



Thunderbolt

Twenty-Five P-47s To Be Dedicated At Base Tuesday

Twenty-five P-47 Thunderbolt fighter planes will be dedicated in ceremonies on the green between the apron and the runway, Tuesday, August 8th, Lt. Col. T. H. Watkins announced this week.

The planes will be sponsored by representatives of 18 Philadelphia organizations which earmarked their Fifth War Loan bond purchases for procurement of the planes at approximately \$75,000 each.

Largest number pledged by any of the groups is the three representing \$150,000 in war bond purchases by the Philadelphia public schools. Other clubs which will be present at the dedication include names of organizations representing every walk of life in the Quaker City.

Sponsored by the Philadelphia County branch of the War Finance Committee, the idea of setting aside part of the Fifth War Loan bond purchases for Thunderbolts netted a gross sale of \$1,250,000.

Lt. Col. Watkins, Base Commander, will deliver the dedicatory address, which will be followed by a luncheon tendered for MAAF Officials at a local restaurant.

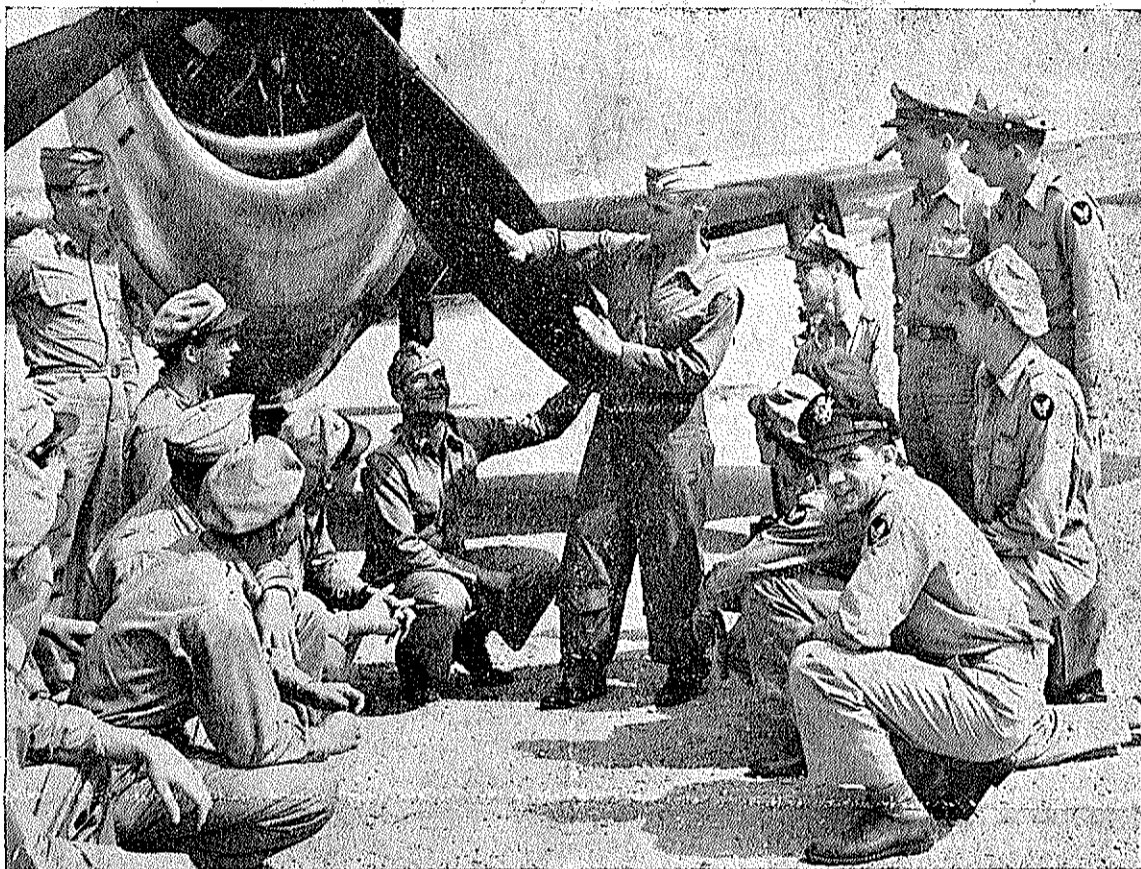
"VET" AIR MECHANIC LAUDS NIGHT FIGHTERS

Hard-punching night fighters of the AAF in Italy are giving the Luftwaffe a nocturnal headache from which there is no relief, according to Cpl. John A. Birch, of Branford, Conn., just returned here from the Afro-European theatre of aerial operations.

As a member of the ground forces in one of the relatively few night fighter squadrons in an undisclosed sector of the Italian front, the corporal learned from conversations with the pilots of the hazards involved in serving as an aerial cover for convoys on starless nights, of the nerve-racking experience in protecting heavy bombers in flak-filled skies and the eerie thrills of having dogfights with silhouetted enemy aircraft when the moon was full.

The war-hardened mechanic, who served with the Air Forces from the time the Yanks entered North Africa until after the break through at Cassino, said he was "happy to see that the RTU pilots here are training in night flights." "The air war on the continent is all-around-the-clock. There is no telling of what tasks our boys will be asked to perform, and at what time," continued Cpl. Birch. Though contact with the enemy is proportionately less frequent at night, the services rendered by the fighters from dusk 'til dawn is paving the way for a complete extermination of the Huns from Italy," he concluded.

P-47 ACE SHOWS RTU PILOTS SOME TRICKS OF THE TRADE



Official Army Air Force Photo

Noted Airman Pays MAAF Flying Visit

Major "Bob" Johnson, Oklahoma ace, with 27 Nazi planes to his credit, paid MAAF a whirlwind visit this week, recounted some of his thrill-packed experiences and lavished unstinting praise upon the wonder-workings of his P-47 Thunderbolt.

In a plain-talking lecture to an assemblage of RTU pilots, the 8th Air Force multi-decorated flier told his audience that there are no "heroes" in combat. "Only by means of team work and split second coordination of a flight can the individual pilot outmaneuver and eliminate his opponent," Maj. Johnson stated.

Picturing echelons of fighter planes in combat as a football team, the Oklahoma eagle declared "one guy flies interference while you 'straight arm' for the kill. This technique is being widely used by all fighter squadrons," Major Johnson continued, "and accounts in part for the remarkable success of the Army Air Forces all over the globe."

Praises Ground Forces

Speaking of his ground crew, the ace expressed warm admiration for their keen interest and fan-like enthusiasm for the individual exploits of the fighter pilots. "One of my crew chiefs told me that every time I went up his heart and soul was with me," the flier revealed. "All of those mechanics, armorers and communication GIs put their chips on the ship they service and 'sweat it out' until the mission has been completed."

Maj. Johnson fired the imagination of the RTU pilots when he disclosed that in combat they would receive the latest type of P-47s. "Nothing is spared the fighter pilot," he concluded. "Before going aloft to meet the enemy the airmen are equipped with the very latest and best of equipment that the AAF has at its disposal."

HOUSING FACILITIES FOR EM AT SHORE

A letter to the Editors of Thunderbolt complaining about poor housing facilities at Atlantic City for MAAF soldiers started the ball rolling and eventuated in a total alleviation of the problem.

The letter explained that members of this personnel were unable to secure accommodations at the nearby resort, and requested that something be done about it.

The note was rushed to the Special Service Office, where Lt. Charles F. Neary immediately made several telephone calls to proper authorities, and the following places were made available for week-end billeting: Downtown USO, 15 cots reserved, National Catholic Service Society, 17 cots and the Ky. Ave., USO will also set aside its facilities for our GIs. To obtain reservations drop in or call the Special Service Office, ext. 17.

"Lonesome Polecat II" Takes To Skies

While the "Lonesome Polecat No. I," Lt. Col. T. H. Watkins' old single-engine fighter plane is either basking in the North African sun, or flying somewhere under a different name, "Lonesome Polecat No. II," a brand new, shiny P-47 was assigned this week to the Base Commander.

Col. Watkins expressed the hope that his new ship would serve him as faithfully as his old battle-worn air wagon did in the Afro-Mediterranean skies.

Doodle Bugs Invade Ground School With Surrealistic Sketches

By Lt. Howard J. Von Elling

Combat Intelligence solved a big MAAF mystery this week. It learned what RTU pilots think about during the hours spent in Ground School getting a vital education. The answer was found in "doodling." That's right... "Doodling."

During classes the eagles are provided with wooden boards about one foot square upon which to write their papers while answering examinations. It appears that these boards are also used for drawing "doodles" while lectures and films are in progress. The artistic expression of the RTU airmen would prove most significant to a psychologist.

The "Doodle-Drawers" have two principal themes — P-47 Thunderbolts and nudes. The P-47s are usually entitled "Dumbo" and resemble a barrel with wings. The girls are drawn with excruciating detail. Here the erotic touch is delicately presented and resembles the stuff of which dreams are made.

Caricatures Dominate Motif

One of the pilots reveals considerable talent for caricature. They are recognizable pictures of Lts. Byrne, Ragsdale, "Raunch Nicada, and Rastrelli. The artist's favorite subject, however, is Innoenza—there are five cartoons of him. There is also a picture of S/Sgt. Staloff ("The Sarge"), and of a pipe-smoking gent entitled "Rusty"—the Intelligence Officer (an obvious reference to our remarkable voice).

Several of the art pieces are inventive, as for example, a weird contraption consisting of several huge airplanes built one on top the other, ladders con-

necting, and labled "Schorr's Super Skyrocket." Aften they are purely utilitarian, as in the following exchange of messages: "Hank... Did you pick up my laundry?, Fred." Replied with: "Dear Fred, No. Yours truly, Hank."

"Amapolla My Pretty Little Poppy"

Then there is the topical theme. Captain LaPolla, Commandant of the RTU pilots, sometimes takes advantage of having his men together during classes and gives them fatherly advice on subjects ranging from getting their hair cut to not walking on the grass. During one of these sessions someone drew music notes around the words, "Capt. Amapolla, my pretty little poppy."

Oh, yes. There is one more "doodle"—a portrayal of a tombstone the engraving, 100% pilot error. His tail fell off on take-off. In remembrance he was posthumously awarded the "Purple Shaft with the Oatmeal Cluster."

EM NAMED TO OCS

Cpl. Merton A. Wallen, a member of the Armament Department of MAAF, was selected as a candidate for Chemical Warfare OCS, Aberdeen, Md., Lt. Col. T. H. Watkins, Base Commander, announced this week.

TRAFFIC OFFICER CAUTIONS PERSONNEL

Lt. Frank E. Eshelman, Base Traffic Officer, sounded a warning today to members of this command who hold gasoline stamps, to make certain that the No. 11A series coupon, which becomes effective August 9, remain intact until the official date of use. An investigation is being conducted by local OPA officials, the traffic officer revealed, to check violations of the gas rationing ruling. Offenders of this regulation are subject to lose their gas privileges, Lt. Eshelman declared.

Condolence

The military and civilian personnel of Millville Army Air Field extend their most sincere sympathies to the family of Flight Officer John F. Driskill, 21, of Lone Rock, Wisconsin, who was accidentally killed last week while on a routine training mission.



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EDITORIAL

The Army Chaplain Corps

Soldiers, like all mankind, cannot live by bread alone. When the going gets tough, when ordinary, everyday comforts are denied us, when danger lurks before every mound and behind every cloud, there must burn within us a spiritual fire to help us carry on. To the valiant men of our Army, the U. S. Chaplain's Corps, who have helped our comrades-in-arms find the moral will to fight for our concepts of life, we express our humble gratitude.

We have seen our chaplains lead us in prayer and song around the fitful blaze of bivouac fire; we have come to them during those last precious minutes before going aloft on a combat mission or going "over the top"; we have sought their counsel in matters closest to our hearts. And from these clergymen in khaki we have received a helping hand, a kind word, and the most valuable gift one can find in life—the feeling that as individuals we have dignity and a soul.

This week the Chaplain's Corps celebrates its 169th year of service to American soldiers on this continent and wherever our flag flies. We hail and respect their long devotion to our armed forces. We feel certain that long after the last shot is fired, somewhere, sometimes, the one thing that some GI will care to recall about this war is that a chaplain in some remote corner of the globe gave him a philosophy of life which has endured the passing of time.

On Returned Vets

An ever increasing number of soldiers from foreign battle-fields are filling the ranks of Millville Army Air Field. Each arrival empties from his battered barracks bag stories of his old outfit and what they contributed to the fabulous achievements of the Army Air Forces. To these veterans this command extends its warmest welcome and rests assured that they will exhibit the same devotion and skill here as they did "over there."

Off the Book Shelf

By KATHERINE M. O'CONNOR
Base Librarian

Every now and then someone comes into the Base Library and remarks, "Does the library get this regularly?" Recently there has been added some magazine of special interest. Probably due to the large number of camera fans POPULAR PHOTOGRAPHY and U. S. CAMERA appeal to most of the readers. Both of these magazines have articles on the very phases of photography and suggestions for the improvement of your picture-taking. Even those who are not avid camera clickers will find much enjoyment in the illustrations some of which are in color.

THEATRE ARTS is the guide for the drama enthusiasts. This magazine keeps you posted on what's new in the theatre on Broadway, in the armed services, and throughout the world, as well as listing recommended films for discriminating moviegoers. It is lavishly illustrated with scenes from current plays, stage sets of well-known plays that are being produced by

schools and colleges in various parts of the country, and sketches from technicians' workshops.

For Music Lovers

Music lovers are kept up-to-date with the events and developments in the summer stadiums, the concert halls, the opera, and the radio by the over-all coverage of the news in MUSICAL AMERICA. Everyone who is making a collection of recordings will find the column, Off the Record, a reliable guide in the selection of records.

If you are a collector or swapper there is a storehouse of information for you in HOBBIES magazine. If you're not, you will be amazed at the variety of items for which there is a demand (perhaps you can exchange a white elephant for cash). Stamps, coins, dolls, match covers, old prints, fire-arms have been popular collectors' items for many years. To this list add canes, shaving mugs, banks, tokens, and tobacco tags.



Dear Editor:

Prevailing housing facilities, one of the more pressing problems of the average civilian, has finally wedged its way into GI Joe's life. I have made frequent authorized trips to Atlantic City on week-ends and have found it impossible to make any kind of arrangements for a place to park my frame. Civilians vacationing there have reserved most of the hotels, cabins and tourist homes weeks in advance. Our time off is never definite, and thus we are unable to make plans for an over-night stay at the shore.

I have made a personal survey of the Rehabilitation Center located at the President Hotel and have found that there are many beds empty at times. Is it at all possible for someone to go to bat for us and make inquiries as to the possibility of suggesting use of this place or of making some attempt to alleviate this problem?

Signed,

F. C.

(Ed. Note) See Story on Page 1

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Dear Editor:

In response to J. O. B.'s request, in the July 22nd issue of the "THUNDERBOLT", for an appropriate name for our Range A Lake, I would like to suggest that we name it in honor of our recent departed comrade, Lt. Earle Hepburn, Jr., who was accidentally killed in an airplane crash on July 12, 1944. Dedicating this pond to Lt. Hepburn, will enable his name to be carried on in the vicinity of his home.

Signed,

H. R. F.

(Ed. Note) This suggestion has been submitted to Headquarters for approval. Due consideration has been promised by the Base Adjutant and a definite decision will be forthcoming within a reasonable time.

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Dear Editor:

How about a three-day pass?

Signed,

V. V.

(Ed. Note) Sorry, V. V. You're in the right church, but you've got the wrong pew.

GI Favorite



MISS JOAN EDWARDS



By Chaplain Horace M. King

This week is one of commemoration as it includes the anniversary day set aside by the War Department recognizing the beginning of Chaplaincy in the Army of the United States. On July 29, 1775 Continental Congress in session, granted the first formal recognition of legal status to Chaplains in the armed service, when they included a clergyman on the payroll of the Army. Upon this act the Chaplain Corps looks back as their beginning.

The Chaplain Corps as a branch of the Army was given status in 1920.

As of 31 May 1944 there were 7,504 Army Chaplains on duty throughout the world. In battle 24 had been killed and by illness and accidents 39 more were lost to the Corps. Enemy units held or detained in prison or otherwise 33 more. Some 114 Chaplains have to date been decorated by our government and her allies. All Chaplains have voluntarily entered their particular and special calling in the Army and each has had appropriate training for his task.

The work of the Chaplain is a sacred task when it is undertaken with all seriousness and

wholeheartedness. Army Regulations place large and important responsibility upon the Corps. The Churches, the parents and their friends expect much of them also. They stand in the midst of strategic and challenging opportunities to serve God, their men and women of our nation.

Congratulations to those thousands of Chaplains who have wrought and to those who are still serving well and who find joy in their unselfish service. May their usefulness ever be increased by their loyalty to God and their faithfulness to those in their respective units scattered as they are over the globe. The Chaplain is always religion's representative on the field of service and he seeks to be available to serve every person day or night at home or abroad.

May every person on this field feel that the Base Chaplain is their Chaplain, eager to minister, counsel and pray with and for him without pay and in strictest confidence.

We salute the 169 years of the existence of the Chaplaincy and pray God's blessing upon its continued helpfulness.

GI SMOKE-EATERS GROUP ORGANIZED

An Auxiliary Firefighter section has been activated at MAAF and a complete familiarization course will be given to all members, Captain Joseph E. Aebischer, Post Engineer announced this week.

Organized primarily as an emergency unit to aid the Post Firemen in cases of extreme necessity, the GI firefighters are being taught the variegated skills in extinguishing blazes, forcible entry, use of the 325 and 500 pumpers and a host of other little known methods in fire prevention.

A series of lectures will be conducted by S/Sgt. Herbert R. Frye, who prior to his entry in the Army was a fire prevention and fire fighter instructor and served as a State fire inspector in Pennsylvania. During his first instruction period Sgt. Frye emphasized that smoking and high octane gasoline are the most dangerous hazards on this post. To prove his contention the instructor made a can of petrol back flash ignite and explode, and pointed out the danger that lurks wherever gasoline is present.

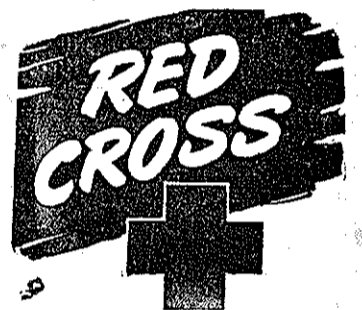
Captain S. Gostin, Base Surgeon, is assisting the program with a series of talks on First Aid. The Fire Base Department, under direction of Assistant Chief Herman Doughty, will cover the remainder of the course by demonstrating the actual use of all their equipment in combatting blazes.

News From Home

Muskogee, Okla. (CNS)—War nerves were responsible for the extraordinary behavior of Lefty Smith, authorities believe. He recently wreaked havoc in downtown Muskogee by flinging eggs at every woman he saw who wore slacks.

Reading, Pa. (CNS)—William Nagle is a patient man but he finally filed suit for divorce against his wife, Imogene, who, he complained, deserted him in 1897.

Danville, Ill.—(CNS)—Arrested for driving his car with last year's plates, a motorist explained that he tried hard but "I couldn't get the old plates off."



Red Cross Overseas

The War and Navy Departments have asked the Red Cross to provide welfare and recreation services for United States expeditionary forces. While the Red Cross recreation program in this country is limited to military hospitals, overseas, it serves the able-bodied as well as the hospitalized.

Since Red Cross assignments girdle the globe, leisure-time activities are planned to suit local conditions . . . movies, dances and indoor basketball tournaments in Iceland; fishing and baseball in the islands of the southwest Pacific; golf and sight-seeing in England; and so on around the world.

There are approximately 300 Red Cross clubs and rest centers in operation in Iceland, Great Britain, France, Australia and the South Pacific, New Caledonia, Africa, India, China, Italy, Sicily, Newfoundland, Canada, Alaska and the Middle East. New ones are being constantly set up as our forces move into new territories. American boys on leave crowd into the snack bar, the barber shop, the lounge and the reading rooms, and dance every Saturday night with girls invited by the Red Cross. In addition, hundreds of Red Cross "Clubmobiles" regularly visit our men stationed in isolated outposts in many sections of the world, bringing refreshments, reading material, music and recreation right to them.

No less extensive than the recreation program is the welfare service for troops abroad. Field directors attached to military units help solve personal and family problems, and in hospitals social workers aid in adjusting these worries which interfere with the patient's response to medical care.

Red Cross maintains an extensive recreation program in overseas military hospitals as well.

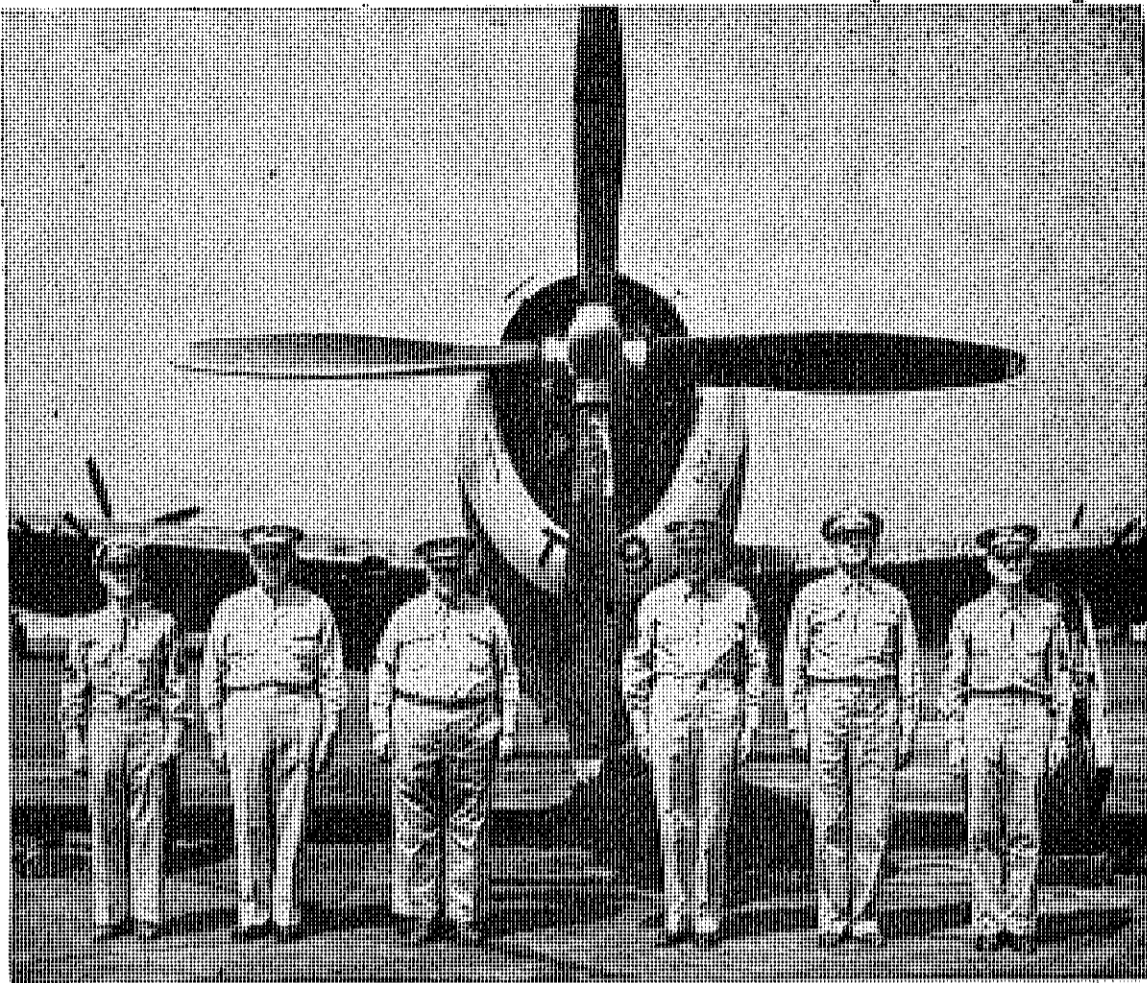
The Peripheral Road

By PFC. JOE MAAF

THE STAR GAZER

The good neighbor policy was effectively employed this week when we lent our "meat wagon" to the city of Bridgeton after their only ambulance went on the "fritz" . . . A blurb from the Armament shop reveals that Cpl. and Mrs. R. R. Reynolds are infanticipating and that wedding bells will soon be ringing for "Sgt. Cliff J. Ringler. The armorers also made a recommendation for a balanced diet—"Make certain that there is someone opposite you at the mess table when you sit down to eat . . . S/Sgt. Paul (finger wave) Konski established a unique record the other day when he visited five different cinemas in one day . . . While in an English hospital recently T/Sgt. D. Boccolini met a British soldier who gave him several snap shots showing row upon row of Chinese civilians who were beheaded by Japanese soldiers after they attacked a defenseless oriental village . . . A high ball to the Base Fire Department and the hundreds of GIs who have had their hands full of late fighting sporadic forest fires . . . One wag tells us that a local dogface had the seat of his trousers scorched combatting the shifting brush blaze and was forced to borrow a pair of civilian pantaloons; whereupon he was racked back by an MP for being "out of uniform" . . . The cry of "umbriago" has been heard emanating from the Prop and Electrical Dept. . . . It seems as if a group of gremlins has been playing devilish tricks with the magneto of one plane they have been servicing . . . The perspiration that is "being sweat out" by the boys on the line worrying about who will be appointed crew chiefs of the new ships that arrived the other day, could float the entire crash boat section. . . For GIs possessed with domestic problems pay a nocturnal visit to the Telephone Bldg. and air your troubles to an informal board of Solomons who have weathered many a family storm. . . Ask Cpl. Will Harris or Cpl. Paul Detwiler of what its like to bivouac at one of the biggest hotels in New York City . . . A stork "MI" fueled with 100 octane is racing in the direction of Pfc. and Mrs. Milton Friedman. . . Anti-aircraft hold your fire! . . . The RTU pilots claim that Sol Tabakin is the only staff corporal in the AAF . . . Overheard one night at the PX was a GI wolf purring in a girl's ear—"I don't care babe if you have no dough—you've got natural resources . . .

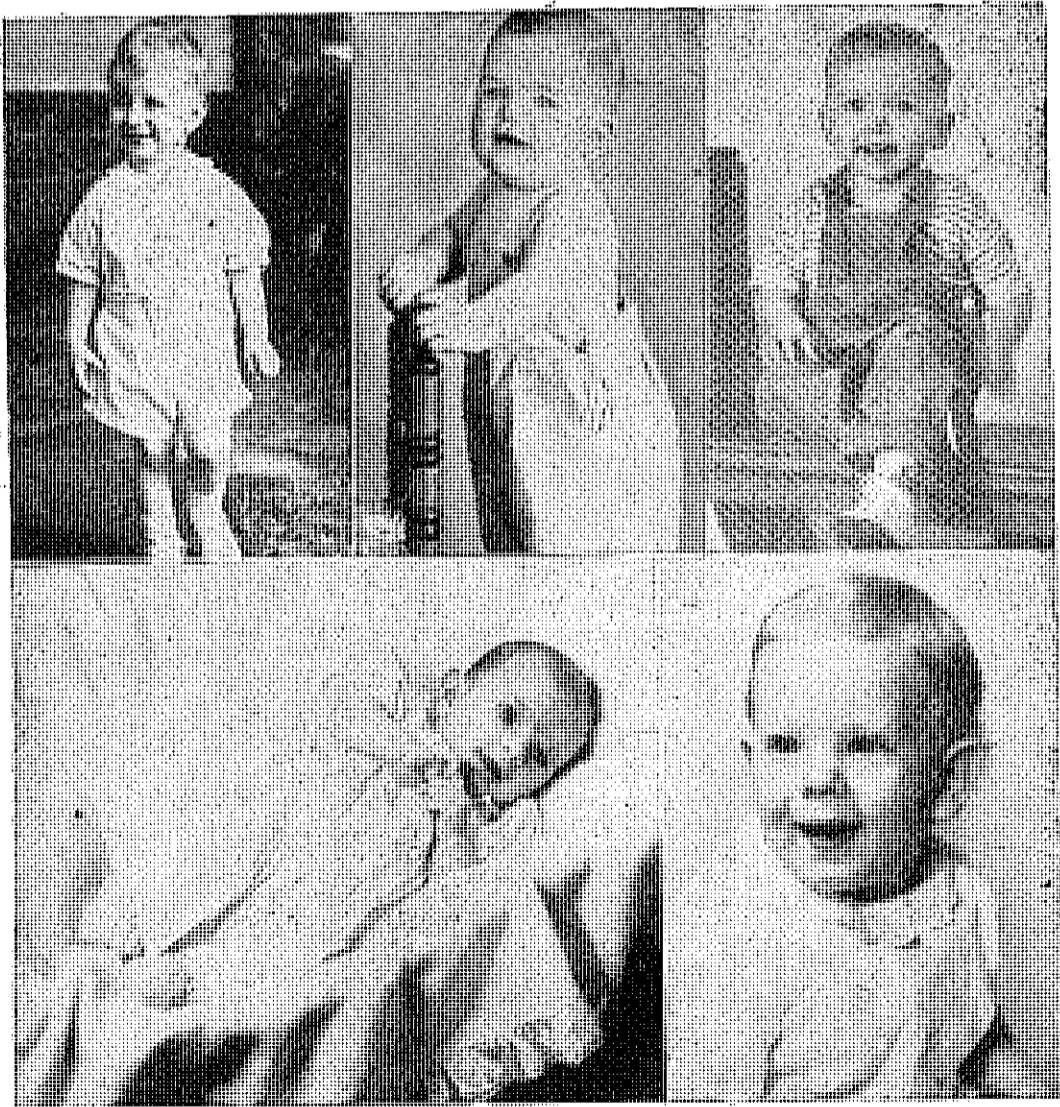
MORE THAN A CENTURY OF SERVICE



Official Army Air Force Photo

Long ago and far away six GIs decided to link their fate with Uncle Sam. The fortunes of war and the dynamics of the Army brought them eventually to MAAF. Left to right: M/Sgt. Wm. A. Keenan of Wheeling, W. Va., with (27) years and two wars to his credit, Pfc. James Mattimore, Newark, N. J., also a vet of World War I, (24) years in khaki, S/Sgt. Maurice Goldstein, Chicago, Ill., with (23) years in all branches of the Army, M/Sgt. Jean S. Chardon, Phillipsburg, N. J., who has served in almost every insular American possession for (21) years, Pvt. Fabian Barbeau, Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, also (21) years as a dogface, and 1st Sgt. J. K. Burton, of Union, S. C., an infant among the "oldtimers" with (16) years of "sweating-out" a chow line. When told that their total number of years in this mans' Army is more than 132 years one wag remarked, "I'll bet some of those guys have more bad time in the Army than some generals have good time."

FIRST ENTRIES IN ALL-BASE (G)ORGEOUS (I)NFANT PICTURE CONTEST



Upper left to right: Jesse K. Burton Jr., born June 24, 1942, son of M/Sgt. and Mrs. Jesse K. Burton Sr.; Leo Patrick Goebel, age 1 year, son of Lt. and Mrs. N. J. Goebel; Kefton Leland Hackler, 2 years and 4 months old, son of 1st/Sgt. and Mrs. Kefton L. Hackler Sr. Lower left to right: Sharon Mae Dermody, age 3 months, daughter of Cpl. and Mrs. Martin J. Dermody; George S. Wozar, age 14 months, son of S/Sgt. and Mrs. Saul Wozar.

PROUD PARENTS STORM THUNDERBOLT WITH BABY PICTURES

The flood gates of parental pride were opened last week with the announcement that an All-Base (G)orgeous (I)nfant Contest was to be conducted by this newspaper.

From the remotest corners of this nation, wherever our officers and GIs lived with their families, baby pictures have been pouring into our office. The kids are cute as buttons and we don't envy the job that Capt. LaPolla, Sgt. Kopecky and Miss Schwartz, the judges, will have in picking the three winners.

In order to give all the contestants an opportunity of having their children's picture printed in THUNDERBOLT, and being considered for the \$25.00 War Bond, a gift from the local infant shop, and the dozen eight by ten pictures offered by the Base Photo Lab, the contest will continue until August 29, 1944.

Portrait photos or clear, sharp snap shots will be accepted. All we ask is that you accompany each photo with the baby's name, age, and identification of the parents. Photos will be returned as soon as they are engraved.

The contest is open to all military and civilian personnel assigned, attached, or working at Millville Army Air Base.

Editorial Observation

It occurred to us as we beheld this page that the soldier-parents of the (G)orgeous (I)nfants were yet unborn when several of the "old timers" (upper three columns) entered the U. S. Army. Pardon us for sighing that "life is funny."

LT. NEARY IS SPECIAL SERVICE OFFICER

Lt. Charles F. Neary, Bridgeport, Conn., has been named Special Service Officer of MAAF. Lt. Col. T. H. Watkins announced last week. He assumes the position left vacant by Lt. T. E. Jaworek, who has been given an overseas assignment.

A physical education instructor at Waltersville High School, Bridgeton, prior to his entry in the Air Forces, Lt. Neary was in charge of all athletic events of the school at which he taught.

The new Special Service Officer entered the Army in September, 1942, was commissioned in November, 1943, and later assigned to Blackstone Army Air Base in Virginia.

Lt. Neary was graduated with a B. S. degree from N.Y.U. He is married and has one child.

GOLDEN BOY STRIKES SILVER

Lt. Joe Coccia, "Stat" Officer, whose extra-curricular activities as ball player and band leader resulted in his being dubbed "Golden Boy" by intimates, was promoted to a first lieutenantancy, the War Department announced this week.

A former professional ball player and composer, Lt. Coccia was signed up by the St. Louis Cardinals and simultaneously pounded out hot rhythms for Sam Donohue, Dick Stabile and other name bands.



Male Call

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

Hess Consolidated



MAAF-SPORTS LOG

By T/Sgt. Lamont R. Dickey

An open letter from an "athlete:."

Dear Sir:

The extra-mundane, bromidic scrivener who wrote that insulting attack on my batting ability last week is probably a congerer of the apes. Six of my husky RTU Eager Eagles had to hold me from going to your office to bash in your asymmetrical head.

Heretofore, when one spoke of my batting average and my stance it was with grandiloquence. My reputation as a SLUGGER EXTRAORDINARY and TERROR of the TURF have never before been expunged. The person who wrote that bombastic barrage probably has the mentality that requires a cataclysmic agent to add two and two together to make four.

I wouldn't be surprised if he is a Nazi agent who spells his name with an umlaut or two. I don't mind your foolish blurb so much except that it leached the chastity of truthfulness. After all to have broadcast that my batting average is .005 when a decent sports editor would have gone to records is sheer skulduggery. If your bourgeois newspaper (Sic) had the decency to look up the records they would have found it to be NOT .005 but a Stalwart Sturdy .007³/₄.

I will not rest until that disparaging, arrogant writer, whose scrutoir is probably an old bench, retracts his unscrupulous attack on my reputation.

ORESTES S. LAPOLLA,
Captain Air Corps.

(Editor's Note: Ho Hum!)

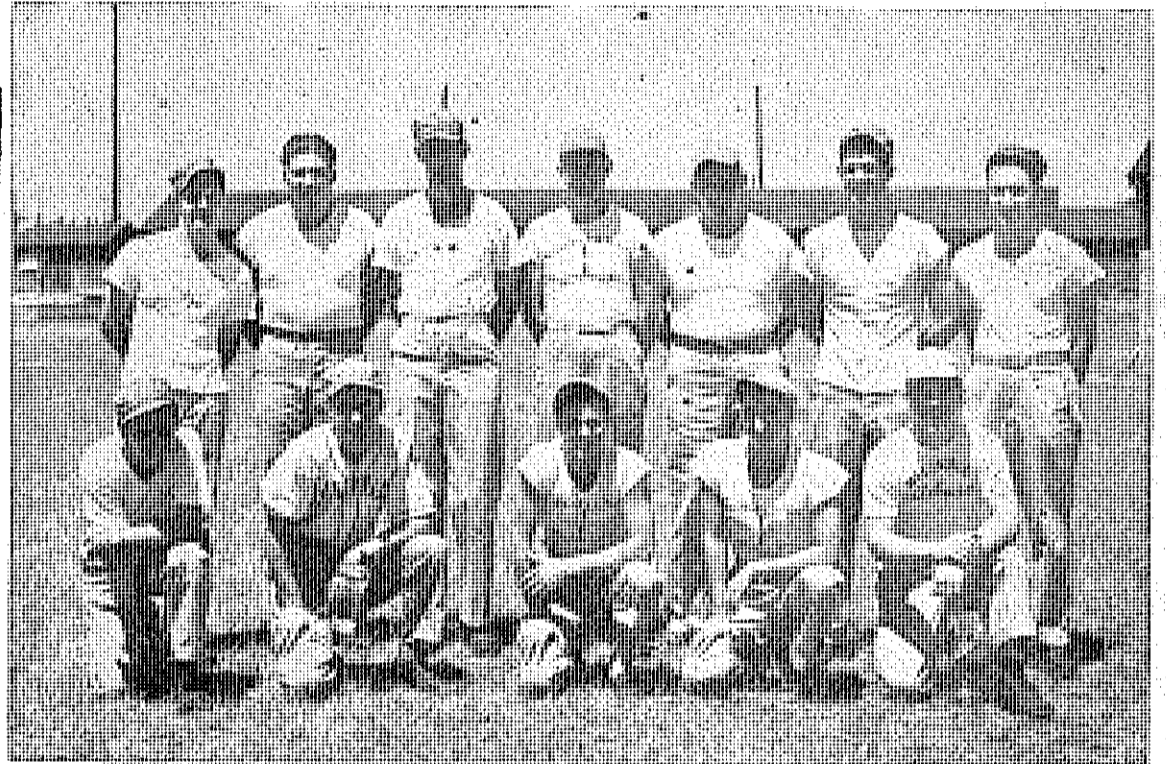
Arrangements have been made for our GI's to attend the Major League night games in Philadelphia. Transportation for all games will leave the Orderly Room at 1845. If a game is cancelled, it will be reported over the Public Address system. In order to give the Special Service Office an idea of how many will attend each game, it is requested that everyone desiring to go contact them the day before the game is scheduled. A complete schedule is printed elsewhere on this page...

The Wolf

by Sansone



"DOTS AND DASHERS" LEAD SOFT BALL LEAGUE



Front Row—Left to right: Cpl. M. McNicholas, Sgt. L. Myers, S/Sgt. P. Krynicki, Sgt. H. Vineberg, Cpl. V. Perello. Back Row—Left to right: Cpl. W. Beatty, Sgt. E. Dwyer, T/Sgt. C. Weiss, Cpl. P. Snow, T/Sgt. D. Rohrer, Cpl. J. McCorkle, Sgt. R. Greenway. S/Sgt. R. LeBlanc, Cpl. B. Grumhaus and Cpl. V. Pacileo were absent when the above picture of the Communications Softball team was taken.

"COMMUNICATIONS" SET VICTORY PACE

If you hear a rhythmic code emanating from the Communications Section these days, you can bet your bottom dollar that the "dot and dashers" are pretty happy about their entry in the Post Softball League.

The team captained and sparked by Cpl. V. Perello, center field, has had a Merriwell history. Starting the season with four straight victories, they found that all these games had to be replayed. This was decided at a league meeting called to reach a decision on a protest made by the Ordnance club. The protest was based on a league rule that states a man will play for the team representing his section, but if no club has been organized for that section he may play for any other aggregation. Since the Officers had formed a club, Lt. Hess, hurler for the "dot and dashers" was declared ineligible and all games

in which he participated were ordered replayed.

Taking up the slack in their belts, the traversers of the code world, proceeded to prove that without their best pitcher they were still tops on the base paths.

To date action in the Post League has come to a standstill and it looks like the Communications boys are unofficial softball champs. As soon as the league throws in the towel, it will be official. Congratulations, fellows!

'FLYERS'-GOLDBERGS BATTLE TO 3-3 TIE

Playing their best ball game of the season the "Flyers" battled Millville's Goldberg team to a 3-3 tie Monday evening on the Municipal Field.

Still weak in the hitting department, the Air Force nine sparked on the field. Two double plays, more than they had completed in all previous games, were executed with machine precision to nip two rallies by the

furniture nine.

Jimmy Menz, star "chukker" of the civilian team held the "Flyers" in check for five innings. He tired in the sixth inning and the MAAF GI's pushed two runs across the plate. They came right back in the next inning to tie up the ball game and battle on even terms until the game was called in the eighth inning by Umpire Slater. Up to the sixth inning, the "Flyers" were held hitless.

S/Sgt. Dick Temple pitched a steady game throughout for the Army. Except for two instances where the Goldbergs tallied their three runs, he was master of any situation.

Before the game, Sgt. Studwell, announced a few changes in the lineup to try and shake the local team out of their doldrums. Although he is still dissatisfied with the hitting, the "player-manager" was happier than he has been in some time over the fielding and revived spirit shown by the combination fielded Monday evening.

BASE THEATRE PROGRAM

- Saturday, August 5MR. LUCKY (revival) Cary Grant-Laraine Day
- Happy Go NuttyMGM Color Cartoon
- Sunday, August 6SENSATION OF 1945
- Eleonor Powell-W. C. Fields
- Cab Calloway and Orchestra
- Army-Navy Screen MagazineIssue No. 32
- RKO Pathe NewsNo. 97 Weekly
- Tuesday, August 8DIXIE JAMBOREE
- Frances Langford-Eddie Quillan-
- Guy Kibbee-Charles Butterworth
- "Zero Hour"World in Action
- "20 Years After"Anniversary Special
- "Screen Snapshots"No. 1 Seeing
- Hollywood With Two G.I. Joes.
- Thursday, August 10MR. SKEFFINGTON
- Bette Davis-Claud Rains-Walter Abel
- RKO Pathe News WeeklyNo. 97

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL SCHEDULES

- National League**
- *Boston at Phila. Friday, September 1.
- *Brooklyn at Phila Thursday, September 7.
- *New York at Phila Friday September 15.
- Cincinnati at Phila Tuesday, September 19.
- American League**
- *Cleveland at Phila Friday, August 11.
- Detroit at Phila Monday, August 14.
- *St. Louis at Phila Friday, August 18.
- *Boston at Phila Friday, August 25.
- Washington at Phila Tuesday, August 29.