on formal attire and attend.

Till Death Do Us Part!



"WITH THIS RING I DO THEE WED" were the words of Private Mario R. Hanson, Service Battery, 484 Armored Field Artillery Battalion, when he took Miss Thelma V. Santos, San Francisco, as his wife in a beautiful double ring ceremony at Post Chapel here Saturday afternoon. The Nuptial Mass, second since the Camp's reactivation, was celebrated by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William S. Walsh, Post Chaplain, served by Sgt. Alfred Roma, and attended by more than 200 friends of the groom.

At left is Best Man, Sergeant John A. Hirst, Mess Sergeant of the 408th, and on right is Mrs. Mary A. Perry of San Miguel, who acted as Matron of Honor. Giving the bride away was 1st Lt. Robert L. Mosey, the groom's Battery Commander. A reception was held in the groom's company following the wedding with cake and punch being served guests.

P. R. Red Cross Thanks Roberts

Brig. General Frank H. Partridge
 7th Armored Division
 Camp Roberts, California.

Dear General Partridge:

I wish to take this occasion to express my personal appreciation for the magnificent performance of the military and civilian personnel of Camp Roberts in supporting the 1951 Red Cross Fund Campaign. Their contributions to this great cause were the preponderant factor in the achievement and made possible the attainment of the goal set for this area.

I am also grateful for your considerate cooperation in permitting the Camp Roberts Bands to participate in the opening of this year's campaign. Their excellent performance set the standard and provided the essential enthusiasm leading toward the successful conclusion of our drive.

Thanking you for your courtesy and cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours,
 W. W. Eschwig,
 1951 Fund Campaign Chairman.

Services Hike Laundry Rates

Washington — Increased rates for laundry and dry cleaning service in Army and Air Force laundries and dry cleaning establishments will go into effect May 1. The increase in laundry rates is approximately 15 percent. Increases in dry cleaning rates are much less and vary more.

Under the new schedule a bundle of laundry not exceeding 26 pieces sent by enlisted personnel will cost \$1. The laundry bay will count as one piece. If the bundle contains more than 26 pieces, it will be returned unlaundered and any money paid will be refunded except where individual piece rates are granted.

There is no limit to the number of bundles an individual enlisted person may send, but each will cost \$1 for 26 pieces or less.

For officers and other authorized personnel, a piece rate price schedule has been established, with a minimum of 50 cents for bundles containing only one or two small items.

After trying on a rackful of dresses the hard-to-please customer complained, "I don't like these clinging tie styles, miss. I think I'd look better in something flowing."

"Yes, Madam," agreed the exhausted saleswoman. "The river is two blocks north of here."

Col. Nagle Beats The Cadre With His Left Hand

Behind the stalwart left arm of Lt. Col. Nagle, ace hurler for Combat Command A's brass, the CCA officers softball squad pounded out a nip and tuck 3-1 decision over CCA cadre Tuesday afternoon.

The stellar portsider was nicked for bingles in all except the final frame, but the cadre was unable to connect with his "nuthin'" ball in bushes. Superb fielding by "Gluefingers" Atkinson staved off a rally at one crucial point.

The officers were able to see Pvt. Rainwater's fast ball just enough to shove over two count-ers in the initial canto and another in the third. The cadre notched its lone tally in the second. Four passes allowed by Rainwater helped swell the winning bulge.

Major George Jordan acted as arbiter because he could see everything from his OP 'way up there.

The cadre lineup included Rowe (38th c); Rainwater (38th p); Alfred (CCA) lb; Vogel (CCA) 2b; Cook (CAA) ss; Nelson (CA) lf; Garrett (CCA) cf; Edwards (CCA) rf.

Officers were Shadle (38th c); Nagel (CCA) p; Coleman (17th lb); Rippling (38th) 2b; Bowker (17th) 3b; Lajeune (23rd) ss; Fellows (38th) ss; Fraser (17th) lf; Atkinson (CCA) cf; Knopes (38th) rf.

BACKING TRUCK SMASHES AUTO

A 1942 Chevrolet sedan owned by the army and driven by Pfc. Hartley Bell, Company B, 94th MTB was crashed into by a civilian truck being driven backward by R. L. Bomar, civilian employee of the Bechtel Corporation here last week.

The truck had pulled around a parked vehicle blocking Ranch road, and was followed by Bell driving the army car. The truck stopped to allow its passengers to dismount, and Bell stopped his car behind the pedestrians.

Suddenly, and reportedly without warning, the truck began backing toward the parked car. Before a signal could be sounded by Pfc. Bell, the air was shattered by the thundering crash of crumpling steel and shattering glass.

Firecracker Showers Glass From Building

Glass was shattered in building 4124 last week after Sergeant U. R. Butler threw an M-80 firecracker between the windows. The firecracker, was being used for a demonstration outside before the accident, but it had failed to go off. Sergeant Butler brought it in the building, touching a lighted cigarette to it, and threw it. The explosive landed between the windows and exploded.

With This Ring I Do Thee Wed



"WITH THIS RING I DO THEE WED" were the words of Private Mario R. Hanson, Service Battery, 484 Armored Field Artillery Battalion, when he took Miss Thelma V. Santos, San Francisco, as his wife in a beautiful double ring ceremony at Post Chapel here Saturday afternoon. The Nuptial Mass, second since the Camp's reactivation, was celebrated by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William S. Walsh, Post Chaplain, served by Sgt. Alfred Roma, and attended by more than 200 friends of the groom.

At left is Best Man, Sergeant John A. Hirst, Mess Sergeant of the 408th, and on right is Mrs. Mary A. Perry of San Miguel, who acted as Matron of Honor. Giving the bride away was 1st Lt. Robert L. Mosey, the groom's Battery Commander. A reception was held in the groom's company following the wedding with cake and punch being served guests.

12,000 Fighting Rainbow Trout Close At Hand

With the opening of trout season in many streams and lakes near Camp Roberts, many outdoormen took off for the fighting front armed with rod and reel. While it is early to report on catches yet, results should be forthcoming by next issue. It is hoped that local fishermen will report their catches to the paper at extension 154, particularly catches within relatively short distances from the reservation.

According to Sergeant Braden First sergeant HQ Co. 6100 ASU, several good spots promised catches to fishermen in this area. The stream paralleling the highway between Atascadero and Morro Bay was reported to have been stocked with 4,000 rainbow trout ranging in size from seven to twelve inches. The stream running alongside the highway at Cambria was said to contain 3,000 newly-planted rainbow, and another stream twenty miles north of Cambria was reported bulging with 5,000 fighting fish recently planted by the Fish and Wildlife Dept. Atascadero Lake, on the road between Atascadero and Morro Bay, has been planted recently with bass; and a good stock of trout is reported in the stream near Indian guard station, about 75-miles from here through the Hunter Liggett reservation.

Sergeant Braden said there were other favorite fishing spots that looked good for opening day, but that many of them were well-guarded secrets kept by fishermen who would like to discourage competition.

FISH FUNDS

California topped all other states in the dollar-sales of fishing licenses last year, according to late word from the Department of the Interior. The California sales were \$3,033,755. Minnesota was next with \$2,198,092, followed by Michigan with sales of \$2,008,307.

While California took in the most revenue from sales of fishing licenses last year, other states beat out in sales to non-resident anglers. Michigan sold 279,668 non-resident licenses, as contrasted with only 11,746 non-resident sales in California.

Michigan again headed the list in the number of licenses issued with a figure of 1,050,756. California was second in licenses issued with 995,830.

Atlanta—The following help-wanted ad appeared in a local newspaper: "Wanted—A dog sifter for aged and sick dog. Pay by the hour. Must furnish A-1 notarized references that you love a dog."

Baseball Team Drubs Convicts

Reserve Command of the 7th Armored Division traveled to the California State Prison at Soledad last week and drubbed the Prison baseball team, 19-6, in a game that was called at the end of a slam-bang seventh inning.

Big man at the plate for the winning Army team was Private Richard Carlisle, C Battery of the 87th Armored Field Artillery Battalion. Carlisle slammed a double, triple and a home run in four trips to the plate.

Here is the line score:

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| R | H | E |
| R. C. | 130 | 400 |
| S. P. | 200 | 220 |

Military Roller Party Brings Cheap Skating

Plans are now being formulated by Service Club No. 1 directors for a skating party to be held at the Paso Robles Skating Rink, Tuesday, 8 May 1951.

All military personnel are invited to attend, and may sign up for the party at Service Club No. 1. The charge will be 60 cents per person, and the club will furnish transportation from the Service Club to Paso Robles and return, leaving the post at 1900 hours.

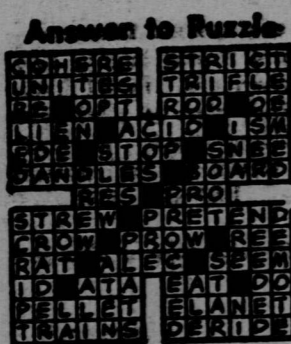
It is requested that all personnel interested in attending the party sign up as soon as possible so that sufficient transportation may be arranged.

Baseball Diamond, Tennis Courts Planned

Tentative construction plans for a first class baseball diamond and a complete six-court tennis plant are underway with the Sports Arena Special Service Group.

The locations have been established and the necessary measurements drawn by Special Service persons, Lt. Jack McCliment and Pfc. Will Concklin. Private bids for the two sporting areas are now being submitted.

Arrangements call for the tennis courts to be located due south of Theatre No. 3. The baseball field construction will consist of almost a complete requeenation of the old Camp Roberts diamond on the immediate north end of the parade ground.



Answer to Ruzzle

Booming Body Blasts Bring Big Braves Bellowing Forth From Boxing Bourgeois



(Top) RELAXATION—A defiant look wreathes the bloody face of CCB's Gordon Quilica, 174, as he hovers over the relaxed and unconscious form of Porto Rican born James Young, 175. Young represented Company B, 38th Armored Infantry Battalion in the fourth bout of the light-heavyweight division. The knockout came in 1 minute 45 seconds of the second round of a scheduled three round bout at the Camp Roberts Sports Arena Thursday evening.

(Right) ANTICIPATION—Lt. Jim Gladd, Athletic and Recreation officer, Combat Command A, looks against his fighter, Jim Young hits the canvas with a dull thud and lies motionless. Gladd and his CCA rooters, wait breathlessly for Young to rise and whallop his adversary into a three-day coma, an occurrence that failed to come off due to the fact that Young lay quietly on the deck through the count of ten.

We Do OK!

By Armed Forces Press Service

U. S. Servicemen have long known that they were the highest paid soldiers in the world. Some figures comparing respective pay of the Atlantic Pact member nations tell the story.

Here are the daily rates of pay for grade E-1 (Pvt) in eight of the countries supplying troops to the Atlantic army, without counting "extras."

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| United States | \$2.63 |
| Belgium | \$2.50 |
| Britain | 96 cents |
| Holland | 76 cents |
| Denmark | 24 cents |
| Norway | 15 cents |
| Italy | 8 cents |
| France | 5 cents |

Robert F. Smith's dramatics acting has a BA in public speaking—dramatics from University of Washington. About a year amateur and 2 months professional—had a Campus Radio program as a Disc Jockey—also directed—and has built back stage scenery now coming through as trainee at 507th Repl. Co.



By Armed Forces Press Service

Chicago—The town of Hustle just doesn't bustle. The Nickel Plate Railroad has asked permission of the Illinois Commerce Commission to close its freight station there.

Grand Island, Neb.—To prove people will sign anything, a local newspaper circulated a petition, apparently asking for better recreational facilities. Buried in the text was a request "that I be hanged by the neck until dead." Thirty-five persons signed.

Chicago—Who's afraid of bandits? Not Mrs. Genevieve Lewis who works in a cleaning establishment. When a bandit told her to hand over the cash, Mrs. Lewis went to the phone and called police. The bandit left muttering.

Roberts Roundup LOCAL SPORTS PARADE

In an effort to publicize the so-called "smaller" sports items of the different regimental units, Roberts Roundup has been originated.

Success and continuation of this column will come only through the cooperation of every individual, who must take it upon himself to report any news worthy of his respective Athletic and Recreation Officer.

Today, as sort of a feeler, baseball prospects and predictions of the current Inter-regimental baseball race will be sparsely covered.

CCA
A & R Officer—Lt. Jim Gladd
From all indications this could well be the team to beat for the coveted league flag.

The number one reason is a starting battery of pitcher Bill McDonald and catcher Gladd; plus a top notch relief hurler in Bill LeThrop. McDonald was a starting pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates last year, while Gladd reached the top of the ladder with the New York Giants. LeThrop turned in an outstanding effort with New Orleans last year.

Another hard hitting major leaguer in the line-up will be Bill Taylor, also a former Giant who will anchor the outfield.

The infield is fairly formidable although first base is definitely a big question mark.

CCB
A & R Officer—Lt. ud Jones
A good outfield and an equally efficient battery is expected to carry the majority of the load for CCB.

Big Frank Sullivan, a 6' 5" right hander from Birmingham is expected to be all the pitcher they need. Behind Sullivan will be Dick Drilling, while the back stopping will be handled by Bob Evert of San Antonio of the Texas League.

Best in the infield should be Ernest Gammino, a powerful left handed slugger from the San Francisco Seals. However, Manager Marty Klözik is very concerned about his second and third base posts.

CCR
A & R Officer—Lt. Gerald Reed
A strong, lightning fast infield, headed by Manager John Moon at third base, appears to be the guiding light of this club. Moon will be aided by Richard Carlisle, a second baseman who thrives on extra base hits, and deerlike Ralph Webber at shortstop.

The CCR club also boasts one of the finest outfielders in Dick Williams, a smart hitter out of Fort Worth, Texas.

DIVERTY
A & R Officer—Lt. Jack Jones
Diverty has built their team around a top professional battery and an A-1 first secker.

The latter is Al Grumwald, a very heavy striker from Indianapolis of the American Association.

Battery mates will be left-handed Eugene Richardson, a former starter with the Kansas City Monarchs, and Lou Berberet, who was training with the world champion New York Yankees prior to his induction.

SPECIAL TROOPS
A & B NCO—Sgt. Don Haydon
This group will lack the professional talent, but should be one of the classiest and most coordinated teams in the league.

Sgt. Haydon will have a young and inexperienced mound staff in Hal Habbs and Joe Avalos.

The infield pitcher looks bright with Morrie Viramontes, a veteran of many post champion Army teams, at second base, and a four year college standout, Will Concklin, at the hot corner.

DIV. TRAINS
A & R Officer—Lt. Sam Cathcart
Larry Pennell, a first baseman from the Boston Braves system; Herb Boxter, a hard hitting centerfielder from the Brooklyn system and Joe Polich, third baseman from the Portland Beavers give evidence of being the main stays for Div. Trains.

Lt. Cathcart will also have a classy chucker in Percy Fisher who had a 16-4 record in the Pioneer League last season.



PRIVATE GENE SELZNICK (left) received a decoration from the Hollywood, Calif. YMCA, for participation in the 1950 Olympic Volleyball competition as a member of the Hollywood team. Selznick's Commander, Captain Leahr Rigby, CO of B Battery, 488 Armored Field Artillery Battalion makes the presentation while SFC Leonard Davidson, Field First Sergeant stands by. (PFO Photo).

Two hours of bloody, body-blasting, boxing bouts brought only 4-4 tie to CCA and CCR last Thursday night at the Sports Arena.

Although ten bouts were on the card, only eight went into the official record book, and each team grabbed an equal share.

The fights brought their usual cheers from the appreciative crowd although on several occasions the delighted audience was quick to show its distinct difference of opinions regarding some of the decisions.

CCR had a one bout lead going into the final match, but a very quick and decisive forty second KO by CCA's Derris Aleo neutralized the count quite rapidly.

The Cuban-born Aleo studied his opponent, Ralph Harrington for about twenty seconds and then broke loose like a San Mateo bull. Aleo who out weighed his victim by twenty pounds, was never touched.

One of the closest and bitterest fights of the evening came between Duane Chronister, 145, of CCR and Johnny Novela, 142, of Co. C, 38th AIB. The latter was stumped by the aggressive style of Chronister in the earlier part of the fight, but managed to get "inside" and win the bout on a split decision.

Little Ronald Peralta, 120, Co. C, 95th HTB, won his third consecutive quick T. K. O. by belting Pasqual Ermocila of Co. C of the 77th. Ermocila was unable to answer the bell for the 2nd round.

Other results include: Tony Lopez, CCA, a split decision over Manuel Henera. Sam Elizarriczy, CCB, a T. K. O. at end of 2nd round over Charlie Magna, CCB.

Treenay Senato, CCA, a K. O. in 1:10 of third round over Bobby Cadera, CCB.

Gordon Quilica, CCB, a 1:45 K. O. over James Young, CCA.

Christian Pina, CCB, a unanimous decision over Walt Thomas, CCB.

Louis Bajaya, CCA, a split decision over Gerald Braderon, CCB.

Julio Alaniz, CCB, a unanimous decision over Robert Aramato, CCB.

WHAT A RACKET FOR THESE BOYS

A fast trip to a West Point Coaches Conference was started early today by Lt. Jack McCliment and SFC. Paul Gothard.

The Special Service pair took off from Hamilton Field at Presidio in San Francisco today and will take in the special conflag through May 7-11, then immediately fly back to Camp Roberts.

Earl "Red" Blaik, nationally known head coach of Army's famous West Point football team will conduct the five-day conference.

Lt. McCliment will take part in Army Athletic Administration sessions while Sgt. Gothard will specialize in basketball techniques.

New Blind Man Behind H. Plate

If you have dark glasses, a seeing eye dog and a long prison record, you, too, may become an umpire.

Sgt. Maurie Viramontes, of the Sport Arena Special Service Staff has recently been named to establish an umpiring system for the camp inter-regimental baseball season.

Since that time, Viramontes has been combing the Camp Roberts badlands in a desperate attempt to uncover some of these ruthless characters.

In fact, the dauntless Viramontes even went so far as to unite a number of these society outcasts into a single group for informal class instruction of this bitterest of all crimes. The secret meetings were held in the closely guarded and darkened halls of the Sports Arena last week.

Anyone feeling they are properly qualified, being of questionable mind and body, and want to earn some beneficiary a quick ten thousand chips, are urged to contact Viramontes at phone 139. Proper financial inducements will be made.

Top Ranking Track Talent Enters Relays

Three top ranking track and field participants will represent Camp Roberts at the world famous West Coast Relays in Fresno, 12 May 1951.

The trio include Joe Page, Co. B, 94th A. I. B., Rhodes Reason Co. B, 87th A. F. A. and Ed Snow of Special Services.

Held annually, the West Coast Relays draws the finest junior college, college, service and open track material in the nation, and is heralded as the worlds greatest relay attraction.

Oddly enough all three of the Camp Roberts entrants are potent javelin throwers, although Page and Reason will see double duty in the high jump and discus respectively.

Page, formally of San Diego State College, has an extraordinary top mark of 6' 8" in the high jump. This is one of the best jumps posted anywhere in recent years. The versatile Page has also flipped the javelin 204 feet, another powerful effort.

Reason has tossed the spear 195 feet before, plus boasting an excellent mark of 150 feet in the discus throw.

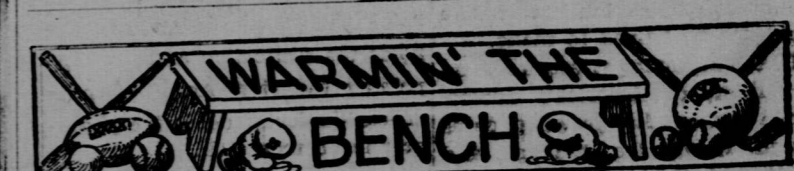
The third of the javelin group is Little Ed Snow, one of Camp Roberts' finest all-around athletes. Snow has a high record of 195 feet in that event.

The three enthusiasts are traveling to Fresno on their own time and are covering all their own expenses, including entrance fees.

Japanese Race Cows Instead of Horses

Kochi, Japan — The sport of kings has undergone some changes at the hands of the Japanese.

If you went to a race track here, you wouldn't see horses. You would see cows. They are ridden by jockeys with all the enthusiasm attending horse racing—but without the speed.



By Armed Forces Press Service

Will Harridge, president of the American League, declares he is not a candidate for the job of high commissioner, succeeding A. B. "Happy" Chandler, present "lame duck" boss. . . . "I'm an American Leaguer, first, last and always," is his comment. "A commissioner has to be neutral"

Cubs. Los Angeles, I believe, has a greater future. . . . This may be only a story but the report emanates from Boston that the Braves are considering hiring a female baseball announcer to fill in during home games. . . . And an ingenious Boston sports writer suggests a contest to select the gal who has the proper sob in her voice to describe the tearful exit of a pitcher from the mound.



Ewell Blackwell

The National Collegiate (NCAA) group has amended its rules to permit college boxers or high school graduates to compete while in the Armed Forces without impairing eligibility. . . . The rule was made retroactive to April, 1950. . . . Bill Veeck, formerly of the Cleveland Indians, names Leo Durocher as the "best manager I wouldn't hire myself" Veeck, who accompanied the Harlem Globe Trotters on a European junket, recalls a game they played with the Portuguese all-stars which the Trotters won, 55-45. . . . The local papers said the Globetrotters weren't so much; the home team had been beaten worse. . . . So the next night the Trotters beat them, 108-8. . . . Fritz Brenecke, athletic director and head football coach of Colorado School of Mines, brands as "unprincipled" the recent Big Seven action which allows board, room, books, tuition, fees and incidental expenses to athletes. . . . "They are sacrificing all ideals for which college athletics should stand," declared Brenecke, who at the same time gave names of several nationally known football players who, he alleges, have received automobiles, expensive clothes, insurance policies and bank balances while playing for their alma maters. . . . College football, as everyone knows, has been commercialized to the point where a major scandal, similar to that which has rocked basketball, likewise could be imminent.

SPORTS QUIZ?

QUESTIONS

1. Was Primo Carnera the last heavyweight to defend the title outside the U.S.A.?
2. What player led the American League for 11 years in drawing bases on balls?
3. Henry Ransom won golf's richest prize in what tournament last year?
4. What woman athlete holds the greatest number of Olympic track and field records?
5. How many times can an athlete win the Sullivan award?

ANSWERS

1. Yes. Carnera fought Paolina Uzeudum in Rome to retain his heavyweight title in 1933.
2. Babe Ruth.
3. In the "Tom O'Shanter" "world" Championship last August the Texas pro took the top prize of \$11,000 for first place by edging out Chick Harbert in an 18-hole play-off.
4. Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen who holds the 80 meter hurdle mark :11.2 and the 200 meter sprint record :24. No other woman holds two individual records.
5. Only once.

POST-PONED!

Ever hear of a complete track season postponed because of rain? That's exactly what happened last Saturday when Camp Roberts' big one-day track meet at Atascadero High School was called off because of wet grounds.

More than 150 aspiring trackmen went home disappointed because of the heavy rains.

The track carnival will be slated again for 2 June, according to Sgt. Paul Gothard, of Special Services.

ON WHITEWASH AND PIGEONS

"Personally, I like whitewash on my pigeon lofts," grinned Private Carleton P. Dutra, Company D, 48th AIB, this week. "It keeps the lice away."

This was but one of the interesting facts unearthed by our correspondent, Master Sergeant Ellis Potet, as he interviewed Private Dutra.

Pigeon racing was Dutra's hobby prior to being whisked into the army by the strong draft early this year. At one time he had 65 of the birds cooped in his 20x12 loft in his backyard in Oakland, California.

"Whenever I give somebody the bird," said Dutra, "I tell them to keep it locked up for a couple of weeks. That way it learns to know its new home and will stay there. I don't believe in selling a pigeon now than once."

BACK UP CRASH

An army vehicle, a 1951 Ford sedan, driven by Corporal Martin Fetterman backed into a 1950 Chevrolet driven by Lieutenant Robert E. Ogle on Avenue 23 at Camp Roberts last Saturday according to the Post Safety office.

Fetterman had stopped backing to allow another car to pass, and failed to see Ogle's car following.

Looks at Books

By THE BOOKWORM THE FAR SIDE OF PARADISE

This is the first biography of F. Scott Fitzgerald, reording angel of the twenties. Fitzgerald the man, his work, his life, his legend were all one, and Arthur Mizener has done a masterly job of portraying the man inside the legen he helped to make.

In the beginning it was a legend of glitter, of America's adolescence before the growing pains set in. It was the jazz age, and Scott and Zelda, his beautiful and gifted wife, its acknowledged leaders. In the middle it is a legend of disillusionment. Gaiety and the freedom to express oneself, once the right to them was won, became more a gesture than a conviction. In the end it is a legend of despair, of personal tragedy and inner struggle. After writing "The Crack-up" an attempt to make a living took Fitzgerald to Hollywood. Some sad years later he died there, a sick and broken man.

This biography is the unfolding drama of half a century of American life. It is also a dramatic personal story.

POINT OF HONOR

This is a drama of salvation staged in Hell—where salvation is already impossible. It concerns men in war and is, therefore, a story of much action and violence. The three main characters are members of an artillery battalion in Italy. The emphasis is less on their relations to the enemy than on their relations to one another and to the battalion, and on their desperate efforts to be responsible in situations where responsibility itself has become morally suspect.

The predicaments in which the men find themselves, the choices and decisions they face, are those not only of war but of modern life in general.



By Armed Forces Press Service Hostess: "Why don't you eat your jello?" Little Boy (watching jello closely). "It's not dead yet."

Drunk to M.P.: "Just because my eyes are red is no sign that I'm a drunk. For all you know, I may be a white rabbit."

"I can't eat this garbage," cried the enraged diner, "Call the manager."

"S no use," said the waiter "he won't eat it either."

Have you heard the one about the dead dachshund? He met his end going around a tree!

Private Dick, Merchant Mariner, And Football Player, Now Leader

P. I. O. Release

Private detective, merchant seaman, football player, soldier, fire fighter.

Five different men? No, they're all the same, and his name is Private James McGrath, now in the Leaders' Course of the 7th Armored Division.



PRIVATE JAMES McGRATH hustles on his way to his next class in the Leaders' Course of the 7th Armored Division. Private McGrath, of 1343 Ronan Ave., Wilmington, Calif., began the course last week after taking his basic training in Company C, 38th Armored Infantry Battalion and Company D, 17th Medium Tank Battalion.

To begin, Private McGrath is the 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath, 322 East 231st St., Wilmington. He played football for and was graduated from Banning High School in January, 1947, having taken a year out to serve in the Merchant Marines. After graduating he again signed up to go to sea and spent two years sailing around South America and the Orient. He probably had been influenced by sea stories his father had told him, since the elder McGrath had been in the Navy 26 years. Young McGrath returned from the sea and was getting started as an investigator for a Los Angeles detective agency when Uncle Sam beckoned. He found himself at Camp Roberts taking basic training with Company C, 38th Armored Infantry Battalion. After six weeks he was interviewed to see if he was interested in attending school. He decided it was either cryptography or leadership, finally figured the Leaders' course would help him more in the Criminal Investigation Department, in which he hopes to work. He finished basic in Company D, 17th Medium Tank Battalion and started in Leaders' Course 16 April.

Meanwhile a very important event took place. On a New Year's pass Private McGrath took as his bride Miss Geraldine Cole, a Wilmington girl, and their home is now at 1343 Ronan Ave., in Wilmington.

His marriage has helped decide one thing, McGrath will not go back into detective work after leaving the Army. He has already taken an examination to get into the Los Angeles fire department and hopes to make that his life's work.

That takes care of the past and the future, what about the present?

Private McGrath is very enthusiastic about the Leaders' Course. Since he had served under Major James R. Pendergrast, the school's commanding officer, in the 38th Armored Infantry Battalion, Private McGrath had a good idea of what to expect in the school. The officers "are men I would have chosen."

One thing that impressed McGrath especially was the way he was treated after being only a name and a number in basic training. Students are treated as intelligent human beings, as individuals. He says he has every intention of getting through the school with the highest grade possible as was impressed on the class the day it arrived at the school. The merit system with no demerits, is part of the positive psychology used at the school.

It's a good bet that Private McGrath will have no trouble getting through Leaders' Course, and maybe he'll write his kid brother, who is now Private Robert McGrath at Fort MacArthur, "Come on up, Bob, let's go back to school."

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Armed Forces Press Service "Sound Off"

Back in 1944 Willie Duckworth was returning from a rough day of training off the Fort Slocum, N. Y., ranges. Tired, his spirits and those of his buddies low, Willie began to chant some words to the best of the cadence. One by one the men around him picked up the words. They hit the barracks area with head and spirits high. Officers heard Willie's chant and passed it on to the War Department which in turn passed it on to other troops. Now Vaughn Monroe's Victor recording will soon hit juke boxes in bases and camps to ring out the "Duckworth Chant," or, as it is better known, "Sound Off."

Show Dates—Ralph Flanagan, aided beautifully in the eye and ear dept. by singer Peggy King, and his band's radio show have the following schedule: Fort Meade, Md., April 23; Andrews AFB, Md., April 30; Westover AFB, Mass., May 7—more dates later. . . . Film star John Wayne and lovely Janet Leigh have been decorating George AFB, Calif., where they are filming "Jet Pilot." . . . "Operation Music" is a hit radio show over WCAV in Norfolk, Va. Navy disc jockey Herb Clarke of the Amphibious Force, Atlantic Fleet, is in command.

Inside Briefs—Doris Day, recently selected favorite singer of Servicemen in Korea, has recorded a special disc show for them. . . . Mistinguett, French music hall favorite for more than half a century, is now appearing in New York. . . . Lionel Hampton and his vibraharp band now recording for MGM records. . . . Movie tip: Arch Oboler's "Five," a story of the last five people on earth.

Dear Sam: Thanks for sending me that bucket of Pismo clams. Your mother and me sure did enjoy them. Did you shoot them all yourself? You must be some fine shot with a clam gun, I'll tell you. We was sure proud to think that you went and entered the rodeo they're having at Paso Robles on May fifth. I can just see you now, a riding them old bulls around the arena. Don't go getting bucked off like you did last year at the Ashwood rodeo now.

Letter To Sam

I was talking to doctor Morpheus the other day, and he says that he is just getting all kinds of business these days from young fellows that you would think was just as healthy as yearling beef cattle. Seems like these young fellows is all getting ulcers from listening to the radio and reading the papers. One day they're all set to leave home and go into the Army, then comes out an order that says the smart ones can stay home. Then they change that and say they'll all be drafted. Then they cut down the draft quota, and nobody goes.

There is an awful lot of interest in accordion lessons among the young folks now, Sam. Especially them around draft age. When they get that accordion between their paws, their minds just goes blank, and they forget all about the army.

The whole town is going crazy for that new dianetics fad that's been sweeping the country. We are all psychoanalyzing each other. Of course it was quite a shock to read that the guy who wrote the book about it is being hunted for so's they can lock him up. Your dad bought himself a surplus truck, and is he proud. It's one of them libertys that was in France in 1917, and it's got the original tires on it, so you can see what condition its in. He's going into the hauling business as soon as he finishes up that last barrel of hard cider. He's going to haul bodies away from the Saturday night dances at Ashwood.

Me and Millicent Rash used your gun the other day. I hope you don't care. We went out shooting magpies, and did we ever have the fun though. We almost shot a fresh guy who asked a lot of personal questions about what radio program did we listen to, and how was we gonna vote in the next election. He said his name was Gallop, and that's just what he did when we pulled back the bolt on that .22.

The flies is getting thick again, and I think your mother is going to spend some your allotment money on a screen door, as silly as it may sound. She says the flies just drive the little pigs in the living room crazy, and they're unsanitary. She always was a stickler for cleanliness.

Your mother wants me to ask you if you really need that case of whiskey you asked for. Are the snakes at Camp Roberts that bad, Sam, or are you planning to step out on me with one of them San Miguel movie starlets? Of course, if you need snake bite medicine, we'll send you some.

I sure hope that you ain't untrueing yourself to me, Sam. I'm working my head to the bone saving and scraping and scrounging so's we can get into double harness when you are freed from the army, so it's only fair that you do at least the same. I already have some things for my torso and my hope chest is budging.

I went to a chivaree for Sally Scud last Friday night. She is marrying a big chicken man from Klarney, and we all brought egg-mash and scratch-feed as presents. They plan to raise barbed-locks on that forty acres north of the Hickup place. We was all talking about how dirty them chickens would be, and somebody mentioned you, and I put in a good word right off. I think you can get a job when you get out.

Well, that's about all, Sam. I've got to mail this as this is the day the mailman comes.

All my love, AGATHA.

By Frank R...



Cute Chick!

PRETTY READHEADED Wendy Waldron poses on a California beach in her "Tight as Paint" swim suit. The young Hollywood actress is waiting for someone to join her in a cool dip in the ocean. (Now, where did I pack my bathing suit?)

SHRINERS HEAR CAMP TALENT

Post personnel entertained local Shriners recently in a dinner program at the Paso Robles Inn. Featured on the show was one of the finest young tenors in the area, Pvt. Fred Smith of 94th MTB. Accompanied by Miss Jeanette Pinckney, Staff Service Club Director, Smith sang concert and light opera favorites and was called back for several encores by the appreciative audience.

Accordianist, Pvt. Harold Nigaro, 512 Sig. Base Maintenance, and Al Jolson Impersonator, Sgt. Kenneth Nearing (Keaney Bruce) rounded out the show that has been requested for a repeat performance.

Korean Action



MORTARS play a big part as the UN Forces forge ahead in Korea. In top photo, Cpls. Donald Ferderer, of Wilton, N. Dak., and Juan Viagran, of San Antonio, Tex., reload their 60 mm. weapon. In bottom picture they crouch low as the charge explodes and sends the missile on its way toward a Chinese Red target.



AT THE USO IN SAN MIGUEL

Thursday, May 2—1900 Hrs.—Dancing and Writing Time 2000 Hrs.—Dancing Class—Rumba Friday, May 3—1900 Hrs.—Concert Hour 2000 Hrs.—Free Movie Saturday, May 4—1400 Hrs.—Checkers Contest 2000 Hrs.—Service Club No. 1 Sunday, May 5—1320 Hrs.—Tour—San Miguel Mission 1400 Hrs.—Jam Session 2000 Hrs.—Card Party—Prizes Monday, May 6—1900 Hrs.—Crafts 2000 Hrs.—Camera Club 2000 Hrs.—Pool Tournament—Prizes Tuesday, May 7—1900 Hrs.—Roller Skating Party 2000 Hrs.—Bingo Wednesday, May 8—1920 Hrs.—Chess Club 2000 Hrs.—Refraining Dancing 2000 Hrs.—Foxtrot 2000 Hrs.—Jerry Fuller and his Combo

Service Club No. 2

Thursday, May 3—1820 Hrs.—Rumba Time 2020 Hrs.—Shooting Party Friday, May 4—1900 Hrs.—Jam Session 2000 Hrs.—Carmel by the Sea (Trip) 2000 Hrs.—Charades Saturday, May 5—1900 Hrs.—Coffee Hour 2000 Hrs.—Hour of Charm Monday, May 6—1920 Hrs.—Send a Greeting to Mom Tuesday, May 7—2000 Hrs.—Quiz—Take It or Leave It Wednesday, May 8—1820 Hrs.—Dancing Hour 2020 Hrs.—Bing (Grande Prize A telephone call Home)

Wac Is Official Rodeo Snapper

Pfc. Helen Cowart of the WAC Detachment has been named official photographer for the second annual San Luis Obispo County Spring Roundup to be held at the Paso Robles Fairgrounds, 5-6 May.

A native of San Angelo, Texas, Pfc. Cowart was a civilian rodeo photographer before joining the WACs. Her work here is with the X-ray laboratory at the Station Hospital.

The appointment of Pfc. Cowart is another gesture of cooperation between civilian and military enthusiasts who are attempting to make this year's roundup a big success. M/Sgt. Robert Flint, 38th Armored Infantry Battalion is military coordinator for the post, and to date has recruited six professional rodeo performers for the roundup.

Entrants will be Flint himself, M/Sgt. John Ward, Station Hospital, Pfc. Bob Nelson, and Pfc. John May, Pvt. Reginal Jesperon and Pvt. Don Richards.

Nelson from the Hospital also recently took top honors in the bareback bronc riding at the Coalinga rodeo.

Also expected at the Spring Roundup, although not yet confirmed as entrants, are Gene Rambo, four-times World Champion All-Around Cowboy, and Gordon Davis, World Champion roper.

The owner of a pet shop is never fazed by life's disappointments. He takes the twitter with the tweet.

Div. Arty. Show Makes Big Hit

Division Artillery distinguished itself in the Camp Entertainment World with a road show that recently played to packed houses in Rec halls, Service Clubs, and Theatres throughout the post. The Star Studded cast is accompanied by a Pop Combo made up of Anthony Carcone, accordianist, Richard Mills, trumpeter, Wayne Crownover, Drumist, Tommy Smith, pianist, and Lew Casaluvo, Basist (Base Viol that is). Featured singist was Wayne Perrea.

Acts included the sensational trampoline duo, brothers Harold and Delos Coates; Al Jolson impersonator, Kenny Bruce, tap dancer, Raymond Barallobre; Electric Guitarist, Cress Ferreira, and a Barber Shop Quartet that would have been the pride of grandfather's day made up of a blend of voices belonging to Don Evans, Cecil Allen, Tomm Huff and John Abbott, all of Divarty.

The show was under the direction of Cpl. Jimmie Bettencourt, Service Battery, 440th Armored.

20 LOVELY GIRLS SINGING TUESDAY

Twenty lovely young girls from the NTG, CBS television show will appear in two performances at Theaters Number One and Two Tuesday. First show is set for theatre number one at 1830 hours. Second show will go on in theatre number two at 2030.

The all-girl revue has recently played to full houses at Ford Ord.

Crossword Puzzle

A crossword puzzle grid with clues listed on the left and right sides. Clues include: ACROSS 1—Stick together, 2—Scolding, 12—Joins, 14—Patty thing, 15—Note of scale, 16—Choose, 17—Land measure, 18—Faroe Islands, 19—Bird on property, 21—Fast, 22—Cyrillic body, 23—Dutch city, 24—Ditch, 25—Hair, 26—Dix, 27—Fondles, 28—Cut lumber, 29—Sodent, 30—In favor of, 31—Scatter, 32—Bachbird, 33—Pore part of ship, 34—Female ruff, 35—Sole, 36—Fish sauce, 37—Appear, 38—Cynfrind fish, 39—Nerrio, 40—Consume, 41—Perform, 42—Pill, 43—Extracts, 44—Scorn. DOWN 1—Twisted, 2—Frogman, 3—Walk on, 4—Free of, 5—Supposing that, 6—Abounded, 7—Even (congr.), 8—Face of letters, 9—Girl's name, 10—Killed, 11—Chimney, 12—Delineated, 13—Mar beverage, 14—Go, 15—Style of writing, 16—Denier, 17—Decay, 18—Faded before, 19—Note of scale, 20—Before, 21—Symbol for nickel, 22—Lower in rank, 23—Real estate, 24—Solar disk, 25—Heavenly, 26—Romanian name, 27—Denier, 28—Beverage, 29—Note of scale, 30—Before, 31—Symbol for nickel, 32—Wanted.