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DOW FIELD SHOOT TO VICTORY—Pvt. Maurice Scott leaps into the air to toss a basket against the Houlton Basketball team. Players are: Lt. Murray Hurowitz, Pvt. Albert Downing, M-Sgt. Frank Powlowski, and Pvt. Maurice Scott.

Radio Show Is Slightly Dizzy--- Audience Includes One Mouse

By PVT. LARRY KAYE

Things happened on the Dow Field broadcast Thursday night. Three of the more surprising items of the evening were a mouse, Wallace Beery, and a strange looking woman called Lizzy Lush, who gave recipes.

The mouse was an uninvited guest who caused a bit of a riot among the young ladies in the audience. He soon left, however, on seeing he wasn't welcome. Wallace Beery, of course, wasn't really there—but his voice was. Pvt. Ken Bishop seems to have got hold of the Beery vocal apparatus. He gave out with an impersonation that provoked plenty of chuckles from the boys and giggles from the girls. Pvt. Bishop has other famous voices up his sleeve (or should we say down his throat) and has promised us more of this sort of thing in the coming weeks.

As for Lizzy Lush, the demure little creature who appeared in an

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HEADLINES

The Allies' ground troops in New Guinea captured Cape Endaiere, to the east of Buna village, and Flying Fortresses sunk a Jap cruiser near Madang, General Douglas MacArthur's communique reported.

Price Administrator Leon Henderson announced that gasoline sales would be resumed in the East at 12:01 a. m. Monday (today) with the coupons of all A, B, and C ration books good for three gallons. In the case of the B and C books, this is a reduction of one gallon.

The third great Russian winter offensive within a month struck deep into German defenses along the Don in the Voronezh area, and 20,000 Germans have been killed and 10,000 captured, the Soviet information bureau said.

Allied and Axis armies alike continued to move up materials through sporadic raids for a renewal of the Battle of Tunisia, while the United States Army 12th Air Force and

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General Arnold Reviews Air Year

While the average person thinks the success of aviation is a matter purely of superiority of flyers and machines, Lt. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Command General, Army Air Forces, told his press conference that superiority in air combat rests on many factors such as long, intricate training, suitability of candidates, coordination of ground and air activities in addition to superior craft and flight personnel.

General Arnold made this conference with newspaper men a sort of report to the people of what the Army Air Force has been doing in the past year. He brought with him five men who have just returned from Australia and who answered questions as to conditions of the war there.

"Suppose you were planning an

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5 New Schools in Administration

The Adjutant General is expanding facilities of the Army Administration Schools to give training in basic administration to approximately 400 enlisted men of the Army Air Forces, the War Department announced today.

Five new branches of the Enlisted School are planned to make use of some of the facilities of the following universities and colleges.

South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Brookings, South Dakota.
Louisiana State University (University Station) Baton Rouge Louisiana.
Arkansas State College (State

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Christmas Greetings

TO THE PERSONNEL OF
DOW FIELD: GREETINGS:

At this time I wish to express my appreciation for the loyal cooperation and enthusiastic assistance rendered during the year now drawing to a close, and desire to extend to each and every one of you my sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. B. Valentine

Colonel Air Corps.

Dow Field Bombers Trim Houlton Air Base 48-35

Home Field Lads Lead From Start Of Brisk Game To Final Blast of Whistle

Dow Field Bombers basketball team broke into the win column Wednesday night by defeating the Houlton Air Base 48 to 35 in the Commerce gym. The Bombers took the lead in the first few minutes of the game and were ahead all the way up to the final whistle.

Downing and Pawlowski were high point men for the Bombers, Downing with ten points and Pawlowski with nine points. The remainder of the points were divided among the rest of the players.

Tweedy and Novelli were high point men for Houlton, Tweedy with eight points and Novelli with six points. Almost all of Houlton's men scored, but seemed to have difficulties with the type baskets in the Commerce hall gym.

The game was fast and rough, with 13 fouls called against Houlton, and 12 called against the Bombers.

The line-up for the Dow Field Bombers: F—Toni, F—Downing, C—Pawlowski, G—Carlson, G—Berryhill, and substitutes: Wen-

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Thursday Night Dance Was Perfect, WAACs Were There

The dance Thursday night was graced with the presence not only of the U.S.O. hostesses—but with a group of WAACs—guests of the boys at Dow Field. Whether it was the WAACs or the U.S.O. girls (or the combination), we don't know—but the fact is that fellows came to the dance who had never come before. Yes, there was quite a crowd.

The music ran a bit on the jitterbug side this week. Two couples, in particular, were exceptionally

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Let's Take a Look At Your Income Tax

Buck privates in 1943 will have to pay no income tax, but privates first class will be subject to the new five per cent Victory Tax, Congress has decided.

Under amendments to the Sol-

Income Tax

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Exchanges Close On Holiday

Both exchanges will be closed on Christmas day, it was announced.

Dow Field Diary

By SGT. PAUL J. GEDEN

SUNDAY—In checking through our barracks news, we discovered a phantom penpusher in our columns. Of course we weren't fooled a bit by the pseudonym (our favorite \$5 word) "Martin Bomber," at the head of the Ordnance news, but we were puzzled. We understand there is a great deal of mystery surrounding this writer (or writers). Nobody knows who the spooky scribe is. For our part, all we know is that a different guy brings it in every week. We are putting a bear trap inside the door to hold him for questioning.

Last minute picture of Cordell came through just in time. The photo boys get plenty of action when it's deadline time. Maybe they, too, have printer's ink in their veins.

MONDAY—Our little blurb for back numbers started a landslide of requests. Owing to a paper shortage, we have only a few left for our files of the last two weeks—so please don't ask for those issues (Dec. 7th and 14th). For back numbers further than that, will still have some for completing your own series.

Our camp paper exchange is steadily covering more ground right up as far as Alaska. That reminds us—a copy of the Kodiak Bear

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Under the STARS AND STRIPES

*News highlights from camps, air fields, and naval bases by NCCService-grams—issued by the Department of Public Relations, National Catholic Community Service (member agency USO)—Washington, D. C.

LAFF OF THE WEEK—
“A United Press listening station last week heard the Japanese controlled Saigon radio station in Indo-China say: ‘All attacks in landing operations have been repulsed on the African coast, except where they have succeeded.’”

CAMP ATTERBURY, IND.
“A sergeant was leading his unit to stand Retreat. Everything was going smoothly—his men marching in step—his commands correct—his strength report in his pocket.
At the proper time the sergeant handed a slip of paper to the major observing every rule of military courtesy.
During the return march the sergeant found he still had the report. The paper which he had given the major was a poem which began: ‘Suzanne was a lady . . .’”

“THERE’S SOMETHING ABOUT”
“Camp Grant, Ill.—The order in which soldiers love things are listed as follows:
Private: 1. Himself, 2. Chewing gum, 3. Beer.”

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violent, and this writer was almost run down a couple of times. The recreation hall was a little cool but the band boys soon warmed it up. Yes sir, if you haven’t got steam heat, the next best thing is the Dow Field Troubadors.
Near the close of the evening, a conga line was formed and almost everyone in the hall was on it. It was quite a line. It was quite a dance. It was quite an evening.
There won’t be any dance this Thursday night, as its’ Christmas Eve. There’ll be an announcement about when the next dance is to be held. Meanwhile, if you haven’t already done so, take six lessons from Madam LaZonga or let Arthur Murray teach you dancing in a hurry, so you can join in the fun next time.

General Arnold

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attack on North Africa,” said General Arnold in the question-time part of his conference. “For three months before it occurred you would be training your fliers for tasks they would be expected to perform and conditions they would meet over the certain spots in Africa you intended to harass.
“But before this, you would spend one month in assembling those men, in picking and choosing them for these particular jobs.
“Then back beyond that is a period of eight months in which they are taken from being the rawest sort of recruits and made into skilled, capable aviators.
“Thus, your African expedition would require one year’s tutelage of the participants.”
He said the AAF has 30,000 students in training at the present time.
That the moving of Maj. Gen. Carl Spaatz, Commander of the AAF in Europe, to Africa was in line with the wishes of Lt. Gen.

Private, First Class: 1. Himself, 2. Beer, 3. Stripes.
Corporal: 1. Stripes, 2. Himself, 3. Beer.
Sergeant: 1. Himself, 2. Himself, 3. Himself.”

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.
“A picture showing a nice babe in shorts caddying on a golf course here found its way to a U. S. Soldier in the South Pacific. He wrote her asking her to reply. He made the wild promise that for every letter she sent he’d kill a Jap. So far she has sent him 30 letters.”

LET’S PLAY POST OFFICE
“Camp Roberts, Cal.—The reputation of being ‘tough’ held by Pvt. Earl E. Shool may crumble if his girl writes many more letters. Recently one of her envelopes bore the following: ‘Mr. Postman, Please deliver this to my cute little redhead who has one of the best personalities and everything to go with it. You will know him by his pretty brown eyes. They will begin sparkling as soon as he sees you with your pack of letters.’”

Dwight D. Eisenhower was the asser-tion of General Arnold, who said Maj. Gen. James E. Doolittle remains in charge of the operations in the African theater and that General Eisenhower thought it best to have General Spaatz at his elbow during these important movements in the Mediterranean area.
(From Army and Navy Journal)

Bombers

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nerberg, Komoroski, McNamara, Death, Scott, Horowitz, Lefko.
The line-up for Houlton Air Base: F—Eike, F—Savicki, C—Tweedy, G—Novelli, G—Wood, and substitutes—Masters, Anderson, Cooper, Crook and Broders.
Only a small crowd was present at the game, but the Dow Field Section was well represented by officers and enlisted men.
S-Sgt. Davis and his camera were present and Davis caught some nice action shots as well as pictures of each team, lined up and posed by Lt. Comiskey.
The game was particularly important to Dow Field’s Pawlowski and to Houlton’s Eike because these two used to play against each other at school in 1939 and 1940. Pawlowski attended Warrior Run High School and Eike was a member of Luzerne High School. They hadn’t seen each other since their high school days when they met Wednesday night and once again entered into the old familiar competition. Eike played on the team that won the scholastic championship in 1939. The two boys live 10 miles apart.
In the three games played by the Bombers this season, the score book shows Downing to be leading with 33 points, Lt. Berryhill second with 32 points, and Pawlowski third with 24 points.

New Schools

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College) Jonesboro, Arkansas.
Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville, Texas.
Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.
Students, to be selected from the enlisted personnel of the Army Air Forces, must have high school education or the equivalent, and experience as stenographers, typists, or clerks. The training course will be of eight weeks’ duration.
Similar courses are now being

conducted by the Army Administration Schools, using facilities of the University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi, and Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Radio Show

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attractive apron and polka-dot bandana—we have a slight suspicion that she was a brazen impostor. There seem to be grounds to a rumor that she was really Sgt. Paul J. Geden. We mean he was really Sgt. Paul J. Geden Oh, darn! You know what we mean. Anyway, Lizzy—or Paul—whatever you want to call her (him!)—was very good. We can’t say as much for her (his) recipe.

Add to all that the musical part of the program and you can see it was quite a night. A snappy arrangement of “Charmaine” by the Troubadors got the show off to a bang-up start. Pfc. Jack Eaves sang the novelty number, “Conchita, Marquita, Rosita, Pepita, Juanita, Lopez.” The band dedicated “You Were Never Lovelier” to the WAAC’s in the audience. (It’s only fair to note that the WAAC’s behaved like perfect soldiers during the mouse episode. Only the civilian girls jumped.) Sgt. Al Jerusevich’s tenor voice made the popular “Stardust” still more popular. On the more serious side were Cpl. Morris Levine’s violin interpretations of “Orientale” and Beethoven’s “Minuet In G.” Pvt. James Davis did the piano accompaniment. Pvt. Raymond Dempsey played Rachmaninoff’s “Prelude In G Minor.”

Finishing touches were provided by Sgt. Geden’s interpretation of H. V. Kallewong, and Pvt. Bishop’s interpretation of a Nazi tank. They gave the program that certain something. And it was certainly something good. Sgt. Geden might be called the Orson Welles of Dow Field. Besides his acting and directing chores, he wasn’t completely innocent of the script. In fact, he was rather guilty.

Incidentally, we want to mention that the Dow Field Troubadors were in top form, Thursday night. They really went to town.

Oh, yes! We almost forgot! The program has a sponsor. G. I. Soap. Imagine forgetting something like that. Anyway, from now on the radio show promises to be lathered with entertainment—and a little corn.

Income Tax

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diers and Sailors Relief Act, thousands of soldiers will pay a smaller income tax than they did in 1942 and many thousands more will pay no tax at all, although they still must file a return. In general, soldiers whose incomes total more than \$624 a year will have to pay the new Victory Tax, with regular income tax exemptions allowed.
It is believed that eventually this tax will be taken from the soldier’s pay by Post Finance Offices, but Dow Field officers have received no official notice of such procedure.
Soldier incomes over \$750 yearly will be subject to regular income tax levies, but it has been reported that dependents’ allowances from soldiers will be exempted from taxation; and a certain amount of income, if invested in War Bonds, will also be exempted.
Also, according to amendments to the act, soldiers will find some relief in the matter of income tax payment credits. A single person may claim a credit of 25 per cent (up to the limit of \$500) and a married man 40 per cent (up to a limit of \$1000), plus 2 per cent for each dependent.
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FRI.-SAT.—RUSSELL HAYDEN IN TORNADO IN THE SADDLE
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classes:
1. Current credit. Credit may be deducted on the amount paid on the 1943 income tax if the soldier has paid out an equivalent amount in 1943 for certain types of insurance premiums, for certain types of debts, or for War Bonds.

If payment for such items does not equal the total credit allowance, the rest becomes:

2. Post-war credit. For this amount of the credit, the soldier will get a government certificate which will bear no interest nor be cashed until after the war.

A specific illustration, that of a staff sergeant making \$1,152 a year and single, rules that he must pay about \$26.40 for Victory Tax and be entitled to 40 per cent credit, or \$10.56.

In addition to the Victory Tax, there still remains the regular individual income tax to be paid. For soldiers, this starts at \$750 for single men and \$800 for married men. The usual deductions remain (contributions to charity, certain taxes paid, like sales taxes, interest paid, bad debts, necessary expenses) with an important new deduction of medical expenses amounting to not more than five per cent of the net income.

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came in published way up in the freezing front of Fort Greely, Alaska. As wild and wooley a sheet as we have ever seen. The writers just clown all over the front page. One article had a tongue-in-the-cheek slant that was clever on SUNSHINE. Described what steps to take if any was ever seen. Worded like a field manual.

Think I’ll try my hand at radio writing. Chawed off the ends of two pencils before I got one word down. They say the third time never fails—I hope.

TUESDAY—Tag football in the snow at least gives you a soft landing place. The Boucher-Shean-Boehm combination clicked to the tune of 2-0. Where are those Bombers Pvt. Clark reached for a high one and then gave a snow by snow impression of “to the rear”—fall.

Outside of Barracks-T-219, there was the craziest combination of clothing you have ever seen. The Skull Smashers were in official costume. “Official Costume”—and we quote—“is long G. I. underwear, rifle belt with bayonets, helmet, and overshoes—and nothing else, mind you. Dressed like that, they were cavorting out in the snow—while an admiring, as well as frozen fan snapped their pictures. Plenty of rugged going, we call it, as we shiver and shake under our 6th blanket.

WEDNESDAY—Got together with Pvt. Bishop to decide which of his many voices should start off the program. His “Wallace Beery” was elected without dissent. He’s got a good German dialect, too—and speaking of the German



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language—do you know why they call their submarines U Boats? It is an abbreviation of the German Unterseeboot. And if you see her under there, boys, give it a good boot for us!

Went to the U.S.O. and made a recording of the general script and had the boys awed at the Beery impersonation. On a regular phonograph, the playback of the record doesn’t have quite the punch.

THURSDAY—Parkhurst tells us he’s reduced 9 pounds since he has been in the army. “Farkie” took off all excess and is beginning to look streamlined. Join the army and diet on the quiet.

Tried out a timing at rehearsal this afternoon and the show is starting to shape up. Borrowed an apron and bandana from Sgt. Weeks to lend more dash to the Lizzy Lush character.

The WAACs seemed to be having a good time at the dance. The boys must be going for the uniform in a big way. Acting Sgt. Bonnell, of the WAACs, had everything under control and it was a swell start for everybody.

FRIDAY—Heard a recording of the Thursday night program as it came over the radio. It’s hard to recognize your own voice. Members of the band went down to hear their own melodies and see what improvements could be made.

Just as the Beery impersonation got underway, the needle got stuck in the groove and just at the psychological moment, too. Bishop had just said, “Old Betzy May got stuck in the mine—got stuck, etc. Kept repeating. Next week, the broadcast will be done in WLBZ studios.

Sgt. Edwards is putting the master touches to the Recreation Hall Christmas decorations. He has a good sense of the artistic.

Cpl. Karp trying hard at a new kind of barracks column—along the lines of his favorite newspaper columnist. Good stuff, we think.

SATURDAY—Sub-zero weather. The wind knives right through even warm clothing. No parade either, we understand.

Cpl. Jack Billman came in today to claim fame as the human mouse-trap. Thursday night, a simple click of his heels discouraged the mouse from all future attempts.

The mail boys tell me they are up to their ears in cards, envelopes, and packages. Ah, here’s one that says, “Don’t open until Christmas,” so I’ll close now with a merry Christmas to all, period!

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Post Theatre Program

Week of December 14

POST THEATRE—Patronage at the War Department Theatre is restricted to: (1) Military personnel on active duty and members of their households. (2) Civilians residing within the limits of the Post.

ADDED SHORT SUBJECTS EACH DAY

Monday, Dec. 21st—GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE
Jack Benny, Ann Sheridan

Tuesday, Dec. 22nd—THE GREAT IMPERSONATION
Ralph Bellamy, Evelyn Ankers

Wednesday, Dec. 23rd—PITTSBURGH
Marlene Dietrich, Randolph Scott

Thursday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 25th—ONCE UPON A HONEYMOON
Ginger Rogers, Cary Grant

Saturday, Dec. 26th—SECRETS OF THE UNDERGROUND
John Hubbard, Virginia Grey

Sunday, Dec. 27th and Monday, Dec. 28th—THE BLACK SWAN
Tyrone Power, Maureen O'Hara

Tuesday, Dec. 29th—STREET OF CHANCE
Burgess Meredith, Claire Trevor

Wednesday, Dec. 30th—FLYING FORTRESS
Richard Greene, Carla Lehman

Thursday, Dec. 31st and Friday, Jan. 1st—ARABIAN NIGHTS
Sabu, Maria Montez, Jon Hall

DOW FIELD'S POST PERSONALITY

Private Kenneth Bishop-- The Man of Many Voices

PRIVATE KENNETH BISHOP THE MAN OF MANY VOICES

Thursday night's radio show on which Pvt. Ken Bishop impersonated Wallace Beery was by no means the peak of his colorful career, but he readily admits it was one of them. His talents were discovered here when someone imagined hearing Lionel Barrymore in the Base Theatre Office. Investigation revealed that Bishop was at the root of the whole thing. It was also revealed that his loose-limbered larynx was capable of making you think you were in the same room with Wallace Beery, W. C. Fields, Stephen Fetchit, Charles Boyer and others.

Several weeks ago, you may recall a story on the front page of the "Observer,"—an eye witness account of a London air raid. This gripping experience was described by Bishop, who was right in the middle of the terrifying bombings. Bishop was born in Bridgeport, Conn., but he went over to England with his mother when he was twelve years old.

One day, after hearing Wallace Beery in a movie, he came home and tried to tell his mother about the picture. His impersonation was so good that he began to try others.

In the meantime, he had taken a job as a motion-picture operator, so that seeing the movies over and over again gave him plenty of background material.

The English version of our Major Bowes show had him doing his stuff and he soon had a collection of first prizes. A natural knack of catching the identifying accents helped him to develop more character impersonations.

The highlight of his career was on December 7, 1941. Pearl Harbor had been bombed and America had declared war. A theatre flashed on a 16 ft. picture of Roosevelt and Bishop read an excerpt from President Roosevelt's message to Congress. The ovation shook the house.

During the Nazi blastings, Pvt. Bishop took a post as an air raid warden. He watched many a London building shatter and collapse under the smashing attack of the Luftwaffe. An American troopship brought him back to his homeland.

When we asked him who his favorite character for impersonation he said, "Wallace Beery." Next, is his satire on Adolf Hitler. His guttural yelling brings down any barracks roof that aren't tightly nailed down.

At Dow Field, he is the assistant motion picture theatre operator.

Right on the end of his tongue

he has Conrad Veidt, Winston Churchill, Edward Everett Horton. Stick out your tongue, Bishop, and roll 'em off!

Air Base Squadron

By CORPORAL DAVID KARP

We Like:

To see Sgt. Carl Shadrack back with us once more. Air Base Headquarters has certainly missed you, Sgt.

To watch and hear the cannon next to Headquarters sound retreat. Watch it today and see what we mean.

To observe Pvt. Duff of Distribution make his typewriter jump with jive. Hit it, boy.

To look at the boys writing their letters to home and elsewhere in our beautifully appointed Day Room.

To ask Sgt. Caesar of the 7th Supply for an exchange. You might as well ask for the stars.

To be at the hangar-line when a few squadrons of P-38's come soaring out of the blue to land on our quiet little base.

To count cadence to M.-Sgt. Frank Pawlowski as he walks by. There is one example of fine posture, fellows.

To see the happiness and preciseness with which the men sign their payroll.

To listen to the smooth English of Pvt. Bishop and to smoke his favorite brand of English cigarettes.

To observe the facial expressions on the men coming back from town on the midnight bus.

To see M.-Sgt. Cordell just once when he is relaxed and not busy.

To visit the spotless, sparkling barracks on Saturday morning around 9:00.

To watch the men on these cold mornings looking out the windows and wondering if Lt. Berryhill will hold his exercise class.

To watch the men clamoring for a place before the bulletin board.

To question and then quell the

rumor that Sgt. Leslie White of Utilities is knitting a pair of socks. To gaze sentimentally at the chapel spire on a clear moonlit night.

To see S.-Sgt. Archie Parlee strut around Headquarters. Married life must agree with the Sgt. because he always has a smile ready.

To go to the Thursday night radio broadcast and dance with the U. S. O. hostesses in their contrasting and colorful attire.

To look at the bewildered expression on Cpl. Don Petty's face everytime his eyes fall on the blue polka dot tie he received for Christmas. This is the Army Mr. Jones.

To eat Sunday dinner at the Mess Hall.

Cpl. Paul Kramer. Why doesn't that little girl in Brewer kiss and make up with him.

To see the men trimming the Christmas tree and spreading cheer through 219.

To stand before Cpl. Ralph Woodall's mural and silently thank him for the beauty he has brought to Air Base headquarters.

To hear Taps on the loud speaker system cutting the frigid Maine air as we lie comfortably in our bunks.

To give credit to Cpl. Charles Swiconk of the Carpenter shop for the splendid work he did at the new Photo lab.

To stand on the Hospital hill and look proudly down on our Base.

To ponder on the explanation 1st-Sgt. Paul Higer will give when we ask him why he inquired from Sgt. "Bluegrass" Marles the price of an engagement ring.

To window-shop in the Dow Field Exchange.

To congratulate Pvt. John "Baby" Raffa for taking the first step. He is now an engaged man. Best of luck, John.

The idea of the W.A.A.C.'s sharing our obligations here in Bangor. THESE THINGS WE LIKE.

Weather Squadron

SGT. DAVID G. CARNEVALE

Congratulations and best wishes to Sgt. Robert C. Amidon and the former Miss Virginia Hutchinson, who tied the knot on the 5th of December. Sgt. and Mrs. are honeymooning in Rochester, N. Y.

Warning—Keep away from Phil Lerette, who is quite adept in making matches, but never seems to get burned himself. Right now Phil has the boys beating a path to Augusta and back, and they aren't doing their Christmas shopping either. Did somebody mention T-Sgt. Ralph Stormer?

Sgt. Eddie Novak is back from furlough and just wait until he

takes a gander at those records that have piled up during his absence. By the way Eddie! How's Edith?

M-Sgt. Trojanoski is also back after a short furlough. This place is comparable to Grand Central Station. No one seems to be connected to this squadron except for pay and furlough rations.

"When I was in Greenland" Hudgel, and "I think I'll call Manchester" Hiltner are now both Staff Sergeants. Congratulations, boys, and the rest of you guys keep up your ambitions.

Who gave us Father Hynes—Massachusetts (in 4/4 time). To whom it may concern—Father Hynes is not a preacher. He is our new clerk and a very good one. Come to think of it, though, he wouldn't make a bad preacher.

Good luck to Victor C. Ricci who is at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and to Nelson R. Clark who is stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Both are Officer Candidates in the Engineers and Field Artillery respectively. Bars or no bars, we knew you when you didn't know.

"It has come to my attention" Colsher still executes a technical inspection of his own on each and every shift he pulls. Wow! I start working with him this week.

Cpl. Carleton Smith returned from overseas and stopped off in Bangor to say hello to his old pals. He is quite a guy and should make a very capable officer. Good luck in Miami, Smitty.

Sgt. Robert L. Spengler claims he can give up women or drinking any time he cares to. One whiskey sour, please (Make it two). Hm-m.

Sergeant: Who laid the table for breakfast this morning?

Recruit: I did, all but the eggs.



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An Editorial:

Take Time Out

Last week we received a letter from Corporal Jaffrey, who is in the base hospital. In his letter, he suggested a thought we would like to pass on to you.

Over in the next bunk—maybe just a few bunks away from you—was some fellow who hadn't been feeling up to par. He reported to the hospital and there he stayed for a while. Sure you missed him—and you meant to go up and see him—but somehow you just never got around to it.

If his illness is serious, this may go on for a few weeks—or even months—and the guy just naturally gets lonesome to see a few of his buddies.

Cpl. Jaffrey has just experienced this reaction and we quote: "Patients here don't receive an average of five visitors a week. We know that you all mean well, but won't you please make it your business to drop in and say hello."

You know that the boys in the wards can't come down and chin awhile, so it's right in your lap, soldier.

Quartermaster

By PFC. FRANK SALADINO

The little professor has been very busy this week and he has put to use his great powers and the results of this strip today is what is commonly known as the ghost writer, hope it meets the approval of all.

During class sessions the past week general orders has been the main subject and there are only eleven to recite, to hear some of the boys give their version of them is really something to behold in fact there are a few new ones that have been added, it would be a swell number for the party program if all the remarks could be remembered, maybe the next time.

The romantic feud of Cpl. Bushey and Pfc. Sucher has been broken up at last, with Cpl. Bushey taking a post graduate course from the boys of the feuding southern area and Pfc. Sucher to his new assignment of procurement, wonder what will happen at the warehouse now? Johns is too old and Sgt. Psenke is too timid, maybe the new recruits have something in mind.

Jungle Jim Casey has finally attained his big moment, when he travels the wayward path of bad boys and earns the reward of being gigged, the privilege of picking his own punishment is in his own hands, he will be able to tell his sister, Margaret, a better definition of the word GIG than he has in the past.

Cpl. (Mailman) Stafford, better known as short speech, has moved to barracks 211 with his new style socks, a kind that never wears out, all the boys could have a pair but the style was outmoded years ago, in the mail man's place is the smiling face of Cpl. Barr, the boy who wears the No. 14s.

Our C. O. has at last found a chance to work on his hobby and from the facial expressions you can tell how really enthused he is when assisting the drill Corporal train the men from the sunny south, oh the facial expressions? The same expressions were recently performed during the B. C. and H. C. football game.

Word was received from Red

Spada the dog man and he says he is fine and above all he has been swimming each afternoon, wonder if he is trying to make us feel bad?

T/Sgt. Avsharian has been seen in town lately, and he says he is now courting a very nice young lady, the ghost writer when he observed him definitely said it was not courting but the blind leading the blind.

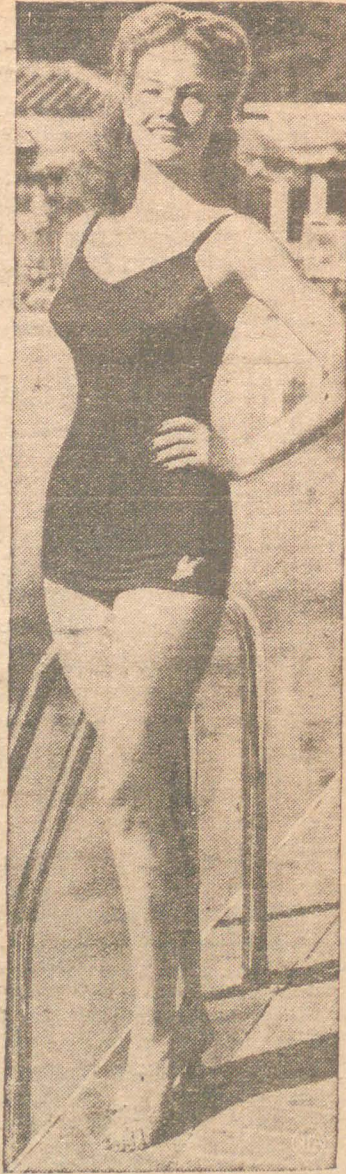
Pfc. Saladino was honored with a good old fashioned spanking on his birthday this past week by Pvts. Roy, Cunningham and Oakes, he said he was twenty-seven, may your future anniversaries be as eventful.

The day pool room table is being used quite frequently lately and many are good shots. How about starting a tournament with everyone eligible, sound off on this suggestion.

Pfc. Cooky Adams has been stepping quite fast lately along with Cpl. Lewis, we have been trying to feel them out as to the attractions in town but they keep mum but the Cpl. can be found waiting for the local Tram at Union and Hammond on his return trip. Maybe the writer can find out more later, especially about Cooky.

Higher education Seigel was scared so badly one night that the following morning he could not recite his general orders along with a few of the other boys, such as Pop Mulledy, who had to cough and ask about each numbered order separately. He could not account for his nervousness. Jungle Jim was taking his usual nap but Sgt. Gagnon failed to catch him as he recited in his siesta; Cooky Adams tried to learn his before called upon but there was no coordination present; giggle boy Saladino managed to get in a few correct words, but he said he would rather have a written test; acting supply sergeant Lussier won a recent toss of the coin and what he won made him so happy he forgot his lesson. All in all these results of these classes will be successful.

Squawker Cunningham and Black



To show you we have the proper holiday spirit we present Miss Edith Leach **WREATHED** in smiles. She can be our Christmas present, past or future.

Jack Feula trier their hand at bowling recently and they say they are ready to get Pop Mulledy, Guy Lewis and Conso Roy to take on first team, a high over-rated bunch they say.

Double G Gottfried and Sgt. Psenko was teaching the fine arts of bowling to a well groomed pair of WAACS at a local bowling palace and from all indications more lessons will come up in the near future.

Pvt. Roy has been using all the latest perfumes and other toilet articles, but his favorite so far is mum. Roy is the new messenger at 202.

A certain soldier that writes about himself so much was seen filling his cigarette lighter with coffee. He must be hearing as he does not smoke. This matter needs further investigation.

There is a typist at 202 who is causing Ted Johns to stay up at late hours inventing an unbreakable typewriter. He says she really wrecks any machine that she touches.

Pvt. McQuinness was a new job in the supply room and it is hoped that he is more successful at the new job than he was at his try to start a swap campaign. He may have a few articles left so if you have an old worn out sock you may swap and get a new suit of clothes.

The bowling team misses Red Spada as two more points were lost but a quick come back to form with 501 rescued two points. The boys say the surprise of some bowlers in the league stunned them but they will not be caught napping again, regardless of the competition.

When this column appears again Christmas will be over so the writers in the past, ghost and all, wish at this time to give greetings to all and especially to the boys who are overseas—Happy Holidays and a New Year of Victory.

So high as the tree aspires to grow, so high will it find an atmosphere suited to it. (Thoreau). (We tried climbing a tree once and got caught out on a limb.)

What's Doing in Bangor?

WHAT'S DOING IN BANGOR? (Week of Dec. 21st)

A Weekly Calendar of Events for the personnel of Dow Field prepared by the Bangor-Brewer Servicemen's council.

U. S. O. CLUB, 11 West Broadway. Open 9:00 a. m. to 11:30 p. m. Services: Dancing, pool, ping-pong, game room, reading room, music room, hobby den, photo dark room, valet service, "letter on a record" service, writing room, exercise room.

U. S. O. CLUB, 11 West Broadway. Open 9:00 a. m. to 11:30 p. m. Services: Pool, ping-pong, writing lounge, games, reading room.

YMCA, 127 Hammond St. Open 24 hours. Services: Game room, lobby, writing materials, information, showers, swimming pool.

BANGOR HEBREW COMMUNITY CENTER, corner French and Somerset Sts. Services: Pool, ping-pong, dancing, library, room service, individual service. Open 9:00 a. m. to 11:00 p. m.

DAY BY DAY ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Army Wives Party. Dancing, 8:00 to 11:30 p. m., refreshments. Movies, 8:30 p. m., short subjects.

YMCA—Volley ball classes for officers, 5:15 to 7:00 p. m.

TUESDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Radio show over WLBZ, Christmas carols, nativity story, U. S. O. hostesses and members of the Armed Forces. Movies, 9:00 p. m., short subjects. Dancing, 8:00 to 11:30 p. m., refreshments.

YMCA—Basketball tournaments for service men, 7:00 to 10:30 p. m.

U. S. O. CENTER—Movies at 8:00 p. m. Dancing, 9:00 to 11:30 p. m.

HEBREW COMMUNITY CENTER—Movie appreciation course, 8:00 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Christmas party for service men. Dancing 8:00 to 11:30 p. m. Movies, 9:00 p. m., refreshments. Community singing, 8:30 p. m.

U. S. O. CENTER—Games, tournaments, whist, pool, and ping-pong, 8:00 p. m. Dancing to 11:30 p. m.

YMCA—Volley ball for officers, 5:15 to 7:00 p. m.

THURSDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Hostesses at Dow

Field dance. Radio broadcast precedes dance, 9:00 p. m. Dancing to 11:30 p. m.

U. S. O. CENTER—Gym night and swimming (at YMCA) 9:30 p. m. on. Dancing to 11:30 p. m.

YMCA—Basketball tournament.

FRIDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Dancing, 8:00 to 11:30 p. m. Informal program, refreshments.

YMCA—Christmas parties for Coast Guardsmen. Dancing, supper, entertainment. Movies, 7:30 to 9:00 p. m., free to all service men. Volley ball for officers, 5:15 to 7:00 p. m.

U. S. O. CENTER—Gala Christmas party. Dancing to 11:30 p. m.

SATURDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Dancing, 8:00 to 11:30 p. m. Informal program. Refreshments.

U. S. O. CENTER—Jr. Mothers' Christmas party. Dancing to 11:30 p. m. Refreshments.

SUNDAY

U. S. O. CLUB—Dancing, 8:00 to 11:30 p. m. Community singing, refreshments.

U. S. O. CENTER—Formal program to present appropriate speakers, music, etc. Dancing, refreshments.

BANGOR HEBREW COMMUNITY CENTER—Special foreign movies, 8:00 p. m. Special Sunday party, dancing, refreshments.

Lt. Hurowitz On The Air For Red Cross

Lt. Isadore Hurowitz, of the Base Legal Department, has been conducting a radio program called "The Voice of Humanity" in the interests of the American Red Cross. It has been heard that Lt. Hurowitz is doing an excellent job and if you want to hear something really professional, turn your dial to WLBZ every Friday at 8:15 p. m. This program is designed to give a clear picture of what Red Cross is doing in this national emergency. "The Voice of Humanity" speaks of the blood plasma secured, of the countless surgical dressings, and the

hundreds of other services being offered by the American Red Cross to the soldiers at the front and at home.

We are wishing Lt. Hurowitz every success in this program and know that he will do a fine job.



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MOTHER: Junior, will you be a good boy, if I give you a nice, shiny, new nickel?

JUNIOR: No, but I will if you give me a nasty, dirty, old dime.

A drunk was leaning up against a building when a policeman approached.

"What do you think you're doing?" asked the policeman with a forced politeness. "Holding up the building?" On hearing this, the drunk walked away, whereupon the building fell down.

The way to forecast the weather is to cut an onion and carefully study the slices.

You mean vegetables are weather prophets?

Yes. You chop up an onion, slice a tomato, take a cabbage and shred it— then mix thoroughly, after adding some breeze.

What does that give you?

Cole slaw.

How about the weather?

You look in the newspaper.

"We've been married ten years today."

"Wonderful—shall I kill a chicken and celebrate?"

"Why punish a poor chicken for something that happened ten years ago?"

"Have you ever met a girl you've cared for?"

"Yes. Once. It was love at first sight."

"Why didn't you marry her?"

"I took a second look."

"I'll have you know," said the proud young lady, "that my face is my fortune."

"You said it," replied the young man. "You should put it in a vault."

Fat man: (In a movie—to little boy, sitting behind him) Can't you see, little fellow?

Little boy: Not a thing.

Fat man: Then keep your eye on me and laugh when I do.

Mind reader: Shall I tell your fortune?

Man: How much?

Mind reader: Fifty cents.

Man: Exactly.

Young girl: Mother, he's an atheist and he doesn't believe in hell.

Mother: Marry him, dear, and between us, we'll convince him.

Policeman: Why are you racing through town at this rate?

Driver: My brakes are out of order and I wanted to get home before there was an accident.

How much gas do we have?

It points to one-half, but whether

the thing means half full or half empty, I don't know.

Attendant: Ten gallons enough, sir?

Customer: Yes.

Attendant: Check your oil, sir?

Customer: No, it's o. k.

Attendant: Got enough water in your radiator?

Customer: Yes, filled up.

Attendant: Anything else, sir?

Customer: Yes, would you please stick out your tongue, so I can seal this letter.

I know a couple who talk in their sleep. He plays golf and she loves to go to auction sales. The other night, the golfer yelled, "Fore!" And his wife yelled, "Four twenty-five!"

What's a twack?

I dunno.

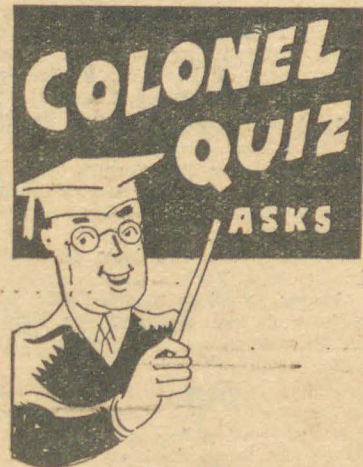
A twack is what a too too twain widens on.

Wife: I'm afraid mountain air would disagree with me.

Husband: My dear, it wouldn't dare.

U.S.O. to Broadcast Christmas Play

Tuesday night, over WLBZ, the following cast will present the annual Christmas play from 9:00 to 9:30 p. m. Narrator, Pvt. Norman Wooley; First Angel, Pvt. Ray Winn; Mary, Joyce Sleight; Elizabeth, Fay McDonald; Second Angel, Pvt. Truell Johnson; Shepherd, Cpl. Ralph Woodall; feminine soloist, Mrs. Sonja Brown.



1. What are the correct names of the following States: The Old Dominion; The Empire State; The Buckeye State; The Keystone State; The Lone Star State?

2. How many of the thirteen original States can you name?

3. What is the most famous American bird and why is this bird so famous?

4. Can you list the Americans shown on our paper-money bills starting with the \$1?

5. Who invented the air brake?

6. "Yankee Doodle" is our oldest military air. It was a favorite with the Continental Army, whose band had only two instruments. What were these instruments?

Answers on Page 8

General Mess

By CPL. ANGELASTRO

1. Your correspondent now understands why our "Coffee King" Pvt. Barzydlo has never been seen with any "Bangor Belles." After seeing a picture of his pretty wife, we can't blame him.

Pvt. Manning, who always has a complaint, promised us if he gets a furlough, he'll stop. We hope he gets one.

3. "Pinch Penny" Monclova, was seen out with a WAAC. You're a fast worker Sgt.

4. Cpl. Neale has broken his promise. He's back with the African Dominos. How much did you lose this time?

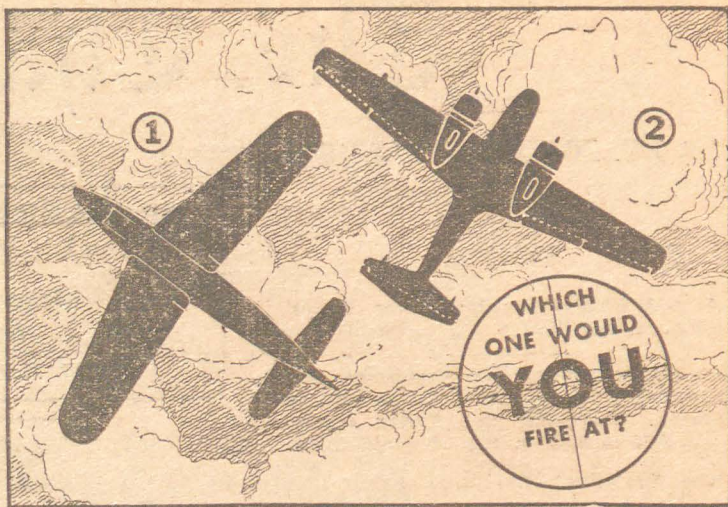
5. Pfc. Boffi, known as "Biffi" is now the Casanova of 217. When we refer to 217 we mean the upper bay.

6. Sgt. Vanik seems to be getting all the Christmas gifts. I wish I was married.

7. Pfc. Boo has changed his mind. He now claims he'll feed the WAACs. Watch your step kid, "you're a married man."

8. The kitchen personnel thinks that a certain Sgt. got married for a class "A" pass. Is it true Sgt.?

9. The correspondent of this column wishes to take this time to wish all the readers a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."



NOT AT NO 1!—It's one of Britain's best naval planes, the Fairey, "Fulmar," a two-place, low-wing fighter. The leading edges of the wings of this plane are swept back sharply. The trailing edges are swept back also but at a smaller angle. The long nose and fuselage are tapered to a point. The tapered tailplane has rounded tips.

FIRE AT NO 2!—It's the Japanese Mitsubishi "Soyo-kaze," a twin engine, mid-wing bomber. Points of recognition are: the nose of the fuselage extends ahead of the engine nacelles; the wings untapered on the leading edges and swept forward on the trailing edges; the tapered tailplane with twin fins and rudders; and the long thin fuselage.



Holiday Hints ABOUT LONG DISTANCE CALLS

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from 7:00 to 9:00 in the Chaplain's Office.

The Protestant Christmas Eve Service will begin in the Chapel promptly at 7:30 on December 24th. It will be in the form of a Candle Light Communion Service. All Christians are cordially invited to attend this Service and take Holy Communion, regardless of denominational affiliation. The Communion ritual itself will be patterned after that commonly used by Lutherans, Episcopalians and Methodists, but will contain elements from the Congregational, Baptist and Presbyterian as well. It will be conducted in the form of a devotional approach to the Manger of Bethlehem. Those who do not wish to take communion may attend without feeling conspicuous as the others approach the altar. The special music for the occasion will consist of the artistry of the following members of the Base and the City of Bangor.

Pvt. Norman Wooley—will play the organ for carols.

Cpl. Morris Levine—violin solo—Gounod's "Ave Maria."

Mrs. Olga Warren Pendergast—solo—"The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Pvt. James Davis.

Evangeline Hart Huey—vocal solo—"All Through The Night," as a Communion meditation.

Sgt. Marshall W. Clark—vocal solo—"O Holy Night."

Miss Priscilla Blaisdell supervisor of music for the Bangor Elementary Schools has been instrumental in providing for the participation of civilian musicians in the Service. She will probably accompany Mrs. Huey.

Colonel Valentine has been kind enough to invite the WAACS to attend the Service, and has extended an invitation also to the families of Service Men in Bangor to attend.

The Christmas Morning Service will begin promptly at 10:00, and as we go to press the special features of the worship period are still in the nebulous stage.

The decorations for the Chapel are the result of the splendid work of Sgt. Frank Burnham, who obtained the trees and greens. Corporals Ralph L. Woodall and Paul S. Cramer selected and arranged the decorative materials. Privates Edward Kromm and John Raffa aided and abetted them, and Cpl. Charles Swiconk, who did the carpentry work needed for the occasion.

The Christmas party for the children of officers and enlisted men will be held in the theatre and the recreation hall on the afternoon of the 23rd, beginning at 3:00 p. m. with the showing of a series of colored animated cartoons which have been scheduled through the courtesy of Capt. John P. Kelly. Following this, the children and their parents will convene at the

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recreation hall for a program of Christmas music produced by the Band, under the direction of Warrent Officer Gerald Clapper. After the singing of traditional Christmas carols Santa Claus (undoubtedly in the form of Major Dow) will make his appearance and distribute the gifts. The committee in charge of the party consists of Mrs. Francis B. Valentine, Mrs. Ormonde deKay, Mrs. Thorne Deuel, Mrs. Edward Shothafer (chairman), Mrs. John E. Bently, Mrs. John P. Kelly, Mrs. John P. Fellows and Mrs. Warren Smith. Also cooperating in the success of the function are Capt. Harry Willard of the Sales Commissary and Lt. Howard Eades of the Post Exchange.

CATHOLIC

As Christmas approaches nearly all nations of the world are at war. Troops are gathering all over the world, and factories hitherto used for the production of peacetime wares are now turning plowshares into cannon. Let us realize that more necessary than munitions is the recognition that without the blessing of God nothing can be won—neither the War, nor the Peace. It is fit and becoming for us at all times, and particularly at Christmas time, to acknowledge and revere the Supreme Government of God, to bow in humble submission to His Divine Will and to realize that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of all wisdom. Although the darkness of War once more enshrouds our beloved country, beyond that darkness we can see with the eye of Faith, God's loving Providence and Protection. Therefore, let us praise God, and pray Him to grant us lasting peace on earth and good will to men.

The Mass of the Nativity will be celebrated by Chaplain Alfred J. Carmody at midnight on Christmas Eve at the Base Chapel. It will be a High Mass with Music rendered by a boys' and girls' mixed choir from John Baptist school. This choir is under the direction of Mrs. Coffin. The choir will sing the "Mass of the Angels" as appropriate for this occasion. A violin solo will be rendered by Mr. Leonard L. Pooler, and Mrs. Emmett Curran will render a selection on the cello. All the men of the Base together with their friends are invited to attend.

Confessions will be heard from 3 to 5, 6 to 7 and 11 to 12 Thursday, Dec. 24th. There will also be a Low Mass celebrated at 9 a. m. Christmas Day.

It is told how General Robert E. Lee, after a particularly trying day on the battlefield, was resting at the home of a poor country woman. Seeing how exhausted the General was, the woman offered him a cup of tea; but he refused to drink it unless she too had a cup. There was only enough tea in the house for one cup, so the woman went outside through the back kitchen door, filled a cup with muddy river water, and walked back into the parlor with the two cups. While the General drank the tea he so badly needed, the country woman sipped the muddy water. Let's think about that sort of thing whenever we're inclined to feel sorry for ourselves.

The opening and closing of doors are the most significant sounds in the lives of men. (Christopher Morley).

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Know Your Officers



(Official Photo, U. S. Army Air Corps)

Major Lorimer Earle Goodwin

Major Goodwin is the Base Quartermaster and Transportation Officer.

Teaching school was his original profession. At Braintree High school (in Massachusetts), he taught economics, commercial law and accounting.

His straight thinking and power of analysis led him into management engineering. He joined the George S. May Company in New York and set about solving management problems. He was not, however, an efficiency expert. He explains the basic difference this way: The efficiency expert's approach is to change all over the existing setup—while the management engineer tries to make present equipment produce profitably.

During World War I, Major Goodwin was in five major engagements, including the Champagne sector, Meuse Argonne, St. Mihiel, and Arne Marne. In the Toul sector, he was wounded.

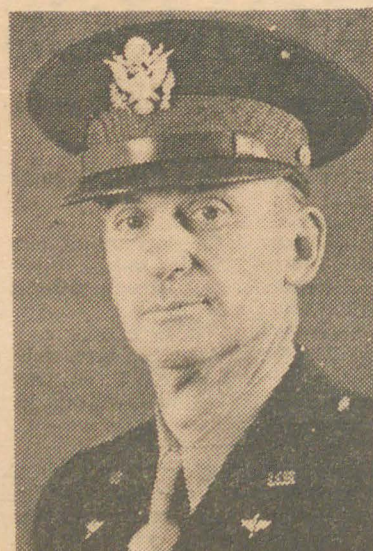
In 1916 he became a member of the Coast Artillery in the National Guard. Next, he became a member of the ammunition train of the 26th division, in August, 1917. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Quartermaster Reserve in 1930. The gold bar was turned to silver when he was made a first lieutenant in 1933. Two bars came in 1940 and he was called back to active duty in 1941 at Mitchel Field.

Before Dow Field, he was a base quartermaster both in foreign service and in the Fighter Command stationed in Maryland.

Major Goodwin has been active in reorganizing such companies as the Colt Firearms, Loose Wiles Biscuit Company, and Union Paint & Varnish—in fact everything from coffin manufacturers to shoe laces.

Born in Boston, Mass., he was graduated from the College of Business Administration of Boston University and the School of Commerce and Finance of Northeastern University.

For his hobbies, he tries his hand at pistol shooting, photography, and tennis. He modestly disclaims any merits at these past-times, but finds them relaxing.



(Official Photo, U. S. Army Air Corps)

Major Thorne Deuel

Major Deuel is the new Base Executive at Dow Field.

He is a graduate of West Point and later attended Columbia University and the University of Chicago. On graduation from the United States Military Academy he was appointed 2nd Lieutenant, then 1st Lieutenant and later Captain of Cavalry.

With the 10th Cavalry he was stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont from 1912 to 1914. His next stopping point was Fort Huachuca, Arizona on Border Service from 1914 to 1916. It was only a step over the border and he became a member of the Mexican Punitive Expedition of 1916. This lasted for six months.

From the Cavalry he took to the air and graduated from Rockwell Field, San Diego, California in 1917 as a pilot. This gave him a rating of Junior Military Aviator. So successful was this new step that he soon became advanced flying instructor and later was placed in charge of flying. In 1918 he was named Commanding Officer of the Flying Department at Kelly Field, then Commanding Officer of Taliaferro Field at Fort Worth, Texas, and Rich Field, Waco, Texas.

In 1919 he was executive officer at Carlstrom Field, Florida. One of two schools he graduated from recently is the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Major Deuel was born in Millbrook, New York.

Major Deuel is married and his wife and two children are living in Bangor.



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Medical Dep't. News



News has been received from overseas from several former members of the detachment who are now in active duty. Among those heard from are Staff Sgt. Jimmie Collins, Sgt. Red Jenkins, Cpls. Bill Volin, Tony Esposito, Frank Davis, and Anson. They like the climate and are especially interested in the fairer sex. Good Luck fellows.

S/Sgt. "Tarzan" Nicholson is again back on duty after having spent several days in the hospital.

Maj. Kantor and Lt. Cassidy left for duty elsewhere—the good wishes of the Station Hospital personnel follow them.

The recent arrival of a group of WAAC's has caused quite a wave here at the Hospital.

Why has Corp/T Katz taken such an active interest in the Flight Surgeons' Office?

Sgt. T. Joe Joseph is again trying to regain that youthful figure that he possessed in years gone by.

Corp/T "Ace" Mace, who learned the gentle art of making woo while at school in Washington, D. C., is practicing said art in local circles. Ahem!

Corp. Jerry Thompson found night duty so fascinating that he is anxious to join the ROHO (Royal Order of Hoot Owls).

In riding back to the base on the "Dow Field Express" the Misses McPherson and Wood were observed with an armful of bundles each—surely they weren't Bundles for Britain.

Some of the "Grey Ladies" have graciously given their time and labor in the decorating in the Hospital for the Holiday Season—their efforts are greatly appreciated by all.

Pfc. Jimmy Tedeschi has given up his duties as baker for the Hospital Mess—he is now taking up cooking—it is said that as soon as he learns to cook well enough he will be open to offers of marriage from any girls between the ages of sixteen and sixty-six who can offer him a real future.

Corp/T Boyd and Pfc. Lamour, eux, Forcier, and Schmitter impersonated lumberjacks as they scoured yon forests for evergreen with which to decorate the Hospital. Thanks for your cooperation fellows.

Corp-T Boyd regrets the discharge of S/Sgt. Eddie "Goldie" Hirth from Ward two. When asked why Boyd exclaimed "best doggone K. P. we ever had."

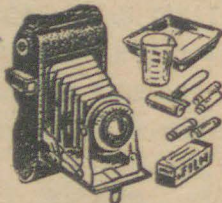
S.Sgt. "Powerhouse" Biehler is thinking about giving up his ping pong playing; he claims that the lack of worthwhile competition in the detachment has dulled his interest in the game.

Pfc. Larry Smallwood possesses more aliases than any other member of the detachment—a few of them are "Lover," "Dagwood Bumstead," "Casanova," "Killer," "Stuff," "Stepinfecit," and etc.

Lieutenants Monroe and Dorf of the MAC reported for duty at the Station Hospital—Welcome.

Corp/T "Goldie" Farkas is back in circulation again—lookout girls in Bangor he has that look in his eye.

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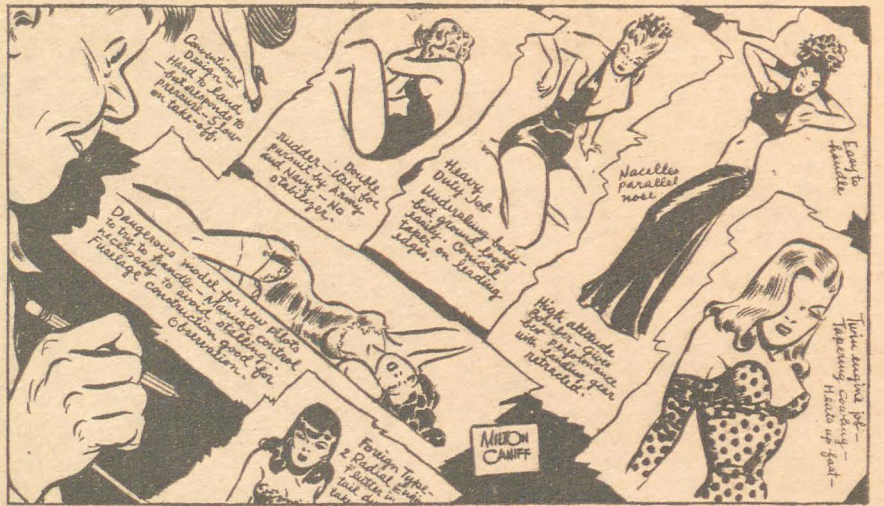
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Quartermaster Christmas Party

The Quartermaster Detachment started yuletide celebration so that all could attend before going home on leave or furlough. All comments from officers and enlisted men indicated that the party was the most successful yet staged, with all entertainment furnished by the personnel.

Opening with the national anthem and a toast to the men overseas for a victorious New Year the gathering then proceeded with their favorite cuts of cold meats and the choice of beverages, shortly after the pang of hunger disappeared the following guest speakers gave short but interesting remarks (with an occasional pun) and their heartiest greetings for the holidays: Capt. Gogean, Major Ford, Major Carter, Chaplain Carmody, Capt. Devoe, Lt. Lee, Lt. Tatem, Lt. Wirth, Mr. Flodberg, Mr. Allen of the Red Cross, and last but not least our C. O. Lt. Martin Mahoney, who announced the promotion of Cpl. Murphy to Sergeant, Cpl. Lewis to Sergeant, Privates Deyo, Alves, Ramsdell and Seigel to Corporals. He announced his efforts to iron out a smooth running policy for the benefit of all. Capt. Willard being a little late for the opening remarks was called upon to say a few words and as usual always ready to say a few encouraging words for the EM.

Corporal Frank T. Deery acted as Master of Ceremony and to see him in action one would think it was his stock in trade, it was a very good job, Frank.

The outstanding performance of the evening was the singing of Sgt. Lou Rosso and the chalk talk of Sgt. Paul Geden who held the group in suspense with his ability to maneuver the chalk with such rapidity. His feature sketches were of the victory eagle, political and motion picture celebrities, other interesting drawings were transformation of the Peep into the likeness of Frankie Saladino, the bathing beauty, and several of the better known comic stars.

The singing of Sgt. Russo and his now famous strip manipulation had the boys roaring and rocking in their chairs, this was just the start, as when Sgt. Reusche came on he had the group grasping to the most solid floor retainers with his act and recitation of Dan McGrew he has had many names, but from this angle I should say he was the blonde furry, the more timid side of the entertainment was furnished by a group from finance known as the Illinois Quartet. Pvt. Scott and Davis gave their version of Kentucky hill billies.

The committee consisted of Cpl. Ayles, Pvt. Ted Johns, Pfc. Frank Saladino, Cpl. Lewis, Sgt. Carlson and Cpl. Frank Deery. As a whole they wish to extend their thanks to all who assisted in this successful party. They are as follows: The able assistance of Sgt. Skypek, John Ayles, his masterful drawing of the front cover of our program, one that should be kept for future memories, and our thanks to the men for preparing such tasty bits.

Guard Squadron

In the absence of Corporal Frank J. Shea, who incidentally went home on a short furlough as a Private First Class and will certainly be pleasantly surprised on his return from his expedition and probable occasional buying of "Oats for the Nags"—You can't beat 'em Corporal. . . . We will attempt to present some of the local news. And speaking of pinch-hitting, Wee Willie Wilkinson is doing a great job of as-sorting and handing out to the boys their tremendous Christmas Mail and Packages. In addition to Corp. Shea's advance, many of the other boys are congratulating each other on their promotions which were certainly well deserved.

The departure last week of some of the boys was an occasion which will long be remembered. A farewell party in the form of a Grand Steak Supper with all the trimmings, including gifts for the boys and swell baking by Captain Nelson's newly appointed Mess Sergeant, Aubrey Stephens, was tendered the boys. Musical renditions were given by the following performers: Pvt. Teunis Droog from Fastwater, Kentucky, and Pvt. Victor Dark from Rubin, Tennessee, these boys dropped the cloak of civilization and went all out in rendering some old fashioned Mountain Music. Pvt. Stiefel from the mountains of Pennsylvania assisted with some "Super Banjo" accompaniment with an instrument which traveled a long way before finally landing at Dow Field.

Congratulations are extended to Pfc. Charles Ganong who recently was married to a cute Bangor girl. Many happy returns of the day!

Sgt. Raymond, Sgt. Luke Sabo, Privates Mackesy, Lussier and last but not least the girls at 202 who assisted with our program. Thanks to Misses Ireland, Batcherler, and O'Donnell, the latter the typewriter buster.

No we have not forgotten the grand performance of the Band and Photographer our sincere thanks to the following men: Sgt. Sheridan, Sgt. Marston, Scott and Privates Keane, Raimo, Burns, Rosarno, Corello Thayer and Eaves. Your ghost writer wishes everybody many happy days with the New Year.

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For you have them all and we have none.
And when we die and go to Heaven
And if you're not there;
We'll paint your faces on heavenly stairs.
If you're not there on judgment day,
We will have known you've gone the other way.
And just to show you what we'd do,
We'd go to Hell, girls, just for you.

D.P.R.

Ordinance

BY MARTIN BOMBER

Congratulations are in order for Pvt. L. McElrath. Last Wednesday was his birthday and now he is a man. Larry had the good fortune to be home for the celebration.

We are glad that Sgts. Dave Gantt and Allan Johnson have returned after a brief stay at their homes (although the boys might have different feelings on the subject. Fate played a hand in their departure. Both spent some time on Hospital Hill before leaving for a much needed rest.

From all reports, some of the men must have been celebrating New Year's Eve early. It is rumored they went to a dance and then from the sublime to the ridiculous, they cavorted in a child's swing. However, a good time was had by the Three Musketeers, and no doubt, will be had again.

Another visitor to Hospital Hill who has returned to our midst is Pvt. A. Mendez. He is now fully

recovered and we are glad he is back again.

"The Bells Are Ringing for Me and My Gal," is the song Corp. Linnane sings these days. Bill is counting the days until Bea comes for the Christmas holidays with him.

If you want a thrill, ride with Corp. Casey to the Ammunition Area in a blackout. This is no reflection on Richard's ability as a driver, but rather due to the fact that the road is being repaired. If you missed any bumps on the way out, speak to the driver and he will be only too glad to hit them on the way in.

Here is one for "Believe It Or Not" Ripley. Your reporter witnessed some men tossing coins against a wall, purely in fun, of course. Due to the precision tossing of the contestants, one man won only because he made his coin stand against the wall at a right angle to the floor. They call him "Million to One Shot."

We notice several of the boys are mailing Christmas cards with Christmas seals attached. This is possible through the generosity of Corp. Reilly. There are more ways to play Santa Claus than putting on red knickers and a white beard. Thank you, Matty.

May we remind you again that Father Carmody will welcome you at a special midnight mass on Christmas Eve. Chaplain Fellows is planning a special candlelight and communion service earlier in the evening. It is your duty as soldiers of a Christian nation to attend one of these services.

Until we meet again, in this column, "A Merry Christmas."

Time magazine, commenting on the fact that 3,000 Japs received medals from their government, observes: "The interesting thing was not that Japan had so many heroes, but that the heroes were dead."

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Headlines

Continued from the First Page

the Royal Air Force rounded out a week of heavy pounding of German communications.

The British Eighth Army in swift pursuit of Marshal Erwin Rommel's remnants pushed its spearhead 120 miles west of El Aghella, some 35 miles behind the Germans and Italians whose force reached the Sirte area, 240 miles short of Tripoli, despite intense bombing.

Finance News

SGT. B. B. WINER and
SGT. C. MacQUARRIE

The detachment basketball team after having been idle for two weeks took a hard fought basketball game from the Medics. Pvt. Charles Wendorff a recent addition to the team starred for the Financiers.

In the next issue of the "Observer," the Finance Office will have a guest contributor in Sgt. Dick Carlson taking over the duties of Sgt. Winer who is enjoying a furlough at Bridgeport, Conn.

For the second consecutive week the Finance Barracks enjoys the honor of being the "Best Barracks" in the Quartermaster Area. No Reveille for another week, Fellows. Lt. Randell J. Wirth, Eric O. Floodberg, M.-Sgt. Joseph F. Miller, T.-Sgt. Robert J. Reusche, T.-Sgt. J. Randolph Belasco have successfully passed the Gas School Course and are now Commissioned, and Non-Commissioned Gas Officers respectively.

Our new recruits are coming along fine in the Finance Office School. The office conducts lessons relating to the integrated Finance functions in which each man has to be schooled. These lessons are similar to those given at the Army Enlisted Men's Finance School at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.

Sgt. Don Simeone, and Pvt. Herbert Hoener who are both ill at the Station Hospital have our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery.

Pvt. Carl Hessing and Pfc. Frank Deery are about equal in the number of friends they have. Both have been spending hours on end sending out Christmas Cards.

You were right fellows, we did see Pvt. James Winters out with that cute little girl from Hammond St. She hails from Gardiner, Maine.



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Sportsmanship

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For the past two months, Dow Field has been carrying on an inter-organizational basketball tournament. The prime purpose is extra curricular activity to provide an outlet for excess energy, and at the same time to give the men some form of entertainment to look forward to. This tournament is comparable to an intra-mural in high school and college to take care of some of the men who do not participate on the varsity team. Any form of games and contests tends to bring on competition, something that our entire mode of living is based upon whether it be in business or athletics. In contests there are both a winner and a loser, and yet, a good loser can overshadow a poor winner to such an extent as to shame the winner into ridicule.

Remember the rules of sportsmanship are to play hard, play clean, and play to the best of your ability. The ultimate may be victory, but not at any cost.

A good loser can overshadow a poor winner into shame!

Murray Horowitz
2nd Lt. A. C.

Basketball Schedule

By PVT. NORMAN W. BOEHM

The following organizations are in the basketball league for 1942 and 1943:

1. Finance
2. Service Squadron
3. Quartermaster
4. Aviation Sqdn.
5. Medical Det.
6. Signal Corps
7. Guard Squadron
8. Air Base Squadron
9. Ordnance
10. Weather
11. Officers

Dec.	Place	Teams	Place
21	7:00	10-9	Garland
21	8:00	1-3	Jr. High
22	7:00	4-Bye	5th Street
22	8:00	5-7	Jr. High
28	7:00	6-8	Garland
28		9-Bye	Jr.
28	8:00	11-10	High
29	7:00	1-Bye	5th Street
29	8:00	3-7	Jr. High
Jan.			
4	7:00	4-8	Garland
4	8:00	5-9	Jr. High
5	7:00	6-10	5th Street
5		11-Bye	Jr. High

Air Base Squadron

In a very fast and speedy basketball game Friday night, the Air Base Squadron defeated the Base Officer's team by a score of 30 to 17.

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BOWLING

The weekly prizes donated by the motion picture theatres of Bangor were won on Wednesday night by Lt. Sand, Corp. Solomon and Sgt. Parlee and Pfc. Simoneau of the Base Squadron won the prize for low score with a 195 score. If he does not improve his bowling the members of Enlisted "C" team will get a new team captain.

Capt. Devoe of the Finance Department bowled a nifty 127 and a total 334 on Wednesday night, which is getting up there and ne set a new record for the boys to shoot at in the Dow Field Inter-Base League.

It looks like the Quartermaster Detachment does miss Spada from the results of Wednesday night in which they dropped two (2) points. The Sergeant in Base Headquarters is smiling more than ever.

The president of the league is going to take this opportunity to wish all the bowlers in both leagues a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's and will look for them on January 6, 1943, at the Academy Alleys when bowling will be continued until spring.

From the looks of some of the scores of Wednesday night's bowling a lot of the officers have been practicing, for most of the scores have improved very much in the past couple of weeks.

The Aviation Squadron did it again on Wednesday night. They were present at the alleys and ready to start at 6:00 p. m.

When bowling starts again in January there will probably be a new team in the Dow Field Inter-Base League. The team from the Band will take the place of the Officers "B" team from the Hospital for under present conditions the Hospital does not seem to be able to present two complete teams every Wednesday night.

Who was the officer bowling on alleys 7 and 8 who kept going down the alleys like as if he was going to show the pin boy how to set up the pins so that he could knock them down easier.

Major Berman finally hit a score of 103 on Wednesday night and he stated that it was the first time in his life that he has done that.

We take this space to welcome some new members to the bowling league and hope that when we start again the will still be here to continue with us.

Results of the match between the Dow Field Ladies and the Dow Field Nurses scheduled for Thursday night, Dec. 17, 1942, will be found elsewhere on this page.

So will say a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's to all.

lead from the first quarter, and carried it throughout the game.

At the end of the half, the score was 15 to 12, favor of the Air Base Squadron.

Ranking high in the field of scoring, was Pvt. Komoroski, from the Air Base Squadron, with a total of 17 points to his credit.

This has marked the first defeat for the Base Officers' team, although, thus far, they still retain the lead in the league.

STANDING

	Won	Lost
Officers	7	1
Air Base Sqdn.	6	1
Aviation Sqdn.	6	1
Signal Corps	3	3
Finance	3	3
Guard Sqdn.	2	4
Ordnance	1	4
Medical Det.	1	5
Weather	0	3
QMC	0	6

BASE BASKETBALL TEAM

	Won	Lost
Dow Field	1	2

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"That was sweet of your big sister to bring you down to see me. Now what is your 'phone number, little man?"

The Band

By SGT. ROBERT B. SCOTT

Tech-Sergeant Raymond Erwin was confined to Ward 3 at The Base Hospital for several days last week. The Sergeant plays a solid bass horn but is also famous as a raconteur and we missed hearing his unusual stories. We are glad to report his return to duty.

The Dow Field Troubadors went to town last Wednesday evening to play for an American Legion party. Cpl. Schaperow being in much demand these days as a soloist after playing a program for the Supper Meeting of The Men's Club at The All Souls Church, rushed to the scene of the Legion party to join The Troubadors.

Sgt. Charles Marston and Cpl. Morris Levine helped to make the above mentioned program at The All Souls a success. Marston who is a fine trumpeter offered "My Regards" by Llewellyn and "I'll Take You Home Again Kath'leen" by Westendorf. Cpl. Levine and his violin were heard in "Oriental"—Cui, and Beethoven's "Minuet In G." Cpl. Schaperow used his B Flat clarinet in playing Fiteburg's "Canzonetta"—arrangement being by Schap's teacher Simon Bellison. As an encore he gave out with Toots Mondello's "Heres Your Change" and his E Flat alto sax was used to make the change.

All artists on this program were accompanied beautifully by Pvt. James Davis of The Aviation Squadron who as piano soloist played Mendelssohn's "Venetian Boat Song" followed by one of his own compositions he chooses to call "Warum." It sort of deviates between war and peace and on the whole is most enjoyable music.

Sgt. "Red" Marston has looked forward to The University of Maine's recess so he could spend more time with Shirley—but alas, she being not unlike her unpredictable sex went and got employed until 9:30 evenings and is "Red" burned.

A recording was made of the broadcast Thursday night and subsequent programs should be more listenable after digging this record for we will be better able to make changes that have tended to mar previous broadcasts.

Signal Corps News



We congratulate our signal officer, Captain Amos J. Carr, Jr., upon his promotion from first lieutenant. It is a well deserved reward, and we know that "eagles" will be perched on his shoulders before long.

The finance basketballers, "red-lined" our boys, by the score of 35-26, Tuesday night, Dec. 15. What's wrong signaliers? You haven't "been on the ball" lately,

Answers to Col. Quiz

Questions on Page 5

1. Virginia; New York; Ohio; Pennsylvania; Texas.
2. New Hampshire; Massachusetts; Connecticut; Rhode Island; New York; New Jersey; Delaware; Pennsylvania; Virginia; North Carolina; South Carolina; Georgia; Maryland.
3. The white-headed or bald eagle. He was chosen as the emblem of the sovereignty of the United States because of the majesty of his flight across the skies. The date of the eagle's selection for the seal and coat of arms of the United States was June 20th, 1782. In one claw he holds thirteen arrows, signifying thirteen states united for defense; in the other claw is an olive branch, signifying peace.
4. \$1. Washington; \$2. Jefferson; \$5. Lincoln; \$10. Hamilton; \$20. Jackson; \$50. Grant; \$100. Franklin; \$500. McKinley; \$1000. Cleveland; \$5000. Madison; \$10,000. Chase.
5. George Westinghouse.
6. Pipes and drums.



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