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## G.I.'S GO GA-GA OVER GIGI & USO ALL-AMERICAN GIRL SHOW HERE LAST NIGHT

2ND SHOWING TONIGHT AT "UNCLE JOE'S"

by the Editor

The 19/4 open-air theater was packed-jam last evening as the initial appearance in Ramgarh of that real live U.S.O. show, featuring five beautiful American girls, was presented to a capacity crowd of Camp personnel. The Girl-Troupe, accompanied by the members of the 748th Railroad Battalion Band, will present their second show tonight at "Uncle Joe's" theater.

Opening the program last nite, the girls .... Penny Bancroft, of Buffalo, N. Y., Pat Flynn, of Forest Hills, N. Y., Rose Marie Volin., of Schnectedy, N. Y., Annette MacQuarrie, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Gigi Gilpin, of New York, sang "Of Thee I Sing". Also at this particular time the Big Five offered a satire on wonderful India. This little portion of the performance was in contrast to many of the Americans here bringing along their customs to dear old Brooklyn. This bit of performing brought tremendous laughter from the huge audience.

Gigi, Annette, Pat and Penny next rendered "Besame Mucho", "I'll Be Seeing You", and "Paper Doll", these renditions going over in a big way with the G.Is.

A bit of "Joint Jumping", down at Carnegie Hall, was next put across by the traveling troupe.

Annette MacQuarrie then featured with several song hits from the movie, "Oklahoma", these popular song selections being more than well received by the soldier boys.

The girls in their show finale climaxed with a "take-off" from that popular screen production, "The Stage Door Canteen".

A jitterbug contest, consisting of several G.I. personnel at Ramgarh, really brought down the house in laughter, and also the finish to a show that really thrilled everyone able to see it.

You G.Is., located over at the I.S.F. Lines, don't forget to visit "Uncle Joe's" theater tonight, for you'll see a show that

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### BULLTOWN BASKETEERS LOST OPENER AT COMMAND-TOWN, 48-27

With Sgt. Phil Packard at A.P.O. 465 .....the Ramgarh Basketball team dropped their season's opener here on Tuesday to Commandtown's No. 1 quintet, the score 48 to 27. When the half-time whistle sounded, Camp H. led by a one point margin, 20 to 19. However in the 3rd and 4th periods, the Colored Boys from down here really went to town in a big way to easily sew up the contest.

Camp H. is expected to be seen in Ramgarh in the very near future, since arrangements on a game is already in the works.

#### THE SCORE

Ramgarh	G. F. Pts.	Camp H.	G. F. Pts.
Davis, f.	5 1 11	Brown, f.	1 0 2
Mallow f.	1 0 2	Penigrosst, f.	6 2 14
Colmer f.	4 0 8	Gross, c.	2 0 4
Eriksen f.	2 0 4	Bradley, f.	6 0 12
Garrett c.	1 0 2	Eggleston, g.	1 1 3
Luke c.	0 0 0	Norris, g.	6 1 13
Garcia g.	0 0 0	Cox, g.	0 0 0
Turocy g.	0 0 0		

Score by Periods :

	1	2	3	4	
RAMGARH	13	6	6	2	27
CAMP H.	6	14	14	14	48

## RAMGARH RADIO DEBATING TEAM TO BE FORMED AFTER XMAS SEASON

Sports-minded G.Is. of Ramgarh will shortly, following the coming holidays, be given ample opportunity to test their knowledge over the air waves of Station VU2ZT. Special Service is going to sponsor a sports and general debating program, and any enlisted men on the post interested in partaking in the radio session are urged to contact the Special Service Office for further information.

It is planned to conduct the new Camp-Wide program in similarity to the manner in which the "Requestfully Yours" 15 - minute program is staged at present over VU2ZT, that is, by the G.I. to place his

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## GALA XMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAMS BY CAMP ORGANIZATIONS

A bigger and better Yuletide season of appropriate Christmas activities by the various units of Camp Ramgarh, combined with the efforts of Special Service Office, will start in earnest next week-end.

Tentative plans call for the following events to take place: Christmas Carol music over Station VU2ZT; a Christmas Dance at the Audrey House, Ranchi; the Bull Sheet's Anniversary and Xmas Issue, one week from today; the Mudville League softball second-half to resume play Sunday, Dec. 24th; on Christmas Eve there will be Christmas Carols sung in all Camp areas; Santa Claus will tour the Camp area on Christmas Eve; there will also be a holiday party at the Y.M.C.A., another at the Bar-Fly Ord. Day Room, and also a party for the personnel of R.T.C.

Monsoon Inn Song Service will take place at the Monsoon Inn, with the singing of carols. While for those of the Catholic faith there will be a Midnight Mass on Christmas eve in 19/3 area at 12 midnight.

Over at the post hospital area, building 45, next to the pharmacy, there will be a tea for the Medical Staff next Sunday afternoon from 2 until 5 p.m., and from 7 till 9 p.m. there will be a holiday party for the patients confined to that institution.

There will be a Medical Det. party for Enlisted Men on Christmas day, from 2 the patients until 5 p.m. at the hospital.

Miss Ellen Smith, A.R.C., will be in charge of the Xmas carol singing rehearsal to be held tomorrow between the hours of 2 to 3 p.m. at the Red Cross building, Hospital area. Anyone wishing to join in the carol rehearsal should be at the designated place tomorrow. The carolers will visit all areas of the Camp on Xmas Eve and also again on Christmas morning.

Other holiday activities planned include Officer's Dance at the Hospital with Wally Farris and the SWING HAO orchestra; between Christmas and New Year's the Chinese play for Chinese troops; the Signal Pigeon will stage their own company get-together, as well as several other parties that are being at present in the preliminary stages.

Official confirmation announces that Christmas Day will be a holiday, which should be greatly enjoyed by everyone.

COMMANDTOWN M.P. BASKETBALL TEAM VS. RAMGARH—HERE, MONDAY, 4.30 P.M.

COMMANDTOWN M.P. VS. RAMGARH SOFTBALL TEAM—TUESDAY AT 4.30 P.M. HERE



# Editorial

Continuing our usual publicity custom we note at this time that on the 21st day of this month, some of you "real old-time G.I. Ramgarh veterans" will undoubtedly remember that 19-4 Theater will have a one year birthday. It was back in '43 at the theatrical opening when that great American showman, Joe E. Brown, was given an enthusiastic reception, that a movie film was first shown in that area.

What we really intend to put over at this writing as the first year observance gradually arrives here next week, and we honestly believe there won't be any stones cast either, is, with the approval of the powers that-be, to originate the 19-4 Theater with the name of "Uncle Dans" playhouse, in honor of our new India-Burma Commanding Gen., Lt. Gen. Dan I. SULTAN.

It seems evident enough at this time that a twin-brother theater name added to our present existing movie-house, that of Uncle Joe's, so named after our former theater boss, Gen. Joe STILWELL, would be a most appropriate move by those who are in such a position to make the plan a reality.

However, we at the publicity desk are only in the position to offer such ideas, and whatever is to be done, if anything, will solely be judged by the powers-that-be.

Coming at this time, when an anniversary is so near at hand, we do believe the idea to be a good one; in matter of fact that's why we intended in devoting a portion of the Editorial column in today's issue.

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FOR G. Is.

In a recently issued daily bulletin, we note with interest, that Christmas Day, one week from this coming Monday, has been declared a holiday for the G.I.'s at Camp Ramgarh.

This will afford the American soldiers days of rest on Sunday as well as on the following day, Christmas.

In recent issues we printed an Editorial centering on the phrase, "Watch the Chinese Calendar" in regard to Christmas being a Camp-wide holiday. So now we have the awaited answer, and let's be appreciative of the declaration of Christmas being a holiday this year.

## A HANUKAH CELEBRATION TO BE HELD

On Monday night, December 18th, at 7.45, there will be a Hanukah Celebration for all Jewish Officers and men at the S.O.S. Mess Hall. Chaplain Abraham Dubin of APO 465 will be our guest.



The old order changeth in the Song Service at Monsoon Inn. No more are there those comfortable easy chairs in the middle section; everybody now sits on benches and those in the wings are just as hard as those in the nave, so right and left wingers might just as well fill in at the center at tomorrow morning's service. There are now two Chaplains on the Post, and Father Binje comes regularly into Bulltown from Ranchi to conduct the Catholic service.

The weekly service on Sunday missed Chaplain Joseph Jenkins. He is at Post Hospital in the thought that something is wrong with him, and in the hope that the doctors will find what it is. Thus far from neither side has come any suggestion that the Chaplain may have a loose screw, so we shall hope to have him back soon. Meanwhile, his absence gave the Service congregation a chance to become acquainted with Chaplain Thomas I. LIGGETT, who preached a good sermon on "Three Principles of Living". The manner and delivery of the new and second Chaplain on the Post are pleasing and the sermon was an injunction for men to live by their faith in God under the practice of faith, hope and love. There was quite a Christmas setting Sunday and atmosphere for the Chaplain's address. Christmas hymns were sung and special music for the morning, combined by a series of Christmas carols were played by Miss Ellen Smith. Presiding Officer for the morning was Major Jimmie Cheng of the interpreters.

Announcements made at the service, too, focused on Christmas. One was that there is to be a regular weekly singfest in the local Red Cross room of the Post Hospital between now and the holiday season, in the thought of Xmas carols to be sung around the Camp on Christmas Eve. The Song Service, as such, has no plans for a Christmas party, but one of the announcements was that thru the month of December and possibly thru the first Sunday in January, there would be opportunity for attendants to contribute toward Christmas parties in the Rehabilitation and Post Hospitals. Contributions are not being solicited, but collection boxes will be at the doors of the Monsoon Inn each Sunday morning following the Service for those who want to aid in bringing a bit of good cheer into the lives of the patients who are spending their Christmas within hospital walls, and many of them a much longer time. This column is not asking any one for a contribution, but if you who do not attend the weekly Song Service are moved to join into the making of these Christmas parties, the Chaplains will receive your gifts, or they can be left, marked for the Monsoon Inn Song Service, at the Special Service Office.

## ✠ RELIGIOUS SERVICES ✠

### CATHOLIC MASS —

Sunday : 7.00 a.m. Chapel, Camp 17  
Chaplain Rev. J. Binje, Ranchi  
8.15 a.m. Building 11, 19/4 Area  
Rev. J. Binje

9.30 a.m. Chapel, Camp 17

Mass to be celebrated by the Bishop of Patna, the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. Sullivan, S.J. Bishop Sullivan, whose native State is Denver, Colorado, U.S.A., came to India in Oct. of 1924, and was made Bishop in March of 1929. He is the Chief Chaplain of American forces in India.

Tuesday : 7.00 p.m. Novena in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

### PROTESTANT —

Sunday : 9.30 a.m. Hospital Day Room  
10.30 a.m. Monsoon Inn Song Service

10.30 a.m. Chapel, Camp 17 —  
Service of the Latter Day Saints.

7.00 p.m. Chapel, Camp 17 —  
Vesper Service.  
Chaplain T.I. Liggett  
Chaplain J.H. Jenkins

### JEWISH —

Friday : 7.00 p.m. Chapel, Camp 17 —  
Sabath Eve Service.

The New Vesper Service will be held regularly at the post Chapel.

In addition to the promise of Christmas carols by members of the Song Service and the singer at the Hospital, the Catholic church-goers are planning midnight carols at their service on Christmas eve, and on Christmas night there will be a number of parties about the Post, when those who are so disposed can make merry. It is not too early for this column to wish the post a Merry Christmas, not too late to remind it that He in whose name we celebrate the season was a gift of the Love of God which Chaplain LIGGETT was preaching in his last sermon. What man is there among us who does not have much to make him rejoice. Out of the gifts which he has received and out of the joys of his soul, let him resolve to gain much in joy and satisfaction by losing some of what he has thru giving it for the joy of others. Gaining thru losing sounds like a foolish sort of process, but it seems to work for many.

I am poor ; obligation have I none,  
None for a Savior but Himself alone  
What'er I render Thee from Thee it came ;  
And if I give my body to the flame,  
My patience, love and energy divine  
Of heart and soul and spirit all are Thine.  
Oh vain attempt to expurge the mighty  
score !

The more I pay, I owe Thee still the more.



# WORLD NEWS DIGEST

## ARMY NEWS SERVICE

**Washington** — The Associated Press of America said the latest official figures (up to two or three weeks ago) show that the Allied armies have captured at least 730,749 prisoners on the Western Front since June 6. It added that the total is now probably thousands greater.

**Washington** — More than 24,000 German prisoners of war reached the United States last month, the War Department reports.

The total of all nationalities of war prisoners in this country as of December 1 was 359,247. That total is made up of 305,648 Germans, 51,156 Italians and 2,443 Japanese.

**New York** — The Associated Press said Sir Marshall Williams Bishop of Canada has predicted airplane speeds of over 1000 miles per hour within the next five years. He told reporters that "everything is obsolete compared to what is coming in the way of jet propulsion and rocket planes, and possibly a combination of both."

**Perth, Australia** — The Associated Press of America reported Donald M. Nelson, Personal Representative of President Roosevelt, has arrived here by plane from China. It also said he was proceeding to Canberra, the Australian capital, to confer with Australian Government officials.

**Washington** — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has approved president Roosevelt's four State Department nominations — Joseph C. Grew as Under Secretary of State and Archibald McLeish, Nelson A. Rockefeller and William L. Clayton as Assistant Secretaries of State in charge of Public and Cultural Affairs, Relations with the American Republics and Foreign Economic Affairs respectively.

**Washington** — An American press service said the Commerce Department has warned that the tight sugar situation in the United States may curtail refinery operations. It said it was not clear whether cuts for consumers are in prospect.

**Atlanta** — A cold wave gripped much of the southeast last Thursday and brought snow flurries from Tennessee to the Gulf coast as the weather bureau indicated subfreezing temperatures through last Thursday night over a large area. Snow fell last Wednesday in Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee with precipitation heavy in Birmingham although it turned quickly to slush. Alabama had brief flurries last Saturday, but Wednesday's was the first fall of the season for Mississippi.

**Hamilton, Bermuda** — Protests from local merchants over the loss of business caused the House of Assembly to reverse itself last Tuesday on the question of a 6 PM curfew for U.S. Naval personnel because of alleged misbehavior. After Morris A. Gibbons charged American sailors on shore of "criminal misconduct" the curfew was imposed. But the salons have since been bombarded with complaints from merchants who missed the American dollars of free-spending gobs. The House resolved that the conduct of U.S. sailors on the whole was "exemplary," and Gibbons said his remarks were intended for only "the tiniest percentage" of personnel. Thus far, however, there is no sign of the curfew being lifted.

**Washington** — Cigarettes may be packaged once more with aluminium foil and cellophane, the War Production Board ruled early this week. It said that packing materials now are plentiful even if their contents are not.

**New York** — Civilians will not be able to purchase boxes of Christmas cigars this year. The Cigar Institute of America reveals 91,000,000 cigars a month are now earmarked for the armed forces. Of these, 51,000,000 go overseas and 32,000,000 to Army post exchanges, ships' stores and other domestic military installations.

**London** — Prime Minister Churchill was 70 years old last Thursday.

**Dallas** — Cpl. Fritz Zivic stopped Manuel Villa in the sixth round of a bout here to defend the Texas middleweight title.

**New York** — Walter Winchell said in his last Sunday night's broadcast that Noel Coward has sent him a cable apologizing for his slur on Brooklyn in his recent book, "Middle East Diary." The cable said in part, "Just deeply sorry that any offense was construed from my book particularly by the good people of Brooklyn and I hope that my sincere and lifelong friendship for America, so often expressed, will be taken into consideration."

**London** — Authorities have listed 71 persons dead or missing and three others injured in an earthquake-like explosion of an RAF dump at Burton on Trent in the Midlands last Monday. The village vanished as the blast shook the country-side, killed hundreds of farm animals and left the area for miles around looking like a battlefield. Unofficial estimates place the deaths as high as 250. Authorities said the explosion was not directly to enemy action.

**Washington** — President Roosevelt overhauled the State Department top command last week by nominating Joseph C. Grew, former Ambassador to Japan, to be Undersecretary of State. Accepting the surprise resignations of three Assistant Secretaries and naming three new Assistants, he also announced there will be other "Strengthening" changes, the UP said. Some reorganization had been anticipated since Secretary Edward R. Stettinius took the place of Cordell Hull but none so sweeping as these moves which saw the President accept the resignations of Assistant Secretaries Adolf A. Berle, G. Howland Shaw and Breckinridge Long and appoint William L. Clayton, Archibald MacLeish and Nelson A. Rockefeller to succeed them.

**Chicago** — Vice-President Henry A. Wallace said earlier this week in a speech reported by UP that American newspapers should have taught the American people the truth of the Russian revolution "from the very start," but he added, "We were not told the truth and as a result we very nearly lost our national life. Publishers didn't read the signs of the times correctly. They didn't try hard enough to find out what was going on in the world." Wallace spoke at a dinner for publisher Marshall Field on the third anniversary of his founding of the Chicago Sun.

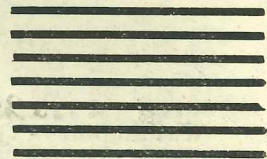
**Washington** — Capt. Maurice L. (Footsie) Britt, former University of Arkansas and Detroit Lions football star, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, thus becoming the nation's first hero to win the Army's three highest decorations. The WD announced the DSC was awarded for "extraordinary heroism" last January 24th near Camp Morto, Italy, where he lost his right arm and suffered other wounds. He won the Silver Star at Acerno last September for single-handedly knocking out a German machine gun nest and won the Congressional Medal of Honor two months later for almost single-handedly stopping a German counter-attack near Mount Rotundo.

**Washington** — Chief Justice Edward C. E. E. of the District of Columbia Federal Court, who had been presiding at the mass sedition trial throughout its stormy course begun April 17, died suddenly last Wednesday night at his home in nearby Alexandria, Va. The 65-year old former Iowa congressman's death left in doubt the fate of the frequently delayed prosecution of 27 persons for allegedly conspiring to disaffect the loyalty of the armed forces and to set up a Nazi form of government in this country.





# Meet the Gang!



## BAR FLY ORDNANCE



*Oregon's Chronicle by Whatcha Know Joe*

About this time every year we are told in our daily papers that there are just so many shopping days before Christmas. We would like to put a new slant on the old story. We take this opportunity to remind you that you have only 227 more days before rotation.

**New Club Officers:** With the reorganization of the club under the new charter new officers were elected to assume the duties formerly carried out by Lt. Cutler and 1st Sgt. "Mother Superior" Trehane. T/Sgt. Robinson was elected President; Dan Martin, Vice President; Charley Brown, Secretary; Earl Canter, Treasurer and Lou Mattil, Sgt.-at-arms.

The new officers have already demonstrated that their promise of more activity in the club was not merely campaign

material. There was swimming in the club early Monday morning.

Those antlers enhancing the main room of the club are the trophies of August Lawson's recent hunting trip mounted by Frank Schlapia and Gene Killian.

Due to an earlier deadline it was impossible for us to congratulate the boys on the ball team for the brilliant way they finished the first half of the season. In the finale, which was the ninth straight victory, Stan Plotkin scooted all over the infield to rob S.O.S. out of well earned hits. Let's continue that streak!

We finally learned why "Chief" Meyers came into the supply Room to draw a spark gap. It seems the one he had was always setting fire to the cleaning solvent. Now don't you guys call him "Fire Chief"!

Why does Tom Forrest wear that crash helmet in the bodyshop? Do Yoder, Gegan and Allen sling a mean hammer, or does he use his head for a dallie?

Joe Mosgrove has finally become a victim of the kickapov juice. That African stuff has him mumbling gumbo gumbo.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Capt. Hicks for his thoughtfulness in taking enlisted men from the company on his nightly hunting trips.

We can't see why the Roundup made such a fuss over the G.I. having a date with the Princess of Monaco! Clarence Peachey has been dating the Queen of the Paddies weekly.

It was deep in the Hazabar jungle, the jack lights were sweeping the areas adjacent to the truck when suddenly a pair of eyes flashed one hundred yards to the front.

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## THUMB-NAIL DESCRIPTION OF A BAR-ELY

Cpl. Chester Derybowski came into the Army from East Chicago, Ind., on the southern end of Lake Michigan. He arrived at Fort Ben Harrison on the 1st of January 1943, and was shipped to Camp Lee for his basic the following week. In February Chet was shipped to Fort Crooke, Neb., for training in motor school, and became a member of a newly-activated company on that post. His company was shipped to Fort Connelly, Ga., in September and by October he was on the high seas.

Chet landed in Africa where he did Ordnance work for a few weeks, then boarded ship again. Soon the shooting started. All we can say is that he knows what Jerry dive bombers look like in action. He was on the train to Big Town last Christmas and by August he was a full-fledged member of the Bar-Fly Ord.

Back in East Chicago, Chet went to Washington High where he played football, baseball and basketball. He was also a member of the swimming team. Upon being graduated he went to work in a foundry while awaiting Uncle Sam's call. After a year and one-half he not only became a finisher but a starter in the army.

Chester's mother and dad are still living in East Chicago. His father is Chief of Police. He has one sister, married. He writes quite often to a fair-haired girl name Elaine Cherek.

He is undecided about the future except for one thing—it doesn't include the Army. He expects to be home by Christmas of next year but doesn't expect the war to end until sometime in 1948 (Ed: Oh my chairborne back!)



*by Pvt. Day*

If any of you fellows are interested in a Tour thru the Bazaar, Pvt. GRIENER is conducting them daily.

Has anyone seen GRISSOM? Maybe he is still out looking for that Christmas Tree.

We have presiding with us a new member in the Chaplain Corp. We welcome you to our congration "Chaplain Smith". Captain Smith is better known as the "Sheriff" in these here parts.

Promotions of the week T/5's SZI-GETI & McHaney also Corporal CZARNIK promoted to Sergeant.

Congratulations to all you men.

I suppose you fellows noticed there wasn't anyone around taking pictures of that big deer Lt. YOCKEL shot a few days ago. Do you actually believe it was really a deer Lt.? We heard reports that someone was missing a goat out that 'way. Pvt. CARPENTER passed the remark that the pelt might make one pair of gloves.

Cpl. "Pop" SIMPSON is trying to secure a three-day pass to meet a certain someone in Cowville, I believe, in the shade of the old apple tree, mentioned at least once in that letter. Better take a few blankets along, Pop, you may have to wait quite a while. It gets very cold sometimes.

Cpl. Mike SHELTON is being issued a Command Car. Don't ask him for a ride to Cowville, he already has a load. Of course. Mike has a load quite often — too, long in India, I guess.

I say, ALLEY, ol' boy, ho' do you feel? Did you have a good time at the Donce, ol' chop?

To all you fellows, wherever you are, that departed with C.T.C.C.: We regretted very much to see you leave us. We hope you are as well situated as you were here. All the boys and myself wish you the best of luck and drop a few lines now and then.

### TIPS ABOUT YOUR EQUIPMENT

**RIFLE** — A weapon whose weight increases in proportion to the number of miles it is carried.

**MACHINEGUN** — A gun invented by a fellow who stuttered.

**HAVERSACK** — A bag that has to carry twice as much as it was made to hold. Discovered by the Sad Sack.

**REGULATIONS SHOES** — Turkish bath for the feet.

**G.I. UNIFORM** — A pup tent with pockets and too many buttons.

**A HAT** — A cover to keep your hair in place while going to see your date.

**BAYONET** — A rifle with a fixed purpose.

**BLITZ BUGGY** — A motorcycle with ambition.

**TARGET** — A safety zone where Rookies are shooting.

**JEEP** — The Jitterbug of the Army.

**PEEP** — Jeep's little brother.

**TANKS** — Your welcome.



## AND THE HAIR JUST FLEW

The Clinton, Ohio tool and die maker is credited with some pretty original remarks that strike the funny bone quite often. "Is he giving you a bad time?", "And the hair just flew", are kind of flat sounding in print but in the daily chatter and mock battle of words that resounds from the tented garages they have a flavor that sets the serious-most-minded into roars.

This time it's Pfc. Dave **GOLDFARB** (and not his pigeons) that takes flight for home. The Ross street, Brooklyn Private returns to Shangri-La under conditions not at all envious. His father seriously ill, Dave left Monday morning aboard Army transport plane on the six-day jaunt that will put him in his back yard in one tenth the time it took him to reach these arid hills. Long a member of the Pigeons Company, "Goldie" will be missed by his many friends.

Sgt. Harold NICHOLL returns to his first love, "railroading" with the writing of this column. The pipe smoking, sandy haired Utah family man, ends close to three years as a Pigeonier in being reassigned to duties that are far more urgent. Among the many of the recently reassigned and departed, "Nick" will stand high for his quiet good humor and efficient handling of duties leaves a pleasant afterglow in the opinion of all who dealt with him.

From the shadows of the Taj Mahal and the Washington of India, Cpl. Howard "Sob" LEONARD once again gives a two-page typed report that has playboy pigeoneers anxious to be assigned to that vicinity. Noted best for his humorous descriptions and entanglements, the Carolina Corporal has lost none of his touch in his new environs. Howard says, "All the fellows that came up here usually gather around at some place each night and shoot the bull for an hour or two. We don't live far apart and we have access to bicycles that help in getting around".

Only Pfc. George SCHLACHTER'S fumbling with the catch on his eight-inch jungle knife kept Brooklyn's Cpl. Johnny "Shorty" MUELLER from getting its depth from being buried between his shoulder blades the other night. The pigeon company area long plagued by the

## HOSPITAL REPORTS

## NATIONAL PARK'S GAG MAN

## HOOT'S HEARTACHES

The silence in tent row one was occasioned by the absence of Rostock street's Cpl. Andy "Hoot" MUSKARDIN. On temporary duty in Calcutta, we'll wager that Andy used up quite a bit of hotel stationery writing to his beloved Grace of Minneapolis.

Sgt. Lou MANFRE has all the aspects of one of Barnum's sideshow barkers as he calls roll each morning at his new post in Quartermaster Salvage. Troubled by the phonetics of native names like Sukan-murha, Dunwhamunda, Pekanghasee, etc., the Long Island Sgt. has rechristened his crew of ten and twelve-year olds with the titles of American celebrities such as ISH KABIBBLE, TYRONE POWER, etc. Morning roll call sounds like the Disney studio as the dusky leather polishers sound off in proud tones.

**This week as "Little Louie" sojourns in Calcutta on special duty, Detroit taxidermist Sgt. Eddie KOWALSKY, cracks the whip over the crew of little men.**

After a heartbreaking loss to C.T. & C.C. last week (after a 5-0 lead), the Pigeoneers started clicking again by taking the measure of Rainbow Ordnance of the first division.

With the score tied in the seventh, BUTTRY stopped the pot of gold boys dead in their tracks by tagging out the runner on his way to second and then throwing home to catcher Ray THOMAS to cut off the winning run. The fast double play led the way for new life to the tied up game.

FRAZER walked and was sacrificed to second by GLENN. A long single by BOGERT sent Sgt. Frazer home with what proved to be the winning run of the game. A wild throw to second added

Bielawa pitched and was well supported by batsmen CHMIOLA and LOESING who garnered two hits apiece. Pieper's defensive play was outstanding and all in all, the team flashed its old form to get back into the win column.

Sgt. Lyle GLINN heads the ball club as manager now.....Pfc. Bill LANDESMAN has that naked look since he shaved off his Ronald Coleman moustache.....Bill GREGORY writes from Agra to say that only the food was as good as in Pigeon City. Everything else is "out of this world" to paraphrase Bill..Sgt. Jack KLUEBER has passed the "Board" and his physical and anxiously awaits orders to return to the good old U.S. for Officers' Candidate School..Cpl. Joe BINDER steps into the oft vacated post of mail orderly these days..Sgt. Lou BARTNIKOWSKI is blue these days. And that's true in more ways than one. He's painted blue for a skin infection and he yearns to see the youngster whose picture he flashes at the slightest provocation..Have Southbridge's Pvt. Norman CAPISTRAND tell you the story of "LOVER'S DILEMMA" some time. It's as funny as it is amazing.."My mother has the feel, wedding bells I'll never hear" is a pretty appropriate tune for Newton Upper Falls, Jimmy CRONIN, these days..S/Sgt. Merle CARLSEN is back to "coolie pushin'" these frigid tropical mornings again..Sgt. Tommy COSTELLO has had his Army allowance augmented considerably of late. The good-looking Misses was the lucky winner of a thousand bucks in a church raffle recently..LOWELL, Arkansas's Pfc. Kenneth MAIN reports back to duty after hospitalization for three weeks. The quiet, well liked Main was missed by his motor-pool buddies at their morning campfire..Pfc. Kenneth LOEW who used to be affiliated with the National Dollar Stores on the Pacific coast remembered his many friends in the U.S., with Christmas gifts of genuine ivory chop sticks...Twenty-five pairs to be exact... Nimble fingers of Cpl. Carmen SARVIANO, that strum the banjo and guitar, are pretty adept of late in engraving on metal that Carmen has been doing for some of the souvenir collecting boys... Sgt. John ROWAN had a good laugh recently when he received a letter from his rationing board requesting a report as to his gas possessions..

**"MAC" LOSES HEAVY-WEIGHT CROWN**

It has been reported to the reportorial staff, through well-informed circles, that the Ping-Pong King of the Officers' Club has been dethroned. His defeat was not handed to him by an out-of-Camp-towner either, but we will disclose the initials for your satisfaction — they are B.Y., and if you smart fellas can't figure this one out, then we plainly advise you to take a gander around the Hospital area sometime. That's answer enough.



# RAINBOW ORDNANCE

by Cpl. Wally Farris

It's told around the barrack that Queenie now grieves of a broken heart since a certain T/5 subscribed to the lonely hearts club. But why pick on IDAPENCES girl friend, VIRGIL? Now Roy can't even walk the tracks without a guilty conscience.

Could it be this mid-winter's madness that caused T/5 ROGERS to run around the shop area with only one shoe on? And were you baying or howling, John?

Looks like NYMAN has gone native with that head dress. That's what I call rootin' for the home team.

GUIDOUX celebrates his?? birthday with the aid of his ever faithful following; top feature of the evening's entertainment was Ming Toy YOUNG, virtuoso of the magic flute rendering (meaning to tear apart) his own de-composition "Too Long in India."

There seems to be a "Short Sheet" fiend in our midst. To the outsider, said Sheet is a trick administered to the bed make-up that makes it impossible for normal legged people to retire without first remaking. POPPALARDO is the first guy I've seen who can't be short sheeted. Believe me, I had to make mine over. "Deke" tried the impossible, but did you ever see a giraffe get into a pup tent?

"Windy" HARTSELL, who usually sends the *Bull Sheet* home, will be surprised to know that his own buddies have unknowingly exposed his well camouflaged trips into the wilds and under the pretence of "nature study."

Now that PRUSKIN is corresponding with Luke's girl friend, ex-boyfriend John expects a letter saying to transfer the picture to the Pen Pals shelf.

Have you seen KOCH crack the whip at his fire-wood crew (who also drive truck) LEWIS, CAUTHORN and IDAPENCE? That's getting in on De-tail end!

## BAR-FLY ORDNANCE — (contd. from p. 4)

The truck stopped, Herman Oemcke took careful aim and slowly started to squeeze, squeeze. Thoughts of tiger or sambue or bear raced through his mind. Suddenly the animal bared it's teeth raised it's shoulders and took a deepbreath and — "M o o o o o o —"

Old Fred Allen has handed in his resignation as head bartender at Buffermans. It interferes with his jitterburgging at the Audrey House.

Who was that gentleman that kind of nudged a GMC with a motorcycle one day recently?

Tom Fell has put in a requisition for five gallons of red paint and seventy-five feet of fire hose, now that he has his siren hooked up.

How about making "Chief" Meyer assistant driver in charge of the fire bell.

Lt. "soap gets in my eyes" PETHTEL admits he's bucking for anything — and that's covering lots of territory.

Late predictions: Home no more in forty four; Still alive in forty five; Out of the sticks in forty six; Back to heaven in forty-seven; and Section VIII in forty-eight!

Need money? Are your Christmas funds low? Let BOUR BAKSHEESH LOAN INC. solve your financial problems.

GOLDBERG retires to Road Side Inn to sacrifice his Softball career. Miracles will never cease, they say, but HURTS nose hasn't changed a bit. "Frenchie" (the great profile) gives up his dream of transformation too.

Did you know we have a good company? And do you know what it takes to make a good one? The answer lies in teamwork. Capt. GRAHAM has built up a smooth working unit thru process of elimination and scientific organization.

His unceaseless efforts have moulded a deep feeling of respect and confidence in the hearts of men one year in India. His able staff of officers: Lieutenants RABALAIS, BERRY, GARDINEER, O'KEEFE, and Mr. TROUTMAN deserve due praise in supervising the work, from the top non-com down to the lowly mail clerk. Last but not least — the one man who bears the brunt of everything; the most most misunderstood, most hated, most loved, jack-of-all-trades, consoler, sympathizer, adviser and disher-outer, our own First Sergeant Charles ZEBROWSKI. Now if you'll pardon me while I powder my nose.

"The House That LANE Built" used to be a deep dark secret, is now — Open house! It's still Deep and Dark, but no longer secret. What charm posseth that with the magnetic personality, who draweth an ever-growing multitude into yon den?

HOSPITAL: The gang join me in wishing you a speedy recovery, KETCHAM.

Salaam

## RAFFLE WINNERS OF PHOTO ASKED TO PICK UP SAME

The winners of the raffle for photographic paper, held this week, are kindly urged to pick up same at the Special Service Office.

Winners included the following:

F 2 Rs. 5/2/- ea  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  — Prices stated are for 500 sheets (500 sheets per man)

Capt. Gilbert Tramm	
S/Sgt. Jack R. Case	
T/Sgt. D.J. Carr	Rainbow Ord.
Pvt. Deward Hooper	S.O.S.
T/5 Francis Cain	Rainbow Ord.
Capt. J.P. Lowe	R.T.C.
T/3 Stanley J. Ruchala	Rainbow Ord.
Donald G. Lint	Rainbow Ord.

F 4 Rs. 5/4/- ea  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  — Prices stated are for 500 sheets (500 sheets per man)

T/5 Carl A. Witherspoon	Pigeoneers
Sgt. Joe Harness	Pigeoneers
Pfc. Joe L. Barlasani	Rainbow Ord.
Lt. Harold S. Fish	S.O.S.

F 4 Rs. 6/12/- ea  $2\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  — Prices stated are for 500 sheets (500 sheets per man)

Pfc. Russell Sapp	Pigeoneers
Pfc. Stanley Rys	Pigeoneers
Pvt. Merritt R. Smith	Rainbow Ord.
T/5 Walter H. Wilkin	S.O.S.

F 4 Rs. 3/13/- ea  $1\frac{7}{8} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$  — Prices stated are for 500 sheets (500 sheets per man)

Cpl. Oral Clark	R.T.C.
T/4 George Rosson	Bar-Fly Ord.

## G.I.s GO GA-GA

(cont. from page 1)

you won't forget for sometime to come. If it's a show that consists of music, laughter and fast gags, just that kind of a show is making its 2nd apperance tonight.

This afternoon the gals will chat with the patients at the Post Hospital, and during their short but well-appreciated stay at Ramgarh, the unit staged a short program over Station VU2ZT.

The post mess halls played hosts to the troupe also, as the gals dined with the G.Is. at their meals.

This unit, which todate has given over 250 performances in C.B.I.-land since September, has played in every out-of-the-way stop-over imaginable, ranging from way-stations along the Ledo Road to being the first U.S.O. show to give a performance in embattled Myitkyina.

We were indeed glad to welcome the show's advance man, Paul Benson, early this week, for it has been Cpl. Benson who has so graciously dished out the routine of the show's program to your Editor. Thanks again old boy for the visit.

Mr. Soong, director of the chinese "Y", put up a real Chinese banquet last Sunday for the boys of the outfit. Among those present were Zeb Casey, Tom Hefernan, Dan Martin, Jack Smith and Kev McGowan of Rainbow; Lou Mattil, Charley Brown, Bob Rafferty of the Vets. and Gombey Forgeron.

John Vasut, the Texas sheep- herder tells us there is much to be made in wool gathering these days.

To make up for the times his name hasn't been in the *Bull Sheet*, we write — Alvad Semrow, Alvad Semrow, Alvad Semrow, Alvad Semrow, Alvad Semrow.

Whom has Plotkin been oiling since he took over Hollebrand's job? A call came over the line asking for Sgt. Pluto.





■ Quoth Lum W. CHEW, "This hair oil we used today—ya know, that red Sirppy stuff—really smells good." Yeh, Lum. with a smell like this we ought to be able to go a day without a bath.

■ If your food doesn't satisfy; if your service is not de luxe, why just call T/4 BRANNON. Brannon, out of the goodness of his heart (or was it?) volunteered, by special request, to be one of our mess sergeants. "Late to bed and early to rise makes a poor cook", he says.

■ Once again comes highlights of T/5 "Commando" BOWMAN. The other night he went on one of his usual Night Problems with compass in his left hand, a flashlight in his right and three rupees in his pocket. Did you reach your objective that night, "Commando"?

■ Congratulations to T/4 CRESCENT who has just been promoted from T/5. Looks as if Lt. WATKINS is on the ball.

■ It seems that barracks No. 12 continue to discuss the latest works of famed Sgt. GEORGE. What's the secret of his writings, WINN?

■ T/4 SHALOY & Sgt. SCHATTNER have been "going steady" for the last six months. What's the matter, Shaloy, won't he say "Yes"?

■ I don't know why T/Sgt. MONIUS went into "Cowville" last Sunday. Perhaps it was to get away from it all (after Saturday night) or to show some British kids how to use a sling shot. Yes, he was demonstrating to them how he used to do it back in the States. There was, however, the "governors" house nearby during all this demonstration with the fairer sex looking on. Could it be that he didn't care if the kids were paying any attention to him or not? Where'd you go afterwards, Sarge?

■ Have you noticed the darker shading of T/4 Joe BITETTO'S upper lip? Looks as if Clark Gable is to have competition. What does the wife think of such brushes, Joe?

■ T/4 LEWIS claims he can drink any man in the C.B.I. under the table. What happened last Sunday evening; did they have a head start?

■ Quoth MUDD, "I'll bet any amount of money I can do it".

■ "Pappy" STIARS and Joe MARTIN were left holding the bag again last week when ratings came out. Looks as if you two will just have to sweat out rotations as privates. Sorry, boys.

■ Quoth Sgt. HARNESS, "My girlfriend gets a thrill out of seeing my name

in the Bull Sheet". Yes, but does this pay dividends? if so, I'll tell you who put it here.

■ Two weeks ago some of the Armored Force personnel took advantage of a chance to visit the Falls some 50 miles from here; everyone enjoyed himself to the fullest with fun, food and liquid refreshment. Many snap-shots were taken, but I'll bet my next month's rupees that some of those pictures will never reach Stateside; how about that "Chief"? T/4 MCCOLLOUGH thought he was lighter than air-ship and took off from the top of the truck only to make a perfect three-point landing a second later; now he's walking around with scabs on his nose, chin and knee. T/4 Dewey CARRUTH was holding his own with a bottle of dynamite (cf "almost" the same name but his fuse went haywire towards the end; were you tired, Dewey? T/5 REID had the "Indian Love Call" on his mind and the last time I looked at him she was on his lap; can she cook too, Reid? The trip was staged under the able leadership of Lt. St. JOHN; our thanks go to him for a swell time and lot of fun.

■ T/5 Harold CLARK is one man who believes in getting his money's worth out of the mess hall; he is the only man I know who can eat three full meals at one sitting, and then move on to another table, because he got only four helpings of sweets from the bearer. How do you manage to live in between meals, Clark, or is that where the canteens come in?

■ T/5 LAMBERT, Pfc. GORMAN and T/5 GAGLIANO make a humorous threesome—especially when they practice dancing. Lambert and Gorman dance together to the vocal accompaniment of Gagliano.

■ T/5 CONCHOLA, who is known by one and all as "Lover", has finally revealed the secret of his success with the women. Said Conchola, "I'm from Texas and that speaks for itself." That's a surprise; we thought you were from Iowa or we would not have asked.

■ Congratulations to the six men wearing an extra stripe this week—Sgt. Vernon SMITH, T/4s AMBRO, FLYNN, MANUEL, GARCIA and CRESCENT. You can rest assured that you were lucky.

■ S/Sgts. ERIKSEN and TUROCY are in Bigtown giving their capable support to the local basketball team. Let's start the season with another victory!

■ We regret the loss of T/5 SCARPELLI from the Tank Maintenance School. Though he won't be back, we'll long remember that ever-present smile.

■ HOBBYIST OF THE WEEK—Lt. Col. Joseph A. TRENT who collects the rare gems of India. I'll bet Mrs. Trent approves of this hobby.

■ Lt. Col. Raymond D. WOODS has returned to take up his duties as Executive Officer.

■ No kidding, ZONCK, you've almost talked me into buying a few shares of Coco Cola! (Honest, I've received no "tip" from Coco Cola for this plug.)

■ Contributions, oral or written, are welcomed for the column.

■ NOTE TO SHANGRI-LA DRAFT BOARDS—POTTORFF, OSWALD, BOWERSON AND DOTSON have Xmas cards for you, reading: "Season's greetings from India; wish you were here".

■ There are only six more shopping days till Xmas!



"He won his election bet!"



"When I want your advice I'll ask you for it!"



"Gee, mom! I'd rather hear the wild cheers of thousands in a stadium than the polite hand clapping of a few people at a piano concert!"



"I think you can get away with it Madam...I barely heard you groan."



# MOTOR SCHOOL Screws

by S/lt. L.T. Cannon

■ Congratulations are in order for the following enlisted men who were promoted to the following grades :

BARLOW to Sgt.  
CONDIT to Sgt.  
MATHEWS to T/4  
MEYER to Sgt.  
ORSA to Sgt.  
CHRYLER to T/4  
DUFF to T/4  
ERIKSEN to T/4  
GAYLE to T/4  
JERRED to T/4  
JANERO to T/4  
McCANN to T/4  
SHIRLEY to T/4

■ The big news of the week is that one softball team traveled to APO 630 over the week-end and split a twin bill. First game was lost to the opposition 2 to 1, but we came back in the nightcap to win 6 to 1. RUSHING and BARNEY each pitched a good game.

■ After a long tough trip the boys claim we should be well satisfied with Ramgarh, as they are reported to live a rugged life in that part of India. What impressed our boys was the great distance between areas. Another bad impression was made by the bar closing at 7:30 after our boys arrived at 7:25. Lt. FIELD repeatedly made a big deal in welding rods, which should nominate him as the real winner of the entire trip. A few of the more select members traveled by jeep, the rest pounded their epidermis flat in the backend of a G.M.C.

■ The cigarette shortage has grown more acute, and lucky is the man with Luckies, Camels or Chesterfields. The current favorites are Old Golds and Pall Malls. From all indications the home folks are worse off than we are, as they are forming in line all over the States to get any kind of cigarettes. Imagine your best gal smoking a pipe or a stogie!

■ Our friend H. TOWLSON of Chester, Penna., really needs a little practice at being C.Q. Seems he struck the flag at the top of the pole, and the aforementioned pole had to be cut down to remove the flag. Towlson claims that R.T.C. needed a new flagpole anyhow.

■ John H. SMITH, our satellite from Akron, Ohio, is now in the welding business. He can do any type of welding, including the fabrication of the gas tanks. Anyone on the post, who is in need of tanks, contact Smithy at Motor Pool No. 2.

## SIDELIGHTS —

■ New arrival at 6000 mile in the form of T/4 CRAWFORD, transferred from M.M. Dept.—Mike BURULIA back to 6000 mile, bad feet and all —STACKNIK

learning new routes and getting lost on road test — Lt.-Col. BARNABY requesting DUFF to get a haircut, and Duff getting 2 haircuts to make a good impression — TOWLSON, PRITCHARD, DAVIS and HUMMEL out for an afternoon walk up the R.R. track — Lt.-Col. Barnaby learning to grow mushrooms thru remote control — Lt.-Col. WYLIE sporting a new jeep — Les DAVIS sporting new bench, after wearing the old one out in three months — WALDO making daily trips to the hospital with ailing eyes, and Willie DAVIS hooked by the hookworm — BILYEU, "the Kentucky Flash", experimenting with beer can-openers — Jack BENKO returning unexpectedly from Ledo — MARTINEZ heading south with a case of beer — FIEDERMAN recounting his experience as a tobacco magnet on Broadway, N.Y.C. — SHULTZ sporting new Xmas present photo of wife and daughter — PETERSON being advised by fortune-teller of a short stay in India — OSTAPCHUK Zipping off 8 pages to his gal friend — GRIMBERG, DAVEY and "Mad Russian" BOVANKOVICH off for a big hunt and returning with a bobcat. The big prize, a panther, got away as per usual — High-flying HAYS, an original Air Corps man, being grounded for 90 days — "Short Cut" BILYEN getting lost in H.—CRISP, being aroused for rest periods by MATSON, — SHAW and REECE being told to appear in complete uniform by inspecting officer at Gaya — News from Chicago, that CASEY has arrived at home and is having a good time — "Big Deal" Van BLARCUM being paged at movie for a date with the Swing Hao Band — CARTER, supposedly a rugged New Englander, wearing gloves to and from work — "Father" John VOGT coming out on the short end of a bout with a door and really taking it on the chin — TANNER returning from the big city and looking almost like a civilian again — SHOPENE now the "Swivel Chair King" — ETCHECOPAR, and his love for the classics — "Lou" AGLIATIS, the greatest actor and catcher in India — SPERLING asleep all the way to and from Gaya, and having a unenjoyable trip, because he forgot his typewriter — R.S.W., Chicago's donation to India, now has a new name "Frank" — CHIN, the dancer, thinking of ordering top dancing shoes — GAYLE wearing cartridge belt in lieu of a girdle to keep that girlish figure — JANERO and McCANN dreaming nightly of N.H. and Ala. — THAT'S A L.

# DING TEEK SCANDALS

The improvements and redecorations of the club are moving along at a speed unheard of in India. Credit, bonus and salaams must be given to S/Sgt. LUKINS, engineer-in-charge. Everything will be ready by Christmas when the Christmas party will be given for the members. The affair will be held on Dec. 24th from 1800 to 2300 hours. Men who were members before Sept. of 1944 will be awarded a 20/- rupee book, before Oct., a 15/- rupee book while those who were members since November and December will draw a ten-rupee book.

A new bartender is seen around the club these days. His name is T/5 Cherubino PETTE and seems as if he may have tended bar before.

Lots of the members are wondering why Buck Matson has earned the title of "Cliff Dweller" MATSON.

"Hatless Hexom" (Snafu of the Rodeo) cleaned the poker game on the night before he left camp.

Carey TODD unlike Diogenes is not searching with a lantern for an honest man. He is looking for a dishonest Hindu with a kerosene lamp.

We are glad to see T/Sgt. DUNCAN and Frenchie DOUCET out of hospital.

S/Sgt. M.N. GREEN refuses to disclose his whereabouts of the entire Friday night of a week ago. He is crying for council and legal help.

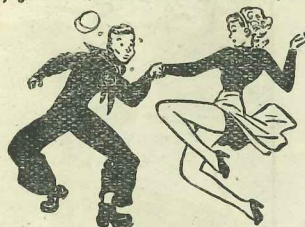
The entertainment committee is endeavoring to book T/Sgt. MUDD to perform for the edification and enlightenment of the members. His "Blue-Flame Special" should be a spectacular show ????

Los Angeles. — Federal Judge C.E. Beaumont has awarded actress Madeline Carol \$5,074 to compensate her for income tax deductions she claimed for caring for her parents and 51 French orphans she took into her summer home near Paris in 1938. She had sued for \$9,000.

## Male Call

THE NAVY'S SHIP AND AIRCRAFT NOMENCLATURE IS OFTEN CONFUSING TO LANDSMEN... SINCE SAILORS THINK OF THEIR SHIPS AS FEMALES, THIS CHART WILL MAKE IT SIMPLER TO UNDERSTAND SOME OF THOSE GROUPS OF LETTERS...

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DD (DANCING DEVIL) A FAST OPERATOR... SHE'LL ROLL YOU IF YOU DON'T LOOK LIVELY



PT (PARTY TYPE) SHE LIKES TO GO PLACES AND DO THINGS... SHE STAYS UP TILL THE SUN GOES DOWN!

SS (SILENT SENDER) WHEN YOU GO OUT WITH HER SHE HOLDS YOU SO CLOSE YOU SELDOM EVEN COME UP FOR AIR!

by Milton Caniff, creator

MILTON CANIFF



# CHANN & CARROLL, CYCLE TWINS, ROCK RAMGARH AT 2ND EXHIBITION

"Dare-devil tactics in any man's country," was the opinion expressed by hundreds of G.I.'s who attended last week's return engagement of Ramgarh's foremost motor cyclist, Cpl. Stephen C. CHANN, native of Bridgeton, New Jersey.

Mudville League Stadium might have been in clouds of dust during most of the brilliant and daring cycle exhibition; however, there wasn't a single person who went away from the ball park that hadn't got his both eyes filled with the many dangerous and unbelievable stunts exhibited by Ace Chann.

T/Sgt. Bill CARROLL, assisting Chann in the twin-act, looked like a professional as he performed his daring tactics.

Ramgarh is still hopeful for a third appearance of the two cycle performers in the very near future, since anyone will agree that the two performances to date certainly deserve still another engagement. So Cpl. CHANN and Sgt. CARROLL, get those cycle wheels rolling, the G.I.'s here would greatly appreciate still another act sometime soon.

S/Sgt. Louis A. MATTIL of the Bar-Fly Ordnance done a masterful bit of M-cing at Sunday's cycle exhibition.

Acts of trickery that had the crowd in amazement were the following: CHANN solo — Spinning figure 8's; Standing on seat, riding without hands; Standing with one foot on seat and the other foot on tanks, riding without hands; Standing with one foot on seat and one foot on rear fender, riding without hands; Standing on rear fender, riding without hands; Standing on front spill bars with body in front of handlebars, riding without hands.

CHANN & CARROLL, doubles — Chann lying down over front fender, face up, Carroll driving; Chann balancing with knees on Carroll's shoulders; Chann standing on Carroll's shoulder; Chann standing on left floor-board, Carroll standing on right floor-board, riding without hands; Chann sitting on Carroll's shoulders with Carroll standing up, on floor-boards —

riding without hands; Chann standing on seat with Carroll standing on rear fender — again riding without hands.

Side-car Singles and Doubles — Carroll riding sidecar — no passenger, with sidecar wheel in the air; Chann driving sidecar with Carroll as passenger, with sidecar wheel in the air; Chann driving sidecar with Carroll removing sidecar wheel while in motion; Carroll starting off and riding without wheel on sidecar; Chann starting off without wheel on sidecar, but with Carroll as passenger, and replacing wheel while in motion.

Mixed Solos — Carroll making two broad-jumps; Chann making three broad-jumps; and the finale — Chann doing exhibition broad slide.



by Cpl. Robert W. Ellis

## PROMOTIONS

■ To Technician 4th grade: Cpls. ANDERSON, DELAY, DEMBER, GOWAC and HASTINGS.

## To Technicians Fifth Grade

Pfcs. BARTLETT, BENOIT, FAIRBANKS, FAINEY, GUIDRY, KOOIMAN E.R. MILLER, SISTRUNK, WESTMORELAND, WITAKER, BELLONIO, DAVIS, JUNGTURNER and VICKERY.

## To Private First Class

GARZA and MARUSHECK.

Congratulations to all you men: MISCELLANY.

SIMONETTI is still giving out with rotation rumors. HOLLOWAK, has his OD's full of service stripes and ribbons, going somewhere, Stan? PIECHINSKI is still missing signals from the Goose. GANDY'S area is looking pretty clean lately. What's the matter Gandy, no more beer? Carl MOHR is out of the hospital, believe it or not. Louis (Judge) GLASER and Larry (Boy) HOFFMAN back from furlough, two days early. PACKARD is rounding his prizefighter, TARANTINO, into condition for his coming bout in Big Town, Good luck Terry MILLER, the mail man has taken quite a few bicycle raids lately. What for Miller? T/4 IRISH is still trying to keep up with FLICK and ELLIS drinking beer. You're not the man you use to be, Irish, old man.

■ HIMMERBERGER and his buddies are no longer with us. We wish you all the luck in the world fellows. First Soldier (J.G.), have a beer and show me Tony's picture. This one will knock your back off, says little JIFFIERS, the quiz kid. The day room is beginning to look swell, fellows. Thanks to Sgt. SHISON and all the boys who are helping him. But when will the bar be open? Chuck FELLOWS that rumbling noise you heard the other morning (3 a.m.) was only Joe BRYANT giving his buddies a ride in a broken down Rickshaw. PEACHE has yet to be seen without his cigar. Much credit is due ISSY for the swell job he is doing in Pharmacy. "Gimme buck rub. ROMANO is off to Big Town again, this time to play basket ball. How you do it Sam?

■ Our Ball Team is still in the losing column. We lost a hard fought 3-2 game to Rainbow Ordnance last Wednesday nite. All the gang seem to be pretty happy lately, is it because the Christmas packages are coming in, fellows? ERINK, you shouldn't worry too much, that certain fellow is in camp somewhere. Who was the guy that put hot water in the Ice Box, filled with beer? Ask Bcb. ELLIS, he knows.

■ Base Lady what is the price of sugar or haven't you got the report yet?

That's all, gang, see you next week.

Salaams.

**The American Red Cross Field Director (Neil A. Robson) wishes to call to the attention of all personnel, Gift Service available through the facilities of the American Express Company.**

This gift service is a year-round service. It enables you to commemorate National holidays, also birthday and wedding anniversaries. This service includes only candy and flower gifts.

The American Express Company has placed order forms with instructions in the Office of the Field Director. Those desiring this service or wishing details may call at this office any time. The Red Cross does not handle the transaction but is merely assisting in facilitating this type of service.

tor of "Terry and the Pirates"

**BB (BROAD BEAM) SHE'S BIG AND TOUGH — AND A GOOD GAL TO BE WITH IN BANDIT COUNTRY...**

**CV (CHARMING VIXEN) SHE LIKES TO TOSS OFF A FEW NOW AND THEN... NO MATTER HOW OFTEN YOU RUN OUT ON HER, SHE'S ALWAYS WILLING TO TAKE YOU BACK...**

**AR (ALWAYS RELIABLE) SHE'S THE MOTHERLY SORT — NOT GLAMOROUS, BUT NICE TO TURN TO WHEN YOU NEED SYMPATHY**

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SS - SUBMARINE

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AO - OILER

CV - AIRCRAFT CARRIER

AR - REPAIR SHIP

## Leg Log



# BULLTOWN SPORTS



by Pfc. John J. Cook

## ARMORED FORCE 1st HALF CHAMPS; 2nd HALF BEGINS DEC. 24th

"This is the Army" became more and more a reality last Sunday as the eagerly awaited clash between C.T.&C.C. and Bar-Fly Ordnance ball teams necessitated a postponement, all because the "Three CCC's," thru no fault of their own, were unable to make a diamond appearance. This game, had it been able to have been played off, certainly would have a vital bearing on the Mudville League standing today, since if the C.T.&C.C. aggregation won from the Bar-Fly boys, a two-way first place tie would have existed, thus making a

two out of three game series play-off necessary.

However, things such as these do happen as we can readily see, so today the first half of the Mudville League softball season has been completed, and the crowned champs are the Armored Force ball players.

Plans are already underway to begin the Second Half of play on Sunday, December 24th. The winner of this half to meet the Armored Force team in Ramgarh's Little World Series next March.

## PIGEONS IN SURPRISE WINN OVER RAINBOW ORDNANCE — 8 to 6 in 9-INNING GAME

In the lone and final Mudville League game played last week, the once-cellar dwelling Pigeon ball team ousted themselves from that league berth when they handed the third place Rainbow Ordnance team a surprise defeat, the final score reading 8 to 6, in an extra inning ball game.

The winners tallied a big five run splurge in their turn at the bat in the 5th inning, thus taking a one run margin lead of 5 to 4 as the fifth frame was completed. The Rainbow boys knotted up the count in the 6th canto and from then on both clubs played scoreless ball.

However, in the top half of the 9th frame, Frazer walked, was sacrificed to second by Glenn. Bogert came through with a timely hit, Frazer crossing the plate, and Bogert himself tallied on a wild throw to second base.

Bielawa twirled a swell game for the Pigeoners, he being touched for only a half-dozen safeties, while the Pigeons garnered a total of eight base knocks from the offerings of "Red" Tilley.

Although the Pigeons left the cellar spot to the H.Q. S.O.S. outfit, as the result of their win Sunday, something of signifi-

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## BAR-FLY SPLITS TWIN BILL WITH A.P.O. 630

Top left: — Lou Mattil, B.F., 3rd Sacker, covers home and receives relay from Sternberg nailing A.P.O. runner at plate.

Lower left: — "Alabama" Hall pictured putting the ball on A.P.O. base runner at home. He's out all right. Lt Morris is the umpire.

Below: — That Rochester Red Wing, the mainstay of the Bar-Fly, Lou Mattil, as he catches a foul ball.





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cance should be mentioned at this time. The league batting crown for the first half goes to a Pigeoner, in the person of **Bobor**, who finished the half mark batting at a clip of .516, a fat batting average in any ball league. **Carlson**, another Pigeoner, completed away up there with the leading hitters, winding up with an average of .363.

Pigeons				Rainbow Ord.			
	ab	r	h		ab	r	h
Chmiola,ss	5	0	2	Tilley,p	4	2	1
Pieper,sf	4	1	1	Nyman,sf	4	2	3
Thomas,c	4	0	0	Smitty,sf	0	0	0
Bobor,1b	2	0	1	Petti,ss	3	0	0
Micheals,1b	0	0	0	Szczwzyk,1b	4	0	0
Bielawa,p	3	0	1	Stewart,c	2	1	1
Mommer,2b	2	1	0	Bestle,2b	4	0	0
Buttry,2b	2	0	0	Presto,cf	4	0	1
Frazer	3	2	0	Kiesting,3b	3	0	0
Glenn,3b	1	1	0	Pruskin,rf	3	0	0
Bogert,lf	3	1	1	Goldberg,lf	4	0	0
Loesing cf.	4	1	2				

Score by Innings:

Pigeoners — 0 0 0 0 5 0 0 0 2 7 8 4  
Rainbow Ord. — 0 0 1 1 2 1 0 0 0 5 6 0

The capable officiating was ably handled by Sgt. Oliva and Pvt. Plotkin, Bar-Fly Boys.

## BULLTOWN MOTOR SCHOOL GETS EVEN SPLIT WITH

A. P. O. 630

FIRST GAME

In an out-of-camp softball attraction the past week-end, the local Motor

School team gained an even split in the day's double-header with A.P.O. 630, Ramgarh's representative being edged out in the first contest 2 to 1, but coming back strong in the night-cap to win 6 to 1.

Two misplays committed by Motor School players in the second inning of the initial encounter enabled the A.P.O. 630 ball club to eke out the victory. **Agaliotois** of Motor School connected for two safe hits, to lead his team at the plate. Hall got two hits for the winners.

**Abbotts** received credit for the win, while **Barnett** toed the mound for the losing club.

Motor School				A.P.O. 630			
	ab	r	h		ab	r	h
Kapan,ss	2	1	1	Hall,ss	3	0	1
Shaw,sf	2	0	1	Irons,2b	3	0	0
Reese,3b	2	0	0	Spinelli,sf	3	0	1
Wawrzyniak,2b	2	0	0	Charlesworth,3b	2	0	0
Waggoner,cf	3	0	0	Salay,c	2	1	1
Janero,1b	3	0	0	Yonkins,rf	2	1	1
Baxter,lf	3	0	0	Easter,1b	2	0	0
Barnett,p	3	0	1	Shall,lf	2	0	0
Agaliotois,c	3	0	2	Kennedy,cf	2	0	0
Davis,rf	3	0	1	Abbott,p	2	0	0
Hopkins,rf	0	0	0				

Score by Innings:

Motor School — 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1  
A.P.O. 630 — 0 2 0 0 0 0 × 2

## SECOND GAME

It was a much different story in this game. The Motor School garnered a run in the 4th inning and a big five run

plurge in the final canto. **Rushing** of Motor School was purposely passed to fill the bases, so that the A.P.O. pitcher could get at **Kapan**. However, Kapan upset his plans and promptly came through with the timely hit, two M. S. base runners crossing the platter. A total of 5 hits and a walk were registered by the winners before the side was retired.

Rushing, pitching for the local aggregation, was on his way to a no-hitter up until the final frame, when with one out, **Salay** of A.P.O. 630 connected for a triple. The next batsman up drove a long fly to the outfield, Salay easily tagging up and coming in after the out was made. Winning pitcher, Rushing, while **Conklin** got charged with the loss. Kapan was the leading batsman with two safeties.

Motor School				A.P.O. 630			
	ab	r	h		ab	r	h
Kapan,ss	3	1	2	Hall,ss	2	0	0
Hopkins,sf	2	0	1	Irons,2b	2	0	0
Reece,3b	2	2	0	Spinnelli,sf	2	0	0
Wawrzyniak,2b	3	0	1	Charlesworth,3b	2	0	0
Bilyeu,rf	3	0	0	Salay,c	2	1	1
Baxter,lf	2	0	1	Yonkins,rf	2	0	0
McCann,cf	2	0	1	Easter,1b	2	0	0
Agaliotois,c	2	1	0	Shall,lf	1	0	0
Janero,1b	2	1	1	Kennedy,cf	1	0	0
Rushing,p	1	1	1	Conklin,p	1	0	0

Score by Innings:

Motor School — 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 5 0 6  
A.P.O. 630 — 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 1

## THOSE DARE-DEVIL CYCLE TWINS — CHANN AND CARROLL — OUT AT RAMGARH STADIUM



Cpl. Steve Chann, a New Jersey boy, balancing himself on the soulders of T/Sgt. Bill Carroll.



Chann rides on the cycle seat with both arms outstretched.



Chann rides standing up, both feet on the foot-board, and doing a nice job of balancing.

Photos by Dutton & McCance







# INDIAN SNAKES



Indian snakes fall into three categories: (1) Fangless, harmless; (2) Back-fanged, harmless; (3) Front-fanged, poisonous.

A fang is a hollow or grooved tooth for injecting venom. Poisonous snakes have one fang (one in actual use, others in reserve) on either side of the mouth, on the upper (\*) jaws, in front.

All snakes have teeth on their lower (\*) jaws, and two rows of teeth on the palate. These teeth are for seizing, holding and swallowing the prey.

Fangless snakes have teeth on their upper jaws, a dozen or more, all curved backward towards the throat, of uniform length, and as sharp as needles.

Back-fanged snakes among those dozen teeth have a longer tooth, one on either side, at the back end of their upper jaws.

Front-fanged snakes have only one tooth on the upper jaws, right in front, one on either side of the mouth.

## A. Fangless Snakes

Examine a fangless snake, say a python. Look at the upper jaw bone, right or left, it does not matter which. Both jaws are constructed alike, and what is said of the one holds good of the other. That jaw has fixed to it a dozen or more teeth. Examine them with a magnifying glass. They are all solid, without groove or duct or channel of any kind. Cut away the skin along the upper lip all along the bone; you will find no glands of any kind, except ordinary saliva glands, connected with the teeth. A bite from such a snake, as I know from experience, is painful but harmless: painful as would be six dozen sharp needles driven into the back and palm of the hand; harmless in the sense that there are no after-effects to the bite.

Pythons, and all snakes, whose teeth are like the python's, are said to be harmless. Most snakes belong to this category: such are the rat snakes, the water snakes, the wall wolf snakes, the keelbacks, the trinket snake, etc...

NOTE (\*) Upper jaws and lower jaws. The upper jaw is in two pieces, which function separately, loosely connected together at the nose by a small triangular bone, which bears a few teeth. The lower jaw also is in two pieces, connected at the chin by a piece of elastic muscle. Hence we speak of upper jaws and lower jaws, side right and left, in the plural.

## I. CLASSIFICATION

### B. Back-fanged Snakes

Now examine a back-fanged snake, say a green-tree snake or whip snake, as it is commonly called. This snake, which is four or five feet long, is of a bright green colour, and slender as a whip lash; whence its name. It is usually found on shrubs. The upper jaw has the usual dozen or more teeth; but it has also at the back end, near the throat, a tooth twice as long as the teeth in front of it.

Examine this tooth with a magnifying glass. You will see a groove or channel down the outer curve. Now there must be some purpose for such a groove. What is it? Remove the skin of the jaw above this tooth; there you will see some rudimentary glands, which exude a small quantity of liquid; and on pressure being applied this liquid trickles down the groove.

This snake is reputed all over India to be deadly poisonous. What is the actual fact as opposed to the old wives' tale? Some years ago a Jesuit Father made an experiment on himself. He put his finger under that long tooth, pressed the tooth home, and allowed time for the liquid to flow into the puncture. The pinch was painful like that of a needle, but it had no after-effect whatever. So we conclude that this back-fanged snake is harmless to man.

Now try another experiment: Give the snake a frog or lizard. The snake seizes it, and works it back until it comes under the long teeth at the back of the mouth. The teeth are driven in; and the effect is startling in its suddenness and rapidity; the frog or lizard is instantly paralyzed, and hangs limp.

Therefore on its natural prey, frog or lizard, the venom, such as it is, acts with deadly effect. And this action is all the more startling when one has watched a frog held under the fangs of a really deadly snake, a cobra, wriggle and croak for ten whole minutes before it is killed. I am speaking of what I have observed.

This back-fanged snake is therefore harmless to man, however deadly its venom may be when injected into its natural prey.

### C. The Front-fanged Snakes

Examine a cobra. The upper jaw bone, which in the python and the whip snake extends from nose to throat, is quite a small bone here, just big enough

to accommodate one single tooth; and on this bone is fixed a tooth about a quarter of an inch long.

Examine this tooth where it is fixed to the jaw bone. There is visible to the naked eye a small hole. Insert a bristle or horse hair into this hole; push it gently down. It disappears into the hole, and reappears a short distance above the sharp tip. This is a fang. Now remove the skin along the upper jaw from the nose to the throat. You will see a slender piece of muscle, which fits into the hole at the top of the tooth, folds back along the upper lip, and expands as it goes back till it attains the size of a large bean, one inch long, half an inch wide and a quarter of an inch thick. This is the venom gland.

Now take a scalpel or piece of stick; press that muscle or gland from back to front towards the tooth, and watch. As pressure is exerted, a drop of liquid amber or straw coloured forms at the hole near the tip of the fang, and falls. Continue to press; fifteen or more drops of liquid will flow from the tooth. These drops are pure venom. A big cobra has thirty drops or more of venom in its two glands. One drop is a deadly dose.

This is a front-fanged snake, a true poisonous snake. It is equipped with deadly venom in large quantity, and a perfect instrument for injecting it, situated where it can be instantly and most effectively used.

The venom factory is a gland, and not a bag or sack, as it is usually called. You can empty and drain a bag; but a gland goes on producing its content.

The poison apparatus of a snake may be compared with a doctor's needle or hypodermic syringe.

The doctor's syringe is made up of—

- 1) a tube for holding the solution to be injected,
- 2) a piston for forcing the solution down the syringe,
- 3) a needle for insertion into the flesh,
- 4) this needle, hollow, to allow the solution to pass down it.

The snake's syringe is made up of—

- 1) a gland (tube) containing the solution (venom),
- 2) muscles (piston) for forcing the solution out,
- 3) a fang (needle) for driving into the flesh,
- 4) this fang, hollow to allow the solution to pass down it.

And the reptile has the advantage over the doctor armed with his needle, in that (1) the gland (tube) is always loaded ready for instant use, and (2) one single action, a bite, drives the fang (needle) into the flesh, presses the piston (muscles) and empties the contents of the gland into victim or prey bitten.

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# A CHINESE SOLDIER'S ANSWER TO AMERICA

*The purpose of this letter is not trying to camouflage the true condition in China today, or to blind you with propaganda, but frankly to unfold to you a few very simple facts which many of you might have overlooked. As a fighting member of the Chinese Army in India, I have great respect and admiration towards the supreme effort and good will of Gen. Joseph Stilwell and his U.S. personnel who made this C.A.I. a true fighting unit.*

Since the release of Gen. Stilwell, feeling among the U.S. personnel towards China reached the highest and bitterest discontent ever recorded in the history of Chinese-U.S. relationship.

The main accusations seem to be: (1) Americans are not receiving in China the amount of cooperation expected; (2) The general backwardness of the Chinese officials; (3) The sudden awareness of the difference between Chinese and American ways of thinking.

We like America. For more than fifty years we have hated Japan. Not because any individual Japanese diplomat looked less friendly than the Americans, or the flowery expressions they uttered, less pleasing; but the Japanese Empire is everything that America is not. Japan is wicked. It cheated us, despised us, double-crossed us, wanted to conquer us, even a hundred years ago. Every movement Japan made pointed to that objective. That was how the war started, because we did not want to be ruled.

Seven years ago we were compelled to fight, when the rest of the world was dreaming in peace, when America was still selling gasoline, steel and aeroplanes to Japan—to bomb China, and later to bomb Pearl Harbor. For four years and five months we fought alone. We do not fight Japan because America is fighting Japan. We fight this war because WE want independence, WE want liberty. We want them just as much now as you did during your revolution. Did we protest to you like you do to Switzerland demanding that further U.S. commercial relations with Japan stop immediately? No, because we could not. Instead we appealed to you; we pleaded for your help, that for the sake of justice on earth, you should not do business with Japan. Those of you who responded to our plea, we shall never forget.

Came Pearl Harbor. Waking from a dream, you realized you had been double-crossed; that you were also standing in hot water. You declared war on Japan, and that is how we became allies. We became allies because we have a common enemy; not because America wants to save China, or China wants to save America. Both of us want to save our own countries.

Unfortunately for America, it just so happens that now, after seven years of struggle, China is at the bottom of her resources. In order to share the burden in this war, you help us, you equip us, you train us with new weapons, new methods, and China trusts you with the command of part of her forces; so that we can share our blood in capitulating the Japanese Empire; so that less American lives will be lost.

China is a very old nation, in fact too old. America is a very young nation, in fact too young. To mingle the two together is no smooth job. America is full of ideals,

full of energy, full of spirit. Compare China with America: we undoubtedly appear to be old, weak, backward and dull. Friends of America, despite the fact that China had four-thousand years of civilization as we like to boast about, remember we never had peace during the last hundred years. We had not been quite united until ten years ago, and seven of those we are at war. We know we are licked all along, but we still fight on, we still feel very proud. We know if it were not for us, you would find the Japs an even stronger and tougher enemy.

In nature we are slow, in tactics we are slow too. If we had fought a decisive war the way the Japs were hoping, China would have been wiped off the map long ago. We give up bit by bit, but not entirely. That is how you find us today, weak but still breathing. Then all of a sudden, you descend from heaven. You overwhelm China with American methods, want to Americanize China completely overnight. To train an old dog a new trick takes time and patience. Because we cannot respond to your standards, you feel disgusted, you feel cheated. You begin to think China is hopeless. But did you ever read in the history of a nation which is determined to fight to an end "hopeless"?

If you feel disillusioned, we feel sorry. To the U.S. personnel who feel the present situation has put them in an awkward position between heaven and hell, they have our deep sympathy. But we did not put you in this spot, our little friend Mr. Moto did!

Because everything has been robbed from us, all of us are poor, very poor. We are undernourished, we look ragged, we appear greedy. What we see we try to grasp, what little we have we cling to preciously. Sensing this a small number of you suddenly feel very important. A few begin to despise us, openly humiliate us. Several others feel that because you help us, we should be down on our knees. They kick our higher officials around. Things that do not appeal to them, they demand it removed instantly regardless of our feeling and our way of thinking. Some wish to know why did not the Chinese government turn over to Gen. Stilwell. Friends of America, if we had promised the same to Hirohito, we would not have to fight this war at all. No nation that still has any self-respect would even consider that request. This is exactly what we are fighting for, INDEPENDENCE.

We admit our government is far from being perfect, our army far from being efficient, most of our people far from being intelligent for lack of education, what has been done far from being sufficient, but we are trying, we are trying awfully hard. Remember, we had no foundation whatsoever to start with, and everything done was done hastily in time of war.

Many Americans do not agree with the system of our country, the policy of our government. Do you like the Soviet system? Do you agree with the British policy wholeheartedly? If the New Deal policy does not agree with the U.S., it is the mass of Americans' duty to see that it is changed, not the English. And what is wrong with the government of China, it is our duty. We welcome advice and criticism. We appreciate help and guidance because we need them. But these things we prefer to do with our own hands.

There has not been in the record of history that a nation surrendered so completely to another for help as China has to America today. Americans in China are the best treated guests. Some of you may think otherwise judging by your living standard at home, but this is the best we can do.

If only America could remember China probably has saved as much for America as America has for us, and if we could face the crisis sensibly and reasonably like we should instead of with childish enthusiasm, there is nothing that good-will between both parties concerned cannot smooth out.

For the past fifty years, America has been the most popular friend of China. Never has there been any incident hinting hot relations between the two. We like America because America is young, America is honest, America respects our way of thinking, America never intends to rule China, America is the symbol of democracy and America becomes our model. America is everything we want to be.

We respect America and American ways of thinking, and we expect the same from America.

## RAMGARH RADIO DEBATING TEAM

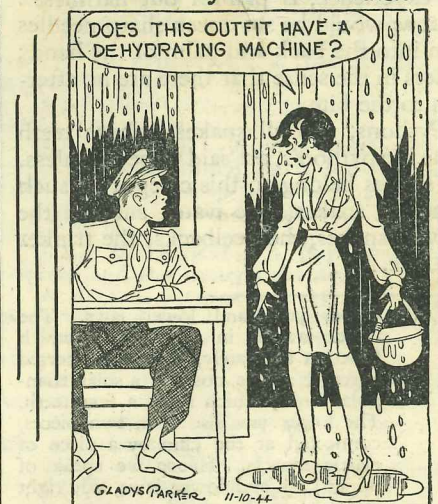
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question at the Canteen in his area. Mimeographed forms are soon to be made by Special Service, and a future announcement will be made in this publication in this respect.

Already two interested sports-minded Officers, namely Lt. A.C. BREITNER, of S.O.S., and Capt. Roger THOMAS have accepted the offer to take their position on the program, and let the sports questions be fired at them as they may.

So you history-minded followers of the sporting world, as well as you general topics enthusiasts, keep your eye on future issues of the *Bull Sheet* for the opening program over Ramgarh's Radio Station VU2ZT.

## MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER





# "Rhapsody in Blue" Movie Film To Be Screened at Uncle Joe's"

JANUARY 4th & 5th

"Rhapsody in Blue", produced for Warner Bros. by Jesse L. Lasky and directed by Irving Rapper, is based on the life-story of the late George Gershwin, takes its title from the famed composer's best-known work. It is the third of producer Lasky's biographies of great Americans, its predecessors having been "Sergeant York", the story of Alvin C. York, and "The Adventures of Mark Twain".

The picture covers the Gershwin's life span from 1908, when the composer was ten, through July, 11, 1937, when he died at the age of 38. The main story thread picks up Gershwin, portrayed by screen newcomer Robert Alda, at the age of 18.

Twenty-one real life characters are portrayed. Of these, Paul Whiteman, Oscar Levant, Al Jolson, George White, Rouben Mamoulian, Anne Brown, Hazel Scott and Tom Patricola, play themselves.

Many of the great musical figures of the day, including Igor Stravinsky, Jascha Heifetz, Maurice Ravel and Walter Damrosch appear briefly, portrayed by actors.

Twenty-nine of Gershwin's compositions, including all of his more serious works, and the most popular of his song hits, provide the picture's musical framework. Eighteen of the compositions receive featured treatment. The remaining eleven were more briefly sketched in time lapse and transition scenes. The compositions used were selected from 160 Gershwin works available, represent the cream of a talent which many critics call genius.

Ira Gershwin, brother of, and lyricist for, the late composer, aided materially in bringing the story to the screen. Portrayed in the picture by the New York stage actor Herbert Rudley, Ira visited the studio sets frequently, saw many of the poignant and dramatic moments of his own life re-enacted.

Many of George Gershwin's personal possessions were loaned to the studio by Ira, as research documents and for use as properties. These included the composer's 13-volume scrapbook, his combination desk and work-table, the silent piano keyboard he always carried with him as a practice instrument, and six original paintings from the George and Ira Gershwin collection. One of the paintings was the famed self portrait done by George.

"Rhapsody in Blue" was filmed on 81 Warner Bros.' studio settings, 58 of them interiors, 23 exteriors. These settings represent graphically the Gershwin rise from obscurity to fame, running the scale from the humble East Side New York flat of his boyhood to the penthouse apartment and Beverly Hills mansion of his maturity. And ranging from a cheap vaudeville theater where he held his first professional job as relief pianist to Carnegie Hall, where his music received the plaudits of the foremost critics.

Fourteen theater or concert auditorium interiors were reproduced as settings for the presentation of Gershwin's music. These included Aeolian Hall, where "Rhapsody in Blue" was first presented by Paul Whiteman and his band — with Gershwin himself at the piano — on the afternoon of

Feb. 12, 1924, Carnegie Hall, Lewisohn Stadium, the Los Angeles Philharmonic Auditorium, the Comedie-Francaise of Paris, and the Globe, Times Square, Wintergarden, Music Box, Apollo and Guild Theaters of New York.

Three thousand dress extras received employment as the audiences which filled the theater and auditorium settings.

In the presentation of the Gershwin classic and song hits, 1080 musicians were employed as members of symphony orchestras and popular bands. Largest units were the symphony orchestras heard and shown in Lewisohn Stadium, Carnegie Hall, Aeolian Hall and the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

LeRoy Prinz, working with a complete production unit of his own, staged and directed the picture's musical numbers. The Prinz unit was the in production the entire period while Director Irving Rapper's story company was at work, often had as many as three separate companies rehearsing while a fourth was doing a number before the cameras.

Eight popular songs were given theater production number treatment with ensemble dancers and show-girls supporting featured performers. Two hundred dancing girls, ranging from ballet specialists to hot hoofers, 100 show-girls, and 75 dancing men were employed in these production numbers.

The above total is exclusive of the 150 colored singers and atmosphere players, who supported Anne Brown in the "Summertime" number from "Porgy and Bess." Miss Brown, picked by Gershwin himself as the original Bess of "Porgy and Bess," interrupted a concert tour to come to Hollywood to play her real life role in the film.

Robert Alda played his first motion picture scene, exclusive to tests, when he appeared before the camera as George Gershwin in the opening scene of "Rhapsody in Blue." A Warner Bros. "discovery" Alda stepped from burlesque, vaudeville and master-of-ceremonies trouping into a role that made him a star overnight, and which will, in the considered opinion of the studio heads, make him one of the screen's outstanding personalities.

Because of the musical requirements of the role, Alda worked for weeks in advance of shooting and throughout production with two piano teachers. One was Victor Aller, noted pianist, who studied with Gershwin's teachers. The other was Ray Turner, for several years pianist with Paul Whiteman's band and a close student of the late composer's style.

Alda also took painting lessons from Alexander Rosenfeld, nationally known portrait artist, in preparation for scenes showing him doing the Gershwin self-portrait.

Because of the time span covered by his characterization, and the fact that Gershwin was a clothes-conscious individual, who dressed for every occasion, Alda had 39 costume changes, a record for a male star.

George Gershwin died a bachelor, but "Rhapsody in Blue" presents two feminine stars, Joan Leslie and Alexis Smith, in

fictional characters as the women in his life. He does not marry either, the story adhering to the fact in having him die a bachelor. It does suggest that he loved the girl played by Miss Leslie, and would have married her except for his untimely death.

"Rhapsody in Blue" is Miss Leslie's third stellar role in American biography. She was Gracie York, opposite Gary Cooper's Alvin York in "Sergeant York", and played the sweetheart and wife to James Cagney's George M. Cohan in "Yankee Doodle Dandy".

Miss Smith plays her second role as the woman in a great American's life. She was Mrs. Mark Twain to Fredric March's Mark Twain in "The Adventures of Mark Twain."

"Rhapsody in Blue" is the first picture in which Misses Leslie and Smith, regarded as two of the brightest of Warner Bros.' young stars, have appeared together in a picture. Both were in "Thank Your Lucky Stars", but they did no scenes together.

As a musical comedy star of several Gershwin-composed shows, Miss Leslie sings and dances in four of the production number specialties.

Miss Smith, seen as the American girl Gershwin meets and becomes enamoured of in Paris, does not appear in any of the musical numbers, but has a role strong in drama and romantic interest.

Paul Whiteman, close friend and associate of Gershwin, revealed the most dramatic moment of his career during the re-enactment of the Aeolian Hall debut presentation of "Rhapsody in Blue." Whiteman again conducted the "Rhapsody" in a Lewisohn memorial concert after Gershwin's death for the picture. With Oscar Levant, another close friend and associate of the late composer, at the piano, it was the first time Whiteman and Levant had ever appeared together.

Whiteman shaved his present model mustache to don a makeup duplication of the spiked mustache he wore in 1924, for the Aeolian Hall sequences. The not-so-portly-as-he-once-was maestro also wore heavily padded clothing to simulate the 75 pounds he's lost since he "made a lady out of jazz."

Eight original members of the Whiteman band were assembled for the Aeolian Hall scenes. These included All Gallodora N.B.C. symphony clarinetist, who was flown from New York for the film stint, and Henry Busse, trumpet playing band leader, who flew from San Francisco where his own group was engaged, for the reunion before the cameras.

Oscar Levant, probably the greatest living piano interpreter of Gershwin music, interrupted a concert tour to do his life portrayal in his friend's story. Levant is heard, and seen, playing the "Concerto in F," and the "Rhapsody in Blue." Like Whiteman, he carries an important speaking role. In the picture, Levant wears a wristwatch which he is shown consulting. It was a gift to him from Gershwin, bears the inscription "From George to Oscar, Lewisohn Stadium 1932."

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# RAMGARH RADIO ROUNDUP STATION VU2ZT

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## MONDAY, Dec. 18

12.00 G.I. Give  
21.15 Raymond Scott  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Personal Album  
1.00 Words with Music  
1.15 Spotlight Band  
1.30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 Concert Hall  
5.30 Music from America  
6.00 News\* Requestfully Yours\*  
6.15 Ellen Smith\*  
6.30 Information Please  
7.00 Mail Hall  
7.30 At Ease  
7.45 Mercer's Music Hall  
8.00 Your Radio Theater  
9.00 Melody Hour  
9.30 Suspense  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## TUESDAY, Dec. 19

12.00 G.I. Jive  
12.15 Fred Waring  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Personal Album  
1.00 Words with Music  
1.15 Spotlight Band  
1.30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 Concert Hall  
5.30 Basin Street  
6.00 News\* Requestfully Yours\*  
6.15 Mercer's Music Hall  
6.30 Hospital Hour\*\*  
7.00 Bob Hope  
7.30 Downbeat  
8.00 Harry Savoy  
8.30 Alan Young Show  
9.00 Burns and Allen

9.30 Mystery Playhouse  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20

12.00 G.I. Jive  
12.15 Raymond Scott  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Personal Album  
1.00 Words with Music  
1.15 Spotlight Band  
1.30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 Sound Off  
5.30 California Melodies  
6.00 News\* Requestfully Yours\*  
6.15 Mercer's Music Shop  
6.30 They Call Me Joe  
7.00 G.I. Journal  
7.30 Kollege of Knowledge  
8.00 Globe Theater  
8.30 Jack Carson  
9.00 The Human Adventure  
9.30 Great Moments in Music  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## THURSDAY, Dec. 21

12.00 G.I. Jive  
12.15 Fred Waring  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Personal Album  
1.00 Words with Music  
1.15 Spotlight Band  
1.30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 Symphonette\*  
5.30 Here's to Romance  
6.00 News\* Requestfully Yours\*  
6.15 Mercer's Music Shop  
6.30 Village Store  
7.00 Command Performance

7.30 Music Hall  
8.00 Frank Morgan  
8.30 Symphony  
9.30 Mystery Playhouse  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## FRIDAY, Dec. 22

12.00 G.I. Jive  
12.15 Hoedown Hall\*  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Showtime  
1.00 Words with Music  
1'15 Spotlight Band  
1'30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 At Ease  
5.30 Music We Love  
6.00 News\* Requestfully Yours\*  
6.15 Guess Who  
6.30 It Pays to be Ignorant  
7.00 Duffy's Tavern  
7.30 Guy Lombardo  
8.00 Comedy Caravan  
8.30 Waltz Time  
9.00 Aldrich Family  
9.30 James Melton  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## SATURDAY, Dec. 23

12.00 G.I. Jive  
12.15 Hoedown Hall\*  
12.30 Relax and Listen\*  
12.45 Showtime  
1.00 Words with Music  
1.15 Spotlight Band  
1.30 SIGN OFF  
5.00 Melody Roundup  
5.15 At Ease  
5.30 Eddie Condon  
6.30 News\* Requestfully Yours\*

6.15 Service Digest  
6.30 Hospital Hour\*\*  
7.00 Jubilee  
7.30 Bulltown Jamboree\*  
8.00 Rudy Vallee  
8.30 Hit Parade  
9.00 National Barn Dance  
9.30 Saturday Night Serenade  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 SIGN OFF

## SUNDAY Dec. 24

10.00 Symphonette\*  
10.15 Hymns from Home  
10.30 Monsoon Inn Song Service\*\*  
11.30 Intermezzo  
12.00 Yank Swing Session  
12.30 Music America Loves Best  
1.00 Blondie  
1.30 Sammy Kaye  
2.00 Music for Sunday  
2.30 This is the Story  
3.00 Symphony  
4.00 Globe Theater  
4.30 Double Feature  
5.00 The Family Hour  
5.30 Andre Kostalanetz  
6.00 Gildersleeve  
6.30 Top of the Evening  
6.45 Bandwagon  
7.00 Jack Benny  
7.30 Hour of Charm  
8.00 Charlie McCarthy  
8.30 Kate Smith  
9.00 All Time Hit Parade  
9.30 John Charles Thomas  
10.00 One Night Stand  
10.30 Christmas Carols  
11.00 SIGN OFF

\* Studio Broadcast

\*\* Remote Broadcast

## RHAPSODY IN BLUE

(contd. from page 15)

Al Jolson came from New York immediately after recovery from a critical illness—pneumonia complicated by malaria—to re-enact his vital role in the Gershwin rise. Jolson introduced the song "Swanee" in his "Sinbad the Sailor" show at the Wintergarden in 1918, to make it George Gershwin's first nationwide hit.

The mammy singer, who had been overseas entertaining Uncle Sam's fighting men, just prior to becoming ill, returned to Warner Bros., the studio where he put talking picture in the screen with "The Jazz Singer," to pay his tribute to the memory of his friend. And received a royal home-coming welcome.

Jolson applied his own blackface makeup, and wore the identical costume he'd worn when he made the original presentation of "Swanee" in 1918. Said he'd kept the clothes because of sentiment.

George White, Broadway producer of the George White "Scandals," didn't mind donning makeup, had no trouble playing the scenes which showed his association with Gershwin when the latter wrote the music for several of his early "Scandals;" but was almost thrown for a loss by studio hours. Said he hadn't

been up before noon in years. He answered the bell, made up and ready for work at nine.

Tom Patricola, famed eccentric dancer, emerged from retirement—he owns and runs a bungalow court near Los Angeles—to repeat a number he'd done to Gershwin music in a George White "Scandals" of the middle twenties for the picture. He brought to the studio, and used, his original mandolin.

Rouben Mamoulian, noted producer and director, rubbed shoulders with 100 dress extra players, most of whom had worked in his own productions, in playing a real life role. Mamoulian directed the original presentation of the play "Porgy." Later, when Gershwin wrote the music for "Porgy and Bess," he directed the operetta. He did a scene showing the opening night.

Hazel Scott, famed Negro pianist and singer, played herself in a Paris backgrounded presentation of Gershwin's "My Man." To her own piano accompaniment, she sang the song in French, then in English.

Buddy de Sylva, production head of Paramount Studio, couldn't join the ranks of real life celebrities played themselves; but a close friend and former associate of Gershwin, he consented to being portrayed by the actor, Eddie Marr. He took time to give Marr tips on his own sartorial habits and personal mannerisms.

Gershwin compositions, presented in full or in part in the picture, are: "Rhapsody in Blue," "Concerto in F," "An American in Paris," "Porgy and Bess" (Summertime), "Cuban Overture," "When You Want 'Em You Can't Get 'Em" (Gershwin's first published song), "Swanee," "Swonderful," "Somebody Loves Me," "Lady Be Good," "Blue Monday Blues," "The Man I Love," "Someone to Watch Over Me," "Embraceable You," "Strike up the Band," "Mine," "Delicious," "Love Walked In," "Nobody But You," "Do it Again," "Nashville Nightingale," "I was So Young, You Were So Beautiful," "Drifting Along With the Tide" "I found a Four-Leaf Clover," "Pepita," "Stairway to Paradise," "That Certain Feeling," "Liza" and "I Got Rhythm."

Washington. — Leon Henderson, former chief of the Office of Price Administration has been named Director of Economic Affairs in the American-occupied section of Germany and will leave shortly for London. A spokesman for the Foreign Economic Administration said Henderson will work with United States interests in American-occupied areas.