



DIVISION'S BOND DRIVE GOES OVER QUOTA

Division Basketball Champions



Provisional Battalion, 1944 basketball champion of the 10th Armored Division. Front row, left to right, Jim Fogleson, Jasper Pannikos, Russell Wallis, Ken Norman and player-coach Lt. Russell A. Lombardy. Back row, left to right, Ken Carter, Bob Herder, Glen Brincken, William Day and Bob Price. Jack Houghton, Bob May, Harold Saalen and Lt. Omar Billett were missing when photo was taken.

Fund Passes \$55,500 Figure With All Sales Still Zooming

The Tiger Division's War Bond Campaign was over the top this morning, with a margin of more than \$5000, and all indications were that this margin would be increased still further before the end of the drive next Monday.

The original goal for the Division was \$50,000. Sales totals this morning were \$55,500.

In top place as far as individual unit efforts were concerned, was the 11th Tank Battalion with sales totaling \$7025. Not far behind, however was the 420th Armd. F. A. Bn. with a total of \$6450. Third and fourth places were held by Div. Hq. and Hq. Co. and the 90th Cav. Rcn. Sq. (Mech.), with totals of \$6475 and \$5350, respectively.

Other unit totals were as follows: 61st Armd. Inf. Bn., \$4625; 21st Tk. Bn., \$3050; 20th Armd. Inf. Bn., \$2950; 54th Armd. Inf. Bn., \$2925; 419th Armd. F. A. Bn., \$2900; 55th Armd. Engr. Bn., \$2650; 80th Armd. Med. Bn., \$2025; 132nd Ord. Maint. Bn., \$2000; 3rd Tk. Bn., \$1775; 423rd Armd. F. A. Bn., \$1725; C C "A", \$1500; Tn. Hq. Co., MP Platoon and Band, \$1000; 150th Armd. Sig. Co., \$600; and C C "B", \$475.

Especially among the leading units competition was hot, and it seemed likely that the closing phases of the campaign would develop an actual race among the 11th, the 420th, Div. Hq. and Hq. Co., and the 90th Rcn. Sq. Other units could not be considered out of the running, either, because there was always the possibility of a last-hour spurt in sales.

Every possible opportunity has been exploited during the campaign to stimulate sales. Raffles have been the most popular means of doing this, and many bonds have been sold on the strength of a 75-1 chance. Another practice has been to award bonds to men judged as best-appearing at inspections and to winners of company contests.

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Lt. Col. Britton Talks on Italy

The seeming slowness of the Allied advance in Italy was described in terms of the multifold difficulties facing the infantryman in an enlightening address given by Lt. Col. Frank Britton last Friday afternoon to unit orientation officers of the Division.

Discussing the Italian terrain in the sector he visited recently as a special observer, Col. Britton compared it to some of the more mountainous regions in Tennessee, but added: "It is impossible to appreciate it until you have seen it."

Living conditions at the front comprise further difficulties, he said, mentioning such factors as the cold and rain and the absence of nearly all material comforts. An overcoat, a raincoat and a shelter half are about all the equipment the average doughboy in the front lines can carry with him, he noted.

"But we've got a bunch of fighting men over there who are a match for the Germans," Col. Britton summarized.

Following his lecture, he answered questions pertaining to the use of Allied artillery, reconnaissance and armor; supply problems; medical evacuation; the attitude of the Italian populace to Allied troops; maintenance, rotation of

Maj. McChristian Is New 61st C.O.

Major Joseph A. McChristian, with a record of almost 11 years' service, has assumed command of the 61st Armored Infantry Battalion, succeeding Lieut. Col. Miles L. Standish.

Colonel Standish, who had guided the destinies of the 61st and the 1st Battalion of the old 54th Infantry Regiment for more than a year and a half, has been placed on special duty at the Reserve Command, 10th Armored "Tiger" Division.

Major McChristian entered the Army July 2, 1933, as a private. His demonstration of military leadership won him a chance to enter the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, 29 July, 1935.

He received his original commission June 12, 1939, and came to the 61st from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where he was an instructor at the Command and General Staff School.

troops; and recreation and morale factors.

In particular, Col. Britton emphasized the need for impressing a sense of responsibility on individual drivers of vehicles, pointing out that, in combat, there is often no way to check on them.

Despite the numerous difficulties besetting the troops in Italy, however, morale has remained high, according to this observer.

★ GENERAL'S MESSAGE ★

POR QUALIFIED

That's a short phrase but it means a lot. If you are POR Qualified you are fit to fight and rarin' to go; you are physically hard and tough; you can drive a tank all day and take the bumps; you can run, jump, hit the dirt and you can take advantage of cover to get up on your German or Jap enemy, surprise him and destroy him with blade or bullet. You know your job and do it; particularly do you know your personal weapon and all those in your crew and can use them with deadly effect. You can give and take better than any enemy soldier; you know that and are confident; you have a will to win, to go ahead in spite of everything, roll or march one more mile to get in the shot that wins.

When you are POR Qualified, your identification tags are correct and you wear them, your clothing and equipment are properly marked, well cared for and you are proud of them; you are protected from disease by inoculations against small-pox, typhoid and tetanus, taken within the past six months. You have provided your dependents with insurance and allotments; you don't know where you're going but you do know what you're going to do when you get there; you are confident and ready. Yes, one may be justly proud, for it means a lot to be POR Qualified. Are YOU?

His Two Bits Paid Off!



Tee 5 Leroy Scheib of Trains Headquarters Co., 10th Armored Division, is looking so happy because he has just won a \$25 war bond—one of several raffled off Monday while the whole Division was attending an air-ground demonstration. Largest bond raffled off was a \$500 issue, which went to lucky Lt. Max Schoenberg of the 61st Armored Infantry Battalion.

The Tigers' Tale

TERRIFY AND DESTROY

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CLOSE TO VICTORY

The Division has proved that it can do more than pay token tribute to the Fourth War Loan Drive. At the time this is written, bond sales have reached a total of \$42,447, and since the Division's goal is \$50,000 it is almost a foregone conclusion that the objective will be attained.

Why has the response been so satisfactory? Because the drive has been conducted on a more-or-less competitive basis, with units vying to buy the most bonds? Or because the inherent American desire to "take a chance" has expressed itself once again? Or—and this is not beyond the realm of possibility—because Tigers really wanted to buy bonds?

Anyone who has stopped to analyze the campaign has arrived at the conclusion that there is no better way to invest a few dollars than by buying a bond. Certainly there are not many ways to turn \$18.75 into \$25—or \$75 into \$100.

Any soldier who says, in effect, "the hell with it," is defeating himself in the long run. First, he is helping to prolong the war just a little by refusing to help pay the war costs now. Second, he is ignoring the opportunity to build up a reserve for post-war days. It is stupid reasoning to figure that mustering-out pay and, maybe, a bonus will be sufficient. Remember how long it took the veterans of World War I to collect their bonuses?

The Division's participation in the Fourth War Loan Drive has paid off in more ways than one because it has helped to develop a sense of sharing with other Americans the tremendous burden of war costs. A soldier who buys war bonds is a wise soldier.

Get Your Extra - - - War Bond!



COMPANY REPORTS



MAN to MAN

Obstacles are blessings in disguise! They develop the elements of success, the mental initiative to think of the best way to overcome them; they call into action the courage that moves us on to the goal of worthy ends. The more obstacles you overcome, the easier your victory over the next, each victory giving added strength, until, after a time, you almost wish for things of a more difficult nature—something to add zest to action.

To have everything just as we like makes us weaklings, while to have things go wrong, and yet fight with a smile, is to develop those stalwart traits that commend a person to his fellows. Those who meet obstacles in a bold, manly and courageous way, turning defeat into victory, are honored by all, and are the most useful soldiers. Obstacles make a man a man. They bring out the best, they develop the best, they portend the best.

Men who overcome their obstacles are those who say, "It can be done," we see what we look for; what we are inclined to see only results in what we are capable of seeing. Look for evidence of success as a soldier for your God and your Country. When you need a word of encouragement, lend an ear to Emerson, who says, "He who thinks success, has turned his back on failure."

who wants to know if they found the guy's body who drowned in the motor pool.

HQS. 61st ARMD. INF. BN. (By Tec 4 Paul R. Jenkins)

Appointment of T/Sgt. Albert W. Cotton, Personnel Sergeant Major, 61st Armored Infantry Battalion, 10th Armored "Tiger" Division, to Warrant Officer, JG, was announced today.

Simultaneous with the appointment, Mr. Cotton was assigned to the 61st with duties as Personnel Officer.

Mr. Cotton, formerly sports editor of the Jackson, Mich., Citizen-Patriot, was inducted into the service October 22, 1942.

He was succeeded as Personnel Sergeant Major by T/Sgt. Joseph O. Baker, promoted from Tec 4.

Promotion of 2nd Lt. Gardner H. Page, Maintenance Officer, Headquarters Company, 61st Armored Infantry Battalion, to 1st Lieutenant has been announced. Lieutenant Page received his original commission August 12, 1942, at the Armored School, Fort Knox, Ky.

Recent promotions of enlisted men in the 61st Armored Infantry Battalion include Pvs. Fred Coffey, Frank Straetz and Burl Downs, all of Service Company, to be Tec 5's.

DIV. HQS. AND HQS. CO. (By Cpl. James E. Frye)

They aren't printing BONDS fast enough for the men of Hqs. and Hqs. Co. S/Sgt. Bill Hoover of G-1 didn't know whether he was a-foot or horseback on January 31st when the Company started its Whirlwind Bond Drive.

At the noon mess four lucky men won \$25.00 Bonds as a result of a BOND Raffle. The lucky men were Sgt. Jack Howerton, Tec 4 Albert Chaney, Pvt. John Toennies and Tec 4 Bill MacInturff.

The big money men who dug deep into their socks and come forth to send the drive zooming sky high were Tec 5 Willard Gross who bought a \$100 bond, Tec 4 Bill Ma-

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BATTERY "B", 423rd F. A. BN.

"B" Battery of the 423rd Armd. F. A. Bn. swept aside all opposition from the other four batteries of the battalion in a tough football contest conducted while the unit was in the field recently. They were closely contested by "A" Battery but managed to eke out a win. The winners are planning a victory party at the present writing.

HQ. CO., 132nd ORD. MAINT. BN.

The following men in the company have recently been promoted: to technical sergeant, S/Sgt. Russell King, S/Sgt. John Gallagher, and Tec 3 Erwin Urton; to technician fourth grade, Tec 5 Irvin Schott and Tec 5 Carroll B. Pierce.

CO. B, 132nd ORD. MAINT. BN.

For having the best field equipment at a recent company inspection, Tec 5 Donald J. Corbett was awarded a \$25 war bond. The bond was contributed by the officers of the company.

CO. A, 55th ARMD. ENGR. BN.

After the official confirmation of the "Latrinogram" that we were not going to the Desert Maneuver Area, the Don Juans of "A" Company really settled down to do a high powered job of courting the local Belles. At this writing Pvs. Zimmerman and Mason are running neck and neck.

And the boys who do a bit of "homework" during their off-duty hours are evidently not working at it so hard. Evidence: the returning color to their cheeks.

Scene at the preparation for clothing mark inspection: One crew marking shoes with paint; another crew scraping the surplus off the floor!

Isn't it too bad we weren't infiltrated by the 90th Recon boys on that last night problem in the field? They would have gone back to their area with their trousers, HBT, filled with something else besides drawers, wool! They would have learned about booby traps the hard way!

Welcome back to Tec 5 Gifford after a 7 month seige in the hospital. The welcome mat is also out to Tec 5 Hangsdahl and Pfc Dane back from Armored School at Fort Knox.

Everybody said it was a great demonstration, that Air-Ground affair, but some of the fellows are of the opinion that the Engineers could have done much better shooting. But what spoiled the day for the 55th was the lack of comment when the commendations were handed out. Oh well, it just goes to prove that we are not Garrison Soldiers!

The tailor shops will do a rushing business now, letting out the seams on blouses, after those Good Conduct Medals were distributed. Let's hope that the hat sizes don't increase, too.

Who were those guys sweating blood out on the Hand Grenade Range? Did you ever see anyone so anxious to let go of something?

Things we like to see: Pvt Dean putting the 8 ball in the side pocket; Pfc. Hayes' backhand slam in a Ping-pong game; Cpl. Kittel trimming Sgt. Bianco's moustache; Sgt. Gilbert's neon stripes; The Moose polishing his antlers; Sgt. Dougherty smoking one of those El Stinkos; 6 ft. 4 McManus talking to 5 ft. 2 Lopley; the Captain holding his

head when something goes wrong; Company "A" getting more men out than any other company in the Battalion for retreat.

HQ. CO., C C "A"

Hot flash this week is the challenge issued by Capt. Clarence W. Carlson, Hq. Co. CO to Div. Hq. Co. CO stating that we are not only willing and ready to take on the "Hill" boys in a tank gunnery contest, but that we stand ready to meet Div. Hq. Co. in any kind of competition. We'll admit there's one Div. Hq. Co. record we can't touch—the number of DSC's up on the "Hill", DSC meaning "Died In A Swivel Chair."

A CC A salute to the Provisional Basketball Team—Division Champs—and an extra salvo for the CC A lads (see last issue T. T.) who were members of that team. And just how is that trophy going to be divided? It'd look so nice in our day room, even for a week.

1st Sgt. Leslie J. Reynolds, using a trusty 22, picked off three \$25 bond raffle winners at 50 yards. Winners were Tec 5 James Cramer, Tec 5 Eads and Pvt. Abe Lichter... Lt. Gordon, Tank Platoon Leader and Acting Company Commander, is proud of the combat firing in his platoon. Tec 5 Jack Eads, Tec 5 Thure Blomberg and Tec 5 Jack Cramer are knocking over targets with greater accuracy than they did in their civilian shooting gallery days. Nice guys to have around a combat CP in a theatre of operation.

Hq. Co. CC A wishes to express its sympathy to Tec 5 Ralph Price on the loss of his sister, Alice... to Pfc. Frank Morris on the loss of his grandmother.

Pvt. Saul Epstein joined his buddy, Air Cadet Billy Byrne (formerly Pvt. Byrne), at Miami Beach. This was no social visit. Eppy made the grade too... Sgt. Bob Hermes and Tec 5 Bob May are now thinking of airplanes, Miami Beach and bathing beauties—having passed their mental screening test at Daniel Field. Pvt. William (P. P.) Smith has his finger in the same pie. The best of luck to you all. It's our loss but the Air Corps' gain.

THINGS - We'd-Like-To-Be-Doing Dep't: Driving out to California with M/Sgt. Harry Smith in Mr. Burke's Packard... Taking in the sights (such pretty ones) with T/Sgt. Paul Atkinson some weekend in LaGrange. Paul had to resign as Mayor of LaGrange when the 10th left Benning, but has since become a welcome visitor. Tell us more, Sgt... Watching S/Sgt. Cliff Powell fill a plaster bag with the water on his knee... Sending in a suggestion that the 3-Striper Club provide a platoon of Infantry to protect and defend a guy and his girl from a strong detachment of Sat. night wolves... Putting a fresh piece of adhesive on Sgt. Willingham's nose... Spending a whole month in garrison... Giving Sgt. Conrad a chance to get it off his chest.

Famous last words: "All you have to do is get behind yourselves and push yourselves." And this week we close with Tec 5 Is (He) Sober,

PROVISIONAL BATTALION COPS DIVISION COURT CROWN

Co. A Cops Mainteneer Court Crown

Ed. Brunk, speedy team captain who used to pastime in Maine court circles for Limington Academy, dropped in a pair of timely ringers in the final three minutes of play to enable Company A to come from behind and edge Company C, 43-39, for the 132nd Ord. Maint. Bn. court crown, Monday night at the Sports Arena.

A and C Companies, finalists in the Maintenance title tourney, fought one of the hottest battles seen at the Arena all Winter before

Ed. Schrobach, Company A first sergeant, was particularly pleased by that company's win in the finals of the 132nd Ord. Maint. Bn. basketball tournament Monday evening, for not only did it mean honors for himself as a player and for his charges, but it also led directly to his obtaining a \$25 war bond.

This war bond was awarded the A Company team for winning the tournament. Immediately after the game concluded, slips of paper bearing the names of all members of the winning team were placed in a hat. Major Ernest W. Posse, acting battalion commander, then drew out the name of the lucky bond winner—and whose name should appear but that of the personable top kick.

Brunk finally came through in a Horatio Alger role to pull the game out of the fire and strip the C-men of the diadem they captured at Fort Benning in 1943.

The new champs started out in whirlwind fashion and rushed out front by a 12-2 margin at the close of the first period. They held their lead at 25-16 at the half way mark.

Apparently not a bit discouraged by first half proceedings, the defending champs came right back at the start of the second half to take control of the game. With Joe DeChristopher and Jim Thompson grabbing one rebound after another and stirring the strings with two-pointers, C Company fought back to hold a 31-29 advantage at the end of the third 10-minute session. The two clubs battled neck-and-neck through the final period until C led, 39-38, with less than three minutes remaining to play. Then Brunk dropped in his two board shots, around a free throw by Joe Smith, and it was all over but the shouting.

Brunk, Smith and Ed Schrobach
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3rd Tank Takes Court Thriller

Company A of the 132nd Ord. Maint. Bn., which later copped the Maintenance title, undertook to defeat an entire battalion on the polished court last Friday evening—and very nearly did so, dropping a 33-32 decision to the 3rd Tank Battalion quintet in a torrid non-league scrap at the Sports Arena.

But for the scoring efforts of the 3rd Tank's sharp-shooting "Ace" Crimmins, who tallied 10 points, the A-men might have turned in the court upset of the season. Joe DeChristopher and Ed Spooner were the big guns for the losers, counting nine and eight points, respectively.

Good For Two!



Hassell Wallis, Provisional Battalion guard, goes up on the board to drop in a ringer that helped whip 90th Cav. Ren. Sq. (Mech.) in Thursday night's division championship title scrap at the Sports Arena. Glen Brincken, reserve guard, is the Provisional in the foreground while forward Ray Clougherty is the Cavalryman sandwiched in between the two dark jerseyed champs.

Stops 90th Cavalry Quintet In Two Straight Title Tilts

Victorious in two straight playoff series games this past week, Provisional Battalion's classy court quintet today rides the crest of the wave as 1944 basketball champion of the 10th Armored Division.

132nd Ping-Pongers Claim Division Title

Flushed by their success in the recently concluded intra-battalion tournament, the 132nd Ordnance Maintenance Battalion's five-man ping-pong team is claiming the 10th Armored Division championship and has issued an open challenge to any and all division outfits disputing this claim. Teams interested are urged to contact Lt. Scott Rogers, battalion special service officer, or his right hand man, Cpl. A. T. Beall.

The Maintenance five-man team comprises Pvt. Joe DeChristopher, No. 8 pro ping-pong player in the country at the time he entered the service; S/Sgt. Joe Smith, former University of Washington champ; 1st Sgt. Ed. Schrobach, former New Jersey semi-pro pastimer; Pfc. Johnny Spooner, a high school district champion in Pennsylvania before the war; and Tec 3 Mike Zaken, champion of the Grand Rapids, Mich., YMCA.

or may pick all-star teams to represent them in division title play.

Volleyball play will be restricted to enlisted men only, as a successful officers' net tourney was concluded last Fall, the 21st Tank Battalion copping the title. Information on intra-battalion play will be sent out immediately by the division special service office and competition will open soon.

Wrestling, an innovation in Tiger athletic circles, will be conducted on an individual basis only. A title tourney is planned for March. Men interested in the grunt and groan game are urged to turn in their names to Lt. Harry J. Steigelman, division athletic officer, at the division special service office.

Volleyball, Wrestling Enter Division Athletic Picture

Two new sports, volleyball and wrestling, will enter the division competitive athletic program in the near future. Due to the numerous field problems coming up in the next few months, the league basketball and division boxing programs had to be brought to a premature close but these two new sports will keep the spirit of competition alive.

Volleyball, which has been carried on in unorganized fashion ever since the division was activated, will come into its own in the next two months. Each battalion will conduct a title tournament on a company basis. Following the conclusion of these battalion playoffs, a division championship tourney will be held, on a battalion basis. Battalions may be represented by their championship company teams

Runner-Up For Division Court Crown



90th Cav. Ren. Sq. (Mech.) hoopsters, American League champions and runners-up for the 10th Armored Division court crown. Front row, left to right, LeRoy Silverwood, Howie Besis, Morris Madden, Nick Massaro, Ray Clougherty and Bob Schanning. Back row, left to right, Vince Giugliano, Herbie Aulwes, Lt. A. A. Van de Bogart, coach, Bob Cushman, Jim Herbeck and Joe Sardo.

The undefeated National League titlists knocked off 90th Cav. Ren. Sq. (Mech.), 40-26, on Wednesday evening at the Sports Arena, then came back to that same court Thursday evening to clinch the Tiger title by downing the Cavalrymen, American loop pennant winners, 37-28, in a torrid tussle.

Lt. Russell Lombardy's maroon and black clad Provisionals won the opener on the strength of their play in the first and last moments of the duel. In the opening 10 minutes of play, the Headquartermen cut the legs off Lt. A. A. Van de Bogart's Cavalrymen to pile up a 12-4 lead. The losers were guilty of numerous fouls in this first half and the winners proved very effective from the free throw line.

Midway through the first half, the Provisionals slowed down and the 90th started closing the gap. At half time the score read 17-16. Provisional Bn., and soon after the second half opened, the Cavalrymen tied it up, 22-22. With less than 10 minutes of playing time remaining, the Provisionals again came to life to pull away to a commanding lead. Jasper Pazniokas, Ken Norman, Jim Fogleson and then Pazniokas again tossed in ringers to put the game on ice.

The second game, played before a full house, was a whale of a scrap. Prov. Bn. repeated its excellent performance from the foul line to nab a 17-11 lead at half time. Just as in the first game, however, the yellow and white clad Cavalrymen came back with a rush right at the start of the second half to overtake their opponents. Until less than four minutes remained to play, the two battled tooth and nail, with first one club and then the other going ahead by one point. Then, for the second straight night, the Provisionals staged a late rally to pull away to victory. Pazniokas, Hassell Wallis and Fogleson again sneaked into the clear to drop in two-pointers that meant the ball game and the title.

Pazniokas, Norman, Wallis, Fogleson and player-coach Lt. Russell Lombardy
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AGO Tips Moneymen In Softball Struggle

Hammering the offerings of Paul Stephenson for 10 safeties and taking advantage of misplays, the Adjutant General's Office softball team came from behind to nip a Finance Office combine, 10-7, as the division's softball play got off to an unusually early start Monday evening. The Doughboys got off to a good beginning, piling up a 4-1 lead in the first three innings, but fell rapidly behind in late stages. "Red" Marshall and Ray Moore divided the winners' hurling chore and gave up but six hits in the six innings played before darkness called a halt.

Stephenson, with two for two, was the losers' top sticker while Lynn Perry banged out three hits in four tries to lead the AG attack.

The score:
AGO 0 0 1 3 3 3 — 10-10-4
Finance 0 3 1 1 1 1 — 7-6-5

Marshall, Moore and Thompson; Stephenson and Williams.

Vets Honored At Big Party

Some of them came on crutches and some with canes, and one or two wore patches on their eyes—but they all came under their own power. They came because the Citizens of Augusta, in co-operation with the USO Council, wanted to pay them tribute.

Most of them wore the Purple Heart, and all of them had won this decoration signifying that the wearer has been wounded in action. Not all of them had fought in the same theatre: some of them had received their wounds in Africa, while others had got theirs in the Solomons, or somewhere else in the Pacific.

This was their night. For a few brief hours they were away from the wards of Oliver General Hospital, and the city had really gone to extremes to please them. For every man there were at least two pretty girls, who sat at the table which had been set up downstairs in the Municipal Auditorium, and talked with them. Those who could, danced—to music furnished by the 10th Armored's crack band.

Throughout the evening there was entertainment, much of it from the Tiger Division. Artists like Tec 5 H. H. Smith and Tec 5 Richard N. Smith, Pvt. Samuel Topaz (whiz of the roller rink), and Tec 4 Russ Nordstrom (the Division's Sinatra) gave out with their best as the pleased veterans looked on. H. H. Smith appeared in a new role—as a clown—and his antics nearly brought down the house, especially when he copped up and down the aisles in shoes approximately 18 inches long.

A few of the guests of honor were 10th Armored men—at least in name. Actually, although they wore the triangular patch, most of them had never been able to report to their units, and some were awaiting medical discharge.

The veterans weren't alone by any means. Although civilians—and soldiers, too, when they were not among the guests—were excluded from the main floor, the general public was admitted to the balcony. The result was that, long before the opening of the program, the balcony was full and when the veterans arrived a mass shout went up that could not but have thrilled the wounded men.

When they left for the hospital much later that night, these men who had earned the right to call themselves veterans knew in their hearts that their sacrifices had been appreciated.

When's A Spud Not a Potato?

The KP's were gathered 'round the potato bin, engaged in the usual daily game of seeing how long they could drag out the peeling interlude. They had nearly filled one boiler and were wondering if the mess sergeant would call for a second.

Reaching into the bin, one of them picked up another potato. He held it briefly in the palm of his hand before starting to peel. It seemed a bit heavy. Then he tried to peel it, and the knife simply glanced off. He tried again with the same results.

"What kind of a spud is this, anyway?" he demanded, handing the potato to the KP squatting beside him.

Putting down his knife, the second man studied the potato. He, too, gave it the knife test and also attempted to bite it. The potato was unyielding.

"I dunno," he said, "but it sure looks like it is petrified."

Other KP's were equally mystified, and even the mess sergeant—who as a rule knows all the answers—could not explain the phenomenon. "Mebbe it's a hard-boiled potato," he volunteered, in a feeble attempt at humor.

But, when all opinions had been collected and ripped apart, the problem remained unsolved. None would admit the obvious truth—that the "potato", far from being a potato, was in reality a rock "dressed" by nature to resemble a spud.

Co. A Cops - -

(Continued from page three) all played stellar ball for the winners with "Father" Kenney, DeChristopher and Thompson C Company standouts, the "Father" for his 16 points, 12 of them in the first half.

The 10th A. D. "sports" band provided musical entertainment during the breaks.

Company A worked its way into the finals by drubbing Company B, 56-17, while C Company rapped Headquarters Company, 47-27, in a semi-final go.

The box of the title tilt:

Co. A (43)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Spooner	L.F.	2	0	4
Brunk	R.F.	5	2	12
Reese	C.	1	0	2
Smith	C.	5	2	12
Schroback	L.G.	5	1	11
Villandre	L.G.	0	0	0
Gasparonis	R.G.	1	0	2
Totals		19	5	43

Co. C (39)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Thompson	L.F.	4	1	9
Kenney	R.F.	8	0	16
DeChristopher	C.	5	0	10
Maloney	L.G.	1	0	2
Gorman	L.G.	0	0	2
Zakem	R.G.	1	0	2
Mugila	R.G.	0	0	0
Totals		19	1	39

Referees: Steigelman, Sorl.
Time: 4-10's.

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daras a \$50 one and Tec 4 Ralph Barger a \$50 rainy day security number.

Daily the men in Div. Hqs. have a raffle and two of our men have been successful in winning \$25.00 Bonds. The first day S/Sgt Leslie V. Franklin was ye ol' lucky soldier and S/Sgt Herbert Dynan came thru to win the following day.

Lt. Robert W. Wilson, Company Commander led off by buying a \$25

54th Keeps Up With News



One of 54th Armd. Inf. Bn. orientation officers discusses current developments in European theatre as battalion gives close attention. This particular orientation session was held on parade ground—a demonstration of the fact that discussions can be held anywhere.

Will Select Best Vehicles In New Drivers' Contest

Arrangements have been completed for inspection of vehicles next week to determine those that are outstanding among each of several types as well as the best individual drivers.

The contest, which is being conducted under the direction of G-4, is designed to stress an "assigned driver" program. Under a recent Army Regulation, driving a vehicle by other than assigned drivers is considered vehicle abuse.

Unit motor officers will select their best wheeled vehicles and send them, along with the drivers, to be inspected by a team working under G-4. The time: Tuesday and Thursday, 15 and 17 February, from 0900 to 1100. The place: Division Headquarters Co. motor pool, Seventh Avenue and 33rd Street.

No objection will be made if each unit decides to "groom" one vehicle as a model. At the inspections, items

of first and second echelon maintenance will be checked, and appearance of the drivers will also be considered.

After the best vehicles have been selected, units will be notified as to the winners. Drivers of these vehicles will have their pictures taken with General Newgarden for publication in The Tigers' Tale, and will also receive three-day passes.

In judging the vehicles, the inspecting team will consider such items as cleanliness and appearance and the vehicle's ability to pass a spot-check on maintenance items. The training of the drivers in reference to SOP pertaining to vehicles and their knowledge of existing regulations will also count heavily.

Purpose of the contest is to encourage further pride in the vehicles by developing a competitive spirit among the drivers.

Paralysis Fund Drive Very Successful Here

Without much fanfare, the Division conducted its campaign to collect funds for the Infantile Paralysis Association—and came up with the remarkable purse of \$1,890.

Leading battalion contributions was the 90th Armd. Rcn. Sq. (Mecz.), with \$331.65. Troop "A" of the 90th was the best individual company, with donations totaling \$125.

Second best among the battalions was the 54th Armd. Inf. Bn., with \$177.95. The second best company was Troop "C" of the 90th, with \$63.48.

Bond and the following men followed suit: Sgt. Ziemann, Tec 5 Wilford Gross, S/Sgt. Guy Averhill, Tec 3 Baird, S/Sgt. Louis Stockstill, M/Sgt. Rudy Cook, Pvt. Clarence Carnell, Tec 5 Vito Losardo.

Let's keep that ol' record sailin' high and soon we'll all be home again.

Our sincere best wishes go with Tec 4 Harry Atchick who received a medical discharge from the Station Hospital Feb. 1st.

It is now Master Sergeant Rudy Cook and Staff Sergeant Louis Stockstill of G-4. Congratulations, men.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! MacJilton came thru to get his Sergeant's

stripes along with "Animal Trainer" Kenneth Jones.

We regret to see M/Sgt. Albert Perry and M/Sgt. Clarence Dean leave Headquarters. As Warrant Officers, we offer them our heartfelt congratulations and sincere best wishes . . . M. G. M. is waving a contract under the nose of Pfc. Lester "One Shoe" McLoone to go to Hollywood and re-enact his famous "Death Scene," recently portrayed at our company beer party. It'll kill ya! . . . It is rumored that Lt. Irwin Grossman received his severe case of poison ivy as a result of good old-fashioned "Snipe Hunt". How 'bout that, Lieutenant? . . . The Provisional Basketball team, completely overlooked in pre-season doping, came through to win the National League championship — and have the honor of being the only undefeated team in the Division. Congratulations! . . . A hearty welcome is extended to the following men who have just recently joined Hq. and Hq. Co.: Sgt. Joe Madaras and Pvt. Jim Bean of G-2, Cpl. Ed. Shaw and Pvt. Nick Lillous of G-4. . . The "men on the hill" have added three new staff sergeants to their ranks: Lealis V. Franklin, Bill Hoover and Francis Schwires. Three more have been upped to sergeant: Stafford McGuire, Jim Hart and Harold Druckman. Two new corporals in the company: Sidney Hurwitz and Peter Skirskien.

Over The Top

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Sales of tickets on the big Division lottery, to be drawn Monday, have continued uninterrupted during the campaign period, with hundreds of Tigers eager to take a chance on the first prize of a \$500 bond or one of the four \$100 and four \$25 bonds.

One of the best individual days was Monday when the Division was in the field. During the air-ground demonstration, more than \$1000 worth of bonds were sold, mostly by raffle. One \$500 bond was raffled off, with Lt. Max Schoenberg of the 61st Armd. Inf. Bn. emerging as holder of the lucky ticket.

Prov. Bn. Court Cleanup - -

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sell Lombardy all had their moments for the champs with Pazniokas the leading point-getter. Howie Beals great work off the boards kept the Cavalrymen in the ball game both nights while Ray Clougherty, Nick Massaro and Jim Herbeck also turned in fine performances for the losers.

The scores:

Prov. Bn. (40)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Lombardy	L.F.	1	4	6
Price	L.F.	0	0	0
Norman	R.F.	2	2	6
Houghton	R.F.	1	0	2
Pazniokas	C.	4	3	11
Day	C.	0	0	0
Wallis	L.G.	3	1	7
May	L.G.	0	0	0
Fogleson	R.G.	1	0	2
Brincken	R.G.	1	0	2
Totals		14	12	40

90th Cav. Rcn. Sq. (Mecz.) (26)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Clougherty	L.F.	4	0	8
Herbeck	L.F.	1	1	3
Aulwes	L.F.	1	0	2
Massaro	R.F.	3	0	6
Sardo	R.F.	0	0	0
Beals	C.	1	0	2
Cushman	C.	0	0	0
Schanning	L.G.	1	1	3
Silverwood	L.G.	0	0	0
Madden	R.G.	1	0	2
Giaquinto	R.G.	0	0	0
Totals		12	2	26

Referees: Hebert, Cohick.
Time: 2-20's.

Prov. Bn. (37)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Lombardy	L.F.	2	1	5
Houghton	L.F.	0	0	0
Norman	R.F.	2	2	6
Brincken	R.F.	2	0	4
Pazniokas	C.	4	2	10
Wallis	L.G.	4	2	10
Fogleson	R.G.	1	0	2
Totals		15	7	37

90th Cav. Rcn. Sq. (Mecz.) (28)	Pos.	G.	F.	Pts.
Clougherty	L.F.	1	0	2
Herbeck	L.F.	4	0	8
Massaro	R.F.	0	0	0
Aulwes	R.F.	1	0	2
Beals	C.	3	4	10
Schanning	L.G.	2	0	4
Madden	R.G.	1	0	2
Totals		12	4	28

Referees: Hebert, Cohick.
Time: 2-30's.

I'll See You Tonight

As I drift each night into Slumber Bay,
My thoughts are swept up and carried away
To a land of dreams and peace everywhere:
Then the vision of you, your eyes, your hair

Comes smiling so close I almost can feel
The warmth of your touch so wonderfully real;

I hear your sweet voice speak softly to me
Like the low rustle of leaves in a tree:

Trying to tell me, with love in your heart,
That only the miles can keep us apart.
I'm praying to God the time will come soon
When just you and I, 'neath the silvery moon

Will look far away out into the blue,
And live all our dreams and make them come true:

So till that one day comes shining so bright,
Wherever I am, I'll see you tonight.

S/Sgt. William L. Hoover

BUY THAT EXTRA WAR BOND BEFORE MONDAY!