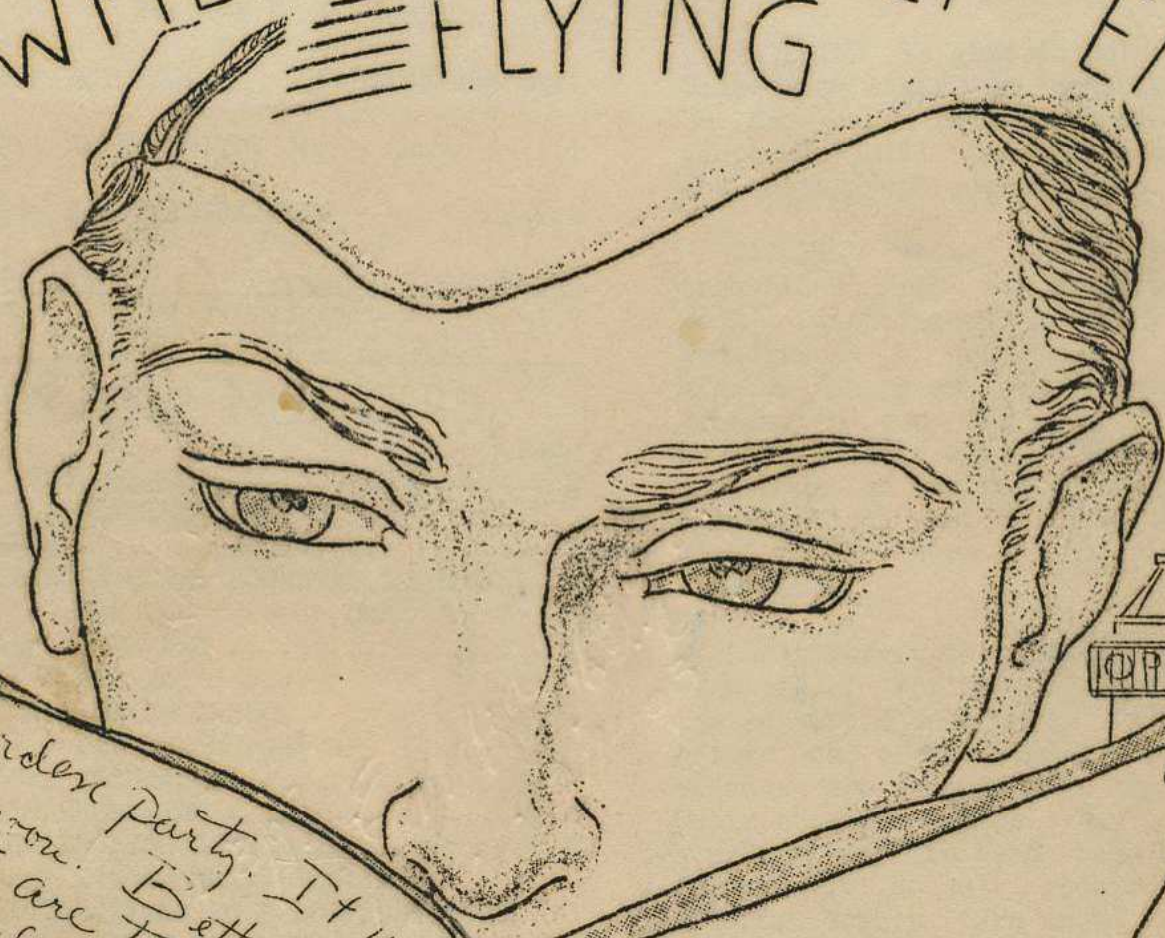


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Full my love,
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Dearest Bill

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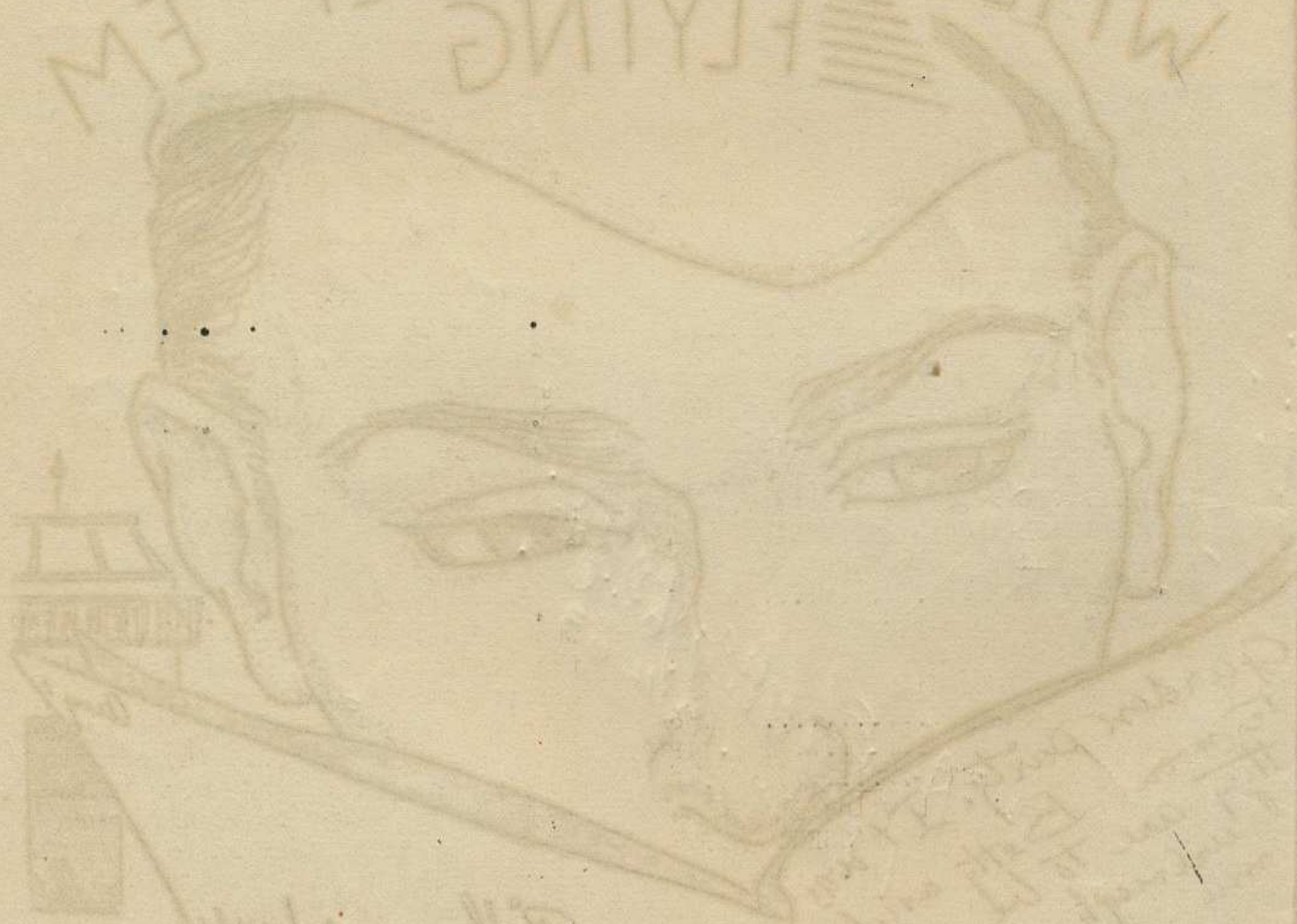
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PRESENT ARMS

Are you interested in keeping the affections of that girl back home? (We thought you would be.) Then lend your support to the Keep 'Em Happy Club. Follow the simple directions given, then relax. We can assure you of a square deal from your one and only.

TAILWIND is glad to welcome the Slipscream staff as contributors. We are sure their enthusiasm and adeptness will make for a bigger and better post publication.

TAILWIND wants still more contributions from its readers. This week's Pilot Story from Hq. & Hq. Squadron is a good example of the kind of story an enterprising organization can dig up if it tries. Abusive letters are welcome at any hour of the day or night, but contributions must be in by Tuesday noon to be sure of appearing the same week.

Don't forget the newstip of the week prize. For the best story or tip submitted each week TAILWIND offers one of its souvenir copies. Winners are announced in the issue their newstip appears. Why not win a prize copy to send home to the folks. It doesn't require much effort. Merely turn in to TAILWIND a news story or tip about something of interest to Maxwell personnel. Submit all contributions to Editor, Room 205, Operations Bldg., before Tuesday noon of each week.

This week's winner of a copy of TAILWIND autographed by Public Relations Officer, Capt. D. M. Wilhelm, is 1st Sgt. W. S. Howell, Hq. and Hq. Squadron, responsible for the Private Pilots Story. Congratulations, Sergeant.

EVERY TOMORROW HAS TWO HANDLES, WE MAY TAKE HOLD OF IT BY THE HANDLE OF ANXIETY OR BY THE HANDLE OF FAITH.

By Major Meredith M. Watson

Co-operation is the strength of any team - as a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. It is deeply regretted that in the enthusiasm of presenting the first edition of the Slipscream there were inadvertently printed a few quips and jokes that apparently were not acceptable to some personnel of the command. The whole staff apologizes and assures there will be no repetition. We are pleased to advise that the Slipscream is now a part of the Maxwell Field post publication, the TAILWIND, and it is our intent and desire to co-operate with the staff of that paper in every respect in order to make it a publication to be proud of and to overcome any possible thought that the Slipscream might be a weak link in the chain, due to its unfortunate start by publishing anything that might in any way offend.

Members of the Flying Cadet Board staff were almost inclined to declare a half holiday Tuesday in honor of the birthday of some one in that office. May we add our belated but sincere best wishes.

We wonder which of the 1st Sgts at the Old Mill was finally declared champion.

Grumble-vine system rumors Old Mill PX going the way of all such.

Pfc Alleyne Gorph

Why is it that men will come to the Orderly - Room, demanding their furlough, helping about the months they have been away from home, and then after getting a ten or fifteen day furlough, come back three, four, and even more days before the lapse of the furlough? What is it that made an old soldier say that he didn't know of one case of a man who had served one "hitch", and had been discharged, who didn't wish that he were back in the Service?

As this same old timer put it, "You go back home, and you find that Joe isn't around anymore, and Dick is married, and Mary doesn't feel quite the same anymore. In fact you find out all at once that you just aren't a part of that life anymore, but that your home, boyfriend, girlfriend, and Mother and Father are rolled up in one. THE ARMY.

The Army, where one can find a friend in any direction he may turn. The Army, where one can find that same trust of fellow soldier no matter what the organization; no matter what part of the Country; that trust which allows one to keep one's locker open at all times. Can you imagine a group of boarders doing that anyplace else? "Once you have been in the Army, there is only one place you can turn to when you are in trouble. That is, to the Army." These words from an old soldier. Is there any question as to why America is proud of her Army?

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INDUCTEE DESERTS

A frenzied search of the Old Mill for the mascot of the 50th Air Base Group, was started last Sunday by Sgt. W. R. Hurt, Cpl. James Garvin, and Pfc. Earl Moore, when it was discovered that the six foot Florida alligator had gone A.W.O.L.

The mascot, "inducted" by the 50th while on maneuvers at Crystal Lake, Fla., had been quartered in the boiler room of the Old Mill. He extricated himself from the leash which held him attached to the Army and went "over the hill".

After three days of intensive searching the pride of the 50th was discovered as he came up to take a sun bath. He had been wallowing in an artificial habitat of mire and slime in the sewer beneath the Old Mill.

Corporal Garvin cornered the pet. But loathe to return as are all "deserters", the alligator objected to being apprehended and uncornered himself by chasing the Corporal over half the building.

Finally a potential cowboy came to the rescue. The mascot was lassoed, incarcerated in the "Gaurd House", and is awaiting trial by kangaroo court-martial.

WILL VISIT NEW HOME

Members of the Panama City Detachment, stationed at the Old Mill, will leave August 4, for maneuvers at Panama City, Fla. Supply Sgt. R. W. Endsley revealed. The 80th A. B. Group and the five School Squadrons, to be permanently assigned to Panama City sometimes within the next two months are making the trip to see what their new home is like. They will return July 7th.

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IMPROVEMENTS

Attendance at free E & R sponsored movies is expected to increase considerably during the first week in August, due to the fact the Post Theater will be closed for alterations.

Tech. Sgt. Crippen has had curtains, salvaged from the Post Theater, hung around the stage and screen, and improvements made to insure better screening and acoustics.

Popular records are being played over the P A system in Hangar Six during the evening, Sgt. Crippen stated.

HITLER HELPS U. S.

An aluminum plaque bearing a bas relief of Adolf Hitler turned up in the National Aluminum collection campaign.

The 15 oz. plaque was found in a Seattle, Wash. house formerly occupied by Germans. It was sent to Mayor F. H. La Guardia by Walter Williams, chairman of the Defense Committee of the State of Washington.

VOLUNTEERS TOUGHEST

Every member of the United States Army Parachute Fighters, toughest soldiering outfit, is a volunteer.

LOVE FINDS WAY

Love once again proves it can surmount any obstacle. Soldiers, once severely punished for calling to girls, Yoo - Hoo no more.. They now converse by hand with the fairer sex.

They say Blackouts may be unnecessary if new lighting system is OK

BRITISH CADET LOOKS AT AMERICA

TAILWIND

by-

BRYAN DUNN, R.A.F. CADET

After a little more than eight weeks in this country, it is far from an easy task to answer the question: "What do you think of America?" None the less, of all questions put to British Cadets, this is without doubt the most popular. So here goes.

It is quite natural for Americans to want to hear an outsider's opinion of his country. In fact, this attitude is very similar to that of the average Briton to any European he could talk with, say, in the early months of 1939. I found America very similar to England as she was in the months just before the war. There is the same expectancy- a desire to be prepared in every possible way; and above all, the ever increasing realization of the fact that war, if it does come, will completely revolutionize normal life.

I think I can say with safety, however, that the outstanding feature of our visit so far has been the amazingly pro-British attitude we have everywhere encountered. Coming to a country still at peace, with freedom of expression still uncurtailed, we could reasonably have expected to meet a few anti-British individuals or organizations. Everywhere the civilian populace has been for us 100%, and have succeeded in giving us a tremendously good opinion of the famed Southern Hospitality. Naturally, most of our time has been spent with the Cadets and men of the U.S. Air Corps here at Maxwell Field. Suffice it to say that we have come to look upon them as a very fine

bunch of chaps, always ready to help us out.

Britishers in general have perhaps a tendency to regard the States as a "New England". Without being disillusioned, we have found this to be untrue. America is very definitely different from our homeland. Many customs and ideas we have found quite foreign to us. Indeed, America has, as we should have, developed characteristics of her own quite distinct from our English ideas, but very seldom contrary to them.

We hope, after the war, to visit the U.S. and know that we will find a welcome for us in the Southern States. One last word about the flight training being given us. It is the best.

WHAT TO DO ? WHAT TO DO ?

Toward the end of each month, as the next pay day gets nearer and nearer, soldiers have a harder and harder time finding diversion. Doing the town is out of the question for these last few days of the month. Discontent and restlessness hover over the Post.

A little thought, however, might solve this dilemma. There are many things that can be done with little or no outlay of lucre, to wit:

You can swim, play tennis, enjoy the facilities Hangar Six or the Library afford, or participate in activities at the Soldiers Center.

Remember how you felt a few days ago -- just before pay day -- and make plans now as to how you will spend those last listless days of this month.

AIR CORPS MEN

By ROY SUTTER

This week in Hangar Six technicians have been at work striving to correct the sound conditions for future movies and shows. As now set up there is a large amplifier hanging from the center of the building as well as the two sound boxes at each end of the stage. It is hoped that the new apparatus will rectify the trouble the audience has had listening to the various programs put on by the E. & R. Dept. there.

From the Montgomery radio stations handling the S.A.C.R. broadcasts comes the report that two hundred thousand people listen to the soldiers' program every Monday night. It is considered the best good-will medium the Army has. Yes, it can be truly said that radio is doing its part in the National Defense Program.

Sources have asked this writer for gossip about the men from Maxwell, but it seems more fitting to the men who are proving themselves as good soldiers in their work; the Chic Reys for the radio, the Bill Roushs of the military police, the Howard Sizemores of the line crews and the Sergeant Mahoneys of the drill forces. These men are doing notable jobs. Harmony is the key to a united effort; all the Army branches are striving to that end. Diplomacy in leadership produces one hundred per cent co-operation from the men. That too has been handed down as the "Success" rule by the great soldiers of the past. It can be said honestly that along with learning military technique, it is equally important that the soldier of today acquire the

knack of getting along and being liked by the men around him; such ability is the basis for the selection of the leaders of tomorrow.

The United Service Organization has been thoroughly impressed by the work the Soldiers' Center is doing for the men of the Army. In fact it is going to shoulder the expenses of its operation and give Allan Nelm all the aid it possibly can. The representatives also thanked the S.A.C.R. for doing its part in providing entertainment for the men.

See you at Soldiers' Center.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS

The distinguished service of the Engineer Corps dates back to December 1776, when General Washington was authorized by the Continental Congress "to raise and collect" a Corps of Engineers and to establish their pay for six months. Permanent establishment of such an organization was not effected until more than two years later, when Congress created a corps with Brigadier General Louis Du Portail in command. This outfit served with efficiency and distinction during the Revolutionary War.

From 1783 to 1794 the Corps was disbanded, but in May of 1794 Congress brought it into being again as a regiment of four battalions.

The Engineers' history is closely associated with that of the Military Academy at West Point, for the Academy was operated solely as a school for the Corps of Engineers from its opening in 1802 to 1866, at which time it passed to the Army at large.

The Corps has achieved distinction in war and peace. In the World War, 86,000 men worked to build,

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Nation Goes to Bat For SOLDIERS

BLUES DISAPPEAR

Girls, home town sweethearts of soldiers, can help the National Cause. They can bolster the morale of the Army, insure a soldier's peace of mind, and dispel that "over the hill" feeling. All this they can accomplish by only being fair and faithful to their patriotic boy friends.

In a movement, originating at Camp Robinson, Arkansas, now becoming nation-wide, an appeal is being made to soldiers' sweethearts to "Keep 'Em Happy". The girls are requested to refrain from mentioning good times with other men when they write to Uncle Sam's boys; to be honest with them; and to realize that every soldier is proving his patriotism by his willingness to fight for his country.

Soldiers are human. Unless their morale is kept at a normal level they are worthless as defenders of Democracy.

A recent bulletin from the Morale Branch of the War Department bears out the writer in this. Attention was called to a Morale Officer's talk warning young women not to depress soldiers with letters describing good times with other men.

It is rapidly being realized that the nation must not only "Keep 'Em Flying", but must also "Keep 'Em Happy".

TAILWIND pledges itself to do all in its power to maintain the high morale of Maxwell Field soldiers.

JOE E. POLANSKI
Managing Editor

SUBSCRIBE NOW

For Love Insurance

"KEEP 'EM HAPPY" CLUB XXXXX

The undersigned, being the only girl friend (one of the girl friends) _____
of (soldier's name and organization) _____

an enlisted man in the United States Army, agrees to the following rules to keep her in good standing as a member of the "Keep 'Em Happy" club. The only purpose of said club is to help morale among the soldiers and to do my part for national defense.

1. I agree to refrain from mentioning my dates with other men when I write to a soldier.
2. I agree to be honest with a soldier in camp. I will not, therefore, lead him to believe I am being true to him when I am not.
3. If my feelings toward a soldier change, I will not cause him mental anguish by simply stopping my letters to him. I will let him know, as quickly as possible, that there is someone else.
4. I will remember at all times that the soldier is serving his country, and should be entitled to the utmost consideration when other men compete with him for my attentions.

Signed: _____

Address: _____

(Tear this off and send it to your girl. Have her return it to EDITOR, TAILWIND, PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE, MAXWELL FIELD, ALABAMA. We'll let you know if she signs up.

SQUADRON NEWS

FOURTH WEATHER SQUADRON
-Tech. Sgt. A.A. Berger-

Master Sergeant Sebode returned to duty July 25th, after a 30-day furlough spent visiting friends in Pennsylvania and Washington.

Privates Fallon, Riedl, Haskins, Sullivan, Wilburn, Barrett, LaRosa, Clifford, Sorman, and Snow returned from 10-day furloughs spent in the Northeastern States.

Sgt. Ennis looks like a new man after his recent return from a day spent in Atlanta, Georgia. It seems as though the famed Georgia peaches must have appealed to him as he is already speaking of a return visit in the very near future.

Pvt. Gorski returned to duty at the end of a recent 18 day furlough in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, which must have been alright. For upon being asked how he enjoyed himself all he will say is "Oh, Boy", and we wonder.

Master Sergeant Kelley has been very downhearted because the last TAILWIND failed to mention his new bouncing baby boy. So we take this opportunity to congratulate him and to offer our apologies for our oversight.

30TH Q. M. REGT., CO. "H"
-Pfc. Phillips-

Co. H would like to welcome Lt. Rogers as their new Co. Commander. They will all pull with him and try to make this the best Co. on the Post. We are sure the Lt. will pull for us, and we are all for him.

So let's show him what kind of an outfit this is that he has taken

over. We can promise him that he will never have occasion to regret it.

Pvt. Posey has just returned from a 15-day furlough which he spent visiting his family. We hope he had a swell time, and are glad to see him back.

Co. H. will have a steak supper given for them Tuesday, July 29. After supper there will be plenty of beer served. The supper will be given at the N. C. O. Club. It will be stag.

Pvt. Sprake recently entered the hospital. He has an infected hand. We hope it is not bad enough to keep him there long and we want to see him well again, and wearing that red, white and blue belt that we miss so much.

Tech. Sgt. Brown has been assigned to a new job now that another First Sgt. has been placed in charge here. Sgt. Brown, formerly Acting First Sgt., is now working in the Post Garage. Our new First Sgt. is Tech. Sgt. Harrington.

WONDERS AND WHY'S

We have discovered the reason Johnson and Watkins like to go to West Mont every nite; it is because of a little blonde girl there. What about it, Johnson?

Why does Davenport come in mornings, stand roll-call, and not know about it? Why, the other morning he even began asking the fellows if it made him a "teddy bear" -I think he knows what I mean. He must have had a little bit of them suds....or maybe it was just the bartender's rag.

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Our English Guests

Most of the British Cadets in training here at Maxwell Field are from the R.A.F. contingent believed to have been the intended prey of the Bismark. Many of the boys saw the Morse signals which sent H.M.S. Rodney and the escorting destroyers steaming in the opposite direction.

All knew the message by heart: "Increase speed. Bismark knows your position and course. Am leaving you now," the massive battleship signaled to the remaining destroyer. "Some of us were a bit scared." was the only admission from the R.A.F. boys.

The next day the bulletin board carried a notice announcing that the Hood had been sunk. The spirits of the airmen and other passengers were pretty low, and remained at that level until learned that the Royal Navy had caught up with Bismark.

Perhaps the nicest things about America, they think, is the relief from blackouts and the apparently endless supplies of food. The quality and quantity of our food is really appreciated. "Don't get the idea we are starving in England, because we're not. We're just not used to as much variety and such extravagant quantities of food," said one of the boys.

The present contingent is made up of men from many vocations. Teachers, engineers, newspaper reporters, clerks, accountants, and even professional boxers are represented in this group. Many of these men have seen active service, but were reinstated in the air service when the pilot age limit was raised from 28 to 30.

by Pvt. Frank V. Dowling

"I was a Lewis gunner on ground defenses at a coastal command station," said Jack Tait. "After one blitz on our station I went to a hospital for 15 days with shrapnel in my leg. We didn't get much warning that day. Twenty bombers escorted by 30 fighters roared down upon us while we were having tea."

He said he raced to his post and started firing, making a barrage around the field. The planes were still a mile away.

"The next thing I knew I was sailing through the air", he said. "I was tossed against the wooden walls. The guns were twisted and the walls were pitted with shrapnel. I had on my tin helmet. My buddy didn't. He got a fractured skull. I got bits of shrapnel in my leg."

Without a doubt the most homesick man is Alan Wright, erstwhile welter-weight champion of Wales. Wright, being only a light weight, won the welter-weight championship from Taffy Williams in four rounds. Last Tuesday he received a wire informing him that he was the proud father to twin boys.

The R.A.F. boys are not a grim, hardened group of battle-scarred soldiers, but rather are clean-cut, healthy, good-looking lads who are out to finish a grim job. Their only complaint now is that they are not sharing the hardship and danger with their loved ones back in England.

One cannot look at these boys and doubt that "there'll always be an England."

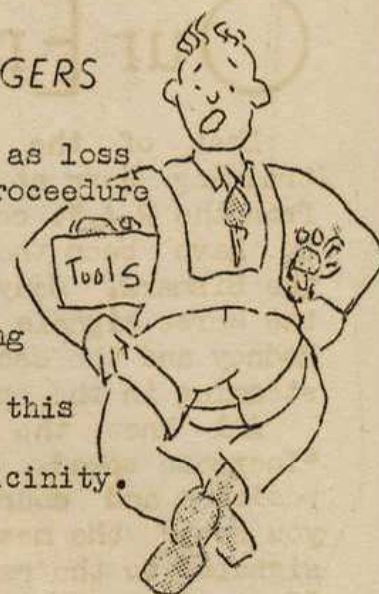
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INSTRUCTIONS - TO B-18 PASSENGERS

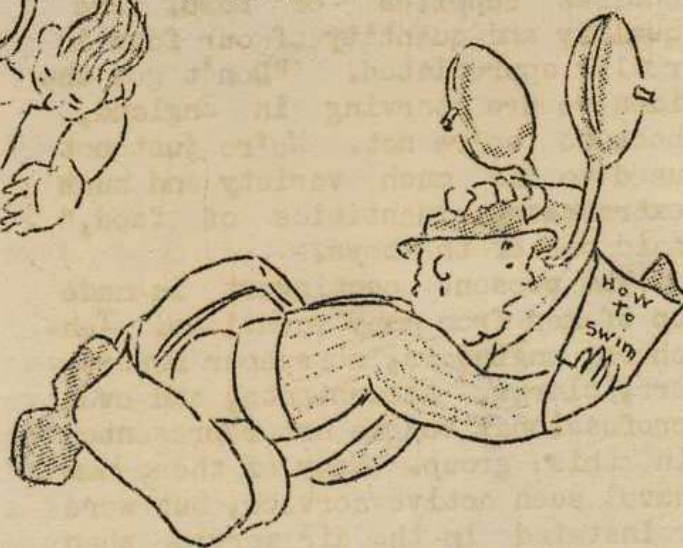
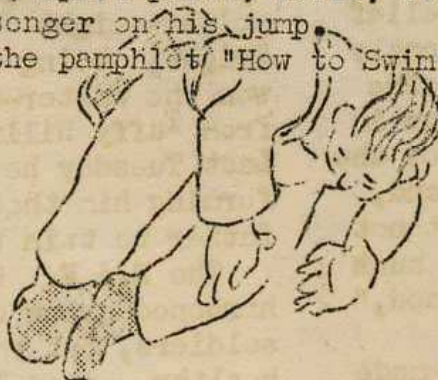
1. In case of engine failure or other minor trouble such as loss of wing, loss of propeller, fire, etc., the following procedure will be observed:

- a. Remove all loose radio equipment and tools.
- b. Ask pilot for Form 1 and fill out promptly.
- c. Send radiogram to Corps Area Headquarters requesting permission to make emergency jump.
- d. Check altitude and position and be sure to include this information in the aforementioned radiogram.
- e. Make a list of the best telephone numbers in the vicinity.
- f. Notify pilot that you are ready to jump.
- g. Jump.



2. After leaving ship, proceed as following:

- a. Count ten. (It may be necessary for some passengers to carry slide-rules for this purpose; in such cases they will be included in bundle of spare radio parts and tools carried.)
- b. Pull rip-cord. This is very important.
- c. If step b or c, or both, are omitted, the passenger will proceed immediately upon landing to the Post Operations Off., secure and fill out Form #1131 (Request for Sympathy) and mail same to Chief of Chaplains, U. S. Army, Washington, D.C. This will be accompanied by an unsatisfactory report on the parachute used. Failure to make such a report is punishable by fine.
- e. Form 101, radio, spare parts, tools, etc. will always be carried by passenger on his jump.
- f. In some cases the pamphlet "How to Swim" (1634-H) will be found helpful.





Technically Speaking -

By Capt. J. C. Turner

Each week TAILWIND will endeavor to present to its readers an article "Technically Speaking," by a Maxwell Field Officer.

The author of Technically Speaking for this week, Capt. John C. Turner, is Post Chemical Warfare Officer and an instructor in the Ground School here. Capt. Turner was graduated from The Citadel in Charleston in 1926, and commissioned 2nd Lt., U. S. Army Reserve.

After leaving The Citadel, Capt. Turner was engaged in teaching, and at the time he was called to active service last March was Principal of the Boy's High School in Anneton, South Carolina.

Capt. Turner served for a month at Edgewood Arsenal in Maryland before coming here in April of this year. There have been three classes of officers and non-commissioned officers in chemical warfare since Capt. Turner came to Maxwell Field.

Softball champions of Maxwell Field will be decided by a tournament now under way. A cup will be given to the winning team, a miniature gold watch-chain softball to each individual.

Games will be played at Diamond #2. Each organization will furnish one umpire.

To date Hq. Sqd., SEACTC, Finance Det., 16th Mat. Sqd., and the 505th Signal Op. Co. have eliminated their opponents, 40th AB Groups, 91st Sch. Sqd., 82nd Sch. Sqd., and 530th A. W. Co. respectively.

The soldier who is working with details of his own duties probably does not realize the tremendous amount of work necessary to maintain supplies for the vast Army, Navy and Air Corps, which is now being mobilized.

Our nation has the capacity and ability to mobilize and equip a very formidable force because we have gradually developed over the last twenty-five years to the point where we are the world's greatest industrial nation.

The application of science to our industries has revolutionized them. The vast research laboratories are constantly improving all industrial products and introducing new ones.

The discovery of a method of getting aluminum from bauxite by means of electricity, by Charles Martin Hall, has made possible our aviation.

The Octane fuels which have added tremendously to the capacity of bombers were developed by research chemists.

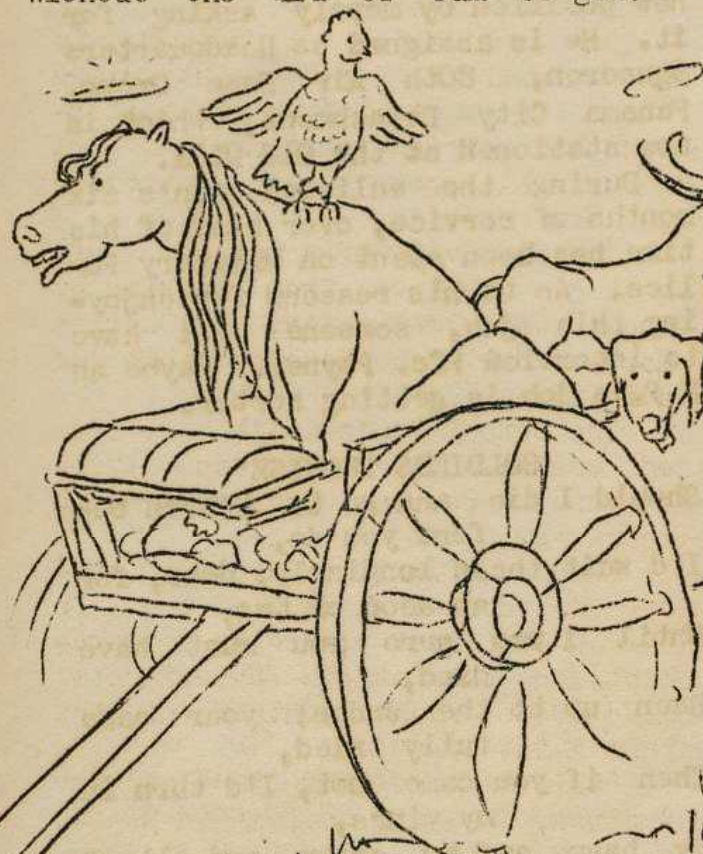
The use of anti-oxidants in rubber has more than doubled the life of rubber tires. Quite an improvement on the simple experiments made by Goodrich, father of the rubber industry.

Perilous times may lie ahead for America, but in war, as in peace, we can rely on our scientists, engineers, and industrialists to serve our country, to protect our way of living.

We of the Service should feel proud of our Comrades in Arms.

Longevity

The Horse and Mule live 30 years,
And nothing know of wine and beers,
The goat and sheep at 20 die
And never tasted Scotch or Rye.
The Cow drinks water by the ton,
And at 18 is mostly done.
The dog at 15 cashes in,
Without the aid of rum or gin.



The cat in milk and water soaks,
And then in 12 short years it croaks.
The modest, sober, bone-dry hen,
Lays eggs for nogs, then dies at 10.
All animals are strictly dry,
They sinless live, and swiftly die.
But Sinful, Ginful, rum-soaked men
Survive for three-score years and 10.

PERSONALITIES

Army life is a life of ease, they say. Two Maxwell Field privates, however, do not believe so. For them, Army life is satisfying and interesting - but not leisurely.

Pvt. Fred C. Johnson, of Huntsville, Ala., and Pvt. William A. Butts, of Thomaston, Ga., in charge of Hangar Six, work from 7 in the morning until 9 at night. Many and varied are their duties. They show the E & R free movies, make repairs of all kinds, are in charge of Hangar Six, act as stage property men, and perform numerous other tasks. In addition, Fred drives soldier students to and from evening classes in Montgomery.

Pvt. Johnson, a water works employee in civilian life, has had previous service in the Army, during which he was stationed at Fort Mc Clellan and Fort Davis, Panama Canal Zone. He reenlisted and reported for duty at Maxwell Field July 14, 1940.

While in Panama, Pvt. Johnson sailed through the Canal many times, acting as one of a transport guard on three occasions. He was aboard the first boat to be stopped by a German submarine, has visited San Blas Islands, Puerto Rico, and Porto Belle.

Pvt. Butts, prior to his enlistment in the Army six months ago, was a foreman in the Goodrich Martha Mills, largest tire-cord plant in the world.

Upon entry into the Air Corps Butts was told to report to Albany, Ga. After having arrived there he discovered that no enlisted men were to be stationed at that field. One bewildering week passed by before he was notified to report to Aug. 1, 1941

Maxwell Field.

Pvt. Butts is counting the days until the Cadet mental examination is given; his chief Army ambition being to become a Flying Cadet.

VOLUNTEER

A private first class added to the unusual happenings of army life last week by an outright and unpersuaded request for Military Police duties. The incident would have been less creditable if the volunteer had been a one-month rookie; but for a man with even six months' service behind him, it makes news.

Pfc. Cecil F. Poyner secured his new position by merely asking for it. He is assigned to Headquarters Squadron, 80th Air Base Group, Panama City Detachment, which is now stationed at the Old Mill.

During the enlisted man's six months of service, over half of his time has been spent on Military Police. As to his reasons for enjoying this job, someone will have to interview Pfc. Poyner. Maybe an M.P.'s job is getting softer.

SOLDIERS PROMISE

Should I die and go to Heaven before you do,
I'd wait there longingly, dear, for an aeon or two,
Until I was sure you must have died,
Been up to the Judge; your case fully tried,
Then if you came not, I'd turn in my wings,
My harp, and my crown, and all of those things,
And do as I've always vowed I'd do,
No fooling, dear, I'd go to Hell for you.

By Frank V. Dowling

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PRIVATE PILOTS

It is of interest that of the sixteen Selective Service Trainees who have been assigned and attached to this squadron during the past few months, twelve are licensed pilots. Most of these men can tell interesting stories of their experiences in flying and learning to fly.

Pvt. Frnk M. Mathews of Miami, Florida, has 790 hours in the air and has flown since 1927. Just prior to his induction into the Army, Pvt. Mathews was a student in instrument flying. Since the beginning of his flying career he has owned nine different planes, and has flown to Montreal, the West Coast, Mexico, and Nassau.

Once when Pvt. Mathews had started on a trip along the keys of Florida, a cylinder cracked and he was forced down. He landed safely in the bay and was soon picked up. Another time Mathews was caught between two thunder-storms and rather than trying to buck either of the storms, he made a forced landing in a plowed field. The plane nosed over and broke the propellor, but no other damage was done. He enjoys flying sea-planes more than land planes, but says despite all his hours in the air that he thinks it would be quite a thrill to fly one of the ships here at Maxwell.

Private Kenneth P. Long, another trainee from Duncansville, Pa., has learned to fly the hard way. He worked on his own dairy back home before his induction, delivering milk, tending to machinery, and keeping books. He usually finished his work early in the afternoon and would drive to town for his flying

lessons. Private Long has about 110 hours in the air, and he also looks forward to a flight in one of the fast ships here on Maxwell Field.

Long has made two trips to Florida in the little ship in which he learned to fly. He says that it is just like playing leap-frog: you have to stop every 90 or 100 miles to gas up.

Private Peter R. Palo, trainee from Stamford, Conn., has about 64 hours in the air. His narrowest escape was when he was forced down immediately after taking off because someone had turned off the gas. He barely missed crashing into a large stone wall near the end of the field. He says he is interested in the powerful planes here on Maxwell Field; and for some reason he likes the Army more and more.

ENGINEERS

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rebuild and maintain the roads, bridges and railways of France. Camouflage activities, searchlights, map reproduction, water supply, and general construction were other tasks that fell to them.

Harbors, canals, public buildings, are all the charges of the Engineers, who played a large part in the building of the National Capitol.

There is scarcely a year of our history or a mile of our soil which cannot testify to the ingenuity and initiative of the men who have made up the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

ARMY FIRST WITH LATEST

Army dentist hypnotizes girl to stop pain.



Wuv in the Wuff

by Wosey Trotter

MONOCLE BY THE COURTESY OF R.A.F. FOR BETTER
SNIPING OF MALE PIJINS.

My dear Miss Trotter -

I'm a Flying Cadet at Maxwell Field. I make 75 amonth, am tall, dark and handsome, have a new Ford (paid for, almost). My problem is sort of confidential. How about a date some nite. You know all the answers, and I want to ask you in private, "How does one fly?"

Love,
Byrd.

Dear Lovebyrd,
Don't fly! Go to Hollywood!

Dear Wosey - C/O "Wove in the Wuff",

I'm in Alabama for two months already, coming down from the Big City where I know a million goils (little nifties from the 50's, you know.)

Last nite I'm out dancing. I meet a swell blonde, a pip. She don't come through. She says, "I don't love you, like you, or want to see you!"

What should I do? I'm loving the goil.

New York Nick.

Dearest Nickie:

I didn't mind dancing with you, but if you snap my garter again and tell me you're stretching the evening, I won't even go out with you tonite.

Wove,
Wosey

Dear Wosey,

My problem is that my gal Sal demands that I get a raise. Rite now I'm in the Army at the Gov's. request, and am driving a truck. That's just what I did back home in Oshcosh, Mo. I asked the Major for a raise, but he said I had to show myself worthy of it.

Now I find out my gal is going with another guy! What am I to do?

Mortimer.

Dear Mort,

If you put a little jack under your truck maybe you could get a raise out of that. Or tell your girl to go to heaven, and maybe you could get a raise out of her! There's lots of different raise of doing things.

Woads of Wove,

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ABOUT THE SOLDIERS CENTER

According to president Green of the Soldiers Center, the U.S.O. will take charge of the center on August 1, and thereafter it will be operated by the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. The only changes will be in the personnel, and in an expansion of the present program.

Plans include fund-raising to increase the present facilities, and to take care of growing attendance. The basement will be renovated, and a fire-escape added to the front part of the building so that both floors can safely be used for dancing. The entire building is to be air-conditioned and amusement facilities will be enlarged.

The Soldiers Center opened April 5, with Col. Hornsby, Col. Sneed, and officers from Maxwell and Gunter Fields attending. Mr. Cliff Green, President of the Association, presided, and over 5,000 soldiers and citizens visited the center that day.

The amazing success of the Center is due to the cooperation of the citizens of Montgomery, and to the financial aid of the city and County. The W.P.A. is furnishing all the personnel with the exception of the director, Mr. Nelms.

The entertainment given to the boys by various civic organizations has tended to form a closer bond of understanding between soldiers and citizens. A great deal of the credit for bringing this about should go to Capt. Stone, energetic E. & R. officer at Maxwell Field.

REPORT CARDS EVEN YET

Some Army Posts are considering sending "Report Cards" to the soldiers' homes.

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FOR SOLDIERS

SUN., August 3 - 2:30 P. M.

Boys will be taken on automobile rides to various points in the city by citizens of Montgomery.

MON., August 4 - 7:30 to 8 P. M.

Broadcast from Soldiers Center - Southeast Air Corps Review.

TUES., August 5 - 7 to 10 P. M.

A group of Montgomery girls will be down to act as hostesses.

WED., August 6 - 3 to 6 P. M.

A group of Montgomery girls will be down to act as hostesses.

THURS., August 7 - 7:30 P. M.

Mrs. Fannie Marks Seibels and her Orchestra.

FRI., August 8

7:30 Field Show

7 to 10 P.M. A group of Montgomery girls will be down to act as hostesses.

SAT., August 9 - 3 to 6 P. M.

A group of Montgomery girls will be down to act as hostesses.

NOTES: We were most fortunate in obtaining Mrs. Fannie Marks Seibels and her Orchestra to play for us again. Be sure and be present as this program proved very popular with the boys the last time it was presented.

Watch the bulletin board at the Soldiers Center for an announcement of a future meeting of the Flying Club.

Don't forget to register in the Registration Book at the Information Desk.

From the library -

The Radio Branch of the War Dept's. Bureau of Public Relations has released some interesting data about soldiers' reading tastes. Librarians report a land office business in poetry books, which are hardly ever left on the shelves. This trend is most marked in the East, they say.

Men from the metropolitan area of New York like to read the best-selling novels and plays, but further west the demand switches to adventure and out-and-out Westerns. Thus, the Eighth Corps Area, which comprises the Southwest, reports a heavier demand for Western saga and romance than the First Corps Area comprising the New England States.

Fifth Corps Area Troops cannot get their hands on enough technical books and material. This is particularly true at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where part of the new Armored Force is stationed.

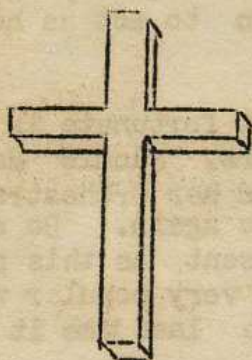
There is a noteworthy lack of interest in books about the war, contrary to the situation during the World War. Librarians feel that this is due to the easier availability of radio news and to wider coverage by newspapers and magazines. Events move so swiftly, they point out, that a book on the war is frequently outdated when it comes off the press.

Librarians keep tab on soldiers' preferences, and whenever it is possible requested books are added to library facilities.

There are some 500 Army Libraries in operation throughout the continental United States and outlying bases. Whenever a troop transport sails, a library travels along.

CHAPLAINS' NOTES

PROTESTANT SUNDAY SERVICES



Because of alterations in the Post Theater, services will be held this Sunday in the Conference Room (Room 126) in Austin Hall.

7:30 A.M. Holy Communion in Room 126, Austin Hall

8:30 A.M. Service for the Quarantine Area.

10:00 A.M. General Service in Room 126.

The Protestant Chaplains are available for consultation or conference from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P. M. at Room 10, Building 621, daily. Other hours will be arranged to meet any unusual need.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICES

Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30, and on Saturday night from 7:00 to 8:30.

Regular Mass is held Sunday morning in Hangar Six at 8:30.



I don't care if you do love dogs

"What is your occupation", asked the magistrate?

"I'm a locksmith, sir," replied the prisoner.

"Then what were you doing in that gambling house when the police raided it?"

"I was making a bolt for the door."

"Do you act toward your wife the same as you did before you were married?"

"Just the same. I remember when I first fell in love with her. I would lean over the fence of her house and gaze at her shadow on the curtain, afraid to go in. And I act exactly the same way now."

SQUADRON NEWS

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Why does Pvt. Ryan look blue every time he hears the record of Steel Guitar Blues? Who can say?

The Q. M. Squadron will begin playing ball in the city league soon. Any Q. M. boys who would like to play, and think they can make the team, can obtain complete details by getting in touch with either Red Smith, Co. "H", or Sgt Crowson of the 240th Q. M.

TO THE BOYS OF THE Q.M. DET.
If you have a lot of spare time,
And nothing else to do;
Lying on your bunk,
Glad the day is through;
Just just put aside a minute
Which I'm sure you'll never miss,
And drop a line to your family,
The ones who love you best;
No matter where you wander,
No matter what you do,
They're always there behind you
To help you see it through.
So take up your pencil
And write a line or two
To the dearest friend of every man;
I'm sure she writes to you.
And how about your brother
And perhaps your sister, too
Is waiting, like your father
To have some word from you.
I will not say any more
For I think this is enough -
But drop a line to the family
Even if the going's tough.

QUARTERMASTER DET. (WDOH)

- Leo Ablove

The enlisted men of the Q. M. C. Det. (WDOH) have come into a wind-fall. They have been issued free toilet articles consisting of a toothbrush, talcum powder, razor

blades, toothpaste, and bath towel. The money to purchase these came from the Company Fund.

In three evening sessions of one hour each, Lt. Garret, C. O. of the Q. M. C. Det., read The Articles of War to the entire Company. After each session a conciliatory pint of ice cream was served to each man.

In the very near future the Q. M. C. Det. is going to have a real old-fashioned Southern barbecue. All the food they can eat, all the beer they can drink, which is lots;

83RD SCHOOL SQUADRON

- Pfc. Thomas J. Atkinson

Pfc. James L. Brown was transferred to Albany, Ga., during the past week, to join the new Post Band now being organized at the Army Air Corps Flying School. Pvt. Brown was formerly a member of the Maxwell Field Band.

The 83rd Softball Club was challenged to a grudge practice game by the Hq. and Hq.,

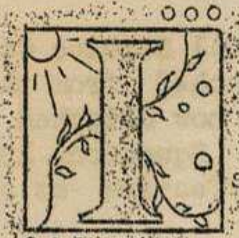
Tech. Sgt. E. G. Fanning is the proud father of a baby girl. Mrs Fanning is reported to be doing nicely.

Pvt. Harmon G. Hart was transferred to Pittsburg - Allegheny County Airport, Pennsylvania. Pvt. Hart applied for this transfer so that he could be near his home in that city.

Pvt. Ronald L. Weller was granted an emergency furlough for ten days to visit his brother who was injured in an automobile accident in Wadsworth, N. Y.

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TIMELESSNESS OF LOVE



shall encase your hands in diamonds;
 your hair, because of me shall

sweep through seven seas

in memory of love.

The blank grating of stone

on stone will soften into sighing,

your lips shall turn the glare of suns

from mirrored vanity to the caressing

of soft silk on blades of grass

still holding the warmth of flesh;

earth silhouetted by the blandness

of green sky will be shadowed

with your eyes deep under the recesses

of time in space.

And space in the guise

of unexpressed emotion

shall cling to my soul.

- H. Dickinson

SQUADRON NEWS

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The 83rd had a larger promotion list this week than at any other time since the start of the organization. A total of 67 Pfc's. and Specialist ratings were given to deserving men in the organization. Everybody was happy about it except the 1st Sergeant, and he admitted it was worth the trouble to see the happy recipients.

82ND SCHOOL SQUADRON
- Pvt. W. A. Lingle -

Pvt. Thomas B. Ahern, of this squadron, has returned to Maxwell Field. He has been studying radio at Scott Field in Illinois.

Pvt. Ernest Nichols will receive his discharge Friday, Aug. 1, 1941.

The 82nd School Squadron played the 16th Mat. Squadron a game of softball; the result was in favour of the 16th, 20 to 2.

FIFTH SIGNAL SERVICE CO. DET.
- Pfc. John M. Fountain

Pvt. Douglas S. Webb has been granted a fifteen-day furlough effective August 2nd. He will visit his home in Atmore, Ala., during his leave.

Cpl. Leo F. Spivey was released from the Post Hospital Sat. morning, July 26. He has been there since July 15, recovering from an attack of malaria. All the men of this organization are glad to have Cpl. Spivey with us again.

Sgt. Ellsworth Rhoads returned Wednesday, July 23, from the Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, at his own request. He was one of a group of enlisted men who were sent from here to attend the

Officers' Candidate School at Fort Monmouth.

The 5th Signal Service Co. Det. has been unattached from the 83rd Squadron and is now attached to the 14th Air Base Squadron, 13th Air Base Group, effective as of July 26, 1941.

Corporal Leo F. Spivey has been granted a fifteen-day furlough and will leave for his home in Thorsby Ala., on Friday, Aug. 1st.

16TH AND 14TH SQUADRONS
- Pfc. Marshall V. Hale

16TH

Merry Merry is staggering around with a dazed look in his eyes these days...seems he's going to leave us soon. And is he happy? If he owes any of you anything you better grab 'im quick.

Pfc. "Ferocious" Walters is back from a 15-day furlough, and the Mrs is with him. Guess the girls will have to suffer in silence for a while.

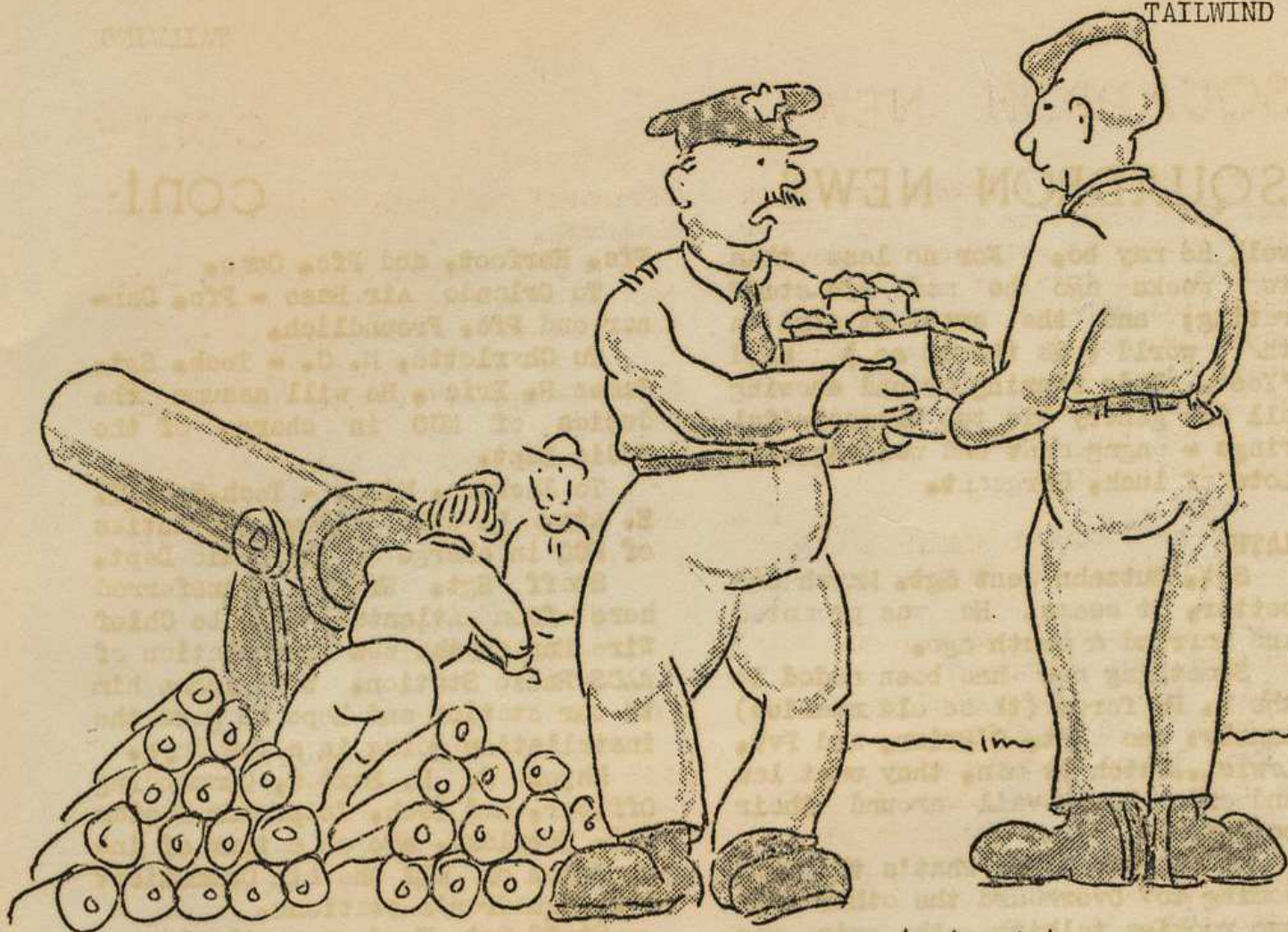
An awful noise in Orderly Room 1 caused passers-by to clap their hands over their ears yesterday. Upon investigation 'twas found that Pfc. Goff and Cpl. Rewerts were singing....The words of the song could not be understood, and for a while it was thought they were crooning in some foreign tongue.... Seems they were merely checking over the pay roll and singing the names. (Imagine singing words like Todeczylodska, Romanoekszxfoo, Zglarocjavitch, Tworsnitch, Cloy-utbubble, and Fnug!)

Staff Sgt. Marsh is HAPPY! And

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All he does is load them into the cannon
 Sir - his wife baked them.

Cop: "Have you any explanation for wandering around drunk at this time of the night?"

Drunk: "Shay, if I had an explanation, I'd have faced my wife an hour ago."

Boy Friend: "Are you free this evening?"

Girl Friend: "Well, not exactly free, but very inexpensive."

Dealer: "This vase is over two thousand years old, sir."

American Millionaire: "Ohh Yeah. Don't try to pull that stuff over on me. It's only 1941 now."

A robber holding up a pullman car, shouted,

"Out with the dough or I'll kill all the men and molest the women"

An elderly man said indignantly:

"You will not touch the ladies."

Just then an old maid in an upper Berth yelled out, "You leave him alone -- HE'S robbing this train."

Some people are never satisfied. For example, the prisoner who complained if the literature that the prison angel gave him to read.

"Nuthin' but continued stories," he grumbled, "and I'm to be hung next Tuesday."

SQUADRON NEWS

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well he may be. For no less than two weeks ago he made his staff rating; and the sweetest girl in the world (He thinks so) said "Yes". He's running around showing all the gentry his two bee-oot-iful rings - engagement and wedding..... Lots of luck, Sergeant.

14TH

Sgt. Rutzahn went Sgt. Marsh one better, it seems. He was promoted and married a month ago.

Something new has been added to the M. P. force (those old meanies) namely: one Pvt. O'Brien, and Pvt. Lewis...Watch it men, they want law and order to prevail around their baliwick.

Whoops, my deah, what's the Army coming to? Overheard the other day, two rookies talking...the gripe was ...NO SHREDDED WHEAT for breakfast! One said he just "couldn't" get accustomed to not having it for a morning eye-opener. Hwaw.

The orchids for this month go to Pvt. Russell Wright who has just been appointed to the Flying Cadets. He did it the hard way, too, passing the mental exam, as well as the physical, with flying colors. CONGRATS Russell.

FOURTH COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON:

- Sgt. Daucy T. Nichols

Transfers from Maxwell AACS to other AACS Stations are as follows:

To Atlanta - Sgt. Theodore Foye, Cpl. Geo. Newman, Pfc. Rollow, Pfc. Farwell, and Pfc. Kozenczak

To Drow Field - Staff Sgt. H. C. Waters. He will assume the duties of NCO in charge of the Radio Dept.

To Elgin Field - Corporal Hansen

Pfc. Kerfoot, and Pfc. Cave.

To Orlando Air Base - Pfc. Danner and Pfc. Freundlich.

To Charlotte, N. C. - Tech. Sgt. James R. Price. He will assume the duties of NCO in charge of the Radio Dept.

To Jackson, Miss. - Tech. Sgt. T. E. Atx. He will assume the duties of NCO in charge of the Radio Dept.

Staff Sgt. Wray, transferred here from Atlanta, will be Chief Wire Man on the new installation of AACS Radio Station. We welcome him to our station and hope he gets the installation going in a few days.

Major D. H. Baxter, Commanding Officer, and Tech. Inspector Master Sgt. Bobulski, are on a tour of inspection of all the 4th Communications Squadron's stations.

Staff Sgt. Wood, recently transferred from Atlanta, assumed duties as Chief Mechanic, Hunter Loop Radio Transmitter Station. He is doing a nice job. We hope he keeps up the good work as no one knows how much H--L we go through when the XMITTER goes off the air.

First Sgt. Biggs, Master Sgt. Bobulski, and Tech. Sgt. Perry have the good fortune of Post quarters.

Sgt. Robertson has that faraway look lately. Always talking of a 30 day furlough. He says if he doesn't get it soon his girl back home will push off with some draft dodger. It may not be serious after all, Sgt.

Sgt. Thompson took the Cadet exam a few weeks ago. He is telling all the boys what a fine Flying Sgt he will make for Uncle. Keep up the good work, Sgt. We all give you our best regards.

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