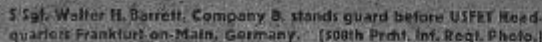


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An all-star cast that included the Commander-in-Chief, President Harry S. Truman, today had trooped the line of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment.

In a series of reviews and excursions, civilian and military notables watched the Red Devils, flying the colors of five nations, parade in tribute to the distinguished visitors of Frankfurt, capital of the American occupation zone.

President Truman, accompanied by General Dwight D. Eisenhower, took the review of the Third Battalion twice on Thursday, the 20th of July. He told Major Alvin Karpis, Bell, commander of the company, after a brief ceremony in the morning that these were "a nice, fine group of soldiers."

The European war has been history for two months but Red Deville continues to receive awards and decorations earned in combat.

Fifty-nine 200th Parachute Infantry troopers, more than any other month in the Regiment's history, received awards in the past month.

Two of Company A's men have received the Distinguished Service Cross which bring the company's total to four who wear the nation's second highest military award.

First Lieutenant George D. Latham and Sgt. Charles Gushue both won the D.S.C. for extraordinary heroism during the Ardennes Operation in Holland.

Colored Roy K. Lindquist, Regimental Commander, was awarded the Legion of Merit for meritorious service during the period 20 October 42 to 24 September 45.

Both the Distinguished Service Cross and the Legion of Merit awards were awarded to Brig. Gen. Robert G. Brown, Commanding Headquarters Command. He also presented Col. Ludwig, 1st Col. Louis G. Mander, Lt. Col. Skidelsky, Warren, and First Sergeant Roy Bennett, Company A, with the Cross de Guerre for heroic conduct in the liberation of France.

Nina, Girl Scout, received the Silver Star Medal for heroic conduct in action against the enemy. Capt. Thompson, P. O. Lewis, Company A, Second Light

that Sherman, Tim Furey and Donald Williams, Inland Hills Special Service Officer, received the medal was chosen.

Other winners of the Silver Cup were Capt. C. L. Jonathan, E. Alfano, F. N. Green, Bill Johnson, Fred J. Leonard, Wm. J. Murphy, Capt. J. H. Neumann, George D. P. Owen, Joseph A. P. 130 St. Cal. County, and Monterey.

Yakov returned back to July 1944. He received the Medal of Friendship and Merit for his heroic rescue of "Red Devils". He was honored as the first person with the new awards were: St. Nicholas G. Wozniak.

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CHAPLAINS' CORNER

INCREASE YOUR EARNING POWER.—Thousands of people, after reading these words, have signed up for correspondence courses. The urge to improve one's abilities is normal and universal. We should never, like Alexander the Great, sit down and weep because there are no more worlds to conquer. Our lives are full of every kind of opportunity. We can, for instance, increase our earning power by increasing our knowledge of the possibilities. And you can increase your power to earn satisfaction and happiness as well as money, for they, too, must be earned. Life is not a fountain that flows freely; it is a pump that must be primed. To get something out of life, you must first put something in it.

A great man wrote, "When I die I want to be thoroughly used up. The harder I work the more I live. Life is no brief candle for me. It is a sort of splendid torch, which I have not daring to let go. I am determined to use it brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations."

Happiness and satisfaction are borne back to us on the ships that we have first sent forth laden with our best Christian insight as: "Give and it shall be given to you with interest, and your measure will be full."—Matthew 23:12.

Red Devil Mail Bag

Besides the letters a list of addresses of former members of the Regiment will be included. All are interested in hearing from you.

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Guthrie.

I am writing to you on behalf of my brother, Pat Jess V. Stock, a member of the 50th Infantry Regiment until June 1954 when he was blinded in action in France. Jack is presently located at the Valley Forge General Hospital, Pottsville, Pa., but expects to receive his discharge with the next month.

Through the courtesy of Lt. Col. Louis G. Winkler, Jr., Jack received copies of the first three issues, Volume II, of The Devil's Discus, and he greatly appreciates the interest and assistance of the members of the Society. He is, at present, unable to read all copies of the magazine, but he has a list of names of those who have been blindfolded, and he has a list of names of those who have been blindfolded.

John F. Smith
545 Union Street
Denver, Colo. 8, U. S. A.

Thank you in advance for adding Jack's name to your mailing list.
Respectfully,
Kathleen M. Stach

Radio Station AFN,
Frankfurt, Germany

Dear Harry & Love:

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Sgt. Herman A. Krohn, Reg't. Hqs. Co., instructor in the auto mechanics class in Regimental I and E program, gives a few pointers to four pupils. Left to right: Pfc. William J. Wilson, Company G; Pfc. Cecil M. Westermeyer, Company I; Pfc. Ralph D. Cutlers and Pfc. Ben Herrera, both of Hqs. Co. Third Battalion. (Sixth Pict. Int. Regt. Photo)

Under the provisions of Phase II of the Army Educational Program there are four distinct agencies available to the members of this command at the present time, as indicated below:

The "Red Devil Unit School" opened last Monday, 16 July, 1945. A survey was made in June to determine the educational interest of the personnel of this command. Some 225 courses were chosen from. A consolidation of individual selections revealed that the courses listed below were the most popular with members of this unit:

The instructors have been assigned for the following courses being taught at the present time:

English Grammar, Pfc. Robert Torrey, D Company, Review Arithmetic, Pfc. Wilson Baskin, G Company; First Course in Algebra, Pfc. Ralph Boroughs, RHq. Company; Small Business I, Pfc. Leon Israel, RHq. Company; Livestock Productions, SSgt. L. C. Jones, I Company; Automotive Mechanics I, Sgt. Herman Frobe.

Additional courses are to be added as administrative problems are worked out, and facilities become available. Members of the Third Battalion, Regimental Headquarters Company, and the Med-

of Discharge are attending the Unit School at the present time. The Second Battalion and Service Company are scheduled to leave the school when the Second Battalion is rotated from the Bad Homburg Area (tentatively 15 August). First Battalion will be scheduled to leave the school until this unit returns from the Bad Homburg Area.

Due to our military requirements it is not feasible to have students attend school during the day. Consequently, one industrial may only attend one course at a time for a two hour period every other day. Quotas are allotted for each day of the course every other day of the week.

For the purpose of these companies, hence each company will have 14 men attending class daily or 48 men per week. Applications for attendance at the Unit School are available with the company 1 & E Officer. If you have not filed application it is recommended you do so.

USAF veterans have been assigned to members of this command since late February. Since that time some 366-4 men and officers have made application and received courses. There are some 65 courses available through this source, primarily High School and College level. Sgt. Clifford Campbell, RHQ Company, was the first member of this command to receive a certificate of proficiency through USAF completion of the satisfactory completion of a correspondence course. This was accomplished "With Distinction" having a grade of 91 out of a possible 95. We heartily congratulate Sgt. Campbell.

There are various civilian

educational institutions located in England and France participating in the Army Education Program. At this time, so small that it is not practical to pass such queries down to regimental level. This feasibility study is being handled and is being handled in the following manner. Information of courses available is announced by USFET, and the interested parties pass the information down to you. If you are interested in any of the courses offered, and you need more information, you may submit an application for same. Applications are forwarded through the chain of command, and the application is submitted with the application submitted by all unit of USFET. At this time each application is given careful consideration and the most deserving applicants are selected. The following ten were selected to attend courses in England from the first USFET group.

USFPA quotes:
 Mgr. Georges H. Decruvalles — "French Language", Paris, France, Hq. Co. 1st Bn; Pic. Raymond L. Gallapet — "French Language", Paris, France, B Co; Pic. Gordon E. Wheeler — "French Civilization", Paris, France, A Co. Pic. Georges N. Harjn — "Architecture", London, England, F Co.

Quotas when available will be announced by your company I & F Officer.

At this time one Army University Center is in operation. It is located at Shrivenham Barracks, England. Additional University Centers are scheduled to open the next

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Sonja Henie Joins 508th Regt. as Honorary Jumper



Sonja Henie, Hollywood screen star, breaks the ice with a big, broad smile, as Col. Roy S. Lindquist pins parachute's qualification wings on her blouse. The entire ceremony proceeded according to Mr. Hoyle until the completion of Miss Henie's swearing in as honorary Colonel of the 508th. The Arizona's most glamorous bank of brass created quite some confusion by ordering indefinite leaves for every one. (508th Pchd. Inf. Regt. Photo)

Ice Star Sweats Out First Green Light

By Pat Mitchell
Stars and Stripes Staff
Correspondent

Frankfurt — First of all, people who like to ride around in planes with no doors and the wind whistling around inside like a vacuum cleaner need Section eight advice. And people who jump outa those planes should best be interviewed before they jump or even if they look like they are going to jump-like Sonja Henie for instance.

The Miss Henie, a widely known woman among skating circles, looks like she is always going to jump—either into some music head's arms or away from some trooper who has other desires besides a ventr for a nice autograph.

The rage of the blonde sissy from Norway began along entirely zany lines. She was kidnapped.

Col. Lindquist was on business up in Oslo and so was Sonja. The Colonel had a nice airplane, with doors, at his disposal and so, in the tradition of any good paratrooper with a mission to perform, he pulled a gentlemanly match and Sonja wound up playing paratrooper with a very tough looking stick one evening last week.

Miss Henie whose ankles are insured for the enormous assets of the national bank, can't by contract jump outa planes. But she can dress like she was about to start sweating out that green light. Before the C-47 landed up, Sonja boarded the plane and changed into a jump uniform complete with boots.

Once ready for her stick and the formal press interview, Sonja stepped down from her hairdoir C-47 and met Second Lt. Worcester M. Morgan, Dallas, Texas. A D-day doggie, he didn't faint. Nor did his stick right down to the cleanup man, Pfc. Rudy J. Trubick, St. Louis, who had other problems.

After the camera men had flashed enough bulbs to replace that Holland country where you all landed one day and fought for seven a month after, the plane, stick, press and Sonja took off for the DZ.

The red light went on, Morgan tapped onto the static line and stood by the door. Two minutes before DZ he bellowed "stand up and book up."

Miss Henie, by plan not following those saved and direct orders, waited closely.

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Red Devil track and field forces off to a winning start in their first meet of the season pined for higher honors. At the left Lt. Dick Higgins, Company E, takes an eye on a distant target as he gets ready to toss the javelin. In the center S. Sgt. Walter Brand, Company I, gives the discus a wide in Frankfurt Stadium while at the right Pfc. Reginald Marshall, Red Devil hope in the middle distance tests, does a little under pounding. (Staff Photo)

Playoff With Signalmen For Baseball League Crown

Frankfurt Athletic Field, 31 July. — With tempers of team players and spectators flaring at every important turn of the thrilling 10-inning game, the 50th and 31st Signal battalions tied a 6-6 tie in a League contest this evening.

The teams were ordered into a three game playoff that was to determine the league champion. Undeclared, the 31st Signal needed but one victory while the 50th with four wins and two losses was out to sweep the series.

The game was featured by spirited play and verbal fireworks throughout. Unsettled in the tussle too, was the debut of Red Devil right-hander, Maj. Alton Leffley Bell, who pitched nine and a third innings. The Major was hit solidly but bore down to the pitcher. Poor support in the tight spots however, accounted for three of the enemy runs.

With moved into the lead with a tally in the first inning off southpaw Stein who travelled all the way as the mound, but saw the lead dissipate as the telephone number outfit pushed across three runs in the same stanza, one of them unearned.

In the fifth the Red Devils loaded the bases on three hits, two of them scratch with nobody out. Elevated hopes dwindled however when Stein bore down and fanned Olson and King. Rookie third baseman Roger Telosky who had previously fanned from three came through with a Texas League hit that fell between first, second and right for three bases and the 50th turned into a 4-3 lead. The Signalmen bounced back into

the lead with two more unearned runs in the seventh. Shortstop Hugh Rodinell who pulled the folding feature of the game with a beautiful over-the-shoulder catch of a Texas Leagueer while on the full run erred on the next play and the 31st capitalized. Three solid base hits followed and two runs scored.

In the ninth, Telosky, nursing for three errors, poked a homer far into right-center field, tying things again. 31st was blanked in the ninth and the game moved into the tenth.

Daggon led off with a whizzer through the box for a solo then stole second, Bonvillian and Rodinell were out but Henning Olson lined a slug to left, scoring Daggon and giving the 50th a 6-5 margin.

In the turbulent final, enemy Hartman singled sharply to center. Leach then doubled in the same sector. Hartman failed to touch second on his way around and was called out. In the excitement of the play however, the ump's decision went unheeded and Hartman scored. The Red Devil battery, thinking time was out, went into a discussion and Leach capitalizing on what appeared to be a 50th homer, also scored.

Hader, of course, then broke loose with players and spectators swarming over the field. Amazingly enough order was eventually restored with one of the runs allowed and the other tally rolled out. Mills then replaced Maj. Bell on the mound and retired the next two men via a popup and a ground-out on four pitched balls.

Box Score

50th PARACHUTE INFANTRY (H)

	P	AB	H	E
Daggon	3	5	1	2
Bonvillian	3	4	1	2
Rodinell	3	5	1	2
King	3	5	0	0
Leffley	3	4	2	1
Darbo	3	4	0	0
Darbo	3	4	0	0
Red	3	4	1	0
TOTALS	30	9	6	6

31st SIGNALS (H)

	P	AB	H	E
Williams	1	5	1	2
Steen	3	5	1	2
Hartman	3	4	1	2
Leach	3	5	1	2
Garcia	3	5	0	0
Halske	3	4	0	0
Steen	3	4	1	2
Peck	3	4	1	2
Phillips	3	4	1	2
TOTALS	30	9	6	6

SCORE BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
50th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SUMMARY

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 Daggon 3, Bonvillian 3, Rodinell 3, King 3, Leffley 3, Darbo 3, Darbo 3, Red 3.
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Steen	3	4	1	2
Peck	3	4	1	2
Phillips	3	4	1	2
TOTALS	30	9	6	6

SCORE BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
50th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Six Qualify for ETO Track And Field Championships

50th Parachute Infantry

Regiment will go after ETO track and field honors in 10 events with an 8x man team according to qualifying results of trials held Thursday at Olympic Stadium. ETO championships are scheduled 10 and 11 Aug. at Nurnberg. Those qualifying were Pfc. Reg. Marshall, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn. in the 400-meters; Pfc. Bonvillian, Hq. Co. in the 800-meters; Pfc. Garcia, Hq. Co. in the 1500 and 3000 meters and the relay combination of Pfc. Khas, Pfc. Marshall, Pfc. Bonvillian and Pfc. Kingsley. 100m. in the 1500-meter relay, in field events, Pfc. Lee Romero, Company E, is the high jump and pole vault and Lt. Dick Higgins, Co. E, in the javelin complete the stand.

The Red Devil trackmen, competing as a full team for the first time, won the Basile Day meet against area competition rolling up 91 points to 87 for the 82d M. P., second in team scoring.

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Peck	3	4	1	2
Phillips	3	4	1	2
TOTALS	30	9	6	6

SCORE BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
50th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

100 Meters—Won by Cpl. F. Dierks, 52d M. P., second, Cpl. J. Dierks, 82d M. P., third, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., fourth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., fifth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., sixth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., seventh, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., eighth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., ninth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., tenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., eleventh, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twelfth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., thirteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., fourteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., fifteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., sixteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., seventeenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., eighteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., nineteenth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twentieth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-first, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-second, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-third, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-fourth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-fifth, Pfc. J. Dierks, 50th P. I., twenty-sixth, Pfc. J. 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NEWS *FIGHTING 1ST*



From our children

Hqs. Company. — Height of Insult Dept.: "Call me Jim" Turner's headline marrying a Marine and writing him on Marine stationery to let him in on the deal . . . Pies Summons and Episitis cooking those delicious apple turnovers which they keep at home, allowing only the smell to drift down the company street . . . Who-Does-it-Dept.: Who put the sugar in Pe-

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from the M.C. (Mail Clerk) to all the gents in the outfit to keep such things a base. Sidles, bombed out freight cars and other cumbersome articles out of the packages they are sending home. He has to walk with them in the CP and his lumbergo is getting the best of him... His condition is so critical that he can only consume a keg of beer per hour now.

ny Company—There are 50 many stripes floating around here lately that for a while we thought a conversation of the kind you had with me to reach the new authority were 1876's Hangers. Kleinsider and Molinaro. "B" company mail clerk, non-instrumentation means you are not supposed to stand on the floor. The new authority, Pte. N. Hougham, through strict adherence to the "Atlas Body Building Course," has risen from a 100-pound man to a 200-pound Don Juan. You can feel his dynamic tension flow in his fingers when he says, "I'm going to get it." Anthony Blanche has another WAC... How does he do it. Please tell us, Tony? Sgt. Paul Atwood is also bound by the rules. He has a strong smelling orange blossoms with a sweet tint from dear old Natchikwan... Best of luck to you, Tony. Sgt. Bobby Mills (The Nose) always manages to make this column... This time he went to the States, going into the States fully rigged with shining boots and well pressed O.D.s... The Nose says it's one way to keep the work from getting on your marks. Tony, Joe Joseph Vento's new creation, rayon over trunk, is expected to catch the fireworks when the WAC's... The Nose is unquestionably a reliable source, speaking to a reliable source, according to the Olympia... They are looking for a big "X" place immediately.

Cooper, C. P. Ralph (Chicago). I (SHORT) Porcelli's Barbershop has assumed the nostalgic air of that favorite hang-out back home... Even in the city, the barbers are dressed, as in the country, with cigarette butt. But no Police Gazette...! Spies. (Call me Jean-Beno Bruneau) Androsio is quite the fellow. He is a little bit of a con man, but with that touch of conscience on his upper lip contrasting with his new silk scarf. We recommended him to the WSC. He is a very nice fellow. In these warm summer evenings... Spies. Isaac N. Boley is doing a lot of worrying these days... About his perfume... About his hair... He is stalled on his message. P. Edw. J. Szweczyk, the answer to Polish women's prayers, is finding the going very hard. He has been taken over the domestic duties... His German conduct in an exhibition of hands was not seen since the war... (Continued on Page 10)

By WFO Nick Russo
Frankfurt Athletic Field,
July 22 — 506th boxers dropped
a tight, 4-3, decision to a
fast-swinging 3rd Armored
Division team here Sunday
afternoon before approximately
1500 spectators.

The teamsters moved quickly into a commanding 3-0 lead before the Red Devils came back to make it a contest. They took three of the remaining four bouts including the card's feature when Sgt. Virgil Dorr came through with a clean-out win over Sgt. Jimmy Shirlaw of New Jersey.

Dorr, highly touted pre-flight favorite, closed his 508th boxing career in grand style, exhibiting plenty of speed and punch. The Los Angeles welterweight leaves for the States this week.

The hosts generally were popular although the traditional jousts emanated from respective galleries on several of the chess decisions. Comic relief was also supplied when Pfc. Jake West, 509th victor over Cpl. Remo Pollizzi, slipped in the third round of his best and gold-brided for a nine-count.

In the main event, Dorr, opening cautiously took the first round on points. In the middle heat the 21-bound welter stopped up the pace and scored sharply with both hands. The third also went to Dorr, Sharlew ran into quite a barrage in this heat and found himself in serious trouble as the final bell rang. The decision was unanimous.

In the opening round, Pvt. Frankie Botoroff, HQ, is dropped a questionable duke in a fast, rough and tumble three rounds. Botoroff was shortstopped by the referee in the second heat when, after bleeding out his dazed

The referee's questionable action gave Dixon a much-needed breathing spell and probably saved the Nashvill Featherweight from defeat.

In the second bout tankman Art Brown, Lightweight, took another close affair. Pvt. George Gelman, I Co., was the victim.

Close emirats continued to be order of the day when Plt. Lee Romero of E Co. couldn't convince the judges he had enough to top Cpl. Como De Sisti of Bridge

The tenth drought ended in the fourth light when Pfc. Albert Rosman of G Co., measured off Pfc. Walter Murray of Bialto, California. Rosman had this opponent drifting and dymming on several occasions during the heat but his failure to follow up cost the Windman. Montana battles a chance for a KO victory.

3rd Armored took the fourth and deciding win in the fifth set when Pfc. Harold L. Gray defeated SSgt. Vern Threlson. Hq 1st, in three close rounds, Gray's margin of victory was small.

Pfc. Jake West I Co. gave the Red Devils their second taste of victory in the sixth fight with a win over Cpl. Romeo Polidori of Salt Lake City. West's design for victory was made of leather. The Georgetown, Kentucky, brawler stood it from every direction and had every one confused including the Red. He stepped one too.

SUMMARY
 Pvt. Wayne Dixon, 3rd Armd. Div.,
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 call HQ Co., 4th South 191, Pfc.
 Arthur Brown, 3rd Armd. Div. 127,
 was over Pfc. George Gelmar, Co.
 1, 128th, Col. James I. Jackson, 127.

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Benson, 175, E. Ca. Mr. Albert
Benson, 175, G. Ca., defeated Mr.
Walter Benson, 187, F. Ca. Harold
L. Gary, 190, defeated Sgt. Vera
Thompson, 194, H.O. Co., 1st Mo.
John West, 374, Co. I, 360th, de-
feated Col. Rome Felder, 175, Sgt.
Vigilant, 145, Co. F, 70th, de-
fated Sgt. Jimmy Stinson, 145, in
three.

THREE JUDGES: Capt. Jack D.
Lentile as Lt. W. A. Beason,
THE TIMEKEEPER: Victor Taffin,
THE EXPRESS: Lt. L. Kichman

(Continued from page 3)

Cpl. Jesse J. Womble, Cpl. Walter H. Barrett, 1st Lt. Raymond L. Kampa, Maj. James R. Custod, Sgt. Charles D. Bray, 1st Sgt. James W. Smith, 1st Lt. John P. Foley, Sgt. Frank Hernandez.

Pfc. Dewey Hollingsworth.
Maj. Benjamin F. Delmaster.
Maj. Royal R. Taylor, Lt. Col.
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Lambert, Sgt. Thomas D.
MacBlane, Cpl. Francis J.
Quinn, Cpl. Rinaldo R.
Zaccala, Cpl. Calvin A. Beck-
le, Lt. Col. Otto E. Hornum.
T/S George N. Isank, Sgt.
Robert J. Broderick, Cpl. Wil-
liam F. Clark, S/Sgt. William
Stowe, Sgt. Donald L. King.
Pfc. Arthur Sanchez, Sgt.
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Pfc. George F. Banks, Pvt. Homer B. Bohannon, Sgt. J. D. Collier, Pvt. Odie L. Compton, Pfc. Gerald C. Lockwood, Pfc. John W. Melonis, Capt. Layle O. McReynolds, Pfc. Sam Karmitzski, Pfc. Rigobert O. Ledesma, Lt. Col. Thomas J. B. Shanley, Sgt.

Capt. Woodrow W. Milburn,
1st William A. Dean, Sgt.
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Hartman, S/Sgt. Charles D.
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Jr., 2nd Lt. Maurice E. Whoo-
lock and Sgt. Robert B. White.

Company—Pfe, Skinny Turner and I go to know if it's a violation of the seventh General Order to say "Yes" when a WAC asks you for a date while you are walking down the hall. I'm not planning about having to walk past of USETT with a couple of WACs heckling him ... It seems that he made the wrong choice of friends. I know what kind of mind he is keeping them to keep their jobs on ... It's all part of the joke, ladies, and he asks your forgiveness ... I wish I had not said it with our own eyes, but the folks in Age, 65 have organized a mass rush. The strongest part of it, set up in the morning, don't play money ... While going thru a stack of pictures of the now departed Adolf Hitler, Benito, I saw a picture of George Washington ... someone should notify the SS that there is

For blowing out the lights, breaking the kitchen window, tramping mud in the hall and messing up things in general, Pic Pollard Hicks has been elected the "Next Joe to be broken." "Next Joe" is a term used by the boys here as long as it is taking him a while to get accustomed to modern civilization again. Word has been passed that Joe Dearduff, who was captured in Normandy, is now in the land of Milk and Honey on Furber. An arrow

Launch New Special Service Program for Red Devils



Sgt. Mac McCallough sits at WAC dayroom during a recent open house for members of the 508th Regiment. S/Sgt. Dorothy Richards and T/4 Phyllis Bolek sit with Pfc. Jerome J. Jones, Company D, S/Sgt. Vaughn Seelye, Company C, and Pfc. Edward Baker, Regt. Co. 3rd Bn. to the "Red Devil".

Liquor Ration For Red Devils

A liquor ration equivalent to one bottle for each enlisted man in the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, is being prepared for distribution, it was announced today by 1st Lt. Joseph Hall, Special Service Officer.

The ration which required 12 trucks to transport and is valued at well over \$50,000 Dollars is in storage in the Regimental area. It will be made available at either the Non-Commissioned Officers' club or the Pirates club as soon as a stock inventory is completed and ration cards printed.

The break-down reads Pfc. and Pfc. in the drivers' seat with 24 % of the ration while Non-Coms get the balance 76 %.

There will be no bulk distribution under the ration plan. Every enlisted man carried on the company or attached unit roster will receive a card each month which permits him to obtain 30 ounces more. The card will carry an expiration date.

Each will be authorized to make a maximum charge of one mark for each drink provided one and a half drink or fruit juice mixture is served. This money is to be used to pay for set-up ingredients and other overhead expenses, including entertainment.

The liquor ration includes gin, vodka, rum, wine, champagne and some cordials. There is no whiskey.



We don't know too much about you, but offhand we would have been the first to say that Parachute and Paragraph troops would get along together very well. . . . Let now we hear tell that this situation has been called a credit find. . . . Let's have no more of same. . . . Besides, it's so confusing. . . . First we see a WAC come in the mess hall wearing one of those beautiful white scarves—next a WAC and Paratrooper pass one another on the street muttering "Overpaid Murderer" and "Chairborne Infantry!"

Frankfurt on Main has been a much sharper place since the arrival of our colorful comrades in arms. . . . remember everyone, the war is over, and the word "army" is now subject to interpretation!

Come to think of it, not so long ago, the WACs were helped out in a big way by some fine representatives of the 508th. . . . We had an Open House at the "House of Youth" one Sunday in June, and the 508th Band supplied music out-of-this-world to GIs and WACs alike. . . . More unusual, however, was a liaison that occurred earlier in the afternoon, when four troopers went against all Army tradi-

tion and VOLUNTEERED for detail. . . . And when we say detail, we mean just that—moving big things, sweeping (I) and in general making themselves most useful and helpful. . . . Boys who do things like that, with no more thanks than a glass of German beer and our grateful appreciation, are certainly the American boys we loved best home and want to see happy over here. . . . Personally, we think the general idea should be to work and play together and take just individual unpleasantness as "one of those things" that could happen anywhere, but is best forgotten. . . . After night kaput! We are noticing, and will continue to keep track of, some examples of WAC-Paratrooper fraternization — in fact, several bottles of mescaline should have just about overpowered the WAC Special Service Department. . . . Ask "Frank" if he doesn't hear audible sighs when he stalks into the office! Special Note to 508th Guards: We may be snappy about it, sometimes, but we really sort of admire your insistence upon our acting and looking like "soldiers." . . . Hey where's my hat?

New Hall Opened By Fox Company

At a Pavilion in Bad Homburg referred to by the members of the 508th Regiment as the "Paratroopers Nite Spot" men of Company "F" threw a dance that would put an Elsa Maxwell shindig in the dark.

Under the committee headed by S/Sgt. James Caruso and T/Sgt. Glenn Bell the affair turned out to be one of those rare occasions where there were more girls than paratroopers.

Other companies are striving to discover just how and where to obtain champagne and wine in the quantity and of the quality dispensed by the Fox Company social committee.

A new twist to G.I. Parties was introduced at this particular social function. Those who want prepared to speak English ended up either speaking Polish and French.

The "Nite Spot" was beautifully decorated with parades and pastel paintings of fetching young women. Sgt. Mac McCallough and his "Red Devil" live action furnished the music.

In addition to the plentiful supply of champagne, beer and wine, the Fox Company troopers and their dates enjoyed cake and ice cream after sandwiches and, of all things, Coco Cola.

WAR BONDS

Buy war bonds with part of your next pay.

Seek Name for Clubs

A baseball team, a boxing squad, the new Regimental Dance Hall, houses to downtown Frankfurt, ice cream in the mess hall, champagne at parties and many other outstanding features hitherto unavailable to "Red Devils" are now on the "gas" have list" due to the efforts of First Lieutenant Joseph A. Hall, now director of the Special Service Department.

The most outstanding addition to the long list of new luxuries now enjoyed by the 508th troopers is the new ball room. Members of the Regiment were in for a delightful surprise when they saw the new salon for the first time on July 6th when the Regiment played host to WACs from USFET.

The walls have been decorated with many murals of the Yanga style while "DIA-BLO" and insignia are blended with draped paraphernalia. In addition to the dancing salon there is a ultra-modern bar and band stand.

"There is no reason why this Regiment shouldn't be the best entertained in the ETO and as long as I'm Special Service Officer, I'm going to see that it is", Lt. Hall said.

The hall is to be named in honor of an outstanding enlisted man killed in action. The men of the Regiment will select the name of the man who they wish by signifying their choice in the first Sergeant and when the final vote is counted the hall will be dedicated by Col. Roy E. Lindquist.

Miss Halls are now serving ice cream twice weekly after the arrangements had been made by the Special Service Officer with the manufacturer.

A gym will be opened in about two weeks in the basement of the CP. All men are urged to take advantage of these facilities which are located where they are accessible to the greatest number of men.

Under the direction of the department men of the Regiment will soon be able to have oil portraits painted. In the same studio a radio shop will be installed to make repairs for the men whose radios have gone "kaput".

Special Services are working hand in hand with several WAC organizations in order to have American girls for dances and other social functions.

Beer, champagne and wine will be served at all Regimental dances and the band, under the direction of Sgt. Mac McCallough, will continue to furnish the free.

It was also disclosed that in the future the Red Devils will have their own private dance produced by the USO. Movies have already been provided for the sustained second battalion.

Chaplains Elder and Kenny Inspiration In Combat



Chaplain James L. Elder

By Pfc. Jim Watkins

Ever since men of the 508th started training at Camp Blanding, Florida in September of 1942 they have loved and respected their Protestant Chaplain, James L. Elder.

Chaplain Elder entered the military service shortly after he was graduated from the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. The former U. S. U. student was in the Army for only a month before he volunteered for parachute duty.

The Chaplain is a veteran of all the Red Devil campaigns. He went into Normandy on D plus one. At the time of the jump he was walking with the aid of a cane because he had broken his leg back in England during a previous jump.

However the 27 year old "preacher" was physically able to make the jump when the Regiment was dropped in Holland in September '44.

He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service while the Red Devils were mopping up in Normandy. After both the Graves Registration Officer and his assistant had been killed, he volunteered to do the job which was accomplished only by working hour after hour without assistance.

He still found time to always be of service to the men whose problems and difficulties did not stop just because they were fighting a war.

Most of the time while the unit was in combat he was to be found around the Aid Station giving what assistance and help he could to the attendants and offering comfort to the men who had fallen before the Nazis' guns.

When the fury of the first fights lessened and men could crawl out of their fox-holes, he held services within sight of the front lines.

When at all possible and the men could get back behind the lines he held services for larger groups around the CP.

During the Ardennes campaign he was one of the busiest men in the unit. Men were cold and wet. War of itself was hard enough to take, but combined with cold and many other hardships they were able to keep their Faith because they had

a man with them that would not let them lose it.

He kept "preaching" and teaching by his own gallant actions. He convinced his men that their main job while fighting a war was not alone the winning the war but that the most valuable thing they had was at stake. They should keep always in their minds and hearts those things that were dear to them before they came into the service.

The loved ones contained more than a bottle of champagne in the next town. The things that made life worth while were not to be found in the smoking battle field but were sewed up in their hearts and memories.

"The most valuable thing a soldier has," he told them, "is the will to keep strong and active in everything connecting him with the good things of life."

"Keep alive those ambitions and aspirations you once knew" has been the subject of many of his talks.

Men throughout the regiment tell many stories of the handsome Chaplain from Louisiana, but there is not one of them that doubts his honesty and his sincere interest in them.

When World War II is forgotten and men are living in the peace they fought to insure there will be those of the 508th who remember Chaplain James L. Elder not only for the little or big things he did for them but for what he did for all who ever had the same privilege of knowing him.

Chaplain Kenny 137 Pointer

Every now and then the biographers is lucky enough to be assigned to the job of writing a brief story of a person who has really made life worth while.

Such a person is Father Joseph P. Kenny, Catholic Chaplain for the 288th Parachute Infantry Regiment. Every day men come and go in the army and then they are forgotten. But to men who have known Father Kenny, he will always be a symbol of Faith and righteousness. A force for Good and a representative of

God in a world where men have all but forgotten Him.

To better understand and really know Father Kenny, let us look briefly at the story of his life. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dominick Kenny, of Wilmington Del. He received his advanced education at Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Upon graduation from college, he began what he thought was his life's work, teaching at the North East Philadelphia High School.

After classes each day he would coach the students in football and basketball. Just when he thought he was settled and his career was successfully begun, the world was up in arms and cries of war were being heard from all over the world. Men were being drafted. This was a new experience for them. He felt that they would need spiritual guidance and so he volunteered for service with the Chaplains Corps of the Army.

He was assigned to the Air Force. After a few months of duty with the Eighth Air Force, which at that time was a part of the 12th Air Force, he obtained his Army Pilot's license.

Finally when the United States was brought into the conflict he was sent with the Eighth Air Force to England and there he was ordered, on detached service, to the First Infantry Division and went into the first allied invasion with it when it went into North Africa.

With the struggle for North Africa finished, the United Nations began to bomb Sicily and Italy. On 14 of these missions, Father Kenny went with his "boys". Long arduous racking flights over enemy territory did not decrease his love for flying. Rather it increased it. It appealed to his adventurous spirit.

Just when he was really beginning to have some fun, an AAR was published prohibiting Chaplains from going on bombing missions.

Father Kenny immediately went to England and volunteered for parachute duty. He was refused because of his weight, which was over 200 pounds.

But after the Normandy invasion

he again applied personally to Major General Ridgeway.

"Can you take it?" asked the General.

"I think I can, sir", was the Chaplain's answer.

In one week of combined ABC and D courses he was a paratrooper and twenty pounds lighter.

He finished Jump School just in time to be in on the September airborne operation in Holland. This is where he had the most thrilling experience of his whole army career.

As his plane was in flight to Holland the engines sputtered in on it and second a hit which brought it down. However, before it came to the ground a stick of 15 men were able to jump to safety.

For two days Father Kenny and his "boys" walked, ran and crawled before they "hooked up" with the 508th Paratroopers.

The rest of his history is known to all Red Devils. Carrying religion into the fox holes, befriending the lonely, cheering the downhearted and bawling those that will fight no more. From morning until night, he was an unflinching machine that worked for the good of all, without thought of his own personal needs.

When the 508th went to the Ardennes, Father Kenny was with them. No fear was too large or small for him to do for those men who had found Faith in God because of him. He was an ideal and inspiration to all who knew him. When they were tired, he gave them strength. When they were cold and wet, as best he could, he gave them comfort. And when they came out of the line victorious, he came with them with a regiment of new found friends.

Father Kenny has been overseas for 37 months. He has 137 readjustment points. Yet, he is staying in the service because he feels that where there are men away from home, there is a need for a Chaplain to champion their causes and to comfort them in their woes.

The greatest tribute that can be paid any man is to say of him that all who knew him were his friends and this can certainly be said of Father Joseph P. Kenny.



Chaplain Joseph P. Kenny

Medal Heavy Able Company Achieve

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When "A" Company turns out in Class A uniform their shining medals and colorful ribbons make a Walcott salute into insignificance.

This company of 177 men and eight officers have what may be the most decorated company in the ETO if not the entire army.

Four Distinguished Service Crosses, the nation's second highest military honor, 17 Silver Star Medals, 34 Bronze Star Medals, 74 Purple Hearts and two Croix De Guerre were totaled at a recent count and there are still more to come.

Those who have been awarded the D.S.C. are: 1st Lt. John P. Foley, 1st Lt. George D. Lamm, SSgt. Charles Gushue and Sgt. Alvin Henderson.

Sgt. Henderson was awarded the medal posthumously for leading an attack against the Germans holding the Nijmegen bridges during the Battle of

operation. During the height of the action the Nazi cut him down with fire from four machine guns, a 20mm shell, a potato masher and a bazooka round. He was killed but the group of men he was leading went on to finish the job which had cost him his life.

1st Lt. George D. Lamm won the Silver Star for the capture of the control tower of the Nijmegen Bridge. He was awarded the D.S.C. for extraordinary heroism in connection with the blowing of two bridges crossing the Rhine River in Belgium.

A few days later he picked up a cluster for his Silver Star for holding up a German attack after they had succeeded in crossing the river and were

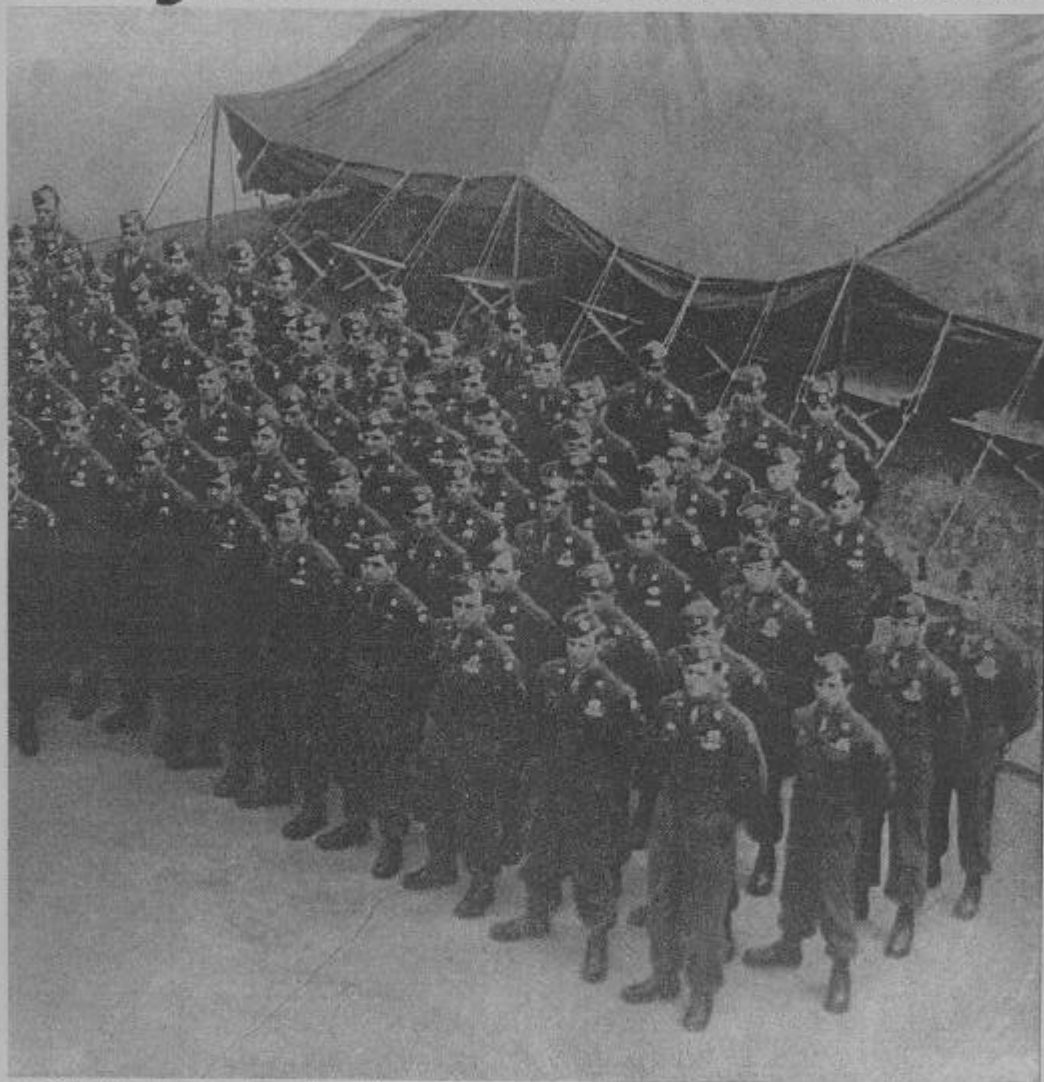
S/Sgt. Charles "Cold Steel" Gushue won his D.S.C. for his exceptional leadership and gallantry during

the operation in Holland. It was here that he volunteered for every patrol sent by "A" company behind the German lines. He usually came back with lerry blood dripping from his bayonet.

1st Lt. John P. (Task Force) Feby picked up his D.S.C. during the Holland operation. Just after he lost the ground on Sept. 17, 1944 he organized "A" company area and began to clear the DZ in order that it would be possible to land succeeding elements. He also led an assault against several German gun positions and succeeded in taking Devil's Hill which gave the "Red Devils" the highest ground in the sector.

First Sergeant Roy T. Beauch is the only "A" company trooper to hold the Croix de Guerre which was awarded him by the French Government as a result of his kayaking five Jerry tanks with three other men and then attempting personally for more.

Recognition for Great Combat Record



is 25 "Super Men". At the time he was with company and the action took place near Amberley, a small village in Normandy.

The story of the company would be complete without mentioning Capt. Adams, former company commander and now first battalion executive officer. His men will always remember him for his audacious leadership and courage. He holds both Silver Star with cluster and Bronze Star Medal.

One of the most wounded men in the 700th is Lt. Rex G. Condo who has four clusters on Purple Heart.

The words of Lt. Foley have come to mean nothing to the men who have fought side by side for a 141 days. "For thrills, chills and excitement, stick with the first infanterie company of the 700th."

Talk to any "A" company man and he'll tell you that his company is first in many ways. They have the following "firsts": the first company to take German prisoners on German soil, the first paratroopers to be dropped on German soil, the first company in the 700th with four streamers on their guidon, etc.

Besides the awards listed above others wearing combat awards are:

SILVER STAR

Sgt. Joseph J. Black, 1st Sgt. Roy T. Bennett, Sgt. Joe H. Boone, 1st Lt. Wayne F. Campbell, Pvt. A. B. Connor, Pvt. Duane H. Dunsen, 1st Lt. Rex G. Condo, with cluster, 1st Sgt. Frank C. Taylor, Sgt. Howard E. George, with cluster, Sgt. Donald George, Cpl. W. Firestone, 2nd Lt. Shamus Vanwyke, 1st Lt. J. P. Foley.

BRONZE STAR

Sgt. H. A. Adelman, Sgt. Roy T. Bennett, St. J. H. Boone, with cluster, 1st Lt. Wayne F. Campbell, Pfc. Otto L. Compton, Pvt. Duane H. Dunsen, Pfc. Jester V. Fowler, Sgt. Charles A. Gushon, Pfc. James E. Jackson, Pfc. Donald M. Johnston, Pfc. Sam Kozmicki, with cluster, SSgt. Charles D. Kent, Jr., Pfc. Rigoberto Ledezma, Sgt. Eugene McMillan, Sgt. Duane S. Prentiss, Sgt. Robert B. White, with cluster, Sgt. John J. Mallon, Jr., Sgt. Frank C. Taylor, Pfc. Willie Smith, 1st Lt. Charles E. Schwab, Pfc. James E. Pugh, Pvt. Harry Dunbar, Pvt. Billie G. Seaver, Pvt. John H. Johnston, Pvt. Marlon E. Kinsman, 1st Lt. Calvin R. Marshall, Pvt. George E. Banks and Pvt. George W. Chaswell, III.

There are 74 Combat Infantry badges worn in the company and 74 Purple Hearts.



One of the liveliest parties in the history of the Regiment was pulled off by Company G recently. WACs and 'troopers tip the light fantastic while the "Red Devil" band gives with the juv. [29th Pict. Int. Regt. Photo]

Third Battalion Bags Bronze Stars

Hq. Company — The third battalion had 22 of its men decorated back in June with the Bronze Star for heroic action. . . . Thirteen of them were from Headquarters Company. . . . They are: 1st Lt. John Little, SSgt. Raleigh Vaughn, SSgt. George Russell, Cpl. King Burke, TS Richard Fritter, SSgt. Robert Richmond, Pfc. John James, Sgt. David R. Rice, Sgt. Arthur Costa, TS Eric Stott, Cpl. Lawrence Silva, Pvt. William Higgins, Sgt. Robert Giant. . . . New membership cards to the TS Point Club go to the following 36 pointers with our sympathy: 1st Sgt. Orval Shaver, SSgt. Raleigh Vaughn, TS George Joehnk, Pfc. Hugh Woody, Pvt. Norman Embury, Pvt. Neph McMillan, Pvt. Ernest Olson, Pvt. Edwin Schott. . . . Now that everyone in the company is wearing stripes of some kind, there should be "hon-est" bar in the Privates Den. . . . The welcome-mat is out for 2nd Lt. William C. Lord II, who comes back to us from OCS. . . . He's doing business with the same platoon when he arrived as Sgt. for quite a long time. . . . We are always glad to see a good man get ahead and so we congratulate you Mr. Hubbard and wish you lots of luck.

G Co. — We are not surprised at what can happen in the army. . . . We could not have gotten quarters like this if we had ordered them from Sears-Roebuck. . . . We never saw so many smiling faces as we did when TSgt. Lawrence E. McFadden, advance detail specialist, and platoon Sgts. Peter R. Attanese, Jr., Ernest P. Beck and Pfc. Ralph Campana led their platoons to their respective apartments. . . . After a few hectic days clearing apartments of junk, "scrubbing" furniture, swamping electric fuses and house cleaning in general the company area was whipped into shape. . . . Before the dust had

settled, life in the modern apartments took on the aspects of Manhattan's swank Tudor City. . . . Our daily habits became more and more those of the civilized world. . . . No more larking in a helmet, stock M. I. . . . Instead we have a bath tub and to heat it all, we have a W.C. Just think, fellows no more silt treaders. . . . Sgt. Harvey T. Esell, the best mess Sgt. in the racket, promises sherry pie just as soon as he gets the sherry. . . . Pfc. Billie O'Malley blurring the hedges gets a call from Pfc. Robert Pullen, "Ifey, gardner, I'll bet you that your squad leader can't whip our squad leader." . . . Two rows down the line SSgt. Robert F. Piper is eating a bouquet of roses from his garden. . . . A son of a Cpl. outskanking a Sgt. came to light recently. . . . Jeff Harris has 94 points to

a TS 83 held by SSgt. Piper. . . . High point man around here is SSgt. Arthur J. Walker with a 132 of the golden nuggets. . . . After thirty days with his wife and son, he is going to the C.B.I. . . . Hatcher's barber shop quartet is now a three boxer. . . . Pfc. Frank Vavros doesn't like to say "Tumble weed" and resigned. . . . Could it be that TS John Majsi and TS Harold Kasper are planning on going into the sniffs? We saw them making a beachhead on the canal a few days ago.

H Company — Our C. O. has crossed the lamp with a pair of railroad tracks and everything. . . . Congrats to Capt. Louis W. Tull. . . . Everyone here is waiting for the I and E program to get under way. . . . Do we get a course

G Company Tops in House Mothers

on love or do we just let nature take its beautiful course? One Joe who really has it tough with this Non-Frat policy is Pfc. Harold Hughes. . . . A past master in taming the female heart, he now is afraid he is going stale. . . . Pvt. Eddie Martin isn't bothered by the policy since "the WACs just can't resist me". HE SAYS. . . . Runner has it that privates will have to climb their heels and bow from the waist when non-coms back the show line in front of them. . . . Here, Sarge, please allow me to wash your mess-kit. . . . According to the grape vine Sgt. Brennan is preparing a booby trap to catch "Chief". Crew the next time he comes in backed with "fire water". . . . All the lonely are urged to take their problems to "Dr. Anthony" Sarge Hinchaw. . . . His advice to the loveless is the best in the ETO. . . . Troops at USFET were disturbed a few mornings ago by what they thought was a thunder storm. . . . It happened to be merely our Sgt. Norman. "Can you (Continued on Page 15)





Regimental Hon. Co. — This column is glad to welcome back to the fold MSgt. James Smiley, who, we understand, may be assisting behind the plate now that the baseball team is a reality. . . . Most of the Jews are now in Bad Homburg with the Second section. . . . From all reports that town has everything you can find in New York, except swinging doors. . . . Still chasing the G-C men around is SSgt. Friedrich Robbins. . . . The boys really appreciate the beer with their C-cations. . . . It could only happen when you've got a mess personnel like we have in this company. . . . Rumor has it that we can expect champagne with our dehydrated eggs on Sundays from now on. . . . T4 Harry Evans is drawing over-five pay since he has started repairing radios, telephones, refrigerators, washing machines and electric fans. . . . Claims he has lost 44 pounds since coming to Frankfurt. . . . T4 Don J. MacLeod has had a sign printed which he wears on his shirt. . . . It reads: "Yes, I have no pictures today. . . . The best way of getting off KP was demonstrated recently by Pvt. J. S. Battle when he burned his hand with gasoline. . . . Pfc. Mike Lomakin's laundry business is suffering depression now. . . . Even though he has two fridges in his employ, the business just ain't up to what it should be due to the fact that all the paying customers are in Bad Homburg. . . . Most of Haze men went over the top with points when the last battle star came then. . . . T4 Clifford has made application for a ham operator's license. . . . You should see the elaborate radio system he has installed in his mess. . . . Pfc. John McColl has a gripe. . . . Every time he goes to try to get into the bathroom he always gets the answer, "Besatz!"

Transportation Platoon — Now that the new TO is in effect, we have still more high paid chauffeurs. . . . The situation is so bad, we don't know who out ranks who, or who to speak to and who to ignore. . . . Since Pfc. John Kelley, a lad from Jersey, didn't get to be T4, I suppose he'll lose out on those coveted trips to Paris. . . . Something in the St. Dennis area of the French Capitol seems to have a warm place in the heart of our Irish lover. . . . Take the advice of Pfc. Walter G. Wood and don't jump off the 40 foot tower at Olympia just because a WAC calls you chicken. . . . T4 Eugene G. Watson, "Georgia Boy," is beginning to like the continental women less and less, since he has cast his glances on a certain WAC from the Empire State. . . . Why can't Pfc. Phil Wicket get out of bed before the moon meal is served? . . . Now that Scott E. Ellsworth has made T4 the boys are beginning to call him Eagle Grove instead of Eagle Gulch. . . . Pfc. Robert Johnson, former 509 P I trooper, owner of 109 points, and LA Kampfe had to be carried off

to the side of the road recently after they had been doing push-ups. . . .

Parade Maintenance — Old men like TSgt. Shepherd still sweat out discharge while the new ones such as Pts. Wald, 40 point wonder, continue to work with no worries or post war plans. . . . While with the 52nd Airborne Division our section received the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque which is etched in wood, a gold wreath on our right sleeve. . . . When are we going to get in on this I & E program? . . . All we see is wood caps, silk scarfs and tailor work. . . . Most of us have forgotten what a baseball looks like. . . . T4 James Arva and Freddie Madrox are still spreading out the CBI. Every day take more of their "gees" out of their duffle bags. . . . T4 John Currie has to carry his mail from the U K in his duffle bag. . . . 92 points seem to be useless to T4 Art Smith since he is an electrician. . . . Escalator too. . . . You guys can begin sweating again. . . . we are packing duffels for next month's jump. . . . Happy Landings.

Medics — We're all waiting for the extra ten bucks that goes with our recently approved Medical Combat Badges. . . . The Detachment played best to friends of T4 James (Battler) Hirsman on the Fourth of July when Seabees from his home town visited him. . . . Pvt. George W. Merrill spent his 55th birthday crossing the U.K. . . . Our first soldier has found a nobleman in our midst. . . . SSgt. Millard N. Newman is the Medic of the Month, a new feature to be carried by this column from now on. . . . A vet of Normandy, Holland, and the Balgo campaign he holds the Silver Star, Bronze Star with Cluster, the Purple Heart with Cluster and the Certificate of Merit. . . . He is now sweating out the land of Happiness and laughter since he has "two-cow" points.

Sgt. Yost, I Company

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He never knew what hit him. He had saved his friend's life at the expense of his own. We don't know what we like most about Yost but I suppose it is that certain something about him that made everyone who knew him want to be like him.

It's impossible to say what might have been, but if he hadn't gone out and brought his fellow soldier back he might be here to day.

He was killed on the Fourth of July. He never saw us take Hill 95 which we could never had done if it had not been for his calling curtains to those four Krutz machine guns.

Most of the old men from "I" company are gone but I believe that where ever they are, they still think of Francis J. Yost, one of the bravest, most courageous and intelligent men ever to have served in this company.

Band Glad To Rejoin 508th In New Duties At Frankfurt



Here is the 508th Parachute Infantry Band which has been joined with the 158th Infantry Band to form the 112th Army Ground Force Band. Attached to the 508th is the official band of USFET ceremonies.

1st Row: SSgt. Edward A. Frizzell.
2nd Row: WO1G Margolin, TSgt. Carroll L. Schultzeider, Pfc. Roger O. Dally, Pfc. Judd L. Proppert, TSgt. John C. Wilkie, TSgt. Wilbert M. Downer, Jr.
3rd Row: Pfc. Martin Strakoske, Pfc. LeRoy M. Zimmerman, Pfc. Dave E. Allen, T4 Anthony A. Dellaporta, TSgt. Kenneth W. Mantle.
4th Row: T4 Loyd M. McCullough, TSgt. Antonio C. Valladares, TSgt. Edward M. Davison, Pfc. John O. Lomcke, Pfc. James J. Farney Jr.
5th Row: TSgt. Leonard Becken, T4 Leonard A. Bonin, TSgt. Angelo Greco.
6th Row: TSgt. William M. Falkin, Pfc. William G. Schmitt, Pfc. Anthony V. LaPlata, T4 Edward Jackson, T4 Samuel L. Forcucci.
7th Row: Pfc. Ray E. Nease, Pfc. Meredith L. Schoonover, Pfc. Alfred A. Davis, T4 Gerald L. Beach. (508th Parachute Inf. Regt. Photo)

The band is home again. Back with the 508th and glad to stop cruising for a while and happy to settle down to permanent billets for a change.

As all the old timers know, the band was organized when the Regiment was activated at Camp Blanding, Florida. Colonel Lindsay and other officers and men who were there then undoubtedly laugh when they recall our efforts to add dignity and color to guard-mounts, retreats and parades with our first nine-piece band.

Colonel Mendez once told us after such an affair, "You do a pretty good job considering. . . . It was the way he said it that we still remember. But we gradually grew, and

like wine, have improved with age. We started with the Regiment through Fort Benning, Camp Mackall, Ireland, England, and France. Finally after two and a half years we were attached to the 82nd Airborne Division just before you went to the airport the last time.

After spending a short time with them, we were again reassigned. This time to the XVIII Corps, Airborne. It was during those two associations that we drifted back and forth between Germany, Belgium and France until we felt like a package lost in the mail. We might point out that we had a few brushes with 88 batteries and Luftwaffe

strafing but fortunately the band remained intact.

Now that we are back with the 508th in Frankfurt we intend to do our part in making the parades, reviews and guard mounts of the Regiment the best seen in the ETO.

Then, too, there's the dances. We'll be in there pitching for the many that the Regiment will be holding as well as those of other units at Frankfurt.

Yes, the band is glad to be home again even though it is a new one, one far away from the original home at Blanding. As we all know it isn't the surroundings that make a home but the old friends that go with it.

NEW QUARTERS OKAYED BY FOXHOLE REFUGES

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vaudeville circuit. . . . Add Pfc. William L. Graves to the list of returned foxhole frequenters. . . . He has resided the point where he now has a mirror installed on the ceiling so that he may admire himself while preening his

blankets and sewing creases in his fatigues. . . . "You don't know do you?" Coy. L. Moore, Private First Class, has missed six call two days in a row. He overslept. . . . And there is Pvt. Elvin C. Shaden who is thinking about moving to a lower floor so that he can make bedcheck. . . . Pfc. George Castropoulos, our local author-

ity on matters of worldly importance, was a bit disappointed the other day. . . . Someone agreed with him. . . . These fellows you hear sobbing each night are the 50-year men who have been notified they are eligible for discharge. . . . Crack of the Week: He's a candidate for an upper plate.



Practice Jump At Frankfurt Rivals Three Ring Circus

The County fair is here to stay.

This was the conclusion today following a recent practice jump of the 508th Parachute Infantry.

What was originally intended to be a routine job for the records overnight became a three ring circus, one at Frankfurt airport, a second at the LZ and a third in the vicinity of any radio set tuned into Station AFN, Frankfurt.

It all began when Stars and Stripes published a brief release that the 508th had scheduled a demonstration jump, military spectators could be accommodated on the LZ and perhaps a few allowed to ride the planes.

From then on the following were among the things that happened:

(1) For the next four days the 508th switchboard became hopelessly jammed with incoming calls requesting reservations on the planes. Many requests came from units requiring space in battalion strength.

(2) The LZ was rimmed by thousands of spectators from morning until late afternoon. The military ranged in rank from major general to private, the civilians from clusters of pretty USO and Red Cross

ladies to hundreds of faithfully succeeding kids.

(3) Some 1600 spectators were squeezed into the plane with the jumpers. How the crews from the 54th Wing also managed to get aboard has never been discovered.

(4) In response to requests from the sticks, pilots began climbing to altitudes as high as 5,000 feet before turning on the green light. This was good for a four minute ride down.

(5) Two of the spectators were allowed to make a jump. They were Major John Crosby, Scone, New South Wales, Australia Corp of Signals, and W/O Vincent Pindita, Lancelown, Australia. Both refused to give up broad-brimmed campaign hats in favor of steel helmets and both promptly lost them.

(6) An experimental jump broadcast was put on the air in which blond Sonja Henie acted as the honorary jumper. T/S Len Rogers, T4 Fred Norbeck, Sgt. "Mac" Mahaffey and Pfc. Earl Jaffee of Station AFN staged the broadcast. They turned the air over to Pfc. Rudy Trebeck, jumping No. 13 with a 50, as he went out the door. The complete program lasted 25 minutes.

Three "Red Devils" hit the silk and the remainder of the "stick" pilots out behind them during a recent demonstration jump by the 508th near Frankfurt, Germany. (Photo by Lt. Col. Shields Warren, Jr.)



Civ came from many miles to witness the demonstration jump staged by the 508th Parachute Infantry. Here are just a few of the estimated 3000 military personnel who looked on while the "Red Devils" hit the silk. (508th Pchut. Inf. Regt. Photo)



Lt. John P. Balfis, 308th Parachute Infantry Regiment Liaison Officer, gets a million dollar handshake from Supreme Commander Dwight D. Eisenhower at a reception held shortly before the dissolution of SHARP at Frankfurt. [308th Pchd. Inf. Regt. Photo]



The Silver Star Medal is pinned on Pfc. Wayne F. Campbell, Company A, for heroic conduct in action by Brig. Gen. Robert Q. Brown, Headquarters Command. Twenty-two other "Red Devils" received the medal during a ceremony recently held on the Regimental Parade Ground. Pfc. Campbell is flanked on the left by Cpl. Robert E. Kahal, Company B, and on the right by Pfc. Frank Haddy, Company A, who also received the Silver Star Medal. [308th Pchd. Inf. Regt. Photo]

MAIL DEVIL'S DIGEST HOME
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I Company Band Giving Concerts

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hear me in the rear, air? Cooperation giving colloquies... Collecting five points plus a Bronze Star at a recent parade were: Capt. Toth, 1st Sgt. Hefening Olson, 5th Sgt. James Kay and 8th Sgt. James J. Murphy... The way the guys are recouping their points since they got their last "bottle" star, you'd think they wanted to go home... What's the matter fellas, don't you like to "keep house"?

I Company—The beloved mascot of this company, a faithful servant if there ever was one, has presented the outfit with three little bundles from Beaton. It was disclosed recently... According to the keeper and midwife, Pvt. Sol Cezario, three petite garcons and a petite fille were delivered at 2300 hours 20th June 1943 AD... Via the lip of 5th Sgt. Steve Sokolo, press section representative, we learn that the fresh salads served at chow are fruits of the labors of Pfc. Jim Gould and Don Milligan... We wish to take this opportunity of wishing Cpl. Tom Biles, formerly of this community, the best of luck... He's now with the 156th Inf... We are well represented on the boxing team... A look at the cards for future bouts shows that we have several guys ready to go for the championships of their respective weights... Soon to be working in the squared circle are Pfc. Roy Willard, George Gilman, Jake West and Jim Mooney... Suggestions for a name of an orchestra will be appreciated by Pfc. George Russell, who has just organized a band consisting of the following famous musicians: Sgt. William Hatcher, sax, 8th Sgt. Andy Dwyer, guitar, Pfc. Vince Fiorino, piano... Allocated 5-2... We need a master key to lock up all pianos... Seems that everyone in the company is trying to master Chopin these days... We welcome back from the white-hot leaguerous old friend TS Pat Strahan, supply genius around these parts... Looks we through the third platoon has tired of walking... They are now either riding bicycle or promoting gasoline to put in their one long Jeffy two wheeler... Five points with a Bronze Star attached was recently awarded to Pfc. George Vannasty for the bang up job he did in Holland... Ex-First Sgt. George Fields is now sweating out the states and citizenship with the 127th Glider Regiment... According to Lt. Green and 8th Sgt. Bates all we need for our basketball team is a court, nine players and a basket ball.

Big Point Crop In Easy Company

Points and more points... If everyone with more than the critical 85 in Easy Company were sent home there would have to be another recruiting drive to replace them. "When are we leaving", is the big question as the veterans savor more fruit salad and shine jump boots.

First Sergeant G.E. Dwyer, sporting a mere 134 points, is looking for someone to take over his duties so that he will not be classified "essential" when the good word finally comes down.

Others "sweating it out" with the first soldier are: 8th Sgt. W. J. W. Ramston, 121, Cpl. H. H. Thurston, 127, 8th Sgt. A. E. Meyer, 8th Sgt. G. W. Wamuck, 86, Pfc. T. F. Butcher, 88, Pfc. E. W. Reisen, 91, Pfc. E. A. Chapman, 102, Pfc. W. H. Plach, 91, Pfc. R. W. Reid, 87, Sgt. J. W. Man-kin, 81, Pfc. W. Louste, 88, and 1st Sgt. Stanton Mesch-erink who claims to have 854 because he is "acting first sergeant".

"It isn't too bad here now", 8th Sgt. J. W. Ramston says, "but I'd like to see home again at any price. After 19 months of knocking about Europe, all I want to do is get back to the States and stay there".

ABRAMS AND PHILLIPS PICKED AT GUARD MOUNT

Three times and you're out- even at guard mount. If you don't believe it, ask Pfc. Kenneth A. Abrams, Company I and Pfc. Ernest H. Phillips, Company H. Abrams and Phillips were selected Colonel's Orderly three times and have been excused from pulling guard.

St. Mere Eglise Tributes Troopers

Champaign and Dancing Greet Red Devils on Anniversary Visit

BY T/5 STAN TYLICKI

Just as we did exactly a year ago, seven of us left for St. Mere Eglise in the early hours of the morning. Besides myself there were Capt Brian Beaudin, Lt. William Coll, T/5 Donald MacLeod, Sgt. Francis Lamoureux, Cpl. Frank Ruppe and Pfc. Donald Rutherford. The big difference was that this time we had two jeeps to take us there and bring us back. Twelve months previously we had a C-47 to take us there and have we got back is another story.

Before reaching the little town near the Normandy coast we passed through many a familiar battle field where the Regiment fought. Some of the town and cities are still unrepainted and ruined. A few farmers are back at work tilling the soil spotted here and there with wrecked German vehicles.

Finally we reached St. Mere Eglise. There is some amazing. Every French village has "PARACHUTISTES" and "D-Day" and "D-Day" autograph books. In the village there were someone from the Regiment and a few soldiers who did their small part in contributing to the great victory in Europe.

Many of them asked us to sign a book titled "Sky Sweepers". It is an account of airborne invasion of that locality and the liberation of St. Mere Eglise. It was written by Alexander Renaud who is the mayor. They told us it is being translated into English and is being published in the United States.

They saw to it that we had comfortable rooms in some of their homes and then we joined them in a visit to the American cemeteries that are on the outskirts of the town. The rows of white crosses were neat and clean. Beside each was an American flag. I wasn't there a minute until I saw the names of three who had been close friends.

They were buried side by side. There were other crosses labeled "Unknown" and each of these represented a lone trooper.

Later in the evening a large banquet was held for us and the others of the 82nd Airborne Division who came back for this occasion. The food and wine were fine. But we had never seen a French D-Day dinner many speeches and songs were given. By Madame Renaud, the mayor, followed and sang and all night long we were watching the fireworks.

The next morning there were formal ceremonies were held. There was a long procession to the church where services of thanksgiving and prayer for the dead were read. The procession moved its march from the church and went on to the cemetery. Thousands paid their respects to our dead that day. Children laid flowers on the graves and then grouped to sing the Marseilles.

We, the Lucky Seven as we called ourselves, started back for the Regiment that evening. We had many souvenirs of this our second and by far the more pleasant visit to St. Mere Eglise. They had given us embroidered handkerchiefs made from the parachute we had jumped, copies of the book, "Sky Sweepers", wine, flowers and what is more a lasting impression that here were a few people who knew and appreciated what we had done and many others had fought so hard to achieve.

First Liberated French Village Adopts Troops at Celebration

"I have just told our prefect, the ladies who are here and my fellow citizens that today and tomorrow they were to especially welcome our paratroopers. I have told them you were now our sons, our brothers and in St. Mere Eglise you were really at home. Never will St. Mere Eglise ever forget you."

"I want you to be happy here. I want you to be exactly as you would be with your family in the States and so enjoy these brief holidays with us."

"One year ago, exactly at this time, we were expecting you but we did not know which day you would come. We were not frightened when you in spite of your blackened faces. We knew you were our friends."

"I will give you these and insignias and I will tell you."

"I will give you the 82nd Airborne Division. Be happy in France. The 82nd Airborne Division will always remember you."

"I will give you by Mayor Alexander Renaud of St. Mere Eglise 5 June 1945 at the banquet marking the first year of liberation to the people of St. Mere Eglise and members of the 82nd Airborne Division who were the honored guests of the occasion."



Normandy one year after the D-Day invasion. (1) "After the Battle", a house that housing American troops who were in action in and around St. Mere Eglise. (2) Chateau, Normandy, at it looks today. (3) St. Saviour La vicomte, a French town where the 82nd set up a CP for four days during the Normandy Campaign. (4) The "Lucky Seven", left to right: 13 Donald J. MacLeod, Pfc. Donald Rutherford, Cpl. Frank Ruppe, Cpl. Brian Beaudin, Lt. William Coll, T/5 Stanley Tyllick and Sgt. Francis Lamoureux with Mayor and Mrs. Alexander Renaud of St. Mere Eglise. (5) Two "Red Devils" look at "Bloody Exeter". (6) T/5 Stanley Tyllick and Sgt. Francis Lamoureux with two French children in jump clothing. (7) The banquet given the honored guest of St. Mere Eglise. (8) Insignia which the 82nd regd one year before. (9) Photo. Int. Regt. Photos.)